

Peel Metropolitan **Adult** Riders Club



Presents the

ARCA *Hickstead*
Winter Challenge

17th and 18th June 2023
Peel Metropolitan Pony Club Grounds
King Road, Oldbury

Saturday 17th: WT poles -30cm, WTC poles-30 & WT 45cm
Sunday 18th: WTC 45cm, 65cm & 80cm

Gates Open: 6.30am Saturday 17th June
Course Walk: 7 – 8am (Saturday and Sunday)
Starts: 8.30am (Saturday and Sunday)

- Entries via. Global (entries close 4th June unless filled prior)
- Supportive judges
- Class sizes capped
- Ribbons to 6th place

NOTE: This competition is for members of ARCA affiliated clubs only

Conditions of Entry/General Rules

This event will be running over 2 days. Classes are as follows:

Saturday 17th: WT poles -30cm, WTC poles-30 & WT 45cm

Sunday 18th: WTC 45cm, 65cm & 80cm

- All competitors **MUST** be financial members of an ARCA affiliated club
- EA rules will apply where there is not a specific rule in the ARCA Challenge Manual.
- All **non-Peel Metropolitan Adult Riders Club OR EA members** **MUST** sign a waiver and pay a Day Insurance Levy.
- All clubs with riders entered **MUST** supply helpers
- The committee reserves the right to cancel, alter, combine any classes they deem necessary on the day.
- Riders **MUST** wear a current EA tagged safety helmet and riding boots at all times whilst mounted on their horse.
- Peel Metropolitan Adult Riders Club reserves the right to interpret or decide on any protests or disputes arising.
- Peel Metropolitan Adult Riders Club its committee, judges and officials **DO NOT** accept liability for any accident, loss, damage, illness or injury to horses, owners, riders, spectators or any other person or property whatsoever. Entry to the grounds is at your own risk.
- No judge is to be approached by a competitor or spectator without speaking to a committee member.
- **Enter walk/trot OR Walk/trot/canter, not both!**
- Walk/Trot rings are for green horses and riders who are not confident in cantering. If you enter the WT class for dressage, you are required to enter the WT class for jumping.
- All gear must be safe and serviceable and adhere to the ARCA rules.
- Plaiting is optional.
- **Club uniform MUST be worn**
- All rubbish and manure must be cleaned up and placed in the bins provided prior to leaving the grounds.
- There is to be only **ONE** entry per rider. No horse is to be ridden by more than one rider.
- **Strictly NO double bridles in any phase/event**
- All horses must be a minimum of 4 years of age to enter
- No abuse to horses/judges/competitors/spectators will be tolerated. If such an event occurs, you will be instructed to dismount and leave the grounds immediately.
- In the event of a fall of the rider or horse, the competitor will be eliminated and must leave the arena un-mounted and present to first aid.
- This is open to **ALL** breeds, stallions welcome, **BUT** must be well behaved and ridden by a competent rider. All stallion owners must contact the committee one month in advance to get written consent and references for the stallion.
- Please note, there will be **NO** vet present throughout the event. There will be an ambulance on site, so if you fall you **MUST** present to the ambulance immediately.
- **In the event of an accident involving the horse the decision about whether or not to call a vet is made by the club's attending medical officer, and NOT by the rider.**
- **By entering this event you understand any expenses incurred by an ambulance/vet trip will be your responsibility.**

Program of Events

Location: Peel Metropolitan Pony Club Grounds, King Road Oldbury

Start time: 8.30 (both days)

Entry Fee: \$50

Ground Fee: \$10 unless a member of Peel Metropolitan Adult Riders Club

Yard Fee: Free- first come first serve. There will be some reserved for camping and host club members.

Day Membership: \$10 (non- PMAR club member or EA Insured)

Camping: \$10: dinner available to purchase.

Entries via: Global

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Entries Close: 4th June, unless filled prior

- Entry includes: 1x jump round and 1x dressage test
- Classes will commence at 8.30 sharp

What class to enter:

WT = walk/trot OR WTC = walk/trot/canter

You must choose ONE level that is appropriate for you and your horse's ability. Please be fair to other competitors when choosing a class.

