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**SWWRC**

**SOUTH WALES AND WEST OF ENGLAND**

**RIDING CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**19TH AUGUST 2017**

**HARTPURY COLLEGE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE**

**Gloucester GL19 3BE**

**Including teams from Areas 9,12,15,18 and 19**

**Paramedics in attendance:Ajuda Events**

**Vet on call: B&W Equine 01453 811674**

**Farrier on call: Tristan Wilson 07798 554196**

**Show Jump Timing: Severn Vale Riding Club**

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**The Competition**

**There are 4 classes at the Championships, for teams from the participating Areas who have not qualified for the BRC national Championships at Lincoln. Teams may be Senior, Junior or Mixed, and will qualify via Area competitions, receiving notification and entry forms from the Official Steward.**

**Class 1 Riding Test (BRC Prelim Riding Test 2014) Arena 1**

**Section A: 2 team members, from 9am**

**Section B: 2 team members, from 1pm**

All members of the team will ride the Prelim Test. Horses with more than 60 BD points will have a 1% handicap.

**Class 2 Prelim Dressage (BD Prelim 2 2016) Arenas 2 and 3**

**Sections A & B from 9am, Sections C & D from 1pm, 1 team member per section**

Horses with BD points will be handicapped 1% for every 41 points (max 3%)

**Class 3 Style Jumping, Indoor Arena**

**Section A: 75cm (2 team members) from 8.30am**

**Section B: 80cm (2 team members) from 10.30am(approx.)**

**Class 4 Novice Show Jumping, Indoor Arena from 1pm**

**There will be 2 team rounds, round 1: 80 cm, round 2: 85cm. In the event of ties for team placing, this will be decided on the times in round 2, including for 1st place.**

**There will be a jump-off for all individual double clear rounds. (This will be run as a Two Phase format –riders double clear at the end of R2 will continue directly to the jump-off course, which will include 2 fences set above 85cm)**

**Rules**

**Except where specified in the SWWRC rules for championship classes, this competition runs under BRC rules.**

 **All competitors must have correct tack and dress when mounted, including an orange BRC hat tag and competitor number.**

**All horses must come with passport and up-to-date and correct vaccination record.**

**NO HORSE MAY BE RIDDEN IN MORE THAN 3 CLASSES**

**Please ensure all competitors have read the full competition rules (attached) prior to arrival.**

**Stabling and Exercise**

Stabling is available on Friday night for those travelling some distance at a cost of £36. All stables have rubber matting and a workable shavings bed. Day stabling will be at the same cost. Additional bedding and forage will not be available.

Stabling should be booked at time of entry, with payment to SWWRC using the attached stabling form.There will be access to exercise on Friday evening. Details will be posted at the secretary’s office and must be strictly adhered to. Anyone found to be in breach of these instructions will be at risk of disqualification from the competition.

**Accommodation and Refreshments**

Student rooms are available to book for Friday night at a cost of £40 to include breakfast. (If you wish, you can use your breakfast voucher later in the morning). Please book with your entries, payment to SWWRC.

The cafeteria, coffee shop and bar on the student campus will be open on Friday evening, with hot food available until 7pm (possibly later).

On Saturday the restaurant in the main Hartpury Arena will be open.

**Declarations**

Stabled horses will be required to have passports and vaccination records checked on arrival. Declarations and numbers will be based in the main Reception (next to the Restaurant). Day competitors should bring passports but not horses when declaring.

There will be a representative from each competing Area at the competition. Any queries regarding horses or riders eligibility will be referred to the relevant area.

**RoR Riding Club Challenge**

If your former racehorse is registered with Retraining of Racehorses (RoR) you can take part in the RoR Riding Club Challenge. RoR Challenge Rosettes will be awarded to the best placed RoR horse in each section of competition at the South Wales and West of England Riding Clubs (SWWRC) Championships 2017. Your horse need not have raced to register. Please see the attached flyer for more information.

