XC Course Design

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Lessons from 2021

- Ground Lines
  - When are they needed?
  - What is a ground line?
  - Height is important.

- Base spreads
  - What is included?

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Lessons from 2021

- Securing of narrow/all fences including MIMs.
- Profiles and shapes of narrow fences.
- Consistency on fence description forms, e.g. which category is a house.
- Crossing flags.
- Roof/archway over fences.
- Importance of lower level courses:
  - New rule regarding efforts.
  - Not every pair of flags is an effort.

Lessons from 2021

- Decoration on top of fences between flags.
- All fences must conform to the rules e.g. front leading edges or not be used.
- What we can do to help horses read fences & decoration to help depth perception.
- When does a square spread become an ascending spread?

Thank you for your attention.

Questions?