



The Farmers Bloodhounds

TEAM CHASE

SUNDAY 22nd MARCH 2020

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PLUM PARK FARM, WATLING STREET,
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BY KIND PERMISSION OF MR & MRS B TEMPLE

Entries: www.farmersbloodhounds.co.uk

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ENTRIES CLOSE MONDAY 16TH MARCH 10PM

Class 1: Novice Pairs

Over the Novice Team Chase course – fences up to approximately 90cm. The winner will be the pair with the least number of penalty points closest to the bogey time, which will be set at a fair hunting pace. 10 penalty points will be awarded for each refusal or run out. Paper numbers will be issued.

Entry fee £60

Prizes: 1st £60 2nd £40; 3rd £20. Rosettes to 6th place.

Class 2: Novice Team Chase – Bogey

Maximum height of fences approximately 90cm. For teams of 3 or 4, the time of the 3rd member to complete to count. The winner will be the team closest to the bogey time, which will be set at a fair hunting pace.

Entry fee: £120

Prizes: 1st £120; 2nd £60; 3rd £40 Rosettes to 6th place.

Class 3 Novice Team Chase – Speed

Maximum height of fences approximately 90cm. For teams of 3 or 4, the time of the 3rd member to complete to count. The winner will be the team achieving the fastest time.

Entry fee: £120

Prizes: 1st £120; 2nd £60; 3rd £40 Rosettes to 6th place

Class 4: Intermediate Team Chase- Speed

Maximum height of fences approximately 120cm. For teams of 3 or 4, the time of the 3rd member to complete to count. The winner will be the team achieving the fastest time.

Entry fee: £120.00

Prizes: 1st £120; 2nd £60; 3rd £40 Rosettes to 6th place

Class 5: Intermediate Team Chase- Bogey

Maximum height of fences approximately 120cm. For teams of 3 or 4, the time of the 3rd member to complete to count. The winner will be the team closest to the bogey time, which will be set at a fair hunting pace.

Entry fee: £120.00

Prizes: 1st £120; 2nd £60; 3rd £40 Rosettes to 6th place

£5 Per Team/Pair Medic Fee to be automatically added at checkout.

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Start Times: Start times will be available **from 4.00pm on Friday 20th March via www.farmersbloodhounds.co.uk**

Course Walking: The course will be open to inspection **from 2.00 pm on Saturday, 21st March**

NB: ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- A deposit of £10/ pair and £10/ team for number bibs. NO exceptions!
 - Competitors may exercise their horses ONLY in the area provided
 - Any horse eliminated or retiring must leave the course at a WALK
 - There will be a Licensed bar and food & Trade stands on site
 - Dogs must be kept on a lead at ALL times – no exceptions
 - Children should remain under the care and be under the responsibility of their parents at ALL times
 - Watch out for horses at ALL times
 - Veterinary surgeons, Farrier and a Horse Ambulance will be on site during the competition. Competitors will be required to pay for any services received.
 - FREE ENTRY for cars/lorries/etc
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This Hunter Trial & Team Chase are held under the auspices of the MFHA Governing Body and in accordance with MFHA (17th October 2016) Team Chasing Rules. The making of an entry constitutes acceptance of those rules. Full rules at: www.teamchasing.co.uk

NB: TEAM CAPTAINS MUST ENSURE THAT ALL TEAM MEMBERS HAVE READ A COPY OF THESE RULES

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY: The Organiser does not accept liability in respect of any accident, illness or disease caused to or suffered by any horse, owner, rider, groom, spectator, sponsor or any other persons or property present at the site of the Event and their property and accoutrements. All cars, horseboxes and trailers are parked at owners risk. Cars to be parked in the designated areas.

HEALTH & SAFETY STATEMENT: The Organiser of this event has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of every person present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the Organiser, officials and stewards.

The Organiser advises that, due to uneven and, in parts, irregular terrain at this event, it may be difficult at times for spectators to move around freely and easily, as a result of which it may not be suitable for these spectators who suffer from certain medical conditions. All the spectators enter the event at their own risk and are advised to wear suitable footwear. The Organiser shall not incur any liability, except as required by law, in respect of any injury or damage to any spectators howsoever sustained. Please take especial care to ensure the safety of children.

For safety reasons no motorised vehicles including ATVs are permitted on the course other than officials and their vehicles. Visitors with mobility restrictions who would otherwise use motorised vehicles should contact the secretary's office for information and assistance.

In all classes competitors must wear a crash helmet which meets one of the following standards: British A11 PAS015, BSEN1384 or European EN1384 provided they are BSI Kitemarked or SEI. All competitors must also wear a British Equestrian Trade Association (BETA) approved and appropriately labelled Level 3 (purple label) body protector manufactured in the year 2009 or after. A body protector of this nature is also required when competitors are wearing air jackets of any make.

