



MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL ... DON'T BE LATE!

Remember that after November 11, membership renewals are subject to surcharges for late payment. Late renewals received after November 11 will be assessed a surcharge of \$25. The office will contact members who have not renewed prior to November 15 to confirm as to whether they are renewing their membership or not. The names of members who have not renewed and not notified the office will then be posted on the notice boards at the entrances to the Club grounds. Don't delay! Paying dues after December 1 will result in a surcharge of \$50, paying after January 1 will result in a surcharge of \$100, and in order to renew membership after February 1 members will have to pay the full re-initiation fee. New members may of course join at any time throughout the year; this policy applies to renewals only.

We will be issuing new ID tags to our members after the first week of November. Once the ID tags are available, the office will contact everyone who has reviewed their memberships to make arrangements for receiving ID tags.

WHAT'S GOING ON: November

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Intercollegiate Horse Show
Hosted by UBC Equestrian in the
Indoor November 7-8

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Remembrance Day Holiday
SRC Clubhouse closed, grounds open
for business as usual

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Dressage Percent Day
Covered Arena

Coming Next Month ...

Christmas Playday
December 6

Liz Ashton H/J Clinic
December 12-13: details below

LIZ ASHTON JUMPER CLINIC

We are happy to welcome Liz Ashton to SRC for a jumping clinic on December 12 and 13. Liz has now retired as President of Camosun College on the Island to return to coaching, training and showing. Liz's business EqSport is focused on the development of high performance athletes, both human and equine.

Liz holds a number of degrees: BPhE; MA; MEd; PhD; Honorary Doctorate of Laws. But in addition to all of those letters, her practical accomplishments are many! She has been a member of three Canadian Olympic teams and medalist at the 1978 Pan American Games and 1978 World Championships, with a total of six years on the Canadian Show Jumping Team and 11 years on the Canadian Eventing Team. Her accomplishments as a rider include 4th in the

FEI Women's World Show Jumping rankings, leading International Rider at the Royal Winter Fair, the first Canadian to win the prestigious President's Cup in Washington, DC, Leading Foreign Rider at the Washington International Horse Show, and winner of two International Puissance classes, topping out at 6'8" and 7'1"!

An EC Level III Coach, Liz has served as a National Examiner and Master Course Conductor, and was co-designer of the National Coaching Certification Program for equestrian coaches. She was a chairperson of the Canadian Eventing Team from 1988 to 1992, managing the Team and its



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development programs, and also served on the Canadian Equestrian Team Board of Directors during that time. In the academic world, Liz was Director of Equine Studies at Humber College, and most recently, President of Camosun College.

She is currently competing in show jumping throughout Western Canada, the Northwest United States and California.

This clinic includes two sessions of two hours in duration, with a maximum of six riders per group. Cost is \$225 + GST for SRC members (\$235 + GST for non-members). Included in the clinic fee is a Saturday evening lecture on fitness programs for riders. This session is open to all at a cost of \$10 for those not enrolled in the clinic. Registration forms are available in the Clubhouse lobby or on the SRC website www.southlandsriddingclub.com.

GROUNDS REPORT

It's that time of year again when we bid good vacation to David Winter. He is off to Mexico for the winter, lucky guy! Heather will be holding down the Club with the help of Greg and Clayton for the winter months.

Now that the days are shorter and weather wetter, please remember that our staff will be working the Indoor and Covered arenas first in the morning. This means that between 7 a.m. and 8 a.m. our staff is maintaining your riding surfaces and have right of way. If you are one of those early bird riders please give way so the staff can safely perform their jobs.

On November 9 our irrigation system will be winterized starting at 7 a.m. and going until about 10 a.m. The track sprinklers will be going off so please access the Club at the 53rd Avenue entrance by the portable stabling.

As is the norm as this time of year all maintenance and projects are weather dependent.

Please note that the lights for the riding areas will be going off at 9:30 p.m.

