

HSI Carriage Driving Committee
Notes from Meeting on 4th March 2010

Crystal Combination Class

The CC class will henceforth be confined to ponies of 11hh and under. Otherwise the rules will remain as is i.e. Section E only etc.

Pre Novice Class

A new PreNovice Class will be run at all HSI events.

This class will cater for new beginners or other pre-novices driving horses & ponies, single or pair.

The PreNovice Class will

- Drive the CDAI PreNovice Test (same as CC)
- Drive the full marathon, timed on all sections
- Allowed times will be increased i.e speeds reduced by 1kph less than Novice times
- Pneumatic vehicles will be allowed with a minimum wheel width of 125mm

The winner of the Pre Novice Class at the National Championships may not compete again at PreNovice level, even with a different horse / pony.

Age of Competitors

There will be no change to the age requirements for drivers or grooms.

Presentation

In all novice classes the scores for the Standing Presentation phase will be given double the present weighting to make presentation more influential on the overall outcome of the event.

Dressage Tests

The dressage tests to be used at HSI events for 2010 will be the same as those used in 2009.

CC & PreNovice - CDAI PreNovice Test No.1 1997

All Novice Classes - BHDTA Test No1 Novice 2008

Open Horse / Pony - FEI Test 7a

Pony Pair - FEI Test 10

Horse Pair – FEI Test 8b

Horse team – FEI Test 8a

Where a demand arises, FEI Test 9 will be offered at qualification events for Open Pony / Horse.

Lamps

Lamps will not be required on marathon or pneumatic vehicles in dressage or cones. They will still be required for standing presentation.

Pony Measurement

The heights of ponies will be measured at the National Championships.

High Performance

A separate HP committee meeting also took place.

An information evening will take place on 30th March to outline HSI High Performance plans for carriage driving under the Team Ireland Equestrian initiative. Drivers concerned will be contacted directly by HSI.

Events Update

- The Rademon event will now be a two day 'Fun Weekend' with full size dressage and cones courses. Contact Sara Clinghan (07968349856) for details.
- The Moy 2DE will now run on July 17/18.
- An extra ODE at will be held at Tandragee on Sat Sept 4th. Dressage may be run on the Fri evening if this suits travelling competitors
- Maura Reid is planning a Carriage Dog Trials/Funday possible for 5th Sept. More details later.