

Aintree Equestrian



INTERNATIONAL EVENT CENTRE

COMPETIOR INFORMATION



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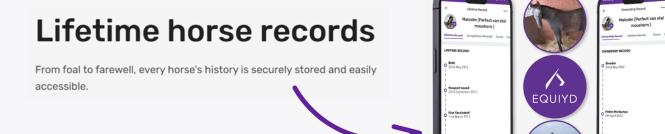




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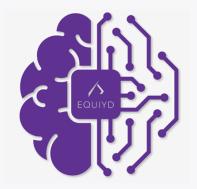


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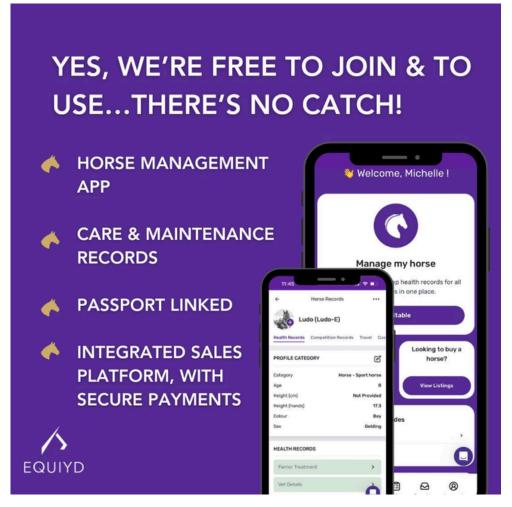
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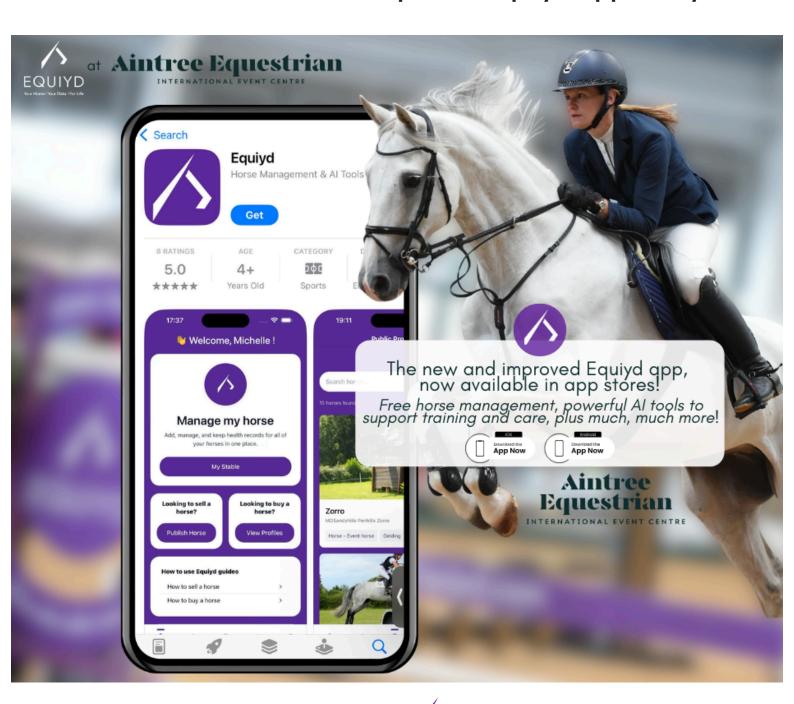
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TRAVELLING TO AINTREE

Postcode - L9 5AS

Aintree Racecourse is located on the A59, just one mile from the M57 and M58, which link the M62 and M6. Follow the A59 to Liverpool and the AA brown racecourse signs as you approach the racecourse.

If you are coming from the M57/M58, please follow Ormskirk Road (A59), past Asda, McDonalds and the Industrial Estate. Please take the left turn at the traffic lights for the racecourse, just after KFC and by the Toby Carvery.

To enter the racecourse, go underneath the barriers and turn **RIGHT** for the stables at the mini roundabout or **LEFT** if you are a day competitor not stabling.

