



Senior Home Nations | 22 - 24 September
International Team and Individual Championship

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Website: www.kelsallhill.co.uk | **Entries:** [Senior Home Internationals – British Dressage – Kelsall Hill](#)

Kelsall Hill Equestrian Centre, Middlewich Rd, Cheshire, Tarporley CW6 0SR

Classes

Friday 22nd September

Warm Up Classes

1. Novice 22
2. Elementary 45
3. Medium 69
4. Advanced Medium 85
5. PSG

Rosettes for the warmup classes will be awarded to minimum of 6th place.

Times for these classes will be posted on the Kelsall Hill website kelsallhill.co.uk on Tuesday 19th September. Sheets and rosettes will be available from the reception.

Saturday 23rd September

Team Championships (Day 1)

- 6a. Novice 23
- 7a. Elementary 53
- 8a. Medium 73
- 9a. Advanced Medium 91
- 10a. Advanced 105

Times for the team tests will be provided to the Development Officer's by Tuesday 19th September for checking and any errors/omissions and clashes must be resolved by Wednesday 20th September. It is the rider's responsibility to check times for any changes. Team Times will be displayed on the Kelsall Hill website. There will be no prize giving on Saturday for Team classes and riders will receive their sheets at the end of the day. These will be given to the Development Officer or Chef for distribution. Please do not go to the organiser.

Sunday 24th September

Team Championships (Day 2)

- 6b. Novice 37a
- 7b. Elementary 59
- 8b. Medium 75
- 9b. Advanced Medium 98
- 10b. PSG

Prizes: Rosettes to 10th place. Team Rosettes to 10th Place. Prizes will be awarded to 1st – 3rd in all classes. Sashes will be awarded to the winning team and the winning individuals on Sunday at the prize giving. Winners are decided on the combined scores over the two days. The prize giving will be no earlier than 45 minutes after the last competitor has finished their test.

Team Championship

- Teams will be selected in accordance with the Regional Team Selection Policy 2023.
- All scoring for team and individual competitions will be based on percentages as per rule 172 of the BD Members Handbook.
- Each team of 4 riders must comprise of the following levels: Novice, Elementary, Medium and 1 rider at either Advanced Medium or PSG level. Advanced Medium and PSG will be judged as one class for the team result.
- Each team of 4 will have a drop score on each day. The rider with the lowest percentage will be deleted from the team average.
- The following combinations are permitted:
- Novice, Elementary, Medium, Advanced Medium or PSG from Bronze, Silver or Gold combinations.
- Teams of 3 riders are permitted but must consist of 3 riders from different levels. All 3 scores will count. If a team drops to two members, they may still ride in the competition for individual placings. However, the competition is a team competition and they will not be eligible for team placings.
- Individual Championships will also be awarded at each level:
 - Novice
 - Elementary Medium
 - Advanced Medium
 - PSG
- The individual championships will be determined from the individual results in the team classes. Rosette's 1st – 10th and prizes awarded for riders placed 1st – 3rd.

Team Allocations

England – 24 Teams

- South & East Region 6 Teams
- North & East Region 6 Teams
- South & West Region 6 Teams
- North & West Region 6 Teams

Scotland, Ireland and Wales – 12 teams

- Scotland 4 Teams
- Ireland 4 Teams
- Wales 4 Teams

N.B. If the allocation for any region is not fulfilled the remaining teams may be allocated to other regions

Conditions of Entry and Qualification

As per Rule 172 and 174 of the British Dressage Members Handbook 2023. All riders must be full BD members with fully registered horses and must adhere to the BD code of conduct.

Riders must adhere to British Dressage Regional Selection Policy 2023 guidelines set down for team selection. For Horse and rider combinations that have competed at the BD National or Winter Championships (excluding Area Festival Championships) in the 12 months prior please see rule 172 & 174 of the BD Hand Book for eligibility.

Any riders found in breach of the selection policy may be eliminated. Any complaints must be advised to the Ground Jury immediately after the incident and no later than the end of the class.

Date	Event	Cut Off for Applications, Training & Results	Teams Verified	Teams Announced	Final Date to Order Clothing	Entries Close
22 – 24 September 2023	Kelsall Hill Senior Home Nations	20 August	25 August	30 August	8 September	15 September

Entry Information

Entries must be made via the Kelsall Hill online entry system using the link and password given in your selection email. You must also confirm your entry with your DO and complete the commentary form and return it promptly to your DO.

