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What's On:

Sun 2 Sept: Unaffiliated Show Jumping, Yateley Riding Establishment show ground, Monteagle Lane, Yateley. Entries Sec Natalie Samuel, 2 Elton Drive, Maidenhead, Berks SL6 7NA. Mob 07711 656480, natalie@farleyfarms.co.uk

Sun 2 Sept: Charity Ride supported by Hampshire HorseWatch, Farleigh Wallop, nr Basingstoke. Optional intro to "Trec" eventing on completion of ride. For further details please see www.nfed.co.uk/horsewatch or contact equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk. To help as a steward/marshall on the day, please contact DI David Collings on 07867 972868

Little Leigh Farm Equestrian Centre, Prospect Lane, nr Rowlands Castle, Havant

Sun 2 Sept: Fun Day, showing, jumping, gymkhana & BBQ

Tel: 023 9241 3687, email lozzie_lewisa@btconnect.com

Sun 2 Sept: Weyhill Miniature Horse and Shetland Pony Show, Andover. SAE to Events Secretary, 41 Abbatt Close, Ludgershall, Andover SP11 9PQ. Tel: 01264 398324

Sun 2, 16 Sept: Unaffiliated Show Jumping, SAE to Events Secretary, Langford Farm, Paradise Lane, Woodlands SO40 7GS. Tel 023 8081 2932 / 07734 144842. **Pls note 30th Sept cancelled.** www.langfordfarmhorseshow.co.uk

Wed 5 Sept: Evening Lecture Demo with John & Charlotte Lassiter, Merrist Wood Campus, Guildford College. Contact www.westsurreyridingclub.co.uk

Thurs 6 Sept: Sports Psychology Talk for the Horse Rider. Badger Farm Community Centre, Badger Farm Road, Winchester SO22 4QB. For further info please contact equine@hampshire.pnn.police.uk

Sun 9 Sept: Dressage, Solent Riding Club. Mayhill Stud, Droxford. SAE to Events Secretary, The Grange, Chilcombe, Winchester SO21 1HR

Sun 9 Sept: Natural Horse Gathering, 10.00am – 5pm, Brikworth House, Wiltshire. Demos, lectures, trade stands & exhibitions. www.vowleyfarm.co.uk/horsegathering2007

Sun 9 Sept: Summer Driving Show, Cadnam Show Society. **Date changed from 12 August.** Terry's Lawn, Petlake Farm, Ringwood Road, Bartley, Southampton. SAE to Events Secretary, 501 Romsey Road, Maybush, Southampton SO16 9GQ. Tel 07789 888375 or 023 8077 6854

Sun 9 Sept: Combined Cross Country Show Jumping, Fair Oak Estate, Rogate. Details at www.fair-oak.co.uk
Fri 14 Sept: Unaffiliated Dressage, Quob Stables EC, Durley Brook Road, Durley, Southampton. www.quobstables.com

Portchester Horse & Pony Association

Sun 9 Sept & Sun 18 Nov: Flatwork Rallies, Midlington Farm, Swanmore

Sun 7 Oct: In-hand Fun Show, Danes Road, Portchester

Sun 21 Oct: Gridwork Rally, Midlington Farm, Swanmore

May 2008: Senior Pony Camp, Stockland Lovell, Bridgwater, Somerset

Rallies are for members only. New members always welcome.

For further details please contact Jo or Corrie on 023 9261 7841

Sun 16 Sept: Open Hunter Trial, Wellington Riding, Heckfield, Hook RG27 0LJ. Tel 0118 932 6308, www.wellington-riding.co.uk

Sun 16 Sept: In-hand and Ridden Show, Cadnam Show

Society, Terry's Lawn, Petlake Farm, Ringwood Road, Bartley, Southampton. SAE to Events Secretary, 501 Romsey Road, Maybush, Southampton SO16 9GQ. Tel 07789 888375 or 023 8077 6854

Sun 16 Sept: Denmead Fun Event and Show, CANCELLED www.denmeadhorseshow.co.uk

Sun 16 Sept: Hunter Trial, Bourne Valley RC, Knighton Down, Larkhill, nr Amesbury, Wilts. Tel 01264 772388.

