

Paramedics for shows update

As you will know I had approached the Exec to ask if prices might be sourced from Pro Medical who are the private medical company the BHS/BRC use nationally. However, it seems I was 'missed off' email correspondence about this and we had to submit our interest the week of the meeting! Needless to say, this was too short a time scale, so we will have to make alternative arrangements in Area 21 - sorry, I tried but sadly I failed.

Competitions news

- Entries to HQ sent by post

These entries will continue to be received but in the light of entries missing in the post and cheques going astray, please ensure that the person in charge of sending the entry before the closing date, telephones BRC HQ a few days after posting the entries to ensure they have arrived. Please do not wait until the entries have closed as it will be too late. **Please pass this on to the persons in your club that it will affect.**

- Preliminary entries changes

It was agreed that the 14 day ruling was not working so the BRC will be going back to 21 days before the Area qualifier or the 30th June, whichever falls first

- Drug testing

This took place for the first time at the Quadrille Championships at Aintree. At the briefing before the competition, all riders were informed that a team would be selected at random and tested for illegal substances in their horses. Well, you will never guess what! The team they picked failed as one of the horses proved positive! Let this be a warning to all Area 21 members, random checks will take place at the Championships in 2011, so make sure all your team and individual riders are aware of this and the consequences. Check out your rule book for banned substances.

- Royal Windsor rules

These will change again for 2011 and it must be pointed out that although BRC help run the competition, they have no jurisdiction over the Windsor organisers.

Please note: The final round will now be a speed class due to time constraints.

- Horse Trials and European Championships

Aston Le Walls will be host to both the Horse Trials and the European Championships in 2011.

- BE BRC 80 cm Championships

BE are hosting an 80 cm Championships with a section for BRC members. The dates are 24th and 25th September 2011 at Brooksby College. Please see relevant BE rules for terms and conditions of entry.

- Membership cards

Although the office had promised membership cards for clubs to hand out at their AGM's, this clearly did not happen and it is hoped they will be with club Secretaries at the end of November.

- Rule book

This will be available at the end of December 2010. There are 54 rule changes so read your rule books carefully when they arrive.

- NAF & KBIS

NAF will once again be main sponsor for 2011, with KBIS sponsoring the new Hunter Trials series.

- **Area 21 rule change disallowed by BRC**

On behalf of Area 21 I proposed a rule change to see if BRC were truly going to follow the rulings of the other disciplines. (See ruling below the request)

Appendix 22: COMMENTS SLIP

If you have any comments to make that could improve our Rules or Rule Book in future years can you please complete this Comments Slip, or photocopy it, and send it to:

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What is wrong with the rule? The jewellery rule is not in line with BE, BD or BS and would appear to stand alone. If a competitor has forgotten to remove jewellery the time taken to remove the item/s has not been factored in to the warm up and is adding stress to a situation where none need be.
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What is your suggested change? Adopt rule 1.7 page 96 of the BE rule book 2010. <i>'Jewellery worn anywhere on the body can increase the risk of injury. Competitors are strongly recommended to remove all jewellery, especially before the jumping phase'</i> Ammend <i>'before any jumping class/phase'</i> <small>Thankyou</small>

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The rules committee replied -'BRC did not feel taking the rule out fitted with BRC' So...NOT adopting the rules of other disciplines then!