

Special Edition.

FINALLY a date for your diary

26th July 2020 – Back in the Saddle!

Join in with our 'Step back to Dressage'

Ride – Coach - Ride at Wilton RDA
Full details of what and where ...

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Wessex Riding Club

It's been a long time coming but we are finally getting through this very strange time. We have a date in our diary to get cracking with, what we hope, will be an enjoyable morning of dressage.

Unfortunately, as the current social distancing and Covid 19 restrictions demand this event is not open to visitors and spectators, you will be required to attend alone or with one helper (family bubble member).

Numbers are limited for this event, we only have space for 12 riders and for members at present, this will be on a booking basis of **first come first served**. If, by the 6th July 2020 we still have spaces on the day we will open up to non-members so that we meet our target number of 12.

- What is Ride, Coach, Ride?
- What is going to be arranged to keep me and my horse safe?
- What do I need to do? The cost and how to book?

Ride Coach Ride

In short, you will select a test from the list below, learn it, ride it in front of the judge and her scribe, then talk through the test with the judge, gain some very constructive guidance, you will then be given a few moments to put this into practice before riding the test again. You will leave with the two sets of scores on one score sheet with feedback the before and after, a certificate and a rosette as a reminder of taking part and hopefully, an enjoyable experience and positive development.

The tests will be conducted in the outside arena of RDA Wilton.

There will be an opportunity for a small amount of warm up before you do your first test.

You will spend time talking to the judge to gain feedback on your performance and then you will be invited to repeat your Test. (Maintaining the two-meter social distancing rules).

The Test and its marking will be to BD standard scoring.

You will be required to wear whites, jackets are optional.

You can have a caller (but this must be your helper – the club will not be in a position to provide one as we are keeping personnel to a minimum)

The Test list is as follows;

- Intro A – walk-trot only
- Prelims 1 or 12
- Novice 24 or 27
- *Due to the H&S restrictions we will not be offering Dressage to Music at this time.*

You must stipulate which test you wish to take on your entry form. One test per rider please.

Arrangements at RDA for the event.

- A week before the event you will be issued a time slot – it is vital that you are punctual and equally important that you leave promptly, so the

numbers of participants in the yard are kept as low as possible.

- You will be required to sign a Health Declaration on arrival – see the wording on the entry form for guidance but this must be signed and dated on arrival. Your statement will also cover your helper, so please make sure you are confident in your responses.
- You will be allocated a rider number which we would ask you wear- we will supply pins! and a parking bay number – you will be guided as to where the parking bays are. All droppings must be picked up when you leave this spot please! If you happen to ride up to venue you will still be allocated a parking bay –water is available for your horse (if your helper comes by car they will be required to park with you in the bay allocated)
- We will have access to a WC but we must maintain a very high level of sanitation so please respect the facilities and act on guidance notices to ensure we all stay safe.
- We will have very little in the way of refreshments on the day but still or sparkling water and soft drinks will be available for £1.00 a bottle or can. We will not be providing any food so please feel free to bring your own snacks.

What do I need to do?

- If you wish to take part in this event you must submit your entry form (attached to this email or to be found on the web site) and pay the entry fee into the Wessex Riding Club bank account. **Full Details are on the form.** You will be notified if you have secured a place as soon as your form is processed. If you are unlucky and we are over-subscribed you will have priority booking for the next event in August 2020 – if that date suits you or you will be refunded.
- A Copy or picture of every relevant page of your horse's Passport must be sent to the dressage secretary with your entry form this

can be done by email, or post. **This must be with her by Monday 20th July 2020.**

By post to Mrs A Clarke

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- **The cost to members is £24.00 per test and those who are not club members will be charged £34.00 per test. You cannot pay on the day. Please do not bring a cheque you need to bank the amount yourself in the account as indicated. Funds need to be cleared in the account before the event.**

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See you soon

Janet

WRC Chair and the Committee