ARRIVAL

DAILY COMPETITORS (NOT STABLING)

Daily horseboxes will be parked adjacent to the Equestrian Centre and an overflow lorry park will be alongside the racecourse track. All parking is on tarmac or hard standing.

Gates will open at 7.00am each day, and no earlier.

STABLING COMPETITORS

When you have arrived at the racecourse, drive straight past the grandstands with the Parade Ring on your right. You will then drive up a slight incline, next to the outdoor arena, and you then turn right for the stables.

The stable manager's office is located next to the gates into the main stable yard. There will be stables signage in place and parking stewards to guide you.

STABLES



- The parking stewards will direct you on where to park when you arrive. Please follow their guidance when parking. There will be busy periods, so we do ask that you are patient with them and follow their instructions on where to park.
- Arrival times are 2pm-7.30pm on Wednesday 13th and 7.30am to 7.30pm Thursday to Sunday.
- You must vacate your stable by 8am Monday 18th. All generators will be turned off at 7am.
- The latest time you can arrive on site for stabling is 7.30pm.
- If you feel you cannot make these times, you will need to email us for prior permission. info@aintreeequestriancentre.co.uk so that we can inform security



Vaccination policy if stabling

As per our terms and conditions, all horses STABLING at Aintree EC must have had a booster vaccination against Equine Influenza in the PRECEDING 6 MONTHS, and be 6 days clear of having had any vaccination.

The last vaccination must have been between the 13th February 2025 and 5th August 2025.

ALL PASSPORTS WILL BE CHECKED ON ARRIVAL.

Horses will not be permitted to stable at Aintree if they do not have the correct vaccinations.

DEPOSIT

- A £30 stable cash deposit will be required when you arrive. This is to be paid at the Stable Managers office.
- All stables must be fully emptied before you leave. Stables will then be checked and the £30 deposit will be refunded back to you when you leave. There is no choice in emptying, they must be fully emptied as we have a tight turnaround for another show arriving when you leave.
- Bags will be provided from the stable office to take shavings home.
- Please ensure you unload as quickly as possible, due to large numbers arriving, we need you to unload your pony and then unload other equipment once you are parked up.
- We do have some tack/storage lockers near the permanent stables which are available to use, these are £5 cash each to hire, and they are on a first come, first served basis. A £5 cash key deposit will also be required which will be refundable on return.
- All stables will have two bales of bedding when you arrive. The bedding is either paper or shavings.
- Please ensure you bring your own feed. There is no feed store at Aintree.
- Hay and Haylage is available to pre book through Horse Monkey before the show starts. Please ensure you pre book to ensure we have enough.
- No mucking out equipment or wheelbarrows will be available, please ensure you bring your own.
- Please provide your own water and feed buckets.
- Strictly NO SMOKING in the stable complex or in any building on site.
- The solarium will only be open in the winter months.
- The route to the Equestrian Centre from the stables is along the rubberised walkway in front
 of the grandstands along the side of the racecourse. Passing places will be put in place
 along this walkway. All horses MUST use this route at all times and not use the back of the
 Grandstands or the tarmacked area.
- The Equestrian Centre is about a 10 minute walk from the stables, so ensure you allow plenty of time for your journey before your class.
- The stables have a 24 hour manager on site and they will be located in the Stable Manager's Office by the entrance to the stables.

- The stables will be closed at 11.00pm at night and the Stable Manager will do regular walk rounds during the night. We request that competitors avoid going into the yard after this time to allow the horses to settle and rest. The stables will be back open at 6am but we request that the noise is kept low due to local residents who are overlooking the stable
- Strictly no dogs in the stable yards at any time. This is a BHA rule and must be adhered to at all times

HOOK UPS & ACCOMODATION

- We have very limited hook-up available, please email info@aintreeequestriancentre.co.uk.
- Please advise the Stable Manager when you arrive that you have booked a hook up and you will be directed to the hook up steward.
- Those who have booked hook ups, will need to bring their own adapters. Aintree do not provide any adapters or leads.
- Please ensure that your hook up equipment is in full working order. The electricity supply at Aintree is checked regularly and is in full working order. If your hook up equipment does not work or trips the supply, we may not be able to give you this service.
- If you are a non-hook up, you will be directed to park away from the hook up lorries
- The stable manager will issue keys for the hostel accommodation when you arrive. Please bring a £5 cash deposit for your room keys.
- There are bins located around the stable yard and also in the lorry park. Please ensure that you help keep Aintree tidy. We are renowned for having a tidy racecourse and like to keep it that way! *IIII

