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COMING SOON FOR 2023....



SCT has much to offer its apprentices and employers in 2023... the much-celebrated Masterclass Series - which gives apprentices and employers the chance to learn directly from the very best coaches and riders in Britain - kicks off on Friday 31 March at Parklands EC, Sheffield. Showjumper Joe Whitaker, himself a former SCT apprentice and keen supporter of the programme, will return from senior Nations Cup duties and winning the World Cup in Abu Dhabi to teach groups of SCT apprentices and employers.

SCT's excellent 'Winning Ways' seminar returns at Chatsworth House on Monday 24 April. This year, the seminar focuses on best practice to help business sustainability and growth, reduce costs and raise awareness of grants to help the environment and horses.

The speakers include Chatsworth Horse Trials' Director Patricia Clifton, a highly experienced FEI Technical Delegate at CCI5\* and Championship level, on "What makes a world-class event?". Henry Taylor from Taylor Made Forage will discuss effective field management and the annual cycle of pasture care, while press officer and journalist Catherine Austen will offer thoughts on business promotion through social media use.

Anna Goodley from Lycetts will talk about reducing the costs of horse and employers' liability insurance. There will be a presentation from Peninsula on up-to-date best practice in health and safety and employment law. A speaker from the Forestry Commission will offer great advice on the benefits of trees and tree-planting to your business, and what grants are available in that area. Finally, David Evans - course-builder and course-designer of cross-country courses up to Olympic and CCI5\* level - will discuss cross-country course design and planning.

SCT Chief Executive Belinda Turner MBE said: "The Seminar aims to give a privileged insight into best practice to support equine businesses within the current economic and environmental pressures and the key role they can play in contributing to improvements in these areas. We are privileged to have the involvement of world class speakers and really appreciate their support".

SCT's strong links with Chatsworth mean that during the prestigious horse trials (12-14 May), SCT apprentices and employers have the opportunity to undertake various volunteer roles that will show them the nuts and bolts of how a major sporting event is staged. Chatsworth International Horse Trials will also host the final judging of the SCT Enterprise Award 2023, which rewards SCT apprentices who contribute to the success of the organisation by which they are employed.

And there is another very special Masterclass scheduled for Monday 3 July at Pickering Grange Equestrian with world-renowned Olympic coach Chris Bartle, trainer of the senior British eventing team and former Badminton winner and Olympian. This Masterclass will include the final judging of the SCT 'Apprentice of the Year' Award, again very kindly sponsored by Lycetts Insurance with a £250 prize, judged by Lycetts Director Anna Goodley and Chris Bartle.

There are also First Aid courses taking place at Pickering Grange on 12 June and Moorhouse EC on 19 June.



JODIE MORLEY: SAYWELL REHABILITATION CENTRE ★★

I am a level 2 apprentice working for Andrew and Jake Saywell based in Upton, Newark. Saywell Equestrian is a competition, breeding and rehabilitation yard. The facilities are excellent and consist of an indoor arena, 2 outdoor arenas (1 all weather and 1 on grass), lunge pen, horse walker, great hacking and lots of turnout. The Rehabilitation Centre is open to the public, facilities consist of a water treadmill, spa, dry treadmill, Theraplate, Equisir Box and salt therapy room.

They have 2 yards, the main yard is where the competition and rehabilitation centre is. The other yard is where all breeding and young stock are.

I start the day at 7.30, my daily jobs are:

- Feeding
- Mucking out
- Horse walker
- Lunging
- Riding (jumping, flatwork and breaking in)
- Tidying yard
- Rehabilitation clients
- Grooming
- Dry treadmill
- Water treadmill
- Theraplate
- Salt room
- Turning out/bringing in
- Clipping
- Helping farrier/vet

My responsibilities include:

- Field checks
- Water checks
- Check for injuries
- Looking out for horses showing any abnormal behaviours
- Make sure me and teammates are working safely
- Report any concerns back to Andrew



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I enjoy working with the Rehabilitation Centre and helping control the level of work needed for the horses. This helps improve their mobility and build up muscle mass. The Equisir Box helps to reactivate self-healing and dissolve blockages to improve body and mind health and increase performance. The salt room helps with skin and sinus problems. I enjoy seeing how the horses are treated and keeping owners up to date with their recovery.

Working at Saywell Equestrian has given me invaluable work experience and insight into what it takes to run a yard professionally and safely. My achievements are knowing I have done my best at all times and being considerate to team members. My future plans are to gain more qualifications and experience and eventually run my own yard.



WELCOME TO:

Kady Spear, Mia Allison, Ellie Skidmore, Yvette Parfitt, Sarah Hoare, Hope Cairney, Megan Naylor



## JOHANNA STEWART: CATTERICK GARRISON SADDLE CLUB



I am an apprentice at Catterick Garrison Saddle Club, a riding school and livery yard based in Catterick Garrison near Richmond in North Yorkshire. I work for Lacie Hawkes, a former SCT apprentice who then took over as Yard Manager in March 2012. She believes wholeheartedly in the ethos of the Saddle Club and has developed the service that we offer to the Garrison, both Military and Civilian. Lacie is committed to the provision of riding for the whole community and understands fully the importance the club plays as a welfare facility for the military families serving in the North East.

We have private and group lessons. Our Pony Ride is also on every Saturday. During school holidays, we have fun activities such as hacks, Pony Days, Gymkhanas, Clear Rounds and so much more! During the summer holidays, we also have Pony Camps (adults camps too). There are 14 school horses/ponies who are mainly cobs varying from 11hh to 17hh. They are all used for a variety of disciplines and ridden by a range of people with different abilities. The Saddle Club also offer unaffiliated Dressage (Intro to Elementary) and Showjumping (35cm-85cm) shows. These shows are suitable for all horses and riders, whether it's their first show and they want experience or just want to go somewhere for fun. Lead rein riders are always welcome too.

