



The 2022 Mercian Meteors Midsummer Meleé

Tentpegging competition

June 26 2022



Plum Park Farm, Watling Street, Towcester, Northamptonshire NN12 6LQ

Saturday June 25 2022 – Arrival welcome from 5pm

Anyone travelling from further afield is welcome to camp and pen overnight, with electrified fencing, at your own risk.

Sunday June 26 2022 – Competition Day

10am prompt start for judges briefing and warm up runs. Competition starts at 10.30am.

Event run under ITPF rules. Runs will be timed.

Class 1	Individual Lance	2 runs (1 x run 3" peg / x1 run 2" peg)
Class 2	Individual Sword	2 runs (1 x run 3" peg / x1 run 2" peg)
Class 3	Accumulator	2 runs. Choose your own weapon. Choose your peg. 3 pegs are in place – x1, 3" (worth 1 point); x1, 2" (worth 2 points); x1, 1" (worth 3 points). The rider with the highest score wins. Times will be used in the event of a tie, with the fastest rider victorious.
Class 4	Individual Rings and Peg	2 runs (x1 run 3" peg / x1 run 2" peg)
Class 5	Apples and Peg	2 runs (x1 run 3" peg / x1 run 2" peg)
Class 6	Team Challenge	Teams of 3 riders. 3 runs: 1 run section lance / 1 run section sword / 1 run single file* lance. 3" pegs for each run. Play your joker for double points on your nominated run!

General information

- **Closing date for entries: 22.06.22**
- **Venue:** <https://www.plumparkfarm.co.uk/>
Unfortunately, we cannot facilitate late entries due to the time needed to sort pre-event admin.
- Judge TBC.
- We will accommodate a lunch break for participants between classes 3 and 4 on the day, depending on the number of entries, if riders feel their horses need a break.
- This event will be run on grass. We have the use of a large field at the rear of the venue, with easy access from the A5, surrounded by mature hedges and fencing, with gated access. Vet clinic on site with vets on call. Farrier on call. The complex houses Towcester Equine Vet Clinic, Plum Park livery yard, the recently devolved Farmers Bloodhounds kennels (hounds no longer on site – only pet ones!) and one of the area's leading cross country / team chase courses. Within walking distance, there is a petrol station, which acts as the Paulerspury village shop. The market town of Towcester, with all amenities, is less than 10 minutes' drive north up the A5.
- There is no stabling available. All horses staying overnight must be penned with electrified fencing.
- Award presentation time TBC but aim to do this approx. 30 mins after finishing the last class.

- Rosettes awarded from first to sixth place in individual classes and first to third place in the team classes. Prizes for first and second places. Sash for the overall Master at Arms based on points awarded for number of pegs taken during the competition on Sunday.
- Team kit, BTA polo shirts, traditional dress or shirt sleeve order can be worn for the competition, in conjunction with safety headgear as detailed in the BTA rules. Sleeves/base layer for those doing gallows classes advised.
- **The correct current standard of approved protective headgear according to BTA rules and boots with a heel must be worn at all times when mounted. Please ensure all members of your team are aware of this. The wearing of approved riding helmets at all times when mounted is compulsory – we are riding under the venue's event insurance and this is a stipulation of our ground hire. You will be asked to leave the venue immediately if you are found riding without the correct standard of headgear at any time on the site.**
- BTA rules can be found here:
https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/8749e2_b9995fbb09ea48978ca22364ab7291c5.pdf
- ITPF rules can be found here: https://docs.wixstatic.com/ugd/8749e2_81d02f011ec3413a822ee7f2d78ca4a1.pdf
- Please familiarise yourself with the BTA risk assessments, which can be viewed here:
<https://www.britishtentpegging.co.uk/tentpegging-risk-assesments>
- There are no horses available to hire.
- All riders must be in possession of their own insurance for tentpegging (minimum of third party liability).
- All horses must be vaccinated for Equine Flu within the past 12 months of the event date. Passports will be checked on arrival and any horses not meeting this criteria will not be permitted entry onto the site.
- Please control your horses at all times and gracefully retire if you are experiencing problems.
- *If the judge feels a horse and rider combination may not be experienced enough for the single file run at the end of the team challenge class, they will approach the team concerned before the team class starts. This will give you the opportunity to still compete and play your joker for double points on a section run.
- The judges' decision is final.
- Dogs are welcome as long as they are under control and kept on leads **at all times**. Please pick up all dog poo and dispose of appropriately.
- Water for horses is available on site. Please bring enough human-drinking water to last you the weekend – the weather could be hot so please ensure you pack an adequate amount.
- There will be a portaloos available.
- You are welcome to arrive from 5pm on Saturday.
- Please observe the latest government guidance regarding Covid-19 and socially distance yourself as required. Hand sanitiser will be available at key points on site and we advise those camping to bring their own. If you, or anyone in your party due to attend the event, experience any symptoms of Covid-19, please do not attend and we will refund your entry fee.

