

DRESSAGE U21s UK

Training our young riders for the future

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CRITERIA - DRESSAGE U21s UK POTENTIAL TEAM MEMBERS MARLTON STUD – WICKLOW – U25s CHAMPIONSHIPS 2010

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND RETURNED

1 POTENTIAL TEAM MEMBERS –

Before applying for a **PONY/JUNIOR/YR TEAM PLACE** for the Friendly International Dressage Competition in Wicklow Southern Ireland on **2nd– 3rd – 4th July 2010** - please read the following criteria - which you will need to understand and complete before your Application will be considered by the Chairman.

2 U21s UK RIDERS All riders must be on the **Elite ** Squad**. They must show that they are team minded and work well with other Group members at all times. No individuals will be sent. Give date when you progressed onto the **Elite ** Squad**.

X

3 RIDERS All riders must be fully paid up members of British Dressage to compete. Give date of joining and your British Dressage Registration Number

X

4 PONIES & HORSES All ponies and horses must be registered with British Dressage. Give date of joining and British Dressage Registration Number

X

5 COMBINATIONS OF RIDER & PONY/HORSE

Combinations must be regularly competing at **Novice level or above** at British Dressage competitions. Results must be with the equivalent of qualifying scores for **British Dressage Regional Qualifiers**. Riders must be able to submit a minimum of **3 Test Sheets** – from current competitions - at the level required.

Novice 65% restricted & 66% open (and above)

Elementary 65% restricted and 66% open.(and above)

Medium 63% restricted and 64% open. (and above)

Advanced Medium 63% (and above).

State level wishing to compete - include **photocopies of 3 test sheets** at the level.

X

6 SELECTION OF COMBINATIONS.

Riders will be chosen from those who are regularly training with us and sending in their competition experience information and results to the Chairman.

Results will be considered from **September 2009** up to the current date.

7 Name **3 U21s UK** best friends who you feel would be great together in a team with you.

1.x

2.x

3.x

MARLTON WICKLOW CHAMPIONSHIPS

Friday 2nd - Saturday 3rd - Sunday 4th July 2010



DRESSAGE U21s UK **PROVISIONAL TEAM FORM** Please Complete & return.

RIDER NAME		AGE 2010	BD RIDER GROUP & REG. NO	
BD OWNER -REGISTRATION NUMBER		NUMBER	BD HORSE REGISTRATION NO	
ADDRESS				
MOBILE TELEPHONE				
Email address				
PONY/HORSE NAME		AGE	SEX	HEIGHT
FEI PONY PASSPORT NUMBER		NONE	YES -	YEAR ISSUE
PRE-VAC-T CERTIFICATE		YES	- NO -	RENEWAL DATE DUE
CURRENT BD LEVEL		BD POINTS GAINED IN 2009		
BD WINS/PLACINGS 2009 +REGIONALS		U21s UK SHOW PLACINGS 2009		
HOW MANY DRESSAGE U21`s UK TRAINING & EVENTS DID YOU ATTEND IN 2009?				
Training - Where		Competitions		
2 PARENTS OR GUARDIAN NAMES		HGV	DRIVER	NON DRIVER
DRIVER - HAVE YOU EVER TRAVELLED A HORSE ABROAD ?			YES	NO
LORRY TYPE & WEIGHT /TONNAGE		YEAR	MOT	PLATE DUE
LENGTH IN FEET		REGISTRATION NUMBER		
LORRY INSURANCE COVER full details.				
WOULD YOU TAKE ANOTHER HORSE & RIDER IF THEY WOULD SHARE ALL COSTS ?				
YES	NO	NOT SURE	YES IF WE COULD CHOOSE THE PERSON	
DO YOU NEED TO TRAVEL WITH ANOTHER COMPETITOR AND OFFER TO SHARE COSTS?				
YES	NO	DOES YOUR HORSE TRAVEL WELL WITH OTHERS		
		YES	NO	DON'T KNOW?
WHY DO YOU THINK YOU WOULD MAKE A GOOD `MARLTON WICKLOW` TEAM MEMBER ?				
Signed			Date	
Parents Signature			Cheque for £100	

PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM - SEND CHEQUE FOR £100 BY 1ST MARCH (Refundable)

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MARLTON, WICKLOW FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL PROVISIONAL U21s UK TEAM MEMBERS 2010