An indication of how many teams and individuals being sent from each region will be sent to the Regional Development Officers by the verified entries date 20th August. If all allocated places for each region are not taken up then they may be offered to the remaining regions.

Entry Fees: £78 for Team Tests (both days)
£25 for Classes 1 – 5 (warm up classes)

Please note that after the definite entry date **no refunds** can be made. Substitutions will be accepted after the close of entries.

Please ensure horses have correct passports and up to date vaccinations in accordance with BD rules. Passports will be checked prior to arrival for up to date Flu & Tetanus Vaccinations. No horses will be admitted to the stables without this.

Horse passports must be handed in to the office on arrival and with Chef d'Equipes by **15.00pm on Friday 22nd September.**

A post it note should be attached to the vaccination page AND the markings page to ease the process as vaccinations and markings will be checked against the horse

Please note that the Secretary will only deal with Chef d'Equipes and official Competition information will only be given to Chef d'Equipes or their nominated person.

Important Notice

All horses must be compliant with the Vaccination rule 11 of the British Dressage Members Handbook.

Stabling & Stable Manager

Stabling is on site; they are permanent and temporary stables; no shavings are supplied with your stable. You are more than welcome to bring rubber matting to put down in the stables.

Shavings and Hay/Haylage is available to purchase on site or you can BYO. Haylage is bought from Kelsall Hill Feeds, the contact number is 07734 831417.

Stabling will be available to purchase online via Horse Monkey, along with hook ups and shavings. Stable deposits and hook up deposits will be required upon booking the stables.

The deposit will be charged to ensure stables are returned to us clear of all bedding and your deposit will be returned to you when you check out of the stables as long as you meet our terms. This includes no damage and all bedding removed. The deposit will be collected from the office upon you leaving the stable, please do have a card with you or Apple pay. If the stable is left dirty or any damage the deposit will not be returned.

We operate a bare board to bare boards policy. To maintain bio-security we do not provide water drinkers in the stables. You will need to bring your own bucket to provide water for your horse in the stable. The stable areas do have taps for water. You will also need to bring all your own mucking out equipment including wheelbarrow, brush and muck fork. None of the above equipment is available for hire.

There is no turnout available with the stables.

Stables will be available from Thursday at 2pm, no admittance after 7pm unless booked through organiser.

It is really important for us to keep our livery yard clients happy. Having 'strangers' about creates concerns for security and biosecurity. Please respect their concerns and behave accordingly. Access to other yards, using their tools, barrows, helping yourself to their haylage or bedding is strictly forbidden. Anyone infringing these rules would be asked to leave immediately.

Please state if you are bringing a stallion and we will accommodate you.

Hook Up

Hook up is available for the duration of the show. This must be booked in advance with your entries and will be allocated on a first come first served basis. Passes will be issued and must be displayed in the windscreen of your lorry.

Lorry Park

There is ample parking for Lorries and a regional plan will be advised. Please note that vehicles requiring hook ups will be parked separately at the hook up points. Each DO / Chef d'equipe will be notified of their team's allocated parking spaces to coordinate. Please only park next to a hook up point if you have pre booked.

No horses allowed in the lorry park, except for loading and unloading and please follow the signs. Bridle numbers will be circulated in advance. All horses at all times must have a bridle number on. This is for your own safety and security.

Dogs

Kelsall Hill is Dog Friendly, but they **must be on a lead at all times** even in the lorry park and whilst walking. All dog droppings must be picked up. No dogs in the stabling area or arenas.

Arena Walks

These will be in the morning preceding the show Saturday and Sunday. Times for arena walks will be published with times. The arenas will be 'dressed' for the championships after the warmup classes and prior to Arena Walk.

Exercise of Horses

Please note that during the competition, no horses can be exercised in the allocated warm up arenas, apart from those who are actually preparing for riding their tests.

On Thursday and Friday outside of competing times the warm-up arenas will be available for those not competing to exercise their horses. Please see the notice board for details. Warm up arenas will be available PM on Thursday 21st September. Please check on the notice board for timings to ensure a steward is present.

