



British Riding Clubs



Area 18 Introductory Dressage Qualifier

(Championships held on the 8th – 10th of March 2024 at Bury Farm Equestrian)

Sunday 28th January 2024

Unicorn Equestrian Centre, Stow on the wold, GL54 1JZ

Class	Class Name	Test	Entry Fee
1	NAF Senior Intro Team	Intro A (2008) Intro B (2009) Prelim 1 (2006) Prelim 2 (2016)	£70.00 per team
2	NAF Junior Intro Team	Intro A (2008) Intro B (2009) Prelim 1 (2006) Prelim 2 (2016)	£70.00 per team
3a	NAF Senior Intro Individual	Intro A (2008)	£17.50 per rider
3b	NAF Junior Intro Individual	Intro A (2008)	£17.50 per rider
4a	NAF Senior Prelim Individual	Prelim 1 (2006)	£17.50 per rider
4b	NAF Junior Intro Individual	Prelim 1 (2006)	£17.50 per rider
5a	NAF Senior Prelim Individual	Prelim 2 (2016)	£17.50 per rider
5b	NAF Junior Intro Individual	Prelim 2 (2016)	£17.50 per rider
6	Mixed Intro Pairs	BRC Intro Pairs 1 (2022)	£30.00 per pair

ALL tests will be run indoors

Warm up in outdoor arena

Viewing gallery inside, please respect the rider when entering during a test

Venue	Unicorn Equestrian Centre, Netherswell, Stow on the Wold, GL54 1JZ
Organiser	West Oxfordshire Riding Club
Official Steward	Camilla Esling
Emergency Contact	Emma Morrell 07932788904
Entry Secretary	Emma Morrell – worc@hotmail.co.uk

PLEASE ENSURE YOUR MEMBERS ARE REGISTERED WITH BRC
IN ADVANCE OF THIS EVENT

For teams **each rider will ride a different test**, this is the test they will ride at the championships should they qualify. Only the team's best 3 scores will count. For the pair's classes, both riders will ride the test at the same time, parallel to one another.

Entries:

Entries Secretary Emma Morrell 07932788904

Entry fee: Teams £70.00
Individual riders £17.50

Entries CLOSE: Pre- entries close 6th January 2023
Event entries close 15th January 2023

Completed entry forms to be emailed to worc@hotmail.co.uk
Payment via bacs or paypal to worc@hotmail.co.uk by 15th January 2023
Sort Code: 40-47-07
Account: 21017470

Times: Thursday 25th January 2024 on www.ridingclubresults.co.uk

Prizes: Rosettes 1st to 6th place and highest placed WORC member in each class

All entrants must submit a pre-entry to BRC (fees can be found in the current BRC Handbook) at least 21 days before the date of the qualifier. Pre-entries can be made via the pre-entry website <https://brc.bhs.org.uk>

Late pre-entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organiser with a late surcharge of £5 per individual and £10 per team (payable on the BRC pre-entries website) if space permits.

Late entries cannot be guaranteed and so therefore must not be paid for until approval from the organiser has been gained.

Area Entries

After a pre-entry has been made, the designated club member who is in charge of organising the team/individual taking part in the event must also ensure an area entry is made. The fee is confirmed by the area liaison committee and is payable to the area/host club. Late area fees are subject to the organiser's discretion. If a pre-entry is made, clubs are agreeing to a binding constitution which means they must make an area entry payable to the designated account, regardless of whether or not the team/individual competes.

The closing date of entries is at the discretion of the area qualifier organiser, with details of the organiser being posted on the BRC area representatives and qualifiers page. The entry must be signed by a senior club member/individual member who is also a BRC member. This certifies that all entries are in accordance with BRC rules. Entries will not be accepted in BRC has not received a Pre-Entry.

Teams and/or individuals not wishing to compete at the championships may compete HC if the organiser is agreeable and the rider and horse are eligible. Any rider who has competed HC in the qualifier will not be eligible for the championships

Entry Restrictions:

For further eligibility queries, please see the BRC handbook, Section 2, page 92.

Eligibility for all classes can be found in the current BRC Handbook. Eligibility will be taken from the Friday before the qualifier. All competitors must be a member and be on the BRC Database by midday the Friday before the qualifier. Anyone failing to meet the eligibility criteria will be disqualified and informed by BRC HQ when the results are processed.

BRC have adjusted the numbers to qualify due to requests from many areas. For further information on the numbers to qualify for BRC championships, members are advised to review the BRC 2023 handbook.

