



STUBBING COURT TRAINING LTD.

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TO ALL APPRENTICES, PARENTS & EMPLOYERS

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COMING SOON FOR 2024....



Stubbing Court Training Ltd (SCT) has an exceptional variety of exclusive opportunities to offer its apprentices and employers in 2024.

Its 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 15 April at Parklands EC, Sheffield with leading international showjumper and SCT employer William Whitaker. William's achievements include being a member of Team GB at the World Equestrian Games and European Championships, with numerous prestigious wins around the world including the Hickstead Derby; Olympia, Mechelen and Stuttgart World Cup qualifiers, Olympia Puissance and the Sunshine Tour Grand Prix, and gold medallist at the Young Riders and Junior European Championships.

SCT's strong links with Chatsworth mean that during the prestigious horse trials at the Derbyshire venue (17-19 May), SCT apprentices and employers have the opportunity to undertake various volunteer roles that will show them how a major sporting event is staged. Chatsworth International Horse Trials will also host the final judging of the SCT Enterprise Award 2024, 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 1 July at Pickering Grange, Coalville, with world-renowned Olympic coach Chris Bartle, trainer of the senior British eventing team and former Badminton winner and Olympian. The SCT 'Apprentice of the Year' final judging will also take place that day at Pickering Grange, with judging by Anna Goodley and Chris Bartle, with a £200 cash prize for the winner! To be nominated apprentices must have shown exceptional commitment to the Apprenticeship and their job, for example completed voluntary work experience, written articles to promote their yard and Apprenticeships, and completed all modules on target. They must have demonstrated performance to world-class standards.

Anna Goodley of Lycetts, sponsors of the SCT Apprentice of the Year award, said: "Lycetts are proud to sponsor the 2024 Apprentice of the Year Award. Once again Stubbing Court Training Ltd are recognising and rewarding their best apprentices, and Lycetts are very proud to be associated with this initiative. Attracting good grooms and riders in horse sport is crucial, and these young apprentices are getting the very best start to their careers'.

The Masterclass on 4 October will again be hosted by Parklands EC with international showjumper Joe Whitaker, himself a former SCT apprentice, keen supporter of the programme and part of the winning British Nations Cup teams recently.

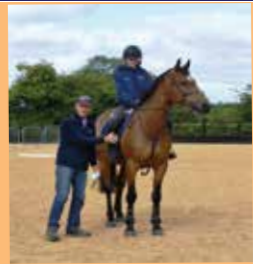
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ERIN FINNEGAN - APPRENTICESHIP AT LANDOWN SPORT HORSES



I'm a level 3 apprentice, I have been working at Landown Sport Horses since I was 13 years old. Landown is located in Findern, Derbyshire. Landown offers livery, sales livery, breaking services and coaching. There are currently 14 sport horses aged between 5 and 13 competing in showjumping age classes and up to 1.50m BS and FEI; all the horses are produced by my employers, Lee Penny and Charlotte Penny. There are also 2 foals, 2 brood mares and a full livery yard. When I was 13 years old I started working on the livery yard over weekends and helping out at shows. I completed my level 2 Apprenticeship and now nearly completed my level 3 there. I am very grateful for all the opportunities and experience I have gained working there. I've groomed at many day and stay away shows: Bolesworth International/young horse show, Bicton International, Keysoe International, Royal Windsor Show, Arena UK, Onley, Northcote and many others. I've also had the opportunity to work with a variety of horses at different levels/ages and gained a lot of experience from it. I am extremely grateful to Lee, Charlotte and Stubbing Court Training for all the opportunities, experiences, training and support I have received while working and completing my Apprenticeship.

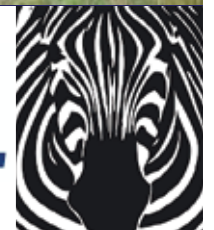


FREYA DEAN - APPRENTICESHIP WITH JEANETTE BRAKEWELL



I am an apprentice with 5* event rider Jeanette Brakewell, based at Abbotsholme near Ashbourne. Because of Jeanette's success over the years (four European gold medals, Olympic Silver and World Silver medals), she is sponsored by a range of different companies and as an apprentice, I get to benefit from the sponsors as well. My horse is fed on SPILLERS High Fibre Nuts which really help to fuel his day-to-day work. I ride in an AMERIGO saddle which provides comfort for both horse and rider as well as style. The latest sponsor is VITA-FEET which we use on all our horses to keep their hooves moisturised and healthy (it smells great too!).

Jeanette is also supported by the following:
Protexin Equine Premium • Equine Products UK Ltd
Zebra Products • FOMO body protectors • Elvin Moore



SARAH HOARE - HOWDEN WAY YOUNG HORSE ACADEMY CAMP



In February Howden Way ran their Young Horse Academy Camp at Aston le Walls. My employer Tyler Cassells currently has one young horse on the Pathway, and he had the opportunity to take two more with him.

