

Baileys Horse Feeds/ BEF Futurity 2009

Factsheet 2

What has changed for 2009?

(May be updated from time to time – V1/09)

1. More venues and more dates, see www.bef.co.uk and the press for details
2. New evaluators are continuously being included on the trainee evaluator list whom we are seeking to involve and develop to be part of the Futurity. They may be in the ring as apprentices
3. Overall sire and dam rankings for all disciplines will be available online and constantly updated throughout the series. For the purposes of the sire award, the top three progeny scores will count and for the mare award, the top two progeny scores will count.
4. All entries will be made online from June 2008. Paper entries will only be accepted in exceptional circumstances
5. All results will be available online venue by venue on the day of the evaluation or very shortly afterwards
6. Owners are responsible for the accuracy of any information they provide at the time of entry. BEF cannot be held responsible for any effects of the use of inaccurate or incomplete information as supplied by owners or agents.
7. The Futurity will no longer award a prize fund. Instead this money will be used to on a publicity officer to promote the successes of the top scoring horses in all the regions and nationally.
8. Should the evaluators feel that a horse would be more suited to a different discipline they can advise that a horse be transferred to that different discipline and owners must consent for horses to be transferred to a different discipline. Ponies, on evaluation day, will be asked which discipline they are intended for and be marked accordingly.
9. Potential endurance horses and ponies will be evaluated as a pilot scheme at four venues during 2009
10. Hard hats are very strongly recommended for all handlers and helpers. This was to be a Futurity requirement but many people have objected to it so we have made it a **strong** recommendation (standards are PAS 015, BSEN 1384, EN 1384 or ASTM F1163). In the event of any incidents giving rise to concern, we will make a hard hat rule mandatory
11. Horses from one year upwards must have had their feet seen by a farrier and, if necessary, trimmed in the four weeks before any evaluation. The BEF is not responsible for any reduction in marks attributable to poor foot care.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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