

## Riders Rep Area Discussion Zoom

1/11/22 7.30pm

Apologies- Meg Ryan, Katie Meredith, Gabbie Rennie, Jenny (Gisborne?)

Present- Paxton Conder, Georgia Reed, Jess Land, Kirsten Hence, Luce, Ashley Johnston, Emily McMaster, Georgia Lawrie, Hannah Gudsell, Meg Rogers, Pippa Collins, Rhiannon Groen, Sharyn Goodwin, Geradine Wood, Brooke Edgecome, Sophie (Taranaki), Jamie Bird, Charelle Marshall, Oliver Edgecome, Ike Baker.

Landrover Teams Event Discussion,

Feedback was:

- Criteria confusing
- Height too low;
- People didn't want to enter as felt they couldn't then step up a height later;
- General consensus after discussion was that it was suitable for the grass roots at height but issue was they found it difficult/out of comfort zone to enter or didn't know about it as not in the 'scene', we discussed having 1 member of the team being more senior like a captain to take charge and make the teams.

Discussion on remits from conference and an update on the new rules for events.

Discussion on updates of new FEI regulations for all riders entering these classes.

Update from Kirsten Hence on the new Leg Up System and how riders can be involved and support this initiative.

Dates card discussion - Spread the season out so not so pressurised to jump so often; quality over quantity. Suggested 1st January to 31st December season. Some areas felt their grounds wouldn't cope with all year competition. This led onto discussion over potentially reducing the series total points scores counted and onto a discussion about facilities and what each area has. Comments about lack of height classes in the South, riders have to travel north more. Some areas don't like to travel to leave their areas also. Overall riders are feeling like the date card needs to be looked at and perhaps a 'programming committee' including various riders needs to be installed so the card is better suited to all riders and horses. It is currently feeling like it is favouring areas instead of riders.

Paxton thanked the riders and areas for their support of this discussion group and expressed interest of continuing these. Riders felt they were able to express their ideas and concerns and have a discussion over topics – which is often found to be quite hard at events.

Discussion groups will continue into the future.

Next meeting date TBC

Meeting Closed: 8:45pm