

FELLOWS & INSTRUCTORS

WHAT THE MEMBERS SAY...



SUE PAYNE FBHS

I've been a member of the F&I Association since its inception. I was one of the original committee members

before becoming Chairman and last year I was lucky enough to receive the Pat Smallwood Trophy for services to the Association. It is the best value for money you will ever have! It is a very friendly community - but specialist. If you're an Intermediate Instructor, get working to become a BHSI. You'll never regret it.



DANNY ANHOLT FBHS

Returning from the F&I Annual Course at Addington my head is brimming with ideas

and enthusiasm. Riding, observing and discussing training with like-minded Fellows and Instructors always sets me up for the year's coaching. If you're an aspiring BHSI, or a BHSI who isn't a member, I can't think of a more inclusive, educative and enthusiastic group to keep your training and coaching current and inspired.

JENNY WARD BHSI

I've been a member of the Association from the outset. I was one of the people to run it after the initial brainchild of Barbara Slane Fleming FBHS and Pat Smallwood FBHS and I've gained so much over the years. I feel it's important to get involved, make friends and find the support you need. Many activities are organised by members and the committee all over the UK and Ireland and that enthusiasm is infectious.

TESSA RYLEY BHSI

The F&I is a fantastic way to continue your education and training once you've passed your BHSI. Training days include a broad range of topics from industry experts, and it's a great way to meet like-minded people, swap ideas, and keep up-to-date. So far I've been to a training day on the Scale of Training with Tim Downes, a biomechanics day with Russell Guire, and a yard visit to Carl Hester's - where I was lucky enough to have my BHSI certificate presented to me by Carl... a real highlight!



Why joining the F&I Association could give your career a boost

Edging ahead

*Above:
Former F&I
Chairman
Jo Winfield
FBHS
coaching in
Ireland*

*Below:
Tessa Ryley
receives
her BHSI
certificate
from Carl
Hester
FBHS*

The Fellows and Instructors Association (F&I) is a peer group, training and discussion body formed in 1986 to ensure that the highest professional standards are maintained. If you have passed your BHSI examination, you are eligible to join - and what's more, your first year's membership is free!

SO, WHY SHOULD YOU JOIN?

Current Chairman Jillie Rogers BHSI believes it is a great way of enhancing your career.

"Working as a coach can be a lonely existence," she says. "Especially in the early days of your career. Having the opportunity to share thoughts and ideas with others in the industry can be extremely beneficial.

"The association's ability to relate to all generations - from the more experienced through to newly qualified Instructors and Fellows -

provides a strong integration across our industry."

MOVING WITH THE TIMES

Former Chairman, Jo Winfield FBHS, adds: "Although the Association has been running for more than 30 years, it is important to move with the times.

"In recent years the use of social media has become increasingly significant, both in allowing us to relate to our client base and to publicise training, events and forums."

The committee is passionate about supporting the Fellows and Instructors of the BHS and it puts a lot of energy into arranging meetings, courses and training days - including the annual two-day riding course in early January, where this year's trainers were the brilliant Christoff Hess and Christopher Bartle FBHS. ◉

HOW TO JOIN

After your first year, your annual membership is £20 per year. Visit fandiassociation.org.uk for more information