



THE BELVOIR FOXHUNTER RIDE

Kindly Sponsored by **Belvoir Equine Veterinary Services and Dental Services Ltd.**

at Highfield Farm Long Clawson LE14 4NG

Sunday 19th November 2023 (after MHC Ride)

Belvoir Foxhunter Ride

About 2.5 miles with approximately 20 fences against an Optimum time at a good hunting pace being a traditional cross country ride across stunning Belvoir Hunt country. There will be a section in every fence that is no larger than the average size fence you would encounter on a day's trail hunting in that area, so the Foxhunter Ride is suitable for those who wish to have a pleasant ride across country at their own pace on a FIT horse, as well as those who wish to compete for the prizes.

- Belvoir Foxhunter Ride will follow shortly after the Melton Hunt Club Cross Country Ride
- The results for the Foxhunter Ride are set against a Bogey time and therefore stopwatches are not allowed in the foxhunter class. Prizes (in Kind).
- There will be minimal flags on the course to allow you to pick your own route from flag to flag, therefore the course must be walked thoroughly so that you know which options are available to jump.
- Entry fee for the Belvoir Foxhunter Cross Country Ride is £60 (Late entries incur a £15 surcharge)

Conditions of Entry for the Belvoir Foxhunter Ride

- Booking closes Monday 6th November 2023 or earlier if the event is FULL.
- Declarations close at 12.00 noon on 19th November.
- Riders will be required to sign a disclaimer on declaration. Members who participate in the main race and foxhunter class do so entirely at their own risk. The organisers, landowners whose kindness makes this event possible, Melton Hunt Club or Belvoir Hunt do not accept liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, vehicles, contents or accessories or any other person whatever, whether caused by negligence or in any other way.
- All riders must carry Third Party Insurance for not less than £5m. It is strongly recommended that all participants also have Personal Accident Insurance. The Melton Hunt Club, Belvoir Hunt and organisers of this event are not legally responsible for riders.
- Members taking part are particularly reminded that horses **should be fully fit to run** over the 2.5 to 3 mile courses before being entered and may be subject to a veterinary inspection.
- Everyone taking part in either ride must walk the course before taking part. There will be minimal flags on the course to allow you to pick your own route from flag to flag, therefore the course must be walked thoroughly so that you know which options are available to jump.

- It is compulsory for all those mounted at the event (including grooms and helpers) to always wear crash helmets to current recognised Safety Standards – such hats must not have a fixed peak. These are the current standards: British All PAS015 2011 with kitemark; VG1 01.040 2014-12 with either a BSI Kitemark or a Inspec IC Mark; All ASTM F1163 2004a or 04a with SEI mark; SNELL E2016 with Snell label and number, or Australian and New Zealand All AS/NZS 3838 2006-onwards hats. Hats will be identified by a BTC, BE, BRC or Pony Club approved hat tag and will be checked on declaration.
- All competitors must also wear a British Equestrian Trade Association (BETA 2009) approved and appropriately labelled Level 3 (purple label) body protector, manufactured in the year 2009 or after. A body protector of this nature is also required when competitors are wearing air jackets of any make.
- All horses being ridden at the event, including riding in exercise areas, must be ridden in a bridle.
- Printed numbers WILL be provided on declaration; however each participant will need to provide their own British Eventing style number bib.
- The Stewards' decision will be always final. The Stewards' have the right to disqualify any rider whom they deem guilty of 'unsportsmanlike conduct', ridden in a dangerous or inconsiderate fashion or behaved in any manner inappropriate and maintain the right to ask any rider to stop during both rides if the horse is considered unfit to continue for any reason. The decision is final.
- Minimum age to compete is 16 years old.
- A whip may be carried for either ride but can only be used to slap down neck in forearm position, with both hands on the reins. The stewards hold the right to disqualify any rider who does not adhere to this rule.
- All entrants must be members of the Countryside Alliance and will be required to provide their membership number.
- The committee does not guarantee that the course will be free from wire but every effort will be made to take it down wherever possible
- There will medical and veterinary facilities on site.
- Full instructions will be emailed to all entrants prior to the event.
- The course will be ready to walk on 12 November and the course map will be added to the Melton Hunt Club website on the 11 November for downloading.
- By entering this event, I have read the above rules and agree to abide by them while accepting all liability for competing in the Belvoir Foxhunters Ride on Sunday 19th November 2023.

All entries online via MHC website <https://melton-hunt-club.org.uk>

REFUND POLICY In the very unlikely circumstances that we cancel the event then all monies will be refunded except for a £5 admin charge. Entrants can cancel their own entry for a refund up to the date entries close. No refunds are available after entries close.

CONTACT DETAILS

Please contact the Belvoir Hunt Secretary 07487 505266 secretary.bh@bh-mail.co.uk for further details, and contact the organiser chairman@mhc-mail.co.uk for further information about payments.