

British Riding Clubs News



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Welcome to the January 2016 edition of BRC eNews

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very Happy New Year, as we look forward to the coming season. This edition features important BRC Rules Updates, links to the two new BRC Riding Test and Style Jumping YouTube videos, BHS Convention information, Badminton Horse Trials and Bolesworth International ticket offers, and lots more.

BRC Rules Update

The new 2016 BRC Official Rule Book is available now to download from the BRC [website](#). Copies can also be purchased from the BHS [Book Shop](#), priced at £6.00, along with the Official Stewards and Organisers Rule Book 2016, which can be found in the Downloads section of the BRC [website](#), and available from the BHS Book Shop also priced at £6.00 per copy.

For 2016, all members will be required to have their hats tagged with a new ORANGE hat tag before competing in any BRC Qualifiers or Championships. When you arrive at the competition, take your hat with you when you go to declare. The Official Steward will then check that your hat complies with an accepted standard, and will place a unique BRC tag on it.

It is the competitors' responsibility to ensure they arrive at a competition with a hat to the correct standard. The new hat standards can be found in the 2016 BRC Rule Book, available on the BRC [website](#).

In Appendix 1 of the 2016 BRC Rule Book for the Intermediate Winter Championship 2016 the Medium Dressage test is missing. This is an individual qualifying class and the test this year will be Medium 63 (2002).

The Downloads section of the BRC [website](#) is where you will find many key BRC documents and pdf files relating to the new Prelim entry forms, hat standards, 2016 Flu Vac Checker, downgrading form, 2016 eligibility table, key insurance facts and much more.



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Badminton Horse Trials Ticket Offer 2016

Wednesday 4 May – Sunday 8 May 2016

Badminton Horse Trials are pleased to be able to offer a special 15 percent discount on advance tickets for coach and minibus parties from BRC Affiliated Riding Clubs. Please note, there are no special rates for cars.

These special rates are available in advance only and no refund can be made in the case of any unused tickets. If there are any people on the coach/minibus without prepaid advance tickets, extra tickets may be bought at the gate, but at the full daily rate.

Coaches and minibuses will be directed to the special Coach Park. The parking charge for all vehicles (in advance) is £10 per day.

To find out more information and download a Badminton Ticket Application Form, please visit the BRC [website](#).



BHS National Convention 2016 Sponsored by SEIB Insurance Brokers featuring Nick Turner FBHS, Ben Hobday and Stephen Clarke FBHS

Monday 7 Mar 2016

The 2016 British Horse Society National Convention is taking place this year on Monday 7 March at Hartpury College, Gloucester. The day will be hosted by Nick Turner FBHS and High Performance Manager for Eventing Ireland. Nick, who specialises in Eventing, will provide an interesting and educational start to the convention.

Nick will be taking the audience through coaching sessions with guinea pig horses and riders of varying levels providing cross-country training at 1m, intermediate and then arena eventing.

Popular event rider Ben Hobday will be making an appearance during the day, where he will deliver a motivational and inspirational speech – a brand new additional element to the National Convention agenda. Also on the impressive agenda will be Judge Stephen Clarke FBHS who will be giving his top tips and advice to a keen spectators. The day will then conclude



BRC Riding Tests and Style Jumping Videos - Understanding and Improving Performance

These new informative BRC YouTube videos have been produced in conjunction with NAF to give riders of all ages and abilities the opportunity to discover what is expected of them and their horse or pony should they like to take part in a BRC Riding Test and Style Jumping competitions.

To put your newly learnt skills into practise and get involved in the BRC Points League which is a new opportunity for all BRC Members competing in Riding Test and Style Jumping competitions, please visit the BRC website [Training Page](#), where you will find out more information and you can download a qualifying league card.

BRC Riding Tests [Video](#)
BRC Style Jumping [Video](#)



with an "ask the expert" session with the opportunity for questions from the audience.

The day is a great opportunity for coaches, riders and judges, and anyone who simply enjoys cross-country to learn from Nick, Ben and Stephen. The day counts as CPD for BHS Registered Instructors.

£39.00- Early Bird Ticket Price. Further information can be found on the BHS [website](#).



Sport Horse Breeding of Great Britain (SHBGB) Riding Club Horse Qualifiers 2016

SHBGB would like to offer BRC Riding Clubs the opportunity to stage classes for Riding Club Show Horse and Riding Club Youngstock at their usual shows, which would be qualifiers for their Championship classes at Stafford Showgrounds, on 20-21 August 2016. SHBGB are keen to emphasise that this will not cost the Riding Clubs anything, and they will not have to affiliate to SHBGB to run these classes.

SHBGB are willing to provide judges if required, and there are also SHBGB members in each area who would be happy to run pre-season showing clinics to encourage members who might otherwise be shy! Qualification cards will be presented on the day which must be submitted with the entry to the Alexander Horseboxes/SHB Supreme Hunter Championships.

SHBGB will be very excited to greet successful BRC Riding Club members to their Championships and give the qualifiers the experience of riding at a National Championship.

Any club that is interested in running these classes, clinics or needs judges please contact Laura Hamilton, Tel: 07766956256, or email: robert@centralsurveying.co.uk

More information about these classes and the Championship can be found on the SHBGB [website](#).

BHS Offer to BRC Members

The BHS is currently offering a 30 percent discount to BRC members joining The BHS. This only applies when joining The BHS for the first time. To view all the latest membership benefits please visit [The BHS website](#).

To join please call The BHS Membership Team on 02476 840500.



BHS Credit Card

A great deal for you. For more information please visit the BHS [website](#).

Bolesworth International Tickets - 2 for 1 Early Bird Offer

If you missed out on the excitement of the inaugural [equestrian.com](#) Liverpool International Horse Show at New Year, this is your opportunity to be part of the action 15 - 19 June 2016 at the Bolesworth International in Cheshire. A 5 day spectacle of world-class sporting action, family entertainment and glamour that attracts over 30,000 visitors to Bolesworth Castle, home to the Barbour family for over 150 years. Horses and riders from all over the world will compete for a share of the impressive prize fund over 5 spectacular days. The event is happening prior to the Rio 2016 Olympics and gives you the opportunity to witness many world class riders in action on British soil. For more information visit the Bolesworth International [website](#).



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