

NSEA Eventers Challenge (Going Ahead)



Show Date

Sun, Mar 3, 2024

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Starting Times:

ENTRIES OPEN ON MONDAY 5TH FEBRUARY

Start times will be available on our website on Thursday 29th February at 14:00.

Class 1

Eventers Challenge (0.70m - 0.75m)

Ring:

Western Counties Equine Arena

Entry Fee:

£34.00

Info:

Mini 70-75cm Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier

Class 2

Eventers Challenge (0.80m - 0.85m)

Ring:

Western Counties Equine Arena

Entry Fee:

£34.00

Info:

Novice 80-85cm Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier

Class 3

Eventers Challenge (0.90m - 0.95m)

Ring:

Western Counties Equine Arena

Entry Fee:

£34.00

Info:

Intermediate 90-95cm Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier

Class 4

Eventers Challenge (1.00m - 1.05m)

Ring:

Western Counties Equine Arena

Entry Fee:

£34.00

Info:

Open 1m-1.05m Team & Individual Hickstead Qualifier

Show Secretary: Bicton Arena

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Location

Bicton Arena, East Budleigh, Budleigh Salterton, Devon EX97BL

Map Link: [Bicton Arena](#)

Show Information

NSEA Eventers Challenge Rules for Scoring 2023-2024

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 a course of 5-8 show jumps and then proceed immediately into the XC phase of 8-15 Arena XC fences, depending on the size of the arena
- The speed for the XC phase will be between 320m/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. No age restriction on the mini (70/75) class.

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 and 4 Individuals at each height** will qualify for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Championship to be held at Hickstead in May 2024.

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 seconds under the optimum time	1 penalty
Where the Optimum Time more than 120 seconds, for every commenced second in excess of 15 seconds under the optimum time	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. 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.

Payment Details & Event Fees

ONLINE ENTRIES ONLY. EMAIL ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

All riders to be entered individually

WE WILL NOT ACCEPT ANY CHANGES AFTER MIDDAY ON FRIDAY 1ST MARCH

All TEAM MANAGERS must then declare teams NO LATER than 11am on Tuesday 27th February.

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

Payment is secure and it goes directly to Bicton Arena.

You will receive an email confirmation of your class entry and payment.

Entry Fee: £34 (includes First Aid & NSEA Levy Fee)

YOU ONLY NEED TO DECLARE TEAMS IF IT IS NOT MADE CLEAR UPON ENTRY

Special Classes

70 / 80 / 90 & 1m are qualifying classes for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Final at Hickstead (May 2024)

Top 2 teams & 4 Individuals in each class to Qualify.

Withdrawals/Refunds

Strictly no refunds after close of entries (Monday 26th February)

Terms & Conditions

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.