

## Oatridge Online

May 2009

**Welcome** to this, the May 2009 issue of your monthly newsletter from Oatridge College. As ever we bring you all the latest news from our "campus in the country", plus a round-up of stories of interest to anyone involved in the landbased industries or living in rural Scotland.

You can contribute your news and views by emailing your stories or leads to: [colinadams@blueyonder.co.uk](mailto:colinadams@blueyonder.co.uk) and you can give us your suggestions for improving and developing the newsletter by emailing me at: [akitche@oatridge.ac.uk](mailto:akitche@oatridge.ac.uk) and look out for a new feature "Your Space".

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We hope you enjoy receiving and reading Oatridge Online.

**Adrian Kitchen, Director of Business and Curriculum Development.**

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### College offers free training places

Oatridge College has received funding which could mean that scores of young landbased workers can receive free training and qualifications.

Places are available for 16 to 19 year olds to study on a day or block release for Scottish Vocational Qualifications (SVQs) at levels 2 and 3 in a range of disciplines, including agriculture, horticulture, greenkeeping, landbased engineering, animal care and equine studies. In many cases free transport may be provided and if necessary accommodation may be part-funded.

The number of places on offer is strictly limited and will be allocated on a "first-come-first-served" basis, so interested employers should contact Hilary Morton, the Workplace Learning Manager, Commercial Training, as soon as possible.

Hilary can be emailed at [hmorton@oatridge.ac.uk](mailto:hmorton@oatridge.ac.uk) or by telephone on 01506 864800.



## Oatridge International seeks experts



The search is on for skilled trainers and expert practitioners in the landbased industries who would like to work with Oatridge International on overseas development projects.

Currently the College has attracted interest from colleges in South Africa, India and China, which are looking for Scottish expertise to help them develop new services and products and now Adrian Kitchen, Oatridge's Director of Business and Curriculum Development, is establishing a database of experts willing to spend anything from three weeks to six months or more, working abroad with local people to assist local college staff and businesses.

Adrian, who has considerable personal experience of working with government departments around the world, says: "We have already assisted the Department of Vocational Education and Training in Botswana, through a contract with the Scottish Qualification Authority, to ratify their updated agricultural education courses. In the future I hope Oatridge will be able to secure new contracts to work with other landbased sectors, and not just education and training, but we do need to be able to draw on the expertise of the landbased sectors we have here in Scotland."

Anyone interested in joining Oatridge International to see the world, can start by contacting Adrian at [akitchen@oatridge.ac.uk](mailto:akitchen@oatridge.ac.uk) or telephone 01506 864800.

## Assessor courses are A1

A new programme of tailored courses at Oatridge promises to "cut through the jargon" to make it easier for landbased businesses to have their own in-house assessors with the necessary expertise to judge the progress of fellow-workers undertaking vocational education or training.

Recognising that potential candidates for this important role are often deterred by horrors of "eduspeak", the College has developed a plain English approach to help them cope.

Successful participants will receive the nationally-recognised A1 qualification, which will allow them to assess candidates studying for a range of vocational qualifications, such as the Scottish Vocational Qualification (SVQ), offer feedback on their assessment decisions, while contributing to internal quality procedures.

Assistant Principal Karen Murray says: "there's no doubt that the current system leaves a lot of people confused. We have taken a new approach which relates the qualification directly to the landbased industries people are familiar with. It should also be said that our courses may attract ILA funding."

[www.oatridge.ac.uk](http://www.oatridge.ac.uk)

## Students "Rescue" historic orchard

A team of Horticulture and Landscaping students has been involved in a major project to rescue an historic orchard on the Smeaton Estate near East Linton in East Lothian. Called in by the Royal Caledonian Horticulture Society, the team pruned around 100 apple trees, many of them interesting and rare varieties, which had been neglected since the death of the husband of the present owner.



## Comings and goings

Oatridge is soon to play host to six equestrian students from the University of Arkansas in the United States. They are visiting for five weeks during which they will study Equine Fitness and Anatomy and Physiology and, thanks to a programme devised by equine team leader Sharon Anderson, will also get a chance to experience life in Scotland.

