

FINDON RIDING CLUB

WINTER SHOW JUMPING LEAGUES 2009/2010

AT Loanhead Equestrian Centre, Kingswells, Aberdeen

18th October – INTRO SHOW – (schedule on page 1),
22nd November, 24th January, 21st February, 14th March (schedule on page 2)

Christmas Show- 13th December (schedule on page 3)

Coursebuilder for all dates – Calum McDonald

18 October – Intro Show Schedule

Starts 9 a.m.

Class 1	40cm Open
Class 2	50cm Open
Class 3	60cm Open
Class 4	70cm Open
Class 5	80cm Open
Class 6	90cm Open

Classes are open to all horses and ponies.

Assistance permitted but not obligatory for classes 1 – 3

80% of the fences in the first round will be built to the maximum height specified for each class, unless otherwise stated

ENTRIES ON THE DAY - Entry Fees – All classes

Findon Members: **£7.00** Non-Members: **£9.00**

First Aid Cover: **£2.50 per rider per day**

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November, January, February & March Schedule

Starts 9 a.m.

Class 1	60cm Open (<i>assistance permitted but not obligatory</i>)
Class 2	<u>Junior /Senior Minimus League</u> (70cm max. in first round)
Class 3	75cm Open (<i>max. height in first round</i>)
Class 4	<u>Junior/Senior Novice League</u> (80cm max. in first round)
Class 5	85cm Open (<i>max. height in first round</i>)
Class 6	90cm Open/Junior Open League
Class 7	1m Open/Senior Intermediate League
Class 8	1.10m Open (<i>max. height in first round</i>)
Class 9	<u>Senior Open League</u> (In the first round 2 fences will be at 1.15m, the rest will be 1.10m)

80% of the fences in the first round will be built to the maximum height specified for each class, unless otherwise stated

Height Classes 1, 3, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are open to all horses and ponies. The League classes are restricted as in the rules below on pages 3 and 4. A junior riding a horse may compete in senior league classes for which they are eligible, providing they reach the age of 13 or over during 2009. Juniors (under 18 years of age at 1st January 2010) riding ponies measuring 148cm and under are eligible for junior classes. **HORSES MEASURING OVER 148cm MAY NOT COMPETE IN JUNIOR CLASSES.** Please read the rules on pages 3 & 4. Classes 6 & 7 will run as height classes alongside a league class. When you declare you must specify whether you are competing in the league or open section.

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Christmas Show – 13 December 2009

9.30 a.m. Start

Class 1	60cm Open
Class 2	<u>70cm Open/Junior & Senior Minimus League</u>
Class 3	Horse and Hound Derby (60cm max)
Class 4	<u>80cm Open/Junior & Senior Novice League</u>
Class 5	Christmas Cracker Pairs Baton Relay (80cm max)
Class 6	<u>90cm Open/Junior Open League</u>
Class 7	Christmas Masters (80cm start height)
Class 8	<u>1m Open/Senior Intermediate League</u>
Class 9	Chase me Charlie (starting at 80cm)
Class 10	<u>1.10m Open/Senior Open League</u>

ENTRIES ON THE DAY

Entry Fees – Please specify whether open or league on entry form!

Xmas Cracker Pairs Relay: **£10 per pair**

Horse & Hound Derby: **£9 per horse and hound**

All other classes – Findon Members: **£7.00** Non-Members: **£9.00**

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Winter Show Jumping League Rules & Regulations

1. Entries will only be accepted on fully completed bona fide entry forms. Payment for classes to be made prior to competing.
2. Refunds for withdrawals will only be made if the class in question has not started.
3. No entries will be taken for a class that has already stated (with the exception of class 1)
4. All classes, with the exception of the novelty classes at The Christmas Show Jumping, will be one show jumping round, followed by a jump off against the clock if there is equality for first place after the first round (as in BSJA Table A7). The distance of tracks for all classes from the novice leagues upwards will be measured and a time allowed will be set based on horses/ponies travelling at a speed of 325 metres per minute. Heights stated on schedule are the Maximum for the FIRST round.
5. These competitions are run on a league basis. Classes will be judged in accordance with BSJA rules, but BRC rules will apply with regard to all general points such as permitted saddlery and dress. Horses/ponies may compete in more than one league, if eligible, but may only score points in one league. The points gained in the higher league will be the points which will count. Any points gained in the lower league will be forfeited and will pass down the line to lower placed competitors. Points may not be transferred from one league to another or from one rider/horse/pony to another. League placings will be awarded to Members ONLY. The winner of each league will receive the Annual Trophy. Juniors and Seniors are placed separately in League classes.
6. **League Class Restrictions:**
 - Minimus – Horses/ponies not to have competed at intermediate or above and have no BSJA winnings.
 - Novice – Horses/ponies never to have competed at Open level and have no BSJA winnings.
 - Intermediate – Horses/ponies to have won less than £175 BSJA notional winnings.