Sun 16 Sept: Hampton Sponsored Ride, Fulbrook Lane, Elstead, Surrey. Approx. 8 miles of private woodland, farmland and commons. 40+ optional jumps. Entry £7, minimum sponsorship £21. Entry forms at www.ridingdiary.co.uk or send SEA to Mrs S Lewis, 27 St George's Road, Badshot Lea, Farnham, Surrey GU9 9LX

Sat 29 Sept: Indoor Car Boot/Table Top Sale, 12.30pm, Wickham Community Centre, Mill Road, Wickham. Phone Lyn or Fay on 01489 790982. In aid of South Hants Pony & Horse Protection Group

Sun 30 Sept: Dressage Competition, Ewshot Riding Club, Ewshot Sand School, Ewshot, nr Farnham. SAE to Events Secretary, Tyland, Redfields Lane, Church Crookham, Fleet GU52 0RF.

Sun 30 Sept: Chilworth RC Annual Open Hunter Trial, Dene Farm, Nether Wallop, nr. Stockbridge. Further details from www.chilworth.fsworld.co.uk

Sat 6/Sun 7 Oct: Hunter Trial, Berks and Bucks Draghounds, Cannon Heath Down, Kingsclere. SAE to Events Secretary, Winmalee, Long Lane, Shaw, Newbury, Berks RG14 2TH, tel 01635 200920.

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Sun 7 Oct: Minley XCountry Fun Ride (SC & RMAS Drag Hunt), Minley, nr Farnborough. 10 miles, 50 optional jumps. www.sandhurstdraghunt.co.uk. SAE to Events Secretary, 12 Harvest Close, Yateley, tel 07721 483114

Sun 7 Oct: Pleasure Ride (Hants & West Sussex Borders Bridleways Group). Fir Piece show field, Forestide, nr Rowlands Castle. Set off between 9am and 12 noon. Entry fee £7 includes £1 donation to Riding for the Disabled Ass). Closing date 2 Oct. Entries to Ride Secretary, 77 Farringdon Road, Havant PO9 2LP. Cheques payable to Hants & WS Borders Bridleways Group, pls include name, address and tel number. (Non-returnable unless ride cancelled).

Sun 7 Oct: Clear Round Jumping, Ewshot Sand School, Ewshot, nr Farnham. Tel 01252 850653.

Wed 10 Oct: Evening Lecture Demo with Monty Roberts, 7.30pm, Merrist Wood Campus, Guildford College. Also featuring Kelly Marks with American Pie. Contact www.intelligenthorsemanship.co.uk. Advance tickets £20, tel. 01488 71300. Book 10 tickets and get one free. Please also call if you have a horse suitable for a demonstration.

Sun 14 Oct: BHS Diamond Jubilee Fun Ride, Compton XCountry Course. Scenic 6-mile course in the heart of the South Downs, with 75 optional fences. Advance entries close 10 Oct. BHS members £16/rider, non-members £20/rider. Late & entries on the day (register by 11.30am), £25/rider. Entry form available at www.bhshampshire.org.uk. Enquiries to Secretary: Sue Bailey 01329 835376, sue.bailey77@btinternet.com. Kayti Harvey 01489 691943 (eves) (event organiser)

Sun 14 Oct: Tack Sale, 12 noon, Wickham Community Centre, Mill Road, Wickham. Bookings for tables now being taken. £7/table. Phone Lyn or Fay on 01489 790982. In aid of South Hants Pony & Horse Protection Group

Sun 14 Oct: Unaffiliated Showjumping, SAE to Events Secretary, Langford Farm, Paradise Lane, Woodlands SO40 7GS. Tel 023 8081 2932 / 07734 144842

Fri 19 Oct: Unaffiliated Dressage, Quob Stables EC, Durley Brook Road, Durley, Southampton. www.quobstables.com

Sun 14 Oct: Unaffiliated Showjumping, SAE to Events Secretary, Langford Farm, Paradise Lane, Woodlands SO40 7GS. Tel 023 8081 2932 / 07734 144842. www.langfordfarmhorseshow.co.uk