"While they're here, we plan to take them to the Royal Highland Show, the Common Riding in Peebles, Ceres Highland Games, Stirling Castle and Loch Ness. They're also going pony trekking in the Highlands, racing at Perth, eventing at Hopetoun House, various yards and studs and they'll have a study tour to the Scottish Endurance Championships."

Meanwhile 26 Higher National Certificate and Diploma equine students from Oatridge are just back from a study tour of Ireland.

They had a packed schedule which included Sheik Mohammad's Kildangan Stud, Necarne Castle, the Horseware Factory in Dundalk, Cavan Hose Sales, Troytown Equine Hospital, the Kildare Polo Club and the Irish Army Equitation School where, among others, they met up with Captain David O'Brian (pictured right), one of Ireland's leading international show jumpers.

We are also awaiting a report from a group of HND countryside management students who have been on study tour in Norway and certificate students who have been on study tour on the island of Rhum.



## Hammer and tongs for charity



No jokes, please, about the "anvil chorus line", because the farriery students who took part in a 24-hour "forge-athon" for charity are probably too tired to see the funny side!

The 22 guys and girls worked in shifts turning out hand-forged poker, key rings, letter openers, wine racks, boot holders and a host of other items, to sell to staff and visitors. They started in time to coincide with one of the College's regular Open Days and went right around the clock to ensure that they filled all of their orders.

As we write the final total of cash raised for local organisations is still to be announced, but with all those lucky horseshoes around, it's bound to be considerable.

A new blacksmithing course is now open for registration – see Short Course section below

## Landbased Industries round-up

### The Budget and rural Scotland

Scotland's rural communities will be both winners and losers from this month's Budget, according to expert analysis of Chancellor Alistair Darling's measures. Setting aside purely political rhetoric and the effects on individuals and families, there was a clear consensus on some of the main issues to emerge from the speech:

- Grahame Smith of the Scottish TUC highlighted investment in offshore wind energy and carbon capture technology as "potentially hugely beneficial to the Scottish economy"
- Andy Willox of the Federation of Small Business in Scotland warned that the increase in fuel duty (up by 2p in September and 1p above inflation next April) will "make it particularly hard for rural and other essential business road users to keep moving during the downturn"
- Liz Cameron of the Scottish Chambers of Commerce echoed concerns about fuel duty: "This will increase cost of transport and doing business in Scotland, particularly in our rural areas, a cost which business can ill afford at this time"
- A positive note came from Iain McMillan of the Scottish CBI: Changes to the fiscal regime affecting North Sea oil and gas and promoting a low carbon economy will be "useful" he said.

You can see exactly how the Budget will affect you and your business to visiting: [www.direct.gov.uk](http://www.direct.gov.uk)

### "Era of cheap food is over": SAC Chairman

Lord Jamie Lindsay, the Chairman of the Scottish Agricultural College, has warned that the world is facing a food supply crisis and for the developed nations, the era of cheap food is well and truly over.

Speaking at an event in Dumfries, organised by the Chrichton Foundation, he said that consumers and governments must make "tough, unpopular decisions" based on sound science. Lord Lindsay told his audience that, with the global population expected to reach 9 billion by 2050, food production would have to double to meet demand, but today, the level of food stocks is falling, leaving the world vulnerable to droughts, floods, pests and diseases, all driven by climate change. He added: "There are fears over shortages of land, water, fertilisers and energy, while the populations of developing countries like China and India increasingly demand the kind of careless affluence we have taken for granted."

[www.sac.ac.uk](http://www.sac.ac.uk)

### NFUS fears over Rural Priorities Scheme

Jim McLaren, the President of the National Union of Farmers in Scotland, says that the decision to suspend the next round of applications to the Scottish Government's Rural Priorities Scheme is "a huge blow" to businesses already in the process of submitting proposals.

Mr McLaren says: "These businesses' plans for the future have been left in limbo and the ability of the Scottish Government to move the application goalposts at such a late stage is unacceptable." The announcement was made on April 7, a week ahead of the deadline set for proposals. A Government statement on the scheme is expected shortly.

[www.nfus.org.uk](http://www.nfus.org.uk)

## Food producers gear up for supermarket listing

Eleven Scottish food businesses have begun a six months long programme designed to help them secure lucrative listings with the big supermarket chains.

