

# NEWSLETTER 12/14

## Scratching/non-scratching during NAMEF graded shows:-

Our diligent Show Officials would like to call on 'etiquette' in the Dressage, Show Jumping and Eventing Arenas and make the riding community aware that there is a rule that governs "scratching" from an event. Kindly note that NAMEF will not tolerate any misconduct from riders who do not adhere to this rule. All records of riders defaulting the system must be forwarded to NAMEF secretariat.

***1.5.3. In principle, riders have to be present 1 (one) hour prior to commencement of a competition. The intention not to participate in a competition must likewise be conveyed by the rider to the Entrance Control at least 1 (one) hour before commencement of that competition.***

***1.5.3.1. If this is not adhered to, the show organizer has the right to disqualify the rider/horse for the event and/or charge a penalty fee.***

Riders not adhering to this rule, will be fined a non-scratching fee of N\$ 100.00. It is the sole responsibility of the Rider to ensure that the message is conveyed to the Chief Show organizers and/or Chief Judge. Note please that a 3<sup>rd</sup> party cannot take this responsibility.

We would like to request all Show Officials and Show Organizers to enforce this rule as of the 1<sup>st</sup> January 2015. Successful implementation of this rule, will be to the benefit of all involved. We trust that our Show Organizers will assist us in governing the sport and assisting in building respect towards our hard working Show Officials.

Remember, without our Show Official there will be no more NAMEF graded shows. Let us all pay our respect to the time and passion they spend on your sport.



## ....from the Dressage Desk...

NAMEF decided to raise the Dressage grading points from 20 to 50 from level Novice to Advanced. Thereby giving those Horse/Rider combinations that are not ready to move on to the next level, more opportunity to grow on the level they feel comfortable with. For those riders who wish to register in a higher level, this will be allowed, once a year, with the annual registration (rule 1.3.8)

Point 3.12.2.4. had to be removed, as it was a contradiction to 3.12.2.8.4.

We are proud of our top riders competing in Advanced levels, but do foresee a problem as Show organisers would have difficulties finding Judges for the higher levels for only 1 – 2 competitors in a class.

***Please familiarize yourselves with the attached Annex D-2014.***



...from the Eventing Desk....

***Attached please find the important Eventing notice from your Eventing delegate Tanja Reinhardt.***

***FEI Officials visiting:***

We promised you the visit of FEI delegates, Patricia Clifton, David Evans and Darrell Scaiffe. The dates of their arrivals will be Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> October. We are very fortunate to receive this Solidarity project from the FEI and wish to make their stay as great as possible. A special request from the delegation that all interested Eventing Show Official and Coaches have to please come and participate, furthering your education and the development of Eventing in Namibia.

The proposed itinerary for their visit is:

- Monday 27<sup>th</sup> Course inspection at Claratal by Patricia and David. Darrel Scaiffe will be giving lessons to Riders and wishes that all Windhoek coaches come and observe his Eventing lessons.
- Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> Course inspection at Otjiwarongo Reit Club by Patricia and David. Once again Darrel will be giving lessons at the RGO and invites coaches to observe
- Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> Course inspection at Reiterverein Swakopmund with lessons by Darrel at RVS. Here as well a special invite to the Coastal coaches to come and observe the lessons.
- Friday 31<sup>st</sup> Darrel Scaiffe lessons at the Riverside Equestrian Centre and invitation for coaches to participate.

***Finer details will follow soonest this being exact time table for Riding lessons and Seminars on Eventing safety and stewarding.***

***All Riders, Coaches and Eventing officials interested please contact us at [equest@iway.na](mailto:equest@iway.na) to put your name on our list.***

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Last but not least a big THANK YOU to the Flemming family who kindly fixed the NAMEF jump (black& white). The decision was made that this jump will now remain at the GCW to prevent further damage.



**YOUR NAMEF TEAM**