

Hi All,

We are pleased to welcome you to our 2017 team friendly competition. We are very lucky to be able to use Onley Grounds Equestrian Complex for our competition and we would be grateful if everyone could respect the facilities at all times.

Those of you that have competed at Onley before are aware that there's no excess space in the arena and therefore trainers, managers and parents are not allowed in the arena (apart from the lead rein's). The exception to this is one parent from each team to steward their heat and one parent from each team to do equipment for their heat. Please do not steward your own team.

We will have a medic in attendance; please could you advise all parents that in the event of an accident, no one must enter the arena apart from the Chief steward and medic.

Please note that parking will be tight as there will be so many horse boxes so please park as close as possible. Ponies are NOT allowed to be tied up to the side of lorries.

For those who haven't already done so, I would be grateful if you could email the completed declaration forms back to me before the competition. If you are unable to do so then please find me before your team competes and hand it to me tomorrow.

There will be a brief tack check before each team competes, I have already emailed details of tack check times.

Onley has a superb cafe and facilities, we hope you make use of these and have a wonderful day.

We have already received some questions about a couple of games and we would like to clarify the following:-

### **Tack Shop**

The 4 items to be put in the tack tray are:

- a tin of brasso metal polish
- a rubber curry comb

- a tail bandage (rolled up and taped)
- a regular size dandy brush

The items can be placed in the tack tray in any order. The 5th member handing out the equipment may use both hands. They can place one hand under the tack box to steady it and put the item in with the other hand. They must not hold the tack box down and they must be behind the bin at all times within reason.

#### **Litter** -

The six litters will be placed 3m beyond the changeover line in the circle. 3 will be facing up the arena and 3 will be facing down. The rule book does not specify which litters should be facing which way. We usually face the first 3 down the arena and the second 3 up the arena but that is down to individual teams.

#### **Lead Rein** -

Novice riders do not have to be on the lead rein, someone can run next to them.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. Our Official Stewards (Charmayne Healey for Seniors and Juniors and Dave Leese for Lead Reins) will also be able to answer questions on the day. Please respect our Official Stewards at all times, their decision is final.

We're looking forward to seeing you!