Classes:

Riders choose 1 dressage test and 1 jumping round at the appropriate level they ride (mix and match). Scoring will be done based on eventing rules of combining dressage penalties with jumping penalties, with the rider with the lowest combined score in each **jumping** class to be deemed the winner.

Classes are grouped in jumping heights, not dressage test level.

Riders who do 65cm or above must choose a Preliminary or above test.

If you choose a WTC jumping class, you must choose a Preliminary or above dressage test.

Organisers have the right to merge or otherwise amend classes depending on entry numbers.

Dressage
Prep 2 (for Walk/Trot riders only)
Preliminary 1.2
Novice 2.2
Elementary 3.2

Jumping
WT Poles-30cm
WTC Poles-30cm
WT 45cm
WTC 45cm
65cm
80cm

Event Information

High Point Trophy and Handicap Trophy:

Winning clubs will be announced at the end of the event. All competitors are encouraged to be there for presentations to support one another. To be eligible for the handicap trophy, your club must have 30 or fewer members and have a minimum of 3 members competing in the event. High Point Rider will be presented at the AGM.

Judging:

Our judges will be advised on how ARCA runs, please do not approach a judge without the event organisers' permission. The judges' decision is final.

Helpers:

Each club entered will be given helper duties; it is up to your club to delegate the duty individuals from the club, this may require some non-riding members to perform duties during the day while others are riding.

Determining the placing and results:

In the event of equal scores, placing will be determined by those closer to the optimum time allowed. Scoring will be based on eventing rules, the lowest combined score of dressage and jumping will win.

Jumping Phase- Please refer to ARCA challenge manual for all other Hickstead/XC rules

- Helmets **MUST** be EA tagged and will be checked at gear check
- A course map will be available on the day and the **course available for walking from 7.00am** and briefly between each height change.
- Gear check must be completed before any competitors proceed through to the course. You **MUST** present yourself mounted, with all equipment meeting ARCA gear check rules and helmets/boots meeting EA standards
- Body Protectors **MUST** be worn during the Jumping Phase due to the use of cross-country
- Body/back number holders **MUST** be worn throughout the jumping phase
- No timing devices or watches allowed
- All jumps are numbered
- Cross-country obstacles are flagged with a WHITE flag on the left and a RED flag on the right. All jumps and obstacles must be jumped in the correct order and direction, failure to do so will result in elimination.
- All obstacles **MUST** be attempted, if you exceed the time allowed at any given obstacle, the judge will ask you to move on and you will incur a penalty of 100.
- All jumps **MUST** be attempted, if you miss any jumps this will result in elimination. In the case of a combination, both A/B/C must be completed together, you cannot represent to just the refused element.
- Rails down will incur 4 penalties each jump
- The START and FINISH flags must be passed at the start of the course and after the course completion for the timing to be calculated
- Penalties given for refusals, run outs, course error etc.
- If you get 3 refusals at 1 jump, the judge will ask you to continue on. Do not attempt the jump the 4th time.
- Jump judges have the right to eliminate a rider for abuse towards a horse
- Any rider fall will result in elimination and riders **MUST** report to First Aid immediately
- The jumping phase **MUST** be completed mounted, there is to be no leading of a horse over any part of the course **unless specified**. If you dismount to complete an obstacle, you will incur 100 penalties.
- The judge will determine optimum time for each class- times will not be given
- Length of the course will not be provided

Dressage Phase

- Gear check must be completed before any competitors proceed through to the course. You **MUST** present yourself mounted, with all equipment meeting ARCA gear check rules
- Once you have been marshalled through, present to the judge at C. The judge will ask for your name, you will then be asked to proceed towards A. A horn will be sound, or a bell rung when the judge is ready for you to begin your test
- Your test will be available at the clubhouse after all the scores have been noted down at the end of your class
- Callers are allowed for ALL tests, but must stand behind the letter B or E