



Sunshine Tour Championships

Thursday 14th to Sunday 17th September

at **ALL ENGLAND JUMPING COURSE, HICKSTEAD**
West Sussex, RH17 5NU

COMPETITOR INFORMATION 2023

Gates open: Wednesday 13th September 4pm
Daily Opening Thursday to Sunday: 6am until 9pm
Event closes: Sunday 17th September 8pm

DIRECTIONS & ACCESS TO SHOWGROUND

Directions to the show: the showground is situated just off the A23 at the junction with the A2300.

Satnav use postcode RH17 5NU. Entrance to the showground for all COMPETITORS and grooms must be gained via the Horsebox Entrance only. DO NOT bring horsebox/trailers in the main entrance. We advise other SPECTATORS (cars only) to enter through the **main entrance**.

Email: info@sunshinetour.co.uk

Emergencies: Stable Manager's office 24 hours, Secretary's Office (near Ring 5) 7am - 7pm daily, emergency telephone 07904 898696. Vet & medic on site in competition hours.



ARRIVING AT HICKSTEAD



Please park where you are directed!!! Parking passes are issued on arrival. Display your parking pass in the front windscreen with your vehicle registration.

There are different areas for day parking, overnight and those with electric hook-up. Parking Personnel are there to help and you **must** follow their directions. Friendly warning: they can tow you away if you park in the wrong place!

Caravans and campervans require a special pass: you can purchase these at £20 per night on arrival or collect your pass if pre-paid.

Please note! **The only way you can park with friends is by arriving together**, parking spaces can't be reserved for others arriving later.

We have a lot of people to accommodate, you must park as directed by WH Security.

Disabled Parking: Please display a disabled parking badge in your vehicle and speak to Security / Parking staff about where to park.

VACCINATIONS: Vaccination for equine influenza is required. Horses/ponies must have up-to-date annual vaccination or have completed at least TWO initial vaccination injections. In either case, the last injection must not have been given after 6th September 2023.

PASSPORTS: If staying overnight you must present your passport to Stable Manager when claiming your stable. Day competitors must have passports available for inspection by Security or Stewards in lorry parking area. Not required at ringside unless requested.

Bicycles & scooters are not allowed on showground, but are allowed in stable field. Pushchairs / wheelchairs have access to all areas.

Good conduct: We are guests of Hickstead, please treat their property with respect and clear up litter and muck into appropriate bins.

Horse safety: NOT TO BE LEFT UNATTENDED at a horsebox or trailer at any time.

Dogs: Dogs must be on a lead and under control at all times. Please clear up all dog mess and dispose of properly in bins.

Water & Wash down: Available at the top of the Stable Field. Bring your own water containers, buckets, sponges etc.

WHAT'S WHERE

Map of showground available on Show Information page at www.sunshinetour.co.uk

Access to the iconic All England Jumping Course aka the Hickstead Showground is via the bridge at the bottom of the Stable Field.

REMEMBER!! WHENEVER YOU GO ONTO THE SHOWGROUND WITH YOUR HORSE/PONY, THEY MUST WEAR A BRIDLE OR PROPER IN-HAND HALTER (not just a headcollar) & BRIDLE NUMBER (can be on horse or on handler/rider).

The Stable Manager: At the top of Stable Field; **Secretary's Office:** between Ring 3 & Ring 5. Opening times 7.00am-7.00pm.

Competition Areas

Sand: Polo Arena: Dressage on Thursday, Friday and Saturday, Showing on Sunday.

'International Warm Up' Area : Warm up for Polo Arena and Mini Show Jumping on Sunday.

Ring 3A & 3B: Show Jumping on Thursday to Sunday. 3A is near end, 3B far.

Ring 4: Arena Eventing & Eventers Challenges on Thursday & Friday; Show jumping on Saturday & Sunday.

Grass: Ring 5A&B: Showing on Saturday & Sunday. 5A is top end, 5B bottom end.

Roger Stack Arena: Showing on Saturday, next to Ring 4

Warm Up: Various warm up areas on the showground. Follow directions and bear in mind your warm up may NOT be near your competition arena.

