PONY	Sport /Activity	Dressage	Date of Event	April - June 2023
PONY CLUB	Event	Ledbury Hunt PC Dressage Series 2023	OS Grid Ref	SO7919432008
Risk Assessments	Location	Gadbury, Eldersfield, GL19 4PP	What3Words	Curls.trying.regret

Hazard	Who might be injured?	Risk Controls (already in place)	Further Action Required	Allocated Person / Date	Completion Date and Initial
What is the injury? How can the injury occur?	E.g. people (members, volunteers, spectators, etc), animals, vehicles.	What is currently being done to prevent the injury occurring?	What more needs to be done?	Who is responsible for completing the action? What is the planned time frame for this?	Initial and date when action is completed
Event layout: Impact between vehicles, Vehicles vs pedestrians, Vehicles vs horses	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 Vehicle free area for pedestrians. Wide horse access route from lorry parking to arena. No-go vehicle areas, no-go horse areas where required by site occupiers (in front of green secretary hut and food eating area). Planned Horse Walks Horse transport (lorries/trailers) parked separately to cars. Adequate signposting/warnings on approach road. When driving around the site vehicles not to do more than 5mph. 	 Signs for vehicle free areas, horse free areas and car only parking to be purchased and displayed. During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored by pony club official. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.

Adverse weather conditions impacting rider or equine wellbeing: visibility, heat stroke, dehydration, hypothermia	 Visibility during an event may be impacted, guidance on what to do in these circumstances given in briefing prior to event. Hot temperatures could impact on the rider and equines welfare and health, parent/ guardian can ensure water available. Cold, wet, windy and rain can impact visibility, result in hypothermia. To mitigate riders advised of appropriate clothing for rider and equine alike, provided with warm drinks provided at intervals and monitored throughout event. Additional clothing/ dry clothing may be provided as necessary for rider or equine provided by parents/ guardians/ Event may cancel due to weather or ground conditions, if deemed unsafe to continue by organiser. Ground inspections take place before and during the event – particular attention to be paid to ground firmness - boggy area between the hedge near second junior roped arena. Hot and cold drinks to be sold at the event by Ledbury Hunt PC PFA for people to buy to cool down/warm up. 	 If hot warm-up arenas to be available in a place at Gadbury where shade is available Dressage judges to park cars in the shade if extreme sun/heat. Three external taps made clearly available to riders to get water for their horses, one by the main entrance to Gadbury, one near the pole barn and one by the water trough in hedge on the lefthand side of Gadbury – see map. 	nd event and on
		 Grit available to fill holes/divots located by the main gate entrance to Gadbury. 	

Slip or trip hazards from ground conditions or in officials' area	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 Ground conditions and any significant slip or trip hazards have been identified and removed or segregated. Any gazebo/ table/chairs will have footing and lines clearly identifiable to reduce trip hazard. Any fenced off areas must have rope which is highly visible and at an appropriate height so that people/riders don't trip over it. Green hut to have hazard tape applied to entrance to reduce trip hazard over the metal rail. Divots and rabbit holes in warm up areas and dressage arenas to have been identified and filled in. To be made clear in schedule and in the warm-up arena that no XC jumps are to be jumped – any XC jumps near this area are to be roped off or crossed off with flags. 	 During the event, ensure ground condition of dressage arenas and warm up arenas are monitored by appointed PC official. All involved will be informed of this at the pre- event briefing. Grit available to fill holes/divots located by the main gate entrance to Gadbury. Areas to be fenced off around unhitched trailers- these include all SJ trailers and trailers around the pole barn. Gates to junior arenas with XC jumps in to be shut off, so that warm- up does not take place in there. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
Crush or impact from use of mobile machinery.	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 Machinery must not be operated in close proximity to children or horses during the event. Machinery must only be operated by competent operators. All machinery must be operated in a clear working area. The control team will state when safe to use the machinery during an event. 	 During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.

