



INTERNATIONAL MOUNTED GAMES ASSOCIATION

Annual Meeting 2016

Final version 1.0 (February 20 2017)

**Held at the van der Valk Hotel Charleroi Airport, Gosselies, Belgium
Saturday November 12 and Sunday November 13 2016**

This record of the meeting has been compiled from notes made at the time by Frie Martin.

The sequence in which agenda items were discussed was not the same as published in the original agenda. This record, however, follows the original agenda sequence.

Meeting opened : Saturday November 12 at 09:30

Present : Position / Country

IMGA officers :

Keith Martin	Chairman	
Sean Bource	Communication	
Jens Martin	Administration & Finance	(video link)
Quentin Voeltzel	Development	
Alun Whitney	Chief Referee	
Marilyn Hackman	Honorary President	

International Representatives :

Rachel Lechner	Austria	(video link)
Florence Hennuy	Belgium	
Quentin Voeltzel	Burkina Faso	
Brent Couch	Canada	(video link)
Signe Sehested	Denmark	
Nikki Carter	England	
Elise Gapaillard	France	
Mark Devitt	Ireland	
Annika Labruier	Luxembourg	
Rory Prime	Northern Ireland	
Eivind Kjuus	Norway	
Davy Quinn	Scotland	
Ian Marr	South Africa	(video link) (Jens Martin holding proxy if needed)
Gunilla Adolfsson	Sweden	
Philippe Gargallo	Switzerland	
Paul Greiling	USA	

Unable to attend, but represented by proxy :

Phil Logue	Australia
Jaques Cavé	Italy
Simon Watson	New Zealand
Ian Marr	South Africa
Roger Dawson	Wales

Proxy holder :

David Harris
Quentin Voeltzel
Margaret Welsby
Jens Martin
Iain Hopkins

Unable to attend, no proxy received :

Heiko Voss	Germany
Mehdi Khatibi	Iran
Ok Kyung Park	South Korea

Others present :

Frie Martin	(notes of meeting)
Pierre Marsille	Belgium
Fabian Pigeolet	Belgium
Conor O'Leary	Ireland
Allister Hamilton	Northern Ireland
Valentin Vieilledent	France
Charlotte Randall	MGAGB
Liz Englert	USA
Carol Jones	USA
Clive Jones	USA

1. Introduction

The attendance list is shown above, with information on proxies, submitted in writing and recorded, from those members unable to attend.

The meeting opened with a test of the video links and a presentation of some practical details for the weekend, the timetable for the meeting, and the allocation of costs between IMGA, MGA Belgium, and the individuals present.

2. Looking Back at 2016

2.1 Review of IMGA's year

Keith Martin reported on the activities of 2016 covering some of the highlights and problems encountered as well as the regular daily business of running the Association.

All action points from the 2015 meeting have been either successfully implemented or were again scheduled for discussion at this meeting.

2.2 Rules Committee Report

Jens Martin presented the activities of the Rules Committee during 2016.

16 Rule Change Requests have been considered by the committee. 9 accepted, 7 rejected.

Full details of these change requests, plus those still awaiting consideration, are available on the IMGA website at <http://www.mounted-games.org/imga/games/committee/index.html>

The 2017 Rule Book will be made available in the same way as the 2016 edition. i.e. An electronic version for download, plus the usual A6 format printed version for sale. No decision has yet been made if there will be a full re-print for 2017 or an Amendment Sheet showing just the changes.

Action : Finalise both the on-line and printed versions of the Rule Book for 2017 (Rules Committee)

2.3 Financial Report

Jens Martin presented the current financial situation, which is shown in Attachment for 2.3

This is a “snapshot” of the current situation, it is not the final accounts for 2016. The “official” accounts (as provided to Companies House and HM Revenue & Customs) will be sent to all members when they are available.

Iran is having problems with the payment of their affiliation fee because of restrictions on the international movement of funds. This means that while Iran’s Affiliation Fee is still outstanding, they will have no voting rights.

Riders Fees from the 2015 European Championship (moved from Cluny to la Bonde after cancellation by the organisers because of water restrictions in the Cluny area) have not been transferred to IMGA, and there has been much discussion on how to resolve this problem.

It was proposed, and accepted, that due to the unusual circumstances, the Riders Fees in this case should be waived and retained by la Bonde.

[Decision : 16/01] Riders Fees paid for the 2015 European Championship do not have to be passed on to IMGA.

It was proposed, and agreed that there should be no rise in Affiliation Fees for 2017.

[Decision : 16/02] The automatic percentage rise in Affiliation Fees for 2017 is set at zero, so there will be no change to the current level of GBP 315.00

Action : Invoices for Affiliation Fees in the normal way (Jens Martin)

2.4 Report by Chief Referee

Alun Whitney’s presentation is shown in Attachment for 2.4

Several points arising from this report were discussed, but with only one firm proposal : that IMGA should participate in the payment of referees’ expenses for IMGA sanctioned competitions..

It was agreed that Nikki Carter would set up a small working group to investigate the feasibility of this proposal.

Action : Working group (Nikki Carter)

2.5 Report on IMGA Communications

Sean Bourse talked about his communications activities.

Specific points :

- A full list of planned events was available early in the year

- 4 newsletters have been produced and distributed during 2016

Actions requested :

- *Nomination of someone in each national organisation to be responsible for feeding information to Sean (all International Representatives)*
- *Provide dates for the 2017 calendar of events as quickly as possible (all International Representatives or their nominated contact person for communication)*

2.6 Report on Country Development

Quentin Voeltzel presented his ideas on continuing country development. He would like to have a budget for travel to potential new member countries to evaluate their current stage of development, and would also like to have some administrative support to lighten the work load.

The Czech Republic is approaching the point where they could be accepted as members, but Spain remains a problem and even after several years has not completed the application procedure.

2.7 Reviews of 2016 IMGA sanctioned competitions

Presented by representatives of the organisers and the Chief Referee.

- **World Team Championship Open and U-17 (Ireland)**

Conor O'Leary provided a report on the WTC in Ireland. His notes are copied in the Attachment for 2.7

- **World Pairs Championship (Denmark)**

Signe Sehested reviewed the first WPC to be held in Denmark.

Some problems encountered :

- Camping rules not followed
- Fatal pony accident (managed correctly and efficiently)
- Lack of personnel to run such a large competition
- Disagreements over the actual size of the arena

- **World Individual Championship (Wales)**

Roger Dawson provided a report on the WIC in Wales. His notes are copied in the Attachment for 2.7

- **European Team and Individual Championship (Germany)**

No information was provided from Germany, and no one was present to respond to questions.

It was agreed that MGA Germany should be given a deadline to provide a report on the championship.

Action : follow up by Keith Martin

- **Nations Championship (South Africa)** - Scheduled for December 12-19.

2.8 IMGGA Sub-Committees

Keith Martin raised several questions about the organisation and activities of the IMGGA sub-committees during the last two years.

Have they worked well ? Or not ?

Should they continue ? Or not ?

They were slightly re-structured for 2016. Are more changes required ?

An example : Technology and Social Media sub-committee. Alun Whitney had earlier in the meeting explained the problems he encountered as chairman of this s-c. There was great interest in getting started with some “glamorous” and “visible” activities like creating a new website, but no willingness to commit to the long-term maintenance and regular updating of such a site. Result – no action.

On the other hand the Compliance sub-committee has been very active, completing the Membership Criteria Checking at the end of 2015, and developing an entry management system for IMGGA sanctioned Individuals and Pairs Championships.

There was a lot of discussion, with the general conclusions :

- the structure of sub-committees is sound and should remain
- it should be clear that the sub-committees make recommendations but it is the International Representatives at the annual meeting who make decisions
- the possibility to split the Compliance sub-committee in two, one for membership compliance, and one for competition compliance, will be examined

Action : review of sub-committee structures (IMGGA Officials)

3. Looking Forward to 2017 and Beyond

3.1 Election of IMGA Executive for the next two year period

There being a single candidate for each position, no voting was necessary.

