



Wessex Riding Club

Unaffiliated Dressage Series 2019 Open to non-members

Walk & Trot, Prelim, Novice and Dressage to Music
To be held at Wilton RDA, Home Farm Lane, Wilton, Salisbury. SP2 8PJ

SUNDAY 31st MARCH
SUNDAY 28th APRIL
SUNDAY 26th MAY
SUNDAY 30th JUNE
SUNDAY 28th JULY
SUNDAY 25th AUGUST
SUNDAY 29th SEPTEMBER
SUNDAY 27th OCTOBER

Events start at 9.00 a.m.
Tests indoors with all-weather warm-up

Prelim classes open to horse/rider combinations with up to 49 BD points. Walk & Trot Intro class – any horse/rider combination which has been placed first or second at Prelim level or above and any combination winning two walk & trot classes in one year will no longer be eligible for a placing in this class but may compete Hors Concours – to be stated on the entry form

ENTRY FEE - WRC Members - £10.00. Non - WRC Members - £15.00. Judges feedback optional (if time permits). This must be booked in advance and costs an additional £3.00 (one per competitor per event).

Please make your cheque out to Wessex Riding Club, use this name in full, and send with entry form to:

**Ali Clarke, 46 Ramleaze Drive, Fugglestone Red, Salisbury SP2 9PA.
Dressage Secretary: wrcdressage@gmail.com - 07955 024224**

ENTRIES CLOSE on the Monday prior to the competition.
Late entries accepted if space allows at an extra £2.00 per class.

TIMES - check our website (wessexridingclub.co.uk)
or ring on the Friday prior to the event, 6-8pm, on 07955 024224

Please arrive at the test arena door ready for your appointed time.
Mobile number on the day only - 07955 024224

All classes judged under Wessex Riding Club rules

Rosettes to sixth place. Special rosettes may be awarded.

For more information on WRC please visit: **www.wessexridingclub.co.uk**

Competitors must abide by the rules of WRC and WRDA
Dogs are not permitted on this site. Medical or veterinary attention is by ambulance or vet call out only.

We extend our thanks to our helpers
and to staff at Wilton Riding for Disabled for allowing us to use their facilities.

Sunday, 31st March

Sunday, 28th April

Class 1:	RDA Members' Class
Class 2:	BD Intro A (2008) Walk & Trot
Class 3:	BD Prelim 7 (2002)
Class 4:	BD Prelim 18 (2002)
Class 5:	BD Novice 28 (2008) or BD Novice 30 (2006)
Class 6:	Freestyle to Music % class, Intro, Prelim or Novice (state level on application form, please see requirements for music on page 3)

Sunday, 26th May

Sunday, 30th June

Class 1:	RDA Members' Class
Class 2:	BD Intro A (2008) Walk & Trot
Class 3:	BD Prelim 1 (2006)
Class 4:	BD Prelim 13 (2006)
Class 5:	BD Novice 24 (2010) or BD Novice 28 (2008)
Class 6:	Freestyle to Music % class, Intro, Prelim or Novice

Sunday 28th July

Sunday 25th August

Class 1:	RDA Members' Class
Class 2:	BD Intro B (2009) Walk & Trot
Class 3:	BD Prelim 2 (2016)
Class 4:	BD Prelim 18 (2002)
Class 5:	BD Novice 27 (2007) or BD Novice 30 (2006)
Class 6:	Freestyle to Music % class, Intro, Prelim or Novice

Sunday, 29th September

Sunday, 27th October

Class 1	RDA Members' Class
Class 2:	BD Intro C (2016) Walk & Trot
Class 3:	BD Prelim 12 (2005)
Class 4:	BD Prelim 14 (2006)
Class 5:	BD Novice 24 (2010) or BD Novice 34 (2009)
Class 6	Freestyle to Music % class, Intro, Prelim or Novice

Dressage to Music: Please ensure your CD is of suitable quality and that your name is on the CD and the case. These freestyle tests must only include movements found in the relevant level, but floor plans may vary – there is no requirement to stick to the letters around the arena. Mark sheet for information available on request from wrcdressage@gmail.com.

DRESSAGE FREESTYLE TO MUSIC STARTER PACKS are available from WRC. These contain a CD with music for Prelim and Novice levels (also Intro (Walk & Trot) level is available); included is a floor-plan and tips on starting out with DTM. They are available for £17.50 incl. p&p (or £30 for two) from Rachael Seager-Smith, The Garden Flat, West Amesbury, Wiltshire. SP4 7BH.

RULES FOR ALL COMPETITORS & VISITORS

Arena etiquette: Pass left to left in the warm-up arena, walk and halt on an inside track, and ensure whips do not touch passing horses.

On entry to the test school, please ride to the judge to give your name. Then you may ride around the edge of the arena while you wait for the judge's bell to start the test.

Every effort will be made to keep to time, but competitors should be prepared to go early or late if necessary.

No lunging permitted.

Stallions: be aware that space is limited. Horse must wear the appropriate yellow disc on each side of the bridle at all times.

