

Inter-Schools Grass Roots Show Jumping Qualifiers 40-70cm Tuesday 18th February 2025



Clapper Lane, Staplehurst, Kent, TN12 0JW

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 2025

This competition is open to schools from all counties and regions.

Classes 1 – 4 NSEA Grass Roots Rules apply

Horse/rider combinations may compete in two consecutive height qualifying classes on the same pony 40 &50 or 50 & 60 or 60 & 70cm

A GR rider may not jump in 70cm and 40cm

A rider is not eligible for GR if they are jumping 90cm and may only jump 60 and 70 GR classes if horse/rider have completed 5 x 80cm classes.

<u>Class 1a/b</u> 40cm Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier - Judged on jumping penalties, placings separated on style marks. Not timed, although the maximum time in the arena is 4 mins.

- **1a)** led, unled and running in close proximity with the pony.
- **1b)** assisted- in the ring but does instructor not move with the pony

Top 6 individuals in each section to qualify. Top 6 teams to qualify, which can be made up of riders in either section Cross poles

<u>Class 2 50cm</u> Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may be assisted) Optimum time Straight poles, fillers to the side

<u>Class 3 60cm</u> Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may not be assisted) Single phase Straight poles, fillers to the side

<u>Class 4 70cm</u> Team & Individual Grass Roots Qualifier (may not be assisted) Single phase May include some oxers, fillers in

<u>Class 5 70-80cm</u> Non qualifier – individuals only (may be assisted) Single phase – course will be the same as class 4, all jumps will go up one hole, no jump will be over 80, this class can be entered on the day if you want to give it a go. Placed 1-6 with rosettes to all double clears in this class.

All classes are run single phase. Team and Individual rosettes 1st-6th place

Entries to: duckhurstfarm.com/shows Entries Close: Sun 16th Feb Entry Fee £19 per class (£20 for any additional classes entered on the day) includes first aid fee

NSEA Rules – For the comprehensive Grass Roots Rules go to NSEA General Rules 2024-25 on the NSEA website. See below for eligibility in the height classes:

The purpose of the Grass Roots program 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.

Riders who have competed in affiliated show jumping or eventing at 80cm or above, Pony Club regionals at 80, BSPS or

Trailblazers at Championships level at 80cm or individually at NSEA National Championships in October at 80cm are not eligible

for Grass Roots Classes

Riders who qualify for the Grass Roots Championships and then subsequently jump themselves out of their qualification are able to upgrade their qualification to the NSEA RPL Individual Championships (70-90cm) which runs at Hickstead in August at the same time as the Grass Roots Championships)

Start Times will be available on the NSEA website 2 days before the competition www.nsea.org.uk

Cancellation / amendments – cancellations can be made up to close of entries and either moved to another show or refunded (less MRL booking fee) changes can be made without charge up to and on the event date. Please message us on our Facebook page with your cancellation request or the changes required.

Showground – please pick up any dropping and hay from around your lorry / tailer before leaving. Do not leave horses tied to lorries unattended. Please keep all dogs on leads, dogs are not allowed in the café.

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 / 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

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.