Nikki Carter was confirmed as the new Vice Chair,
Jens Martin was confirmed as the Officer for Finance and Administration, and
Sean Bourse was confirmed as the Officer for Communication.

3.2 Election of Rules Committee members for the next two year period

The following have been confirmed by their MGAs as the three nominated members of the Rules Committee :

Member representing England : **Nikki Carter**
Member representing Scotland : **Lois Hamilton**
Member representing Wales : **Iain Hopkins**

There were 5 candidates for the remaining 3 positions.
The results of a secret ballot by the International Representatives were as follows :

Jens Martin	15 votes
Margaret Welsby	14 votes
Valentin Vieilledent	13 votes
Philippe Gargallo	10 votes
Liz Englert	6 votes

The three highest scoring candidates will join the representatives of England, Scotland, and Wales to form the Rules Committee for the next two year period.

A **Proposal to change the membership structure of this committee** was presented by Elise Gapaillard, requiring that all members of the Rules Committee should be elected by the International Representatives, with no reserved places for England, Scotland, and Wales.

Important note : Such a decision, if agreed, could not be implemented until the time of the next election of Rules Committee members, i.e. in 2 years' time.

[Decision : 16/03] It was decided that there should be no reserved places on the Rules Committee for England, Scotland, and Wales.

[Decision : 16/04] It was decided that no country should have more than one place.

[Decision : 16/05] It was decided that in the case where any member of the Rules Committee does not participate actively, then that member may be replaced. The replacement to be nominated by the other 5 members of the committee.

Action : For implementation end 2018

3.3 Selection of referees for 2017 IMGA sanctioned competitions

Voting for referees for the 2017 Championships was complex, with only European members being allowed to vote for the European Team and Individuals Championships, only non-European members being allowed to vote for the Nations Championship, and different numbers of referees required for different Championships.

The results of the secret ballot were :

IMGA World Team Championship Open (1 referee required) :
Alun Whitney

IMGA World Team Championship U-17 (1 referee required) :
Warwick Slade

IMGA World Pairs (4 referees required) :
Nikki Carter, Rob Lockyer, Pierre-Luc Portron, Alun Whitney

IMGA World Individuals (6 referees required) :
Nikki Carter, Mark Crowe, Rob Lockyer, Christine Mazière, Davy Quinn

IMGA European Team and Individuals (5 referees required) :
Eivind Kjuus, Rob Lockyer, Pierre-Luc Portron, Davy Quinn, Alun Whitney

IMGA Nations Championship (1 referee required) :
Davy Quinn

3.4 Hosting for European Team and Individuals Championship World Individuals Championship 2018

Elise Gapailaud and Quentin Voeltzel picked up again on the inconclusive discussion from the 2015 meeting.

Factors to be considered :

- FFE have elections November 24, the results of which could completely change the internal politics of the federation
- La Bonde is a private organisation (Mounted Games France)

It was agreed that until after the FFE elections, and some indication of changes (if any), this question can still not be resolved.

A deadline of January 1 2017 was set for a follow-up from FFE.

Action : Follow the situation as it evolves (Elise Gapailard and QuentinVoeltzel).

3.5 Selection of hosts for 2018/2019 IMGA sanctioned competitions

[Decision : 16/06] 2018 Nations Championship awarded to **USA**

[Decision : 16/07] 2019 World Team Championship (Open and U-17) awarded to **Wales**

[Decision : 16/08] 2019 World Pairs Championship awarded to **MGAGB**

[Decision : 16/09] 2019 World Individual Championship awarded to **MGAGB**

[Decision : 16/10] 2019 European Team and Individual Championships awarded to **Ireland**

2019 Nations Championship : not decided, but NZ showed an interest

3.6 Decision on host and date for 2017 Annual General Meeting

The offer from Wales was accepted.

[Decision : 16/11] The 2017 IMGA Annual General Meeting will be hosted by Wales December 2-3 2017.

3.7 Presentation of details for 2017 IMGA sanctioned competitions

- **IMGA World Team Championship Open (South Africa)**

July 9-15

Royal Agricultural Show grounds, Pietermaritzburg, Kwazulu Natal
South Africa

<http://www.mountedgameessa.com/>

<https://www.facebook.com/World-Team-Championship-2017-South-Africa-1636419380005652/>

The presentation from South Africa is shown in the Attachment for 3.7

- **IMGA World Team Championship U-17 (New Zealand)**

November 18-26

Equitana, Auckland, New Zealand

See also Attachment for 3.7 and point 4.2.1

- **IMGA World Pairs Championship (Burkina Faso)**

July 24-30

Centre Equestre la Bonde, France

See also Attachment for 3.7

- **IMGA World Individual Championship (MGAGB)**

August 8-13

Newark and Nottinghamshire Showground, England

See also Attachment for 3.7

- **IMGA European Team and Individual Championship (England)**

August 14-20

Royal Bath and West Showground, England

See also Attachment for 3.7

- **IMGA Nations Championship (USA)**

September 4-10

Rolex Arena, Kentucky Horse Park

See also Attachment for 3.7

4. Important Discussions and Decisions

4.1 Competitions - Entries

4.1.1 Eligibility to enter IMGA sanctioned competitions

Keith Martin presented a proposal that entry to IMGA sanctioned competitions should be available only to members of an IMGA-affiliated organisation

[Decision : 16/12] Proposal accepted. IMGA sanctioned competitions are only open to members of IMGA-affiliated organisations

Action : Update documentation (Keith Martin)

4.1.2 World Pairs Championship

Elise Gapaillard presented a proposal that mixed-nationality pairs should not be allowed in the IMGA sanctioned World Pairs Championship

[Decision : 16/13] Proposal not accepted.

4.1.3 World Individuals and Pairs entry management

At the previous meeting, two possible entry management systems were proposed, but no decision was reached on which one to adopt. Instead, Nikki Carter offered to use the real situation of entries in 2016 to test each of the two proposals.

Keith Martin presented the proposal from the Compliance sub-committee, and Valentin Vieilledent presented the FEE proposal.

Nikki Carter explained the conclusions of her study.

It was particularly noted that because of the previous decision (4.1.2), the FFE proposal could not function as originally expected. It could not function with mixed-nationality pairs because everything was in the hands of the separate national organisations.

[Decision : 16/14] The Compliance sub-committee proposal was adopted.

Action : Implement the entry management system for all IMGA sanctioned Pairs and Individuals Championships (Compliance sub-committee)

4.2 Competitions - Organisation and Management

4.2.1 World Team Championship U-17

Keith Martin presented the arguments for adopting the World Team Championship for U-17 riders as an IMGA sanctioned competition

[Decision : 16/15] This championship will be considered as IMGA sanctioned from 2018

4.2.2 European Individuals Championships (all age groups)

As for 4.2.1, it was proposed that all age groups for IMGA sanctioned Pairs and Individuals Championships should be considered as “sanctioned”

[Decision : 16/16] Proposal not accepted.

An additional point was raised about allowing countries to enter a second team in the Nations Championship to increase the numbers in the competition if there are 5 or less entries.

[Decision : 16/17] When there are 5 or less national teams entered in a Nations Championship then the host nation only is allowed to field a second team.
(This decision was taken by the representatives of the Nations Championship countries)

Action : update documentation (Keith Martin)

4.2.3 Trophies

This point was not discussed.

Action : Follow-up by e-mail to all International Representatives (Keith Martin)

4.2.4 GamesPro

This point was not discussed.

4.2.5 Arena Size

This point was not discussed.

