



# PONY CLUB POLOCROSSE ARENA TOURNAMENT

23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup> April 2022

To be held at Dallas Burston Polo Club, Southam, Warwickshire, CV47 2DL

## Division Details

It is intended that each division will play 3 x 6 minute chukkas and to run the tournament in sections.

If entry numbers permit, it is the intention of the organisers to try and split the divisions into “novice” and “experienced” sections to ensure that players play against players of a similar standard and have an enjoyable weekend.

**Senior Division** – Players of any age, horses 138cms and over

**Junior Division** – Players 15 years and under on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022, horses any height

**Mini Division** – Players 12 years and under on 1<sup>st</sup> January 2022, horses 138cms and under

## Schedule (subject to change)

Friday	3.00pm	Camping grounds open
Saturday	8:00am	Player and team representative briefing in campsite
	9:00am	Play commences
Sunday	9:00am	Play commences
	4:00pm	Prize giving

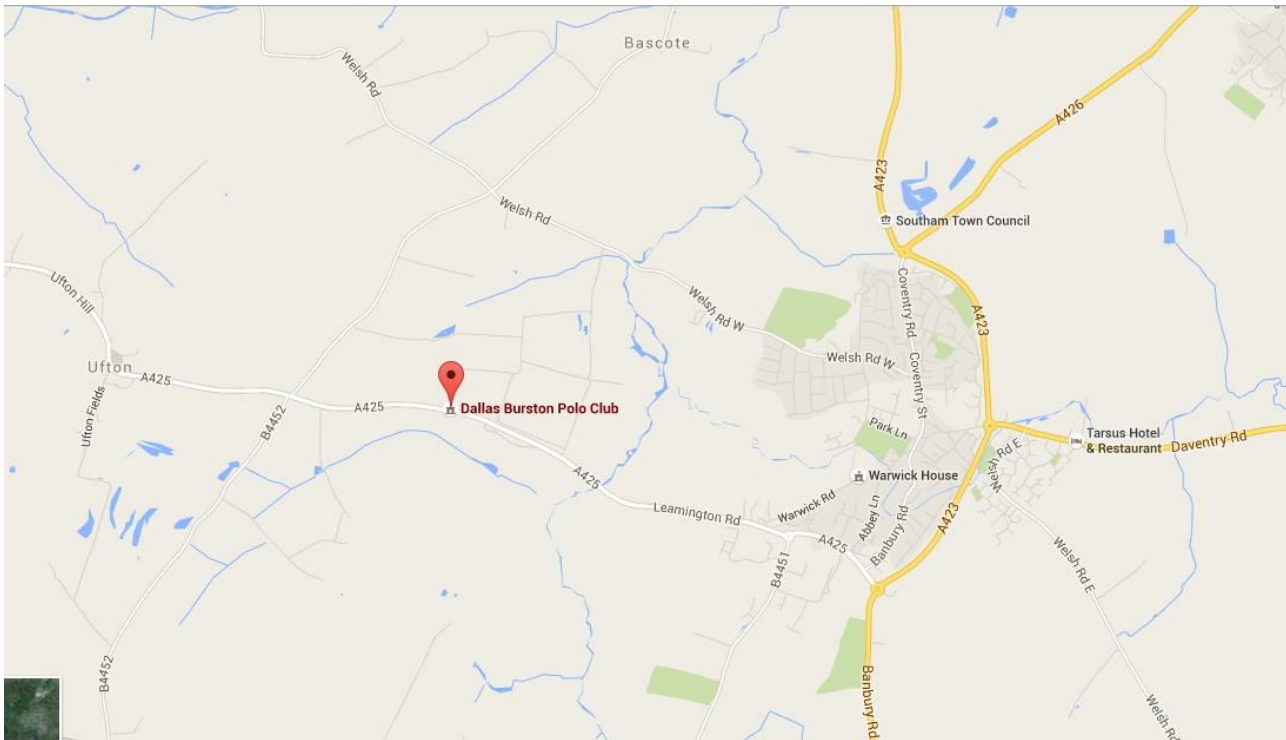
## Tournament Officials

Tournament Organiser – Iain Heaton 07799 360439

Tournament Secretary – Zoe Pulling 02476698306

Health & Safety Officer – Iain Heaton 07799 360439

## **Location Map of Dallas Burston Polo Club**



## **Entries**

Entries must be made via the online entry system, found on [events.pcuk.org](http://events.pcuk.org) and payment must be made upon completion of the form.

Entries should be made by Branches, Centres and Areas and teams should have been agreed with the relevant committees/ officials (such as DC's or Area Polocrosse Coordinators) prior to entry.

Entries can be made for both teams and individual players. Individual players will be put into appropriate mixed teams by the organisers. Where a Branch/ Centre/ Area enters two individual players in the same grade we will always try and put them in a team together but this may not always be possible.

