



SEIB Summer Series 2020



Park Farm

British TREC competition

Organised by Central TREC Group

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To be held at

Park Farm

Cold Ashby Road

Northampton

NN6 6HG

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Entries will open on 1st August 2020

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Level 1 / 1A Affiliated British TREC Competition – Everyone welcome.

This competition gives you the chance to ride across picturesque countryside along a route that has been checked for accessibility. The competition will take place almost entirely off road. Classes for individuals and pairs.

**There are classes available to those who have little or no TREC experience
Competitors at Level 1A may have the option to navigate using bearings or grid references only.**

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Opening date for entries will be 1st August 2020 and will only be accepted on a fully completed form with payment. Entries will close when competition is full, or on 20th August 2020, whichever is earlier. Late entries will be accepted at the discretion of the organiser and may be subject to a surcharge. Please enter early as places will be limited. If full, a waiting list will be kept.

Entries and schedules: Entries should be made via our JotForm, available at www.trecgroup.co.uk/calendar and entry fees may be paid via our online shop, available at www.trecgroup.co.uk/store. Postal entries accompanied by cheques may be sent to Sarah Wynn (please email entries@trecgroup.co.uk for the address to post them to) but cheque payments will be subject to a surcharge of £2.50.

Equine Flu Requirements: TREC GB requires that all events, including training & camps, involving equines should insist that vaccinations are up to date (12 month cycle) and check passports before horses are unloaded. Horses that have had their annual vaccination or a booster, within the last six days of the event should not be allowed to compete. For unvaccinated horses to be able to compete a new programme takes a minimum of 28 days.

1. The twelve month cycle means that a horse's vaccinations should be dated on or within 365 days (twelve months), for each year recorded on the passport, after the initial cycle of three injections were originally completed. For example a horse vaccinated on 15th March one year needs to be vaccinated on or before 15th March the following year. This also applies in leap years.
2. Horses with several years of annual booster vaccinations can have gaps in their record provided that;
 - a) The first two primary injections were administered correctly before 1st January 2014. (2nd injection 21-92 days after the 1st injection).
 - b) All annual boosters since 1st January 2014 are within time.

Please upload a copy of your horse's vaccination certificate onto the TREC GB central register, and to the entries secretary along with your entry before the closing date.

For more information visit our website www.trecgb.com.

Classes:

- Class 1 **Level 1 Individual**, suitable for first timers
Class 2 **Level 1 Pairs**, suitable for first timers
Class 3 **Level 1A Individual**
Class 4 **Level 1A Pairs**
Class 5 **Level 1 Assisted Individual**, suitable for first timers or for competitors under the age of 16 years, who must be accompanied by someone over the age of 18 on the POR.
The Assistant will be given a map for the POR but will not complete the MA or PTV. They may ride a bicycle if they wish, though we would point out that much of the route is off road and is not using surfaced cycle paths.
A JotForm should be sent in for the Assistant, so that we have their details in case they are needed for Track and Trace purposes.

POR route length 10-15km, PTV Obstacle height up to 60cms

Central TREC Group reserve the right to cancel or amalgamate any of the classes.

Competitors at Level 1A may have the option to navigate part of their route using only bearings or only grid references.

Riders who are under the age of 14 must ride in one of the pairs classes and their pair must be over 18 on the day of the competition

Classes 1-2 will be qualifying classes for the 2021 SEIB Grassroots Championship. Full details about eligibility and qualification criteria can be found at www.trecgb.com.

Entry fees (per rider):	Central TREC Group members	TREC GB Red members / members of any other affiliated TREC GB club	Non-members
Riders in classes 1-5	£45	£50	£55
Class 5 Assistant	£10		
If you or any member of your household shows any symptoms of Covid-19 (fever, persistent cough or lack of sense of taste or smell), or you think you may be in the incubation period, please DO NOT attend. Any competitor who withdraws for this reason will receive a full refund.			

