

MEON TROPHIES AWARDED 24 OCTOBER 2013

Novice Challenge Award - outstanding performance at Novice level – **Lauren Rixon**

Lauren has represented us in several teams this year on the wonderful Danny. She did the fastest jump off at the Novice Indoor Show Jumping to help us secure 3rd place. She put in a brilliant performance, bang on the time and no other penalties at the Horse Trials Qualifier and was off to the Championships where again she met the time on the challenging XC.

Hawthorn Achievement – outstanding performance at Intermediate Level – Keri Barnjum

Flagmount Fynn has shown a tremendous improvement this year due to all Keri's hard work on training him. It has been lovely to watch them compete as they have gone from strength to strength. They qualified for the Championships at the Festival of the Horse Challenge 100 – here they ran the closest to the time and with only 0.8 penalties finished 7th individually.

Apollo Award – outstanding performance at Open Level – **not awarded**

McCarthy Salver – Most improved member shown in training/competition – **Trish Nimmo**

It has been a pleasure to see that Trish and Gem's regular appearances at the show jumping training have paid off – they are now a confident pair, jumping really well. She was part of our novice team at the Show Jumping Qualifier.

We would like to mention two people who were considered due to their great progress over the past year - Daniel Searle and Mandy White. Daniel for his general improvement across all disciplines with a special mention of his 1st at Iping at the start of October. We feel Daniel's best is yet to come. Mandy - due to her bold move to step up to intermediate level.

Both tried so hard and contributed at a team level on more than one occasion this year.

Volunteer's Award – **Michelle Keeley**

Where to start – Michelle has been everywhere, as well as helping at our own events. She was our official helper at the FOTH at Aston for the open team, was on crossing duty, stayed over and provided chilli on the Friday night for all comers. She came for the weekend for the national horse trials, again she did a chilli for all comers one evening and generally ran herself ragged getting to all parts of the show ground to help out.

She was ground support at area summer dressage, the area dressage to music and she came as team support to Blenheim - bringing lunch and helping out with the tricky shopping decisions!

A special mention too to Georgina Davidge and Louisa Stevensoin.

Arc en Spirit Award – for dressage – **Pippa Griffin**

Pippa has worked incredibly hard with Tolkien and has produced some tremendous results. At the Dressage to Music Qualifier she was second with 68.89% and was just out of the ribbons at the Championships in October finishing 13th out of 31. In September she also won a British Dressage music class at Wellington with a score of 74% which means she has qualified for the BD winter regionals too. They have been a joy to watch!

Simply Seamus Award - Show Jumping – **Katie Mills**

Katie and her Holloway Flying Solo have been excellent and consistent team members. Katie always puts in a very well ridden round. She was our only representative in the Open class at the Show Jumping Qualifier and was placed third. She also rode in the Style team and was individually 6th.

Gem Cross Country Cup – outstanding performance at cross country – **Jacqui Young-Ballinger**

Jacqui and her lovely Deno have done incredibly well this year. No one would guess Deno's age as he has stepped up to the challenge on every occasion. They qualified for the FoH championship individually by coming 2nd at the Qualifier. They were also in the winning 90cm Horse Trials team at the Qualifier. At the Championships they put in a cracking performance to be placed 5th individually.

Veteran's Cup – for a club member over the age of 50 who has been consistent throughout the year -

Alison Meggeson

Alison has come back to jumping after a very long break and has been a regular at the training sessions with her lovely and reliable Pete. It is a big deal and very brave to start jumping again when you are older!