



NSEA Eventers Challenge



**Moreton Equestrian Centre,
Moreton, Dorset, DT2 8RG**

On

Sunday 22nd February 2026

Including

**70, 80, 90 & 1m qualifying classes for the
NSEA LeMieux Eventers Challenge Final @ Hickstead
May 2025**

Top 2 teams & 4 individuals to qualify

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

And

Inter-Schools Dressage

County Challenge Dressage Qualifiers for Dorset, & RPL

Dressage open to all (teams & individuals)

Plus Grassroots Individual Dressage Classes.

The highest placed team & individual for the relevant county will be given the title
'County Champion'

Team & Individual County Qualifiers for the County Championships at Hickstead, May 2026

At the Inter-county finals, each county will be represented by the following horse/rider combinations who have qualified in this competition:

1 x prelim restricted (P1) rider (not to have competed at novice level)

1 x Prelim Open rider (P1)

1 x Novice rider (N2)

1 x restricted team (4 x P1)

1 Open Team (2 x P2 & 2 x N2)

All team riders automatically count as individuals. Placings are not passed down.

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Entries to : Mrs EC Frampton Hobbs, Moreton EC – as above

Entries Close : Saturday 14th February 2026.

Late entries accepted from Sunday 15th February with a £3 late entry fee per class.

The Course is made up of SJ & simulated XC fences with an optimum time & no style marks. Larger arenas may use secured XC portables. 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.

Class W – 60 warm up class. (non qualifier)

Class 1 Mini 70-75cm Team & Individual (Hickstead qualifier)

Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals.

Class 2 Novice 80-85cm Team & Individual (Hickstead qualifier)

Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals.

Class 3 Intermediate 90-95cm Team & Individual (Hickstead qualifier)

Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

Class 4 1m-1.05 Open Team & Individual (Hickstead qualifier)

Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

Teams of 3 or 4, best 3 scores to count

Dressage Classes:

Tests at Championship Qualifiers 2024 (Team & Individual) all in 20x40m arenas as follows.

Class 5 Warm Up class

Prelim 3 (2024)/N1 (2024). Highest % wins overall. (will be split if more than 12 in the class into Prelim and Novice tests).

Team Qualifiers

Teams (of 3 or 4 , the best 3 percentage scores to count)

A horse/rider combination may only compete in one team.

Class 6 County Prelim Teams

open to 3/4 x prelim riders that have never ridden above BD bronze prelim level, any novice level dressage (affiliated or unaffiliated,) open pony club or novice BE eventing.

Test: Prelim 1 (2024)

The winning team from each respective county will represent their county at the NSEA Inter County Finals.

Class 7 County Open Teams

(2 x prelim riders & 2 x novice riders)

Prelim section is open to horse & rider combinations that have not competed at British Dressage Elementary level or above. Novice section is open to all.

Teams of 3 / 4 riders, best 3 % scores to count

Test: Prelim 2 (2024)

Test: Novice 2 (2024)

The winner from each respective county will represent their county at the NSEA Inter County Finals.

Individual Qualifiers (to be run in conjunction with the team tests)

Class 8 County Individual Prelim Qualifiers

Class 8A County Prelim Restricted Individual Prelim1 (2024)– Rider to have only competed at prelim level

Class 8B County Prelim Open Individual Prelim2 (2024)– open to all horse/ rider combinations who have not competed at Elementary level or above, or BE Intermediate level.

Class 9 County Individual Novice Qualifiers

Novice 2 (2024)

Open to rider/horse combinations not to have competed at BD Medium level or above or BE Intermediate level.

The winning individual from each respective county individual class will represent their county at the NSEA Inter County Finals. (one per county only)

If there are two sections per class, a ride off will determine the result.

Grass Roots Dressage.

Class 10 – Intro 1 (2024)

Class 11 – Intro 2 (2024)

Walk & Trot tests, which may be led / assisted on a loose lead rein (the ride must steer)

Entry Fee for classes W & 1 -4 = **£28** per rider per round.

Classes 5-9 (dressage classes) = **£21** per rider per class.

Classes 10 – 11 (Grassroots Dressage) = **£18** per rider per class.

Late entries £3 extra if space permits. Fee includes First Aid cover.

Cheques made payable to Moreton Equestrian Ltd or email enquiries@moretondorset.co.uk for bacs details.

Prizes: Individual rosettes 1st – 6th place in each class.

Team rosettes 1st – 6th in each class.

Dorset Farm Foods Refreshments, Jurassic Event Medical, and MH Photography (www.mhphotos.co.uk) in attendance.

NSEA Eventers Challenge Rules for Scoring 2025-26

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 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.
- 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.

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

Disclaimer The Organiser of this event has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must themselves take all reasonable precautions to prevent accidents and must comply with any instructions of the Organiser[s], Officials and Stewards.

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 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 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. Rudeness will not be tolerated.

Rules

NSEA / BE Eventing Rules for tack & rider equipment.

NSEA General & Competition Rules 2025-26

Please visit www.moreton dorset.co.uk for our Conditions of Entry in addition to the rules above.

Start Times will be available on the NSEA website www.nsea.org.uk
and Moreton website www.moreton dorset.co.uk 2 days before the competition.



NSEA EVENTERS CHALLENGE & COUNTY DRESSAGE ENTRY FORM

Date of Event : Sunday 22nd February 2026

**Venue : Moreton Equestrian Centre, Moreton,
Dorchester, Dorset, DT2 8RG**

Name of School**County.....**

NSEA Membership Number.....

Name and Address of Contact

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Telephone

email address:

TEAM MANAGER

Mobile No

Class	Rider	Riders age + DOB	Horse	Entry Fee	Signature of rider/parent or team manager if under 18

All cheques payable to " Moreton Equestrian Ltd"

ENTRIES CLOSE Saturday 14th February 2026. Late entries accepted with a £3 late entry per entry.

START TIMES will be available on www.nsea.org.uk and www.moreton dorset.co.uk two days before the competition

I declare that all of the above competitors are capable of competing in the Class/es they are entered for and are pupils attending the school named above in 2025. I have read and agree to abide by the NSEA Rules 25-26.

Signature (Head/Team Manager).....

If a competitor is aged 17 years or under, the entry form must be signed by a parent/guardian or team manager. Your signature on the entry form will be deemed to be an acceptance of the Rules and Conditions contained herein.

Special Requests