

Withington Manor Event On Saturday, 26th & 27th April, 2008

Entries Open: 15th March, 2008
 Ballot Date: 29th March, 2008
 Closing Date: 16th April, 2008
 Ballot Period: April, 2008
 Balloted 2007: N 32, ON 22, I 17, OI 28 & A 2

Location: Withington Estate, Near Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL54 4BG

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Show Jumping Designer Dave Brockett

Cross Country Designer Eric Winter

Classes & Fees

Class	Dressage Day	SJ & XC Day	Dressage Test	Entry Fee (inc. VAT)	Late Entry Surcharge Fee	Starting Fee
1 Day - N	1 section on Friday, the remainder on Saturday	Saturday	120	£66.98	£76.98	£15.00
1 Day - ON	Saturday	Saturday	120	£66.98	£76.98	£15.00
2 Day - PT	Saturday	Sunday	CCIP**(2007)	£164.50	£174.50	£15.00
1 Day - I	1 section on Saturday, the remainder on Sunday	Sunday	130	£91.65	£101.65	£15.00
1 Day - OI	Sunday	Sunday	130	£91.65	£101.65	£15.00
1 Day - A	1 section on Saturday, the remainder on Sunday	Sunday	143	£124.55	£134.55	£20.00

Novice – One section of Dressage will take place on Friday.

Final Pony Trial – All Dressage will take place on Saturday. Road and tracks will be run on Sunday morning followed by Cross Country. After a suitable break, Show Jumping will be held in reverse order based upon the standings after Cross Country.

Intermediate – One section of Dressage will take place on Saturday.

Advanced – Some Dressage will take place on Saturday.

Please state on the entry form if this is **impossible**. If insufficient entries are received in any class, the organiser reserves the right to transfer some appropriate entries into those classes. The organiser also reserves the right to move classes to different days should that be required.

ENTRIES

Entry fees are subject to VAT. Vat Reg. No. 691 6826 94. Please make cheques payable to **B.**

BRENNINKMEIJER and send these together with the entry form to the Entries Secretary. Separate cheques are required for each horse. Please enclose separate DL sized (22cm x 11cm) self-seal, self-addressed envelope for each horse (with the horse's name written on the back of each cheque). Please arrange and pay for stabling separately through the Stabling Secretary (see above and below). If you require similar times to another competitor, please ensure that they are posted together and you state this on your entry form.

INTERNET ENTRIES	Can be made via: http://www.bdwp.co.uk/aallen . Fees for internet entries must be received by the Ballot Date.
FAXED ENTRIES	Will not be accepted.
WITHDRAWALS	By 2000hrs on Tuesday, 22 nd April, 2008 by telephoning the entries secretary on 01608 811070.
REFUND POLICY	No refunds after Ballot Date as no waitlist will be maintained.
STARTING TIMES	Available on website (http://www.bdwp.co.uk/wit) after 1800hrs on Thursday, 24 th April, 2008. Also available between 1800hrs & 2000hrs on Thursday, 24 th April, 2008, via the telephone. The numbers to call will be confirmed in the acceptance letter.
STARTING FEES	As stated above. Includes a programme and VAT. To be paid upon number collection at the Secretary's tent in Show Jumping area.

STABLING

Stabling is available locally at a charge of £20.00 per stable per night, including straw but not any other type of bedding material. Please bring your own non-straw bedding material. Apply for stabling in writing directly to the Horse Trials Office (see above) with the appropriate British Eventing stabling form and fees, making cheques payable to **B. Brenninkmeijer**. With the stabling form and fees, please enclose a DL sized (22cm x 11cm) self-seal, self-addressed envelope with the horse(s) name written on the back of the cheque. No stabling can be arranged after the closing date. **Do not send stabling forms or fees with the entries.** Some Bed & Breakfast accommodation with stabling is available on a first come first served basis, so please specify your requirements on the stabling form.

QUALIFIERS / SPECIAL CLASSES

Derby House Final Pony Trial. Advanced Under 25 class will incorporate a JUMP Savings Young Rider Trial. The EHOA Martin Collins British Intermediate Championship Qualifier. Shires Wales & West Midlands Eventers' League.