**Presentations**

Presentations for 1st-3rd Individuals in morning sections and 1st-3rd Style Jumping Teams will be unmounted, close to the Secretary’s Office at approximately 1.30pm. Competitors should present correctly dressed. 1st-3rd Individuals in afternoon sections, and 1st-3rd Dressage, Riding Test and Style Jumping Team presentations will be mounted in the Outdoor Arena from approximately 4pm.

Rosettes for lower placings and commemorative rosettes for unplaced riders can be collected from the Secretary’s Office.

**Queries and Contacts**

For queries regarding qualification, please contact the steward for your Area.

All other queries, please contact the Secretary,

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**Hartpury Equestrian Centre**

**Saturday 19th August 2017**

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To take part in the SWWRC RoR Challenge, your Club’s competition entry form MUST be clearly marked with your horse’s registered racing name and their RoR number.

**Eligibility**

The RoR Riding Club Challenge is open to any ex-racehorse (raced, unraced or raced overseas) who is registered with RoR. If your horse is not registered then register at [www.ror.org.uk](http://www.ror.org.uk/)

**RoR Riding Club Challenge**

For more information, including how to sign up for the RoR Riding Club Challenge with your own Riding Club or Area, please visit the RoR website or contact the RoR Regional Coordinator

Pippa Boyle, E: pboyle@ror.org.uk

## SOUTH WALES AND WEST OF ENGLAND RIDING CLUBS CHAMPIONSHIP (SWWRC)

## SATURDAY 19TH AUGUST 2017, HARTPURY EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, GLOS GL193BE

##### RULES 2017

##### 1. GENERAL RULES

1. Where not specified, rules for the qualifiers and final to be as per the current British Riding Clubs Rule Book unless agreement is reached by the SWWRC Representatives Committee. It is up to the individual Clubs to bring these rules to the notice of competitors.
2. For 2017, all teams will qualify via the Area Summer Dressage and Show jumping qualifiers. Each area may choose to allow teams to enter for the SWWRC Championship only, without submitting prelim entries to BRC for the national Championships.

**At all SWWRC qualifiers and championships ‘protective headwear’ (as defined in the current BRC Official Rules) must show a visible BRC ‘hat tag’.**

1. All competitions at qualifiers and the final will be for teams of four with the best three scores to count. Teams may be Junior or Senior, but there will be no differentiation between juniors and seniors at the championship. Each Area is free to select between Junior and Senior teams in a way which suits their entry numbers. Mixed teams will be allowed.

The championship will run with 4 disciplines: Riding Test, Prelim Dressage, Style Jumping and Novice Show Jumping. **Horses are limited to three of the four competitions at the championship.**

1. In the event of any horse or rider at the championship being found to be ineligible, they will be disqualified, and may not be replaced in the team.
2. It is a condition of entry that each Club qualifying for the final agrees to provide **one helper per team.** Full contact details of each helper (name, address, e-mail and telephone numbers) must be given on the appropriate form. Helpers must be prepared to assist in any discipline as required. They will be notified as to the time when they will be required. Clubs not producing the necessary number of helpers may not be allowed to compete.
3. Notifications of the full results of Qualifiers to be made by the Area Secretary or Competition Organiser  **IMMEDIATELY** after the qualifier. Qualifying teams will be given a qualification and entry form, which must be sent to the Championship Secretary at the address on the schedule.
4. In the event of the Championships being cancelled a percentage of the entry fees will be kept to cover administrative and cancellation costs
5. The entry fees for the Championships will be determined by the organising committee and set out in the championship schedule.
6. Protests or complaints to be made in writing to the organiser accompanied by a deposit of £20.00. Protests must be made no later than 30 minutes after the incident which gave rise to that protest, 30 minutes after the results have been published or, in the case of protests against qualification of horse or rider, 60 minutes after the start of the class. Committee to deal with the objection at the finals will consist of at least three Area Representatives or their nominated representatives plus the steward of the event concerned and their decision will be final. The deposit will be forfeited unless the protest is upheld or it was decided that there were good and reasonable grounds for lodging the protest.
7. Teams are allowed a maximum of 2 substitutions of horses and/or riders at the championships. All substitutes must be eligible on the date of the Championships .
8. Teams who have qualified for the BRC National Championships at Lincoln are not eligible for the regional championship in the relevant discipline, but may include riders who have qualified individually. Substitute horse/rider combinations **may not have qualified** for the National Championships in that discipline. (It is recognised that some riders/teams attending the Regional Championship may be called up as reserves for Lincoln. In this instance they will not be deemed ineligible)