FLU VACCINATIONS

All horses must be fully up to date with flu vaccinations

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Vaccination policy if competing

All horses ATTENDING BUT NOT STABLING at Aintree EC must have had a booster vaccination against Equine Influenza in the PRECEDING 12 MONTHS, and be 6 days clear of having had any vaccination. PLEASE HAVE YOUR PASSPORT AVAILABLE FOR CHECKING

SHOWERS

Showers are located in the Hostel, by the stables



- The shower facilities are only available to those who do not have showers in their lorry.
- There will be showers available each day in the hostel, in the long green timber building located next to the permanent stable yard.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.
- The showers will be cleaned regularly during the day, but if you feel they need a clean, please let the stable manager know.

TOILETS



- All toilets will be cleaned and disinfected regularly throughout the show
- If you are not happy with the cleanliness of the toilets, please inform the cleaner or member of staff as soon as possible.
- Please respect our toilet facilities and leave them how you expect to find them. Please flush the toliet!

DOGS

- Due to BHA rules, dogs must not enter the stabling area.
- Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times. No exception to the rules.
- We ask that all dogs are cleaned up after they foul or urinate. This is an increasing problem at Aintree and people will be asked to leave if they are seen not to adhere to this rule and dogs will no longer be allowed to come on site.
- · We request that dogs are kept out of the café and eating areas, as well as off the furniture in the Owners and Riders lounge.
- Please keep your dogs away from Tradestands, we have had many complaints about them fouling near the stands.
- Dogs are not permitted on the racecourse track at any time.
- THIS YEAR THERE IS A ZERO TOLLERANCE TO DOGS FOULING AND NOT BEING CLEANED UP. IF YOU ARE CAUGHT, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE SHOW.

KEEP BELONGINGS LOCKED AWAY



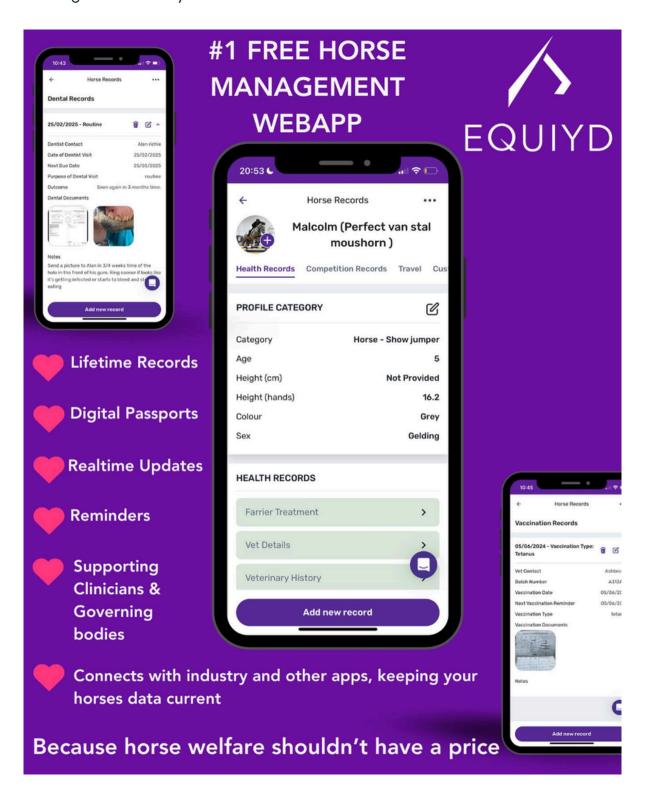
- There have been some recent thefts at other venues, so please ensure you leave all belongings locked away at all times.
- It is your responsibility to look after your belongings and keep vehicles locked at all times.
- Please report any suspicious behaviour to a member of staff.