Non-member entry fees include day membership to Central TREC Group. TREC GB Red and Blue members must quote a TREC GB membership number PLUS any club membership number.

Non-members – why not join Central TREC Group and save up to £10? Membership form available at www.trecgroup.co.uk. All entries must be submitted online or in writing and accompanied by the correct entry fee. All classes are subject to sufficient entries and the organisers reserve the right to cancel or amalgamate classes as necessary.

Entries **will NOT be taken before the opening date on 1st August 2020** and both entry form and payment must be received to secure a place. Entries will be on a strictly first come basis, so enter early to secure a place. If entries are full before the closing date, a waiting list will be held based on the date the entry was received. All valid entries will be treated equally.

Entry closing dates and refunds/withdrawals

Entries close on 20th August 2020, or before, if full. 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, but usually in line with our Refund policy, available on our website www.trecgroup.co.uk. If you or any member of your household shows any symptoms of Covid-19 (fever, lack of sense of taste or smell or persistent cough), or you think you may be in the incubation period, please DO NOT attend. Any competitor who withdraws for this reason will receive a full refund.

Start times and directions

These will be available on www.trecgroup.co.uk 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 only telephone for times if you have not received them by the Thursday immediately before the event, in which case call the organiser on 07703 647472.

Rider equipment and clothing

In order that judges and officials can identify riders from a distance, all riders will be asked to wear their number bibs for the duration of the day while at the venue or competing. This includes the POR, so the rule about reflective and fluorescent clothing on the rider's torso is altered to require fluorescent clothing and if possible reflective strips on the rider's sleeves/arms and/or horse, to be visible from in front and behind.

Camping and corralling

Ground conditions permitting, a very limited amount of overnight parking and corralling are available on Friday / Saturday nights at the venue at a cost of £5 per horse per night including a vehicle/tent used for human accommodation. Please book in advance, and only if you are travelling from more than 3 hours' drive away. Travel times will be used to plan the start times as far as possible. Overnight stays are possible provided only individuals or household groups stay in the same lorry, trailer or tent and as long as these remain within National Government Guidelines. If government guidance changes and corralling is not permitted then corralling fees will be refunded, as will entry fees if this means you cannot attend.

Please note that you must provide your own electric fencing and charger and your corral must be labelled with your contact details. If your horse is corralled and you are leaving the site, you must organise someone to keep an eye on your horse while you are away and must include this person's contact details on the label too. Tents being used as overnight accommodation must be pitched in the separate area provided. This is for health and safety reasons. Any person found to have pitched a tent in the corralling field will be asked to move it immediately.

Toilets / showers

There will be toilets but no showers on site. If you have your own toilet in your lorry / trailer / caravan please use that rather than the venue toilets. The venue toilets will be cleaned before the start of the competition and disposable wipes will be provided. After using the toilet, please wipe down the surfaces using a wipe and dispose of it in the bin provided. Please do not flush ANY wipes down the toilet.

Water provision

Water for horses will be available on site.

Caterer

There will not be a caterer on site. Please bring your own food for the whole duration of your stay at the event.

Vet

A local veterinary practice will be on call in case of emergency. The organiser should be informed if the vet is required during the event.

Plan for the event

You will be given a start time by Wednesday 26 August, 2020. This will be your POR map issue time. **If travelling on the day, you should not arrive more than 45 minutes before your start time. If corraling on Friday night, you should stay at your own lorry / trailer until no more than 20 minutes before your first published event timing.**

Order of phases:

- POR - map issued (to allow you to check and/or mark your map and ask any questions that you may have)
- 15 minutes later, tack check and POR start
- During the POR, you will do your MA at a checkpoint. This will be in a straight line on firm, level ground that has been thoroughly checked for safety. It may or may not be possible for riders to check the MA corridor before completing it.

On your return to the venue after the POR, you will go straight on to the PTV which is being run in the outdoor school. You are able to remove POR equipment such as saddle bags and leave them outside the school.

