



# National Schools NSEA Grassroots, SJ, Eventers Challenge and Dressage Qualifier

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Entries to:

Entries Close Monday 16th August at 6pm All Competitions at this event are on grass.

**Warm up class blue**, open to all, assisted or non assisted 40cm. Rosette given to clear rounds. Entries limited to one per pony/rider combination £10

Class 1 – Maximum 40cm. Qualifier for Grass Roots Championship 2021 Open to Team and Individual Entries £16

Course of 8 jumps, round is not timed, class judged on style marks (out of 10) and faults. Outside assistance and lead rein are permitted. Riders must not have competed at 70cm or above with any pony at any competition (not just NSEA) previously. There will be an additional reward for the best (not highest placed) rider age under 6 on 01.01.21

Class 2 – Maximum 50cm. Qualifier for Grass Roots Championship 2021 Open to Team and Individual Entries £16

Course of 10 jumps, single phase. Outside assistance is permitted but not lead rein. Entered combinations must not have competed at 70cm at any competition (not just NSEA) previously. There will be an additional reward for the best (not highest placed) rider age under 7 on 01.01.21

Class 3 – Maximum 60cm. Qualifier for Grass Roots Championship 2021

Open to Team and Individual Entries £16

Single phase. No outside assistance is permitted. Entered combinations must not have competed at 80cm at any competition (not just NSEA) previously. There will be an additional reward for the best (not highest placed) rider age under 8 on 01.01.21

Class 4 – Maximum 70cm. Qualifier for Grass Roots Championship 2021 Open to Team and Individual Entries £16

Single phase. No outside assistance is permitted

40cm Grass Roots classes are judged on rider position and style only over a simple course of fences. Riders may be led or assisted. Classes may be split into a) led and b) assisted. This class is for genuine novice riders only. There will be an additional prize for the best rider aged under 6yrs on 1st Jan 2020.

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 classes will be a single-phase competition. May be assisted but not led. There will be an award for the best rider aged under 7yrs on 1st Jan 2020. This class is for genuine novice riders only.

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.

Also, ANY PONY / RIDER COMBINATION that have competed at 70cm in ANY competition (not just NSEA) are NOT eligible for this class, (except h/c if space permits)
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60cm Grass Roots classes will be single phase competitions, no outside assistance. There will be an award for the best rider aged under 8yrs on 1st Jan 2020. Horse/ Rider combinations who have completed 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 classes. 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.

75cm Grass Roots (Open). Individual class only. Single phase, no outside assistance. This is a progressive class to bridge the gap between Grass Roots & other NSEA classes. It is open to Grass Roots riders / combinations who are starting to jump 80cm classes.

GR2) Riders are U19 on 1st Jan 2020. Minimum age 4 years. Riders must attend a primary / pre-prep school.

GR3) As stated above, novice riders may be assisted and/or led at 40cm and assisted (not led) at

50cm with the Team Manager's permission.

People entering the ring to assist do so at their own risk.

60cm and above are not allowed to have any assistance, whilst in the arena.

GR4) Up to 3 refusals are allowed in Grass Roots classes.

GR5) A rider may ride two ponies/horses in the same team, at a Grass Roots competition, providing the school has only one team in the class.

GR6) Two riders may ride the same pony/horse in the same team, at a Grass Roots competition, providing the school has only one team in the class.

GR7) Horse/ Rider combinations may compete in 2 consecutive classes at qualifiers & 2 consecutive classes at the Grass Roots Regional Championships. (The only exception is 60, 70 & 75cm classes)

Scenario: A rider may enter pony A in 40 & 50 classes, then ride pony B in 50 & 60.

However, a rider may not ride pony A in 40 & 50 and then pony B in 60 & 70

GR8) A pony may jump a maximum of 3 rounds in a day at any Grass Roots qualifier if it is shared between 2 riders. At a Regional Championships a pony may jump 4 rounds providing it is shared between riders who are competing at different heights. A pony may not compete with the same 2 riders in 2 teams at 2 heights. A pony / rider combination may only compete once in any class

GR9) Once a rider has competed at 90cm on any horse, they are no longer a Grass Roots rider and may not take part in any further Grass Roots qualifiers or Grass Roots Regional Championships.

Class A Intro B dressage test, this may be led or assisted. £15 Class B Intro C dressage test, this may be led or assisted. £15

# In the following SJ classes:-

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> placed team & 1-4<sup>th</sup> placed individuals will qualify for the 24<sup>th</sup> annual NSEA National Schools Championships 2021 Addington Manor, October 2021

3<sup>rd</sup> -8<sup>th</sup> placed team & 5<sup>th</sup>-8<sup>th</sup> placed individuals will qualify for the NSEA Championship Plate 2021 Keysoe 2021

Warm up class red 60cm. Entries are limited to one per horse/rider combination. £10

**Class 5 - Mini 70-75cm** Team & Individual Qualifier (Riders to be aged under 14 on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2020) Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals. £16

**Class 6 - SJ Novice 80-85cm** Team & Individual Grassroots Qualifier £16 Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals. Single phase.

