



HORSE TRIALS QUALIFIERS

16th & 17th May 2026



PONTISPOOL

EQUINE SPORTS & HOLIDAYS

PONTISPOOL EQUINE SPORTS CENTRE
NORTON FITZWARREN • TAUNTON • SOMERSET • TA4 1BH
BS standard SJ and BE standard XC courses

BRC HT Championships 1-2 August 2026
at Swalcliffe Park, Grange Farm, Swalcliffe, Banbury, OX15 5EX

Entries open: 27th March 2026

Entries close: 6th May 2026

Enter online at www.pontispool.com

BRC Qualifier sections are open to Area 12 Riding Club Members only

PLEASE ENSURE YOU SELECT THE CORRECT CLASS/SECTION WHEN ENTERING

Cross country courses designed by Lucy McCarthy & and Tim Cheffings

Day	Height	Dressage Test	Entry fee	Booking fee	Prizes Sponsored By
Sunday	70cm	CC81 Dressage Test (2022)	£99	£3	Just Jem Rosettes
Sunday	80cm	CC82 Dressage Test (2022)	£103	£3	Just Jem Rosettes
Saturday	90cm	CC91 Dressage Test (2022)	£103	£3	Loxston Groundcare Ltd
Saturday	100cm	CC102 Dressage Test (2022)	£105	£3	Sally Ellis-Gray

Dressage tests can be found at <https://cotswoldcup.co.uk/dressage-tests/>

All eligible entries also qualify for the Cotswold Cup Championships at Cirencester Park in September and achieve their placing points towards the Cotswold Cup Series.

All Qualifier classes are open to senior and junior teams and individuals, teams may be any combination of seniors and/or juniors, the best three scores to count.

Horses may only compete at one height.

ELIGIBILITY OF RIDER

Riders not to have completed under FEI Rules in the relevant discipline in the last 5 calendar years. For Eventing restrictions at 70cm – 90cm applies to 3* and above only and for 100cm applies to 4* and above only.

ELIGIBILITY OF HORSES

Mixed 70 QUALIFIER

Horses may not have completed a BE90 / BRC HT, CC or AE 90 or above in the previous 12 months. Horses may not have completed a BE 3* or above in the previous 3 years.

Mixed 80 QUALIFIER

Horses may not have completed a BE100 / BRC HT, CC or AE 100 or above in the previous 12 months. Horses may not have completed a BE 3* or above in the previous 3 years.

Mixed 90 QUALIFIER

Horses may not have completed a BE Novice or above in the previous 12 months.

Mixed 100 QUALIFIER

No BE limit.

Horse Name:

All horses must be entered in their passport name.

Show Jumping is on an all-weather surface and dressage and cross country on permanent pasture which will be aggravated if necessary.

Class running order will be dependent on number of entries.

In the event a class is over-subscribed, we reserve the right to change the day or add an additional day.

***Competitors will be required to print their own A4 size numbers prior to the event.**

Prizes and Rosettes:

Rosettes 1st - 10th. Prizes 1st – 3rd individual scores (whether part of a team or not).

Team Rosettes to 1st – 6th

Grateful thanks to our Prize sponsors.

Entries:

Entries Secretary – Ros Burridge e-mail: ros.burridge@gmail.com phone: 07876 211121

Enter Online at www.pontispool.com

Entries are inclusive of VAT. Pontispool Ltd VAT registration number: 202 5954 27.

Please advise us of any timing requests at entry. We will do our best to meet them but cannot guarantee that we will be able to action them.

Team Declarations:

All team managers MUST email their teams and individual riders (*preferably excel*) to ros.burridge@gmail.com by NO LATER than 12 noon on 6th May 2026.

Required information: Club, Class, Team Name, Rider Name (including membership number), Horse Name, Team Managers contact telephone number and email.

We can then contact the team manager if your riders haven't entered. Collating rider information is one of the challenges for organisers when members enter individually.

A strict £5 admin charge will be made for any team changes after the times have been published.

Start fee:

There is no additional start fee.

Entries close 6th May 2026 or when full.

Volunteer:

If you can provide a volunteer for either day of the event this would be hugely appreciated. Thank you!!

Please sign up via our website <https://www.pontispool.com/help/>

Course Walking:

The course will be ready for walking from 2pm on Friday 15th May 2026. Please DO NOT arrive before this time. Dogs MUST be kept on leads at all times.

Bad Weather:

Follow us on social media or check the website for regular updates.

Number Bibs:

These are not provided. A4 paper inserts to be printed at home ahead of the competition.

Start Times:

Times will be available from Thursday 14th May 2026 after 6pm at www.eventingscores.co.uk

Dressage Sheets

Available for collection at the event or leave SAE with the secretary. A photo of your sheet can be emailed to you after the event – contact info@pontispool.com to request this.

Rosettes will be awarded to 10th place for individuals and to 6th place for teams.

