



Black Horse BHS Trec Competition

Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th June 2012

(Level 1 on Sunday 17th only)

At The Black Horse, Checkendon, Oxfordshire RG8 0TE

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In aid of Thames Valley & Chiltern Air Ambulance

Level 1 pairs & individuals

Level 2 pairs & individuals

Level 1 is suitable for newcomers

*Rosettes to 6th place * Pair matching service * Photographer * Social evening

*Accessible from M4 & M40 *Awards for Best Newcomer & Best Veteran

BHS Trec is a fun, friendly sport suitable for most horses/ponies and riders so come along and give it a try. If you have any questions please contact:

Organisers :

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The Event

The competition consists of 3 phases, the winners being those with the highest accumulated points. The maximum possible total score from all three phases is 460. The phases may be in any order. Pairs ride the POR together and the CoP & PTV individually.

Phase 1: POR (mounted orienteering) You will make your own copy of the route from the master map (OS maps provided). The aim is then to follow this route as accurately as possible using basic map reading skills. Maximum 240 points

Phase 2: CoP (Control of Paces) A test to determine the rider's control of the horse's paces. You will canter along a marked corridor of up to 150 metres as slowly as possible, then walk back as quickly as possible. Any break in pace or step outside the corridor results in a zero score for that pace. Maximum 60 points.

Phase 3: PTV (Obstacles) A timed course of 16 obstacles, some led, marked out of 160 points. Designed to test the horse's obedience and calmness. Competitors are not eliminated for not attempting an obstacle but **must stop and inform the judge of this**. A list of obstacles will be displayed at the secretary's tent and may include reinback, a very small jump, opening a gate, leading up/down an incline, riding through water, under low branches or past roadworks.

There will be a **course walk** at 5.30pm on Saturday 16th June (time tbc) which is highly recommended if you are new to Trec.

Classes:

Level 1. POR up to 12km, PTV maximum height 60cm.

Class 1 Individual

Class 2 Pairs

Level 2 POR up to 20km, PTV maximum height 70cm.

Class 3 Individual

Class 4 Pairs

<u>Entry Fees</u>	<u>BHS/BRC members</u>	<u>Non members</u>
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Classes 1 & 2	£35	£40
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Classes 3 & 4	£40	£45
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If you are not a BHS Gold member or a member of an affiliated riding club your entry is still welcomed but you **must** send a copy of valid third party liability insurance with your entry.

Please enter early as places are limited. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the organisers if there is space, and may be subject to a surcharge. Riders aged 14 and over may enter as individuals. Riders under 14 on the day may only enter pairs classes and must be accompanied by a rider aged over 16.

Closing date for entries is 2nd June. Withdrawals before this date will receive a full refund. After this date refunds will only be made with a doctor or vet's certificate received within 5 days of the event, and subject to a £10 administration charge. In the event of a cancellation of the competition due to circumstances outside the control of the organisers, entry fees will be refunded less an administration fee.

Special awards to the Best Newcomers (L1 individual and pairs) and the Best 'Veteran' (combined age of horse and rider 60+)

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Start Times, Directions and Competitor Information Will be available on the South East Trec website www.setrec.org.uk the Wednesday before the competition. If you do not have access to the internet then please send a 1st class SAE with your entry.

Camping & corralling This will be £5 per night per horse. The venue will be open from 4pm on the Friday. There will be an area separate from the lorry park/corralling field for tents, for safety reasons. **No tents in the horsebox parking/corralling area.** Please provide your own electric fencing and energiser.

Saturday Evening Social Join us for a delicious meal in the marquee at 7pm on the Saturday. All competitors, family/friends and helpers are welcome. There will be lasagne (with veggie option) garlic bread, salads and desserts. Tickets are £13 each.

Helpers All Trec competitions rely heavily on the support of volunteer judges & helpers.

Can anyone coming with you lend a hand if only for a few hours? No experience necessary and there are plenty of non-horsey jobs too! Lunch is provided if you can help all day, and if you help on both days you will receive a free ticket to the evening social on Saturday.

Newcomers Training We will hold a basic POR training session (theory & on foot practise) for those who have not entered a BHS Trec before on Thursday 7th June 6.30-8.30pm Please email Liz or Rebecca to book a place. There will be a small charge to cover materials.

Compulsory Equipment

Tack and equipment will be checked and any rider not complying with the rules (in particular numbers 8, 14, 15, & 16) will not be allowed to start. 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:

Compass

Map marking pen - fine orange/pink gel pens work well.

Torch, lightweight in working order

Headcollar and rope (or combination bridle)

Waterproofs (i.e. jacket)

Basic First aid kit for horse and rider

Whistle to be carried on the rider

Every competitor wether competing as an individual or as part of a pair should each carry all the equipment.

Helpful equipment for the POR phase:

Map case, drink/snack for rider, digital watch (or stopwatch), mobile phone (switched off).

NB 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 organisers have taken 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 organiser will provide contact telephone numbers for emergency veterinary and farriery service.

Competitors are asked to safeguard valuable tack and possessions. All vehicles should be locked when left unattended. Young children must be supervised at all times. Neither the organisers/officials nor the land owners can accept responsibility for loss or injury to persons, property or animals howsoever caused.

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).

1. 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).
2. Mares more than four months pregnant should not be competing.
3. Competitors must hold suitable third party liability & personal accident insurance or be a BHS Gold member or BRC member.
4. 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.
5. Competitors competing in BHS TREC Qualifiers or the Championship of Great Britain must either be a BHS Gold Member or a BRC member.
6. 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.
7. 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).
8. **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.)**
9. 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**
10. Riders must wear suitable riding footwear, or use suitable enclosed stirrups.
11. Standing Martingales and other fixed reins are forbidden.
12. Whips must not exceed 75cms (1m for side-saddle). Spurs if worn must be rounded, not exceeding 3cms in length and **pointed downwards**.
13. Mobile phones may be carried for use in emergency but must be declared prior to entering the map room and be switched off.
14. **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.
15. **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
16. **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.
17. 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.
18. 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.
19. 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
20. **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.**
21. **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.

Black Horse BHS Trec - Entry Form

Class no: Pair/Individual

Is this your first full BHS Trec competition Yes/No

First Rider DOB (if under 18).....

Address

..... Postcode Tel:

Email: BHS/BRC no:

Horse/Pony Age Height :

I agree to be bound by the competition rules: signed 1st rider

Second Rider DOB (if under 18).....

Address

..... Postcode Tel:

Email: BHS/BRC no:

Horse/Pony Age Height :

I agree to be bound by the competition rules: signed 2nd rider

Would you like a pair, if possible? Y/N. Are you eligible for 'Best Veteran'? Y/N

Entry fee 1 st rider	£35/£40/£45	£
Entry fee 2 nd rider	£35/£40/£45	£
Corralling	@ £5 phpn	£
Social tickets	@ £ 13	£
..... ..vegetarian meals req'd		
Total		£

Please make cheques payable to : E Beddows & send entries to :

Rebecca Beddows, Little Oak Lodge, Church Lane, Dunsden. Reading RG4 9QD.

All helpers are very welcome! If someone coming with you can help, if only for a couple of hours it will be much appreciated. Those helping for a day will receive a free lunch and if they are able to help all weekend a ticket to the evening social too. Please give their details below:

Name: Phone no:

Email:

I am able to help Saturday am/pm Sunday am/pm (please delete as appropriate)