



Eydon BHS TREC Competition

**ORGANISED BY CENTRAL HORSE TREC GROUP
BHS Affiliated Riding Club**

To be held on Sunday 1st July 2012

at

Foxhill Farm, Eydon, Northamptonshire, NN11 3QB

OS Explorer map 206 Grid ref SP 556 497

Level 1 and Level 2

Individual and Pairs Competition

Suitable for novices and first time competitors

Organiser Leigh Nixon. TD Mary Weston.

Visit our website www.trecgroup.co.uk

THE EVENT

TREC competitions appeal to any combination of horse/pony and rider. You can be as competitive or as laid back as you like! The main emphasis is to enjoy yourself.

The competition consists of three phases, the winners being those with the highest accumulated points. The phases may be presented in any order. Maximum total from all three phases = 460 points.

Phase 1

POR (Trail Ride following a simple route). A master map is displayed and riders make a copy of the route shown on it. The object is then to ride as accurately as possible along this route, enjoying the scenery.

Distance up to 12 km (Level 1) and 20km (Level 2). Maximum 240 points

Phase 2

PTV (Cross Country Obstacles). Over a course of natural and simulated obstacles that could be met out hacking. Don't worry, you can miss out any you do not like without fear of elimination (but you MUST inform the judge if you do not wish to complete an obstacle). Maximum 160 points.

Phase 3

CP (Control of Paces). Determines the rider's control of the horse's paces, slow canter and fast walk. Length up to 150 metres. Maximum 60 points.

For further details see www.bhs.org.uk BHS TREC or telephone BHS on 02476 840591

ENTRY FEES PER RIDER:

Central Trec Group (CTG) Members: £35.00 each

BHS/RC: £38.00 each

Non Members: £40.00 each

HOW TO ENTER

Competitors that are not CTG, BHS Gold or BRC members are welcome at this event but must provide proof of insurance with entry.

All classes are subject to sufficient entries and the organisers reserve the right to cancel or amalgamate classes as necessary. Please enter early to avoid disappointment!

To be eligible for Central Trec Group Members rate, subscription for 2012 must have been paid. You can include your 2012 subscription with the entry fee. The entry form MUST be accompanied by a valid e-mail address OR a C5 (7 x 10 in) self-addressed envelope with a FIRST CLASS stamp.

Cheques for the correct amount should be made payable to: Central Trec Group and sent with the entry form to:

Competition Secretary:

Leigh Nixon, 14 High Street, Eydon, Northamptonshire NN11 3PP.

Phone: 07736 038221 **Email:** leighsnixon@hotmail.com

For general information on BHS TREC, visit www.bhs.org.uk

Schedule and information

Saturday 30th June

Arrival from 15:00

PTV Course available to walk from 17:00

PTV guided course walk at 18:00 (guided walk of PTV course and instruction on what is required at each obstacle) – donation of £5 to be paid on the day which will be donated to the British TREC Squad's trip to the European Championships.

Sunday 1st July

Control of Paces and PTV Obstacle phases

<u>Classes:</u>	Class 1	Level 1 Individual	}	POR route length up to 12 kms
	Class 2	Level 1 Pairs		PTV obstacle height up to 60cm
	Class 3	Level 2 Individual	}	POR route length up to 20 kms
	Class 4	Level 2 Pairs		PTV obstacle height approx 70cm

Entry closing dates and refunds/withdrawals

Entries close on Thursday 14th June. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organiser and may be subject to a surcharge. Withdrawals up to this date will receive a full refund. Any refunds for withdrawals after the closing date will be entirely at the discretion of the organiser. All entries must be in writing and accompanied by the correct entry fee. Please enter early as places will be strictly limited. Entry cheques will be banked on closure of entries.

Corralling

Charged at £7.50 per horse for the Saturday night. If you need to corral on the Sunday please contact the organisers. Please provide your own electric fencing. There will be an area for tents separate from the corralling field – NO tents in the horsebox or corralling areas.

The venue is open from 15:00 on Saturday, if you need to arrive earlier please contact the organisers IN ADVANCE to arrange this.

Bed & Breakfast & Stabling

B&B is available on site at Foxhill Farm. Please contact Lesley Smith for details and booking: 01295 760 230.

Start times and directions

These will be available on the club website and will be emailed to all participants by the Wednesday before the event. If you do not have access to the internet please enclose a first class SAE with your entry. Please do not telephone for times, unless you have not received them by the Thursday immediately before the event.

All TREC competitions rely on the support of volunteer judges and helpers. Can you or anyone coming with you lend a hand? Please telephone Leigh Nixon on 07736 038221 or e-mail leighsnixon@hotmail.com if you can assist us with judging or stewarding. Competitors can also help us with setting up, clearing equipment away, collecting scores etc. No judging experience necessary – we are grateful for all offers of help and you will learn lots from the inside! Even a couple of hours help can make a difference and there are lots of jobs suitable for non-horsey mums/dads/partners. We provide all judges with free lunch and hot/cold drinks.