The project, launched by Scotland Food and Drink, Sainsbury's and the Scottish Government, is similar to one in 2001 which saw sales boosted by £10 million, an increase of 85 percent.

The programme will provide hands-on workshops to introduce the companies to buyers, access to market data and one-to-one sessions with food marketing consultants to identify and develop growth opportunities.

In the first group of participants are Kingdom Bakery, Jians Dumplings, Cosmo frozen foods, Mey Selections, National Fruit & Beverage Co, Little Bird, Mitchell's ice cream, Murdoch Allen & Sons, Mackays Ltd, Cream O'Galloway and Scotherbs.

[www.scotland.gov.uk](http://www.scotland.gov.uk)

## Fishermen ready to resist cuts

Scotland's fishermen look set to fight any moves from Europe to make further cuts to the fleet. The European Commission has published plans to reform the Common Fisheries Policy, which claim that there are still too many boats fishing European waters.

The Scottish Fishermen's Federation argues that the Scottish fleet is the right size, although it supports the reform of the "failed" Common Fisheries Policy.

Reports suggest that reform plans recommend more control of fishing should be devolved to national governments, a move which would be welcomed in Scotland, where it is felt that the current mechanism is too centralised.

[www.sff.co.uk](http://www.sff.co.uk)

## Funding for "Long and Winding Way"

A funding package worth £150,000 over three years has been put in place to continue the upgrading and market the Kintyre Way, the 88-mile long distance path, linking Tarbert and Southend on the peninsula, which last year alone is estimated to have contributed £100,000 to the local economy.

Long and Winding Way Ltd, the community company which manages the route, hopes that one spin-off will be the installation of infra red cameras to solve the mystery of the Kintyre Big Cats, following repeated but unconfirmed sightings in the area.

[www.kintyreway.com](http://www.kintyreway.com)



Skipness Path, part of the Kintyre Way. Stunning scenery is not all you might see.



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## Join in the "Song of the Clyde"

The Scottish Government has launched a consultation on how the River Clyde and its surroundings should be regulated, managed and protected in the future, and members of the general public are being asked to make a contribution.

Scottish Environment Minister Roseanna Cunningham made a point of calling for suggestions from individuals as well as organisations for improving a draft plan, aimed at preserving the area for future generations, while satisfying competing demands for access to the Firth like fishing, wildlife conservation, renewable energy and transport. "The Firth of Clyde is dear to the hearts of so many, both here in Scotland and across the world," she said. "This plan aims to help look after it for the sake of all who use and enjoy it. We anticipate further input from industry, marine users and agencies, but we'd also very much welcome views from the wider public".

The draft plan covers an area stretching from Glasgow, down the Ayrshire coast to Loch Ryan, across to Arran and the Mull of Kintyre and up to the heads of Loch Fyne and Loch Long. It can be found on the website:

[www.scotland.gov.uk](http://www.scotland.gov.uk)

## Wildlife crime battle lines redrawn

The addition of the 70,000 hectare Atholl Estates to a unique partnership to combat wildlife crime and protect rare birds on Tayside has effectively doubled the area it covers.

The Countrywatch Partnership – involving the RSPB Scotland, Scottish Natural Heritage, Tayside Police and the Tayside Raptor Group – covers from Callander in south-west Perthshire, through to Loch Tay and now extends to the county boundary at Drumochter.

The Partnership has been working for five years to foster healthy populations of three key raptor species, hen harriers, peregrine falcons and golden eagles.

[www.snh.org.uk](http://www.snh.org.uk)

## What's in the Larder?

Organic food growers in Scotland have a new tool for their campaign to encourage caterers to use their produce. "The Larder" is to be published by Scottish Food Quality Certification in partnership with the "List" magazine and will include listings of hundreds of Scottish food and drink producers and outlets, along with food stories and tips from chefs and producers. The project was developed by the Scottish Organic Producers Association (SOPA) and funded by the Scottish Government's Marketing Development scheme.

[www.sopa.org.uk](http://www.sopa.org.uk)

## ANM Group boosts profits

The ANM Group, Scotland's leading farmer-owned co-operative, has announced profits of £909,000 for 2008, in spite of the global economic situation. Turnover was up by almost £8 million to more than £99 million. The Aberdeen-based group say the diverse nature of the business allowed it to return a strong performance.