GOODY BAGS

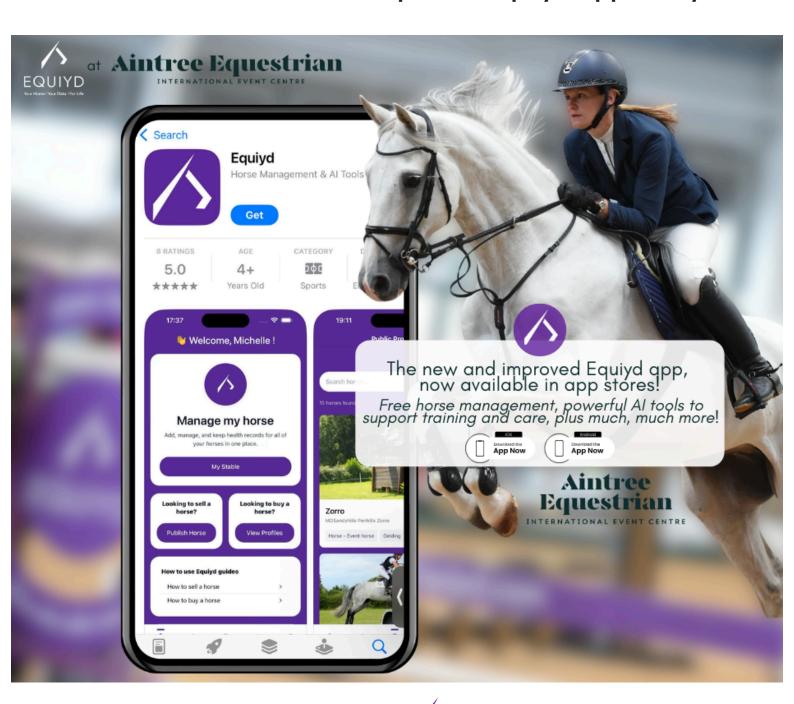
Goody bags are to be collected from our wonderful sponsors, Equiyd

- **Stable plaques**, souvenir **rosettes** and additional goodies can be collected from the Equiyd stand by the arena.
- To collect your goody bag, you'll need to set up your FREE Equiyd profile so please take a parent or guardian with you!





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SPECTATORS

Friends and family are welcome to come and watch

Spectators are permitted to attend the show. This show is FREE to come and watch.

TRADESTANDS

The following tradestands will be attending the Show.

- Equiyd
- Horse and Rider Clobber
- Majestic Photography
- Horse on Demand
- SesroHorses
- Rokhorse
- The Saddlery Aberconwy

- Cyclossage
- Michael Marren

Catering Concessions

- Tipple N Cheese
- Choc Spot
- Ainsdough Bar & Pizza



LIVE STREAMING

This show will be live streamed through Clipmyhorse.tv as well as British Equestrian Sport.

SHUTTLE SERVICE, BIKES AND SCOOTERS

- There won't be a shuttle service at this show.
- Bikes are permitted, but please ride them responsibly. Aintree is classed as a public highway when the gates are open.
- ALL bikes must use the front of the grandstands to go to and from the Equestrian Centre. The back of the grandstands is for vehicles only.
- When riding a bike a hard hat should be worn.
- **Electric scooters are not permitted** on public highways, so therefore are not permitted to be used around the racecourse.
- Licensed disabled scooters are permitted.
- There is a 5mph speed limit around the racecourse at all times.
- Children must be accompanied by an adult at all times.



ENTRIES

Entries for Thursday, Friday and Saturday are close to capacity so please enter sooner rather than later if you are planning to jump. You will need to jump in the correct class to qualify for the final.

Find details for qualification below!



