



# Inter-Schools Grass Roots Show Jumping Qualifiers & RPL Show Jumping classes 70-90cm

Venue: **Kings Sedgemoor equestrian Centre**

Date: 16.02.2023

Including

Grass Roots Qualifiers for the Grass Roots Regional Championships (see website for dates)  
as well as the NSEA Grass Roots Festival at Hickstead in August 2023

This competition is open to schools from all counties and will count for the  
NSEA RPL Points League. The RPL finals are at the NSEA Championships in October

Organiser **Kings Sedgemoor equestrian Centre**

Entries to: **Kings Sedgemoor equestrian centre**. Via [www.equoevents.co.uk](http://www.equoevents.co.uk)

Entries Close **Friday 10<sup>th</sup> February**

**Classes £15 per class**

**Classes 1 – 5 NSEA Grass Roots Rules apply**

**\*\*Class 1** Clear round – tiny cross poles will run for 30 minutes before the 1<sup>st</sup> class.\*\*

**Class 2 40cm** Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may be led/assisted) Judged on style. Not timed

**Class 3 50cm** Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may be assisted) Single phase

**Class 4 Grass Roots Mixed Height Teams** 40, 50, 60, 70. (One rider per height.)

**Class 5 60cm** Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may not be assisted) Single phase

**Class 6 70cm** Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may not be assisted) Single phase

**Classes 7-9 NSEA 30cm Rule applies**

**Class 7 70-75 cm** RPL Teams & Individuals Open to all Single phase

**Class 8 80-85cm** RPL Teams & Individuals Single phase

**Class 9 90-95cm** RPL Teams & Individuals Single phase

**Event paramedic services in attendance**

**NSEA Rules – For the comprehensive Grass Roots Rules go to NSEA General Rules 2022-23 on the NSEA website. See below for eligibility in the height classes:**

**Grass Roots Rules for classes 1 – 5 See also NSEA Rules 2022 /2023**

**GR1) Classes & Eligibility**

Grass Roots 40 & 50cm classes (for very novice riders only)

**40cm Grass Roots** (Riders may be led or assisted)

Classes are judged on rider position and style only over a simple course of fences.

There is a very generous **maximum time** only.

Classes may be split into a) led and b) assisted.

**There will be an additional prize for the most stylish rider who jumps clear in this class**

ANY RIDER who has competed in ANY 70cm class (or higher) on ANY pony at ANY competition (not just NSEA) is NOT eligible for this class, (except h/c if space permits)

**50cm Grass Roots.** (Riders may be assisted but not led.)

Optimum time. The winner will be the horse/rider combination who have the fewest jumping penalties and are closest to the optimum time.

**There will be an additional prize for the most stylish rider who jumps clear in this class**

ANY RIDER who has competed in ANY 80cm class (or higher) on ANY pony in ANY competition (not just NSEA) is immediately ineligible for Grass Roots 40 & 50 cm qualifiers & Championship classes.

ANY HORSE/RIDER combination who has qualified for any other NSEA CHAMPIONSIPS (SJ / JwS CHQ, ECQ, County etc) may not compete in Grass Roots 50cm classes.

**Grass Roots Mixed Height Teams Class -40, 50, 60, 70cm**

This is a new class this year and is designed to enable schools to include riders of differing ages & experience in one team. Teams of 3 or 4. Best 3 scores to count. The aim is to have one rider per height. However, a team can elect to have up to 2 riders at one height per team. The course remains the same throughout the class, and is raised between sections.

Grass Roots 60 & 70cm classes (for novice riders)

**60cm Grass Roots**

Single phase competitions, no outside assistance.

Horse/ Rider combinations who have **completed 4** courses at 80cm (at ANY competition, not just NSEA competitions) may only compete h/c in 60cm classes, unless they ride a different pony.

**70cm Grass Roots**

Single phase, no outside assistance

Riders jumping at this level are not eligible for 40cm Grass Roots on ANY pony.

Rider / pony combinations jumping at this level are NOT eligible for 50cm classes.

**The purpose of the Grass Roots programme is to provide very novice riders with the opportunity to experience the excitement of competition. The rules are, therefore, kept as flexible as possible but, please embrace the “spirit” of the rules. Please do not use Grass Roots competitions as an easy opportunity to “pot hunt,” as it is not in the spirit of the competition.**

**The top 6 teams & individuals at qualifiers will be eligible to compete at any Regional Grass Roots Championships.**

**Disclaimer...** No responsibility can be taken by the organisers for any accident or damage to competitors, attendants, animals, spectators, or their property, or vehicles of any description. By entering this competition, the exhibitor of any horse or pony accepts that Kings Sedgemoor EC, the organiser or any of the officers of the show will not be held responsible or accountable for anything that may happen from any cause or circumstance whatsoever to any persons, exhibitors or their servants or to any animal or article or property brought into the show ground

**Your Responsibility**

All persons attending the event must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents and must obey instructions given by the Organiser or by officials and stewards on its behalf.

**All competitors and those associated with their school are the responsibility of the Team Manager whilst at the competition**

**All enquiries are to be made by the Team Manager please.**

#### **TV & Photography**

Please note that professional photographers will be present at NSEA competitions. There may also be TV cameras at the Championships. Please indicate on the entry form if you do not wish to appear in press coverage/ TV or photos taken by our official photographers

#### **Child Protection & Safeguarding**

If you have any concerns, please contact the NSEA on tel 07552 836032 / [competition@nsea.co.uk](mailto:competition@nsea.co.uk) to be put in contact with our designated Child Protection Officer. If you have immediate concerns, you can contact Childline tel 0800 1111 or NSPCC tel 0808 800 5000

#### **General information**

Please ensure that you do not muck out your horsebox onto the Car Park. Take all litter home with you.  
All dogs must be kept on leads at all times. Any dog mess must be cleared up.

Outside assistance will not be tolerated- and could result in elimination.  
NSEA affiliated competitors only may warm up & compete horses on the show ground

All competitions, parents and representatives from every school must ensure that they act courteously to stewards and officials at all times. Most of them are volunteers and rudeness is not acceptable.

In the event of cancellation, your entry will be refunded on receipt of a sae, less £5 per cheque admin fee.  
Have a good day!

## **Rules**

### **NSEA General Rules 2022-23**

Note- NSEA Rules- hair up please.

**Start Times** will be available on the NSEA website 2 days before the competition

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