HORSES/PONIES MUST WEAR A COMPETITOR NUMBER ON THE SHOWGROUND

Merchandise, Photographer and Trade Stands Competitors Row (near to Polo Clubhouse) & Pavilion Parade (near Ring 5)

Catering Clubhouse next to Bunn Leisure Arena from 8am until 9pm daily (from 10am on Thursday). Also mobile catering, various places

First Aid Event Medics are on showground during competition hours. **Vet & Farrier** Vet on site, Farrier on call only.

Toilets Dick Saunders Pavilion, beginning of Competitors Row, Clubhouse and Stable Field

NO ACCESS AREAS

STRICTLY NO ACCESS TO HICKSTEAD MAIN ARENA, DON'T EVEN THINK ABOUT CLIMBING UP THE BANK. ELSEWHERE KEEP OFF THE GRASS WHERE DIRECTED. IF IT SAYS 'NO ACCESS' IT APPLIES TO YOU TOO!!

Sussex Equine Massage Therapy will be at Sunshine Tour 2023 to help your horse be at their best for competition.

Contact Denise to pre book your 30 min slot £30.00 (£35 on the day)

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STABLE OCCUPANCY & WHEN TO ARRIVE FOR STABLING

After you have parked, take your horse's passport and £10 DEPOSIT PER STABLE (correct money please) to the Stable Manager's office at the top of the Stable Field to book in. Please note you cannot reserve stabling in advance and you can only claim stables together if you have all the horses' passports to present at once.

If you are stabling on **Wednesday** night you can arrive NOT BEFORE 4pm and until 10pm. **Thursday** - you can arrive on-site from 6am and stables will become available during the day, subject to Stable Manager's permission. You must vacate your stable by Friday 5pm. Stabling on **Friday** night - you can occupy your stable from 6pm (could be earlier if stable available but not guaranteed) and you must vacate by Saturday 5pm. If you are staying on **Saturday** night you can occupy from 6pm and you must leave by Sunday 8pm. If you've booked for the duration then you can settle in and make your stable into your horse's home from home!

Day Stables & Occupancy of Stables: Day stables might be available to book on arrival, subject to availability. £25 per day. See the Stable Manager. Stables found occupied without authorisation may be locked and the persons responsible removed from the showground.

STABLING & OVERNIGHT INFORMATION

£10 CASH DEPOSIT FOR ALL STABLES ON ARRIVAL, TO BE COLLECTED ON DEPARTURE - PLEASE BRING CORRECT AMOUNT.

Stabling with Friends: If one person in your group claims all stables, you can stable together. Bring all horses' names and passports.

Mucking Out: All stables are DEEP LITTER. Please make sure your stable is **SKIPPED OUT** before you leave. Bring everything you need to muck your horse out, wheelbarrow / skip, fork, etc. Remember that you will also need water buckets, feed bowls, haynets, your grooming things, sponges, first aid kit and anything else you can think of.

Bedding, haylage and hay: You can bring your own bedding and hay or you may have already pre-ordered to collect on site. Limited amounts available to buy on site (cash only), but may sell out. Hay/Haylage £10 and Bedding: £12.50 on the day.

Stables: Stables usually have some leftover bedding in them. Please remember if you are in temporary stables that your horse may not be used to it, he/she may get colder than usual so bring some rugs as well as waterproof rugs in case it rains.

Water: There are water taps available at various places in the stable field. Please remember to bring water buckets for your horse.

Catering & Provisions: The Hickstead Shop is situated at the bottom of the stable field, opening hours vary. Clubhouse is by Polo Arena.

Safety & Security: There is 24 hour supervision with security patrolling at various times but we cannot take responsibility for things that go missing. Please make sure you keep your belongings safe, put your things away and lock up anything valuable.

Camping: you can have a tent up next to your lorry, **the maximum space is 3m**. Extra space can be booked, restrictions apply to electric hook-up slots and fire breaks. **Electric hook-up:** You must bring your own caravan-style electric lead. You are advised to bring a long lead (or even two) as you might not be right next to the generator. You must display your pass for electric hook-up (issued on arrival) and only hook up to one vehicle (you can't share one supply with all your friends!!) security have the right to pull your plug if you don't display your pass, or abuse fair usage. **Electric supply is available from approximately 5pm on the day of arrival until 5pm the following day.** Daytime supply may be restricted or turned off for a period for generator maintenance / fuel filling.

Showers & Toilets: Showers & toilets are situated at the top of the Stable Field and temporary toilets are at the bottom of the field.