SUMMER POP QUALIFIERS & FINALS

CLASS	QUALIFIES FOR	CLASS	QUALIFIES FOR		
CLASS 1 - TINY POPPERS CROSS POLES	SUNDAY TINY POPPERS CROSS POLES	CLASS 7 - 10 YEAR AND UNDER 128CM	SUNDAY CLASS 7 - EQUIYD 10 YEAR AND UNDER 128CM GRAND PRIX		
CLASS 2 - Midi Poppers Cross Poles	SUNDAY MIDI POPPERS CROSS POLES	CLASS 8 - STEPPING STONES 128/138CM	SUNDAY CLASS 8 OR 9 (128CM MINI OR 138CM MINI GRAND PRIX) DEPENDING ON SECTION		
CLASS 3 - MAJOR POPPERS CROSS POLES	SUNDAY MAJOR POPPERS CROSS POLES	CLASS 9 - PONY BRITISH NOVICE/INTRO 80CM OPEN	SUNDAY CLASS 11 - EQUIYD MINI		
CLASS A HINHOD CLUD COCM	SUNDAY CLASS 4 -		GRAND PRIX (148CM & UNDER)		
CLASS 4 - JUNIOR CLUB 60CM	EQUIYD JUNIOR CLUB 60CM GRAND PRIX	CLASS 10 -	SUNDAY CLASS 11 - EQUIYD MINI GRAND PRIX (148CM & UNDER)		
CLASS 5 - JUNIOR CLUB 70CM	SUNDAY CLASS 5 -	PONY DISCOVERY/INTRO 90CM OPEN			
	EQUIYD JUNIOR CLUB 70CM GRAND PRIX	CLASS 11 - SPRINGBOARD 128/138CM	SUNDAY CLASS 10 - SPRINGBOARD 128/138CM (INCORPORATING AINTREE 128/138CM MAJOR GRAND PRIX)		
CLASS 6 - JUNIOR CLUB 80CM	SUNDAY CLASS 6 - EQUIYD JUNIOR CLUB 80CM GRAND PRIX				

Combinations must jump either club classes or BS classes for the duration of the show.

Jump in the qualifying class on Friday or Saturday to jump on Sunday!

WARM UP ARENAS

Aintree has three warm up arenas

- The outdoor arena by the stables is available to use all day. Maximum 6 horses/riders at once.
- The walkway down to the arena is a crucial part of your warm up before you get to the arena. This is strictly walking only. A nice leg stretch down there and also great for cooling down after you compete.
- The outdoor at the back of the arena will be available for those in the next 1/2 hour to compete. A maximum of 8 horses/riders at once.
- The indoor warm up is available for the next class to compete in the main arena.
- There are a lot of arenas and we would really appreciate help with poo picking too, so please bear this in mind to help keep our surfaces at their very best.
- Please, if you are asked to come out of the arena, try not to be rude to our staff member as we do need to stick to the strict rules.
- Lunging is not permitted.

COURSE WALKING

- There will be a course walk at the beginning of each jumping class.
- Course walk timings will be detailed with the drawn orders on our website from Wednesday afternoon
- The first 8 horses to jump will be permitted to be held in the indoor warm up.
- Horses 9-15 to jump can be held in the outdoor warm up.
- Anyone else will be asked to hold horses outside of the arena.
- Dogs are not permitted in the arena during course walking

PRIZE MONEY

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- Anyone that wins prize money at Aintree International Equestrian Centre need to update their bank details on their horse monkey profile.
- This information will then be used to transfer the prize money to their bank account.
- Please note: It is the competitor's responsibility to provide bank details in order to be paid prize money. Bank details must be provided via HorseMonkey within 7 days of the event, otherwise prize money will be forfeited.

SHOW UPDATES

• There will be show updates on our SPRING & SUMMER PoP FACEBOOK GROUP. Click the link below to join the group for important updates!





CLICK HERE



ORDERS AND TIMINGS



 Orders and approximate start times will be sent to you via Horse Monkey or can be accessed via the link below when they have been published.



- The drawn orders for the other days will be on the website, no earlier than 4pm the day before.
- Drawn orders will also be displayed on our website throughout the show.
- Approximate start times will be detailed for each class on the drawn orders.
- Declarations are required with the collecting ring steward before the class commences.

GRAZING



- There is a small grazing area in the stable yard.
- When grazing, please use a bridle, chifney and lunge line to reduce the risk of having loose horses!
- Please DO NOT graze horses on the racecourse track as this is sprayed frequently.

