

Officials Newsletter

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Welcome

Welcome to the third edition of the Officials Newsletter, the first from our new offices in Meriden. More details about this move can be found below or on the British Showjumping website.

If you are aware of any of your colleagues who do not receive this newsletter, please encourage them to contact me on the details below.

May I thank you for your continued support to British Showjumping, it is greatly appreciated by all involved with the sport.

Office Move to Meriden

On the 17th of June 2013, British Showjumping moved into our new offices in Meriden, West Midlands. The offices were officially opened by Nick Skelton OBE and Sophie Christiansen OBE, watched by over 50 invited guests.

Guests were welcomed to the new office before undertaking a tour of the building with British Showjumping Chief Executive, Iain Graham and British Dressage Chief Executive, Amanda Bond. British Dressage has joined forces with British Showjumping by also moving to the new office.

All previous contact details (email addresses and telephone numbers) remain the same as when we were at Stoneleigh, however our address has now changed to the following: -

British Showjumping, Meriden Business Park, Copse Drive, Meriden, West Midlands, CV5 9RG

May we thank you all for your understanding with us during our move. This is a new and exciting time for all involved with Showjumping.

Stationery

Due to our recent move, British Showjumping are currently in the process of arranging for stationery to be re-printed with our new contact details on. Until this has been completed, Officials are asked to use current stock, including the pre printed envelopes. British Showjumping have arranged for a mail re-direct to be in place for the foreseeable future, so any mail directed to Stoneleigh will arrive at Meriden. Please do not amend the address on the pre printed envelopes as this may invalidate the pre paid system the Royal Mail have in place. Once the new stationery has been printed, this will be distributed to all Officials.

Thank you for your support in this matter; however if you have any questions, please contact Rob Ellis on the details below.

Boot Rule Clarification

As we are now in the Summer Season, we would like to remind our Officials of the Boot Ruling for British Showjumping classes that have adopted the FEI Ruling.

The ruling has recently been reformatted to clarify which classes this ruling applies to and can be seen by [clicking here](#).

Officials are asked to ensure that this rule is applied in all relevant classes.

Myler Combination Bits

Over the past few months, it would appear there has been an increasing amount of competitors trying to compete in Pony Classes with Myler Combination Bits. Under British Showjumping Rules, Myler Combination Bits are not permitted in any Pony Classes and should not be allowed to be worn in either the arena or in the collecting ring.

To help identify and familiarise our Officials with this type of bit, [please click here](#) to see an article on HorseBitBank.com, including a number of pictures showing the different types of Myler Combination Bits.

Disciplinary List

As part of a recent review into our Disciplinary Procedure, it has been agreed that British Showjumping will now send to all the Officials Workforce via the Officials Newsletter, the Disciplinary List showing all discipline matters reported to us. This list is for the Officials Workforce only and will help the Officials in the Disciplinary Reporting Process.

Officials are asked to keep this information protected and to treat this list with the upmost confidentiality. This means that it should not be passed to any other member or 3rd party.

Officials will be able to refer to this list when making Disciplinary Reports, however Officials are advised not to report an incident based on the content of the list, and that they should treat each incident as an individual case and report this accordingly.

Officials are reminded that they are encouraged to work as part of a team and that only 1* (Level 2) Judges or above have the power to report discipline issues to headquarters. If another Official witnesses an incident or feels the need to report a discipline issue, they are encouraged to talk this through with the Judge at the show so this can be reported in the correct manner.

Reporting matters of discipline to headquarters is important to ensure that matters can be investigated and resolved accordingly.

To obtain a copy of the Disciplinary List, please contact Rob Ellis on Officials@BritishShowjumping.co.uk.

Member Contact Info

To help keep our Officiating Workforce up to date with current news and any recent updates, British Showjumping are sending out more and more information on a regular basis via electronic means; either by email, newsletters or on the British Showjumping Website.

We have been made aware recently that a lot of Officials are not receiving these communications. This could be down to incorrect email addresses being held by British Showjumping. To help correct this, Officials are asked to logon to the Members Online section of the British Showjumping website to confirm their details are correct. Details can also be confirmed by calling Rob Ellis at HQ.

Please [click here](#) to logon to the Members Online area.

Congratulations

British Showjumping would like to congratulate the following Officials on their recent upgrades to the following levels: -

Barry Clifford, Alison Claxton, Sara Mould, Chris Twemlow, Steve Lynch & George Blackie (FEI Level 2 Judges as of 1st July 2013)

Pat Berger, Alistair Mizon, Kirsty Squires, Jane Owen & Andrew Le Tissier (British Showjumping Associate (Level 1) Judges)

Jenny Graham (British Showjumping 1* (Level 2) Judge)

Selina Cawkwell, Di Wolloff, Lisa Bird, Elizabeth Smith, Claire Tanner, Nigel Foulger, Shane Merriman, Louise Johnson, Judith Downie, Jennifer Davidson & Lara-Jane Wilson (British Showjumping Club (Level 1) Course Designer)

Congratulations to all on their recent upgrades.

Horse of the Year Show - Complimentary Ticket Offer

Grandstand Media Limited, the organisers of the Horse of the Year Show, have kindly allocated a certain number of complimentary tickets for our officials to visit this year's event on Wednesday 9th October 2013. The tickets, one per official, cover both the afternoon and evening performances. Additional tickets are available, however these will need to be purchased by the official at a cost of £38.50 (£33 U15/OAP) each.

If you would like to take advantage of this offer, [please click here](#) and follow the instructions in the attached form.

This form needs to be [returned directly to Grandstand Media](#) **NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY 31ST JULY 2013**.

PLEASE NOTE THAT APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THIS DATE WILL NOT BE ALLOCATED COMPLIMENTARY TICKETS.

Further information about HOYS can be obtained by visiting www.hoys.co.uk.

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