Sun 21 Oct: Garth South PC Open Hunter Trial, Tweseldown Racecourse, Church Crookham. Schedule available at www.garthsouth.com

Mon 22 Oct: Own a Pony Day, Quob Stables EC, Durley Brook Road, Durley, Southampton SO32 2AR. Tel 023 8069 4657. www.quobstables.com

Fri 26 Oct: Evening Lecture Demo with Monty Roberts, 7.30pm, Quob Stables, Durley Brook Road, Durley, Southampton SO32 2AR. Also featuring Kelly Marks with American Pie. Contact www.intelligenthorsemanship.co.uk. Advance tickets £20, tel. 01488 71300. Book 10 tickets, get one free. Pls also call if you have a horse suitable for a demo.

Sun 28 Oct: Candover Valley Sponsored Ride, SAE to Mrs C Bullen, Avington Park, Winchester SO21 1DB www.candoverride.co.uk.

Sun 4 Nov: Clear Round Jumping, Ewshot Sand School, Ewshot, nr Farnham. Tel 01252 850653.

Fri 16 Nov: Unaffiliated Dressage, Quob Stables, Durley Brook Road, Durley, Southampton. www.quobstables.com

Sun 2 Dec: Clear Round Jumping, Ewshot Sand School, Ewshot, nr Farnham. Tel 01252 850653.

Fri 14 Dec: Unaffiliated Dressage, Quob Stables, Durley Brook Road, Durley, Southampton. www.quobstables.com

Sun 20 Apr 08: Frensham Cross Country Sponsored Ride, Stockbridge Farm, Tilford, Surrey, 9.00am-3.00pm. 10 mile cross country course with a minimum of 40 optional jumps 2'6/2'9. SAE to Frensham Ride Secretary, Overhill Stables, Sandy Lane, Rushmoor, Farnham, Surrey GU10 2ET.

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Watch Your Horse's Weight (from www.equine-world.co.uk)

With so much rain falling on the fields this summer, Britain's green and luscious land is looking greener than ever and the grass is growing so fast you can almost see it shooting up as you stand and watch it. Left to their own devices many horses, with unlimited access to the temptations of fresh grass, will spend as much time as they possibly can eating it, which can result in obesity and other health related problems.



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In some ways over-eating is considered to be a natural phenomenon. Studies of wild equids, such as the zebra shows that in the summer they graze continually, munching every last blade of grass that they can find so that their stomachs swell and they become extremely obese.

Then, as winter approaches and there is less grass for them to eat their condition drops dramatically. Weaker zebras, that are unable to cope with these changes, die whilst the fittest survive and breed.

Evolution has produced an animal that is designed to store food in good times for periods of scarcity and live off its fat reserves during times of famine.

In the UK however the winters are unlikely to be as bad or prolonged for this to be necessary. Obesity in domestic horses is not a good idea as it means the animal is carrying extra weight, making it less fit and able to do the job we want it to do, whether that is hacking, jumping or driving.

The most common problems resulting as a consequence of obesity include

- Laminitis (it should be noted however, that sudden changes in intake can also cause laminitis, so a thin horse gorging on fresh grass could also be at risk)
- Hyperlipaemia - a serious condition, in which the liver become so full of fat it stops working
- Joint problems and premature arthritis
- Colic

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- Less agility
- More proneness to heat stress
- Decreased reproductive efficiency

A horse in good condition should have:

- A firm neck without a crest
- Ribs that are covered but can still be felt
- A backbone that feels knobbly, but does not have a crease
- A rounded rump, but you should still be able to feel the pelvic bones

Age, health and the state of your horse's teeth are important considerations when assessing condition, and seasonal fluctuations in grass quality will also affect his condition. This year, with such wet conditions many events and competitions have been cancelled due to heavy going, and so many competition horses are not in work as much as they usually are.

If you are concerned that your horse is in danger of becoming too fat, take action before health and fitness problems develop. Consider restricting his grazing, either by stabling him for part of the day or just putting him out at night, or using electric fencing to control the grazing area he has access to. Maintaining a fitness training programme to compensate for the extra calories he is consuming will also help.



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