SRC Equestrian Ltd

Job Title: Groundsman / Handyman

Responsible to: Grounds Team Leader

Primary location: Solihull Riding Club.

Salary: £25,397 to £26,124 dependant on experience

Working Hours: 40hrs per week including frequent weekend working

Holiday: 28 days including Bank Holidays or pro rata

Primary purpose of the post

To contribute to the maintenance and upkeep of Solihull Riding Club buildings, equestrian facilities and grounds.

Key responsibilities (including but not limited to)

Assist in the delivery of a clear maintenance schedule for all grounds, arenas, buildings and facilities. Activities will include (but are not limited to)

- Use of tractors and associated equipment for topping, harrowing and rolling the fields
- Use of quadbike
- Strimming
- Watering
- Use of chain saw and woodworking tools
- Maintenance of hedges and ditches
- Maintenance and preparation of stabling
- Management of the muck heap
- Felling and clearing damaged trees
- Maintaining cleanliness and tidiness of club grounds and work areas
- Painting and decorating
- Maintenance and minor repairs to buildings
- Assist with equipment servicing and monitoring programmes to minimise the risk of equipment failure
- Alert the team leader to reduced stock levels of essential consumables
- Assist with routine and exceptional maintenance or development as directed.

• Adopt safe systems of work to ensure health & safety responsibilities are fulfilled; and risk of accident or injury is minimised for staff and users; and risk of damage to vehicles and equipment is reduced.

Site Management

- Ensure the buildings and site are appropriately locked down and unlocked according to the day's activities
- Ensure security systems are properly functioning and are used in accordance with agreed processes
- Ensure the site is kept clean and tidy
- Ensure stables are maintained in a 'ready to use' condition
- Respond to any emergencies or urgent issues that arise

Preparation, delivery and break down of shows and events (depending on experience)

- Assist in setting all rings and courses to the required standard in good time for planned events
- Assist with the safe set up of judges' boxes, sound systems, lighting systems, portaloos etc
- Fulfill all health and safety requirements
- Ensure all equipment is repaired and / or stored appropriately after the event to ensure its availability for the next event. Report all breakages and requests for replacements promptly.
- Help to build and repair cross country fences and show jumps

Key skills, competencies, experience & attitudes required.

- Physically strong, fit, agile and dextrous
- Strong work ethic
- Enjoys being outdoors
- Practical and pragmatic
- 'Can do' attitude, flexible and prepared to get stuck in when needed
- Keen to learn new skills
- Enthusiastic with excellent team working skills, and happy to take direction and instruction.
- Professional approach to work and the public
- Good communication & interpersonal skills, with the ability to deal with a diverse range of people.