It was an early start as we wanted to have left by 07:00am, so we were on the yard for 06:00am making sure all the horses were clean and ready to travel. This included: travel boots, tail bandage, tail guard, leather headcollar and suitable rugs to travel in. We then loaded them up making sure to have the mare on the front, so she only had to be next to one gelding.

Once we arrived at Aston, we unloaded the horses and put them in the stables when they had suitable bedding down. We left their travel stuff on to protect them, if they were to roll and move around the stable, until they were settled.

Tyler then went off to ride his other two horses while I unloaded the lorry and got everything sorted. Before it was time to take Murray to the vet talk so had to make sure he was clean and turned out well, with the correct clean bridle as that is what he was going to be trotted up in.

After Murray's vet talk it was time for his first lesson which was a flat lesson with Tina Cook. Before all Murray's ridden sessions, he needed to have the massage pad on for a round before I started tacking him up. This is to help him relax, be more subtle and settled in his ridden work. To prevent him from getting cold I put a stable rug and thermatex over the pad to keep him warm.

I then started tacking him up using the tack Tyler had specified using one of his sponsor's, Ethos, saddle pads. Making sure he was groomed well so he looked smart and clean. We put an exercise sheet on him just to keep him warm as it was a long walk over to the dressage. Tyler had two flat lessons on Murray with Tina Cook, one showjumping lesson and one cross-country lesson with Chris Bartle. He then had the opportunity to have a showjumping lesson on each of his other two horses with Tina Cook. This was all over the two days that we were at Aston.

At night, I made sure the horses had a Dustbuster on to keep them clean and then enough stable rugs on to keep them warm, ensuring they had enough hay and water and I had skipped their stables out. I also put stable wraps on to help protect their legs as their stables were smaller than they were used to and didn't have any rubber mats.

From the Camp I learnt the importance of keeping to time, while also picking up tips for my own riding from watching Tyler's lessons. I enjoyed being able to turn the horses out to a really high standard while being able to watch the lessons Tyler had. Overall it was a great experience and I hope I will have more opportunities in the future.



LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS!!!!

Apprenticeship: Elizabeth Davidson, Sarah Hoare, Kelly Keen-Bunce, Hope Cairney

Advanced Apprenticeship: Amelia Simpson, Madison Bigley, Erin Finnegan

Distinction: Darcy Markham, Mia Allison, Sarah Hoare

FUNCTIONAL SKILLS EXTERNAL TESTS

Mathematics 2: Amber Hollingworth **English 2:** Ella Dudley



EVA WILLIAMS - KAREN BASSETT CARRIAGE DRIVING



My name is Eva Williams and I work at Karen Bassett's Yard in Holbeck near Worksop in Nottinghamshire. I'm currently doing my Level 2 Apprenticeship which I'm really enjoying. We have a really busy yard with lots of horses and we specialise in Carriage Driving. We do horse drawn funerals, weddings and proms and serve the East Midlands area. You can book through our web site www.karenbassett.co.uk. I have been lucky enough to be able to learn to drive horses and you can see in the photos, that I'm driving two of our lovely greys, with Karen sat at the side of me instructing.

I'm hoping to be able to drive a carriage on my own soon and be able to go out to do the weddings and funerals with the rest of the team. Every day is busy and it takes a lot of effort and hard work to turn the horses out for a function, but they look amazing when they are all ready, as you can see in the photos below.

Karen's Horse Drawn Hearse business, established in 2003, specialises in traditional horse drawn funerals for hire to Funeral Directors and private individuals. We usually use a pair of horses to pull the hearses but specialise in teams of 4 or 6 horses. As well as black horse drawn hearses, we also have a white horse drawn hearse, which is normally pulled by our stunning greys. In addition to the black and white horse drawn hearses, we can also provide a pink hearse, a silver hearse, a gold hearse and gun carriage by special arrangement. Karen has done some very high profile funerals including taking King Richard III to his final resting place at Leicester Cathedral on a gun carriage.



SCT COACH PROFILE... BETHANY EDGINTON



My name is Bethany Edginton and I'm a new coach for Stubbing Court Training Ltd. I completed my SCT level 3 Apprenticeship in 2019 and have worked at our family run livery yard since. I am also a dressage rider and coach and was recently selected as a 2024 BD Youth National Academy athlete. I was Elementary Silver National Champion in 2019, 2nd at the Advanced Medium Petplan Nationals in 2022 and this year I won the Novice Gold Regional Final and Elementary Area Festival Final. I chose to do an SCT Apprenticeship when I left school as I felt it would provide me with real life yard experience and learning that has proved invaluable as I've continued in my career. My advice to any apprentice would be to take advantage of every single opportunity you get while completing your Apprenticeship and just take in as much knowledge from your employer and the people around you as you possibly can!



WELCOME TO:
Cawley Bassford, Megan Blaney-Folkes, Lucie White, Maddy Headford-Sadler, Abigail Ebdon, Beth Peach, Olivia Davies, Skye Casper, Cody Williams-Smith, Evie Robson

