



The winning team!

SUPPER QUIZ NIGHT

BHS HERTS Committee organised a Supper Quiz night in Bayford which raised £450 for BHS access and welfare issues. The winning team, Woodside Pacers, from Woodside Livery Stables in Wildhill are pictured here

This was the second successful year of the quiz and organisers updated everyone on how some of last year's money was spent. A well-used path near Bayford called Stockings Lane had a dangerous deep muddy patch, in front of a bridge. Unfortunately this section of the bridle route is not currently recorded on the Definitive Map, so the Herts CC Access Officer could not carry out work on it.

BHS Area Access Officers and local riders are in the process of putting together an application to record this used route, but it is likely to some time before HCC can investigate any application and carry out work on the route. There have been a number of minor accidents at the site, but a contractor agreed to re-surface this area at a greatly reduced price and this work has now been carried out.

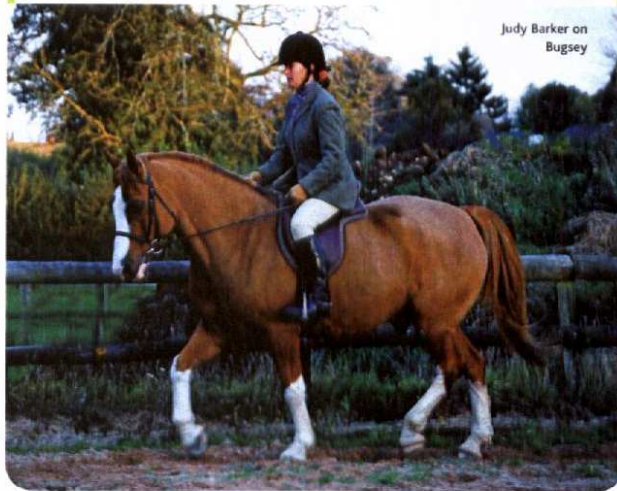
Gloucestershire DRESSAGE



BHS GLOUCESTERSHIRE hold regular training clinics at The Hyde Riding Centre, ending with a small dressage competition.

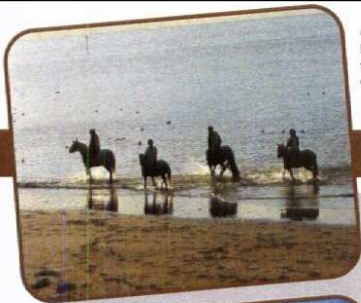
Riders competed in Prelim 18 and Prelim 4, enjoying the friendly atmosphere and refreshments. Judged by Mrs Callow, there were prizes of feed vouchers and pasture mix bars for the horses, which were sponsored by Dodson and Horrell.

If you are interested in attending these clinics, which are for all abilities of horse and rider, contact Julie Crew on 07855 852710. Lessons are held every two weeks at 6pm. ■



Judy Barker on Bugsey

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Can you help to map the Kent coastline?



► MAPPING PILOT IN KENT

THE BHS continues to ensure equestrians are involved in the consultation, piloting and implementation of the new Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.

Natural England has identified Kent as one of five lead coastal areas where they plan to start delivering new and improved access. Given the importance of the Act – and its potential to make available new routes and improve access for equestrians – RABO Liz Akenhead and South and East Kent county chairman Julie Biggs have organised a meeting at 11am on Saturday 16

January at The Grand Hotel, Folkestone.

They will welcome anyone who feels they can offer support in helping to map the Kent coastline, identifying areas suitable for equestrian use. As Liz Akenhead said: "This is a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to assess the whole Kent coastline for suitability for equestrian use – and it could result in new routes and improved access for all."

If you are interesting in attending or would like to find out more, contact Liz on 01892 723920 or email liz@akenhead.plus.com.