Horses MUST NOT BE LEFT TIED UP outside trailers or lorries unattended.

PLEASE REMOVE ALL DUNG & HAY FROM THE CAR PARK AND THE COLLECTING RING.

Hats: must be worn at all times whilst mounted and must comply with the current (2017) standard of PAS 015 1998 or 2011 (but see guidelines on the website for other titles/brands), and bear the Kite Mark. Organisers may make random checks.

Tack: You are not restricted to a snaffle bridle; you may use any appropriate bit (except a gag, roller or driving bit for example) with reins attached to the ring joined to the mouthpiece. Double bridles are permitted for elementary or higher level tests only. Pelhams with roundings are permitted. No sheepskin or similar on bridles nor standing martingales. Ear covers, brushing boots and bandages may be worn as may neck straps and balancing straps, breast plates or cruppers. A nose net must leave the mouth visible.

A noseband is obligatory – see below. For ruling on types of snaffles, whips and spurs, please see the BD Rulebook.

Turnout: is considered important. You may wear chaps with suitable footwear. Black, navy or tweed jackets are expected. In hot weather you may wear a sleeved shirt with stock or tie. Light coloured breeches or jodhpurs. A dark coloured waterproof jacket may be worn in inclement weather. Body protectors may be worn. Plaiting is not essential but looks smart and is always appreciated. Gloves must be worn.

Marking: Our dressage tests are not marked movement by movement. Your horse will be marked on the way of going in general, covering the areas of calmness and harmony; forwardness and freedom; responsiveness; working over the back and roundness; acceptance of contact; straightness and bend and quality of transitions. Whatever the breeding or type of horse, the judge will consider the overall quality of the training and work. The way you ride, your position and use of aids will account for a section of the marks awarded. The Judge's decision is final.

Tests also attract a maximum of 5 bonus points:

No martingale = 1 point

No spurs = 1 point

Cavesson noseband (not flash, grackle, drop, Micklem or similar) = 1 point

Use of plain snaffle bridle (see above) = 2 points

Results: will be posted on the website following each event. If a photographer is present you will be able to purchase photos. Please let the photographer know if you do not wish to be photographed.

BD test sheets: may not be copied (copyright) - they are available by sending a 2nd class stamp to cover cost (50p each sheet) and an S.A.E. to British Dressage, Meriden Business Park, Copse Drive, Meriden, W. Midlands, CV5 9RG - cheque minimum amount £2.00. You can purchase a pack of intro, prelims and novice tests by sending a cheque for £9.50 to BD, address above.

The Annual Accumulator Competitions are run for WRC members: Points will be awarded at each competition for the Club and DTM Cups which are presented at the Club's AGM to the combination with the most points over the season in each category.

HEALTH AND SAFETY POLICY: WRC, as Organiser of this event, has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the Health and Safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all sensible and responsible precautions to avoid and prevent accidents and shall obey the instructions of the Organiser and all Officials and Stewards. It shall be deemed a condition of entry that neither the Organisers or Landowners, nor their Agents, shall be held responsible for any loss, injury, damage to competitors, onlookers, their property, servants or horses or ponies, however caused. Non-members should take out their own insurance.

For the avoidance of doubt and unless explicitly stated to the contrary, medical facilities at the venue will be limited to standard NHS Accident and Emergency call out.

Any veterinary or other services shall be charged to and paid for by the competitor.

DIRECTIONS TO VENUE:

Wilton RDA, Pembroke Centre, Home Farm Road, Wilton SP2 8PJ

From Salisbury, enter Wilton town center. Turn left at the traffic lights at the Market Square into South Street (from Shaftesbury turn right at the lights). Follow the road (approx 1/2-3/4 mile) along the side of a long stone wall on your left. At the end of the wall turn left onto the track and the WRDA Centre is the first large building on your right. Parking is immediately on the right. Space is very limited, please park conservatively and avoid parking cars where a trailer would fit.

Depending on the ground conditions it may be possible to park on the field - go past the outdoor school, further up, bearing right up the shady path, leaving the outdoor school on your left hand side.

JOIN US!

We provide a friendly, supportive competition environment. We are a lively club with regular social events featuring talks, ridden clinics, visits and demonstrations. We would love to see you at our monthly Talk & Chats at our venue, The Woodfalls Inn, The Ridge, Woodfalls, Downton SP5 2LN (see our website for dates and details of speakers etc)

These evenings are open to Members (£1 contribution per event) and to non-Members (£3).

Individual membership of WRC costs just £20 a year. Membership forms are available from Janet Bower (email: janetbower@tiscali.co.uk, from our website and at our competitions. Anyone 18 years or over may become a Member and enjoy British Riding Clubs' insurance at Club activities, discounts at WRC events and outings - also a regular newsletter.

Membership subscriptions and Dressage entries can be paid by bank transfer – please email Janet for details janetbower@tiscali.co.uk however, in every case the entry form or the membership form must be submitted in conjunction with your payment.

If you require further advice or would be interested in helping (you do not have to be a Member to be a helper!) - Light refreshments are provided and it is an interesting way to spend a Sunday morning!

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