2012 BHS TREC RULES

Rules as per the current BHS TREC Rulebook (Fifth edition) and general rules detailed

BHS TREC Rulebook is available from the British Horse Society Bookshop, Abbey Park, Stareton, Kenilworth CV8 2XZ. (www.britishhorse.com).

2. BHS TREC Competitions are open to all horses and ponies providing that they are a minimum of four years old in 2012 (i.e. a horse born in 2008 may compete in BHS TREC in 2012).
3. Mares more than four months pregnant should not be competing.
4. Competitors must hold suitable third party liability & personal accident insurance or be a BHS Gold member or BRC member.
5. Riders under the age of fourteen on day of competition may only compete in Pairs classes and must be accompanied by a rider of 16 years or older. Pairs ride together for POR and separately for CoP and PTV. Parents/guardians of competitors under the age of 16 will be required to complete a Parental Consent Form.
6. Competitors competing in BHS TREC Qualifiers or the Championship of Great Britain must either be a BHS Gold Member or a BRC member.
7. Clearly visible coloured tail wraps/ribbons should be worn to advise other riders of a potential hazard – Red = Kicker, Green = young/inexperienced horse, Blue = Stallion. If the horse/pony is a stallion then a stallion disc should be worn on both sides of the bridle.
8. For Level 1 and Level 2 competitions any **Senior** rider who have been selected to represent Great Britain at TREC in the last two years will be ineligible to compete as individuals (they may compete HC). They may compete as part of a pair but will be penalised 25 points per phase for both the POR and PTV phases (total 50 points).
9. No rider will be permitted to start any phase of the competition unless wearing a hard hat, which meets a standard currently recommended by the BHS PAS 015, BSEN1384, EN1384, All SEI, ASTM F1163, SNELL E2001, Australian & New Zealand All SAI AS/NZS 2828. All of the above should have the BSI 'KITE' mark and/or the American equivalent, the 'SEI' mark securely (non-removable) attached to the hat.).
10. Riders may choose to wear a body protector during any phase of the competition. If worn, Beta 3 standard is strongly recommended. **If a rider is wearing a body protector for the PTV phase the following allowances will be added to the height of the Low branches obstacle for that competitor: Level 1 – 2 inches, Level 2 – 2 Inches, Level 3 – 1 Inch, Level 4 – No Allowance**
11. Riders must wear suitable riding footwear, or use suitable enclosed stirrups.
12. Standing Martingales and other fixed reins are forbidden.
13. Whips must not exceed 75cms (1m for side-saddle). Spurs if worn must be rounded, not exceeding 3cms in length and **pointed downwards**.
14. Mobile phones may be carried for use in emergency but must be declared prior to entering the map room and be switched off.
15. During the POR phase riders must wear fluorescent/reflective hi-viz clothing. The minimum requirement is clearly visible fluorescent strips (or garment) on the riders torso. It is strongly recommended that this is also reflective, and is supplemented by a fluorescent/reflective hatband and fluorescent/reflective hi-viz on the horse.
16. Medical armbands and ID are compulsory and must be worn for all three phases of the competition. The medical armband should include basic information to help any First Aid staff to assist you and should be easily visible/ Information should include: Name, Address, Next of kin with contact details, competitor number, emergency telephone number for event and any relevant medical information (e.g. allergies, any current medication). Medical armbands can be purchased from the BHS Bookshop priced £5.99 Tel: 02476 840541
17. ID will also be required to be carried on the horse during the POR. This should be visible, and should consist of (minimum) competitor number, and emergency telephone number for event.
18. A horse losing a shoe (or boot) during the POR must be fitted with appropriate protective footwear (a hoof boot or replacement shoe if the competitor is also a registered farrier), and will not be permitted to leave a checkpoint without such a boot being fitted and time penalties will be incurred if the rider cannot leave a checkpoint at their allotted time. Competitors competing in Hoof boots will be expected to replace the missing boot with a replacement, while out on the POR.
19. If competing in Hoofboots emergency farrier tools for removing a shoe would not be required, however **riders are recommended to carry a tool/tools suitable to adjust the sizing of their particular brand of hoof boot**. If the horse is unshod a hoof-boot must still be carried at Level 3 or above. In the event that the hoof becomes damaged or horse becomes lame and the horse can no longer continue, the hoof-boot could be used to alleviate any pain or discomfort if necessary.
20. The decisions of the BHS Technical Delegate and the Judges are final and must be complied with at all times. Competitors may be eliminated from the competition for any of the following reasons:
 - Excessive use of the whip
 - Dangerous riding
 - Abusive language/rudeness

21. For every commencement of a minute that a competitor stays over their allocated departure time at all checkpoints, including the map room, 5 penalties will be given.

22. Fall Ruling – POR – Competitors experiencing a fall during this phase are required to report the details to an official (organiser/TD/next checkpoint judge). All falls during the POR phase will not result in automatic elimination unless the official considers the competitor is unfit to continue.