CATERING AND REFRESHMENTS

- The Tophams cafe overlooking the warm up area will be open throughout the show.
- Further seating and tables will be available in the arena.
- The Cafe will be open 7.30am until 2.30pm
- There will be additional catering concessions (Tipple N Cheese, The Choc Spot) open throughout the show open from 11am late.
- The Cafe is card only. Consessions are card and cash.
- There will be a bar open in the arena each day.
- Please note that BBQ's are not permitted on site due to health and safety reasons.

ATMOSPHERE

- Audience participation is encouraged at this show.
- Please support your fellow competitors.
- Background music will be played as well as lap of honour music.
- The arena big screen will be on for this show.



PHOTOGRAPHY AND VIDEO

Please be aware by attending Aintree International Equestrian Centre you consent to being filmed or photographed and some of this may be used for marketing or promotional purposes.

Official Photographer 2025

Competitor images are available from our official event photographer only. For images from the Spring PoP Festival please visit: majesticphotography.co.uk

For editorial images please email info@aintreeequestriancentre.co.uk



Rules of Photography and Videography 2025

Only our official appointed event photographer is allowed to take any images and sell them to the public. No other individual or company has permission to attend Spring PoP to take images of multiple competitors and sell them to members of the public or publish online/on social media. Those suspected of doing so will be asked to leave the venue.

Reels can be purchased directly from Majestic Media and Maximise Social only.

No videography other than that commissioned directly by Aintree will be permitted without prior written agreement. Aintree social media coverage will be produced via Dark Horse Media and there will be live streaming taking place during the event via ClipMyHorseTV.

Taking images and/or videos of your friends or family, for personal use, is of course absolutely permitted.

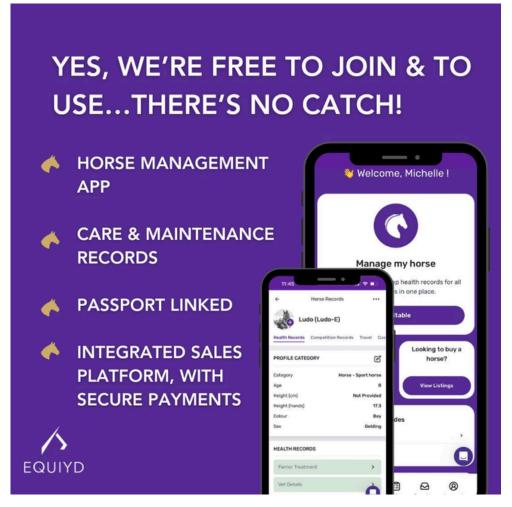
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ENTERTAINMENT

- WEDNESDAY Welcome Evening and Games in the arena 7.30pm 8.30pm
- THURSDAY -
- FRIDAY Rodeo Donkey 7pm 10pm, Children's entertainment 2pm-6pm
- SATURDAY Glitterbox Face Painting & Hair Accessories

Rodeo Donkey 3pm - 6pm,

Children's entertainment 2pm-6pm

Party and disco in the arena after jumping has finished













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EMERGENCY NUMBERS



Aintree Show/Secretaries Office - 0151 522 2949 (general enquiries)

Stable Manager's Office - 0151 522 2938 (show days only)

Aintree Security - 07525 735 757 (for access to the racecourse only)

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact us on info@aintreeequestriancentre.co.uk

(Please note that if you have withdrawn from the show and have received this email, this is a circulation email sent to all competitors who have entered the show).

The Aintree team and I will be on site for the show ensuring that everyone is adhering to the rules in place. If you have any concerns during the show, please do not hesitate to speak to myself or a member of the Aintree team.

We wish you a safe journey to us, a nice experience whilst you are here and hopefully we can welcome you back again soon.

