

NSEA Eventers Challenge

BICTON ARENA

Sunday 19th January 2020

Our very own FEI Level 3 Course Designer Helen West

& BE Silver listed Course Builder Matt Lynch will be designing all courses

70 / 80 / 90 & 1m are qualifying classes for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Final @ Hickstead (May 2020)

The course is made up of SJ & simulated XC fences.

Riders will jump a series of show jumps and then proceed immediately into the xc phase which is run on an optimum time of 350-375m/m.

Jumping penalties have priority over time faults – you need to go clear to win!

NSEA / BE Eventing Rules for tack & rider equipment.

There will be no style mark.

Points will be awarded to teams of 3 or 4, best 3 scores to count (6 points to 1st down to 1 point to 6th place)

Single phase

All team riders automatically count as individuals.

This competition is open to schools from all counties and will count for RPL points

- ***Class 1 - Mini 70-75cm (Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier)***
- ***Class 2 - Novice 80-85cm (Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier)***
- ***Class 3 - Intermediate 90-95cm (Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier)***
- ***Class 4 - 1m-1.05 Open (Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier)***

Important Entry information...

ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY

Please enter online www.bicton-arena.co.uk

All riders to be entered individually

All **TEAM MANAGERS** must then declare teams **NO LATER** than **11am on 14th January**

Please email gemma.cooke@clintondevon.com to declare your teams

Entries close: Monday 13th January (earlier if full) – no refunds will be given after close of entries

Times will go live on Thursday 16th January at 2pm

EMAIL ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY CHANGES AFTER MIDDAY ON FRIDAY 17th JANUARY

Entry Fee: £28 (*includes First Aid*)

Ambulance in attendance

Onsite Catering

Show Organiser

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Start Times

Available on both the NSEA & Bicton Arena website on Thursday 16th January from 2pm

www.nsea.org.uk

www.bicton-arena.co.uk

Rules

NSEA General & Competition Rules 2019-20 (see NSEA website)

NSEA Eventers Challenge Rules for Scoring 2020

The intention of these rules is to reward riders who have a clear round and to penalise riders who have jumping penalties or who are significantly faster than the Optimum Time. Where there are several competitors with a clear round, then the nearest to the Optimum Time will win, rewarding an appropriate judgement of pace around the course.

EC1) Open to Teams and Individuals

- Riders will jump an untimed course of 5-8 show jumps and then proceed immediately into the timed XC phase of 10-15 simulated XC fences, depending on the size of the arena
- The speed for the XC phase will be between 325m/m to 375m/m depending on the size of the arena – smaller arena = tighter turns which slow you down. A larger arena with flowing lines will ride on a quicker time. The speed for each class will be given in the schedule or on the noticeboard at the event. Times will be recorded to one-hundredth of a second if the timing equipment allows.
- NSEA/BE Eventing Rules for tack and rider equipment for XC.
- There will be no style mark and no age restriction on the mini (70/75) class.
- Top two teams and Individuals at each height to qualify for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Championship to be held at Hickstead.

EC2) Dress: XC colours, body protectors are compulsory. Hair must be above collar length, long hair to be kept in place in a hair net. Rider must wear BE approved skull caps, no fixed peak SJ hats.

EC3) The competitor with the fewest penalties wins. In the event of a tie, the competitor closest to the optimum time will be the winner. In the team competition, the total of the best three scores is used to place the team. The combined difference from the Optimum Time of the 3 best scores is used to break any ties.

EC4) The top 2 teams/individuals at each qualifier will qualify for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Championship.

EC5) Organisers are asked to ensure that the XC phase includes elements that give a choice about the track and therefore the time taken. Organisers are asked not to display a clock showing the time taken visible to the rider to as the aim is to educate riders to ride by feel.

Penalties are awarded as follows

Knockdown (to include SJ and knockable xc fences)	4 penalties
1st Refusal	4 penalties
2nd Refusal	8 penalties
3rd Refusal	Elimination
Rider Fall	Elimination
Horse Fall	Elimination
Starting before the bell, retaking an obstacle already jumped, error of course or outside assistance	Elimination
Where the Optimum Time is 120 seconds or less, for every commenced second in excess of 10 second 'Golden Window' under the optimum time	1 penalty
Where the Optimum Time more than 120 seconds, for every commenced second in excess of 15 second Golden Window under the optimum time	1 penalty
Exceeding the Optimum time for every commenced second	0.1 penalty
Exceeding time limit (2 times the Optimum Time)	Elimination

Body protectors are compulsory. Hair must be above collar length, long hair to be kept in place in a hair net.

Crash hats, no fixed peak SJ hats (PAS015) In the event of a tie, the competitor closest to the optimum time will be the winner. If teams are tied, the times of the 3 best scores closest to the optimum time will win.

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 Bicton Arena, 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.

Outside assistance will not be tolerated and could result in elimination

Dogs must be kept on leads and cleaned up after

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

TV & PHOTOGRAPHY

Please note that professional photographers will be present at the Qualifiers and 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.