



Dressage Schedule 2026

Carleton Riding Club is affiliated to British Riding Clubs, residing in Area 14.

We promote a friendly, competitive atmosphere and encourage you to reach your individual equestrian goals.

- Venue:** Easton College, Dunham Road, Easton, Norwich, Norfolk, NR9 5GA
- Dates:** 19th April, 24th May, 14th June, 19th July, 20th September, 18th October
- Entry fee:** Members £14.50 per class, non-members £18.50 per class, first aid £4.00 per rider
- Entries:** Please enter through the website www.myridinglife.com. You will need to register as a competitor. This is the only method of entry for dressage. Entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis. Please ensure you enter promptly to avoid disappointment. If the show becomes full before the closing date, the entries will close in advance of the published date.
- Sections:** Junior and senior sections will run in all classes regardless of numbers.
- Times:** Times will be published on the Carleton Riding Club Facebook page by 8pm on the Friday prior to the show at the very latest.
- Numbers:** A number MUST be worn, however unlike the current BD rulebook, it is NOT mandatory to wear a number on both sides of your horse/pony at our unaffiliated dressage shows. Please do ensure you wear at least one number either on the bridle or saddle cloth, to ensure no penalty is deducted from your score. The number is hugely important to the smooth running of the shows.
- Judges:** Where possible, we use British Dressage Listed Judges. When this is not possible our judges are either experienced competitors and/or unaffiliated judges. THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL.
- Scoring:** Scoring will take place in the café. Please respect the need for the scorers to work undisturbed and refrain from interrupting when they are busy.
- Eligibility:** Riders are asked to enter classes appropriate to the combination's ability and experience. Riders underestimating their horses' ability may be asked to consider completing the test HC and entering the next appropriate class. Competitors are

classed as a junior for the whole season if they are under 18 on 1/1/26. Jackets must be worn; gaiters are permitted, as are leather half chaps in black or brown.

DR Tests: All dressage tests (excluding the Walk & Trot long arena test), are current British Dressage tests. Test sheets are available from British Dressage- www.britishdressage.co.uk . The Walk & Trot long arena test is available from Rebecca Martin by email and is published on the clubs Facebook page.

Disputes: In all cases of dispute, a written protest should accompany a deposit of £10.00 and be delivered to the duty committee member before 1pm on the show day, otherwise the protest will not be considered. The duty committee member shall as soon as possible after receipt, give notice of the protest to the Committee members present and if possible decide the case before the conclusion of the show; otherwise, it will be referred to the Committee for later determination. In either case, the decision shall be final. The deposit of £10.00 will be forfeit save in the event that the protest is upheld. When the protest has been determined all parties shall be notified of such determination.

Withdrawing: Entries close at midnight on the Tuesday prior to each show. If you find yourself in the unfortunate/disappointing position of needing to withdraw, you must email CarletonRCMRL@gmail.com before the times have been published for either a refund (less transaction fees) or a transfer to the next consecutive dated show. Refunds or transfers will NOT be offered once the times have been published. You may offer your entries for sale on the Carleton Riding Club Facebook page. Please email any changes to the above email address.

Results: Usually, a score board will be available for viewing in the café. Please do not linger around this area after you have viewed your score. Sheets and rosettes will be available approx. 30 mins after each class has completed. If you are riding a second test under the same judge, your sheet from the first class will be available after you have ridden your second test.

Prizes: Rosette's 1st to 6th in each class for each section (junior and senior).

Leagues: Leagues will run for both junior and senior sections of each class D2-D8. There will also be an overall league which will incorporate results of the show jumping.

Warm up ring etiquette

Carleton Riding Club is very aware of health and safety and as such instructors / grooms / helpers are not permitted in the warmup ring. This is consistent with BD rules. Helpers are welcome to stand behind the rails and provide encouragement and instruction provided this is carried out discreetly and does not interfere with or distract fellow competitors. Please pass each other left shoulder to left shoulder to avoid incidents. If you are in walk on the track, please give way to all riders in trot and canter (this is the only time the left-to-left rule is not observed). Please be polite and obey the instructions of the warmup ring steward- they are present as a volunteer to ensure the show runs

smoothly. If you do not obey our official volunteers, you will be asked to leave the show ground immediately and will not be permitted to compete.

