

British Riding Clubs Area 14 Dressage Qualifiers

For the Winter Dressage Championships 2025 Senior and Junior DTM Schedule and Junior Intro and Junior Novice Schedule

Saturday 1st February 2025

Judge – Dena Green

**Topthorn Arena, Debenham Road, Stonham Aspal, Suffolk IP14 6BX**  
**Outdoor surfaced arena warm up. and competition in indoor surfaced arena**

**Catering available by Garnhams Coffee and Foxhall Creative Photography in attendance.**

*(*Championships 25th-27th April 2025 at Arena UK, Allington Lane, Allington, Grantham, NG32 2EF)

DRESSAGE TO MUSIC Winter Dressage Classes

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| Class | Class Name | Eligibility |
| 1Q | BD Pick a Test  Either BD Medium OR BD Adv. Med Freestyle to Music (2016)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Senior and Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points for both tests: No Limit |
| 2Q | BD Elementary Freestyle to Music (2024)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Senior and Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: Unlimited Elementary Points, Upto 35 Medium and 0 Points at Adv. Medium or above.  Riders refer to BRC rulebook page 89 for FEI eligibility rules (c) |
| 3Q  3Qa-Snr  3Qb-Jnr | BD Novice Freestyle to Music (2019)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Senior and Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: Unlimited Novice Points, Up to 35 Elementary and 0 Points at Medium or above.  Riders refer to BRC rulebook page 89 for FEI eligibility rules (c) |
| 4Q | BD Novice Freestyle to Music (2019)  0 points  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Senior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: Unlimited Prelim Points, 0 points at Novice or above. Horses cannot have competed Elementary or above in the same competition year (BD or BRC). Horse may not compete in Elementary DTM at the same qualifier or championship. or BE Novice or above in the current or previous calendar year.  Riders cannot have competed BE Novice or Elementary dressage or above in the current or previous calendar year (BD or BRC)  In addition refer to BRC rulebook page 89 for FEI eligibility rules (c) |
| 5Q | MIXED PAIRS DTM  BRC Novice Pairs DTM (2018)  ENTRY FEE £29.00 | Open to Senior and Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: No limit  Riders No limit |
| 6Q  6Qa– Snr  6Qb- Jnr | BD Prelim Freestyle to Music (2016)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Senior and Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: Unlimited Prelim Points, 0 points at Novice or above. Horses cannot have competed Elementary or above in the same competition year (BD or BRC) No horse may have gained 70% or above in DTM Novice (BD or BRC) in the past 12 months.  Riders not permitted to be a BHS Stage 4 coach or above. Riders cannot have competed BE Novice or Elementary dressage or above in the current or previous calendar year (BD or BRC)  In addition refer to BRC rulebook page 89 for FEI eligibility rules (c) |

NOVICE Winter Dressage Classes (Juniors only)

(the seniors competition is at easton college in march 2025)

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| Class | Test | Eligibility |
| 7Q | BD Novice 1 (2024)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid  their membership for the current year.    Horses Eligibility  Unlimited BD Novice points, up to 35 BD points at Elementary, 0 BD  points at Medium or above.    Riders Eligibility  Not to be a BHS Stage 4 Coach or above.  Not to have competed at Medium BD/BRC or BE Intermediate or above  in the last 12 months before close of pre-entry. |
| 8Q | BD Prelim 1 (2024) ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid  their membership for the current year.    Horses Eligibility  Unlimited BD Prelim points, up to 35 BD points at Novice, 0 BD points  at Elementary or above.  Not to have competed at Elementary BD/BRC or BE Novice or above in  the last 12 months before close of pre-entry.    Riders Eligibility  Not to be a BHS Stage 4 Coach or above.  Not to have competed at Elementary BD/BRC or BE Novice or above in  the last 12 months before close of pre-entry. |
| 9Q | BD Prelim 2 (2024)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 |
| 10Q | BD Intro 3 (2024) ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid  their membership for the current year.    Horses Eligibility  Up to 35 BD Prelim points, 0 points at BD Novice or above.    Riders Eligibility  Not to be a BHS Stage 4 Coach or above |