Once you have completed the competition please leave the venue as soon as possible (unless corraling on Saturday night). Those corraling on Saturday night are asked to leave the venue by 9am on Sunday morning.

Because of the current COVID regulations we will quarantine all score sheets and record cards for 72 hours so will not start scoring until at least the Thursday following the competition. We will email provisional scores out as soon after this as possible.

Please do not bring anyone with you unless they are a helper or competitor.

The competitors' information will be published at the same time as the start times. This will include details of the measures we are taking because of COVID. Please read this in full before you leave for the event. There may be some changes to the measures outlined in the schedule.

Helpers

All TREC competitions rely on the support of volunteer judges and helpers. Can you or anyone able to come with you lend a hand?

Please contact central@trecgroup.co.uk by e-mail if you can assist us with judging or stewarding on the day. Competitors may also be able to help us with setting up, clearing equipment away, collecting scores etc, depending on the Covid-19 regulations. 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.

What is TREC?

TREC is a fun riding event usually comprising three phases. The competition involves the skills and situations a rider might encounter on a hack, including map reading (using Ordnance Survey maps usually 1:25000 scale)

The three phases:

POR (mounted orienteering)

You are provided with a map onto which you copy the route. Then you follow the route at pre-determined speeds (usually between 6 and 12 kph). Along the route there are checkpoints, where you are likely to be given a change of speed. There also may be markers, or tickets, to be noted on your record card, which is also provided. Riders usually start at 5-minute intervals. In Pairs classes, this phase is ridden as a pair, with MA and PTV ridden separately.

MA (control of paces)

This is a test to determine the rider's control of the horse's paces. Canter as slowly as possible and walk as fast as possible. This will be timed over a marked corridor, up to 150 metres long.

PTV (cross country trials)

A timed course involving up to 16 obstacles aimed to simulate what you may meet on a hack. Some of the course may take place dismounted. You can decline to do an obstacle without being eliminated but must stop and tell the judge at that obstacle.

After the three phases the points gained by the individual/ pair are totalled and the highest total wins.

REQUIRED EQUIPMENT

Tack and equipment will be checked. The following should be carried on the POR phase.

POR Compulsory Equipment (for all riders) Riders will not be permitted to start the POR without carrying ALL the items on this list:

- Approved hard hat. (**Hat approval changed 2017 please check current required standard**)
- Headcollar and leadrope or combination bridle
- Medical armband with emergency phone numbers for the event
- Horse ID with rider details and emergency phone numbers for the event
- First aid kit for horse and rider **Human kit to be carried on the rider.**
- Torch (suitable for riding after dark. A head torch or similar to read the map and a light to make you and your horse visible to car drivers/walkers are recommended.)
- High vis clothing (minimum of fluorescent and **reflective strips** on the rider's torso)
- Whistle (for use in emergencies) **to be carried on the rider.**
- Level 3 & 4 riders: correctly sized hoof boot or similar and (for shod horses) a set of emergency farrier's tools suitable for the removal of a shoe. Level 1 & 2 competitors are advised to carry these, but it is not required.

Extra compulsory equipment due to COVID – Hand sanitiser and face mask. You will not be allowed to compete without these items

POR Additional Equipment (for all riders) Failure to have these items incurs a 2-point penalty for each item up to a maximum of 10 penalty points:

- Compass

- Hoof pick
- Pens (for map marking – ideally two colours, permanent ink with thin nibs, red and fluorescent orange are popular for route marking and black or blue for notes)
- Waterproofs
- Mobile phone – If a rider chooses to carry a mobile phone it must **be carried on the rider**.

Every competitor whether competing as an individual or as part of a pair should carry all of the equipment listed except the farrier tools (one between the pair is sufficient).

Helpful equipment for the POR phase

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

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

For 2020 all hard hats must comply with one of the standards listed below.

- PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) provided it has a BSI Kitemark OR an Inspec IC Mark
- VG1 01.040 (2014-12) provided it has a BSI Kitemark OR an Inspec IC Mark
- SEI ASTM 95
- ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards), providing it has an SEI mark
- SNELL E2001 OR E2016, providing it has a SNELL label and number
- AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards), providing it has an SAI Global mark

Any hat used must conform to one or more of these standards

PTV Equipment

The PTV course will not include any fixed jumps so body protectors are not compulsory. If worn, riders are advised to wear a BETA level 3 standard body protector bearing either a **purple label, dated 2009, or a blue/turquoise label, dated 2018**, for the PTV phase.

HEALTH AND SAFETY

The event manager/organiser will 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 may provide contact telephone numbers for emergency veterinary and farriery services.

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.

DOGS

All dogs must be kept on a lead or strictly under control. Anyone whose dog is found off a lead may be asked to leave the venue.

TREC RULES

Rules as per the 5th edition TREC GB rulebook, which can be found at www.trecgb.com/Rulebook.html.

- 1) Horses must be a minimum of four years old to compete at Level 1, 2 and 2A and five years old to compete at levels 3 and 4 (i.e. for levels 1, 2 and 2A, a horse born in 2015 may compete in 2019). Mares more than four months pregnant may not compete.
- 2) The welfare of horses competing in British TREC competitions is paramount. No horse may compete if it is unsound or unfit to carry the rider for any reason. Any rider who continues on a horse that they know to be unsound or that has been definitively stopped by the veterinary surgeon or designated competent official on fitness and/ or welfare grounds will be eliminated from the competition.
- 3) Riders under the age of fourteen on day of competition may only compete in Pairs classes and must be accompanied by a rider of **18 years or older**. Pairs ride together for POR and separately for the MA and PTV. Parents/guardians of competitors under the age of 16 will be required to complete a Parental Consent Form (available on the TREC GB website).
- 4) All riders competing must be members of either Central TREC Group, TREC GB Red members or members of an affiliated TREC Club. Competitors who do not fall into any of those categories must pay an additional £10 to become day members of Central TREC Group for the duration of the competition.
- 5) 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 stallion discs must also be worn on both sides of the bridle.
- 6) No rider will be permitted to start any phase of the competition unless wearing a hard hat, which meets a standard currently approved (listed in Appendix 2 TREC GB Rulebook). The appropriate hats should have the BSI 'KITE' mark and/or Inspec IC Mark and/or the American equivalent, the 'SEI' mark securely (non-removable) attached to the hat. Medical armbands must also be worn for all phases.
- 7) Riders are recommended to wear a BETA level 3 standard body protector for the PTV phase. **For 2020 all body protectors must have a purple label dated 2009 or later, or Blue/Turquoise Label dated 2018.** It is recommended that body protectors are replaced every 3-5 years, even if they are apparently undamaged.
- 8) Riders must wear clothing that is suitable and practical for riding out in the countryside. Horses must wear the same tack (saddle and biting arrangement) for all three phases.
- 9) Horses may compete shod or unshod. Horses with loose or badly fitting shoes will not be allowed to compete. The state of shoeing will be noted at the vetting or tack check and this will be considered the minimum shoeing for the POR for that horse. If a horse loses a shoe on the POR and no hoof boot/ similar is available to replace it then the rider will be eliminated and the horse must be led/walked back to the venue by the shortest route or transported in a horsebox/trailer. Hoof boots may be added or removed at the rider's discretion, provided that the foot is undamaged.
- 10) Standing martingales and other fixed reins are forbidden. For led PTV obstacles the horse must be led using the reins taken over the head or a headcollar and leadrope. If a horse is ridden in a running martingale it must be led from a headcollar and rope for any led obstacles on the PTV, unless the martingale can be unclipped from the neckstrap so that the reins can be taken over the horse's head.
- 11) Whips must not exceed 75cm (1m for side-saddle) overall length (including any thong or tassel). Spurs, if worn, must be rounded, not exceeding 3cm in length and **must not point upwards**.
- 12) Mobile phones may be carried for use in emergency but must be declared prior to start of POR and be switched off. Level 1 competitors may be asked to ride with their phones turned on and provide their mobile number to the organisers at the tack check.
- 13) During the POR phase riders must wear fluorescent/reflective hi-vis clothing. The minimum requirement is clearly visible fluorescent strips (or garment) on the rider's torso. It is strongly recommended that this

