



# Scottish Carriage Driving Association Ltd.

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## SCDA NEWS November 2016

### CONGRATULATIONS AND THANK YOU

- ✓ Huge thanks to Ian Gilbert on his retirement from the BC Council and subcommittees. SCDA are very grateful for all the work he has done over many years to help keep SCDA up to date with British Carriagedriving matters.
- ✓ Congratulations to all the SCDA members who travelled to take part in the National Championships, and thank you to all our members who helped to run the event. Thank you to those SCDA members who hosted the Friday evening drinks reception
  - Rebecca Boswell                      2<sup>nd</sup> - Novice Pony
  - Patsy Muir Simpson                    5<sup>th</sup> – Intermediate Pony
  - Tony Mould                              4<sup>th</sup> – Open Single Pony
  - Jane Isaac                                10<sup>th</sup> - Open Horse
  - Ian Gilbert                                Eliminated – Open Pony Pairs
  - Owen Pilling                            6<sup>th</sup> - Advanced Horse Pairs
  - Diana Lindsay                        11<sup>th</sup> – Advanced Horse Pairs
  - Carol Boswell                         1<sup>st</sup>- Horse Tandems
  - Mary Kusin                              4<sup>th</sup> – Pony Fours
  - George Bowman                        6<sup>th</sup> – Horse Fours
- ✓ Congratulations to Rebecca Boswell & Jamie March on their engagement
- ✓ Happy 70<sup>th</sup> birthday to Simon Sanders, our previous Secretary
- ✓ Congratulations to Alanna and Murray McIntosh on the birth of their daughter, Ava Mary McIntosh who was born on 23 October 2016 weighing 6lbs. 15 oz.

### TRAINING 2017

**SCDA is running out of Course Designers and needs new, younger, (or not!) people (male or female) to plug the gaps!!**

The National / FEI combined clinic at Stow is from 24-26 Feb 2017 with the Judges Clinic taken by Joaquin Medina (ESP), Technical Delegates Clinic by Philip Bateman (GBR) and Course Designers Clinic by Richard Nicoll (USA).

**SCDA will give a grant towards the cost of the clinic and travel expenses to SCDA Members who take part.**

Many of our Judges, Course Designers and Technical Delegates will be attending so you will be among friends if you decide to take the plunge!

Please contact Eileen Cornish so that your grant application can be added to our list of those attending.

**There will also be a Club Technical Delegate Clinic running in the North of England in 2017.** Again – please notify Eileen Cornish of your intention to attend.

## SAFETY REMINDER

### **Please do not embarrass event organisers**

by arriving at an event without your back protector or hard hat for the marathon/obstacle phases. They will be obliged to send you home without being allowed to compete since you would invalidate the event's insurance cover.

#### British Carriagedriving Rule

##### ***Dress in Marathon and Combined Marathon/Derby - Article 928.2.2***

"Athletes and grooms must wear securely fastened protective headgear and a suitable back/body protector on the marathon or Combined Marathon/Derby<sup>1</sup>. Infringement will incur Elimination. Any athlete / groom who continues on the course without a hard hat or a suitable body/back protector after Elimination, will be disqualified. "

##### **Notes for Guidance - Article 928.2.2**

British Carriagedriving considers that it is the responsibility of each Athlete and their Groom(s) to determine what form of back/body protection is most suitable for them, taking into account the risks inherent in the marathon competition and the characteristics of their turnout including size, shape and experience.

*The following are not, however, considered to be suitable and do not comply with the requirement of article 928.2.2:*

- a. Any back or body protector that has not been certified as being suitable for use in equestrian sports or another sport or activity which, in the opinion of the Athlete/Groom, involves comparable or equivalent risks;*
- b. An air jacket unless worn with an additional back/body protector which is suitable.*

**This rule applies to all SCDA Club Points Events and Grassroots that have a marathon/obstacle phase.**

## 2016 has been a winning year for Margaret Lupton

### Margaret Lupton

Left - Edinburgh and Borders RDA Region

#### **Volunteer of the Year.**

(Awarded to Margaret for her hard work and enthusiasm in helping the Annandale and Eskdale RDA Carriage Driving Group to re-locate to their new venue at Williamwood.)



Below – Receiving the **Mark Headden Memorial Trophy**, the Judges Choice Award, at the Regional RDA Ridden Dressage Competition in May. Margaret was riding Equibuddy horse Sparky.



## EVENT DATES 2017

<b>February 18</b>	<b>Stewards Lunch and AGM, Blair Drummond Hall</b>	<b>SCDA Social</b>
March 3/4/5/6	Jan De Boer Training Clinic, Townfoot	SCDA Training
March 5	Fountain, Aberdeen	SCDA Indoor
March 12	Coxhill, Falkirk	SCDA Grassroots
March 19	Fountain, Aberdeen	SCDA Indoor
April 7/8/9/10	Jan De Boer Training Clinic, Seacliff	SCDA Training
April 15/16	Easter Driving Camp, Benderloch, Argyll	SCDA Training
April 23	Dunbog Farm, Newburgh, Cupar	SCDA Indoor/Outdoor Grassroots
May 6/7	Training at Maryculter (Jane MacInnes)	SCDA Training
May 13/14	Auchlishie, Angus	<b>SCDA Club</b>
May 25/26/27/28	Hopetoun, Edinburgh	BC National/International
June 3	Cothal, Aberdeen	SCDA Grassroots
June 10/11	Falkland, Fife	<b>SCDA Club</b>
July 1/2	Dalmeny, Edinburgh	<b>SCDA Club</b>
July 29/30	Raehills, Dumfries and Galloway	SCDA Regional
August 20	Lourin Fair, Aberdeenshire.	SCDA Grassroots
August 26/27	Biggarshiels, Biggar, Lanarkshire	<b>SCDA Club</b>
Sept 23/24	Townfoot	<b>SCDA Club</b>
October 1	Coxhill, Falkirk	SCDA Grassroots
October 8	Fountain, Aberdeen	SCDA Indoor
October 22	Fountain, Aberdeen	SCDA Indoor

## UKCC Coaches/HorseScotland

SCDA are hoping to obtain a grant from HorseScotland to progress our training of officials.

It would help enormously if all UKCC coaches in Scotland were registered with HorseScotland. Registration for the Coaches Register is free of charge for one year, but is likely to change at the beginning of next year.

<http://www.horsescotland.org/coaching/coaches-register/join-our-coaches-register/>



**We wish all our members and helpers a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and hope everyone has an enjoyable and safe 2017 Driving Season.**

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Sanchia May (SCDA Director) has offered to add the official **SCDA Facebook** posts and is happy to help everyone to use it. There is no need to be a Facebook member to read the posts – just click on the logo on the SCDA website front page.