

Junior Schools National Arena Championships
Sunday, 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2025
Oxford Polo, Kemsley Farm, Akeman St, Bicester OX25 3AA
W3W – <a href="https://w3w.co/rejoins.slices.dial">https://w3w.co/rejoins.slices.dial</a>

If you are running late please call Caroline on 07889141344 or Gill on 07887 950414

We are really looking forward to seeing everyone on Sunday. A huge thank you to Oxford Polo for hosting us, please park where you are asked to and abide by their rules.

VERY IMPORTANT - If you are bringing horses or have horses being brought to Oxford Polo on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> February, you must contact Hector Worsley at <a href="https://hector@oxfordpolo.co.uk">hector@oxfordpolo.co.uk</a> to ensure that there are enough parking and tie up areas – failure could see your lorry/trailers being turned around.

Please treat Oxford Polo with respect, do not empty your lorries or trailers of muck. Please ensure that wherever your horses have been tied up is left clear of all droppings, hay, litter etc.

# **Important Information**

Please make sure you read all the information in this letter and pass it on to everyone attending (including your parents, horse hirers, coaches etc)

We are paper free and all information for the tournament will be on the "Play Polo App". Please download the app prior to arrival at Oxford Polo. This is also a brilliant way for anyone unable to attend the event to be able to see how their team is doing!

The 'Play Polo' app is available in the App Store for both Android and Apple or you can follow the link here: <a href="https://unitedpolo.page.link/mujE">https://unitedpolo.page.link/mujE</a>

### **Start Time**

We are starting at 9.30 am and are going to be run9ning an exceptionally tight ship, due to the number of teams competing. The timings in the attached document are purely a guide and we will run using the PlayPolo App. Please ensure that you are on site at Oxford Polo a minimum of 1 hour before your first match.

# **Important Chukka Info**

All teams/divisions will play 3 x 6 mins chukkas.

On the Play Polo App you will see **the chukka time, this is purely for guidance**; by downloading the App you will be able to see exactly what chukka we are on. If timings change drastically, we will update the app and inform you on the WhatsApp Group.

We will not be waiting for anyone. Failure to be ready in time will see the other team being awarded a goal for every minute we wait.

It is your responsibility to ensure that your child/children/students are mounted and ready waiting outside the arena at least 1 chukka before they are due to play.

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<u>WhatsApp Group</u> – please sign up to the WhatsApp Group for Sunday – we will use this to keep you up to date with information.



https://chat.whatsapp.com/DBcuTyiwejoE6nAeyxAqLE

### **General Information**

<u>Dress code</u> – whites, numbered shirts (no hoodies when riding) **knee pads, and long boots or chaps**.

<u>Hats</u> – Please see the link to the updated hat rules issued by the HPA. All hats must meet HPA requirements and be tagged with the pink SUPA hat tag, please come to the comms box to get this done before getting on any ponies. <a href="https://hpa-polo.co.uk/download/2024Helmet-Rules.pdf">https://hpa-polo.co.uk/download/2024Helmet-Rules.pdf</a>

We have new pink SUPA hat tags. All hats must be tagged with them.

<u>Stewards</u> – We are all volunteers at SUPA, please remember that when you are speaking with us.

<u>Rules</u> - Please ensure that you have read the rules on our website <a href="https://www.supa.org.uk/">https://www.supa.org.uk/</a>

<u>Prizes</u> – Due to the large number of teams competing we are splitting prize giving up. All children that compete are expected to attend, there is a prize for every child. If you do not attend prize giving you will forfeit your prize.

Novice prize giving will be after the last Novice match is played and during the arena roll. It will be held outside the club house.

Midi's prize giving will be held after the last Midi game outside the club house.

Beginners & Intermediates prize giving will be held after the last chukka of the day outside the club houses.

# **Food & Drinks**

#### The Polo Café

The Polo Café will be in attendance from first thing in the morning breakfast, hot & cold drinks and snacks and the for the parents the bar will be open!

#### Pizza's

At lunchtime we have the delicious Santina's Wood Fired Pizza company on site cooking up a treat.

# Merchandise

#### **SATs Polo**

We are thrilled that SATs will be in attendance, if you need sticks, knee pads, helmets etc you can visit their website in advance and place an order which they will bring to Oxford Polo for you. <a href="https://www.satsfaction.com/shop/">https://www.satsfaction.com/shop/</a>

### **Black Hound Sports**

Order your SUPA merchandise now through Black Hound Sports and pick it up in person at Oxford Polo Club on 2nd February! Don't miss this chance to grab your gear hasslefree. <a href="https://blackhoundsports.com/collections/supa">https://blackhoundsports.com/collections/supa</a>

## **Photographer**

Bex Hathaway-White will be on site <a href="https://www.hwphotography.co.uk/">https://www.hwphotography.co.uk/</a>