Carly Sage

Aintree Equestrian Centre Manager & Assistant to the Regional Head of Racing Aintree Racecourse The Jockey Club

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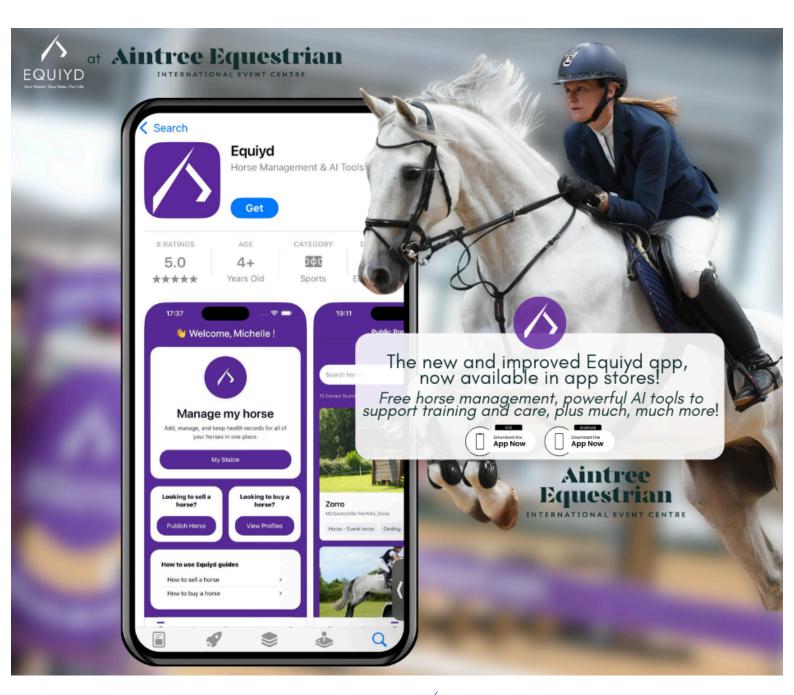
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USEFUL CHECKLIST

	WATERPROOF CLOTHING	PASSPORT & VACCINATION RECORD
$\overline{\Box}$	JOHDPURS/BREECHES	HEADCOLLAR, LEADROPE & LUNGE LINE FOR GRAZING
$\overline{\Box}$	SHIRT, STOCKS OR TIE	BRIDLE INCLUDING A SUITABLE BIT & REINS (SPARE TOC
\Box	BODY PROTECTOR	MARTINGALE OR BREASTPLATE (IF REQUIRED)
\Box	RIDING HAT	NECK STRAP (IF REQUIRED)
\Box	GLOVES, WHIP, SPURS	SADDLE
	RIDING BOOTS	GIRTH AND A SPARE
$\overline{\Box}$	YARD BOOTS	SADDLEPAD OR NUMNAH AND A SPARE
	JACKET	BOOTS - BRUSHING BOOTS & OVERREACH BOOTS
\Box	HAIRNET AND SCRUNCHIE	STUDS AND STUD KIT
\Box	CLOTHES	COOLER RUG/LIGHTWEIGHT STABLE RUG
\Box	FLIP FLOPS (FOR SHOWERS)	LIGHTWEIGHT WATERPROOF RUG OR SHEET
\Box	UNDERWEAR - INC BRAVE PANTS	BANDAGES OR TRAVEL BOOTS
\Box	NIGHTWEAR	GROOMING KIT
$\overline{\Box}$	TOWELS	PLAITING KIT
$\overline{\Box}$	TOILETRIES, TOOTHBRUSH & TOOTHPASTE	TACK CLEANING KIT
	MEDICATION/HAND SANITISER/MASK	FIRST AID KIT
$\overline{\Box}$	HAIRBRUSH	SHAMPOO
$\overline{\Box}$	SLEEPING BAG OR DUVET	MANE AND TAIL SPRAY
	PILLOW	FLY REPELLENT & FLY MASK
	TORCH	HOOF OIL
$\overline{\Box}$	MONEY	HAY NETS/HAY/HAYLAGE
	GIN. LEMON, TONIC, FIZZ & CHOCOLATE	FEED BUCKETS
	PHONE CHARGER	WATER BUCKETS
	SENSE OF HUMOUR	FEED & SCOOP FOR FEED
H	DOG LEAD & POO BAGS IF BRINGING A DOG	SHAVINGS FORK, SHOVEL, BRUSH
	HUSBAND/PARTNER (IF THEY ARE JOINING THE FUN!)	WHEELBARROW
	CASH FOR DEPOSITS	PONY
		EMERGENCY CONTACT DETAILS FOR STABLE DOOR