ASHWOOD EQUESTRIAN

BEGINNER. MINI. NOVICE.
EVENTER CHALLENGE
SUNDAY 3rd AUGUST 2025

At Ashwood Equestrian, Stafford Road, Knightley. ST20 0JR

FOR HORSES AND PONIES - OPEN TO ALL

BEGINNER. MINI. NOVICE. EVENTER CHALLENGE is a 2-phase event (SJ & XC) from 40cms to 80cms aimed at the beginner & novice or nervous horse or rider and must be entered in the spirit in which it is intended. The competition will consist of Phase I, a course of Show Jumps on all weather surface, and Phase II, the XC on grass. You will ride in your XC attire, and after completing Phase I you will head over to the XC start box and wait for the XC controller to count you down! The XC phase will be a shortened XC course consisting of solid fixed fences and a water splash. A step will be included in the bigger class. The course is sited all in one field and will fully stringed for additional help & security. Assistance in the XC phase is allowed in all classes. The XC phase will be timed with an undisclosed Optimum Time. Penalties will be given for jumping faults and time faults. The horse & rider with the least accumulated penalties will be the winner.

INFINTINY ARENA			
Approx Time	**Class**	**Fence Height**	
10am	1	40cms	Open to all incl Lead rein
	2	50cms	XC Assistance Allowed
	3	60cms	XC Assistance Allowed
	4	70cms	XC Assistance Allowed
	5	80cms	XC Assistance Allowed

ASSISTANCE IS ALLOWED ON THE XC COURSE IN ALL CLASSES. LEAD REINS Class 1 only.

ENTRY FEE   £28.00 per class upto Sunday 27th July, £32 thereafter

ENTRIES	Pre-Entries close Sunday 27th July. Times released Friday 1st August. On-line entries ashwoodequestrian.com £28 per class. Discount for Ashwood Members. Horses & riders may enter more than 1 class. First Aid fee of £3 per rider per day to be added to each entry. NOTE: We must receive enough entries by 27th July to justify incurring costs to run this event. If entries are too low by this date, the event will be cancelled—we will not wait for late entries to make this decision.
PRIZES	Classes will be split into Junior & Senior Sections. Awards to 10th place in all classes. Prize givings will be unmounted approx 20 minutes after the last horse has jumped in the class.

GENERAL INFORMATION

COURSE WALK	The SJ course will remain the same throughout the day and may be walked at the start of each class. The XC course will be available for walking on the morning of the event and at any time during the day with due regard to any horses on course.
WITHDRAWALS, REFUNDS & SUBSTITUTIONS	Withdrawals before 19th July will receive 100% refund. Withdrawals between 19th July and 26th July may be taken as credit or refunded less £5. No withdrawals FOR ANY REASON after 26th July. Substitution of horse or rider is possible. Changing both horse & rider in the same entry qualifies as a whole new entry & must be paid in full.
DRESS CODE	XC Attire to be worn. Clean & Tidy please. Any colour jods/tops/jackets. Correctly fitting Hard hats (NO FIXED PEAKS) & Body Protectors conforming to the current British Standard must be worn at all times when mounted, with proper riding boots (no yard boots). Horses & ponies do not need to be plaited. NO SCHOOLING WHIPS AT ANY TIME. Number bib (print your own number) or bridle numbers to be worn.
SHOW JUMPING	Show Jumping will be a straightforward course of 8-10 fences on the all-weather surface.
CROSS COUNTRY	The XC phase will consist of approx 12 obstacles and will take place on grass with the entire course being visible. Solid, fixed fences and water will be included. All tracks are aimed at first timers & novice/nervous with no combinations.
CATERING	Hot and cold food will be available throughout the event

TERMS & CONDITIONS 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. It shall be considered a condition of entry that each entrant agrees to indemnify the organisers against any legal action arising thereto. 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.

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. Once a class has been entered, refunds will not be given.

GENERAL RULES

1. All classes are open to juniors or seniors riding horses or ponies.
2. Horses/Ponies must be 4 years old or older.
3. 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.
4. No horseboxes to be mucked out on site.
5. 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.
6. No dogs will be allowed in or around any of the arenas or on the cross country course, they must stay in the lorry park or preferably remain at home. Please clean up after you dogs AND TAKE YOUR POO BAGS HOME.
7. 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.