[www.goanm.co.uk](http://www.goanm.co.uk)



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**Your Space** – Where you can promote your company, products or events

## Launch of Eurogolfjobs.com

This is a web-based business which aims to link employers across Europe and people looking for jobs in the golf industry. It is run by Alan Lindsay from bases in Zagreb, Croatia, and Helensburgh, Scotland. Email Alan at: [alanlindsay@eurogolfjobs.com](mailto:alanlindsay@eurogolfjobs.com) or visit the website: [www.eurogolfjobs.com](http://www.eurogolfjobs.com)

## Climate Change Programme

The Soil Association in Scotland is launching a three-year programme to prepare farmers and growers to cope with climate change, with a day-long visit to Newmill Farm near Perth on Wednesday, May 13. Five other events are planned around Scotland during 2009, with the second at Oakwood Mill, Selkirk on Monday, June 8. Full details can be found at: [www.soilassociationscotland.org](http://www.soilassociationscotland.org)

## The Horticulture Scotland Directory

This directory lists horticultural products, services and suppliers and also contains a vast amount of information useful to professionals working in "horticulture" in its widest sense. It is free to anyone in the "trade" (£5 plus postage to anyone else), while stocks last. Contact Andrew Lees, 3 Clerwood Place, Edinburgh Eh12 8PJ or email: [HortScotDirect@aol.com](mailto:HortScotDirect@aol.com)

## Chamber Mentoring

Mentoring programmes help growing businesses by pairing them up with an experienced mentor: someone capable of helping to move you and your business to the next level through the sharing of knowledge, skills and experience with another person in a relationship of mutual trust. Business Mentors can play an invaluable role in contributing to the successful growth and development of aspirational individuals and their businesses. Business Mentoring can have a positive impact on your business. The Chamber Mentoring Programme sets out to provide mentors to businesses who are looking for guidance and support. Business mentors are volunteers who are keen to share their experience and knowledge. They benefit from having "been there and done that" approach.

The experience is beneficial to both the mentor and the mentee. A mentor is there to support, stimulate and challenge you, on both a personal and business level. They can help you to view your business in a different light, and their knowledge and experience can point you in the right direction. Having a business mentor can therefore, improve your knowledge, ability and confidence, and can help you develop a stronger and more sustainable business. Being a mentor is also a rewarding and satisfying experience - you can develop your coaching skills, widen your network of contacts and also gain a new perspective on your own business. If you plan to expand your business and are willing to meet with a mentor a couple of hours a month, then this could be a very effective business tool for your *future* development and growth. For more details about the scheme, either as a mentor or engaging a mentor contact **01506 777938** or email [brenda.cumming@wlchamber.com](mailto:brenda.cumming@wlchamber.com).



## ILA funding for Courses



In the following pages, all courses marked \* are ILA Approved. ILA Scotland is a Scottish Government scheme that helps you pay for learning that you can do at a time, place, pace and in a way to suit you. It's for people who have an income of £18,000 a year or less, or who are on benefits. If you are 16 or over and living in Scotland, you could get up to £500 towards the cost of learning with a learner account from ILA Scotland. See <http://www.ilascotland.org.uk/ILA+Homepage.htm>

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## Your Guide to Short Courses at Oatridge College

### Chainsaw Operations

**\*Maintenance, Crosscutting and Felling Small Trees up to 200 mm** (Lantra Award) 4 day course.

Dates 4-7 May, 1-4 Jun, 6-9 Jul, 3-6 Aug £450

**\*Maintenance, Crosscutting and Felling Small Trees up to 380 mm** (NPTC Award) 5-day course (+ 1 day test to be arranged)

Dates : 11-14 May, 15-19 Jun, 20-24 Jul £780

### \*Forklift Operation

(Lantra Award) 3 day course 2-4 Jun £450

### \*All Terrain Vehicle Operation

(Lantra Award) 2 day course Dates TBA £250

### Transporting Livestock

**Transportation of Livestock by Road Short Journeys over 65km and under 8 hours**

Online testing arranged as required £60

**Transportation of Livestock by Road Long Distance**

Dates to be arranged as required £120

### \* Vehicle & Trailer Training:

#### Preparation for the DVLA test

1 day course: Dates to be arranged (Maximum of 2 trainees per day) £150

#### \* Blacksmithing – An Introduction (Basic)

A 10 week programme introducing the skills of Blacksmithing (**Evening Course** - 6.30-9pm) Course start dates: 8 Sep; 1 Dec; 2 Mar (2010) £200

