

# **Officials Newsletter**

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## Welcome

Welcome to the latest edition of the Officials Newsletter, a publication designed to keep the Officials up to date with important notifications, Rule Changes and information to help you in your roles.

If you are aware of any of your colleagues who do not receive this newsletter, please encourage them to contact me on the details below.

May I thank you for your continued support and dedication to British Showjumping, it is greatly appreciated by all involved with the sport.

## Membership Renewal

Annual membership renewal for all Officials was due as of the 1st of January 2015. Membership fees for Non Jumping Officials is currently set at £21 and can be paid by contacting the membership department on 02476 698824 or by visiting Members Online.

It is important Officials pay for their membership to ensure they are covered and protected by our Rules, Regulations and Insurance Cover; failing to pay could result in no cover being in place.

#### **Outstanding Invoices & Expenses**

At the end of January, the Accounts Department are due to start the process to close the books for 2014.

To assist in the above process, all Officials, Area Representatives, Coaches & Suppliers are asked to submit any outstanding invoices or expenses that they may have for 2014. These need to be submitted to the relevant point of contact or to accounts@britishshowjumping.co.uk by the 27th of January 2015.

Invoices & Expenses submitted after the books are closed may cause complications with payment.

# Officials Training Events

British Showjumping are pleased to announce the following Officials Training Days that have been organised to update and develop our Officials: -

- Officials Training Day South West Badgworth Arena 14/02/2015
- Officials Training Day Midlands Brooksby College 19/02/2015
- Officials Training Day North Aintree EC 09/03/2015
- Officials Training Day East Houghton Hall 27/03/2015
- Officials Training Day South West Duchy College 23/04/2015

Training Days for the South East, Wales and Scotland regions are currently being organised and will be disseminated to all Officials once confirmed. Training Topics at these days include; British Showjumping updates, Course Walking, Scenarios, Computer Software training, Principles of Course Designing, Upgrade Exam preparation, Timing Training & a Q&A Session.

Further information regarding these training events, or for information on how to book onto these training days, please visit the <u>Officials</u> <u>Training Diary</u> or by contact Robert Massey-Ellis on the contact details below.

<b>Congratulations</b> British Showjumping would like to congratulate the following Officials on their recent upgrades to the following levels: -	<b>Obituaries</b> British Showjumping are sad to announce the recent passing away of Honorary Vice President June Nuttall.
<ul> <li>Fraser Carswell, Stuart Collins, Matt Lynch, Liz MacNab, Alex Mitchell &amp; Lizzie Ogle (Level 1 Course Designers)</li> <li>Tracey Hopkins &amp; Kathryn Megan (Level 1 Judges)</li> <li>Pauline Bloomfield, Sarah Hamilton &amp; James Harrison (Level 2 Judges)</li> </ul>	June was listed with British Showjumping as a Judge in the South West region for a numbers of years before being offered Honorary membership in recognition of her dedication and support to the sport of Showjumping.
<ul> <li>(Level 2 Judges)</li> <li>John Ormiston &amp; George Blackie (Stewards)</li> <li>Congratulations to all on their recent appointments.</li> </ul>	June will be sadly missed by all that knew her, and on behalf of all members, British Showjumping would like to pass on their condolences to June's family during this difficult time.

### Members Handbook 2015

Hopefully by now, all members will have received their 2015 Members Handbook. As previously mentioned, the rules and regulations in this handbook take effect from the 1st of February 2015.

An overview of the Rule Changes for 2015 is available to read on the notes from National Sport Committee meeting held on the 27th of November - <a href="http://www.britishshowjumping.co.uk/">http://www.britishshowjumping.co.uk/</a> files/NSC%2027%20Nov%2020141.pdf

An electronic copy of the 2015 Members Handbook will be available from the 23rd of January 2015 by clicking the link below: -

http://www.britishshowjumping.co.uk/membership/Member-Handbook-And-Rule-Amendments

Links British Showjumping Website	Myler Combination Bit Advice	<b>Upcoming Events</b> In conjunction with the Development Officers & Regional Official Mentors, British Showjumping are currently in the process of
Members Online	Members Handbook	organising the Officials Training Diary for 2015. Events that are being organised include: -
FEI Officials Website	Rule Amendments	<ul> <li>Regional Officials Training Days</li> <li>Regional Level 1 to Level 2 Judges Exams</li> <li>Level 3 Judges Assessment Days</li> <li>Course Designer Assessment Days</li> </ul>

Officials Contact Details	<u>Boot Rule</u>	
Officials Training Diary	Disciplinary Flow Charts	An email with further upgrade information will be sent to all Officials soon, however any Official who is interested in upgrading is asked to express an interest with Robert Massey-Ellis ASAP.

# **Stewards Recruitment & Training Day**

British Showjumping is about to embark on the next programme of training for Stewards and are currently inviting applications from individuals interested in this fast developing role. An induction day will be held at Meriden on the **5th of March** for all interested parties.

This voluntary role will involve attending British Showjumping Competitions where the Steward will be expected to act as a primary point of contact for British Showjumping Members, dealing with enquiries as required, whilst aiming to create a safe, fair and welcoming environment at showjumping competitions.

If you feel that you have the excellent communication and diplomacy skills that will be required to fulfil this role and would be interested in making a valuable contribution to the sport over the coming years, please contact Robert Massey-Ellis on the details below for info.

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