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1. MEMBER DISCOUNTS

The UCSW have organised discounts for members on a range of products:

- **Membership to CCC3** which amongst its benefits includes insurance – see enclosed leaflet. Over the last few years UCSW members have been asking if the Union can offer insurance. As a result UCSW has been looking at the different insurances available for country sports people. It did not want to add compulsory insurance onto UCSW membership in a time of financial uncertainty, thus incurring additional costs for its members, who did not want extra insurance. Optional membership to CCC3, which includes insurance, is the best way to meet UCSW member needs.
- **Webury.com** – UCSW Trade member – is offering all UCSW members a 10% discount for anything on their website (excluding p&p) www.webury.com. To find out how to take up this offer email the UCSW: office@ucsw.org. webury.com is a family run business, deeply rooted in the countryside. They claim to be Europe's largest Driza-Bone ® stockists, and their expertise in Wellington Boots is second to none, with prestige brands Aigle (including the Equestrian ranges) and Le Chateau. Quality items to suit Gardeners to Gundogs, Campers to Coffee-holics, Foodies to Fashionistas, "there is something for everyone".
- **Special rates for websites, logos, brochures and photography from EquineIT.com** for UCSW members. Logos from only £75 and websites from only £250. Contact Ian Piper on 07811 450158 and mention that you are a UCSW member.
- **Utility Warehouse Discount Club** – Help us, Helping you.... please see enclosed pink leaflet.

2. UCSW AGM

The 13th Annual General Meeting of UCSW will be held at the Worcestershire Hunt Kennels, Fernhill Heath, Claines, WR3 7UT on Sunday 9th May, 2010. The meeting will start promptly at 12 noon with a buffet lunch to follow. To help with catering, please let the Office know if you plan to attend.

Nominations: if you would like to serve on, or nominate someone on to the Committee, it's very easy: You must be a full member of the UCSW, the person you nominate must be a full member, the candidate must be proposed in writing. The letter has to be received at the UCSW Office before Friday 9th April, 2010. The nomination must be signed by two or more full members and should indicate where the candidate lives and their background. We look forward to hearing from you!

3. ADVICE

The UCSW is here to help those employed in country sports with their employment, housing or other job related problems. If you need help or would just like to talk through a work issue, please call the office on: Tel: 01295 712719.

4. EMAIL ADDRESSES

As we are using email more and more for relaying information, please make sure we have your current email address – and if you have changed your address recently, do let us know! Contact the UCSW office or email us on: office@ucsw.org

5. SHOW DATES

The UCSW will be at the North Somerset Show on 3 May and then at the South of England Show, Ardingly from 10 – 12 June. For details of these and all the other shows (dates and links to show sites) that the Union are planning on attending this year, please visit our website: www.ucsw.org Do come and visit us!

6. MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS – Members can pay online...

If you have access to the internet, you can visit our website and pay your membership subscription online using the secure Paypal system. This means you can now pay by credit card (online only) if you wish. Please remember to quote your member ID Number on all payments. The UCSW will continue to send out manual renewals to those who do not pay by standing order so that you know when your subscription is due.

7. TRADE MEMBERSHIP

Why not become a Trade Member? If you run a business, small or large, this may be of interest. All Trade members receive a listing in our membership magazine *Livin' Country* (this includes all the essential contact details including description of your product/s) and a link from our website. Please contact the office for more details – subscriptions per annum are only £40.

8. UCSW MERCHANDISE

The UCSW holds various items of UCSW branded stock including: ties, baseball caps, polo shirts, sweatshirts and enamel membership badges which can be viewed by looking on the website under Merchandise: <http://www.ucsw.org/Merchandise.htm>. There are also a number of fun/gift items such as sporting notelets, badges and car stickers, key fobs, 'hunting' mouse mats, jute bags, etc.

Merchandise can be purchased through our website with a credit card using the secure Paypal system or send in your request noting which item/s you require together with a cheque (made payable to "UCSW") to the office including a donation for p&p or enclosing a stamped addressed envelope for all orders. Thank you.

We would like to thank all our members for their support through their membership, fundraising and donations, without which the UCSW would not be here. Please encourage your friends who are involved in country sports, whether workers or supporters, to join us – together we can be stronger...