CoP – A fall of rider/horse during either the canter stage or walk stage of this phase will result in a zero score for that stage only. A fall during this phase does not result in automatic elimination unless the official considers the competitor is unfit to continue.

PTV – Competitors experiencing a fall as a result of an obstacle during this phase of the competition will be awarded 65 penalties. If the same rider was then to become unseated for a second time will result in elimination from the competition. If a rider becomes unseated/falls off not as a result of an obstacle, the competitor can remount and continue without being awarded any penalties. A rider may be given a 'leg up' after being unseated without the risk of being eliminated.

PTV – Horse fall – Any horse fall (a horse or pony is considered to have fallen when the shoulder and the quarters have touched the ground) during this stage will result in elimination from the competition.

If a rider becomes unseated/falls off not as a result of an obstacle, the competitor can remount and continue without being awarded any penalties.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

Tack and equipment will be checked. The following should be carried on the POR phase, failure to have these items incurs a 2 point penalty for each item up to a maximum of 10 penalty points:

POR Required Equipment (for all riders) Penalties will be incurred for missing items

- Compass
- Pens (for map marking – ideally two colours, permanent ink with thin nibs, red and fluorescent orange are popular and black or blue for notes)
- Torch (lightweight – sufficient to read a map – a head torch is ideal)
- Waterproofs
- Whistle (for use in emergencies) to be carried on the rider
- Headcollar and leadrope or combination bridle
- Emergency farriers tools (Suitable for the removal of a shoe and nails) and equi – boot or similar (compulsory at Level 3 and 4, recommended for Level 2)
- **Every competitor whether competing as an individual or as part of a pair should each carry all of the equipment**

Helpful equipment for the POR phase

Map case, Drink/snack for rider, Coins for emergency phone call, Digital watch (or stopwatch), mobile phone (switched off).

NB Pairs competitors should carry all of the required equipment. They should also EACH have a hard hat, waterproofs, headcollar/rope, whistle, competitor ID, horse ID, medical armband and fluorescent clothing and are encouraged to carry the full list if possible.

*Hard hat and medical armband required for ALL phases of the event. Tack used must remain the same for all three phases.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The event manager/organiser should take all reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the officials and stewards on the day.

Trained First Aiders will be present at the event and should be summoned through an official in the event of an accident. The event manager/organiser will provide contact telephone numbers for emergency veterinary and farriery service.

Competitors are asked to safeguard valuable tack and possessions. Young children must be supervised at all times. Neither the event manager/organiser nor the land/course owners can accept responsibility for loss or injury to persons or animals howsoever caused.

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Entry Form

Entry's close Thursday 14th June 2012

LEVEL 1 or LEVEL 2 (please circle)	Class: INDIVIDUAL or PAIRS (please circle)
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Rider's Name:	
Address:	
Postcode:	
Email address:	Tel:
CTG Member Y / N	Membership Number:
I include membership form and fee for 2012 Y / N	Rider D.O.B: (if under 16)
BHS No:	PC/RC No: (state PC/RC)
Insurance Details: (if not BHS, RC or PC Member include copy of policy)	
Horse's Name:	Height:
Breed:	Year of Birth:
Corralling space at £7.50 per horse for Saturday night required Y / N	
Will you camp overnight in a tent Y / N	
Please state if Eydon is your first full TREC competition (excluding Indoor TREC) Y / N	
Please state if you intend to wear a body protector on the PTV (this will be confirmed at the start but it will help us to know in advance) Y / N	

Membership numbers must be included for discounted entry fees. Non-members please send a photocopy of your public liability insurance.

If Pairs entry, Pair Name: _____

Pair entry will be accepted when entry form and entry fee from both riders received.

If you are able to provide help please give details here:

Name of helper:	Any previous experience. Yes/ No
Email:	
Mobile Phone number during event:	

If the event is oversubscribed priority for entries will be given to those who can bring a helper

Rider Entry CTG/BHS/RC	£
Corralling space at £7.50 per horse for the weekend.	£
CTG Membership at £22	£
I enclose a cheque payable to Central TREC Group Ltd for the total amount of	£

I have read, understood and agree to abide by the rules for the competition.

For competitors under the age of 16, parent or guardian must sign:

Rider Signature: _____

Entries & Enquiries to: Leigh Nixon, 14 High Street, Eydon, Northamptonshire. NN11 3PP.
Cheques payable to **'Central TREC Group Ltd'**.



Central TREC Group

Membership Application Form

Name _____ D.O.B. (if under 22) _____

Address _____

Postcode _____

Home Tel. _____

Mobile Tel. _____

Email (please print clearly!) _____

Cost £22 (until March 2013)

How did you hear about Central TREC Group?

Are you (please circle): New to TREC Novice Experienced

Do you have a supporter who can help at events? Yes No

Name _____ Email _____

Please enclose a cheque made out to *Central TREC Group Ltd* and return with entry form.