

DUTCH DRESSAGE SUMMER NEWSLETTER

A big hello again - we haven't disappeared but what with that wet, wet, long, long winter and Okke having taken a nasty fall and shattered his collar bone, we've been a little on the back burner.

A big apology for being away for so long, it's sunny, we're back and lots has been going on.

We have had some good times and some bad. This newsletter is dedicated to Sonny, Sally's lovely old cob who aged 33 went to horse heaven after a very happy and varied life. He never changed, always cheeky, even as an old gentleman and is very sadly missed. He will never be forgotten.



So, the sun is now shining and Okke is back in one piece and riding again after a period of mending and convalescing. However, even though he couldn't ride there was no escaping lessons.

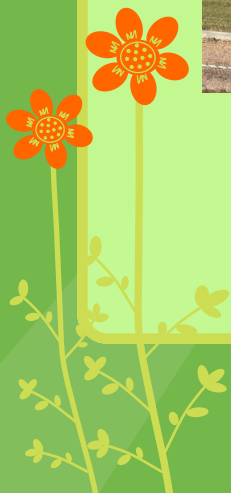
Everyone has been asking for a monthly update and we are going to continue to write something more regularly. Look out for our updates - we'll give you a bit of blog and a bit of newsletter.



The horses are out for the summer but still working hard, winter rugs are stored in the now complete rug room and instead of Hot Chocolate we're all drinking gallons of water and lots of tea and fizzy (sugar free I emphasize) drinks.



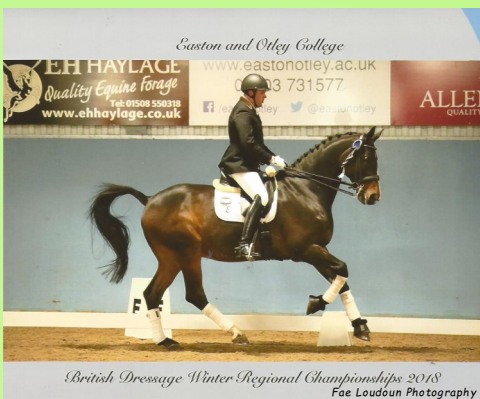
The school is looking good with it's new addition of sleepers which now frame the edges of the arena. There is new decking and plants and nice white venetian planters.



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We are looking forward with excitement to a school with mirrors. Not for vanity purposes you must understand but to correct all those little errors we think we got right but on observation are told we haven't. There is a certain horse on the yard we will have to discourage from looking at himself - yes "Sir" Punjabi, we mean you – the Sir was never a good idea!

We continue with our Luke Baber-Davies clinics which have been very successful and fully subscribed so if you are interested it is worth booking up quickly. Luke is a great trainer and we all come away with a great deal of homework to do. Luke is coming regularly so please call to find out future dates.

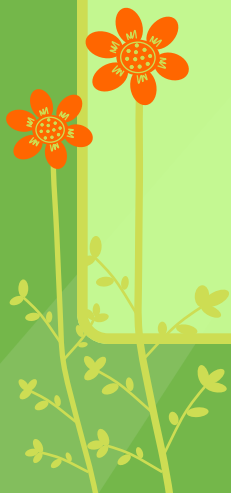


Despite bad weather and a shattered collar bone, Okke has still been out competing and gaining excellent results. Cheddar competed in both the Advanced Medium and Advanced Medium freestyle at The Regionals.

More recently, Spike at the Centaur Trust gained 69% in both his classes, winning both and Sienna performed her first Medium that day with 67.9%.



Sienna

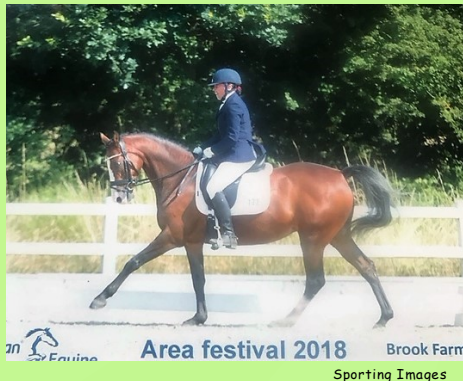


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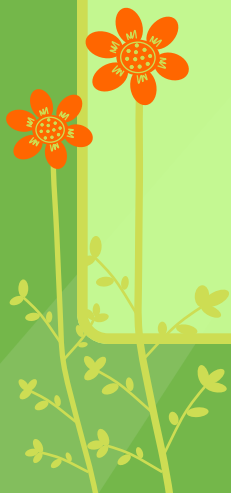
Okke and Cheddar again had a great result at the Sheepgate Premier League in Boston, Lincolnshire. He gained a score of 62.5% which is a fantastic result based on the fact that this was a first outing at Prix St George for 8 months and we were all thrilled.



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Our liveries too are getting great results. They are very dedicated and work really hard. Karry with her 11 year old horse, Jerry Lee scoring 66.11% and Jenny with 6 year old Forben Frohe (which means Colourful although he's known generally as Goose), scoring 65.83%. Really well done to them - great results!!



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We have two new sponsors - Voltaire Saddles (Voltaire Design). Designers of French Saddles, Voltaire Designs: www.voltairedesign.com

These saddles are custom made in the French Town of Espelette and were first launched in the USA. They have attracted some of the greatest Olympic champion riders. They are made using the finest materials, are highly customised and are very recognisable from their blue striped gullet.



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Our second new sponsor is Roben Equine Supplements. Based on the outskirts of Sudbury, Roben Equine was set up in 2008 by a team of veterinary surgeons and pharmacists with over 70 years experience between them. They produce evidence based supplements

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This is very exciting news and we are looking forward to working closely together with both sponsors going forward.

Finally something to look out for - our own range of merchandise, currently in production. We are hoping to have shell jackets, polo shirts and other items so we'll let you know when they arrive and the range we have available.

In the meantime we leave everyone with the joy of the sunshine and perhaps not quite the joy of riding in 27 degrees - I am sure that everyone will agree that the creation of the horse fly was a bad idea.

For further information please contact Okke Krol on **07772 887497** and keep an eye on our Facebook page for new events and information.

