

## AREA 22 LIASON COMMITTEE MEETING FEBRUARY 21 2016

### CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I am delighted to welcome **Carol Kyle** on board as our new **Area Rep**. We are both starting off as 'new girls' and I hope to be a source of support to Carol as I am sure she will be to me.

We also have the support of a super and **enthusiastic committee** and look forward to a busy year with hopefully some exciting **new opportunities** for Riding Clubs.

I am also delighted to welcome **Laura Sanger** and **Rachael Hollely** from **Head Office** who are here today to explain the **new structure** of BRC with regard to the replacement of the National Executive with the new **Advisory Committee**.

One of the first tasks Carol and I had in our new roles was to attend **the first BRC development meeting** at Kenilworth. We found it very **interesting** learning more about the activities of many of the riding clubs in the UK but also a bit **daunting** with all those people in one room it is hard to get your point across. However I am sure we will get better at it the more we attend.

These **twice yearly** meetings are there for us to raise any issues that are important to our members so if you have anything that **you would like discussed** then don't hesitate to contact Carol or myself.

**Marjory, Carol and myself** recently attended the **Official Stewards Course** at Banbury.

**Catherine, Sam and Cecilia** are also Official Stewards for Area 22.

As always the emphasis of the weekend was on the **safety and welfare of the horse and rider at BRC competitions**.

Your Area 22 **BRC Official Stewards** are here to support clubs and in particular competition organisers. so please make full use of their expertise.

With preparations already underway for the

- **Area 22 Camp,**
- **The Saddle Up International Champs, the**
- **Area Qualifiers at Burgie and Brechin Castle,**
- **An MOT for Horse and Rider Fitness Day**

**and some social activities its going to be a busy year.**

Finally we have three nominees forward for the **Horse Scotland Awards** on the evening of the 4<sup>th</sup> March

**Orkney Riding Club for Club of the Year**

**Annabel Sall** of Ladyleys Riding Club for **Performer of the year** and

**Stephen Hammond** for **Equestrian Photograph of the year**

We wish them all the very best.