Horse/pony and rider combinations, which are eligible for a particular league at the first Findon winter competition, which they enter, may continue to compete in that league until the end of the current winter show jumping series.

In accordance with British Riding Clubs rules, horses/ponies which are currently not registered with the BSJA, but which have BSJA winnings may deduct £50 from their winnings total for every full calendar year (January 1st to December 31st) which the horse/pony is unregistered. For example, a horse/pony, which was not registered with the BSJA at all during 2008, may deduct £50 from their winnings, and so on for other previous complete years when unregistered. Following the deduction of prize money, if a horse/pony subsequently re-registers with the BSJA all deducted monies will be re-instated.

Points for league placings will be allocated as below if 6 or more competitors are in the class. If less than 6 competitors, points will be allocated depending on numbers, eg, if 3 in the class 1st place will get 3 points and 2nd 2 points etc. An extra point will be awarded to those placed who jumped a double clear.

1st – 6 points

2nd – 5 points

3rd – 4 points

4th – 3 points

5th – 2 points

6th – 1 point

7. Juniors who are under 18 years of age at 1st January 2010, riding ponies measuring 148cm and under may compete in junior classes. **HORSES OVER 148cm MAY NOT COMPETE IN JUNIOR CLASSES.** If eligible for a junior class at the beginning of the Winter Show Jumping League Series, competitors may complete the Winter Series in that class if they so wish, regardless of whether they become senior members on January 1st 2010. **Juniors who will reach the age of 13 or over during the current calendar year, riding horses exceeding 148cm, may compete in senior classes. Juniors who are under 13 may compete on ponies, but not on horses.**

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8. In the event that emergency medical treatment requires to be administered, parents/guardians should inform the organisers of any pre-existing medical conditions which require specific treatment/medication. Parents/guardians should also provide the organisers with a current emergency contact number, and should specify if they do not wish their child to be photographed by or in relation to Findon Riding Club.
9. At or in the vicinity of any Findon Riding Club event, everyone mounted, whether competing or not must wear a hard hat conforming to the minimum safety standards, with a harness properly adjusted and fastened. Failure to do so will incur elimination of the horse and/or rider from the competition. Hats marked EN 1384, PAS 015 or prefixed with ASTM or SEI are the minimum standard allowed. Hard hats to the specification of PAS 015 and ASTM F 1163 are considered to offer greater protection than EN 1384. Recommended hard hats should carry the quality assurance stamp of kite mark or SEI American standard SNELL E95 and Australian/New Zealand standard SNZ 3838 1998 are also acceptable. Where a hat is of skull cap style, this must be worn with a plain silk.
10. The wearing of body protectors is recommended. In the interests of safety competitors should ensure that long hair is secured appropriately.
11. Disclaimer of liability – save for death or personal injury caused by negligence of the organisers or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of any event to which these rules apply, nor the British Horse Society, nor the agent, employee or representative of these bodies accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury, or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land or any person or property whatsoever, whether caused by negligence, breach of contract or in any way whatsoever.
12. Juniors may ride a maximum of three ponies in any one class. Adults may ride a maximum of four horses in any one class. A horse/pony may only compete once in any class for which they are eligible, with the exception of the Baton Relay and Horse and Hound Derby at the Christmas Show.
13. Horses and ponies which have been placed 1st – 3rd overall in a Findon show jumping league within the last 3 seasons may compete again at that level, if eligible, but may not gain points at that level, with the exception of the Adult and Junior Open classes.
14. If at the end of the winter league series there is equality of points in any of the sections, for example two people placed second equal on points in the open league, then second and third places will be decided using the following criteria:-
 - Attendance at winter league competitions. If one competitor has attended more of the current series of winter league competitions than the other then second place will go to the person who has attended most and third place will go to the person who has attended less.
 - If both competitors have attended the same number of winter league competitions then the competitor who has had the lower total number of jumping faults during the winter series will be placed above the other. If equality still exists at this point then the placing will be shared.
15. Competitors, or their assistants, may not use the outdoor school to lunge their horses.
16. In order to avoid congestion during busy classes, competitors must not warm up in the outdoor school unless their class is currently underway or about to start.
17. Competitors are required to show courtesy towards others when warming up in the outdoor school. If riding on the opposite rein to one another competitors should pass left shoulder to left shoulder, and practice fences should be jumped in the correct direction. The side of the fence marked "red" should be kept on the rider's right.
18. HC entries will be accepted but competitors MUST then remain HC (on that horse) for any further classes they do on that day.
19. The making of an entry implies acceptance of the conditions listed above.

