

British Riding Clubs Area 14 Dressage Qualifiers

For the Winter Dressage Championships 2025 Senior Intro Schedule and Mixed pairs

Sunday 2nd February 2025

Judge – Paul Cornish

**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)

INTRO DRESSAGE Winter Dressage Classes (SENIORS plus MIXED PAIRS)

(the JUNIORS competition and DTM is saturday 1st feb 2025)

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| Class | Test | Eligibility |
| 1Q | BD Intro 1 (2024)  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: 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. |
| 2Q | BD Intro 2 (2024)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 |
| 3Q | MIXED INTRO PAIRS  BRC Intro Pairs 1 (2022)  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: Unlimited Prelim points. 0 points at Novice or above. Not to have competed at Novice 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. Riders cannot have competed at Novice (Including pairs) BD/BRC or BE100 or above in the 12 months before close of pre-entry.  Additional Restrictions: Winning pair from previous year may not take part. |
| 4Q | BRC Prelim 1 (2025)  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: 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. |
| 5Q | BRC Prelim 2 (2025)  ENTRY FEE £14.50 |

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| INTSR | INTRO SENIOR 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 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 £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 12th 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 “020225Qual”**

**Qualifier Pre-Entries details & fees to BRITISH RIDING CLUBS before 12th 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: Thursday 30th January 2025 on the Area 14 Facebook Page and via riding results if we can use the online service.**