SCHOOLS & UNIVERSITIES POLO ASSOCIATION

JUNIOR & SENIOR SCHOOLS

Friendly Arena Tournament

Sunday 29th November 2026 · Oxford Polo

DATE & START TIME

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First chukka at **10am**

VENUE

Oxford Polo, Kemsley Farm
Akeman St, Bicester OX25 3AA
What3Words: ///rejoins.slices.dial

RUNNING LATE? PLEASE CALL

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LIVE DRAW, SCORES & TIMINGS

Tournify app – scan the QR code below
Paper-free event

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

WEATHER & WHAT TO WEAR

Please check the forecast for Sunday before you set off. At the moment it is showing highs of around 8°C with sunny intervals and light winds.

Everyone will once again be outside all day and it is likely to be **cold**, so we kindly ask that players and spectators dress appropriately – warm layers, a waterproof coat, hat and gloves, and sensible waterproof footwear.

HORSES & LORRIES – VERY IMPORTANT

If you are bringing horses, or have horses being brought to Oxford Polo on Sunday 29th, you must contact George Fraemhos at george@oxfordpolo.co.uk to ensure there are enough parking and tie-up areas.

Failure to do so could see your lorry or trailer being turned around.

Please treat Oxford Polo with respect. No muck or litter should be left anywhere – please clear up after yourselves and take it home.

DOGS

If you must bring a dog, it must be kept on a lead at all times and cleared up after. Owners of dogs not kept on a lead could be fined by Oxford Polo.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Please read all the information in this letter and pass it on to everyone attending (including your horse hirer, coach, etc.).

This is a **friendly arena tournament** with some teams and students playing whom we have not seen before.

TOURNIFY APP

We are paper-free and all information for the tournament will be on **Tournify**. Please download the app before arriving at Oxford Polo – it is also a brilliant way for anyone unable to attend to follow how their team is doing!

Please scan the QR code below:

START TIME & CHUKKAS

We start at **10am** with **Junior Schools**, moving on to **Senior Schools**. Timings are purely a guide and we have every intention of trying to run faster – we will run the day using the Tournify app.

DIVISION	FORMAT
Junior Schools – Beginner Lions	**3 × 6 min chukkas**
Junior Schools – Beginner Tigers	**4 × 4.5 min chukkas**
Junior Schools – Novice Panthers	**3 × 6 min chukkas – American tournament, with play-offs based on position after matches**
Junior Schools – Novice Jaguars	**3 × 6 min chukkas**
Senior Schools – Beginners	**3 × 6 min chukkas**
Senior Schools – Lower Novice	**3 × 6 min chukkas**
Senior Schools – Upper Novice	**4 × 4.5 min chukkas**

The chukka times shown on Tournify are **purely for guidance**. By scanning the QR code you will be able to see exactly which chukka we are on, and if timings change significantly we will update the app.

> **Senior Schools:** please note you are expected to be here **1 hour before your first chukka**, as we will be trying to run ahead of the published timings.
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> **We will not be waiting for anyone.** Failure to be ready on time will see the other team awarded a goal for every minute we wait.
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> It is your responsibility to ensure your child/students are **mounted and waiting outside the arena at least one chukka before they are due to play**.

HATS & SAFETY EQUIPMENT

All hats must meet the current **HPA helmet regulations**, which were updated in March 2026: HPA Helmet & Eye Protection Regulations (v18)

- **New for 2026:** the HPA rules now require all players to wear eye protection during play – sports glasses, goggles or a face guard.
- **All hats must be tagged with a pink SUPA hat tag.** Please visit **Emita Polo** when you arrive to get your hat tagged before getting on any ponies.

DRESS CODE

Whites, numbered shirts (no hoodies when riding), **knee pads, and long boots or chaps**. Hats and eye protection must comply with HPA rules (see above).

RULES

Please ensure you have read the rules on our website: www.supa.org.uk

STEWARDS

We are all volunteers at SUPA – please remember that when you are speaking with us.

PRIZES

There will not be a formal prize-giving, but there will be prizes for all teams. Please come and see Caroline before you leave.

FOOD & DRINKS

Hot drinks will be available from the clubhouse.

The delicious **Santina's Wood Fired Pizza** company will also be on hand to feed you at lunchtime.

MERCHANDISE & KIT

Emita Polo will be in attendance for all your polo kit and equipment. Browse their range at emitapolo.com. You can also **pre-order with Emita Polo**, who will have your kit ready for you to collect on the day.

We look forward to a fantastic day of polo – thank you all!