Just a friendly reminder of our ring rules for the winter season when everyone tends to head for the roofed rings:

- Pass left shoulder to left shoulder.
- Lateral work follows the "left shoulder to left shoulder" rule - it does not have right of way.
- The "rail" or wall position is reserved for trotting or cantering. Horses walking or halted must allow room for two horses to pass on the rail.
- When overtaking another horse moving in the same direction, pass on the inside track toward the center of the arena (unless that horse is working on a circle, or walking on the inside track)
- Horses working on a circle stay to the inside of horses travelling on the rail.
- Horses working on the diagonal, centerline or quarter line do not have right of way.
- When in doubt, call it! If you are passing another horse and remaining on the inside track (e.g. starting a circle) call "INSIDE". To let another rider know that you are staying to the outside, call "RAIL".

- Riders jumping must ensure that the jumping line is free before using the fence, and must call "fence" or "heads up" or otherwise indicate their intention to jump a fence.
- Riders who knock down a jump must reset it. Jumps may be raised or lowered, but not moved.
- Riders 15 or under must be supervised by an Instructor or other responsible adult while jumping.
- Spectators are not allowed in the rings except with permission of instructors.
- Only instructors may sit on the railings and only on the corner of the arena railings.
- All members are welcome to ride in the rings during lessons. Please ride with the same courtesy you would like to enjoy during your own lesson. When sharing the arena with other riders, those taking part in lessons should follow the same ring rules.
- Do not tie horses to jumps or railings or let horses loose in any ring other than the round pen.

Working with the Wet Weather

As per our usual winter schedule all clinics will be held in the Indoor Arena. When there is a clinic being conducted in the Indoor, the jumps will be removed from the Covered Arena and on the Sunday of the event there will be three fences set up in the Covered Arena. For dressage percent days we will set up the dressage fences in the Covered Arena.

There is a large demand for jumping lessons held at SRC. Consensus among our instructors is that the best way to accommodate this is for the jumps to remain in the Covered Arena for November and December. For a portion of January, in anticipation of more “challenging” weather conditions, we will be rotating the jumps from the Indoor to the Covered Arena. There will be notices emailed to our members pertaining to this. In the meantime, the Indoor Arena will not have any jumps set up in it except for clinics or other events.

The following guidelines will be used for allocation of arena teaching times during the Winter season: **October through to March.**

Covered Arena

Two jumping lessons will be allowed at the same time. These lessons can be 2 private jumping lessons or 1 private and 1 group jumping lesson (group being no more than 3 riders)

Indoor Arena

Two flat lessons at the same time. One of these flat lessons may be a group lesson (no more than 3 riders in a group)

Big Ring

Two jumping lessons at a time.

McCleery Ring

One jumping lesson at a time.

Dressage Ring & Carnarvon Ring

One flat lesson at a time.

McCutcheon Ring

Two flat lessons at a time.

Special Event Weekends (for roofed ring spaces)

The day before the start of the clinic the jumps will be removed from the Covered arena.

When there is an event happening, on the Sunday there will be three fences set up and there can only be one **private** lesson in the ring at any lesson time.

Jump Setting

Outdoor jumping rings will be set every second week. This may change depending on footing conditions around jumps. The Covered arena will be re-set on Monday mornings at 10:15 a.m.

WELCOME NEW INSTRUCTOR

SRC is pleased to welcome Tanya Rosen, EC Level II Coach to our approved SRC Instructors roster.

Had an Incident Lately?

As we move into Winter, the number of frisky horses and “out of tack experiences” for our members is on the rise. It is a big help to the office if you can let us know of any incidents that you are involved in – even as a witness – when either a fall (even if nobody is injured) or damage occurs. Please give us a call and let us know what has happened on the grounds so that we can keep a record of details, or feel free to fill in one of the forms that you can find in the Clubhouse lobby. It’s important for property insurance claims in the case of equipment/facility damage, and it demonstrates to the Club’s insurers that we have a system in place for monitoring and mitigating risks to our members and visitors. Everything we do to manage our potential exposure to insurance claims helps to keep the cost of premiums down, so your help is appreciated!



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