Warm up is on a surface in the outdoor arena. Lunging is not permitted in the competition warm up area. However, lunging may be arranged with prior permission directly from Easton College, in another area.

Sunshine Tour Qualifiers

All Short Arena and Elementary Long Arena classes will run as qualifiers for the Sunshine Tour Championships at Hickstead Qualification dates are between 1st January and 31st July 2026. Further information on how to register and qualify can be found at [Qualification & Registration – Sunshine Tour Championship](#)

Show Dates and Tests (2025)

Date	D1A	D1B	D2	D3	D4	D5	D6	D7	D8
Arena Size	Short Arena	Long Arena	Short Arena	Long Arena	Short Arena	Short Arena	Long Arena	Long Arena	Long Arena
Further Details			Restricted/ Open Sections	Restricted/ Open Sections	Open %	Open	Open	Open	Open %
19 th April	Intro 2 (2024)	CRC W&T (2021)	Prelim 2 (2024)	Prelim 4 (2024)	Prelim 1 (2024)	Novice 1 (2024)	Novice 4 (2024)	Elem 4 (2024)	Elem 5 (2024) Med 4 (2024) Adv Med 3 (2024)
24 th May	Intro 1 (2024)	CRC W&T (2020)	Prelim 1 (2024)	Prelim 5(2024)	Prelim 4 (2024)	Novice 2 (2024)	Novice 5 (2024)	Elem 5 (2024)	Elem 6 (2024) Med 5 (2024)

									Adv Med 5 (2024)
14th June	Intro 3 (2024)	CRC W&T (2021)	Prelim 3 (2024)	Prelim 6 (2024)	Prelim 2 (2024)	Novice 3 (2024)	Novice 6 (2024)	Elem 6 (2024)	Elem 4 (2024) Med 6 (2024) Adv Med 6 (2024)
19th July	Intro 4 (2024)	CRC W&T (2021)	Prelim 1 (2024)	Prelim 4 (2024)	Prelim 2 (2024)	Novice 1 (2024)	Novice 4 (2024)	Elem 4 (2024)	Elem 5 (2024) Med 4 (2024) Adv Med 3 (2024)
20th September	Intro 1 (2024)	CRC W&T (2020)	Prelim 2 (2024)	Prelim 5 (2024)	BE92 (2009) BE106 (2012)	Novice 2 (2024)	Novice 5 (2024)	Elem 5 (2024)	Elem 6 (2024) Med 5 (2024) Adv Med 5 (2024)
18th October	Intro 2 (2024)	CRC W&T (2021)	Prelim 3 (2024)	Prelim 6 (2024)	BE94 (2023) BE102 (2010)	Novice 3 (2024)	Novice 6 (2024)	Elem 6 (2024)	Elem 4 (2024) Med 6 (2024) Adv Med 6 (2024)

Guidance on entering the D1 (A&B)

Combination not to have scored 67% or more in any dressage test on more than two occasions. Normal riding bit, martingale and lead rein allowed. Intended for nervous riders, those trying dressage for the first time or a young horses' first test. Riders affiliated to British Dressage may only enter this class HC.

Restrictions for D2 (A&B) and D3 (A&B)

Horse/pony to have no British Dressage or British Eventing points (inc. BE Foundation Points as at 01/01/25 and/or combination not to have won more than two Prelim classes (unaff or aff) prior to 1/1/26 with a percentage of 67% or more. If you do not specify which section on your entry you will be automatically entered into the open section.

**We hope you enjoy competing with us.
Thank you for supporting our club.**

ALL COMPETITORS MUST FAMILIARISE THEMSELVES WITH THE CLUB BYE-LAWS AVAILABLE ON THE WEBSITE- www.carletonridingclub.co.uk