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SCT MASTERCLASS WITH MARK KYLE



If you want to be successful in the equestrian world, you've got to be able to ignore extreme weather conditions and focus on the job. That was the message that Irish Olympic event rider Mark Kyle passed on to the Stubbing Court Training Ltd (SCT) apprentices and employers on 8 July as he taught 10 sessions in blazing heat as part of SCT's acclaimed Masterclass series. Thirty-two apprentices and employers took part in the Masterclass at Barleyfields EC, Derby, and all went home having taken great strides in their riding and understanding of the correct way to educate and train a horse. Mark has had a long association with Chesterfield-based SCT, which works throughout the horse industry to provide world-class training for young people through the apprenticeship programme. He was taking a day off from preparing for the forthcoming European Eventing Championships in Malmo, Sweden, next month to give the Masterclass.



Mark also presented Elizabeth Widdowson, 17, with her award for being SCT's Apprentice of the Year. Elizabeth works for international showjumper Andrew Saywell, who said: "Elizabeth tries very hard, and is always willing and cheerful. She has learnt quickly about caring for horses competing regularly abroad and taken on responsibility with enthusiasm." She won the award for her excellent attitude to learning during her apprenticeship, the skills she has developed, and for meeting targets for the SCT Online Learning programme. Elizabeth was presented with a Kingsland jacket, kindly given by Thomas Irving Equestrian Superstore. The store's representative Anna Franklin said: 'Thomas Irving Equestrian Superstore is once again happy to support the Stubbing Court Training Ltd Apprentice of The Year Award for 2013. We are delighted to be able to help support the success of the most talented young professionals in the final of this competition, and continue to follow their progress in the equine world'. This was the second Masterclass in Stubbing Court Training Ltd (SCT)'s 2013 series. These Masterclasses are exclusive to SCT and are only possible due to its excellent and varied contacts in the horse world. The aim of the Masterclasses is to offer equine apprentices the opportunity to have training from a world-class professional as a reward for making exceptional progress, showing commitment and dedication to their training and producing work of the highest quality. Their employers are also invited to participate as a reward for the part they play in delivering top-class training and support to their apprentices throughout their qualification. SCT are extremely grateful for the support of Fiona Holton and all the team at Barleyfields EC for providing great horses and facilities, and the employers and apprentices who attended.



EMPLOYER SEMINAR - 14 OCTOBER 2013



As part of SCT's ongoing commitment to supporting employers and improvements in standards across the horse industry, we have organised an Employer Seminar on Monday 14 October at the Twin Oaks Hotel in Derbyshire, on Junction 29 of the M1.

The Seminar will include top class speakers on key issues:

- Horse industry Business Development - Spencer Moore, Head of Business Planning & Innovation, British Swimming and Director, British Equestrian Federation
- Employment Law Update - Ian Langford, Peninsula Business Services: on all key issues and legal requirements affecting employment, including modern best practice
- Best practice in training - Sarah Hamlyn, OfSTED inspector and Regional Director, British Eventing

All employers and their staff, including Advanced Apprentices are invited to attend. Please complete and return the booking slip by 1.10.2013. Limited places available. Thank you.

ASHLEIGH ELDER - WOODLAND GARRIAGES



I have been working for Woodland Carriages for the past year, whilst doing my Apprenticeship. We work in Centre Parcs in the heart of Sherwood Forest which is the best office in the world. I have learnt to drive the carriage which has enabled me to be part of weddings, romantic proposals and engagements and my favourite time of the year, Christmas. I am also in charge of 5 white ponies Bonny, Thomas, Lady, Louie and Freddy which we use for rides and Pony Pals - this is where children learn to groom, tack up and then go for a gentle pony trek through the forest, perfect for introducing the under 8s and absolute beginners to the joys of horse riding. I only started riding when I was 14, so relatively late compared to some of you but since then have been lucky enough to own 2 horses and I am now the proud owner of Monty who is a 9 year old ex-racer who has been out of work since last June following an injury to his knee. With the experiences I have gained from my employer, my tutor Anne Varley and my attendance at SCT Masterclasses with Yogi Breisner, Matthew Sampson and Mark Kyle this has helped me on my journey bringing him back into full work this summer and although he is not quite ready to compete yet I am hoping that he will be able to do some cross country and hunting later in the year. Following my Masterclass with Mark Kyle I was lucky enough to be offered to attend a 3 day work experience with Mark Kyle at his and Tanya's yard in Wymeswold, Leicestershire. At first it was quite daunting having never really been away from home before but the girls at the yard, Tanya and Mark put me at my ease and I felt part of the team in no time. I had the privilege of riding Drunken Disorderly aka Carl whilst I was there and Amy the Yard Manager put me through my paces. During my time there I gained an insight into how an international event yard works and this has inspired me to continue onto my Level 3 Advanced Apprenticeship and pursue a career in eventing.



★ HEALTH & SAFETY ★

11 September, 1 October, 24 October at Derby College

30 September at Bradford College

13 November at North Notts College, Worksop

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★ FIRST AID ★

3 September, 19 September at Derby College

12 November, 8 October at North Notts College, Worksop

23 September at Bradford College

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WELCOME TO:

Hannah Farrell, Emma Akehurst, Shelby Pilgrim, Pippa Gadsby, Nathan Richards, Sophie Hemmings, Rebecca Wadsworth, Jodie Stokes

LATEST ACHIEVEMENTS!!!!!!

