



STUBBING COURT TRAINING LTD.
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TO ALL APPRENTICES, PARENTS & EMPLOYERS
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SCT MASTERCLASS SERIES 2013



Following on from the massive success of the SCT Masterclasses in 2012 with leading international showjumper Matthew Sampson, British Olympic Team trainer Yogi Breisner and Irish Olympic event rider Mark Kyle, Stubbing Court Training Ltd. are delighted to be organising the highly acclaimed Masterclass Series for 2013. We are very privileged to again have the involvement of Matthew Sampson. Matthew is a Senior British Team member for Nations Cups, member of the Junior and Young Rider teams at the European Championships, and former Junior European Gold medalist. The Masterclass will take place on Friday 22 March, kindly hosted by the Sampson family at Parklands Equestrian Centre, near Sheffield. The Masterclass events offer a chance for SCT's apprentices, employers, their staff, and those interested in a career with horses to come together to observe and participate in training from world-class professionals in the horse industry. Places are a reward for commitment and progress towards achieving the Apprenticeship qualification, and continually striving for the highest standards in horse care and management. SCT's Chief Executive Belinda Turner said: 'The SCT Masterclass Series is a unique opportunity for all apprentices, employers and those thinking about a career with horses to see first-hand the standards and skills required at world-class level. We are extremely fortunate to have the support of world class riders, and look forward to their training days'.

CHATSWORTH INTERNATIONAL HORSE TRIALS 10, 11, 12 MAY



This is a fantastic opportunity for any apprentices or employers wanting to get involved in eventing and competition organising and we would welcome you to join the team of helpers during the event. Jobs may include writing for judges, stewarding, scoring and general assistance. Anyone interested please ring Belinda on 01246 566193 as soon as possible. Thank you.

RIDING AND ROAD SAFETY TRAINING - UNIT 232

For all Level 1 & 2 trainees who have not already completed a Road Safety Training and Assessment day. Please attend one of the days below:

- Monday 22 April Middleton Park E.C., Leeds
- Monday 13 May Birchwood EC, Somercotes
- Monday 20 May Barleyfields EC, Etwell, nr Derby
- Friday 24 May Wellow Park Stables, Ollerton

WELCOME TO ...

Jolene Ramsell, Paige Price, Loran Wilson, Dennis Cass,
 Megan Hague, Samantha Matthews, Kealie Lineker, Holly Young



ZOE CLAYTON - DERBYSHIRE PONY TREKKING



Derbyshire Pony Trekking specialise in "off road safe riding" offering horse riding in small groups through picturesque countryside, including country park/nature reserve and woodlands. It is a family business which my mum started back in June last year and in October I joined SCT as an apprentice. I have always had a keen interest in horses from the age of 4, I had my first pony at the age of 11 which gave me more confidence with riding and caring for horses. When I'd out grown my first pony, I wanted more of a challenge so I got a young horse that needed to be broken in, me and my mum both



backed the horse together and she has been with us ever since, now working in the trekking centre. We have six horses with ages ranging from 4 to 17, two working liveries and one DIY livery. My duties on the yard include day to day care of the horses including feeding, maintaining fields and yard, regular tack inspection/cleaning, turning out and ensuring the yard is neat and tidy and hazard free. I meet and greet customers, ensure they are fitted with safety helmets and high visibility equipment and ensure all new customers fill in a "Rider Registration Form".

Recently I have been giving customers basic tuition on how to ride a horse prior to their trek and assessing the customer ride before we go out of the paddock on the trek. At first I found it a little unnerving but with tuition from my mum I am now very confident in doing this. Before I started leading our customers out on treks I rode at the back on numerous treks and listened and watched the way my mum leads the treks, taking in the guidance/instruction she gives the customer along the way and ensuring any safety hazards are pointed out to our customers. I really enjoy taking the customers on treks and I enjoy building a rapport with the customers, it gives me great pride when they re-book straight after the trek as I know I have done a good



job and that the customer has enjoyed themselves. I have managed to build good relationships with regular customers and find it very rewarding when I receive good feedback, many stating that I have helped in building their confidence up considerably. We have many customers come to us where they have lost their confidence and come to us to help them regain it. I am currently working towards completing my Level 2 Apprenticeship in Horse Care, my ambition eventually is to gain an instructors qualification to enable me to possibly start my own business and hopefully compliment my family's business.

JOSEPH SHAW - SOMERBROOK FARM



Three days a week I work at Brook Farm which is a livery yard run by Kelda Webster. Stabling around 30 horses we are always busy. In the summer of 2011 I bought a horse off Kelda who has recently gone on to winning Discovery classes and 1.05ms. She has recently sold her 4 year old homebred mare who was fantastic to work with. The other two days a week I work at Andrew Saywell's international showjumping yard handling youngsters which is great experience. Here I get to



go to shows and learn how to handle 4 or 5 horses on the lorry. I started my Apprenticeship in October 2012 and I've already attended a Masterclass with Yogi Breisner. I think work experience with Stubbing Court Training is invaluable because it allows you to learn how different people run their yard.