My job includes keeping the yard tidy and safe, bringing horses in for lessons and turning them back out to the field after lessons, mucking out, grooming, tacking up and untacking for lessons and caring for the horses. I also greet customers and answer any enquiries. I assist senior members of staff to allocate horses for riders in their lessons, so the riders are on horses suitable for them. I also care for livery horses, if they are on full livery or turnout/bring in. This has given me more experience dealing with different types of horses and different characteristics. Recently, I have been learning how to clip on different types of horses, including different types of clips depending on the horse and what workload they are in. I enjoy learning about the different ways the horses move and learn. I can then use my knowledge to support riders when they take part in our competitions if they need any extra support.

### LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS!!!!

**Apprenticeship:** Cecily Flexen, Mollie Glover-Brace, Zoe Hall, Kelci Holmes-Bent, Daisy Buckley

**Advanced Apprenticeship:** Heather Bristow, Hannah Anderson, Amy-May McColl, Caty Mitchell, Bethan Fowler

**Distinction:** Maya Foster-Mills, Tally Read

**Traineeship:** Liam Crook

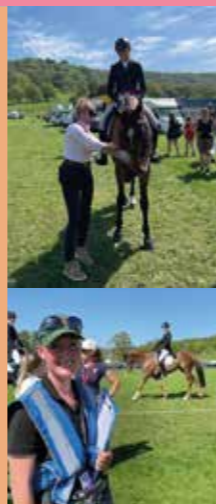
**Mathematics Level 2:** Mia Lee, Lydia Tinker, Mollie Chancellor, Hallie Kerry-Oates



## CHATSWORTH INTERNATIONAL HORSE TRIALS 12, 13, 14 MAY 2023

SCT have a major role in the organisation of Chatsworth International Horse Trials and Belinda Turner has been on the Organising Committee for the last 20 years. We have a few places available for any SCT apprentices or employers who would like to help with stewarding, scoring, writing for judges, shadowing a dressage judge or have the opportunity to help in the Event Office during the event.

Please email [info@stubbingscourtraining.com](mailto:info@stubbingscourtraining.com) as soon as possible if you would like to help! This is a great way to learn more about eventing, how an international horse trials runs, and for anyone thinking about future careers in competition organising or eventing. Thank you.



## ENTERPRISE AWARD 2023: THE FINALISTS!!



**KATE PORRITT: MARCIN STACHURSKI DRESSAGE.** Manor Farm Equine is based in Widmerpool. The yard consists of liveries, foals, yearlings, broodmares, retired horses and Marcin's own competition horses, which he competes in dressage at various levels depending on the horses. There are a wide variety of horses at the yard and youngstock including 2 foals and 5 foals due this summer. There is also a stallion on the yard who was bred here, he is very well behaved and is currently starting his ridden career! The yard has a 20 x 60 outdoor arena with mirrors which are really useful when riding, outstanding hacking, an indoor walker, wash box and two tack rooms. The liveries are all so friendly and the horses are a delight to work with! Aside from riding I also enjoy grooming at shows and handling the foals as well as taking them to the National Foal Show which was a great learning experience!

Marcin came 9th at the LeMieux National Championships in 2021, he has also competed up to PSG level so has a vast amount of knowledge and experience. I am really enjoying my apprenticeship and very grateful for all the opportunities and help Marcin has been giving me and Stubbing Court Training has provided me with opportunities to learn and improve such as the SCT Online Learning and Masterclasses (a great way to learn from the best). I have also completed my Safeguarding certificate through a course provided by SCT. I'm looking forward to starting my level 3 later this year!



**LILY ROBINSON-HOLFORD: ALMOND EQUESTRIAN LTD.** We are BHS, RDA, Pony Club and Pony Racing Academy approved. Almond Equestrian was established in June 2022. Our RDA (Riding for the Disabled Association) group runs throughout the week as well as private lessons and on Saturdays we host Pony Club. In association with the Pony Club, we host the Pony Racing Academy, where children come and train for race days. On the yard there are 22 horses/ponies ranging 11.1hh to 17.3hh. We have schoolmasters and hunters that are used for light hacking. All our horses' work is spread out throughout the week. We also have use of our mechanical horse that is brilliant for demonstrations for the RDA as well as being used for lessons when the weather isn't great.



My job role includes mucking out, keeping the yard tidy, turning out/bringing in horses, lungeing horses and hacking the horses. I also assist the RDA if they are struggling for volunteers. With my employer we are currently focusing on promotion and improving yard facilities. With us just opening for business we are aiming to be the best we can and to offer a welcoming atmosphere.



**SAFFRON FAULDER: PENWOOD STABLES.** Penwood Stables is near Ashbourne, a family-run yard offering DIY, Track and Retirement livery for around 40 horses. I work for Ann Sread, a Chartered Equine Physiotherapist, who provides physiotherapy to the horses living and working on the yard, as well as offering a mobile service. We have 10 horses on Retirement livery, living together as a herd on 50 acres of managed land. In addition, there is a fully surfaced track which currently accommodates 15 horses, all of whom are living there for reasons such as weight and laminitis management, EMS and promoting a natural barefoot lifestyle. Most of our DIY horses live out in paddocks all year round, however, we do offer the option of a stable to them.

For the SCT Enterprise Award, I will be working with my employer to promote Penwood Stables, using Facebook and other social media platforms, to improve communication with current owners and liveries. I will also be upgrading the services we offer to liveries, by organising clinics, nutritionist appointments and other visiting equine professionals. We will also be working on providing routine physiotherapy treatments and offering exercise such as riding and lungeing to the horses on the yard.

