***(1 January 2023 to 31 December 2023)***

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|  | **Membership Secretary**  Mrs Janet Ashdown 07737 671631  5 Meadow Way  Heathfield TN21 8AJ  [Jan.ashdown@hotmail.com](mailto:Jan.ashdown@hotmail.com) |

Weald Harness Club (WHC) is an affiliated club of British Carriagedriving (BC), who made changes in their membership structures and fees with effect from 1st January 2023. This has impacted on how affiliated clubs manage their own members and insurance cover. Each affiliated club must now pay a levy of £25.00 per club member who is not also a BC member in order that the club member is covered by insurance (third party personal liability insurance cover at any affiliated club event (inc grooms and backsteppers at the events), complimentary third party liability insurance cover for the member’s FIRST Regional or National event (inc grooms and backsteppers at events), a regular newsletter from BC keeping the member informed about carriage driving news, events & other developments around the UK and abroad. The insurance does **not** cover the member driving outside of an affiliated event. British Carriagedriving would prefer if all carriage drivers joined the BC family and doesn’t acknowledge that not all club members are active carriage drivers at the higher levels of the sport. British Carriagedriving offers Full Membership £150, International Membership £250, Associate Membership £80.00 (designed for those who have horses and want to support the sport but **don’t actively compete**, provides third party personal liability insurance cover for 365 days per year and for all equine activities **EXCEPT** for carriage driving competitions), Affiliated Club Membership £variable depending on the Club, Officials Membership £45, Supporting Membership £10 and a sliding scale for Young Members and British Young Drivers. Only BC Full Members, WHC Club members or members of other affiliated BC Clubs are insured for WHC events from 2023. BC Associate Membership is no longer suitable for events, and you will need to join WHC or another affiliated club as a non-BC Member.

Proof of 2023 BC Membership, an Affiliated Club Membership or personal insurance will need to be sent to WHC Membership Secretary. Entry to WHC driven events cannot be accepted unless these are provided to ensure that you are adequately insured.

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| **Name In Full** |  |
| **Address inc Post Code** |  |
| **Mobile Number** |  |
| **Email Address** |  |
| **DOB** (if under 18) |  |
| **Insurance** | Do you have your own policy? Yes / No Please attach a copy of the policy.  Policy Issuer:  Policy Number:  Expiry Date: |
| **Member of British Carriagedriving** | Yes / No Membership No:  Full / Associate / International / Official / Supporting / Young/BYD |
| **Do you belong to other Affiliated Clubs** | Yes / No  Names of Other Clubs & Membership Nos: |
| **Prime Affiliated Club Name** | (NB only the prime club should pay the insurance levy for the non- BC member, rather than each club pay a levy if the member has multiple club memberships) |
| **Turnout Type** | N/A, Single, Pair, Tandem, Team Pony / Horse |

**Membership**

Single £35.00 (reduced to £10.00 with proof of BC Membership 2023)

Junior £35.00 (reduced to £10.00 with proof of BC Membership 2023)

Non-Driving £10.00

Total Amount Due: £

Cheques to: Weald Harness Club Or

Bank Transfer: Weald Harness Club 30-92-36 00553526 Quote Surname/Membership

Please send this completed form to Janet Ashdown by post or email.

**Data Protection Statement**

Weald Harness Club is affiliated with British Carriagedriving (BC). The organisers of events run under BC rules all retain data provided by those entering such competitions, purely for Club use only. By completing the membership form and entering the club events and competitions, the member / competitor understands and agrees that:

* This data is used for organising and running of the Club and planning of future events,
* This data will be shared with BC as part of the affiliation process and payment of start fee levies,
* The publication of results of the competitions and competitors on paper and electronic media
* The publication in any event catalogue of the county of residence of the competitor
* The use of the data for analysis purposes to include but not limited to location of competitors, travelling distances to events, number of competitors attended in current and previous years, performance of competitors at events

**I hereby agree to abide by the rules and regulations laid down by the Constitution of Weald Harness Club which can be found on the website** [**www.wealdharnessclub.co.uk**](http://www.wealdharnessclub.co.uk)

**Do you permit the sharing of your contact information with BC as a non-BC member? Yes / No**

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*Signature*

**MEMBERSHIP QUESTIONNAIRE**

Please can you complete this questionnaire. It is intended to give the Committee some idea of your driving experience or, if an existing member, any changes to your current circumstances. The Committee can, in exceptional circumstances, request that new members undergo an assessment prior to attending an event.

We are delighted that you wish to join Weald Harness Club and look forward to seeing you at our events.

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| Level of Membership sought | Driving member / non-driving member |
| How long have you been carriage driving? |  |
| Do you belong to any other driving club? | YES / NO  If yes, which Club(s) |
| What turnout do you drive? | Single / pair / tandem / team / other (specify) |
| What size animal do you drive? | Shetland / pony / horse / heavy  Hands: / … cm |
| Have you had any formal carriage driving lessons? | YES NO  Given by  Would you like more? |
| Have you any BDS or carriage driving qualifications? | YES NO |
| Would you like to take a competence test? | YES NO |
| What events/drives do you usually take part in? | One day events / 2-day events / pleasure drives / showing / National BC events / International / training / RDA / Heavy Horses / other |
| Do you take part in any other equestrian events? | Jumping / eventing/ showing / dressage / le trec / other |
| Are you registered disabled or do you have any infirmities that may impair your ability to drive? Please give relevant details (we want to ensure we have enough help available for you) |  |
| We can offer mentorship for the first year of your membership. Would you like this? | YES / NO |
| Is there anything else that you would like to tell us? |  |
| Might you need any help with getting to or taking part at events? |  |
| How would you prefer to receive newsletters etc? | Email / Post |

Many thanks for your co-operation in reading and completing this questionnaire.

**This questionnaire has been completed honestly and to the best of my ability**

**Signed:** ………………………………………….. **Dated:** .. / .. / 20..