Intermediate Technical Certificate: Francesca Marriott, Megan Hague, Emma Suter, Rebekah Park, Jordan Faulkner, Michael Markham, Kayleigh Brook, Paige Price, Kimberley Norwell-Hall, Paige Bathgate, Jonathan Pickard, Kirsty King, Jake Key

Advanced Technical Certificate: Nicola Biddle, Amy Geraghty, Noah Brook, Jessica Baugh, Jasmine Barker, Zoe Smallwood, Louise Williams, Jessica Hallam, Rebekah Marsh

Apprenticeship: Kyle Bannister, Rebecca Bromley, Martin Halliday, Abi Hutchinson, Lauren Peel, Thomas Straw, Eleanor Thomson, Elizabeth Widdowson, Lindsey Williams, Noah Yabbacome, Shane Rhodes, Rebecca Hares

Advanced Apprenticeship: Rosie Atkin, Melissa Beck, Chloe Spowage, Helen Thorpe, Dawn Webster, Sophie Webster, Kirsty Willcock, Hayley Wilson, Jessica Wilson, Edward Austin

Foundation Learning: Katie McMahon

KEY SKILLS EXTERNAL TESTS

Communication Level 2: Ellie Kinsey

FUNCTIONAL SKILLS EXTERNAL TESTS

ICT Entry 3: Kerry Cope

English Level 1: Sarah White, Zoe Byard, Loran Wilson, William Sonnex

English Level 2: Charlotte Rodwell, Kealie Lineker, Emma Stewart, Lacie Hawkes

MASTERCLASS FEEDBACK - MARK KYLE

Aspect 1: What was the most useful aspect of the day?

- Learning how to keep my horse straight
- Paying attention to how you go between the jumps not just over them
- Taking part in the Masterclass and allowed to do it side saddle to prepare for the side saddle nationals
- Learning to control my horse when going to jumps
- Gaining confidence to jump the fences
- Watching variety of riders
- Different teaching methods and different horses
- Riding a horse I have never seen before
- Jumping a schooled horse
- Learning new techniques
- Watching a professional teach
- Listening to a professional
- Having a lesson from Mark on a young horse
- Learning from a professional rider
- Learning new skills and practice
- Very good experience for rider and horse and being taught by someone else
- Gave my apprentice confidence to ride in front of people
- Educational for young horse and rider
- Jumping a course of fences
- The knowledge and skills I gained that I'll now be able to put into practice in the future
- Listening to Mark's comments to help me improve when in training and at competition
- Having the opportunity to ride in a lesson from Mark Kyle
- Being able to bring our Apprentice to have a lesson from Mark
- Watching the apprentices and employers take instructions and how they respond Mark explained things very well. Good to see strides explained and the correct control of horses
- Talking about striding and correct line to ride, including different techniques to change the horses and rider's habits
- Jumping and regaining control
- Working the horse, shortening and lengthening strides and regaining control
- Extending and shortening strides, control and bond/respect between me and my horse
- The attention to fundamentals - control, straightness, riding turns correctly
- Observation of different standards of presentation and ability

Aspect 2: What was the most enjoyable aspect of the day?

- Jumping
- Watching the classes
- Taking part in the Masterclass
- Jumping and gaining experience
- Really enjoyed jumping my horse for the first time, couldn't have done it without Mark
- Watching training
- Riding in the Masterclass
- All of it
- Riding a Barleyfields horse and being taught by Mark Kyle
- Learning new things and being taught by other people
- Meeting other apprentices
- Watching my apprentice developing new skills whilst enjoying her lesson
- Learning new skills
- Learning from Mark
- Seeing both rider and horse gain confidence
- Jumping a course of fences
- Being taught by Mark
- Putting all the training exercises together into a course at the end
- Learning about riding courses and lines to fences
- Watching the riders improve as the lesson progressed
- Being made welcome by all SCT staff
- Watching the improvement made
- Riding a new horse and achieving something I thought I couldn't achieve
- Jumping the higher fences
- Seeing the huge improvement in every horse and rider during the session
- Involvement of so many parents, helpers and employers

Aspect 3: What will you do now to improve your work and progress?

- Have more jumping lessons
- Work harder
- Complete worksheets
- Practice jumping courses not just single fences
- Continue to work on my horse to improve ourselves
- Making sure my horse is going forward
- Take into consideration what Mark told me
- Take what I've learnt back with me for jumping at home
- Be positive in riding, use my aids more effectively
- Work harder to improve jumping technique
- Use knowledge from today in every day work
- Working young horse more over poles
- Carry out all the exercises that I've learnt
- Keep my horse straighter and correct quicker
- Work on creating impulsion, straightness and looking ahead to the next fence
- To make my horse stop after the jump, to make her not anticipate the turn after
- Carry on what I learnt in my training and at competition
- Use the exercises at home
- Keep practising and pass on the information to the pupils
- Continue with the lesson Mark has done to improve us, also the good feedback he gave on how to move on to an end goal to get better results
- Work on the apprentices and myself as an employer
- Keep working hard and ask if I need more guidance
- Improve riding technicality
- Ride more and come to the next Masterclass
- Take it away and continue to use it when out with my horse
- Promote involvement in future Masterclasses
- Encourage attendance at future Masterclasses

Aspect 5: Do you have any other comments about the quality of Masterclass?

- Excellent, informative and good fun, makes you push the boundary of your own ability
- Excellent, very informative
- Very good
- Very well organised
- Really enjoyable experience, learnt a lot!
- Well organised, interesting to watch
- Excellent coaching session
- Excellent trainer, attentive and helpful
- It was really good how the groups were kept small
- Excellent, Barleyfields horse was great and gave me tons of confidence
- Thank you for inviting us
- Very well explained, everyone understood well what was requested and where we needed to improve
- Good quality of instruction. Good to see constructive teaching in practice
- Gave me confidence so I could achieve the objective
- Mark was very good and worked on us all individually
- Excellent, smooth and friendly atmosphere and organisation
- Mark had a lovely manner with all the apprentices and employers
- Excellent venue, organisation and catering
- Excellent standard of quality instruction and catering