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Christmas Show Novelty Class Rules

Horse and Hound Derby

1. You will need a horse, a hound, a rider, and possibly another party to drag the hound round the show jumps.
2. The course will be split into two sections. The horse and rider combination goes first.
3. The time starts when the horse and rider go through the start and ends when the hound and handler cross the finish line.
4. The hound may be accompanied by either the rider or another handler if preferred.
5. The horse and rider will complete the first half of the course where the rider either dismounts (handing his/her horse to a waiting helper) and takes the hound round the second part of the course or dismounts thereby signalling that the hound and handler may start the second half of the course.
6. The winners are the team who complete the course in the fastest time. Refusals will not be penalised as such but a refusal, which dislodges a fence thereby requiring it to be rebuilt, incurs a penalty of 4 seconds added to the total time. Knock downs, whether they are caused by horse, hound or handler will be penalised by adding 4 seconds to the total time.
7. The judge may retire a competitor if it becomes apparent that repeated disobediences have destroyed all chance of the competitor featuring in the line up.
8. Fall of horse and/or rider incurs elimination.
9. Handlers may have hounds either on or off the lead and while we hope that handlers will jump the fences too, it is not obligatory. Hounds will not be penalised for taking a pit stop.

Xmas Cracker Baton Relay

1. This competition is open to teams of two competitors. The starting order may be drawn. Both team members enter the arena together.
2. The first competitor crosses the start line, jumps the course and having jumped the last obstacle passes the baton (or whip) to the other team member, who then completes the course and goes through the finish. Refusals will not be penalised as such but a refusal, which dislodges a fence thereby requiring it to be rebuilt, incurs a penalty of 4 seconds added to the total time. Knock downs will be penalised by adding 4 seconds to the total time.

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3. If a competitor makes an error for which the normal penalty is elimination, the bell is rung and the second member of the team takes over the baton and completes the course before starting his own round. If the second competitor of the team makes such an error, then the first member takes over and completes the course. Fall of the first horse and/or rider incurs elimination of that rider and the second team member takes over and completes the course before starting his own round. Fall of the second horse and/or rider incurs elimination of that rider and the first team member takes over and completes the round. Fall of both horses and/or riders incurs elimination of the team.
4. If the baton is dropped, then the competitor must dismount (without penalty), recover the baton and remount before continuing this round, or passing the baton to the other team member. Failure to do so incurs elimination. There is no penalty for receiving help to remount.
5. The team time is the time taken from the first competitor crossing the starting line to the last competitor crossing the finish line minus interrupted time plus time penalties.
6. The judge may retire a team if it becomes apparent that repeated disobediences have destroyed all chance of the team featuring in the line up.

Christmas Masters

1. The order of starting must be drawn.
2. Each person jumps a round of fences. If clear you choose a fence to go up by 1 hole and you go through to the next round. If you have a fence down you are knocked out of the competition.
3. Disobediences are not allowed.

Chase Me Charlie

1. A high jump competition.
2. Although there may be two or three fences in use in the class, the triple bar is the only one at which penalties may be incurred. The other fence(s) may be jumped as practice obstacles if required.
3. Competitors who clear the fence at first attempt will proceed to the next round when the height of the fence will be raised.
4. Competitors who incur faults are eliminated from the competition.
5. The winner is the competitor who can jump the highest without penalty. The judge may terminate the competition at his/her discretion. Competitors who remain in the competition at this time will be placed equal.