



## **Stallion Parades**

Sports Horses – Thursday 26 August, Native Breeds – Friday 27 August

Blair Castle International Horse Trials and Country Fair is delighted to be putting on two stallion parades at this year's event. Taking place in the dressage lunch breaks, the parades offer a chance for stallion owners to showcase their horses. Stallions taking part will be publicised in the official event programme and on the event website, and stud cards can be displayed in information office at the event.

There is no entry fee for the Parade, but numbers on each day will be limited. If oversubscribed, preference will be given to stallions based on their own and their progeny's competition records. There will be no on-site stabling available for the parade.

Sports Horses (and specialist sports pony stallions) will parade on Thursday. Native Breeds (including Riding Ponies/Hunter Ponies under the NPS banner) will parade on Friday. The NPS Scotland Finals on Friday will be co-ordinated to allow entered stallions to attend the parade without missing classes.

### **RULES AND GUIDELINES**

#### **ELIGIBILITY**

In order to take part in this Stallion Parade or be listed in the catalogue a stallion must be either:

- (i) currently graded /approved/licenced for breeding with a UK studbook OR
- (ii) has been graded/approved/licensed by any WBFSh member studbook

Stallions that are approved for breeding in any other studbook or section of a studbook and who have competed successfully may also apply to take part in the parade and decisions on eligibility will be made on an individual basis. Owners with any queries should contact the organizers to discuss their stallion.

#### **PARTICIPATING STALLIONS**

All stallions taking part must be ridden unless they are old, permanently unsound or are young stallions that have not yet been backed (i.e. 3 year olds), in which case they can be shown in hand and on the lunge. There will be no exceptions to this and they may not be shown loose or loose jumped or jumped on the lunge. In the event of oversubscription, priority will be given to ridden stallions.

#### **PARADE FORMAT**

The parades will take place during the lunch breaks of the three-day event dressage, in the main arena, and will last approximately 20 minutes. Participants will be required to trot around the outside of the arena in a given order, as they are introduced by the commentator. Once all the stallions have been introduced, riders may break away from the given order and

work their horses individually, providing they remain outside of the dressage boards. A couple of jumps will be provided to enable those that wish to jump.

## **PRESENTATION**

Both stallions and riders/handlers should be turned out to competition standard, with riders in tweed or black jackets. All riders must wear a crash hat to current British standards, with the chinstrap fastened.

## **ENTRIES**

Entries must be made on the official entry form and sent to:

Blair Castle International Horse Trials and Country Fair, Atholl Estates Office, Blair Atholl, Perthshire, PH18 5TH, to arrive no later than 2 August.

Each entry must be accompanied by:

1. A short commentary of no more than 100 words per stallion - if desired, further commentary notes can be provided which will be read if time allows.
2. Photograph(s) of the stallion, which should be emailed as a jpg or tif file to [info@blairhorsetrials.co.uk](mailto:info@blairhorsetrials.co.uk), for inclusion on our website if space allows. Please ensure you have copyright, and provide details of photographers if they should be credited.

Exhibitors will be sent three complimentary passes per horse.

## **PUBLICITY MATERIAL**

Details of each stallion will appear in the official event programme and on the event website. Stallion owners are welcome to provide leaflets/stud cards which can be displayed free of charge at the event Information Area – in order to ensure maximum publicity, these should be posted in advance, but may also be brought to the Information Area on arrival at the event.

## **DECLINING OF ENTRIES**

The organisers may at their absolute discretion decline any entry, or exclude or remove any person or animal from any evaluation without being required to assign any reason or being liable for any compensation.

## **TIMINGS**

Parades will take place at approximately 1pm each day – exact times will be confirmed when entry passes are sent out.

## **DANGEROUS BEHAVIOUR OF HORSES**

If any horse or pony taking part in this parade is deemed by the organizers to be at any time behaving in such a way as to endanger the safety of any person, animal or property or any part of the venue where the parade is being held, including all stabling areas, working in arenas, horsebox parks and public areas, the organizers reserve the right to require the exhibitor or his or her representative to remove the horse from the venue immediately.

## **STABLING**

There is no stabling available for parade stallions, unless they are otherwise competing at the event and have competition stabling booked. Local stabling may be available but must be independently arranged, please ask for details of possible providers.

## **INSURANCE**

All owners and exhibitors are personally responsible for damages to third persons caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their horses. It is a requirement that they have in force current third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in this parade.



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Entries close Monday 2 August 2010. Please complete one form for each stallion, and send to Blair Castle International Horse Trials, Blair Atholl, Perthshire, PH18 5TH.

<b>Stallion Name</b>		Reg. No.	
Studbook of Origin		Graded/approved by	
Colour	Height	DOB/Year	
Competition Discipline(s)		Level(s) of Competition	
Stallion to be presented ridden or in hand?			
Sire		Breed & Reg. No.	
Dam		Breed & Reg. No.	
Dam Sire		Breed & Reg. No.	
<b>Standing at:</b>		<b>Owner (if different):</b>	
Stud address & phone:		Owner address & phone:	
Email:		Email:	
Website address:		Website address:	
<b>Rider/Handler Name:</b>			
Email & phone:			

**Commentary Notes:** please provide max 100 words in the space below, which will be read during the initial parade. Further notes may be written overleaf, but will only be read out if time allows, so put the most important information here!