PRIZES & PRIZE MONEY

Pony Championship prizes will be provided by the Pony Sponsor, Derby House. The Horse Trials Support Group will be giving the £1000 of prize money to the first three placed competitors in the Advanced Under 25 section. A complimentary photograph will be offered to the winner of the Pony Championship section. Prize money will be distributed as follows, with rosettes up to 10th place.

Placing	Novice & Open Novice	Pony Championship	Intermediate & Open Intermediate	Advanced
1 st	£110.00	£170.00	£133.00	£281.00
2 nd	£99.00	£164.00	£122.00	£245.00
3 rd	£88.00	£157.00	£111.00	£210.00
4 th	£77.00	£151.00	£99.00	£174.00
5 th	£66.00	£146.00	£88.00	£138.00
6 th	£55.00	£140.00	£76.00	£102.00

DRESSAGE DESCRIPTION

Taking place on flat and level permanent pasture with a large warm-up area, which will be aerated if required, away from show jumping and cross country action and noise.

SHOW JUMPING DESCRIPTION

Within a large arena with an equally generous warm-up area, all the tracks will be up to height, straight forward and of medium technicality, reflecting the standard of the event in general. This phase takes place on flat and level permanent pasture, which will be aerated if required. "It was a treat to have such a wonderfully large show jumping arena with a large working in area" commented a competitor last year.

CROSS COUNTRY COURSE DESCRIPTION

Withington's three XC tracks are over undulating, well draining permanent pasture, which will be aerated if required. The courses offer excellent viewing and are up to height, solidly built and classified by competitors as fair but challenging. Built by Andrew Hunter, using solid, large timber, they make full use of the undulating terrain including woodland, ditches, steps and a water complex. As a result both horses and riders should be fit and bold. Frangible pins are used throughout the cross country phase on all suitable fences in all classes. Designer Eric Winter, will be undertaking some changes in all three tracks which will continue to reward forward and accurate riding. "It is a very nice track, the flow has been vastly improved and a sterling job was done with

the ground, considering that there has been no rain at all" commented a competitor. Another one summed up by saying "both the pony and my horse benefited from the experience of such a well constructed course on good going".

ACCOMODATION & CATERING

Hot & Cold refreshments are available throughout the event. A wide variety of trade stands will be on-site throughout the weekend.

SPECIAL NOTICES

ABANDONMENT

In case of abandonment please call +44 (0)1242 890 451 for a recorded message or +44 (0)7831 699 130.

ALL TERRAIN VEHICLES

Together with cars or any other motorised vehicle, will not be permitted on site except in the designed car parking area except those used by authorised officials.

DOGS

Must be kept on leads at all times

XC SCHOOLING

The course is open for schooling for a week after the event and during certain periods throughout the year. Please call the Organisers for further details.

EVENT

Withington takes place in an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty on an elevated part of the estate from where there are spectacular views of the surrounding countryside. A seating area will be provided in an elevated area within the cross country venue from which many of the jumps can be seen. One competitor reported last year: "It was such a privilege to be able to ride in flat dressage arenas with an impressive show jumping arena and a top notch cross country course at Novice level." One spectator wrote to say "You have such a wonderful setting and it is all so very efficient plus remarkable attention to detail. The dressage arenas were excellent and the show jumping ideal. Masses of space everywhere and yet not too far to walk".

LOCATION

Grid reference: SP018151. Withington is located between A40 (Cheltenham – Oxford road) and A435 (Cheltenham – Cirencester road) with easy access from M5 via A417 (Exit 11A). Please approach the event via A436 (Stow-on-the-Wold – Gloucester road), which intersects A40, A435 and A417, thus avoiding the southern part of Withington, which is not only narrow but also contains exceptionally sharp corners, making this route unnegotiable for horse boxes. Turn off A436 just west of Andoversford towards Withington itself and proceed to the village. The route to the event will be well signed from both directions off A436 close to the Withington turn off. The event website (<http://www.withington-manor.com/competitors> or <http://www.withington-manor.com/spectators>) has detailed directions from various major roads as well as a location map.