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SPARKES SET TO LIGHT UP RACING SCHOOL



Glen Sparkes

Glen Sparkes, 25, has started a new full-time job as an instructor at The British Racing School. After narrowly missing in his first application, The British Racing School were quick to snap up his services second time around.

Commented Glen, "The first phase of my 6 month training is to shadow the Senior Instructor on a new course. There's lots to learn and it all takes a bit of getting used to, including the young lads calling me 'Sir'! This is a great job for me, it's taken the worry off getting back riding again and I am really looking forward to putting my knowledge and experience to good use. Lisa helped me all the way through - prepping me for interviews, helping with the application and always looking at further training opportunities. The service JETS provides is magic."

DRIVING THE FUTURE TOGETHER



Darren Salter



Chris Webb

Thirty one year old former NH jockey, Darren Salter is following in the footsteps of former conditional, Chris Webb by embarking on a new career as a driving instructor.

Chris won the 2001 Griffins Richard Davis Award and has been working as a Driving Instructor for the past three years. Which means Devon-based Darren now has a natural mentor who has already helped him choose his initial training company.

Darren has started training with his local Learner Driving Centre and is due to take his first exam in late April. "I am also combining the training with riding out for Cullompton trainer, Chris Bown; so it all fits in well," explains Darren.

Adds Chris Webb: "I only wish that, when I started out, I could have had access to first-hand, honest advice from someone who had been there before. I am delighted to be of any help to Darren that I can."



LISA COMPLETES EUROPEAN COACHING FOUNDATION COURSE

Not to be outdone in the training stakes, JETS' own Manager, Lisa Delany has been studying hard over the past year and now has a European Coaching Foundation Diploma to her name.

Explains Lisa: "Continuous professional development is important to us all and studying for this particular qualification has given me a marvellous opportunity to learn about 'best practice'. Career Coaching is a relatively new and growing 'discipline' and we want to be able to offer the most informed and sympathetic coaching service that we can to JETS candidates."

SPOTLIGHT ON CAREER COACHING:



RICKY LAKE

While 24 year old flat jockey, Ricky Lake waits for a cruciate ligament operation, following an injury sustained in a Warwick pile-up last summer, he has been taking advantage of the JETS career coaching service.

Commented Ricky: "I pretty much knew I could never work in an office and I really enjoy my own gym training. To be able to talk it all through with Lisa was an added bonus - a sounding board. Fitness Instruction came out favourite for me; and so, as soon as I have had my operation, I'll be starting out on training to be a qualified Fitness Instructor in June."

WHO'S TRAINING NOW?

Here are just a few jockeys who have recently trained, or are currently training, in new skills with the help of JETS:



Tim Reed leading in one of his point-to-point winners.

NAME	JETS ASSISTED TRAINING
Derek Byrne	First Aid at Work
Charlotte Cox	Racing Secretarial course
Guy Lewis	Intermediate Racecourse Groundsmanship
Guy Lewis	LGV Driver Training
Tim Reed	LGV Driver Training
Martin Taylor	Certificate in Computer Technology
Frazer Houston	Equine Dentistry

CONGRATULATIONS to:

Guy Lewis and **Tim Reed** who have both passed their LGV (Large Goods Vehicle) Driving Licence. Guy has also passed his Intermediate Groundsmanship Certificate.

Vince Smith and **Paul Midgley** who have both recently notched up their first winners as trainers.

A RIGHT ROYAL JOB

Would you be interested in a job which combines riding and adventure training with world travel and good employment benefits? Well, why not think about The Royal Horse Artillery? They are on the look out for 16-27 year olds who would be keen to take centre stage at some of the world's most spectacular events. To find out more, call Lisa at JETS or visit www.armyjobs.co.uk.



NEW MARKETING COACHING AVAILABLE FOR THE SELF-EMPLOYED

With so many jockeys opting to go down the 'self employed' route after race riding, JETS has now introduced a new Marketing Coaching service, to help them grow their businesses.

Explains Lisa Delany: "Jockeys are typically very motivated, have great ideas and are not afraid of the risks of running their own businesses. However, we are finding that they often fall down in the area of marketing and could do with an expert eye to look at their businesses from the outside and help them put together a workable marketing plan.

The marketing coaching is delivered on a one-to-one basis to maintain confidentiality and to produce tailored results. This coaching will be subsidised by JETS for registered candidates. To find out more, ring Lisa in the JETS office in the first instance.

BULLETIN BOARD:

● Time to apply for Griffins Richard Davis Award 2004

Yes, it's that time again. £2,500 worth of grant prizes will once again be available, courtesy of long-time sponsors, Newbury-based Griffins Business Development consultants and accountants. The awards are given each year to the JETS candidates who have put the most initiative, effort and forethought into developing their chosen new careers. If you think you might like to submit an application, why not speak to Lisa first? Entries will close 15 July 2004.

● Use that Summer

JETS has already been contacted by several jump jockeys who are looking to make use of the relatively quieter Summer period to develop skills in all areas.

Computer skills are still the most popular and essential. In the Lambourn area, there are IT centres in Newbury and Hungerford which both provide quality, flexible 'drop-in' training. In Middleham, the Middleham Key Centre offers Computer Literacy and Information Technology Classes on a Monday evening and a Wednesday morning.

Whatever area a jockey is based, JETS is able to find convenient training to suit any needs. Contact Lisa for further details. Remember JETS covers up to 80% of the cost of any course undertaken by eligible candidates.

● JETS On-Course

Lisa will be based in the Weighing Room, before racing on the following dates:

May 5th Newmarket (town not racing), May 11th Hereford, May 19th Southwell, May 27th Newton Abbot, June 2nd Newmarket area (town not racing) and June 3rd Chepstow

Jockeys are welcome to make advance appointments or stop by for an informal chat on the day. Watch out for other and later dates in The Racing Post and in future issues of The Journal.

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