To make the entry please ensure you have:

- Pony Club Membership number
- Pony/ Horse Vaccination details from the Passport
- Payment details (card)

If you have any enquiries about entries please contact [polocrosse@pcuk.org](mailto:polocrosse@pcuk.org)

Cost of entry is £70 per player

The link for the event entries is: <http://events.pcuk.org/pony-club-polocrosse-arena-tournament>

## **Multi Horse**

The Arena tournament will be run as a multi horse tournament and players can change horses during and between games. This rule is purely in place to allow players to try out new horses and to accommodate horses that may have a lower level of fitness at the start of the season.



### **Venue rules**

Please respect the venue and make sure you tidy up any litter or muck before you leave, both in the camping field and around the arena.

Please stay on the roads and do not walk on the grass verges when going between the arena and the camping field.

Please DO NOT ride in the arena on Friday evening.

**Pony Club Membership** – All players must be members of the Pony Club prior to entry.

**Briefings** – A representative from each team will be required to attend the Saturday morning briefing.

**Saddlery, Equipment & Dress** – Saddlery and dress should be in line with the current Pony Club Polocrosse rules so please ensure you are familiar with these. There will be a tack check for safety purposes of each team before their first game.

**Hat Tagging** – Only hats tagged with an aquamarine Pony Club, British Eventing or British Riding Club tag are approved for use during the tournament. The tournament umpire is authorised to tag hats.

**Player & Horse Turnout** – Players and their horses are expected to be smartly turned out with matching team shirts and white jeans or white/cream jodhpurs/breeches. Horses' tails should be plaited and put up.

**First Aid** – Paramedic(s) will be on site during the hours of play. The nearest hospital with an A&E department is Warwick Hospital, Lakin Road, Warwick, CV34 5BW.

Contact for details for first aid requirements outside hours of play is Iain Heaton 07799 360439

**Horse Welfare** – Any horse that a team or player wishes to withdraw must be inspected by the Horse Welfare Officer or Vet prior to substitution. Failure to comply will render the team in breach of the tournament rules and may lead to disqualification of the team from the competition.

**Vaccinations** – horses should be vaccinated for equine influenza in line with Pony Club vaccination rules. Please ensure you bring your horse's passport and vaccination record as these may be asked for on arrival.

**Vet** – A vet will be on call during play. The on call vets are Spring Paddocks Equine who are reachable by telephone on 01926 612937.

**Camping & Penning** – Horses should be penned in properly constructed, electrified pens with no more than two horses in any single pen. Camping and horse pens will be mixed but a separate area will be available for camping only. You are requested to arrive before midnight to reduce disruption to local residents. Thank you for your assistance in this area.

**Vehicle Movements** – There is to be no movement of vehicles after 10pm on Saturday in the camping areas, except in an emergency. People violating this rule may be banned from competing on Sunday.

**Muck** – All muck must be taken to muck heaps and all pens cleared before you leave as DBPC will charge for any un-cleared pens.

**Dogs** – DOGS MUST BE KEPT ON LEADS AT ALL TIMES DURING HOURS OF PLAY. Extendable leads must not be extended anywhere near the areas of play, practice or in the vicinity of horses. Well behaved/controlled dogs are welcome but must be kept in a lead when near the horses/play. Please pick



up after your dogs. Any loose dogs will be removed to the 'pound' and a £20 fee will be charged for their release.

**Facilities** – Facilities include flushing loos and showers.

**Bar & Catering** – The bistro will be open 08:00 – 17:00 Saturday and Sunday. The Millstone Hare opens for lunch 12:00 – 15:00, and then 18:00 – 23:00 for evening service on Friday and Saturday.

We recommend that people book a table for dinner - <http://dbpoloclub.com/millstone-hare/>.

**Tournament Rules & Code of Conduct** – Playing Rules will be in accordance with UKPA Rulebook (2019) and the Code of Conducts as published in the Pony Club Health, Safety and Safeguarding rulebooks will apply.

**Cancellation** – In the event of cancellation of the tournament for whatever reason, the organisers reserve the right to retain such proportion of the entry fees as necessary to cover any expenses reasonably incurred.

**Health & Safety** – Event Organisers have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the Health and Safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the officials and stewards. AT ALL TIMES WHEN MOUNTED – suitable footwear must be worn [no trainers or wellies] and Pony Club tagged helmets, with chin straps fastened. All playing/umpiring horses are to be correctly 'dressed' as per Pony Club rules. Please drive vehicles with care and consideration on site

**Public Liability** – Horse riding activities may be dangerous for the rider, officials, spectators and the general public, causing injury or damage to persons, animals and property. All persons taking part in, or as spectators of, Pony Club activities do so at their own risk. Neither the Pony Club, the Trustees, the Equestrian Council, nor any person acting on behalf of the Pony Club will be held responsible for any accident, damage, injury or loss. All persons inviting family members or others on to the site are required to ensure these persons are made aware of this liability exclusion. Parents are responsible for the behaviour of their children at all times.

**Conduct at the Tournament** – Any person who, in the opinion of the organising committee, has behaved in a way prejudicial to the interests of the Pony Club and/or Dallas Burston Polo Club may be barred from the grounds immediately.