



ASHWOOD ARENA EVENTING QUALIFYING SHOWS 2021/2022

At Ashwood Head Farm, Stafford Road, Knightley. ST20 0JR

23rd October 2021 28th November 2021 19th December 2021
30th January 2022 27th February 2022 27th March 2022

Arena Eventing is a course of Show Jumps followed immediately by XC, both phases on an all weather surface, including all weather tracks, water complex and steps and will finish with the last fence as a show jump, the Joker!

The classes are open to everyone, juniors and seniors riding horses or ponies.

This show is a qualifier for the Ashwood Arena Eventing Finals to be held on 24th April 2022.

ALSO INCORPORATING NPS ARENA EVENTING CHALLENGE QUALIFIERS

Class	Fence Height	Entry Fee (Members)	Entry Fee (Non-Members)	First Aid*
1	50 cms	£16	£20	£2.50
2	60 cms	£16	£20	£2.50
3	70 cms	£16	£20	£2.50
4	80 cms	£16	£20	£2.50

*Enhanced Responder will be on-site

Arena Eventing is a two-phase competition, consisting of a course of show jumps immediately followed by cross country fences and will finish with the last fence as a show jump, the joker fence (this is not optional). The joker fence will be up to 10cm higher than the rest of the course, in line with the level of the class so Class 1 the Joker fence will be approx 55cms and Class 4 the joker will be approx 90cms.

An optimum time will be given, based on a speed of 350m per minute. Stop watches are not permitted. The winner will be the competitor with the lowest number of penalties. In the event of a tie the winner will be the one closest to the optimum time.

Penalties will be awarded as follows:

	SJ	XC
First disobedience	4	20
Second disobedience at same fence	8	40
Third disobedience	Elimination	Elimination
Knock down of obstacle	4	-
Knock down of Joker fence	6	-
Fall of horse/rider	Elimination	Elimination
Error of course	Elimination	Elimination
Every commenced second in excess of the optimum time		0.4

Every commenced second in excess of 5 seconds under the optimum time 0.4

Save for fall or horse or rider, eliminated combinations may be allowed to continue if deemed safe to do so and attempting each obstacle a maximum of 2 times before moving on to the next obstacle.

ENTRIES ~ Entries in advance online via ashwoodequestrian.com. Ashwood Members receive an automatic discount when using membership number in the 'Coupon' box at the checkout. Entries close when full. Entries on the day (cash only) may be taken if time & space allow.

MEMBERSHIP ~ Sashes presented to the highest placed Ashwood Member in each class. Membership runs for one year commencing on the day you join. The fee is £25 per rider per year. Each member will receive discounted entry fees and facility hire during the term of their membership, and will be eligible to gain points towards an overall Members Rider Ranking. See <https://ashwoodequestrian.com/members/> to join.

TIMES ~ Times available via ashwoodequestrian.com 2 days prior to the Event, after 7.00pm

COURSE WALK ~ The course will be available for walking at the start of each class.

DRESS CODE ~ XC Colours or show jackets, incl Tweed, may be worn. No yard boots. Hard hats upto the current British Standard must be worn at all times when mounted. No fixed peaks allowed. Body protectors, BETA Level 3 (purple label) 2000 or 2009 label are compulsory. Air jackets may be worn over a body protector. No bibs or numbers are required. Plaiting is optional. No Schooling whips, not even in the warm up.

WITHDRAWALS, REFUNDS & SUBSTITUTIONS ~ Withdrawals for credit or refund less £5 considered 10 days before the event, after which all entries are considered final. Substituting either a horse or rider prior to publication of times is possible, however changing both horse & rider in the same entry qualifies as a whole new entry & must be paid in full.

PRIZES ~ Juniors/Seniors may be split if entries warrant. Prizes at the qualifiers will be awarded in the form of Ashwood Vouchers. 10-15 starters : 1st £15 16-20 starters : 1st £15 2nd £10 20+ starters 1st £15 2nd £10 3rd £5. Sashes to the highest placed Ashwood Members in each class. Competitions must jump clear to qualify for prizes. In the event of less than 10 starters in any class rosettes only will be awarded. Prizes to be requested on the day or will be forfeited. Email ashwoodevents@hotmail.com

CHAMPIONSHIP FINALS ~ This show is a qualifier for the Ashwood Arena Eventing Finals to be held on 24th April 2022. The number to qualify will be according to the number of entries. For up to 10 entries the top 4 placed combinations will qualify. For each entry after the first 10 another qualification place will be awarded, so for 11 entries 5 qualify, 12 entries 6 qualify and so on. All qualifying combinations will receive a qualified rosette.

NPS ARENA EVENTING CHALLENGE ~ Classes 2, 3 & 4 are qualifiers for the NPS ARENA EVENTING CHALLENGE FINAL. The Final will be held in September 2022. The final is open to mares, geldings and stallions four year old and over, in possession of an equine passport but no specific registration or breed society criteria. Ponies' manes may be plaited at competitor discretion. Qualification will be gained by achieving a top 10 placing or a double clear in a qualifying class. Qualification will be confirmed by the NPS Office. Riders may only ride one pony in each class at the final. Only ponies owned by NPS members (Life, Qualifying or Performance) can qualify for the final.

CATERING ~ Hot and cold food will be available throughout the event.

NOTICES ~ No dogs will be allowed around the arenas, they must stay in the lorry park or preferably remain at home. Please clean up after you dogs AND TAKE YOUR POO BAGS HOME. The Organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry and to remove anyone from the course at any time without giving a reason. The event may be cancelled without notice due to adverse weather. In the event of adverse weather it is recommended that you check the website www.ashwoodequestrian.com for any announcements. In the unlikely event of abandonment, entries may be carried over to a future event or refunded minus £5 admin fee. The decision of the Judges is final. If any person wishes to lodge a complaint, this must be done so in writing within 30 minutes of the incident along with a deposit of £50 (which will be returned if the complaint is upheld). The organisers reserve the right to refuse entry and to remove anyone from the venue at any time without giving a reason, amend the details of the schedule should it become necessary, or to cancel any class with insufficient entries. All classes are open to juniors or seniors riding horses or ponies. Horses/Ponies must be 4 years old or older. Any horse/pony considered to be unsound, unfit or unhealthy by a Judge or the Organiser will be excluded from the competition without refund of entry. No horseboxes to be mucked out on site. It is compulsory that every person at the venue who is under the age of 18 years of age is accompanied by a responsible adult. All horses must be up to date with their flu vaccs, either their annual vaccination, or the first 2 of their primary course plus 7 days.

HEALTH & SAFETY ~ The organiser of this event has taken every reasonable precaution to ensure the health and safety of every person 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 organiser and all officials and stewards connected with this event. The organiser does not insure the rider, your horse or your tack and equipment. You are strongly advised to have in place your own adequate personal accident insurance at all times. PLEASE NOTE: THE XC FENCES WILL NOT BE ANCHORED TO THE GROUND IN THE ARENAS.

DISCLAIMER OF LIABILITY ~ Save for death or injury by the negligence of the organiser or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, Ashwood Equestrian Ltd, for themselves, their servants, agents, employees and all those connected with the event do not accept liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury, illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, vehicles, their contents and accessories or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or statutory duty in any way whatsoever of themselves, their servants, agents, employees and all those connected with the event or otherwise.