Minutes of the Ewshot Riding Club AGM October 08

The Chairman opened the meeting by welcoming members.

We like to start with thanking Mr and Mrs Watts for their continued support of the Club and allowing us the use of the Sandschool and woods up at Ewshot.

The year started off the having work done to the XC course with repairing jumps and a general tidy up and cut back of undergrowth.

Although this did'nt quite go to plan and the weather played a part and delayed the start and when it was finished we were unable to use the course as the ground was so wet we were worried about causing damage .

As the weather improved we were able to hold our clear rounds, which we continued throughout the summer and were a great success with a good turnout everytime.

Into the autumn we held two Dressage events, which although numbers were low it was enough to carry on and all turned out alright in the end.

We invited the World horse Welfare Roadshow up to Ewshot - this was called the Right Weight Roadshow - open to all members we had a low

turnout which was a shame as it turned out to be a very informative morning, quite shocking being shown some overweigh cases which the girls had on record to show us, discussing the implications of being overweight which can lead to a lifetime of health problems.

The girls talked to each owner and every horse actually went onto the scales!! as well being measured using a weight tape.

They spent all morning with us and the sun shone as well.

Treasurers Report

All attending received a copy of the accounts for last season, which look healthy. Accounts proposed by Annette Bell and seconded by Liz O'Donnell

Cups were awarded to Julie Jones for her success in Senior Dressage and Eleanor Boman for Junior Dressage.

Election of Committee

Suzanne McSharry will be standing down as Chairman, but will stay on as a committee member.

New Chairman will be Julie Jones - seconded by Annette Bell

Membership Secretary - Linda Boman

Treasurer - Karen Wellington

Committee members - Amanda Smith

Liz O'Donnell Anne Watkin Sue McSharry

Junior Committee Laura Watkin

Anne and Linda agreed to organise setting up a website - with the help of their husbands We agreed to continue advertising on Riding Diary as Chairman has had plenty of enquiries this way

Centerpoint Tackshop would be interested in coming to our events and supporting us, we need to chat to Mrs Watts to see if OK coming up to Sandschool.

Possible sale of old wooden jumps, as their are just sitting around rotting, extra funds for club

Mr and Mrs Watts had asked if possible can we organise a stone picking day (in the Sandschool)

it was agreed at the next event we would do a bit, weather permitting!!

We asked along David Collings of Hampshire Horsewatch, having visited us some five years previously.

He gave us a very valuable talk and update all about the set up and what we can do to help ourselves and others if the need arises.

Leaflets are attached. Please read and log on its as easy as that.

Sue