4.2.6 Organisation of IMGA sanctioned competitions

Sean Bource presented a first draft of a document describing a legally binding contract between IMGA and the organisers selected to run an IMGA sanctioned competition.

See Attachment for 4.2.6 for Sean's document.

[Decision : 16/18] Sean Bource to form a working group to continue the development of a contract between IMGA and competition organisers.

The group will be made up of :

Signe Sehested from Denmark
Iain Hopkins from Wales
Paul Greiling from USA
Margaret Welsby from New Zealand
Charlotte Randall from MGAGB
Pierre Marsille from Belgium
Sean Bource from France

4.2.7 Biennial Championships

Elise Gapaillard presented a proposal for holding major championships only every 2 years.

For example : World Championships one year, and European and Nations Championships the following year.

There was discussion on the advantages and disadvantages of such an arrangement, and a vote was taken

[Decision : 16/19] Proposal not accepted.

4.3 Referee Training

4.3.1 Referee Training

Alun Whitney gave a briefing on the current situation.

Training for Assistant Referees and Referees is a complex subject with difficulties caused by location, language, and the availability of suitable people to give the training courses and administer the final qualification procedure.

Specific points :

- Possibility to have “grades” of referees, from newly-qualified up to experienced
- Consistency between different language versions is necessary
- Need to also concentrate on Assistant Referees
- Possibility of a “trial” test to allow candidates to get to know the structure
- Need to build up a video library to help in training courses

It was agreed that the Training and Qualification sub-committee is the competent body to follow up on all these points.

[Decision : 16/20] Nominations for “trainers” to be controlled by the Training and Qualification sub-committee.

4.4 Miscellaneous (other stuff, but still important)

4.4.1 Proposal for WHS/OHS Register

David Harris presented his proposal for an IMGA policy towards Workplace Health and Safety / Occupational Health and Safety.

His Draft IMGA Risk Appetite Statement is in Attachment for 4.4.1

It was agreed that David and other members of the Health, Safety, and Risk Management sub-committee should continue to develop this policy.

4.4.2 Doping

Signe Sehested presented some ideas on drug and alcohol testing of both ponies and riders.

The advantages and the practical details, especially in an international environment with under-age riders, were discussed.

There was general agreement that IMGA should become more active on enforcement and testing, and it was agreed that Charlotte Randall, Alun Whitney, Nikki Carter, and Signe Sehested would work together to produce a policy and plan of action for IMGA.

4.4.3 Height/weight graphs

There has been some back-tracking on the 2015 decision to implement a new version of the Height/Weight restrictions in 2017.

With this in mind, and to eliminate the current confusion, Alun Whitney proposed that while the new guidelines should still be implemented, there should be a significant effort to do more research on this subject and to develop tools which would make the requirements easier to understand and apply. This proposal was agreed.

It was also agreed that riders on the limits of scale (for example a rider who is very tall but of slim build) should be looked at as individual cases.

Action : Update the current situation on the IMGA website (Keith Martin)

4.4.4 Proxy voting

This point was not discussed.

The Chairman thanked everyone, and in particular Frie Martin who diligently took notes, allowing the preparation of this document, and MGA Belgium for setting up and running the SKYPE system which allowed remote participation, and for the arrangements for the meeting room and hotel accommodation.

Meeting closed : Sunday November 13 at 16:30



Attachment 1 : Detailed voting results

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2.3 0% automatic rise in Affiliation Fees for 2017, so there will be no change to the current level of GBP 315.00	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓																			
2.3 Due to the unusual circumstances, the Riders Fees from Cluny 2015 should be retained by la Bonde.	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	abst	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓																			
3.2 There should be no reserved places on the Rules Committee for England, Scotland, and Wales	abst	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	no	yes	?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓																			
3.2 No country should have more than one place on the Rules Committee	abst	yes	abst	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓																												
3.2 If any member of the Rules Committee does not participate actively, then that member may be replaced by the committee.	abst	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	abst	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓																													

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4.1.1 IMGA sanctioned competitions should be available only to members of an IMGA-affiliated organisation	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓
4.1.2 Mixed-nationality pairs should not be allowed in the IMGA sanctioned World Pairs Championship	no	no	abst	no	yes	no	no	yes	no	yes	no	abst	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	no	X
4.1.3 Choice of an entry management system for Pairs and Individuals (FFE or Csc)	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc	Csc
4.2.1 Should the World Team Championship for U-17 riders be adopted as an IMGA sanctioned competition from 2018 ?	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	✓
4.2.2 Should all age groups for Pairs and Individuals Championship for U-17 riders be considered as "sanctioned" ?	abst	yes	no	abst	abst	no	no	no	yes	no	no	abst	no	no	no	abst	no	no	abst	yes	X

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4.2.2 Second national teams allowed if less than 5 entries ? (Nations Championship countries only voting)	abst			yes	yes							yes				abst			yes		v
4.2.6 Sean Bource to form a working group to continue the development of a contract between IMGA and competition organisers	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	v
4.2.7 Major championships should only be held every two years	no	no	yes	yes	abst	abst	no	yes	no	no	yes	yes	no	yes	no	yes	no	no	no	no	x
4.2.7 Nominations for "trainers" to be controlled by the Training and Qualification sub-committee	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	yes	v

Attachment for 2.3 : Financial Report 2016



**International Mounted Games Association
Financial Summary for the period 04/12/15 - 11/11/16**

Income

2016 Affiliation Fees	GBP	6,190.43
2015 Rule Book Sales	GBP	
2016 Rule Book Sales	GBP	2,070.42
Late Payment Penalties	GBP	110.00
Donations	GBP	8.00
Equipment Manufacturer Licencing	GBP	
2015 IMGA Rider Fees	GBP	100.00
2016 IMGA Rider Fees	GBP	2,381.72
Recovered Bank charges	GBP	7.00

Expenditure

Admin Expenses (Postage, Phone costs, Web Site etc.)	GBP	13.00
2016 IMGA Rule Book Printing	GBP	1,277.24
2015 IMGA Meeting Expenses	GBP	671.85
Bank & Paypal Charges	GBP	289.42
IMGA Review Visit Expenses	GBP	
IMGA Officer Travel Expenses	GBP	1,857.96
IMGA Referee Training Course Expenses	GBP	
IMGA Referee Travel Expenses	GBP	476.00
Funeral Flowers	GBP	127.63

GBP 10,867.57

Total: GBP 4,713.10

Opening Balance:	GBP	23,940.83
Plus Income:	GBP	10,867.57
Less Expenditure	GBP	4,713.10
Closing Balance:	GBP	30,095.30



**International Mounted Games Association
Transactions for the period 04/12/15 - 11/11/16**

Opening Balance : GBP 23,940.83

Transactions	Expenditure	Income
08/12/2015 Payment to Clyde Court Hotel for 2015 IMGA AGM expenses	701.80	
10/12/2015 Payment to Jens Marth for 2015 IMGA AGM travel expenses	483.62	
11/12/2015 Payment to Sean Borcoe for 2015 IMGA AGM travel expenses	364.87	
21/12/2015 Payment to Sean Borcoe for Floral Flowers from IMGA	127.63	
21/12/2015 Payment to Keith Marth for 2015 IMGA AGM travel expenses	676.11	
07/01/2016 IMGA 2015 NC Rider Fees - AUS		103.00
11/01/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - BEL		202.98
21/01/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - SWE		309.00
27/01/2016 Payment to Peter Dale for 2015 IMGA AGM travel expenses	363.36	
05/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - NZL + 2015 Late Payment Penalty		328.00
06/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - LUX		151.16
08/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - ENG		315.00
11/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - NIR		304.09
12/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - CAN		300.94
15/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - DEN		302.63
15/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - SUI		304.00
18/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - WAL		315.00
19/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - FRA + 2015 Late Payment Penalty		340.00
23/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - AUS		320.00
25/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - USA		300.94
25/02/2016 Payment to Alan Wilkey for Refund on Travel Expenses for 2015 Nations Championships	476.00	
27/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - SCO		304.09
28/02/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - NOR + 2015 Bank Charges		309.56
01/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - IRE		308.00
01/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - BFA + 2016 Late Payment Penalty		175.18
03/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - AUT		315.00
07/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - GER		302.51
07/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Affiliation Fee - ITA		308.00
12/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		19.12
13/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		46.82
13/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		62.75
14/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		9.70
14/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		13.37
14/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		36.85
15/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		17.03
15/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		154.85
15/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		8.76
15/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		8.76
17/03/2016 IMGA 2016 Rule Books - Paypal		113.99
17/03/2016 Payment to Keith Marth for 2016 IMGA Rule Book Printing	1277.24	