Two bridle numbers must be worn at all times when mounted.

General Rules and Conduct

Normal BD championship rules apply and this competition is not under FEI rules.

No whips or commanders are permitted in team tests on Saturday and Sunday. Both whips and commanders are permitted for warm up classes on Friday.

No person but the competitor may school a horse from the saddle for the duration of the show and competitors may not enter a competition arena apart from organised familiarisation or competing.

In the interests of health and safety the directions of the stewards and Organisers must be followed at all times. Competitors and supporters are expected to conduct themselves in a manner befitting the nature of the sport and the spirit of the friendly internationals in line with the British Dressage Members code of conduct.

Team and individual results will be determined when each combination at each level has completed their test and the percentages have been calculated. The results will be notified to the regional representatives, and the test sheets will then be released and each rider will be given the opportunity to check their sheets. A period of 30 minutes after the test sheets have been released will be allowed for the riders to notify their regional representative of any issue or error and for the regional representative to report this to the scorers. If no issue has been raised within the given period then the published results will stand and cannot thereafter be challenged.

All competitors will be bound by the BD code of conduct and social media policy, please refer to Handbook.

Rude and abusive behaviour towards people and / or animals will not be tolerated and those in contravention of this will be asked to leave.

Emergency telephone numbers and contact numbers will be posted at the notice board.

Please note that some areas are designated judges/officials only. We would ask you to respect this.

Dress Code

Those selected to compete as team members are entitled to wear their nation's pocket badge (England, Ireland, Scotland or Wales – not the Union flag) on their competition jacket and saddle cloths for the duration of the Home International. Flags to be removed immediately after the competition. Flags must be fixed onto the left breast of the competition coat. Flags may also be worn on saddle cloths for the competition.

Chef D'Equipes

There will be a Chef D'Equipes meeting on Friday at 17.00 venue to be confirmed.

Contact details of all Chef D'Equipes should be sent by email to meg@kellsallhill.co.uk no later than the 4th September 2023.

Ground Jury

There will be a Ground Jury comprising a Senior Judge and Senior BD Officials to mediate and resolve any disputes. These must be raised by team Chef D'Equipes to the secretary promptly and before the conclusion of the class concerned.

Any riders found in breach of the selection policy may be eliminated. Any complaints must be advised to the Ground Jury immediately after the incident and no later than the end of the class.

Opening Ceremony

There will be an Opening Ceremony on Friday evening. It is compulsory that all riders and Chef D'Equipes must attend. There will be a prize for the best dressed team.

The opening ceremony will be followed by a welcome reception in the Café and Terrace and then teams are free to meet in their regions.

Prize Giving & Closing Ceremony

The Prize Giving and Closing Ceremony will take place approximately 45 minutes after the final test has been ridden on Sunday. All team riders are required to attend and should not make travel arrangements contrary to this. This will be unmounted, and all riders must be in full riding attire.

Entertainment & Catering

Food vendors will be open for 3 meals daily, the bar will be open from late afternoon onwards also daily.

Welcome reception Friday 22nd September (time TBC)

Drinks and Nibbles

Food vendors and the bar will open after the ceremony.

Please note that only alcohol purchased from the onsite bar may be consumed inside and, on the tables outside.

Saturday 23rd September

Evening entertainment to be organised within regions.

Food vendors and onsite bar will be open.

First Aid

There are on-site first aiders, please ask the secretary or anyone from the office should you require help.

Toilets and Shower Facilities

There are male & female toilets both with showers in the Equestrian Centre, which are open 24/7. Please treat them with respect and keep clean and tidy for the next person following you.

Security

Kelsall Hill is secured by gates which will open automatically between 06:00 and 22:00.

Please ensure that valuables are secured and that your vehicles remain locked at all times.

Vet / Farrier

Although not on site a Vet and Farrier will be on call - please however ensure that your horse / pony is well shod. Contact details will be posted on the notice board.

Photographer

There will be an official photographer onsite (Kevin Sparrow International Dressage Photographer).

If you do not wish to be photographed during the show please inform your DO.

Accommodation

A list of local accommodation can be requested if you email admin@kelsallhill.co.uk and the team can send across the list.