

# Cambridge and West Suffolk Driving Club Le Trec 2011

Date:- Sunday July 10<sup>th</sup> 2011

## Overall aims of the Day

- To have a very enjoyable day
- To have a safe day
- To check on readiness for the day's driving
- To test members' skills

Carriage Driving Le Trec has, as yet, no agreed systems, methods or standards, but for this event it is intended that the day will allow drivers to demonstrate that they are able to :-

- prepare their horses, harness and equipment appropriately for driving both off and on road
- drive a cross-country course within an allotted time, and
- drive and manage a series of challenges that will test drivers' skills and horses' manoeuvrability and control.

## Sections:-

### A) The Standing Presentation

This will include examination of :-

- The horse
- The harness and its fit
- The vehicle
- Driver's and Groom's Clothing
- Assessing the time to be allocated for the Drive
- The carried spares kit \*

To ensure that they are safe and appropriate

(\* this will be done before your presentation before you put to)

Mark sheet marks to be allocated between the sections listed above

**Marks 50**

**(Made up 25 presentation - 25 spares kit)**

## B) A 9 Kilometre Drive plus a 1 Kilometre observed walk

The drive will be according to a mapped route available to competitors.

It will be timed and should be completed within a given **time window** allocated according to whether the turnout is a pony or a horse (this will be decided at the presentation)

Time penalties - **minus 1 point for each 30 seconds over or under the allocated time**

There will be a list of 6 items to watch out for en route - you will score marks for 5 of these (i.e. there is a spare one), this list of observed items is to be made and each recorded on the map to demonstrate that the correct route has been followed.

**5 Marks for each item noted** around the course  
(i.e. miss a marker = minus 5 marks)

**Marks 25**

An observed 1 kilometre walk will be added at the end of the drive

**Maximum Time 10 minutes**

Marks deducted for

- breaking from the walk minus 5 marks per occasion
- coming in over time minus 1 mark for each 30 seconds

**Marks 25**

## C) Encounters Section

This section is set to test the ability of the driver to control their horse whilst driving through a series of 5 “encounters” which might be experienced whilst driving in the country and town.

- Parts of the course may be walked prior to the skills event starting
- The timed obstacle can be walked pre-event and will be separately timed at entry and exit.

**Marks 50**

**TOTAL MARKS POSSIBLE 150**

## Spares List (advised)

ID Information - On Horse Harness  
- On Driver and Groom

ID in Spares box  
- Passport (Photocopy acceptable)  
- Horse details  
- address  
- phone number  
- Own vet number  
- Pencil paper

Hole punch

Knife

Head Collar on turnout

Lead Rope spare

Spare Trace

Spare Rein

Wire cutter

Telephone to be carried by Driver or Groom

A Length of Cord

Hoof pick

Spare Hame strap or Trace carrier or equivalent

Fly spray

Body brush

Folding Saw

First aid kit - Human

Vet Wrap/Bandage

Animal Lintex or dressing equivalent