Withdrawals, Refunds and Cancellations:

BRC will credit note at their discretion, should the team manager need to withdraw any members from competition, it is up to the discretion of the organiser for refunds. If the event is cancelled and rescheduled within 21 days of the original event then all entries will remain and be carried over to the new date, with pre-entries for the qualifier NOT re-opening. If the new qualifier date is more than 21 days after the original date, then pre-entries will reopen and close again 21 days before the new qualifier date. Those unable to make the new date have 14 working days to claim a credit note from BRC. Eligibility will be taken from the close of the new entries date.

For any qualifier that is cancelled and not rescheduled, clubs will have 14 working days from the date of cancellation to claim a credit note from BRC.

PLEASE NOTE THAT WE WILL TEXT TEAM MANAGERS AND POST ON SOCIAL MEDIA IF THIS EVENT HAS TO BE CANCELLED WITH LESS THEN 24 HOURS NOTICE.

PPE:

Hats

All hats must have a visible HOT PINK BRC/BE/PC hat tag in place before they are worn on the showground, to show that they meet the current safety standards. Please note we cannot accept the Pink Horse Events hat tags, so riders will need to get their hats tagged again with the accepted tags as listed above. There will be a trained official available on the day to do this for you if your hat does not currently have one. For up-to-date hat rules please see the current BRC Handbook. Hats with a fixed peak can **ONLY** be used for dressage and show jumping.

All competitors should note that from January 2023:

PAS 015: 1998

SNELL E2001

Are no longer accepted as part of BRC hat standards.

Body Protectors

A body protector is not obligatory for dressage competitions. However, competitors may wear an up to standard body protector should they wish to, for up-to-date list of standards for body protectors please see the BRC handbook.

Please note that from 1st January 2024 the BETA Level 3 2009 Purple Label is no longer accepted as a recognised safety standard for Body Protectors at a BRC Event. The only exception to this is the Exo Body Cages where the Purple Level 3 2009 BETA label will still be accepted.

Riders are responsible for ensuring they have the correct standard of BETA Level 3 2018 BLUE Label.

Riders wearing Exo Body Cage protectors must inform the secretary at all events, so as paramedics can be informed.

Flu Vaccinations

Your horse must have up to date influenza vaccinations in line with rule G7 in the current BRC Handbook. There is also a checking device on the BRC website. If you are unsure, please email BRC at brcentries@bhs.org.uk.

Due to a brief shortage of flu vaccinations, there is an allowance of 15 months between one vaccination and the next, this must then be followed up by another vaccination 9 months later, so that there are still 2 vaccinations in a 24 month period, this will need to be noted by the veterinary practice to state this was during the vaccination shortage, either noted in the vaccination table in the horse's passport, or via a letter that accompanies the passport.

Members should note that this exemption will be discontinued from 1st of January 2023 and will go back to 1 vaccination in a 12-month time frame.

If your vaccination is out of date and the course needs to be restarted, then you must apply for a yellow card from BRC/will be given a yellow card at the qualifier by the official steward. This will enable competitors to continue competing but ensure that they must follow up on the vaccination.

Horses and ponies cannot be vaccinated within the 6 days before competition.

Please send your passports and vaccinations to the official steward area18.officialsteward@gmail.com before the weekend of the qualifier.

Health and Safety

Further information on BRC's health and safety guidelines can be found in Section 3.7 page 126 of the BRC handbook.

The organisers oversee ensuring the appropriate health and safety precautions are being observed. Competitors, visitors, and officials are responsible for ensuring they all individually follow any and all guidelines put forth by the organiser / venue to ensure the health and safety of everyone present.

This competition will run under BRC Rules, anyone in attendance will be bound by the BRC Code of Conduct. It is important that all competitors are aware of the rules relating to this competition – please see the current BRC Handbook and also the BRC Rule Amendments and Changes Document which can be found at the link below: <http://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoy-riding/british-riding-clubs/brc-rulebook>

All BRC code of conduct rules must be observed at the event unless the venue/organiser has given specific instructions that are still in line with health and safety guidelines. This includes: the welfare of the horses and ponies; the conduct of members, officials, volunteers and representatives; safeguarding and equality and diversity as well as social media and discipline. For further information on the BRC codes of conduct please see the BRC handbook.

BRC Code of Conduct

The BRC Code of Conduct includes the welfare of the horse/pony; conduct of members, officials, volunteers, and representatives; safeguarding; equality and diversity; good conduct and discipline; and the BRC social media policy. Examples of the code of conduct can be found in Section 1, pages 3 through to 12 of the BRC Handbook.

Members should ensure that they are up to date with the BRC code of conduct to encourage a smooth competition; anyone found to be in breach of the BRC code of conduct is subject to discipline from the BRC disciplinary committee at their discretion.



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