



Winter 2023 - 2024 Dressage Series

Sunday 8th October 2023
Sunday 5th November 2023
Saturday 23rd December 2023 Christmas Show
Sunday 21st January 2024
Sunday 18th February 2024
Sunday 17th March 2024 Championship Show

Moulton College Equestrian Centre, Gate 4 Pitsford Centre, Moulton, Northampton NN3 7QL

- Class 1** **Intro A**
Section A – restricted
Section B – open
- Class 2** **Intro C**
Section A – restricted
Section B – open
- Class 3** **Prelim 12**
Section A – restricted
Section B – open
- Class 4** **Prelim 15 (NB this is in a 20 x 60 long arena)**
Open
- Class 5** **Music (long arena apart from intro) – Intro, Prelim, Novice, Elementary, Medium and Advanced Medium – Open**
- Class 6** **Pick a test (long arena) – pick any one or two tests from Novice 22, Novice 23, Elementary 40, Elementary 53, Medium 61, Medium 73, Advanced Medium 91 - Open**

RESULTS, sheets and rosettes will be handed out at the show or posted if you leave an SAE. Results will be available on our facebook page and online on our website www.cv-rc.co.uk as soon as possible after the end of the show.

HELPERS AND TEST CALLERS - Helpers must always remain outside the warmup area, other than when calling the test for a competitor. Competitors without helpers may ask for their test to be called by a CVRC steward – we will do our best to help you.

VACCINATIONS will not be checked on the day. All horses must have been vaccinated for flu within the last 12 months and not in the preceding 7 days prior to the show. All horses must have had the first two vaccinations of the primary course prior to competing.

RESTRICTED sections are for combinations who have not scored 66% or above at that level more than three times in any dressage competition, not just CVRC competitions. Riders who have gained points at elementary and above in BD over the last four years may not compete in any restricted section. If you do not specify which section you are riding in, you will automatically be entered in the open section. You must specify which section and if there is a choice of tests, please indicate which test in the entrants notes section on Equo when entering.

PLEASE NOTE that in pick a test classes, riders may ride more than one test provided that they are different tests. Equo may not work to allow you to enter two tests on the same horse. If you encounter difficulties please slightly change the name of your horse and add in the entrants notes box that you are entering the same horse in two different tests within the same class.

TIMINGS – Classes start at 9.30 am, the warm up arena is open from 9.00 am. Please note that you may not ride in in the actual competition arena before the class starts. If you enter Class 1 please note that this class runs first and you will be given a time from 9.30 am, even if you request a “late” time. If you cannot get there for the start of Class 1 please enter Class 2 or request to ride Intro A at a later time on an hors concours (non-competitive) basis. Anybody who enters classes 2 and 3 may request to ride earlier than their usual class time; please state on the entrants notes page when entering via www.equoevents.co.uk. Classes 4, 5 and 6 are all in a long arena and will start no earlier than mid-morning and could be later, depending on entries. Please note we cannot give you an earlier time for these classes due to having to re-set the arena. We will do our best to accommodate special requests for times but cannot guarantee that they will be accepted. All times are final once published.

ENTRIES to be made strictly via Equo only at www.equoevents.co.uk. Entries will open around 3 to 4 weeks prior to each competition. Entries close at midnight on the Wednesday (for Saturday shows) and Thursday (for Sunday shows) before the competition, though entries may be closed earlier at the discretion of the organisers. A waitlist will be kept. Any enquiries please message Rachel Crook or send an email to CV-RC@mail.com. Times will be posted on the CVRC Facebook page and the CVRC website on the Wednesday / Thursday evening before the competition.

ENTRY FEES per class are £19 for non-members, £17 for CVRC members – please click the box when entering for the discounted pricing.

ROSETTES to 10th place in each class – remember to bring an SAE with you if you cannot pick your rosette up and would like your rosette to be posted.

ANNUAL POINTS SHIELDS will be awarded to the CVRC member gaining the most points in (i) intro; (ii) prelim and (iii) novice and above tests over the whole of the series. An annual challenge trophy will be awarded to the CVRC member with the most points in the dressage to music class. The club **member with the highest number of points** across the whole series will also be awarded a special rosette and prize kindly sponsored by Diana Theophilus. Points are awarded for percentages gained in each test exactly as per British Dressage.

RULES

- British Riding Clubs rules will be used in all classes - <http://www.bhs.org.uk/enjoyriding/british-riding-clubs/brc-rulebook> other than bitless bridles are permitted. If you have any doubt as to whether your horse's bit is acceptable for dressage please check the BRC handbook, which gives very clear guidance. NB Snaffle bits only for intro, prelim and novice

(or bitless) and nosebands must be worn in all circumstances. No bit guards are permitted. No martingales and no boots may be worn.

- **Bitless bridles are permitted in all classes.**
- All classes will be judged on a percentage basis.
- Horses must be aged four and over to compete.
- In the event of a complaint please put your complaint in writing and hand to the organiser with a fee of £50, which will be forfeit if the complaint is not upheld.
- Dogs are permitted only in the lorry park or car park and must be on leads at all times. Strictly no dogs in the indoor arena please.
- Cherwell Valley Riding Club, its officers or anyone acting on their behalf shall not be held responsible for any accident, injury, loss or damage to or by horses, ponies, competitors, spectators or any persons, animals or property whatsoever.
- The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry at their discretion, cancel, amend or amalgamate any class for any reason whatsoever. Shows may be subject to cancellation at short notice due to Covid-19 restrictions.
- No entrant shall be entitled to the return of any entry fee after the closing date other than on production of the appropriate Veterinary or medical certificate. This will be at the organisers' discretion and an administration fee will be charged.
- Cherwell Valley Riding Club will not tolerate any inappropriate behaviour on the show ground and will ask any competitor mistreating their horse to leave immediately.
- All litter and droppings in the car park must be cleared up / taken home.
- Do not muck out lorries or trailers onto the grounds.
- No lunging is permitted.