As a registered charity, Bisley and Sandown Chase PC have to submit a financial return to head office on an annual basis, running from January to December. As part of this exercise, we also look at the budgets required for the year ahead and the funding we need to raise for the upkeep of the pony club field and its facilities.

As a branch we are incredibly lucky to have our own field and the facilities on offer - show jumping, XC course, space where we can run home camp, Tetrathlon, mini champs, ODEs and rallies. There aren't many other PC branches that can boast this, and it means that we are able to keep costs for rallies, Camps etc, lower than other branches because we do not have to hire facilities! Our committee – ALL volunteers - work incredibly hard, to maintain the high standard of the field and its facilities for your children to enjoy and most importantly, where they can be kept safe.

Each year the maintenance of the field costs a minimum of **£8,000**. This is just for the bare minimum to be done including:

- field rent
- insurance
- toilets (including cleaning)
- grass cutting
- water

We have extra costs throughout the year including the upkeep and replacement of the xc jumps, woodland maintenance, fencing, reducing the rabbit holes and much more.

As a branch we are looking for your support and commitment to help us keep and pay for the fantastic facilities on offer. This includes but is not limited to:

- Attending a minimum of three rallies per year this is a requirement for camp, for competing at regionals and areas.
- Help with looking after the field, coming to the field opening and closing dates
- Help at events, including before, during and after
- If you can help in anyway there are always jobs and roles that need doing

We want the branch to be able to provide events where your children are safe, where they can socialise and learn, make memories together and have fun. BUT WE NEED YOUR HELP!

The members who are the most supportive and active within the branch are the ones who get the fun and the memories and most out of being part of Bisley and Sandown Chase PC. When it comes to selecting teams to represent the Branch at competitions, we take into consideration not only performance but also commitment to the branch.

We are looking forward to seeing you all soon, we have a busy, fun packed year ahead.

Some dates to put in your diaries please:

26<sup>th</sup> / 27<sup>th</sup> March Prince Philip Cup weekend – mounted games 23<sup>rd</sup> / 24<sup>th</sup> April – our Tetrathlon weekend 1<sup>st</sup> May - our ODE 26<sup>th</sup> June – Show Jumping Competition Regional Qualifier (80cm and under) 24<sup>th</sup> / 25<sup>th</sup> September – Mini Champs (for the 12year olds and under)