Any queries should be raised as soon as possible.

Stabling & Accommodation:

On site stabling (£38 per night) and accommodation (from £30 per night) is available. Please book via the website www.pontispool.com.

Protective Headwear & Body Protectors:

All protective headwear (Jockey Skull) and body protectors must conform to the current British Safety standards. Hats will be checked for compliance by an Official and then appropriately tagged with a visible current 'hat tag'.

All competitors must wear a body protector meeting the British Equestrian Trade Association (BETA) 2018 Level 3 standard (blue and black label). A body protector of this nature is also required when competitors are wearing air jackets of any make. Since 1 January 2024 body protectors meeting the BETA 2009 standard are not permitted for use (purple labels). The BETA 2018 label will be the only accepted standard and spot checks will be made.

Substitutions:

If substituting either a horse or rider there is a £5 administration fee each time a change is made.

Substituting a horse and rider combination in its entirety constitutes a new entry thus the entry needs to be withdrawn and a full entry fee must be paid.

Withdrawals:

Must be registered with the entry's secretary in writing via email to ros.burridge@gmail.com. Phone calls and social media messages will not be accepted as a formal withdrawal. You must notify the on-site secretary if you wish to withdraw during the event.

Withdrawal Policy:

1. Withdrawals for whatever reason **prior** to 12 noon on 6th May 2026 will receive a full refund minus a £12 administration fee.
2. Withdrawals for whatever reason **after** 12 noon on 6th May 2026 and before 12 noon on 15th May 2026 will receive a full refund minus a £12 administration fee **ONLY** on receipt of a veterinary or doctor's certificate that must be presented prior to 12 noon on 14th May 2026.
3. Withdrawals made after 12 noon on 14th May 2026 are non-refundable.

Vaccinations:

All horses/ponies should have received a flu vaccination within 12 months of the date of the competition having already received their initial course of injections. There must be six clear days between the last vaccination and the date of the competition. Random passport checks will be taking place.

General Terms and Conditions

1. The horse trials will be run under national guidelines unless otherwise stated.
2. It is compulsory that ALL riders wear hats/helmets up to British Standard Riding Hats conforming to All PAS 015, VG1 – provided they are BSI Kitemarked, European VG1 – provided they are Kitemarked American, All SEI ASTM F1 163 04a onwards and SNELL E2001 Australian and New Zealand – AS/NZS 3838 2006 onwards. (PAS 015 must now be 2011 and SNELL must be 2016). All hats must carry a current British Eventing/Pony Club or Riding Club tag.
3. Riding is a risk sport and it is compulsory that all riders wear a body protector to the latest BETA standards. You are not allowed to wear a BETA Level 3 body protector with a 2009 label. Air Jackets may be worn but in conjunction with a body protector.
4. It is compulsory that every person entering the Horse Trials under 18 years of age is accompanied by a responsible adult.
5. Event stopwatches are permitted.
6. If dogs must come they should remain on short leads at ALL times.
7. Horseboxes must NOT be mucked out on site and anyone caught doing so will be fined.
8. The Owner and Organiser of the event reserve the right to remove anyone from the event site at any time without giving a reason.
9. A Doctor and paramedic team will be in attendance at the event.
10. A vet and farrier will be in attendance at the event.
11. Horses must be 5 years of age. Age will be calculated from the 1st January in the year in which it was foaled.
12. If the event is cancelled before 6th May, entries will be refunded minus a £12 administration fee. If the event is cancelled after 6th May, a £25 administration fee will be retained.
13. You accept our withdrawal and cancellation policies as stated on the schedule.
14. Any complaints or queries must be given in writing to the secretary within 30 minutes of the scores being posted with a fee of £20 which will be refunded if the objection is upheld.
15. The fall of a competitor in any phase of the event results in elimination. Any rider who falls must be checked by the Medical Officer prior to leaving the site.
16. Outside assistance is forbidden and will result in elimination.
17. If a competitor is travelling on their own, details of an emergency contact should be left with the secretary in case of an accident.
18. Anyone on the event site must expect to have their photograph taken and we reserve the right to publish suitable photographs along with names if relevant. If you do not wish for your photograph to be taken please inform the secretary. Jayphotos are the official event photographer – no other commercial photographers are permitted.

Safeguarding & Code of Conduct:

We take this seriously at all Competitions. Please see our Policy available online.

Insurance:

The venue, nor anyone included in the organisation of the event will not be held responsible for ANY accident, injury or loss to any person or their property however this may be caused.

Riding horses is a high-risk sport and riders taking part in this event acknowledge this and do so at their own risk and that the organisers and landowners will not be accountable or responsible for any loss, damage or injury to rider, horse or equipment however caused, including Covid-19

Health and Safety:

The organisers of this event have taken all reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and to prevent accidents occurring and must obey the rules and instructions of the organisers, stewards and officials.