## **Erme Valley RDA**



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## May 2024

We are right in the middle of all our competition season! A very busy time! Good luck to all taking part over the next few weeks.

The regional show jumping and countryside challenge was a huge success, well done to all those that took part with 9 riders qualifying for the nationals in July. We also celebrated several winners in the art.

We had a very successful weekend at Bicton for the south west British Dressage Inter county show. We took 9 riders and 5 horses and everyone achieved fantastic results. We had some lovely compliments about our horses who all behaved impeccably. Thank you to British dressage for having us back again for another year and we look forward to returning next year!

Some of you may have noticed that there are road works on the way into Ugborough if you are coming from the A38, there is still access to us, please ignore the initial road closed sign and take the next turn on the right you should then know where you are!

Thank you to all those that helped us to have a very successful Tea with a pony this week. We had record numbers, that enjoyed a farrier demonstration and lots of lovely tea and cake.

The horses are all working incredibly hard at the moment, we are still looking for the right horses so there may be times when participants will need to ride the mechanical horse to make sure our horses are not over worked. Thank you for your continued understanding of this. If you don't wish to ride the mechanical horse please let us know in advance.

## **Dates:**

7th May - Tea with a pony

14th May Regional Dressage at Lakefield (Times to follow)

16th May DEVON county show - NO AFTERNOON OR EVENING SESSIONS work experience finish at lunch time.

21st May Accessible Social Club - Decorating horseshoes

4th June Accessible Social Club - Saltram Walk

10th -15th June - Helper training week during sessions

13th June - Helper training evening (6pm - 8pm)

18th June Accessible Social Club - Gardening

25th June Tea with a Pony

1st July - 6th July 10am - 2pm: Coffee morning week

2nd July Accessible Social Club - The Brook coffee morning and grooming

16th July Accessible Social Club - Beach Trip

11th 12th 13th 14th July Nationals at Hartpury (NO RIDING SESSIONS)

18th July AGM/ BBQ 40th Birthday celebration

20th July - End of Term

29th July - Helpers needed to cover an activity day.

Working parties throughout the summer dates TBC

Happy hoof dates TBC