AS A TEAM MEMBER YOU WILL BE REPRESENTING DRESSAGE U21s UK,
BELOW ARE VERY IMPORTANT POINTS TO CONSIDER

NB. The £1.00 is worth almost the same as the €1.00 Euro

- 1 **THIS IS A PROVISIONAL INVITATION TO APPLY FOR TEAM PLACE** for the exciting Friendly International Dressage Competition, at Wicklow Southern Ireland, 2nd- 3rd – 4th July 2010
- 2 The Trip is very expensive. Each rider/ parents family at least **£1,600**, - none is subsidised by **Dressage U21s UK**. A deposit of **£100** is due to be paid when applying. (*Refundable*)
- 3 This is the 7th time we have sent members to a **Friendly International Competition**, and although technically Southern Ireland is not `abroad` - everything experienced will be exactly the same as if it were. We arrange the route, ferry, stabling etc., plus entries for all classes.
- 4 You will be taking your much loved horse/pony on a very long and exhausting journey – see **WELFARE PAGE** – with suggestions to make everything easier for everyone. **YOU** also need to be at your peak for the whole experience or medals cannot be won if you are not fit.
- 5 We go at the invitation of the **Organisers** - as are the **BYRDS** teams. We would like you to behave in a **friendly way** to everyone. Many of your friends will also be in **BYRDS** teams.
- 6 It is **IMPORTANT** to remember that **YOU** are **ALL** part of a **TEAM** - **YOU** are **ALL EQUAL** - and **YOU** will need to look after each other. Remember - there is No I in the word **TEAM** –
- 7 It is not appropriate at any stage, either when competing or when socialising, for Team members to consume **alcohol** in large amounts. Any member found to be doing so will be excluded from all further **Dressage U21s UK** training, activities & competitions. **FOREVER**.
- 8 It is tough on parents probably more than on the riders, who drive at up to **300 miles each way**, and worry whilst each test is ridden. Parents have worked hard for **MARLTON**. **Appropriate behaviour** towards **PARENTS** and the **ORGANISER** is expected at all times.
- 9 **We plan to sail on Wednesday 30th June and returning on Monday 5th July 2010**. It is a very **long 6-7 days** –It is exhausting. But you will have great fun –and hopefully learn a lot, plus make lots of new friends – and have a truly fantastic experience.
- 10 Please note that as a member of **DRESSAGE U21s UK** you will **NOT** be eligible to wear the British St. George or Union Jack Flag. Our own unique **FLAG Design**, which is super will be embroidered onto your **RED ELITE ** JACKET**. You will also have Team poloshirts
- 11 When members wear their **RED JACKETS ** WITH OUR LOGO AND FLAG**, it will be obvious that you are a part of **Dressage U21s UK** and would be expected to behave in an appropriate way. This should also continue when you are wearing your own casual clothes.
- 12 **PARENTS** If you were to have any problems in Ireland, you would be expected to discuss them with your **Chef d'Equipes**. You would not discuss any issues with the Organisers of the Competition. Please remember that the **Chef d'Equipe** is there to offer help and guidance throughout the trip, and at times, it may be necessary, **for YOU to adapt to Team rulings**. **PARENTS will be asked to sign a form before we leave - confirming that they understand the importance of this ruling.**

We will consider all applications carefully for a place on the **TEAMS** and these **PLACES** Will be awarded on merit, continuous commitment, and **importantly** on **your current results**.

MY VERY BEST WISHES,

Carol

JANUARY 2010

MARLTON STUD FRIENDLY INTERNATIONAL – - WICKLOW – SOUTHERN IRELAND. TEAM CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES 2010

There will be a Championship for each Pony, Junior and Young Rider Teams.

PONY TEAM	Riders 12 years & over - 16 years & under on 1 st Jan 2010 Ponies 5 years and over and height max 149cms with shoes
JUNIOR TEAM	Riders 14 years and over and under 18 years on 1 st Jan 2010 Horses/ponies must be 5 years and over
YR TEAM	Riders aged over 16 years and under 25 years on 1 st Jan 2010 Horses only – must be 5 years and over.

TEAMS should consist of 3 or 4 riders with the best three scores to count.

Riders may choose one test from Classes 2- 4- 6 -7 on Saturday 3rd.

Riders may choose one test from Classes 9 -11 -13 -14 on Sunday 4th.

All Team riders may ride at the same level.

Riders may enter any other class as Individuals.

Where insufficient riders are available to make up a team the following substitutions are allowed:-

Young Rider Teams may `borrow` a pony or junior rider

Junior Teams may `borrow` a pony rider.

Pony Teams may not `borrow` anyone.

INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES

Championships will be awarded at all standards on the combined results of both days tests. To win a Championship at any level a competitor must compete in all tests at that level. EG 4 Novice Tests – 4 Elementary Tests – 4 Medium Tests 2 Advanced Tests (one on each day).