17.03.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	162.20	
30.03.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	7.37	
23.03.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	17.03	
23.03.2016	Payme ktp Comptaks Haise Tu A M ai Petru	13.00	
29.03.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.76	
05.04.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	77.95	
05.04.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	331.67	
15.04.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.89	
30.04.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	9.75	
27.04.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.89	
03.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.89	
03.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.89	
04.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	20.72	
07.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.79	
11.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.79	
11.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	268.18	
16.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.79	
28.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	8.79	
29.05.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	15.81	
01.06.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	15.89	
02.06.2016	IMGA 2016 Amibon Fee - PSA	350.00	
06.06.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	75.95	
15.06.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	136.93	
08.07.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	9.59	
08.07.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	22.06	
05.08.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	9.12	
27.08.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	9.07	
02.09.2016	IMGA 2016 WTC Rnk Fees - DEN	1,180.00	
08.09.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	9.06	
12.09.2016	IMGA 2016 EK and ETC Rnk Fees - GER	1,201.72	
12.09.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	186.77	
16.10.2016	IMGA 2016 Rnk Books - Paypal	30.50	

Closing Balance: GBP 30,095.30

Total GBP 4,483.63 10,638.10

Payments owing:

Date	Description	Currency	Amount
01.02.2015	IMGA 2015 Amibon Fee - IRE (Bank Charges)	GBP	7.00
01.03.2015	IMGA 2015 Amibon Fee - IRE (Bank Charges)	GBP	7.00
01.01.2015	IMGA 2015 Amibon Fee - ITA (Bank Charges)	GBP	7.00
05.02.2015	IMGA 2015 Amibon Fee - NZL (Bank Charges)	GBP	12.00
02.03.2015	IMGA 2015 Amibon Fee - SWE (Bank Charges)	GBP	6.00
23.01.2015	IMGA 2015 Amibon Fee - SWE (Bank Charges)	GBP	6.00
16.02.2015	IMGA 2015 EK and ETC Rnk Fees - FRA	GBP	11.00
19.10.2015	IMGA 2015 EK and ETC Rnk Fees - FRA	GBP	1,450.00
08.09.2016	IMGA 2016 EK and ETC Rnk Fees - GER (Bank Charge)	GBP	58.28
08.09.2016	IMGA 2016 WTC Rnk Fees - IRE	GBP	400.00
01.01.2016	IMGA 2016 Amibon Fee - IFA	GBP	157.50
	Total GBP		2,121.78

Attachment for 2.4 : Report by Chief Referee

Chief Referees Report

2015-16 was my first year in the role of chief referee and it has been a very busy year not only with Refereeing competitions but also by starting to put in place a coordinated program for training of Assistant referees and Referees. More on this later

I started my year with a trip to Australia to referee IMGA Nations Championships which was a wonderful experience gaining a greater experience of how different nations perceive Mounted Games and IMGA. Prior to the competition I presented a Referees course which was well attended and participant's achieved good pass marks. Then Back to a cold welsh winter and preparing for Northern Hemisphere season.

During the quite months I spent some time experimenting with Video cameras to use on change over line and cover other parts of the arena. Initial plans to use Go Pro cameras were not as efficient as anticipated so HD security system was utilised. The images achieved with this are very good but possible improvements can be made with ease of file access and possibly wireless cameras. Kindly Wales MGA put up the money to provide the equipment. Which was used successfully at World Team Championships in Ireland and World Individuals in Wales.

Then into the silly season 5 weeks on the road Firstly World team Championships in Ireland where everything they provided was first class apart from the weather. With Davy Quinn refereeing under 17's and myself doing the Opens. It was a excellent competition with the gap between the level teams getting closer each year.

Then a rush back to the Royal Welsh Show were IMGA gets a chance to display the skills of our riders over 2 Days and 4 Sessions. 8 teams attended and were watched by a crowd of over 60,000 people around the rings at the show as well as audience watching on live television an internet. We are now becoming accepted as one of the most important displays at the show. Another two days at the show with my Pony club Branch and then home to my own bed for two nights before heading off to Europeans in Germany and pairs in Denmark.

The Journey to Germany was going well until my Caravan overturned on Motorway and we ended up picking up our belongings off the motorway then being towed and carried away. We were ready to head home when we decided that if we could pack what we needed into the car we continue on our journey it was a squeeze but we made it. Eventually arriving in Germany on Monday afternoon. Arriving at the park and almost immediately being involved in the infamous TREMI debate which I believe we will be discussing later.

Anyway, after finding a two man tent to sleep in. The week got better with good facilities at the venue and competition host who eager to get things right and after earlier communication between different sections of organising committee. Catering and Entertainment were first class

It is a pity that the arena could only take 6 teams as a 7th lane would have resolved several of their problems. There were some issues with equipment but in general it was a well organised competition that got better as the week progressed. All finals were keenly contested. Care must be taken that the income received from Individuals does not become more important than the team events.

Onwards on to Denmark for the World Pairs. Pleasing to have to no longer sleep in a tent with the organisers providing a caravan. Again, the riding facilities were very good. There was some discussion about the size of the arena and although possibly it may not have been to the size advertised it was certainly large enough. Unfortunately, there was a fatality to a pony but that was just a freak incident and was dealt with in a very efficient manner by organisers and officials. The competition ran smoothly and standards were very high. The Danish

organisers made the awards ceremony memorable by providing some lovely awards and presents for riders.

Ireland, Germany and Denmark having separate commentary boxes away from judges did sometimes result in delay and poor communication.

Another long journey home, at least I did not have to tow a caravan. Two days rest and off to Chepstow for World Individuals. With record entries it was going to be a full on week in all age groups. Unfortunately the weather did disrupt the finals which were held under floodlight with only the bravest of spectators watching outdoors with many spectators crammed into cars and the covered grandstand. The weather also affected some of the games played. It was difficult to replace vaulting games that were not affected by the weather.

The quality of the riding was not affected with excellent finals in all age groups.

By this stage 5 weeks on the road. Many were over exposed to games. The ponies, The Riders and the Referees. In the future there needs to be better planning, so that there is a good break between International competitions.

Just like the riders make mistakes in the competitions, so do the referees myself included, as do officials. The important thing is not to dwell on the mistakes but to learn from them. I have certainly learned a lot in my first year as chief referee which hopefully improve me and help to improve others with the ongoing Referee Training.

Attachment for 2.7 : Reviews of 2016 IMGA sanctioned competitions

World Team Championship Open and U-17 (Ireland)

Mounted Games Association of Ireland were delighted to host the 2016 WTC at the Green Glen's complex in Millstreet from July 11th to the 17th.

16 Open and 12 U17 teams took part with France winning the Open and England winning the U17 titles.

The Millstreet venue was chosen for its quality of facilities, it's accessibility in terms of public transport, local accommodation, and the proximity to a local town. MGA Ireland set out to run a top class WTC competition, showcase the sport to the public in Ireland, and enable riders to get a taste of the welcome that Ireland as a country can give to its visitors.

