

# Erme Valley RDA

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July 2022

Thank you to everyone that has worked hard recently to enable the sessions to keep running. This will be the last newsletter until September when we will endeavour to do them monthly again when time permits.

## **Helper training week - 27th of June to the 2nd of July**

All sessions will run as usual but priority will be given to volunteers and coaches to refresh/add to their knowledge and time to ask questions. We will be practising emergency procedures and adding to helper skills bank. There will be a helper and participant annual survey coming out shortly please do your very best to complete this.

## **Coffee morning Week 4th July - 10th July**

There will be Raffles cakes and coffees and you'll be able to visit the horses every morning between 10 and 2 pm.

## **Competitions**

We have had regional competition in showjumping dressage and countryside challenge everyone had excellent results 14 participants are off to the nationals on the 14th to 17th July good luck to team Erme Valley.

We also had some great results from the inter-county British dressage competition at Bicton Arena, the riders did us all proud.

At the regionals the artists we had three winners and they're going through to the National well done. A big special thank you to Ysabel for all her hard work to enable the riders to take part in this.

## **AGM**

On Thursday, the 12th of July at 6:30 there is a barbecue and AGM this will be held at The Brook everyone is welcome to join. Please be sure to vote for your committee who we are ever grateful to for all the hard work. Especially to Ginny Crawley who has stepped down after several years of time and dedication to us as a director.

We have several work experience pupils from schools and units so please welcome them and help them to settle in especially those that are new to us.

## **Fundraising**

Thank you very much for the recent donations from; Salcombe arts club, Mr G Welch and the individuals via Just Giving.

Mr and Master Kenny £500 football

Mr Tony Watson £1000

We are beginning to make some money back following Covid but please have us in your thoughts and keep the money flowing in.

## **SEIB**

Again we have been shortlisted for the final of the SEIB a group of the year. We find out on the 6th of July please keep your fingers crossed.

We have been awarded a five star rating by South Hams licensing authority. There was much hard work involved but well worth the recognition.

## **Social club**

The accessible social club has been running now for a term and everyone has really enjoyed themselves with lots of different activities, both at The Brook and out and about. This will continue to run throughout the summer please get in touch if you would like to take part and for dates.

## **ASDAN**

The Asda qualification short course in animal care will be running on a Thursday morning for six weeks during the school summer holidays beginning on 28th July 9.30 -1pm. This is open to all over the age of 14. Please get in touch with Sophie before the **14th July** if you would like to take part. The course has a £20 registration fee which covers the individual workbooks and certification. The sessions will £10 per morning.

## **Summer holidays**

Working parties are needed for; jump painting, yard tidying, rugs, stables, tack room and field maintenance please help us to help you.  
Contact Peggy for days.

## **Important notes**

Signing in and out is to continue please make sure you do this.  
The contact number on the day of the sessions is (07882) 286421 for anything else please email.

Our database has kindly been redone by Shelagh thank you very much for endless patience and time. Please remember to inform us of any changes to your personal details. We still need one parent or carer to help with their participant when they come please find out what is required from the office.

Very sadly we announce the passing of Helen Kingwell. Helen volunteered with us for many years and will be sorely missed.

## **Dates**

4th - 9th July - Coffee morning week (raffle, nearly new stall and cake needed!)  
12th July - first aid course all day  
13th July - Morning Emergency first aid course  
14th July - No Sessions  
16th July - No sessions  
21st July - AGM and BBQ at the Brook @ 6.30pm  
23rd July - Last session  
28th July - ASDAN session 1  
7th September - Term Re starts  
25th October - Advanced notice of SW training day