



COUNTRYSIDE CHALLENGE REGIONAL QUALIFIER

FRIDAY 15th MAY 2020

Scropton RDA Centre,
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Classes

| Class No. | Class | Section |
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| 1a | Led with one side walker | Junior |
| 1b | Led with one side walker | Senior |
| 2a | Led or one side walker | Junior |
| 2b | Led or one side walker | Senior |
| 3a | Independent riders | Junior |
| 3b | Independent riders | Senior |

(Junior Riders are aged 16 years of age and under on January 1ST 2020)

Countryside Challenge Course and Rules

These are available in the RDA rule book. Please read carefully and note any amendments for 2020

<https://www.myrda.org.uk/assets/FINAL-Rule-Book-2020-with-vaulting-ammend.pdf>

Qualification

The first two riders in each section will qualify for the National Championships providing over 65% is scored. For sections of 10 or more, the first three riders will qualify.

Visually Impaired Riders

Visually Impaired Riders classified by British Blind Sport as either B1, B2, B3, B4 or B5 may compete in any class and will automatically qualify for the National Championships providing over 65% is scored. Riders must wear a white armband at all times whilst mounted.

Horses/ponies

Horses/ponies may only compete in four Countryside Challenge classes.

All horses/ponies must have a valid equine influenza vaccination record. In line with many competition centre requirements, horses/ponies taking part in this event must have had a vaccination within the previous 6 months Passports will be checked prior to horses being allowed to unload at the competition.

Entries

Riders may enter two qualifying classes at this regional competition.

The entry fee is £15 per class payable by cheque to 'North Midlands RDA'. Entries will only be accepted if accompanied by the correct entry fee. Entries cannot be accepted by email or text message.

Entries should be sent to:

GLYNIS DALLEY

SCROPTON RDA CENTRE, WATERY LANE

SCROPTON DERBY. DE65 5PL

Entries close on Monday 4th May 2019

If there are factors that limit the times at which you can compete such as school starting times, this information must be submitted with entries

Times

Times will be available on the regional website on Monday 11th May

Horse Hire

A limited number of horses are available to hire from Scropton RDA.

Following the introduction of a new RDA rule, both the hiring group and Scropton RDA must be happy that the horse rider combination is suitable, and this must be arranged prior to competition. A named coach or suitably experienced helper from the hiring group and a named coach or suitably experienced helper from Scropton RDA must be present during use of the hired horse at the competition.

In order to meet RDA requirements, riders wishing to hire a horse must be prepared to book an assessment session at Scropton RDA so that they can be matched to a suitable horse. They must be accompanied to this by the named coach or helper who will be with them at the competition.

If you would like to hire a horse for this competition, please complete the horse hire enquiry form attached.

Any entries to the competition already paid for will be refunded if Scropton RDA are unable to hire out a suitable horse.

Facilities

Scropton RDA is a flat level site with easy access to all areas.

Car and Lorry parking is available on site

The Coffee Bar will be open throughout the day of the competition serving hot & cold drinks, snacks & sandwiches.

Disabled toilets are available

Warm up will be in the indoor arena and the competition will take place in the outdoor arena.

North Midlands RDA Qualifier Rules

1. Number of entrants in Classes may have to be limited depending on number of entries received.
2. All competitors requiring their horses being worked in by an AB rider must declare this on the entry form so that time can be allocated for this.
3. There will be arena walks on the day
4. All competitors must declare to the ring steward 15 mins before their start time and be ready to compete 5 mins before their start time. Failure to do this may result in elimination.
5. Horses must not be left unattended if tied to the horsebox/trailer.
6. Horses may be borrowed from other Groups. Both Groups concerned must be happy that the horse rider combination is suitable, and this must be arranged prior to competition. Each Group must be present at competitions.
7. Riders entering qualifying classes must ride at a standard where they are good enough to represent our RDA Region and have the intention to compete at the National Championships. If you are unsure about this, please contact your County Coach for guidance.

Passports

Please note it is a legal requirement that all horses are issued with a passport which must accompany the horse when travelling and competing away from home. Passports may be checked at this event.

Safeguarding

RDA North Midlands Region is fully committed to safeguarding and promoting the well-being of everyone involved and wants to ensure a positive and enjoyable experience for all.

Code of Conduct

When attending competitions, you are expected to abide by the following code of conduct:

- All riders and drivers and/or their carers must take responsibility for ensuring they are up to date with the rules, understand and adhere to them.
- All riders, drivers, carers and supporters should recognise the valuable contribution made by all officials, who are usually volunteers. They give their time and resources to enable the event to happen.
- All riders, drivers, carers and supporters must respect officials and their decisions.
- All those attending the event should treat others with the same level of respect that they would expect to be shown to themselves.
- Everyone must respect the rights, dignity and worth of all; regardless of age, gender, ability, race, cultural background, religious beliefs or sexual identity.

Neither the Organiser nor any person acting on their behalf, accept any liability for any loss, damage, accident, injury or illness to horses, riders, spectators or any other persons or property whatsoever.

Hat Standards

All hats must be tagged to confirm that they comply to the current standards which are PAS 015 (1998 or 2011), ASTM F1163 (2004), SNELL E2001 and VG1. Hat tagging will be carried out when the rider declares their intention to compete at the Secretary's office.

Weight Limits

It is the responsibility of the group to check that the rider/horse combination are suitable following RDA guidelines regarding weight carrying capacities. In the event of a rider appearing to exceed the weight carrying capacity of the horse, the combination may be asked to withdraw from the competition.

Horse Hire Enquiry Form – Countryside Challenge

Please return this form to Glynis Dalley :

glynis.dalley@scroptonequestrian.com

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| RDA Group Name | |
| Group contact name | |
| Telephone No. | |
| Email address | |

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| Rider Name | | |
| Height | | Typical Size/type horse normally ridden |
| Weight | | |
| Class level | | |
| Walk only | | |
| Walk & Trot | | Other relevant information about riding abilities etc |
| Walk, Trot, Canter | | |
| On Lead Rein | | |
| Off Lead Rein | | |
| Named coach or experienced helper (for assessment and competition) | | |

- This form must be completed and returned to Scropton RDA as early as possible to allow enough time for rider & horse assessment prior to the competition. Please give as much detail as possible to help with matching horses and riders.
- Once this information has been assessed, Scropton RDA will contact groups to confirm if potential hire horses are available or not.
- Where there are potential hire horses, the hiring group will then need to book an assessment session at Scropton RDA or send a video showing the rider mounting, dismounting and a good representation of their riding skills. Assessment sessions at Scropton RDA will cost £25 per rider.
- If a suitable horse match is made, then the horse will be available to the rider at the competition at a charge of £25 per class. Please note that this charge includes a coach or experienced helper from Scropton RDA being present whilst the horse is in use by the rider at the competition. The named coach or experienced helper from the hiring group must also be present throughout the hire
- As Scropton has a limited number of horses available, a match cannot be guaranteed at any stage of the assessment process
- Please note Scropton RDA has a weight limit of 13 stone for riders in full riding gear and reserves the right to weigh riders on assessment.
- Please contact Glynis at Scropton RDA if you have any queries about the horse hire process