

Heythrop Team Chase 2025

Sunday 19th October 2025
Sarsgrove, Churchill, Chipping Norton, Oxon OX7 5UX

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CLASS 1: NOVICE FUN CLASS – Optimum time

Maximum height of fences approx 3' Prizes in kind to 3rd place and Rosettes to 8th place.
Best Family Team (three members to be related) - Best Heythrop Team (subscribers, farmers or their children) - Best Pony Club Team (members of same Pony Club)
Entry Fee: £140 (including levy to BHSA)

CLASS 2: NOVICE SPEED CLASS – Fastest time

Competitors to be 16 yrs or over. Maximum height of fences approx 3'
Prizes in kind to 3rd place and Rosettes to 8th place.
Entry Fee: £140 (including levy to BHSA)

CLASS 3: INTERMEDIATE SPEED CLASS - Fastest time

Competitors to be 16 years and over. Height of fixed fences 3ft 6inches
1st £300 2nd £250 3rd £200 4th £150 5th £100 6th £80
Plus rosettes to 8th place and Special Prizes for:
Fastest Heythrop Team (subscribers, farmers or their children)
Fastest Hunt Team (subscribers, farmers or their children from same hunt)
Entry Fee: £180 (including levy to BHSA)

CLASS 5: INTERMEDIATE FUN CLASS – Optimum time

Height of fixed fences 3ft 6inches. Prizes in kind to 3rd place and Rosettes to 8th place.
Best Family Team (three members to be related) - Best Heythrop Team (subscribers, farmers or their children) – Best Hunt Team (subscribers, farmers or their children from same hunt)
Entry Fee: £160 (including levy to BHSA)

Teams MUST declare for any Special Prizes on the day only or they will not be eligible

NEW MINI TEAM CHASE

12 and under Mini team chase course for all abilities – held in a separate roped off ring over Cross Country fences maximum 60cm with one optional bogey fence at 70cm.
Clear Round for teams of 2 or 3 ponies – 9am to 12 – entries at the ringside on the day.

£25 per team

Bogey time Competition 1.30pm onwards- no penalties for refusals just timed.

Teams of 3 – Entries before the day emailed to secretary above with team name and names of ponies and riders.

£60 per team. Times will be emailed to you on Friday 17th October.

Please pay Heythrop Hunt Club: 20-03-84 93364372 – Name of team as reference

Late entries will be accepted on the day and will start after pre-entries have competed.

Competitors can enter the Clear Round and the Bogey time.

The course will be signed from the A361 Chipping Norton to Burford Road.

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SPECTATORS WELCOME - £10 A CAR



ABBREVIATED RULES

All entries online at www.teamchasingreg.co.uk

Entries close: Tuesday 14th October 2025 or before if classes are full.

Times available from 11am on Friday 17th October. Competitors MUST declare if they need to run early or late or if they are running in more than one team as times cannot be changed once decided.

Changes to entries to be made, at no cost, at: www.teamchasingreg.co.uk before 10pm on Thursday 16th October, any changes after this to be made via the paper declaration forms when collecting numbers.

The course will be open for walking between 12pm and 8pm on Friday 17th and Saturday 18th October - gates will be locked at 8pm.

This team chase is run under the BHSA rules. A full version of these is available at the Secretary's tent or on www.britishteamchasing.co.uk/rider-guidance

Teams will consist of a maximum of four horses and riders, the fastest three to count. The time of the third member to finish will be the time of the team.

Horse Falls: When a horse falls during any class, the competitor is immediately eliminated and must retire. If the competitor does continue on the course following a horse fall their team will be eliminated. A horse is considered to have fallen when at the same time its shoulders and quarters have touched either the ground or the obstacle and the ground, or when it is trapped in a fence in such a way that it is unable to proceed without assistance or is liable to injure itself.

Rider Falls: If a rider falls or is unseated in any circumstance whilst on the course then that rider is immediately eliminated and must retire. If the competitor does continue on the course following a fall their team will be eliminated. Please refer to the British Team Chasing Rulebook (The Rulebook) for guidance on getting checked by the medical team after a fall.

All competitors must wear crash helmets and back protectors to current British or European Safety Standards (details in The Rulebook). Hats should be colour-tagged to indicate they comply. All those mounted at an event (including grooms and helpers) must wear a hard hat complying with the above standard when mounted. All horses being ridden at an event, including riding in exercise areas, must be ridden in a bridle in accordance with The Rulebook.

Riders must be at least 16yo to compete in any speed classes.

The number of refusals shall not exceed three at any one fence, or five on the course per horse, when the competitor shall be eliminated and must leave the course at once. The Team will be disqualified for an abuse of these rules by any individual member.

The Judges' decision will be final at all times.

Any complaint or objection in relation to an alleged breach of these rules shall be lodged with the event secretary within 10 minutes of the last horse completing the class in which the alleged breach occurred together with payment of a deposit of £40 which will be refunded if the complaint or objection is upheld. The stewards shall use their best endeavours to investigate and hold an enquiry into the complaint or objection within a reasonable time.

In the event of postponement no refund of entry fees can be made.

If the event is cancelled the following policy will be adhered to:

75% of entry monies to be refunded if the event is cancelled prior to the close of entries.

50% of entry monies to be refunded if the event is cancelled after the close of entries and up until 48 hours before event.

25% of entry monies to be refunded if the event is cancelled 48 hours or less before the event.

Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of Organisers for which they are legally responsible, neither the Organisers nor any representative accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, vehicles, contents or accessories or any other person whatever, whether caused by their negligence or in any other way.

It is a requirement that all participants carry Third Party Insurance for not less than £5m. It is also strongly recommended that all participants have Personal Accident Insurance.