Fire Safety: Small quiet generators are allowed. No open fires. Small enclosed BBQs are allowed. In the case of fire: immediately raise the alarm, contact the Stable Manager and tackle the fire with extinguishers situated on site.

Noise & Nuisance: noise in the overnight parking must be kept to a minimum & not cause nuisance between 10pm & 6am.

DECLARATIONS & PASSPORTS

You may be asked to bring your horse's passport to ringside or the Secretary's: this is only for identification and verification, you do not have to be the registered owner. Failure to present a passport, if requested, may result in not being able to compete or having to take part non-competitively (hors concours).

All competitors must declare to the steward at the ringside: that means you must check in with the ring steward, and 'declare' you are intending to compete on the day of the competition. You should declare as soon as you arrive at your ring or warm up area before the start of your test for dressage, round for jumping or class for showing. **PLEASE NOTE!!!!!! Check the Hickstead in Minutes for guidance of how long it can take to get to each ring.**

HEALTH & SAFETY & SECURITY

In emergency please contact the Show Secretary, the Stable Manager or phone 07904 898696.

Stable Manager & Security are on site 24 hours/day from Wednesday at 5pm, they will be happy to assist with any issues.

First Aid is on site during the hours of competition. **Vet** is on site at all competition times and on-call out-of-hours.

Hard hats Correctly fitting riding hat complying with current safety standards, and safe footwear must be worn whilst mounted, this includes exercising and warming up. Body protectors are strongly recommended for show jumping and compulsory for eventers challenge.

Lunging There is no lunging permitted anywhere on the showground including warm up areas.

Conduct General good conduct and safety must be observed and we reserve the right to enforce any rule to protect or maintain safety.

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WALKWAYS, WARMING UP AND EXERCISING

Access around the showground for horses is via walkways. **IN THE WALKWAYS YOU MUST NOT STOP; NOT HOLD HORSES; NOT TROT OR CANTER; NOT USE FOR PUSHCHAIRS OR BUGGIES.** Pedestrians are advised to use separate designated route. **BICYCLES & SCOOTERS ARE NOT PERMITTED ON THE SHOWGROUND (does not apply to Stable Field).** Pushchairs & wheelchairs can access all areas.

Some warm up areas are on grass **YOUR WARM UP AREA MIGHT NOT BE NEXT TO YOUR COMPETITION ARENA - ALLOW TIME TO GET TO & FROM WARM UP.** Please observe signs about warm up areas and who/what activity is allowed in each area on each day and the restrictions applied to number of horses at a time. Stewards may direct you to another warm up area if the one designated for your ring is busy. Strict limits will apply to sand warm up areas both in terms of time allowed before the competition and numbers allowed at a time.

You may only use warm up areas during competition times and for one hour prior to the competitions of the day starting (i.e. from approximately 7am Thursday & Friday, 6.30am on Saturday & Sunday). Strictly no access to competition arenas for general exercise at any time. No lunging in warm up areas. No riding in 'No Access' areas.

**NO STANDING
NO STOPPING
IN THE HORSE
WALKS!!**

CHAMPIONSHIPS, PRIZES & PRESENTATIONS

Each championship places to 10th. All ten placings are invited to the presentation, there are rosettes to 10th, sashes or medals for winner and reserves and goody bags awarded to 4th place. Supreme champions win a rug or jacket.

- * **Showing, Show Jumping & Eventers Challenge presentations will take place mounted in the arena at the end of the class.**
- * **Dressage presentations will take place after the class, unmounted in a designated area. Only correctly dressed riders will be allowed to be presented on the podium!**
- * If you cannot attend your presentation, you can collect rosettes & prizes from the Secretary **before the end of the show.** You can leave S.A.E. for dressage sheets, but rosettes & prizes must be collected.

If you win a rug or jacket 😊😊 you will be asked to fill in a form and the prize will be forwarded to you after the show. **Please allow at least 8 weeks** for the rug/jacket to arrive. We reserve the right to verify the eligibility of prize winners before or after awards are allocated. Those found to be ineligible to compete may be required to return prizes or to the value of allocated prizes and/ or have their Champion title removed.

VET & FARRIER & MEDIC

Mayer & Scrine Veterinary Practice & Event Medic Services are on site during competition hours and on-call out of hours.

Gregory Farrier Services are on call. **Contact the Stable Manager.** Payment to be made direct to attending vet/farrier at the time of visit.

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