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| NOV | NOVICE JUNIOR TEAM  TEAM ENTRY FEE £58 | 1 rider of each team to ride 1 test. 1 will ride BD Intro  3 (2024), 1 will ride BD Prelim 1 (2024), 1 will ride  BD Prelim 2 (2024) & 1 will ride BD Novice 1 (2024)  All team riders will also ride as individuals. |

INTRO DRESSAGE Winter Dressage Classes (Juniors ONLY)

(the seniors competition and mixed pairs is sunday 2nd feb 2025)

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| Class | Test | Eligibility |
| 11Q | BD Intro 1 (2024)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: 0 points at all levels Horse’s BE Points: 0 Points  Horses and Riders cannot have competed in Novice BD or BRC, or competed BE100, or above in the 12 months before close of pre-entry. Not to have competed Elementary BD, BRC or BE Novice or above in the last 3 calendar years.  Riders not to be a BHS Stage 4 coach or above.  Additional Restrictions: Horse and Rider combinations may not have gained 70% or higher in their arena at a BRC/BD Championship at Intro level or above. |
| 12Q | BD Intro 2 (2024)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 |
| 13Q | BRC Prelim 1 (2025)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 | Open to Junior members of an affiliated Riding Club that have paid their membership for the current year.  Horse’s BD Points: Up to 35 Prelim Points, 0 points at Novice or above.  Horses and Riders not to have competed Elementary BD, BRC or BE Novice or above in the 12 months before close of pre-entry.  Riders not to be a BHS Stage 4 coach or above.  Additional Restrictions: Horse and Rider combinations may not have gained 70% or higher in their arena at a BRC/BD Championship at Prelim level or above. |
| 14Q | BRC Prelim 2 (2025)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 |

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| INTJR | INTRO JUNIOR TEAM  TEAM ENTRY FEE £58 | 1 rider of each team to ride 1 test. 1 will ride BD Intro 1 (2024) 1 will ride BD Intro 2 (2024), 1 will ride BRC Prelim 1 (2025), and 1 will ride BRC Prelim 2 (2025), 3 scores will count. All team riders will also ride as individuals. |

COMPETITION PROCEDURES FOR QUALIFIERS

* The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry.
* Anyone displaying symptoms of illness will be asked to leave the venue. Please do not attend the event if you are displaying any covid-19 symptoms.
* The organisers ask that horses/ponies are not left tied to their trailers/lorries whilst unattended & where it is safe to do so, horses should remain on their transport to get ready and between tests.
* Please observe and respect any signs displayed by the venue or Gipping Riding Society.
* Please clear away and take home any litter or droppings.
* Lunging is not permitted.
* **Please park respectfully, as parking is limited**

Equine influenza & Microchip Numbers

Your horse must have up to date influenza vaccinations in line with rule G7 in the current BRC Rulebook. There is also a checking device on the BRC website, but if you are unsure, please call BRC on 02476 840518. All horses/ponies attending a qualifier or championship must be microchipped.

*Vaccination Records, Passports and Microchip Numbers will need to be validated by Ann McVicar, the Official Steward, before the day of competition. Team Managers should send the passports along with declaration forms to:* [*AnnMcVicar@btinternet.com*](mailto:AnnMcVicar@btinternet.com) *by 18th January 2025.*

Objections and queries Any queries should be addressed to the BRC Official Steward officiating at this event.

Health & Safety Policy

The organisers have taken all reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must obey the instructions of the organisers and stewards and avoid activities likely to cause accidents. Emergency services must have access to all parts of the showground and members of the public and their vehicles must not block access. Parents must assume full responsibility for their children’s safety and control.

LIABILITY The Owners/Organisers will not accept any responsibility for any accident injury illness or loss of property howsoever caused

REFUNDS for entry fees only refunded on production of a valid vet or doctor’s certificate.

DOGS must be kept on leads at all times

OBJECTIONS must be made in writing within 30 minutes of incident or results being published with a £20.00 deposit, which will be forfeit if the objection is over-ruled.

RESERVATION: the organisers reserve the right to cancel any class if deemed necessary and to refuse an entry without having to state the reason.   
COMPETITOR NUMBERS: Must be worn at all times. Bridle/Saddle Pad Numbers may be worn, but must be shown on both sides of the horse. Number Bibs are also acceptable (A number template is available to download from the BRC Downloads page.)

