

NEWSLETTER BELLE FERME

Hi! Some information for the end of term at Belle Ferme!

The schedule for September lessons is now in the office. Each rider should sign up again on this schedule for September lessons, it is not automatic! It is also important to check with the teachers which level to sign up in. Places fill up fast, so best not to wait till the last moment! If you have any lessons left on your card, they are still valid in September.

Lessons will end on THURSDAY 26th of June included, and resume on Tuesday September 2nd.

On the weekend of the 27, 28 & 29th of June we will be holding our national dressage competition, open to our riders (depending on the level) but also to outside riders including high levels. If you are around you are very welcome to come by and watch, and/or give us a hand with the organisation. Our competition is the Final of the 'Grand Regional' and has become the biggest national dressage show in Rhone Alpes.

SUMMER! As always, you can now sign up for our summer camps (some weeks of 'minis' are already full..) so don't leave it too late if you want a particular week. Sign up can be done in the office or on internet.

Please excuse us for the unfortunate complications we have been having with Kavalog lately, due to changes beyond our control!

TVA: After a lot of stress, we have found a way to make the governments unexpected 13 % increase in TVA a little more manageable! The tax did increase, however thanks to the size of our installations and the fact that we had these declared, we are able to break down the billing to be partly 'the use of sports installations' that is only taxed at 5%. This has considerably helped us keep our prices manageable. The prices that are currently on our web site will be the ones for the coming year, including pensions etc. Our 'before tax' prices for 2013-14 and 2014-15 have been kept constant.

To end this school year together, RDV for our Fete du Club which takes place on Sunday 15th June! Programme will be available soon. There will be activities for

all levels, but you can already plan on bringing a bite to eat and share over lunch time!

Congratulations and good luck to all our riders qualified for the French Championships as of July 6th, and hope all will go well for Clarissa and her pony Diana who should be selected for the European Championships in Ireland end of July.

Orders for personalised Belle Ferme T-shirts, Polo's Sweatshirts is possible up to 12 June, also special Championship of France 2014 versions!

To finish with, all the Belle Ferme team thank you for being part of us, your help, kindness and generosity towards our ponies, horses and employees. Thoughts go to our old horses who retire this year (with us of course); Catrie, Champion, Shadow and Jamaique. Catrie came to us at the age of 3, she is now 22. Shadow at the age of 4, she is now 31! At Belle Ferme our ponies and horses are with us for life, and will enjoy their well-deserved retirement in the fields.

I would also like to give a huge thank you to my amazing team: teachers Audrey, Johanna & Rachel who will be waiting for you in September, Darek and Michal our Super Grooms, with our best wishes to Darek who will be away in Poland to join his wife for 2 months for the birth of his daughter! Marcin will come back to replace him. Laura & Laurene were with us training, and will be moving on, we wish them the best, Victoria will be with us for another year. Very big thanks to my parents who are always there!

I wish you all great summer; it's not far away now! Lyn