#### \* Welding – An Introduction (Basic)

A 10 week programme an introduction to welding skills (**Evening Course** - 6.30-9pm) Course start dates 9 Sep; 2 Dec; 3 Mar (2010) £120

### Vermin Control

**\* Vermin Control - Rabbits, rats, mice & moles**

(Lantra Award) 2 day course: 18-19 May £175

**\* Vermin Control – Rabbits and moles**

(Lantra Award) 1 day course: 6<sup>th</sup> Apr £90



\* Courses marked are ILA approved

### Using Sprayers

**\* Safe Use of Pesticides – Training for PA1 Foundation**

(NPTC Award) 1 day course: 5 May; 17 Jun £100

#### **PA1 Foundation Test**

Dates arranged following training (above) £60

**\* Safe Use of Pesticides - Training for PA6A Hand Held**

**Applicator** (NPTC Award)

1 day course : 6 May; 18 Jun £80

#### **PA6A Test**

Dates arranged following training (above) £130

**\* Safe Use of Pesticides - Training for PA2A Tractor**

**Mounted Certificate** (NPTC Award)

1 day course : 29 Jun £120

#### **PA2A Test**

Dates arranged following training (above) £250

### Health and Safety

**\* First Aid at Work** HSE Accredited 4 day course:

1-4 Jun; 31Aug-3 Sep £180

**\* First Aid at Work Refresher** - HSE Accredited 2 days:

6-7 May, 26-27 Aug £90

**\* Risk Assessment/ COSSH – an introduction**

A 1 day introductory course : dates to be arranged £60

**\*Safe Use of Veterinary Medicines**

A 1 day course : dates to be arranged £100

**\*Safe Use of Sheep Dips**

A 1 day course : dates to be arranged £100

### Construction Skills - for DIY or Trade Skills Updating

**Drystone Dyking** Lantra Accredited

A 5 day training course: Next dates 22-26 Jun £300

**\*Introduction to basic brickwork**

An Oatridge Certificated 3 day course: 29 Apr-1 May £300

**\* Timber Decking**

An Oatridge Certificated 3 day course 20-22 May £300

**\* Paving**

An Oatridge Certificated 3 day course 6-8 May £300

## Leisure Courses

### Pet Care

**Dog Agility - Advanced** 10 weeks: 8 Sep – 24 Nov  
([Evening Course](#) 7.00 – 8.00pm) £50

**Dog Agility – Advanced** 10 weeks: 8 Sep – 24 Nov  
([Evening Course](#) 8.00 – 9.00pm) £50

## The Suntrap Garden Centre for Lifelong Learning

43 Gogarbank, Edinburgh EH12 9BY

### OPEN DAY

*Sunday 24 May 10.30 – 4.30*

[See final page for details](#)

### Saturday Workshops

16<sup>th</sup> May Saturday 10 am – 12 noon

Only £6.00 + cost of materials

**Hanging Gardens of Babylon**  
"Tom Hardwick's version"

## Short and Tailored Courses

At Oatridge College and SNEC we organise a wide range of short specialist courses. The courses we offer either meet current industrial standards or we can devise bespoke courses tailored to meet the precise needs of individuals and businesses.

Oatridge College has developed a reputation for delivering specialist tailored courses and we continue to offer this service to businesses and Local Authorities.