**Class 7 - Intermediate 90-95cm** Team & Individual Qualifier. £16 Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

Class 8 - 1m-1.05 Open Team & Individual Qualifier £16 Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

Class 9 - 1.10m Advanced Open Horse Individual Qualifier, Single phase £16

Class 10 - 1.10m Advanced Open Pony Individual Qualifier, Single phase £16

Class C - Prelim 13 (2006) Team and Individual £15

Class D - Novice 28 (2008) Team and Individual £15

Class E Elementary 50 (2007) Team and Individual £15

Rules- See <a href="https://www.nsea.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/nsea\_general\_rules2020.pdf">https://www.nsea.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020/01/nsea\_general\_rules2020.pdf</a>

And https://www.nsea.org.uk/wp-content/uploads/2020

There will be a £5 paramedic fee per competitor (regardless of how many disciplines or classes) payable in cash on the day.

# Eventers Challenge, Hickstead Qualifier 2022

### **Penalties**

Knockdown (to include SJ and knock able XC fences)

1st Refusal

2nd Refusal

3rd Refusal

Rider Fall

Horse Fall

Starting before the bell, retaking an obstacle already jumped, error of course or outside assistance Where the Optimum Time is 120 seconds or less, for every commenced second in excess of 10 seconds under the optimum time

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

Exceeding time limit (2 times the Optimum Time)

4 penalties 4 penalties 8 penalties Elimination Elimination Elimination

1 penalty

1 penalty Elimination

Riders will complete a SJ course in the arena, and then head out onto the XC Course. Please note, the XC is not in an enclosed arena, it is round a mini XC course of approx 9 jumps in one field. All XC jumps have been sited and placed by Rob McSkimming who is out in Tokyo, building the Olympics!!

Class R 60 - 70cm Mini Eventers Challenge £30

Class S 70 - 80cm Novice Eventers Challenge £30

Class T 80 - 90cm Intermediate Eventers Challenge £30

Class U 90 - 100cm Open Eventers Challenge £30

NSEA Eventers Challenge Rules for Scoring 2021

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 simulated 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 notice-board 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.
- ? Top two teams and 4 Individuals at each height to qualify for the NSEA Eventers Challenge Championship to be held at Hickstead in May.
- 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 & 4 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.

All entries are online at:- https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BDSF

Please email teams to me by the closing date

Class Schedule:-

**Dressage Arenas** 

Grassroots Dressage followed immediately by the no Grassroots Dressage.

Jumping Arena:- All Grassroots SJ Classes, followed by:-

Warm up red class

Class R 60-70cm EC

Class 5 70 -75cm SJ

Class S 70 - 80 cm EC

Class 6 80 -85cm SJ

Class T 80 - 90cm EC

Class 7 90 - 95cm SJ

Class U 90 - 100cm EC

Class 8 100 - 105 cm SJ

Class 9 110cm Horse SJ

Class 10 110cm Pony SJ

**Start Times** will be available on the NSEA website and Northern Equine Events Facebook Page 2 days before the competition <a href="https://www.nsea.org.uk">www.nsea.org.uk</a>

# **Team Managers- Coronavirus Protocols**

# For the most up to date information, please see the NSEA website news page

Please ask **parents** of every rider to undergo the following brief health check <u>prior</u> to leaving home in order to help us to minimise the spread of Coronavirus. Help us to protect the sport we love.

- 1. Make sure that all competitors and their families are not breaching lockdown quarantine measures. If anyone within the household of a rider who is competing shows any symptoms of coronavirus, please stay home.
- 2 The attending parent needs to undertake a brief health check on the morning of the competition.
- Take the temperature of everyone planning to attend the competition
- Has anyone suffered from a persistent cough, loss of taste or smell or have a fever / temperature?
- If anyone has a temperature over 37.8, the household should seek advice and must not attend the competition.
- 3 Make sure that you have allocated an **adult in charge of your squad social distancing, who familiarises themselves with** one way systems & protocols at the venue. They will need to keep reminding everyone as it is easy to forget both on and off the horse. It is important that we **keep everyone in small groups or 'bubbles'** and **KEEP YOUR DISTANCE**, so please follow show centre instructions.
- 4 Don't forget your hand sanitiser (use it on arrival at the venue) & PPE. Venues are providing hand sanitiser, but if there are shortages, they could run out. Teams need to be prepared, if this happens. There will also be hot water, soap & hand towels available in bathrooms.
- 5 If anyone becomes unwell at the event, isolate them & the party they travelled with away from the rest of the riders and seek medical help. Paramedics are in attendance at NSEA events.
- 6 Limit numbers of personnel. No spectators at events. One parent per competitor where possible.
- 7 Please do not stay longer than necessary at the competition. ARRIVE, COMPETE, LEAVE, in order to minimise numbers on site at any time. All results will be available online, via NSEA or Eventing Scores.
- 8 Social Media. Some parts of the press have questioned the relevance of equestrian sport during this time of coronavirus. Be careful what your squad- parents and riders, post on social media in order to help us to protect our sport.

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A copy of our Terms and Conditions will be sent to you with the entry confirmation. Please read the Terms and Conditions found with your 'tickets'. Printing your 'tickets' is not necessary. Any rider who competes will be deemed to have read, understood and accepted our Terms and Conditions.

### 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

The NSEA will not be held responsible for any financial loss incurred by the attendee as a result of a cancellation.

## **Child Protection & Safeguarding**

If you have any concerns, please contact the NSEA on tel 07552 836032 / <a href="mailto:competition@nsea.co.uk">competition@nsea.co.uk</a> 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

### 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.