CHILDREN: under the age of 14yrs MUST be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

Photography of Juniors: Professional and Amateur photographers may attend our competitions, upon entering classes you are deemed to have accepted that photographs may be taken of Juniors and possibly used for publicity purposes.

Tack and Dress Rules

Please make sure you adhere to all tack and dress rules in the current version of the BRC rules.   
The full 2024 Rulebook is available to download online. If you have a query on the rules, please ring BRC on 02476 840593.

All hats must have a visible BRC hat tag in place before they are used for warming up and competing, to show that it meets the current safety standards. There will be a trained official available on the day to do this for you if your hat does not currently have one.

**IMPORTANT**

***ALL team riders are automatically entered into the individual competition***

**Horses & Riders may compete in Introductory Dressage, Novice Dressage and Dressage to Music Classes,** providing they comply with the eligibility criteria, as these are separate competitions.  
**Horses may be ridden in more than one test** if being competed individually and / or as part of a team provided that each test is different. No rider or horse may compete twice for one team or in more than one team in the same competition unless expressly permitted.

**Entry Fees:**

**All entrants must pay an additional Pre entry fee of £20 DTM individual or £26 per DTM pair or £48 per dressage team, or £12.50 per individual to British Riding Clubs at least 21 days before the date of this event. The closing date for pre-entry is 11th January 2025.**

Online entries via https://brc.bhs.org.uk/select late prelim entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organiser and BRC with a late surcharge of £20 per team if there are sufficient spaces. Late entries cannot be guaranteed therefore must not be paid for until approval from the organiser has been sought.

**Entry Fee £58.00 – per team. 1st Aid Cover included**

**Individual entry fees, if not part of a team £14.50 per test incl. First Aid.**

**Pairs entry – £29 per pair incl. First Aid  
Payments to Gipping Riding Society Club 7 days before date of the qualifier. Cheques made payable to ‘Gipping Riding Society’.**

**Please pay by Bank Transfer Account No 65613238 SORT CODE 08-92-99 – Please Reference the date of the event as follows “010225Qual”**

**Qualifier Pre-Entries details & fees to BRITISH RIDING CLUBS before 11th January 2025**

**Team Managers should submit detailed, and any revised entries via official BRC entry form only, these can be found here:** [**https://www.bhs.org.uk/british-riding-clubs/competitions/brc-downloads/entry-forms/**](https://www.bhs.org.uk/british-riding-clubs/competitions/brc-downloads/entry-forms/) **And should be emailed to** [**gippingteams@gmail.com**](mailto:gippingteams@gmail.com) **by close: Friday 24th January 2025**

**Enquiries and contacts on the day: Jill Baldwin 07795 413249**

**START TIMES: Wednesday 29th January 2025 on the Area 14 Facebook Page and via riding results if we can use the online service.**

**AREA 14 DRESSAGE TO MUSIC LICENCE FORM**

For the qualifier, the music should ideally be submitted digitally before the event, by sending an MP3 file to [Gippingteams@gmail.com](mailto:Gippingteams@gmail.com), with this accompanying form, and by Friday 24th January 2025.

You can use any music from the record labels listed on the Phonographic Performance Ltd (PPL) repertoire list, under the BRC Music Licence. Tracks not listed cannot be used, and It is the rider’s responsibility to ensure that the music they are using is correctly licensed before competing. The PPL Repertoire list can be found here:

<https://repsearch.ppluk.com/ars/faces/pages/audioSearch.jspx;jsessionid=8cbdcdf584d8e4723797deb0ac09>

RIDING CLUB: CLASS ENTERED:

RIDERS NAME: HORSES NAME:

CONTACT DETAILS FOR QUERIES: Mobile: Email Address:

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**Time Allowed:** In Advanced Medium, Medium, Elementary and Pairs Dressage to Music the time allowed is 4½ to 5 minutes. In Novice and Prelim Dressage to Music the time allowed is 4 to 5 minutes. All DTM tests are timed from the first halt to the final halt.

If the music fails at any other time, the rider must keep going unless the judge at C signals for the rider to stop. It is very important that a definite signal to start is given. No more than 20 seconds of introductory music may be played before the entry at A.