Injury severity being increased due to slow or delayed first aid treatment.	Members, parents, guardians, officials, and pedestrians.	 Competent qualified first aiders will be present on the day of the event – Pauline Williams and Sophie Jones. The first aiders will have adequate amounts of the correct type of first aid provision – first aid kits to be in the green hut and the pole barn. Suitable medical helicopter landing areas are available. Site location identified by Grid Reference and What3Words. Mobile phone signal available. Nearest defibrillators are Pendock School, Pendock, GL19 3PW or Lowbands Telephone Box GL19 3NL. Gadbury map, risk assessment and details all displayed in the green hut and pole barn. Clear signposts into Gadbury off the Pendock road – B4208. 	 All emergency information including helicopter landing area, grid references, what 3 words and important numbers to be displayed in the green hut and pole barn. What three words signs need to be displayed on the three main external gate entrances to Gadbury. Gate padlock codes to be shared with committee/disciplin e team managers to the two other main gates into Gadbury around the far side, so emergency service vehicles can access through those gates if needed. 	PC appointed person	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
Losing someone on site	Members, parents, guardians, officials, and pedestrians.	 Event organisers and members parents will have contact information for all in their party. Site will be locked down and no entry/ exit will be allowed until search has been carried out. Activity will be suspended during search. Search to be carried out by PC Officials. Once lost person is found event activity can resume. In event lost person is not found, additional steps to involve emergency services and notify PC trustees/ management will be taken 	 During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored. Ensure all officials have walkie talkies/mobile phone signal which is working for easy communication and contact. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.

Equine: bio security: horses could become ill whilst at the event and need medical care	Horses and ponies	 All horses and ponies in attendance will meet the vaccination requirements of the Pony Club as per its current rules. A holding area has been identified if one is not vaccinated and needs to be isolated. Equines will be vetted out of the event if they are unwell and there is a health concern. This will need a vet sign off. Relevant veterinary advice will be sought based on the situation and need to ensure welfare of the equines at the event. Bio security will be in accordance with the current vaccination policy and in line with the health and safety rule book. Tarpaulin stored in green hut and pole barn if needed for an equine fatality in a labelled box. 	 During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored. Holding area to be set up prior to the event to the left of the main gate entry by the hedge before the first junior arena. Ensure all officials have walkie talkies which are working for easy communication and contact. 	PC appointed person to perform passport spot checks to identify an unvaccinated equine. PC appointed person to brief all PC officials on procedures in pre- event briefing.	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
			Three Counties Vets have a list of all dressage series event dates to be held at Gadbury for 2023.		

injuries from falls or g contact with horses. p	Members, parents, guardians, officials, bedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 It is the riders/handlers responsibility to ensure horse is under control at all times. Warm-up and dressage arenas are fenced on spectators are allowed within the dressa arenas whilst the competition is ongoing, unrider is injured and a spectator needs to attent the competitor or there is a lose horse and the competitor or there is a lose horse. Pedestrians stood in close proximity to hors be responsible for their own safety and the possibility of crush from hoof to foot contact. Pedestrians and handlers should avoid standirectly behind horses. Any horses that are known to kick must wear ribbon in the tail. Riders must always wear an approved riding when mounted in compliance with PC rules hat tags should be visible. Congestion building up with horses around entrances to the arenas must be monitored riders/handlers will be asked to move away create space. It is the parent/rider/handler responsibility to all horse tack is safe, sound, secure and fits correctly. 	off and ge less a nd to ne es must ding r a red g hat - pink and to ensure	 During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored. Stewards to perform tack and safety checks prior to competitors entering dressage arenas. This includes checking for hat tags. Hat checking and tagging needs to be available at the event, for any unchecked/tagged hats for PC members. Stewards to ensure that warm-up arenas are not overcrowded. If this occurs they need to ask riders to move arena or wait until nearer their test time to warm-up. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
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Impact or crush injury when using arenas/area facility and activity equipment.	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 Equipment to be checked before each competition as required – this includes making sure arena letters are securely in the ground and white boards are correctly placed around the arenas. Ensure that warm-up arenas and dressage arenas are appropriately roped off with high visibility tape and that competitors in the warmup arena can't interfere/enter the arenas that competitors are competing in. Spectators to stand outside the roped arenas. Ground conditions are monitored and are safe. 	 Any damaged equipment reported immediately and remove from use if required. PC officials will check the arenas and construction of these on set up of event, prior to activity and during the event. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
Impact and crush injuries from loose horses.	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 In the case of a loose horse, a warning of 'LOOSE HORSE' must be shouted and action taken immediately to prevent the horse escaping onto the road. When horses are not ridden, they are to be taken back to the transport or tied to a fixed point. All exterior gates must be kept closed at all times. Hedge and fence perimeters to be checked for gaps prior to event start and repaired if necessary to prevent a loose horse escaping onto the road. When not being ridden horses will be tied to a fixed point - this must be a lorry tie ring or a trailer tie ring. Trailers must be hitched onto a vehicle. 	 All attendees must be aware to attempt to prevent a loose horse reaching the road if a shout of 'LOOSE HORSE' is heard. During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored. PC officials to make sure that all exterior gates to Gadbury are securely shut prior to event starting – 5 gates to check in total (see Gadbury map). 	 PC appointed person and instructors/ coaches If possible, deploy a parking monitor to ensure main entrance gate is shut at all times. 	At set up of event and on the day of the event.

