Bicton Arena Horse Trials – 20 – 24 October 2021

IMPORTANT RIDER INFORMATION

*All timings on this information sheet are approximate & are subject to change

Arrivals

The stables open at 14:00 on Tuesday unless you have made an arrangement for an earlier arrival. Please can everyone **arrive in DAY LIGHT** it is very helpful for both yourselves & the site staff. The gates close at 10pm each night unless you have made an advance arrangement for a late arrival.

In an emergency, please call all the stable manager on 07760 293899.

If you wish to be next to a friend you must arrive together, we cannot 'save' places.

Hook ups and non-hook ups will be separate.

Stabling

We have a stabling wait list so if you want to be added to it, or wish to make any changes, can you contact Raff MacKay sooner rather than later. Our stabling is on-site at Bicton Arena in our permanent stables and also in temporary stables adjacent to the lorry park.

Bridle numbers MUST be worn by all horses when they are out of stable.

Hook-ups

We have now sold out of hook-ups and there is a waitlist for more hook-ups. You cannot book a hook-up on arrival. If you have booked a hook-up, you will be given a card on arrival to display in your vehicle window and advised which parking zone to go to. Any vehicles connected to our hook-ups without a card on display will be disconnected.

Stable Managers

The Stable Managers will meet you on arrival to direct you to your stable and a suitable parking space. They are also your first port of call for any issues related to stabling during the event. The stable manager's number is 07760 293899.

Bedding and Forage

The Stable Manager's office will be selling bedding and forage daily from 8am-12 noon and 5pm – 7pm. Strictly card payment only.

- Shavings £8.00
- Haylage £7.80
- Hav £7.00

If you purchase from the Stable Managers during the event, we will deliver orders of 8+ bales, but for orders of 1-7 bales you will need to bring your wheelbarrow.

More things to consider while you are here

- Please keep dogs on leads at all times.
- No bicycles, e-bikes or scooters on the riding line on the XC courses, please.
- If you are stabling and staying over, we recommend that you bring a wheelbarrow, 50p coins (for the showers), your horse's passport (because our vets love checking vaccination records).



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CCI-L competitors

Competitors in the CCI-L classes will have to go through the initial veterinary check before stabling horses – this is an identity & vaccination check, so do please have your passports to hand. The trot-up starts at 9:30am on Wednesday.

*CCI2*L* – Dressage for the CCI2*L is on Wednesday & Thursday in the Western Counties Arena. Cross Country is on Friday Morning. The final horse Inspection will be on Saturday starting at 8:30am the Show Jumping will follow in the NAF Five Star Arena starting at approximately 10:30am. Times will be published on www.eventingscores.co.uk.

CCI-S competitors

Please bring your horse's passport to the vet check in the dressage warmup area and allow sufficient time for the passport & vaccination check before your dressage test. Please ensure that your horse has the appropriate vaccinations — we have seen horses unable to compete due to vaccinations over 6 months ago too many times. Details on page 94 of the BE rulebook.

*CCI2*S (B)* - Dressage for the CCI2*S (Section B) is on Wednesday & Thursday in the Western Counties Arena, warming up in Bond. Show Jumping is on Friday late-morning in the NAF Five-Star Arena followed by Cross-Country in the afternoon.

*CCI2*S (H)* – Dressage for the CCI2*S (Section H) is on Saturday in the Western Counties Arena, warming up in Bond. Show Jumping is on Sunday lunchtime, again taking place in the Western Counties Arena followed by Cross Country later that afternoon. Times will be published on www.eventingscores.co.uk.



Times & location will be posted up at the stable managers on the information board.

BE100 & BE90 3DE competitors

Your dressage is on the lower tier of the dressage field (grass) on Thursday and Friday, in a 20x60m arena with two judges. Attending the Rider Briefing is compulsory, please join Andrew Fell at 7pm on Thursday and/or Friday in the Clubhouse Marquee. Dressage Times will be on www.eventingscores.co.uk on Tuesday and XC times will be published on Thursday.

WHAT DO WE SAY ABOUT WALKING OR RIDING THE ROADS AND TRACKS?

On Saturday, the first horse will start the Roads and Tracks at about 8:15am. More information is available in the BE rulebook, but in brief:

- Phase A is carried out at a trot and is roughly a 20-minute circuit around the Parkland.
- **Phase B** is the steeplechase, requiring you to jump 5 steeplechase fences at a speed of 550 (BE100) or 520 (BE90) metres/minute. The finish gate of Phase B is also the start gate of Phase C.
- **Phase C** is the second Roads and Tracks, at a slower pace than Phase A. In both phases A and C, you can dismount and walk/run beside your horse as you wish. Phase C also includes a road crossing and a short distance on a quiet tarmac road. Phase C lasts for about 25 minutes.
- The end of Phase C is at the 'D' Box. You will need to trot the last 100m into the D box for the Vet to watch your horse. You will then have a scheduled 10-minute hold here. A farrier will be available in the 'D' Box and it is recommended to bring a spare set of your horses' shoes to speed up the replacement of a lost shoe during the day (with stud holes in them).
- Phase D is the cross-country course.
- There will be an opportunity to ride the roads & tracks all day THURSDAY ONLY

We recommend that you read the rulebook to understand what happens when you finish phases early or late, or when you are not ready to start the next phase. Times for Sunday's show jumping will be published after the trot-up which will take place from 8:00am on Sunday morning. Show jumping will be in reverse order of merit from 9:30am in the NAF Five Star Arena (all-weather surface).



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Information Point / Secretary

We will be operating an Information Point / Secretary; it will be located alongside the Stable Manager. If you have any queries this is the place to go to. Your numbers and rider pack are to be collected from here. Tickets for the Bicton End of Season Party can also be purchased here. The rider information board by the Stable Managers Office is where we will post any important information.

We urge you to join our Event WhatsApp Group, as this is a great way to get info to you.





