MEON TROPHIES AWARDED 22 OCTOBER 2015

Novice Challenge Award - outstanding performance at Novice level – Ellen McGibbon
Ellen has been in several Area teams this year on Hobnob. She does not always have an easy time on him as he is young and has his own ideas sometimes. Nonetheless they can put in some very good performances.

Hawthorn Achievement – outstanding performance at Intermediate Level – Sarah Pook
Sarah is a real asset for our Riding Club Area teams. She and Hughie always turn up beautifully turned out and perform nowadays at intermediate level in all disciplines – horse trials, show jumping, style jumping, dressage and dressage to music. Sometimes things do not go according to plan but there is no doubt that Sarah’s hard work has achieved great success on most occasions.

Apollo Award – outstanding performance at Open Level - Gen Lodge
Gen and Jazz have certainly upped their game this year and have proved a very reliable combination. Their partnership is a real pleasure to watch and Jazz very rarely makes a mistake. We have been very lucky to have them represent Meon on a number of occasions this year.

Macarthy Salver – This is an award that recognises a member who has made the biggest improvement over the year, and is designed to recognise those who may not compete in our teams or other competitions, but still work very hard in the background. – Kath Havering
Kath started the year being a non riding member but it became clear during the summer that she was really getting to grips with her riding and now regularly rides Denise Searle’s Ozzie. Kath came to Wellington on our camp and from being a total non-jumper achieved a clear round by the end on one of the Wellington horses. She then came to our Members’ Show and did her first ever dressage test on Ozzie AND WON! . Clearly she will be a force to be reckoned with in the future.

Volunteer’s Award – Janet Irving
Janet has been a Meon member since its inception and has helped frequently during these years. We are particularly indebted to her for lots of help, as usual, this year. Dressage stewarding, show jump judging – she seems to always say Yes when we ask for help and it is lovely to know we can rely completely on her being efficient and calm whatever happens.

Arc en Spirit Award – outstanding performance in Dressage – Diane Williams
Diane and Hattie have put in some stunning performances this year. The judges like the lovely Hattie and Diane rides her very well and should be commended for bringing her on herself. They now form a really trusting partnership and clearly there is lots more performance to come.

Simply Seamus Award - outstanding performance in Show Jumping – Elsbeth Jeffery
Elsbeth did have this award in 2014 but she continues to up her game with Vinny and her hard work has brought him to open level with a very consistent performance. They have been placed frequently and now form one of the most reliable and able combinations in Meon.

Gem Cross Country Cup – outstanding performance in Cross Country – Carol Williams
Carol and Boo can be relied on for great performances. They did especially well at the Area Horse Trials coming 6th in their arena with double clear show jumping and cross country. Carol has done all the work herself on Boo and they form a terrific partnership.

Rose Seagrave Memorial Trophy – for improvement in Dressage during the year – Barbara Wood
The transformation of Naael has been little short of amazing. Barbara took on this lovely horse who has great ability but he can also throw in some alarming moments! Barbara has worked incredibly hard, and bravely, to overcome any difficulties and has produced an extremely capable horse. She has paid particular attention to his flatwork and they are now performing very good dressage tests – she was by far the highest placed member at our recent show with a score of 76%.

Veteran’s Cup – for a club member over the age of 50 who has been consistent throughout the year - Ony Rogers
There is not much of the veteran about Ony except her age! She is out there doing lots of activities with Freddie and making sure he gets lots of training in all disciplines. They are now putting in very consistent performances, especially at show jumping.