The championships were opened on Tuesday evening with a fabulous mounted parade through the town organised by the local town council, followed by an Irish night music and dance at the arena complex.

Competition heats ran from Wednesday through to Friday morning with the finals on Friday afternoon and Saturday. The finals were advertised heavily on local and national press, together with a specified advertised start time for each of the finals, and the huge crowd attending on Saturday, including Irelands Minister for Agriculture, we're enthralled with the incredible performance from all teams.

The arenas, which included a 5 Lane full length practice arena, rode very well. Sessions ran on time, and apart from a few minor injuries, attended to by ERS medical, there were no major incidences.

Again thank you to IMGA for the opportunity to host this event.

World Individual Championship (Wales)

Wales were very proud to run the 2016 World Individual Championships at the David Broome Event Centre in Chepstow, Wales.

This was a huge task for a very small committee in Wales and I would first like to thank everyone who worked so hard to make this a success.

We set about the task of running the biggest EVER World Individual Championships with a few key objectives.

1. To ensure all entries were catered for (so no limitations on entry)
2. To make the event a little bit different to the Norm.
3. To make every winner feel like a true champion.

The number of entries was up by 36 on the previous year with:

28 under 12 riders (down 7)
42 under 14 riders (up 7)
85 under 17 riders (up 22)
84 Open riders (up 14)

This meant the running of 3 arenas with all semi finals and finals being held on the fantastic all weather arena.

The Arenas rode perfectly.

The flood lights were superb.

The veterans team competition one evening was very well supported and great fun under the flood lights followed by a cheese and wine welcome evening.

A mid week joust was held at the castle which over 320 people attended.

Live streaming was of good quality and worked well with the live scores.

The flood lit finals added to the atmosphere and most certainly the prizes for individual games and prize money went down very well with the competitors. (as you will see from the income /expenditure report this was all covered in sponsorship and not taken from the riders entry).

No event of this size comes without challenges which we dealt with a few:

Weather - who would have expected it to rain in Wales !!!!! Especially in the summer

Sound Restrictions - a neighbour of the equestrian centre complained to the council regarding the volume of the sound system this led to us having to turn the volume down for some of the finals losing some of the atmosphere.

Lower final drop outs this is now becoming a serious issue and probably needs re visiting with the number of drop outs not just at this competition but all IMGA competitions (pairs and Individuals) It is an administrative nightmare and very few people seem interested having been knocked out at semi final stage.

The competition as always was a fantastic standard in all age groups and I must say great refereeing and assistant refereeing.

Our World Champions were

SAM HOPKINS under 12 (WALES)
BEN HOPKINS under 14 (ENGLAND)
MEGAN GURTON under 17 (ENGLAND)
COLIN VERDELHAN OPEN (FRANCE)

OBSERVATIONS TO LOOK AT

The Draw - holding the draw late has many advantages to the fair play of the competition with less withdrawals and no switching riders from one heat to another but it does create a logistical nightmare with regards programmes being printed etc in such a short period of time.

Being able to upload onto the internet is great but it is surprising how many people don't have wifi and especially how many from abroad don't want to use roaming because of the cost.

The idea we had was we'd post it in a central point for all to see when the draw was done but this seemed to cause frustration that we couldn't give a book with a draw already complete.

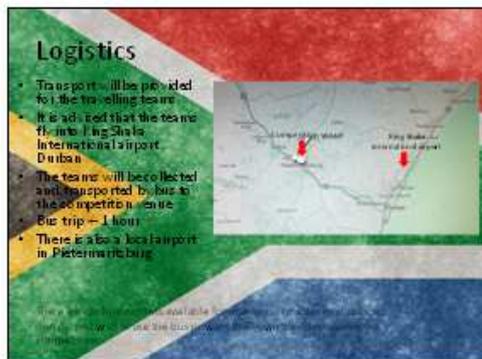
The IMGA Payment

Wales were one of the Countries in favour of the £5 levy on every rider competing at an international competition (approx. £1200 in this case) - this was to cover a better structure within IMGA to have more input into the event which would of course add to IMGA expenditure.

Wales would be very interested to hear the costs that were incurred by IMGA for their part in running this event.

Attachment for 3.7 : Presentation of details for 2017 IMGA sanctioned competitions

IMGA World Team Championship Open (South Africa) – July 9-15



Equipment

Equipment was inspected and adjusted by Colin Carson at the 2013 Southern Hemisphere championships

We will make sure that our equipment is to the rule book and that it is up to standard



Team accommodation

- Voortrekker School hostel – across the road from the competition venue
- Beds available: 96 to 116
- Bedding will be provided for the teams – these will be donated to charity after the competition.
- Toilet and shower facilities

Accommodation for managers and supporters

- Many hotels as well as Bed and breakfasts in the area
– R450-R750pppn
- Trainers and managers can stay in the hostel if space is available – depends on the number of countries that enter

SECURITY ISSUES

- The venue and accommodation are very secure. Additional security at the venue in conjunction with the venue's own security will be provided.
- Lock up facilities at the venue in the form of dubhouses used by the cattle breeders has been arranged for teams and supporters to leave their possessions.
 - These dubhouses will also be the spot of choice for evening socializing amongst the teams

With the accommodation just across the road travelling will be kept to a minimum. Travel to the various activities will be on a group basis using transport according to numbers.

Ponies



- A grading system will be implemented by Margret Welsby
 - each team will be given ponies of equal grading.
- Ponies with experience and more novice ponies are already preparing for worlds 2017
 - Done through novice pony classes at each competition and pool pony competitions throughout this year and next year.

Pony development

- Many of the pool ponies will be competed at the 2016 SA Individual Champs and Nations champs
 - They have also been competed in development competitions through the year
- 2017 SA National team competition will take place on pool ponies – no riders will compete on their own ponies
 - All available ponies will be incorporated into this competition in some way

- We have successfully hosted the Southern Hemisphere Champs twice, which has now developed into the Nations Championships. Therefore we have catered for travelling teams successfully in the past.



2016 Nations Championships

- We are hosting this year's nations champs in December where we are expecting 4 teams therefore ponies and the organisers will have trial run



Open to all pony
New Zealand
Australia
UK
South Africa

Opportunity to be hosted

- If some teams want to come over early and work on their ponies they can do so
- There are several families willing to host riders and allow for them the opportunity to put some extra work into their ponies before the competition
- NB. This is on a first come first serve basis

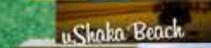
Early Travellers or Late Stayers

- Waterford stud farm and its Penyam lodges are available for anyone who wants to travel to South Africa early. Well situated close to the Drakensberg mountains
- Accommodation is available at Penyam lodges
- Training facilities and pool ponies are situated at the Stud farm
- The opportunity to ride into Lesotho



Proposed activities and entertainment:

- Welcome cocktail party
- Karkloof canopy tours
- Ushaka marine world
- Nottingham road brewery
- Tala Game reserve – Game drive
- Evening music and entertainment at the competition venue
- Gala dinner



Social Media

- <https://www.facebook.com/World-Team-Championship-2017-South-Africa-1636419380005652/>
- <http://www.mountaingamesa.com/>
- Information will be posted on Facebook and our new website.

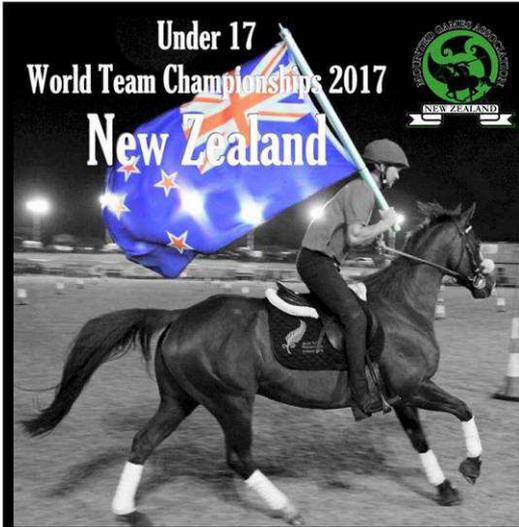
- Emails will be sent out along with any competition updates.
- Additional package details and costs will be emailed at a later stage for supporters.
- R12000.00 per rider and R8000.00 for coach and/or manager.
- Includes: accommodation, food, pony hire, gala dinner, welcoming cocktail party, evening musical venue and two of the other activities planned.