LOUISE WILLIAMS - COWLEY RIDING SCHOOL

For the past 18 months I have been an apprentice with SCT at Cowley Riding School in Holmesfield. I have completed my Apprenticeship Level 2 and am now working towards Advanced Apprenticeship Level 3. At Cowley Riding School I have been able to work with a variety of horses and help assist with children, adults and even the Riding for the Disabled Association. My job includes caring for the horses, preparing for lessons, grooming and trimming the horses and dealing with clients. Throughout my time as an apprentice I have gained many new skills including clipping and trimming, travelling and riding, and have had some amazing opportunities working with the horses. My employer has also organized for me to do work experience at a variety of different yards including competition yards so I can gain experience in this area and grooming at competitions. In November I had the opportunity to go to the Masterclass with Yogi Breisner riding my employer's horse. This experience was once in a lifetime, I learnt many new skills on how to get the best out of my performance when riding, I had a fantastic time and my horse was great. I would love to have an opportunity like this again and it is great that we get these opportunities as an SCT apprentice.



LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS!!!!!!

Intermediate Technical Certificate:

Rachael Harrison, Amie Clarke, Diana Jones, Shane Rhodes, Thomas Straw

Advanced Technical Certificate:

Edward Austin, Amelia Eyley, Lucy Wright

Apprenticeship: April Parker, Danielle Loseby, Joe Sayles, Colette Vennard, Brett Johnson, Amie Clarke, Thomas Straw, Jack Pownall, Rachael Harrison, Christopher Whitehead

KEY SKILLS EXTERNAL TESTS

Application of Number Level 2: Kirsty Willcock



HEALTH & SAFETY

5 March, 15 April, 14 May at Derby College

10 June at North Nottinghamshire College, Worksop

13 March at Bradford College

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FIRST AID

20 March, 15 April, 9 May at Derby College

12 March, 16 April, 7 May at North Nottinghamshire College, Worksop

25 March, 22 April, 29 May at Chesterfield College

15 February at Bradford College

5 March at Chapelton, Sheffield

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SARAH PATTISON - GLEBE FIELD RIDING ESTABLISHMENT



My Story so far.....

My name is Sarah Pattison and I live with my Mum, sisters and little brother in a terrace house in a town in South Yorkshire. I didn't like school!!! My career path first started when I went to Glebe Field Riding Establishment three years ago on a work placement from school. It very quickly became clear to me that being in a working environment and helping both horses and people was much better than being at a school where I didn't really fit in and with no prospects of a proper career at the end of it. Glebe Field is a special place. We do not have posh horses, we do not have acres of land and we do not have competition horses to take all over the country and win lots of rosettes like some places. What we do, and have been doing for a very long time (the stables have been doing for the past thirty seven years) is provide a permanent home for horses and ponies that have been neglected or unwanted or injured in their previous homes. My boss Jane Hemingway is the Regional Welfare officer for the BHS and goes

out most days and often at night in response to calls from the public, Police or anyone really that has concerns about the welfare or care being given to horses and ponies all over Yorkshire and beyond. My job involves working with the yard manager Justin, and we look after and care for the horses and ponies that Jane takes in from other people or welfare organisations. This means that I don't know when I go to work in a morning if we have new horses on the yard or not. The horses and ponies that can be ridden and have suitable temperaments are trained by us to help children and adults with disabilities and additional support needs to have the pleasure of riding and being around horses. Riders are referred to us by doctors, physios, schools and by word of mouth. Jane also teaches people with their own horses and people that are serious about learning, she is often away from the yard teaching, assessing, moderating horse qualifications and coaches throughout the UK. This means that Justin and me are trusted by Jane and are responsible for all aspects of the day to day procedures and care of the horses and helpers. This makes me feel really good knowing that Jane trusts me to do a good job. Many people that come to us at Glebe Field do not ride. We have adults come every day from residential care homes, sheltered accommodation and hospitals just to be involved and be part of a team rather than being sat in a room doing very little day in and day out. We assist these people to do what work they can on the yard, this maybe filling haylage bags, cleaning buckets, grooming or making tea (some come just to drink our tea!). Nearly all our riders /helpers and volunteers work towards some sort of qualification. Riding for Disabled, BHS, Riding School assistants, Progressive Riding and Care certificates etc. There is no way that three years ago I would have dreamt that I would be doing what I am doing today or achieved what I have done up to now. I didn't go back to school after my work experience. Jane went to the school instead and told the teachers that I would be better working and learning full time in the horse industry and actually learning stuff that would get me a career rather than an unemployment ticket. So I left school at fifteen, only went back to take exams that I didn't pass unless you count a G or H as successful! As soon as I reached sixteen Jane introduced me to Stubbing Court Training and up to now I have already achieved my Level One Diploma in Horse Care, Riding School Assistant, Volunteer certificate to work with RDA, Key skills in Maths, English and ICT and I am half way to achieving my Level Two Diploma and becoming a Log Book holder that qualifies me to teach special needs in RDA. I may not have rosettes to show but I know that I am doing a very responsible and worthwhile job within the horse industry and at the same time I am helping horses and people that are much worse off than me. I am thoroughly enjoying my time at Glebe Field. I recently went out with Jane on an emergency call to rescue a horse with a suspected broken leg and other injuries from a field. I never know from one day to the next whether I will be assisting the vets, therapists, teachers or if it will be a routine day of horse care and assisting in lessons. I advise young people to take any opportunity they can to achieve their ambitions and dreams and it doesn't matter where you are from, how thick you may think you are or whatever problems you may have in your life, you can succeed and with the right sort of help and good manners you will find the key to the door of success and happiness. I do know that without the opportunities that I have been given at Glebe Field and also through Stubbing Court Training I would not be as happy as I am now, nor would I have achieved the qualifications that I have up to now and have the opportunities to continue to achieve in the future.