For further information and to make bookings contact, please contact Moira Montgomery at Oatridge College. Latest information can be found at: [www.oatridge.ac.uk/short\\_courses](http://www.oatridge.ac.uk/short_courses)

## Extra Courses

Sign up for the following courses – dates to be confirmed ----

- \*Chainsaw Refresher Courses
- \*Brushcutters/Trimmers (Lantra Awards)
- \*Emergency First Aid
- \*Pedestrian Mowers (Rotary and Flail or Cylinder)
- \*Ride-On-Mowers (Rotary and Flail or Cylinder)
- \*Trimmers – Grass Cutting
- \*Hand Held Hedge Trimmer
- \*Manual Handling



### An Introduction to Blacksmithing

A new 4 day intensive training at Oatridge College Farriery Centre

Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> June to Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2009

**Inclusive cost: £200**

- Learn the basic techniques, and try your hand at blacksmithing.
- Make a garden ornament, decorative or a rustic artwork
- Have an opportunity to progress on to the Certificate in Forgework course



The Scottish National  
Equestrian Centre

## SNEC Courses

### Training for BHS Stage 1: Horse Knowledge, Care and Riding

Course 1: 8 x 3 hour sessions **12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> Jun, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £180

Course 2: 8 x 3hour sessions **11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £180

Course 3: 8 x 3hour sessions **20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> Nov, 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Dec**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £180

### Training for BHS Stage 1 Horse Knowledge & Care Only

Course 1: 4 x 3hour sessions **12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> Jun, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £100

Course 2: 4 x 3hour sessions **11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £100

Course 3: 4 x 3hour sessions **20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> Nov, 4<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Dec**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £100

### Training for BHS Stage 1 Riding Only

Course 1: 4 x 3hour sessions **12<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 26<sup>th</sup> Jun, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jul**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £100

Course 2: 4 x 3hour sessions **11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £100

Course 3: 4 x 3hour sessions **20, 27 Nov, 4, 11 Dec**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £100

For further course information contact Kaz at  
the Scottish National Equestrian Centre (SNEC), Oatridge,  
Ecclesmachan, West Lothian EH52 6NH. Telephone 01506  
865714 Fax 01506 865716

E-mail [kaz@snecc.co.uk](mailto:kaz@snecc.co.uk)

### Training for BHS Stage 2: Horse Knowledge, Care & Riding

Course 1: 12 x 3 hour sessions **17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Jul, 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> Aug**  
all sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £225

Course 2: 12 x 3 hour sessions **28<sup>th</sup> Aug, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Sep, 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £225

### Training for BHS Stage 2: Horse Knowledge & Care Only

Course 1: 6 x 3 hour sessions **17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Jul, 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> Aug**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £150

Course 2: 6 x 3 hour sessions  
**28<sup>th</sup> Aug, 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> Sep, and 2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.**  
All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £150

### Training for BHS Stage 2: Riding Only

Course 1: 6 x 3 hour sessions: **17<sup>th</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup>, 31<sup>st</sup> Jul, 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> Aug**  
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2<sup>nd</sup> Oct.** All sessions 9am – 12pm or 1pm – 4pm £150

### Introduction to Lungeing for Beginners

**15<sup>th</sup> May 2009** Sessions 9am–12pm & 1pm–4pm £50

### Improving your Lungeing Techniques

**22<sup>nd</sup> May 2009** Sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £50

### Basic First Aid for Horses (Part 1)

**29<sup>th</sup> May 2009** Sessions 9am–12pm & 1pm–4pm £50

### First Aid for Horses (Part 2)

**5<sup>th</sup> June 2009** Sessions 9am – 12pm & 1pm – 4pm £50

### Clipping for Beginners (Part 1)

**9<sup>th</sup> Oct** Course 1: 9am –12pm or Course 2: 1pm – 4pm £25

### Clipping for Beginners Part 2

**16<sup>th</sup> Oct** Course 1: 9am – 12pm or Course 2: 1pm – 4pm £25



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## SUNTRAP SUNTRAP GARDEN



# OPEN DAY

**SUNDAY 24th MAY 2009**

**10.30am - 4.30pm**

Proceeds to Perennial

(Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society)

**ADMISSION: Adults £2.00**

**Children and Concessions £1.00**

**Car Park: FREE**

**Suntrap Garden sits between the A8, RBS  
headquarters and the Park and Ride at Heriot  
Watt University on the A71**

**PLANTS FOR SALE**

**GARDEN TOURS**

**DEMONSTRATIONS**

**GARDEN ADVICE**

**EXHIBITS**

**CHILDREN'S GAMES**

**HOME BAKING**

**TEAS AND COFFEES**

Ecclesmachan, Broxburn, West Lothian EH52 6NH, Scotland

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