

KNOTTS BAKERY YOUNG EVENT HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP

Entry Fees: RUAS Member £85.00, Non Member £90.00
Stabling is included in the entry fee in this class.

Aim:

To identify high class horses bred in Ireland with the potential to become top class eventers, to create a medium for breeders and producers to display their quality young stock and to encourage breeders and trainers to produce and present the correct type of horse likely to make a top class three day eventer.

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THURSDAY 16 MAY. In the Main Arena
Phase 1. DRESSAGE. Max available 30% of total
Phase 2. CONFORMATION AND TYPE. Max score 10% of total

Four year olds followed by five year olds.
Phase 3. JUMPING. Max score 45% of total
Phase 4. SUITABILITY AND POTENTIAL. Max score 15% of total

Phase 1. DRESSAGE TEST.

Marks will not be awarded for individual movements but the test will be marked for general impression and overall performance.

Test to be ridden from memory.

Arena size 60m x 20m.

A	Enter in working trot
From X	proceed directly to
M	Working trot
C	3 loops serpentine finishing at A
FXH	Change rein showing some lengthened strides (not required for 4 year olds)
Between H& C	Working canter right
C	Circle right 20m diameter
MXK	Change rein with transition to trot between X and K
Between K&A	Working canter left
A	Circle left 20m diameter
Between A&F	Working trot
Between F&B	Medium walk
B	Half 20m circle left in free walk on a long rein
E	Medium walk
Between E&K	Halt & salute
	Leave arena at A

On completion of Phase 1. Riders should proceed directly to their jumping phase.

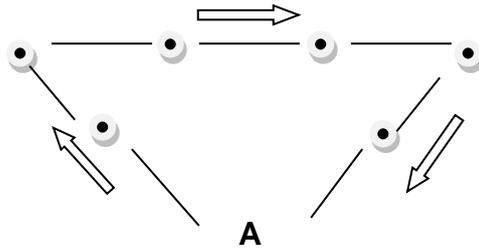
Phase 2. JUMPING.

Class	4 Year olds	5 year olds
No of fences	16	18
Max height cms.	90	100
Course length m	800 - 1000	1000 - 1200
Knock of pole	4 penalties	
1 st Refusal/Run Out	5 penalties	
2 nd Refusal on the course	8 penalties	
3 rd Refusal on the course	Elimination	
Fall of Horse or Rider	Elimination	

Phase 3. CONFORMATION & TYPE.

Horses must be presented on the triangle for their conformation and movement assessment. It is desirable that the presentation of animals at the triangle is properly rehearsed as follows.

- *The horse will be presented before the judges at A where they will be assessed for conformation and movement.
- *Horses should stand square with all four limbs bearing weight.
- *Movement will be assessed on the triangle. The exhibitor will be asked to walk and trot their animal around the triangle approx (25m x 40m x 25m) in a clockwise direction, one round in walk and one round in trot.
- *The triangle format allows the judges (who will be positioned at A) to assess natural paces from behind, side and in front allowing them to easily assess freedom of shoulder, use of back, engagement of the hock, tracking up and straightness in both paces.



Phase 4. SUITABILITY AND POTENTIAL.

The judges acting independently will assess each horses potential, based on the following criteria:

- *Fluency & Balance
- *Horse's Attitude
- *Suitability of type for purpose
- *Gallop - to be shown immediately after last fence is jumped
- *Overall impression

These scores will be included in Phase 1, 2, and 3.

The Grand Total will be the horse's final score and will determine its final placing.

In the event of equality of marks, the jumping mark will take precedence.

Should this still produce an equality of marks, the highest mark attained in the final section will be the deciding factor.

Eligibility:

Restricted to 'Irish Bred' horses. Only animals with named passports identifying sire, dam, dam sire, microchip and breeder may compete. Passports will be inspected before Phase 1.

Horses must exceed 148cms without shoes.

Open to horses foaled in 2015 and 2014.

To be ridden by riders who have attained their 16th birthday by 1st January in the current year.

Horses must have competed in two qualifiers and attained at least 60% in one.

Qualifiers:

Lusk Equestrian Centre	Tuesday 2 April 2019
Meadows Equestrian Centre	Tuesday 9 April 2019
Ravensdale Equestrian Centre	Tuesday 16 April 2019
Gransha Equestrian Centre	Tuesday 23 April 2019

Qualifier Entry Fee: £50 / €60

Close of entries: 5.00pm on the Sunday preceding each qualifier date. Late entries £60 / €70 accepted at discretion of the organising venue.

Entry form:- Completed entry form and fee must be sent to the appropriate qualifying centre before close of entry. Entry forms available at www.balmoralshow.co.uk

The top 5 horses in each class at each qualifying venue will qualify for the final on 16th May at Balmoral Park

providing they have attained a minimum score of 60%. If any of the top 5 horses have already qualified, horses down the line may qualify providing they have also attained a minimum score of 60%.

RIDERS CAN RIDE THREE HORSES PER CLASS IN THE FINAL

Tack:

*Snaffle bridles as defined by FEI are mandatory with any one of the following permitted nosebands: cavesson, drop, flash or grackle

*Neckstraps and/or breastplates are permitted

*No standing martingales are allowed

*Numnahs (if used) must conform neatly with saddle contours

*No saddlecloths or logos are permitted other than the competition sponsors.

*Hind leg boots or bandages are not allowed in any phase of this competition. Overreach boots are permitted and no performance-enhancing front boots are permitted.

*Only blunt metal spurs or ones with rubber rowels < 2.5 cms facing downwards are permitted

*Riders should wear

Eventing colours and attire.

Beige, fawn or cream breeches

Long black boots

Gloves

Protective headgear conforming to the current recommended kitemark standard - PAS 015 or EN1384 and fitted with an adjustable harness

A body protector must be worn by all riders during Phase 1 and 2.