Thank you for entering the Area 14 Blue Cross Horse and Pony Care competition on 28th April 2024 at White Horse Liveries, Alton Barnes, Marlborough, SN8 4JZ.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all on Sunday.

IMPORTANT: ONCE YOU GET TO ALTON BARNES VILLAGE, PLEASE FOLLOW THE PC SIGNS NOT YOUR SAT NAV

Please follow the signs to park in the paddock in front of the school and then please follow the directions or the Parking Duty Parent down to the yard.

We are hugely pleased to have had so much support and so many entries and so we will have to run quite a tight ship with the timings. However it will only be timings we try and be strict on, everything else we aim to be as relaxed, welcoming and supportive as we possibly can!

Minis: Please arrive dressed and ready for a briefing at 9:25am promptly, before the competition begins at 9:40am.

Juniors: Please arrive dressed and ready for a briefing at 11:45am promptly, before the competition begins at Midday.

Seniors: Please arrive dressed and ready for a briefing at 1:45 promptly, before the competition begins at 2pm.

Prize giving will take place approx 30 mins after each competition finishes – the venue is not huge so we should hopefully all be able to keep well in touch with each other but there will be a white board up with timings/notes of relevance so please keep an eye on that. We aim to get the results published on Horse Events on Sunday evening.

Dress code for competitors can be found here: <u>https://pcuk.org/bluecross-horse-and-pony-care/</u> and please can each team bring a number bib with them with their **team name either printed or written in large clear print**. Just one bib between the team is fine but spares would be welcome just in case a team doesn't have one!

We will supply refreshments for the competitors during the break (drink and bickies/buns) but there is no catering. Please can you advise if your competitors have any dietary requirements.

Parents/Supporters: Unfortunately we can't accommodate spectators on the yard but we will have the hot water urn and gazebo up for you in the paddock behind the horse walker for you to make yourselves at home. Please bring your own chair and tea mug/travel mug. Tea, coffee, hot water etc and a loo will be available.

Alternatively there is a fabulous café a couple of hundred yards up the road and as long as you have left us your mobile number (or we have your Team Managers mobile number) we are very happy for you to leave the competitors with us while they are competing: <u>Honeystreet Mill Cafe -</u>

Please **no dogs** as there are other dogs and feathery livestock free ranging.

Any questions at all please let me know by email lauramoore1325@yahoo.com or phone 07811 123600. If you call on the day please be aware that signal can be patchy so you may need to try a couple of times.

We are very much looking forward to seeing you all on Sunday, stable management and the Blue Cross H&PC are one of the things that makes Pony Club so special and sets it apart from the other horsey organisations and we are so happy that you share the enthusiasm for it.

We hope your competitors will have a lovely time on Sunday showcasing their knowledge, learning some more and hopefully making new friends.

Best wishes

Laura Moore