The number of Teams qualifying for the final from each Area will be :

 **RIDING TEST: 2 DRESSAGE: 5 STYLE JUMPING: 2 SHOW JUMPING: 4**

**There will be 2 additional “Wild Card” places in Riding Test for the Areas with the highest number of teams entered.**

If a Team qualifying for the final is unable to take part, the next placed Team may go through. If the Area concerned is unable to provide the additional Team, the space will be offered to the Area with the greatest number of teams in the qualifier. FOR THIS REASON, FAILURE TO NOTIFY WITHDRAWAL BEFORE THE CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES MAY DEBAR THE CLUB FROM COMPETING IN THAT DISCIPLINE AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS THE FOLLOWING YEAR.

1. **PRIZES AT THE CHAMPIONSHIPS** Rosettes to the first six teams in Riding Test and Style Jumping and the first 10 teams in Dressage and Show Jumping and to the first 10 individuals in each arena in each discipline. Sashes/medals and prizes in kind to winning teams and individuals.
2. **ELIGIBILITY -**

**ALL DISCIPLINES as per the current BRITISH RIDING CLUBS RULE BOOK EXCEPT**

1. Competitors must be members of a BHS affiliated Riding Club within Areas 9, 12, 15, 18 or 19.

Official membership numbers must be included on all entry forms.

1. Any qualifications obtained after the closing of prelim entries in each Area will not debar the competitor from taking part in the Championships. This date will apply whether or not the team has made BRC Prelim entries.

**3) STYLE JUMPING**

 This will run as per the BRC Style jumping rules, except that 2 riders will jump at 75cm and 2 at 80cm.

 This is to accommodate the Novice Show Jumping which follows in the same arena, so that no horses

 have jumped higher than 80cm prior to the competition.

**4) SHOW JUMPING**

1. The maximum height of the jumps will be 0.80m in the first round and 0.85m in the second round at both qualifier and Championships. The first two fences should not be set at maximum height. There should be one double at the qualifier. At the Championships the course may have two doubles.
2. Each team will jump two rounds with the best three scores in each round to count for the team total. If a team member is eliminated in the first round they are permitted to compete in the second round. If two or more team members are eliminated in the first round the team is eliminated and those who have been eliminated cannot jump in the second round. The remaining team members can go forward into the second round as individuals at the championships.
3. In the event of equality after the two rounds in the team competition, all placings **including first place** will be determined by the aggregate times of the three scoring members of the tying teams in the second round. (ie there will not be a 3rd round jump-off for teams)
4. Team members will also compete as individuals at the championship. In the event of equality for first place after the two rounds in the individual competition, the individuals concerned will be required to jump off over a shortened course against the clock. Equality for minor placings will be determined by the time taken by the individual in the second round.

**5) DRESSAGE**

1. The Test will be Prelim 2 (2016). Tests may not be commanded at the Championships. Dress and tack as per BRC rules.
2. In the case of Junior Teams only, the horse which entered the Novice test at the qualifier will be eligible to compete. However if their horse has BD points at Novice they will be handicapped 1 percentage point for every 41 points (up to 41 – 1%, 42-82 -2%, 83-124-3%)

**6) RIDING TEST**

1. The Test will be **BRC Prelim Riding Test (2014) for all riders**.

In Senior Teams, where riders qualified riding the Novice RT, horses with more than 60 BD points will have a 1 percentage point handicap