Any Queries:

Please contact any of the Mercian Meteors team via Messenger or call:

Jem Pearce (Tel. 07941 977710)

Christopher Doyle Marron (Tel. 07917 005131)

Gemma Wiggins (Tel. 07850 372169).

Payment:

Please scan and email your entry forms to Jem Pearce jem.pearce@hotmail.co.uk by 22.06.22, together with a screenshot of your bank transfer payment confirmation.

Bank details: British Tentpegging Association

Account number: 53608220

Sort code: 20-16-08

Ref: MMMM / Your name

You can enter team runs as an individual or one team member can enter for all three riders. Simply adjust your total amount to account for this and tell us you've done this when you email your entry over.

Terms and Conditions:

By completing the entry form and making payment, you are acknowledging that you accept these terms and conditions:

1. You MUST be a full or day member of the BTA to participate in the competition.
2. No refunds will be given without production of a medical or veterinary certificate.
3. All attendees must adhere to the health and safety information provided. All attendees must follow all instructions given by the venue, the organisers, the judges or the instructors.
4. The BTA reserves the right to cancel the show but will endeavour not to do so unless circumstances mean it is not safe or viable to run it. If the show is cancelled, all attendees will be notified as soon as possible, and given a refund (less 5% for administrative costs).
5. The BTA will not be held responsible for any loss incurred by any attendee as a result of cancellation including but not exclusive to cost of horse hire/transport etc.
6. Neither the organisers of the event, nor any agent, employee or representative of BTA accepts any liability for any accidents, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, vehicles, their contents and accessories or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any other way. Therefore, it is the responsibility of every rider to have their own Personal Liability and Personal Accident Insurance and to ensure this covers them for tentpegging.
7. Competitors must take care that they do not participate in any competition which is beyond their own, or their horse's ability. If an instruction is not understood fully, it is the attendee's responsibility to ask for clarification. Mounted skill at arms (tent-pegging) and riding are risk sports and attendees are responsible for ensuring that they understand all instructions given by venue, judges, ground crew or instructors.
8. No under 18's may attend without parental supervision (mounted or dismounted).
9. Any objections to results to be raised with the judge within one hour of the results have been given, along with a refundable £25 deposit if upheld. Judges can issue warnings, or immediately suspend a rider from competition on safety grounds.
10. Ground crew must be members of the BTA.

We are grateful to the Temple family and Plum Park for use of their ground for this event.

Thank you to our amazing volunteer Ground Crew who we could not hold events like this without.

First Aid cover is currently being arranged. We are grateful to our first aiders who we could not run the event without.

This event is currently subject to insurance cover, which is being arranged at the time of schedule production. In the unlikely event that we cannot secure our usual insurance, all entries will be returned in full.

Updates for this event will be posted on the BTA Facebook page. Please follow this to stay in touch with the latest news: <https://www.facebook.com/britishtentpegging>

We wish everyone a safe and enjoyable event!

