



# Eventers Challenge



**Coombelands Equestrian,  
Pulborough, W Sussex RH20 1BQ**

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**15 February 2026**

**Including  
70, 80, 90 & 1m qualifying classes for the**

**NSEA LeMieux Eventers Challenge Final @ Hickstead  
May 2026  
Top 2 teams & 4 individuals to qualify**

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

**Organiser:  
Amanda Perrett, Coombelands Equestrian,**

**Entries to: NSEA online**

**Entries Close see website**

**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. Warm up 60 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 Open 1m/1.05 Team & Individual** (Hickstead qualifier)  
Single phase. All team riders automatically count as individuals

Teams of 3 or 4, best 3 scores to count  
Entry Fee for classes 1 -3 = £38 including First Aid cover

Entry Fee including Paramedic First Aid Cover £38

**Entries close 6 days before the event, or earlier if full**



### **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

**NOTE BEFORE USE:**

In English law It is not possible to limit your liability if negligent or fraudulent and any of the below may be challenged and only enforceable if found to be reasonable and fair in the circumstances.

Dated: January 2024

AMANDA AND MARK PERRETT AND LUCINDA CROWLEY  
 Trading as  
 Coombelands Racing Stables LLP and Coombelands Equestrian  
 ("The Owner")

**GENERAL RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY**

**Full Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

**Post Code:** ..... **Date of Birth of participant:** .....

I, the undersigned, in consideration of being permitted to be on the grounds of Coombelands Equestrian and Coombelands Racing Stables LLP (the "**Grounds**"), and being permitted to participate in various related activities while on the Grounds including participation in but not Limited to cross – country, arena eventing, show jumping, gallops and equine swimming pool, being permitted to be a spectator or in the vicinity of horses, a player, rider, trainer, owner, attendant, judge, collecting ring steward, arena party, taking lessons, walking or riding, stabling, livery, or grooming or in any other way handling horses (all of the foregoing by way of example and not by way of limitation) (the "**Activities**"), by execution of this General Release and Waiver of Liability hereby:

**1. Understanding**

Confirm that I understand and acknowledge that activities involving horses can be dangerous and horses can act in a sudden and unpredictable (changeable) way, especially if frightened or hurt. There is a significant risk that serious INJURY or DEATH may result from any such activities.

**2. Release Waiver**

Acknowledge that I knowingly and freely assume all such risks, both known and unknown and **I voluntarily participate at my own risk** and assume sole responsibility for any injury, death or property damage I may suffer that arises from my participation in the Activities.

RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE, you or any of your Directors, Associates or employees, for any loss or damage, and any claims, including any claim for death or personal injury (other than caused by your negligence), or injury to me or my ponies, or loss of personal property, whether arising from control or supervision of spectators, providing or failing to provide medical care, first aid, emergency communications, emergency transportation, or design, maintenance or repair of any facility or anything or any other act caused by you or otherwise while I am in or upon the Grounds.

**3. Risk of Personal Property**

Confirm that all personal property kept, placed or left on or about the Grounds shall be at my sole risk as to loss, theft, injury or damage and you shall have no responsibility for such loss, theft, injury or damage for any such personal property (including but not limited to ponies, tack and vehicles).

**4. Assumption of Risk**

Acknowledge and agree that equestrian activities are dangerous and involve risk of serious injury and/or death and/or property damage and that such activities are extremely dangerous and hazardous. I consciously and voluntarily assume all such risks, dangers and hazards inherent in these activities.

I acknowledge that I need to be medically fit enough to participate in the Activities and that it is up to me to liaise with a doctor about this. I also acknowledge that I should not attempt any activities which are outside of my ability.

I accept full responsibility for myself, my guests, my pupils, my employees and my/their animals.

**5. Damage**

Agree to be wholly responsible for all damage caused by me, my guests, my employees, my animals, or anyone on the Grounds with my consent or at my request.

**6. Insurance**

Confirm that I have adequate insurance including £5,000,000 of third party public liability to protect my exposure and those of my horses. I further confirm that if I bring anyone employed by me to the Grounds I will have the appropriate employers' liability insurance.

If instructing or hosting a clinic, I hold the relevant insurance, including public and personal liability insurance.

**7. Behavior**

Confirm that I understand that you expect:

- (a) anyone attending the Grounds to behave and control their children and pets; and
- (b) that all players and riders will participate in an attitude of fair play, good sportsmanship and mutual respect amongst the spectators and players alike.

I understand and acknowledge the dangers associated with the consumption of alcohol or any mind altering drugs before and during any of the Activities and I agree not to consume alcohol or any mind altering drugs during any of the Activities while on the Grounds and I take full responsibility for any injury, loss or damage associated with their consumption.

I agree not to take drugs prohibited by law before, during or after any of the Activities.

I confirm that all my employees are legally allowed to work in the United Kingdom.

**8. Safety Equipment**

I agree to wear or use any recommended safety equipment while on the Grounds, in particular whilst mounted:

- (a) a helmet;
- (b) back protector; and
- (c) appropriate footwear.

**9. Instructions**

I agree:

- (a) to abide by, follow and adhere to all the rules, regulations and by-laws which apply to the Activities or at the Grounds or any instructions given to me or in relation to the Activities or the Grounds from time to time.
- (b) to follow the directions of any event organiser or official.
- (c) that any misconduct or refusal by me to follow any direction of any organiser or official can result in the **CANCELLATION** of my participation in the Activities and my immediate removal from my horse **NO MATTER** where that may occur.

**10. Acknowledgement**

Confirm that I have had sufficient opportunity to read this document and having carefully read and understood the above, I fully understand its terms and conditions and the risks set forth herein and agree to accept full responsibility for my exposure to such risks, whenever I use the **Grounds** and **Activities**. Furthermore, I acknowledge a full and complete understanding for the limitations of liabilities and waiver of certain rights that I may have and granting of releases contained herein and knowingly, freely and voluntarily consent thereto.

Name: ..... Date: .....

Signature of person named above .....

OR

Signature of Parent or Guardian if under 18 .....

**PLEASE ENSURE THAT YOU HAVE BEEN GIVEN OR OBTAINED DETAILS OF IMPORTANT NUMBERS THAT MAY BE NEEDED IN THE EVENT OF AN EMERGENCY.**

**IT IS AGREED THAT YOU MUST MAKE YOURSELF AWARE OF THESE DETAILS.**

**IF IN ANY DOUBT ABOUT ANY OF THE CONTENTS OF THIS DOCUMENTS SPEAK TO AMANDA PERRETT IMMEDIATELY 07803 088713.**

### **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.org.uk](mailto:competition@nsea.org.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.

In the event of cancellation, your entry will be refunded on receipt of a sae, less £5 per cheque admin fee.  
Have a good day!

### **Rules**

NSEA / BE Eventing Rules for tack & rider equipment.

#### **NSEA General & Competition Rules 2025-26**

Note- NSEA Rules- hair up please.

**Start Times** will be available on the NSEA website 2 days before the competition on  
[www.nsea.org.uk](http://www.nsea.org.uk)