Injuries to young and inexperienced riders due to inability to control horse.	Members, parents, guardians, officials and pedestrians.	 Direct supervision as required – more needed for novice riders. Parent/ guardian/competitor must ensure the activity is suitable for the ability of the rider. Stewards/competitors and parents to seek assistance from PC official in the event of an accident. 	 Event organisers, parent and officials must ensure each activity is suitable for the ability of the rider. If it is looking like the rider is out of control, they may be asked to leave/finish the competition. Mobile phones charged and available. Emergency procedure in place. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
Official or emergency vehicles in pedestrian/equine only areas: <i>Impact</i> with pedestrians and horses	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 Limit number of vehicles, designated routes, designated pedestrian and horse movement areas. Emergency vehicles attending must be shown the correct access route and warned of the number of pedestrians on site. Issue all the emergency services with a plan of the facilities e.g. Access points, and vehicular access points. Impose strict speed limit (5mph) for vehicles moving around the site except for in an emergency/emergency vehicles. 	During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.

Impact or impalement injuries from contact with, fencing, stakes and roping	Members, parents, guardians, officials, pedestrians, and horses/ponies.	 All ring fence posts are to be an approved type with a large enough diameter to prevent impalement if a rider falls onto the post. Unprotected metal posts are not to be used. Rope is to be high contrast in colour to provide a good contrast against the background to make it visible. Rope/fence height to be adequate so people/horses can see them and don't fall over them. Fence posts to be secured adequately. All fencing to be checked prior to activity/event, including perimeter fences. This is to include looking for fallen trees onto fencing and gaps in fencing. 	 During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored. Any damaged fencing to be repaired prior to the event. 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
Injury from heavy lifting	PC officials	 Appropriate training to lift and move heavy items is provided to those who may carry out the task. Correct lifting procedures are always followed. Larger and heavy items are moved by appropriate machinery. 	During the event, ensure controls and compliance are monitored.	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.

Harm to an individual's rights, wellbeing and mental/ physical being	Members, parents, guardians, officials, and pedestrians	 The organisation has members of staff (Ellie Watkins) to support with safeguarding of all involved at our activities. The Pony Club Safeguarding policy outlines the processes which should be adhered to (<u>full details</u>). PC officials and all coaches/instructors who regularly come in to contact with members to meet compliance (DBS) checks. This is termed as regulated activity/ work and is covered in the <u>Safer Recruitment Policies</u>. Coaches level of supervision is determined by their qualifications. Event is carried out in line with Pony Club guidance. Members, parents, guardians, and officials adhere to the respective <u>Code of Conduct</u> and steps are taken should this not be followed. All measures identified in the <u>Health and Safety Rule book</u> are adhered to, including first aid and accident reporting. Members medical needs are identified through medical consent form and steps agreed with the parent/ guardian and nominated official to administer and store medication including record keeping. The organisations <u>Drugs and Alcohol Policy</u> is adhered to. 	 A named safeguarding lead is appointed at activities and is present. Monitor and ensure compliance 	PC appointed person and instructors/coaches	At set up of event and on the day of the event.
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Harm due to medical treatment of equine. Injury could be crush, cut, bruise and glancing blow.	Members, parents, guardians, officials, and pedestrians	 Local vets to have been alerted to the event – list of events in the series to be sent to Three Counties Vets. All incidents are recorded in line with The Pony Club procedures. First Aid Provision in place which is in line with the <u>Health and Safety Rule</u> book First Aid Matrix, attendees are aware of how to contact First Aid. A suitable location for the treatment of equines at the event has been identified prior to the event – to the left of the main entrance. Appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) is worn to aid treatment of the equine. Where necessary PPE meets the required safety standard. Treatment is only administered by/ with approval of the owner. The equine is handled during treatment by suitable 	per and ensure iance PC appointed person and instructors/coaches On the day of the event.

Risk assessment completed by:	Date completed:	Review Date:
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