Team support structure

- Teams will be allocated a host
- Riders will also have the luxury of a groom who can assist with
 - Mucking out stables
 - Attending to ponies when day trips are planned
- NB: The owner will still be on the riders for the ultimate care of each pony.

We look forward to seeing you all there

IMGA World Team Championship U-17 (New Zealand) – November 18-26



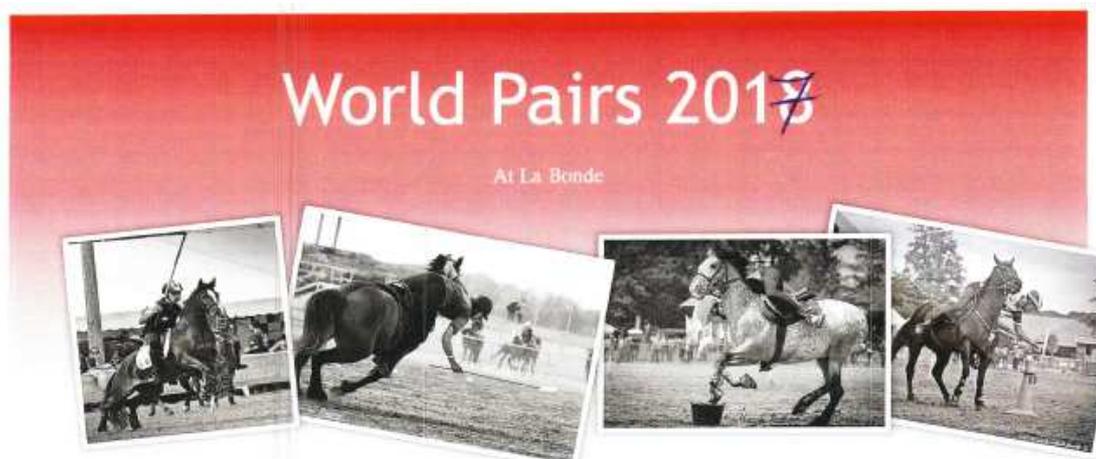
Under 17
World Team Championships 2017
New Zealand

Held in conjunction with
EQUITANA Auckland, ASB Showgrounds
23-26th November 2017

More info coming soon....
www.sporty.co.nz/u17wlc2017nz email: WTCu17NZ2017@gmail.com

EQUITANA AUCKLAND

IMGA World Pairs Championship (Burkina Faso) – July 21-30



23rd – 30th of July

Burkina Faso and La Bonde are delighted to be hosting the world pairs in 2017, to be held at Domaine Equestre de la Bonde.

U12-U14 Sunday 23rd to Wednesday 26th

Sunday: Arrival and opening ceremony

Monday: Sessions 1 and 2, evening entertainment; games and cocktails (virgin)

Tuesday: Session 3 and semi-finals under floodlight

Wednesday: Finals and Gala evening; entertainment and bouncing castle



U17-OPEN Thursday 27th to Sunday 30th

Thursday: Arrival and opening ceremony

Friday: Sessions 1 and 2, evening entertainment; games and cocktails

Saturday: Session 3 and semi-finals under floodlight

Sunday: Finals and Gala evening; entertainment and beach football





Food

Will be available for purchase during the week in the restaurant and the food truck.

Gala and Bar

Will all be held in the new indoor arena that is close to the main arena.



Vet check, etc.

We have the intention to have a vet, height and weight and tack check before the competition starts. On top of that we want to have a ground judge that has the authority outside the ring.

WELCOME



IMGA World Individual Championship (MGAGB) – August 8-13



The World Individuals 2017

WORLD INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONSHIP




When

- ▶ Competition will run from 7th – 11th August 2017 (Monday-Friday)
- ▶ Arrival will be available from Sunday 6th August
- ▶ Competitors will be able to stay until Saturday 12th August if they wish before travelling on to the Europeans.




Where

- ▶ With 84 acres set inside a secure fence, the Newark Showground, Nottingham, offers a perfect venue
- ▶ Multiple Dress Arenas available with x 3 being of a suitable size for MGA
- ▶ Grass ground crew to introduce all stands to our specific requirements
- ▶ Permanent facilities include multiple toilet and shower blocks
- ▶ Plus Entertainment Hubs
- ▶ No Sound Restrictions
- ▶ Ample room for parking and camps – stables available on request




NEWARK SHOWGROUND

View the Location



Call 01629 707070 www.newarkshowground.com



Locality

- ▶ In the city of Nottingham such as the Air Museum with walking distance from the showground
- ▶ The location of Newark is ideal for many
- ▶ Great local facilities
- ▶ Great local restaurants and facilities for those who wish to travel off the showground
- ▶ Plenty of close by accommodation – including member lodges close to the showground
- ▶ With great roads and A1, A6 and A27 in Nottinghamshire




Format

- ▶ Age classes will be staggered over the 5 days (roughly as below)

→ **EVERY CLASS**

- ▶ Monday 07.08 & 08
- ▶ Tuesday 08.08 & 09.08
- ▶ Wednesday 09.08, 10.08 & 11
- ▶ Thursday 11.08 & 12.08
- ▶ Friday 12.08



- ▶ Each State will take a 30 minute of 2-3 games, some states of 4 games. A block of x 10 games, lower block of 3 games will be available



Entertainment

- ▶ Newark Showground boasts several Social Event buildings, all with bar facilities
- ▶ There will be separate buildings for the Social Activities and the Official areas for the Dress etc
- ▶ Official Welcome Evening
- ▶ Gala Evening of a 3 course meal and musical entertainment
- ▶ Evening Arena Entertainment
- ▶ Live streaming will be available




Entry Process

- ▶ WAGA decision regarding whether the new entry process will be implemented for 2017
- ▶ If not – Plans to gain entries in March 2017
- ▶ Looking on past entries for 2017 we aim to accommodate
 - ▶ 80000
 - ▶ 40000
 - ▶ 20000
- ▶ Will be able to accommodate more if necessary



Contact

- ▶ General Enquiries to Gift Event Manager Charlotte Bondolf
 - ▶ charlotte@mgagb.co.uk
- ▶ Venue Enquiries
 - ▶ venue@mgagb.co.uk
- ▶ Entry Information to follow
- ▶ Further information will be available on the WAGA MGAGB website
 - ▶ www.mgagb.co.uk (coming soon)

European Championship (England) – August 14-20



The Venue



- Address: The Royal Bath & West Society, The Showground, Shepton Mallet, BA4 6QN.
- 83 miles from the nearest port (Plymouth)
- The whole site is for the exclusive use of the Championships.
- Plenty of space for all lorries and camping.
- 3 grass rings, including the famous Bath and West horse ring.
- Stables for all competitors.
- Lots of permanent toilet and shower blocks located across the site.