GENERAL RULES and CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. MFHA (17th October 2016) TEAM CHASE RULES APPLY for ALL Classes. These may be viewed on www.teamchasing.co.uk and in the Secretaries tent on the day. Some of these rules are mentioned below, along with the Beaufort Hunt Supporters Team Chase Rules.

2. HORSES may not compete twice in a class. Horses may not run in two Team Chase Classes.

3. For TEAM CHASE CLASSES (2, 3, 4 & 5) each TEAM is to consist of a maximum of FOUR HORSES AND RIDERS and at least three must complete the course to finish. Team members are started together. First horse starts the clock and the time of the third horse to finish, will be the finishing time for the team. In the event of a tie the fourth horse to finish will decide.

4. In class 2 & 5, the closer to the Optimum Time (OT), the less time faults incurred wins. The OT is calculated from the speed declared, over the course for each Class. A slower time away from the OT will be placed higher than a faster time away from the OT.

5. COURSE LENGTHS and NUMBER OF FENCES, stated in the schedule, are approximate. FENCE HEIGHTS refer to the maximum height of fixed rails. Hedges may be higher.

6. In ALL CLASSES competitors must JUMP every fence on their course only, in order, and pass between all designated flags.

7. PENALTIES in TEAM CHASE CLASSES (2,3,4 &5) will be scored as follows: REFUSALS will not be penalised, but a competitor who has more than three refusals at any one fence, or five in total, will be eliminated and must leave the course. The team will be disqualified for abuse of this rule by any individual member. A single FALL OF ANY RIDER will not be penalised. Three horses must be within the PEN at one time or a 20 second time PENALTY will be awarded.

8. When a HORSE FALLS during any class, it is immediately eliminated and may not continue on the course. A horse is considered to have fallen when at the same time its shoulder and quarters have touched either the ground or the obstacle and the ground, or when it is trapped in a fence in such a way that it is unable to proceed without assistance or is liable to injure itself. This does not prevent horses which stumble or refuse, thus unseating the rider, from being re-mounted to continue.

9. In all classes, after TWO FALLS BY A RIDER, which are not horse falls, the competitor is immediately eliminated and must retire.

10. Any horse ELIMINATED or RETIRING must leave the course at a walk. If a competitor falls behind and is caught by the team following on course they will be asked to retire and leave the course immediately

10. Team members, officials, or attendants are permitted in any class to retrieve and return a loose horse to its rider; they may ASSIST a rider to RE-MOUNT at his request, as long as it is safe to do so and no injury has been sustained.

11. Each Team will be given a STARTING TIME. Any team missing its correct time may be fitted in at the end of the Class, if possible but this is not guaranteed.

12. Team Captains must declare their teams at least 30 minutes prior to their appointed starting time and register any change of horse or rider. Each Team / Competitor must report to the COLLECTING RING Steward 10 minutes before their actual starting time.

13. All competitors will be given NUMBER BIBS. Team Captains shall be responsible for the collection and the return of these. Competitors are asked to ride in the correct colour and to notify the Secretary of any team changes. There will be a deposit required for team numbers of £10 for each team.

14. Competitors may exercise their horses beforehand only in the area provided, which includes a PRACTICE jump.

15. All competitors must wear HEADGEAR and a BACK PROTECTOR to current British Safety Standards (see MFHA rule 7.) Team Chase competitors must report to the Secretary, with their helmets if they have not previously received a Hat Tag. Anyone mounted must wear a safety helmet. A charge of £2 for all new hat tags will be payable on the day. Hunting, cross country or team dress to be worn.

16. The ORGANISERS RESERVE THE RIGHTS to: Withhold or amend any prize or cancel any class because of insufficient entries; Alter the advertised times; Refuse any entry with or without stating reasons; Alter the course or leave out any obstacle before or during the competition; Split a class if there is significant change in course; Eliminate any competitor not adhering to the rules;

Eliminate any horse they consider to be exhausted; Eliminate any competitor for excessive use of the whip.

17. No refund of entry fees will be made if the event is POSTPONED due to bad weather or any other unforeseen circumstances; team chase entry fees will be carried forward to the next date available for the event. If teams cannot make the second date offered by the event, then 50% of entries fees to be refunded. In the event of ABANDONMENT, after the start of the event, refunds of 30% of Entry Fees may be offered on receipt of a SAE from team captains to the Secretary. If the event is CANCELLED, a refund of entry fees will be made for all classes less and administration charge of £40 per team upon receipt of a SAE from team captains to the Secretary.

18. It is a requirement that all participants carry third party insurance for not less than £5m. It is also strongly recommended that all participants have personal accident insurance.