## WERC Competition Rules and Points System - 2020 Season

## **Background**

As a club we want to remain friendly, supportive and let everyone have a go at what they feel comfortable with, while trying to keep competition fair, giving members at all levels the chance to do well. We also encourage members to take the next step, thereby helping them to improve.

# **WERC Local Competition Eligibility Dressage**

#### Intro - Restricted Junior and Senior Sections

Open to horse/pony and rider combinations who have not had 2 or more wins at Intro or above at WERC competitions or have not won a WERC dressage awards title in a previous season.

#### Intro - Open section

Open to all horse/pony and rider combinations. This section is aimed at those who are no longer eligible for the restricted section but want to ride an intro test, for example experienced riders with young or rehabilitating horses, junior riders wishing to qualify for Trailblazers at Intro level, riders wanting to build confidence.

This is a combined Junior and Senior section.

## **Prelim – Elementary**

There are no formal eligibility criteria for these classes, however, we encourage riders to compete at the level appropriate for their current level of ability. WERC awards split into junior and senior riders.

## **Show Jumping**

Class 1 Mini Stakes - Jumps not to exceed 30cm

This class is aimed at nervous and beginner riders

WERC awards split for lead rein and just off the lead rein

Class 2 Nursery Stakes - First round 40 - 50cm

WERC awards split into junior and senior riders

Class 3 New Hooves - First round 50 - 60cm

WERC awards split into junior and senior riders

Class 4 Novice Hooves - First round 60 - 65cm

WERC award will be combined for all riders

Class 5 Novice - First round 70 - 75cm

WERC award will be combined for all riders

Class 6 Intermediate - First round 80 - 85cm

WERC award will be combined for all riders

Class 7 Open - First round 90 - 95cm

WERC award will be combined for all riders

#### Points system

Points for the 2019 / 2020 season start on 11th November 2019. Points are awarded to all WERC members that take part in dressage, show jumping and showing competitions.

1st - 7 points
2nd - 6 points
3rd - 5 points
4th - 4 points
5th - 3 points
6th - 2 points
all unplaced competing members 1 point

Points are accumulated per horse/pony and rider combination, per class over the season. Where there is a tie for places at the end of the season, the horse/pony rider combination with the greatest number of wins will take the higher place.

WERC points competitions are run as part of S&G Equine competitions. This gives the benefit of WERC members being able to compete without the club receiving any of the costs associated with organizing competitions.

One or more competitions may be designated as "double points" competitions at the discretion of the organizer (S&G Equine).