



20/21st April 2014

The East Anglian Carriage Driving Group Ltd

Welcome to Ashfields for the first EACDG two-day event of 2014. Attached are your competitor numbers, a number to display in your vehicle, the dressage and marathon times, cones and obstacle diagrams. Check your time, dressage test and class: if you have a query, tell us as soon and we will try to accommodate you.

There may be changes. Keep checking the noticeboards at the event for the latest news.

Stable mats are not compulsory at Ashfields however, if you have mats and, especially if your horse is known to dig or damage the grass, please use mats in your side-stabling or enclosure to protect the grazing. If you use electric fencing, do so with consideration for others.

We plan to open the obstacles for walking from 4 pm, Saturday, subject to the TD passing the course. There will be a muck heap or trailer – please don't put string, baler twine or other rubbish in it. We can give you a bin bag – just ask – and you can help us to keep down costs by taking it home.

Novice and Pre-novice classes: you have a harness check before driving your dressage test. See the official at arena 2 for a check that will take only a few minutes – allow time (30 minutes?) to make changes before you drive your dressage, should any be recommended.

Everyone – report to the dressage arena steward at least 10 minutes before your start time. Please go straight to the cones course after completing your dressage test. In the cones arena, drivers, salute the officials then wait for the bell or a signal before starting.

Late arrivals - you will be able to walk the cones at lunchtime (only), subject to the permission of the cones arena officials. It is in use all day but will be less busy when arena 1 stops for lunch.

Everyone is invited by Zoe Morgan and Wilf Bowman-Ripley to a Pimms reception at Ashfields on Saturday, 8pm,. The club house will be open for meals, 6:30-9pm – no need to book, and drinks at the bar. Come and join us!

On Sunday evening there will be a technical briefing, scheduled for 6:30pm, followed by presentation of the dressage rosettes. The meal for those who've paid will follow - no tickets, we'll have a list - if you haven't booked, contact Zoe... there may be some meals still available.

Monday: please note that the walk section is now called Transfer and it is not stewarded. Go straight from the end of A to the halt. The times are given and you will still have a ten-minute halt before B

Members should have received an EACDG yearbook: if you have not yet got yours, please collect one at the event from the secretary. ***THERE ARE CLUB RULES THAT NEED TO BE ABIDED BY.*** In particular re helmets at all times when on the carriage unless formally dressed for dressage and backsteppers at all times when driving; we are a club and therefore have many pre novice; novice and junior competitors who can be inexperienced and require an example to be set.

Please bring a gift for the stewards: anything that will make a volunteer feel appreciated.

Have fun... If you have any comments or ideas, please let us know. If you could remember we are a largely new committee so if things are not quite as smooth as usual – be kind or offer to help.

Lorna Ingram, Secretary, EACDG Ltd

This event is organised by EACDG Ltd. with thanks to all our volunteers

Technical Delegate: Andy Lomas

Dressage Judge arena 1: Pauline Scott – C and Minta Winn B/E, Arena 2: Jacqui Clarke C Miranda Avery B/E (subject to change)

Event Organisers: Zoe Morgan 07770 944868 & Wilf Bowman-Ripley

Course Designer: Wilf Bowman-Ripley; Cones Course Anthony Cooper

Scorers: Alayne Gill, Annette Bond

Safety Officer: Justin Cowles

Chief Steward: Ginny White – want to help? Join in! Call 07776181035