The Location



Accommodation

- There will be (very limited) accommodation available on site
- There are many local hotels and bed and breakfast suppliers in the area providing budget to luxury accommodation

Shopping

- There will be a shop on site selling essentials such as milk and bread plus a wide range of other stalls
- There is a large supermarket 3 miles from the site

Travel

- Bristol Airport is 23.5 miles away
- Castle Cary Railway Station is 4 miles (2 hours direct service to London Paddington)

Local Attractions include



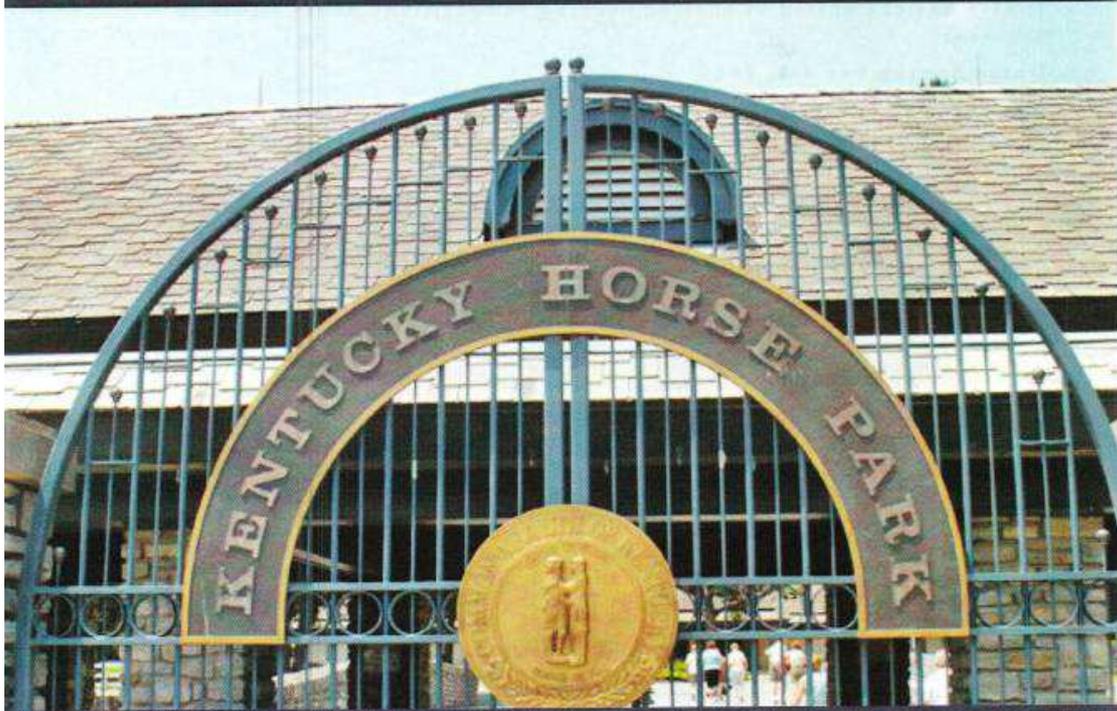
- Bath (20 miles)
- Wells (7 miles)
- Glastonbury (12 miles)
- Cheddar Gorge (18 miles)
- Wookey Hole (10 miles)



IMGA Nations Championship (USA) – September 4-10

THE UNITED STATES MOUNTED GAMES
ASSOCIATION

2017 IMGA Nations Cup



5400 Old Sligo Rd
LaGrange, KY 40031
Phone: 502-836-4589

E-Mail: pgrayh@bellsouth.net Web: www.usmga.us

United States Mounted Games Association is pleased to invite International Mounted Games Association to host Nations Cup 2017 in the United States of America.

Proposed Venue

The Kentucky Horse Park is the premier equestrian venue in the United States. We have secured the Kentucky horse park Rolex arena. The 2010 World Equestrian Games held the Show Jumping Championship in this arena, which is also the site of the four-star Rolex Three-Day Event. This 300 by 400 foot ring has an exceptional manufactured all-weather footing. It also has the option of hosting evening competitions under lights if necessary.

Date- September 4-^{10th} 2017

- Practice Ring
- Stables



2017 Nations Cup

Gala Dinner Location

Will be held at Private club Spindletop Hall. A historic building,
this grand mansion was used for interior scenes in the film Secretariat.



Possible Trips

River cruise, horse farm tour, visit to historic racetrack Churchill Downs,
trips to amusement park and much more.

Accommodation

There is a campground for caravans on the grounds of the horse park that offers a swimming pool, basketball court, tennis court, volleyball sand court and other family activities. There are also numerous hotels in the surrounding area. Riders and supporters will be responsible for their own accommodation. We will arrange for a block of rooms at local hotel at a special rate.

We are excited about hosting the 2017 Nations Cup Championships and returning to the site of the 2003, 2014 World Team Championships and the 2010 World Equestrian Games.

Attachment for 4.2.6 : Organisation of IMGA sanctioned competitions

CONTRACT FOR THE ORGANISATION OF AN IMGA SANCTIONNED CHAMPIONSHIP

Chapter 1: IMGA Championship Obligations

I. Mounted Games Equipment and Arena Infrastructure

A) The Mounted Games Arena - Article 1

According to IMGA regulations, the dimensions of the arena in which the riders will compete must be:

- Sand and Grass Arena:

A large flat rectangular area of grass, or sand, or all-weather surface.

Sufficient length to provide minimum run out areas of 45m at the start/finish end and 27m at the changeover end. i.e. total length 126m minimum.

Each lane occupies a width of 9m, with an additional space at each side of the arena

The number of lanes must be 8, making a width of 85.5m (min)

Should be easily accessible from the stables and from the accommodation area.
Must have fast and easy access for emergency services.

If the organizing body wishes to use an arena that does not comply with those dimensions or the minimum number of lanes, it must inform IMGA officers and International Representatives of the different dimensions when bidding for the organization of the IMGA Championship or, if changes intervene after the championship has been awarded to the Organising Body, at least six months before the start date of the Championship.

These different dimensions must be approved by the majority of:

- The European IMGA representatives for the organization of European IMGA Championships.
- The non-European IMGA representatives for the organization of the Nations Championships.
- All European IMGA representatives for the organization of World IMGA Championships.

The ground (sand or grass) must be suitable for the welfare and safety of ponies and riders.

The fence around the arena must be safe enough for the welfare and safety of ponies and riders. A minimum height of... and visible by riders and ponies.

The warming up arena must be of a suitable size for all riders and ponies to warm up in a correct way. The ground and fence must also be suitable.

The different characteristics of the arena will be checked by an inspector appointed by IMGA (see Point III on pre-competition checks) at least ... months before the beginning of the Championship and cannot be changed.

B) Mounted Games Equipment - Article 2

The Mounted Games Equipment used during the IMGA Championship must comply with the IMGA Equipment requirements and Rule Book.

C) Referees and Judges Facilities - Article 3

The Organising body must provide a safe platform on which the referee will be standing to give the starts. The referee and his flag must be visible by all riders in the arena.

The Organising body must provide at least one cabin for score judges and commentators. This cabin must be big enough to have at least 3 score judges and one commentator, high enough, and must be placed in line with the star/finish line so that score judges can judge the arrivals.

D) Sound system requirements - Article 4

The Organising body must provide a suitable sound system that will allow anyone around the arena to hear scores, announcements and music clearly. When possible, scores and announcements should also be heard in the camping areas and stables.

E) Live streaming and transmission of information requirements - Article 5

Technology and Social Media Sub-Committee

II. Showground infrastructures

A) Catering area - Article 6

The catering area must be big enough to host all riders and trainers at the same time, seated.

Efforts should also be made to welcome the general public.

Priority must be given to riders and trainers for food service during meals,

B) Catering requirements - Article 7

- Week catering

- Gala dinner (maximum price and minimum requirements).

The gala dinner meal must be composed of at least a starter, main course and dessert.

The price of a gala dinner must not exceed 50 euros for a starter / main course | dessert meal if no drinks are included or 80 euros for a starter | main course / dessert meal if drinks such as sodas and wine are included.

Water must always be included in the meal, free of charges.