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Please note that a horse or pony may not be ridden in more than 3 test on any one day. No whips or commanders are allowed in any tests.

DRESSAGE UNDER 21s UK



'WELFARE REMINDER FOR TRAVELLING HORSES ON LONG DISTANCES'

Compiled by Chef d'Equipe - Carol Hogg.

IT IS IMPORTANT to remember that when confining any horse or pony in a stable or lorry for any length of time, the metabolism will slow down to compensate for the inactivity. This means - His **lymphatic system** is not as efficient as usual - i.e. **Symptoms** - legs may fill - the **digestive system** becomes slower - i.e. possibility of **colic**. The **respiration** and **pulse** rate may slow, and his **body will not need the usual amount of protein in the feed** i.e. **possibility of tying-up - azatoria**

THERE ARE THINGS WE CAN DO TO HELP PREVENT ANY PROBLEMS OCCURRING.

1. **REDUCE PROTEIN FEED** the day before travelling and feed Bran mashes or an alternative laxative diet on route and the night before the ferry crossing.
 2. **INTRODUCE ELECTROLYTES**, salt/ Epsom Salts to his diet two or three days beforehand to help prevent tying-up. Ensure that your pony drinks enough. **Often when travelling, horses/ponies will refuse to drink**, so **cut up slices of apple and put them in the water**. The pony will eat the apples and start to drink. Or add pure apple juice to the water to encourage him to drink. Carrots/apples keep easily and are necessary succulents. Take some of his usual water in containers if you have room.
 3. **PLENTY OF ROUGHAGE, HAY**, will help to keep the gut active - remember the golden rule of little and often. Chaff is fine - but beware of too much haylage as this does have a high protein content.
 4. **BAG UP ALL YOUR FEEDS** in the required amounts per feed - label Day1 breakfast - Day1 lunch- Day1 supper, Day 2 breakfast-lunch-supper and so on. Take 1 day more than you think you will need in case you have a late ferry crossing home, or any unplanned emergency. **Plus plenty of extra hay.**
 5. **IF YOU TRAVEL YOUR PONY IN BANDAGES**, make sure you don't put them on too tight, This will enable the fluid that will build up during the journey not to cause too much discomfort. Travel boots are really more comfortable for the pony. A tail guard is more comfortable than a tail bandage, and stops them rubbing the tail. Cut 2 holes in a piece of foam and thread through the headcollar for a poll guard.
 6. **IF YOUR HORSE IS DIFFICULT TO LOAD** - then don't take him off any more than you have to, but remove the boots and massage his legs to prevent the build up of too much fluid. This will make an incredible difference to how well he will feel on arriving at Wicklow.
 7. **CHOOSE WHICH WAY TO TRAVEL** **Route 1 Fishguard, West Wales to Rosslaire**, then a 2 hour road journey north. **Route 2 Holyhead in Anglesey, North Wales to Dun Laoghaire**, south of Dublin, with a 45 minute road journey south. It is possible to take horses off the lorry at some stage, but they should be alright if you don't. **Do stop at least twice**, for ½ an hour to offer water and check how warm they are. **DO NOT** take them off the lorry at the docks. **PONY PASSPORTS ARE REQUIRED!** DEFRA clearance will be arranged for vetting either at home beforehand or in Holyhead - Wales.
- OTHER HINTS TO HELP MAKE YOUR JOURNEY GO MORE SMOOTHLY.**

- a) **Have all paper work** handy in a folder where you can easily find it - **including this document.**
- b) **Have a spare headcollar, rope**, chain, pair of scissors and sweat rug in a bag handy.
- c) **Have a bridle, rope**, chain to hand in case you have to unload in an emergency.
- d) **Have a good first aid kit** on top of your packing with a book on how to give basic equine first aid.
- e) **Have spare rugs** - especially a New Zealand/Outdoor Rug, - weather in Ireland can be wet.
- f) **If you ask the stewards on the ferry** - you may be allowed to drop the ramp of the lorry. This will make the journey more comfortable and less stuffy for the horses. **DO NOT** leave hay nets hung up during the ferry trip, in case the horse becomes caught up in it. You will be asked to travel on the upper decks of the ferry. However if you are worried about your horses, an adult will be allowed down to the lower deck to check on the them, once or twice during the crossing.

IT IS GOOD IDEA TO KEEP A RECORD OF YOUR HORSE'S AVERAGE TEMPERATURE, PULSE AND RESPIRATION WHILST AT HOME. MONITOR THIS FOR A WEEK BEFORE THE TRIP.

Carol