

Area Eventer Trial (Challenge)

Sunday 24 March 2019

Poplar Park, Hollesley, Suffolk, IP12 3NA

If you are interested in representing Saffron Walden at the above event please reply to this email by **Friday 22 February** stating which class you would like to compete in.

Horses may only compete in one class.

All horses must have 100% BRC compliant flu vaccination records

Riders must be fully paid up members of SWDRRC

Team Contribution: £36

Challenge 80cm – Junior & Senior

Horse: BE Opts - Horses may be registered with BE but must not have any BE points. Not to have been placed in the top six at BE 90 or to have completed a BE 100 or above in the current or previous calendar year at close of prelim entry.

Rider: Not to have completed a BE 100, BRC HT 100 or above in the current competition year at close of prelim entry. Riders may not compete at 100 or above in the same Qualifier or Championship. *

Challenge 90cm – Junior & Senior

Horse: BE <1pt - Horses may not have completed a BRC CH100, BRC HT 100 in the same competition year. All horses may be currently registered with BE but must not have been placed in the first six in any BE 100 or completed a BE. 105 or higher in the current or previous calendar year at close of prelim entry.

Rider: *

Challenge 100cm – Junior & Senior

Horse: BE <20pts

Rider: *

* Riders who have competed under FEI Rules in the relevant discipline in the last 5 calendar years. For Eventing restrictions at CH80 and CH90 applies to 2* and above only and for CH100 applies to 3* and above only.

Format & Rules

The Festival of the Horse Challenge (FOTH Challenge) is a test of the ability of a pony/horse and rider to negotiate a show jumping course together with a cross-country course. Consists of 7-10 show jumping obstacles followed by 15 – 25 cross-country jumping efforts.

The rider will, when instructed by the judge to do so, commence their show jumping round, once they have completed show jumping they will then go directly onto the cross-country course, they must go through the show jumping finish and the cross-country start lines, these may be combined if necessary.

Show Jumping Phase:

Jumping penalties will be incurred as follows:

Knocking down any part of an obstacle including the wing - 4 penalties First

First disobedience on the whole course - 4 penalties

Second disobedience on the whole course - 8 penalties

Third disobedience on the whole course - Elimination

Fall of horse - Elimination

Fall of rider - Elimination

Exceeding 24 jumping penalties - Compulsory retirement (Therefore not allowed to continue on the cross-country course)

The Time allowed will be based on a speed of 325mpm. Every commenced period of 1 second in excess of time allowed will be penalised by 1 time penalty.

Cross-country Phase:

Penalties will be incurred as follows, these penalties are cumulative:

First disobedience at a jump - 20 penalties

Second disobedience at the same jump - 40 penalties

Third disobedience at the same jump - Elimination

Fourth disobedience on the whole course - Elimination

Fall of rider on the whole course - Elimination

Fall of pony/horse at a fence - Elimination

Error of course (omission of jump, jumping a fence in the wrong direction, jumping a fence with crossed flags, jumping the boundary flag etc) not rectified, retaking an obstacle already jumped - Elimination

Trapped pony/horse - Elimination

Inappropriate riding - Discretionary 25 penalties

Dangerous riding - Discretionary 25 penalties

The Optimum Time will be based on a speed of 435mpm (Challenge 80), 450mpm (Challenge 90), or 475mpm (Challenge 100).

Every commenced period of 1 second in excess of optimum time - 0.4 penalties

Every commenced period of 1 second under the optimum time - 0.4 penalties

If any Challenge 80 competitor exceeds the Challenge 90 speed (450mpm) - Every commenced period of one second over the Challenge 90 speed - 1 penalty

If any Challenge 90 competitor exceeds the Challenge 100 speed (475mpm) - Every commenced period of one second over the Challenge 100 speed - 1 penalty

If any Challenge 100 competitor exceeds 520mpm - Every commenced period of the second over 520mpm speed - 1 penalty

SWDRRC Team Withdrawal Policy

Once a member has received confirmation of a team place from a team manager then team contribution must be paid, we are unable to refund any team contributions paid under any circumstances, other than a replacement being found, and any unpaid fees must still be paid. SWDRRC reserve the right to prohibit anyone with any outstanding fees owed to the club from participating in future Team events or attending Clinics.

SWDRRC Team Contribution Policy

Once a team place is confirmed team contributions must be paid via www.clubentries.com/saffronrc by the date requested by the team manager. **Team contributions not paid on time may be liable to an increased late entry charge.**

SWDRRC Team Championship Policy

Should a team qualify for a National Championship, SWDRRC reserve the right to withdraw and/or replace any original team member for the Championships whose performance at Area level was below that which is required to compete at National level.

SWDRRC Team Championship Entry Fee Policy

Should a team qualify for a National Championship, SWDRRC will endeavour to pay the Championship entry fees. However, due to the unprecedented success of the club's teams in recent years this arrangement is currently under review and team members may be asked to make a small contribution towards Championship entry fees to ensure teams remain financially viable for the club.