C) Showers and toilets - Article 8

The Showground must have a minimum of:

- 1 toilet for 10 persons on site.
- 1 shower for 20 persons on site.

Staff must be provided during the whole Championship to ensure showers and toilets remain clean at all times.

Toilets and showers must be accessible at all times. Hot water must be available at least from 6.30 am to 10.00 am and from 5.00 pm to 8.00 pm.

D) Rider's Camping area and parking lot - Article 9

Rider's camping area must be exclusively for riders, trainers and their family. Any other person will be allowed to stay on this camping area if accepted by the trainer or international representative.

Trainer or international representative must inform the organizing body of anyone not allowed on the rider's camping area. In this situation, the organizing body may exclude that person from the camping area and/or from the showground.

E) Supporter's camp - Article 10

The organizing body must provide a supporters camp separated from the riders camp to ensure riders are able to sleep at night and prepare themselves for the competition.

Electricity and water access must be provided on the supporters camp.

F) Stables and water points - Article 11

III. Pre-Competition Inspections

Different pre-competition inspections will be made on site by a person appointed by IMGA according to a calendar communicated to the organizing body.

The organizing body must be able to give all information included in this contract during the pre-competition inspections, whether infrastructures and equipment are already on site or not.

Different written reports will be made by the inspector and communicated to IMGA and International Representatives following the pre-competition inspections.

CHAPTER 2: FINANCIAL PENALTIES

A complaint may be lodged by an IMGA Officer, International Representative, IMGA certified referee selected to referee during the IMGA Championship or Trainer to IMGA in case of a breach of this contract before, during or after the IMGA Championship has taken place.

The IMGA Officer, International Representative, IMGA certified referee selected to referee during the IMGA Championship may ask IMGA for his identity to remain secret. However, complaints cannot be lodged anonymously.

The Organising Body concerned by this alleged breach of the IMGA contract will be informed no later than 10 days after the complaint has been lodged.

investigations will be made by IMGA officers to gather all information and proof in order to decide if this breach is valid, Investigations will be stopped after a maximum of 45 days.

IMGA officers may appoint a Sub-Committee or a person outside of IMGA to fulfil this investigation.

IMGA has the right to question anyone in order to gather all elements of the investigation.

I. Cancellation of the IMGA Championship - Article 12

In case of the cancellation of the IMGA Championship and no solution of replacement satisfying this contract is found, the national MGA will be asked to pay a financial penalty of 3 000 GBP except in a case of force majeure (Chapter 3).

This financial penalty will have to be paid by the national MGA, supporting the organization of the IMGA Championship in question, the following year, at the same time as the payment of the annual affiliation fee to IMGA.

If the financial penalty is not paid in time, the national MGA will be excluded from IMGGA. The National MGA will be reinstated inside IMGGA once this penalty is paid and as long as the national MGA still fulfils the IMGGA requirements to be a member of IMGGA.

II. Breach of the Mounted Games Equipment and Infrastructure clauses : Article 13

Once the investigations are over, IMGGA will inform the Organising Body by written of the results of the enquiries.

If it is proven that there has been a breach of articles 1,2 3, 4 and/or 5 of this contract, the Organising Body and/or the national MGA will be given 14 days to contest this breach and give elements to prove that this breach is false.

Once this deadline passed, IMGGA will also have 14 days to take their final decision.

In the case IMGGA confirm the breach, the National MGA will be asked to pay a financial penalty of:

- 2 000 GBP for a breach of Article 1
- 1 000 GBP for a breach of Article 2
- 600 GBP for a breach of Article 3, 4 and 5

This financial penalty will have to be paid by the national MGA, supporting the organization of the IMGGA Championship in question, the following year, at the same time as the payment of the annual affiliation fee to IMGGA.

If the financial penalty is not paid in time, the national MGA will be excluded from IMGGA. The National MGA will be reinstated inside IMGGA once this penalty is paid and as long as the national MGA still fulfils the IMGGA requirements to be a member of IMGGA.

III . Breach-of Showground Infrastructures Clauses - Article 14

CHAPTER 3: Non Liability Clause

The Organising Body will be responsible for the cancellation and/or the breach of this contract except in cases of force majeure as follows:

Fire, flood, epidemic, terrorist attack, hurricane, tornado, storm, frost, earth quake, war, civilian war, requisition, sick leave, staff or sportsmen strike, revolution, riots, moratorium, government action, suppression of the local authorities authorizations, lack of electrical power, interruption or delays in transports and communications, general weather or political conditions making it impossible to host the event, substantial withdrawal of sportsmen.

CHAPTER 4: Responsibility - Insurance

The Organising Body will be responsible for any damage caused by itself and its during the IMGGA Championship.

The Organising Body declares that it is insured with a public liability insurance, organization of this IMGGA Championship and for any activity related to this contract.
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CHAPTER 5: Termination - Cancellation of the IMGGA Championship

This contract may be terminated by both parties in case of the failure to fulfil the contractual obligations under this contract by one of the parties.

In case of a termination by IMGGA, the National MGA will be asked to pay the financial penalty under Article 12.

Attachment for 4.4.1 : Proposal for WHS/OHS Register

IMGA Risk Appetite Statement

DRAFT - IMGA Risk Appetite Statement

	Risk Appetite Range		
	Low Appetite	Medium Appetite	High Appetite
Philosophy towards risk taking	IMGA tolerates as little risk as possible with a cautious approach towards taking risk	IMGA takes a balanced approach to risk taking	IMGA takes an aggressive approach towards risk taking and will tolerate a higher level of risk for increased benefit or to achieve our strategy
Preferred approach to addressing the risk	Risks that cannot be effectively mitigated are avoided	There is no preference and the risk treatment will be considered depending on the context and benefit to IMGA	Preference to reduce or tolerate risk through internal measures

Key Activity	Qualitative Risk Appetite Statement	Level of risk IMGA is prepared to tolerate	
		Desired	Current
Operations			
International Championships	We have a high appetite in relation to the scheduling and conduct of International championships. These are conducted annually in participating nations and regional championships like European Championships and Under 18 world teams.	Number and spread	Number and spread
Committee Processes	We have a medium appetite for risks associated with the processes that plan and administer / conduct International and National committee processes which empower the prudential oversight of championship preparations to ensure success. (I.e timelines for site reviews can be stretched if required)	Timely assurance	Timely assurance
Expansion of the sport	We have a high appetite in relation to the spreading of mounted games as a sport throughout the world	Marketing and support	Marketing and support
External perceptions			
Brand & reputation	We have a medium appetite for taking risks that build our reputation as a facilitator of exciting high quality International championships and events. We have a low appetite for taking risks that could damage our brand and reputation as a well organised and competent sports administration body and event management organisation.	Building Reputation Reputation damage	Building Reputation Reputation damage

People			
Health and Safety	The willingness to tolerate risks to the health and safety of officials, volunteers, competitors spectators and ponies is low, no matter the location of an activity or championship. This does not mean that inherently risky activities are avoided; rather health and safety risks are identified and managed to the best extent possible and if after consideration of the residual risks the risks remain intolerable they are to be avoided.	Health and Safety	Health and Safety
Governance			
Fraud and Conduct	We have a low tolerance for fraud or misconduct (harassment, discrimination, bullying, stealing, rough riding, cruelty to mounts; disrespect to officials, drug and or alcohol abuse)	Misconduct Unethical or corrupt activity	Misconduct Unethical or corrupt activity
Legal, compliance regulatory considerations	No appetite for compliance breaches that impact on IMGA's ability to continue to administer and grow the sport, may result in harm to IMGA officials competitors spectators or the ponies; prosecution of executive committee members, officials or competitors or significant damage to IMGS's reputation	Breaches that impact ability to administer and grow; Result in: - Harm - Prosecution - Significant damage	Breaches that impact ability to administer and grow; Result in: - Harm - Prosecution - Significant damage