is also reflective and is supplemented by a fluorescent/reflective hatband and fluorescent/reflective hi-vis on the horse.

- 14) 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 (such as allergies, any current medication).
- 15) If a rider / pair returns to the venue without having passed through the finish checkpoint (ie still in possession of their record card) they must report to the map room or an official immediately.

It is your responsibility to familiarise yourself with the basic rules. The TREC GB Rulebook (5th edition 1 February 2019) can be found on the TREC GB website, www.trecgb.com/Rulebook.html.

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Competition Entry and Membership Form

29th August 2020

ClassLevel (please select) 1, Assisted, or 1A Individual /Pairs (Pairs partner)

Rider's name: D.O.B:

Address:

Postcode.....Email.....Telephone.....

I am / am not a Central TREC Group member (please select) Membership No.....

I am / am not a member of another Affiliated TREC GB club (please select)

Club Membership No.....

I am / am not a TREC GB member (please select) Membership No.....

I am an International Rider Y/N

Horse name..... Horse Age.....

Height..... Breed.....

		FEE	£
Riders in classes 1-5	Central TREC Group Members £ 45 TREC GB Red or club Members £ 50 Non-Members £55 (includes day membership of Central TREC Group)		
Class 5 Assistant	£10		
Corralling (only available if travelling from more than 3 hours away)	Friday night <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday night <input type="checkbox"/>		
Cheque payment		Admin surcharge of £2.50	
Total			£

Your name, membership number and contact details will be passed to TREC GB. TREC GB may contact you but they will not share your details with other organisations.

By signing this entry form I understand that photographs may be taken during the event, and may be used for promotional purposes, and I give my consent. (This also applies to a child under 16, whose parent/guardian signs on their behalf)

I have read and understood the rules and agree to abide by them.

SIGNED:.....

If the competitor is under 16 a parent or guardian must sign. A parental consent form must also be sent for any riders under 16. The form is available on the TREC GB website.

We would prefer entries to be sent using our [JotForm entry form](#) and entry fees to be paid via our [online shop](#) (the

online store uses PayPal but payments can also be made via this system using a credit or debit card if you don't have a PayPal account. If this is not possible, email this form to entries@trecgroup.co.uk and pay by BACS transfer (sort code 08 92 99, account number 65796977, please use your name and 'PARK FARM 20' as the reference) or PayPal (payments should be sent to paypal@trecgroup.co.uk, please put your name in the Comments field if the name on the account does not match the entry form). If you wish to send a postal entry, please email entries@trecgroup.co.uk and ask for the address to send it to. Cheques should be made payable to Central TREC Group and you are reminded that they are subject to an admin surcharge of £2.50.

Emergency Contact details in case there's an accident during the competition:

Name..... Telephone.....

Travel intentions (please select as appropriate):

Travel time up to 1 hour

Travel time between 1 and 2 hours

Travel time between 2 and 3 hours

Travel time over 3 hours

Corralling (if spaces available) Friday night

Saturday night

Starting times and full directions will be on the Central TREC Group web site by the Wednesday prior to the competition. If you have not received your info by Thursday 20th August please phone the organiser on 07703 647472.

To help us with planning if you are bringing a helper with you, please give their details below:

Name Level of experience.....

Email address Mobile

Will have a vehicle available (please select) No Car 4x4