

2026

Devon
COUNTY SHOW
21 • 22 • 23 MAY

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SHOEING SCHEDULE

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Westpoint Arena, Exeter

DEVON COUNTY AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION

Patron: His Majesty The King
President: Mr John Lee OBE DL

Honorary Show Director: Mr Stewart Stevens
Devon County Show Manager: Mrs Lisa Moore

SHOEING CLASSES

Kindly Sponsored By:



DEVON BRANCH



JUDGES

Shoeing Classes

Mr Johannes Sandsten Atlason
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Mr Nigel Perrott Dip WCF (Hons)

Shoeing Stewards

Mr Andrew Bowyer FWCF Mr Stuart Taylor AWCF
Miss Char John BSc (hons)

Apprentice Stewards

Mr David Olive DipWCF
Mr Chris Searl DipWCF

TO ENTER:

<https://showingscene.com/events/devon-county-show-2026-may-2026>

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

ENTRIES LIMITED TO 24 IN 1, 3 & 4
ENTRIES LIMITED TO 30 IN CLASS 2
ENTRIES LIMITED TO 12 IN CLASS 5 & 8

PLEASE NOTE

All Competitors must be registered under The Farriers Registration Act.

Entry Fees:	Class 1:	£17.00
	Class 2:	£17.00
	Class 3:	£17.00
	Class 4:	£17.00
	Class 5:	£26.00 per team
	Class 6:	£ 9.50
	Class 7:	£ 9.50
	Class 8:	£16.00

Prizes:	Classes 1, 3, 4 & 5:	1st £100; 2nd £65; 3rd £45
	Class 2:	1st £70; 2nd £40; 3rd £20
	Classes 6 - 8:	1st £50; 2nd £30
	Champion Prize	£125
	Reserve Champion	£75

Entries Close: 1st April 2026

Thursday 21st May

1 GOODBYE FLIES OPEN PONY SHOERING & SOUTH WEST CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to all Registered Farriers. Competitors will be required to make a fore or hind shoe for the foot. In addition they will be required to make a Therapeutic Specimen Shoe as specified by the Judge.

The South West Championship will be judged from this class.

Time allowed: 50 minutes

Specimen: To be specified by the Judge on the day.

Material: Concave

2 VULCAN HORSESHOES OPEN SHOEMAKING

Open to all Registered Farriers (priority to registered farriers entered in other classes) or Apprentices to make two Shoes as directed by the Judge.

Only one entry per competitor in this class.

This class is restricted to 30 entries.

Time allowed: 55 minutes

Friday 22nd May

3 THE TOM MCINTOSH MEMORIAL OPEN ROADSTER SHOEING

Open to all Registered Farriers, competitors will be required to shoe one foot and make a specimen to the judges specification.

Time allowed: 1 hour

Specimen: As specified by the Judge

8 THE SOUTH WEST FARRIER SUPPLIES RESTRICTED PONY SHOEING

This class is Restricted to Registered Farriers that have not been placed 1st, 2nd and 3rd in a open shoeing class. Each competitor will be required to make and fit a front and hind out of concave bar stock. We will allow a fireman in this class.

This class is restricted to 12 entries.

Tine allowed: 1 hour

Saturday 23rd May

4 HANDMADE SHOES OPEN HUNTER SHOEING

Competitors will be required to shoe one foot and make a specimen to the judges specification.

Time allowed: 55 minutes

Specimen: As specified by the Judge

5. DEVON BRANCH BFBA FIRE MEN/DOORMEN AGRICULTURAL HEAVY HORSE COMPETITION (Afternoon)

A team of two Registered Farriers will be required to make and fit a front and hind from flat section.

This class is restricted to 12 entries.

Horses: Heavy Horse

Time allowed: 1 hour 5 mins to make, fit nail and finish one fore and hind from flat material.

Friday Afternoon and Saturday Morning

6 STROMSHOLM 1ST & 2ND YEAR APPRENTICE GAS FORGE SHOE MAKING.

No strikers allowed. Apprentices Only.

Apprentices will be required to make shoes to the judges specification. Only one entry per apprentice is allowed. Specific 'day' requests cannot be guaranteed.

Time allowed: 50 minutes

Shoe: Hammer Finish - NO RASPING

Specimens: As specified by the Judge. 1 Plain Stamped, 1 Concave

Friday Afternoon and Saturday Morning

7 STROMSHOLM 3RD & 4TH YEAR APPRENTICE GAS FORGE SHOE MAKING.

Strikers at the discretion of the judge.

Apprentices will be required to make two shoes to the judges specification. Only one entry per apprentice is allowed. Specific 'day' requests cannot be guaranteed.

Time allowed: 1 hour

Specimen: Two shoes to the judges specification

Champion and Special Prizes

- SH1 SOUTH WEST CHAMPIONSHIP. Henry and Win Conibear Memorial Perpetual Trophy** (Trophy Ref No. 256) kindly donated by the Conibear family of Hartland and **Goodbye Flies Perpetual Trophy** (381) awarded to the competitor gaining the highest number of points in Class 1 whose business address is in either Cornwall, Devon, Dorset or Somerset.
- SH2 CHAMPION PRIZE. The Stromsholm Devon County Show Champion Trophy** will go to the competitor gaining the highest number of points in Classes 1, 2, 3 & 4. (Trophy Ref No.360).
- SH3 SPECIAL PRIZE. The Tom McIntosh Perpetual Memorial Trophy.** To the winner of the Roadster Competition, Class 3. (Trophy ref No. 257).
- SH4 SPECIAL PRIZE. Two Dartington Whisky Tumblers** presented by the Devon County Show and awarded for the winners of Class 5 along with a bottle of whisky donated by Devon Hoof Clinics.
- SH5 SPECIAL PRIZE. The John Mann South West Champion Trophy** will go to the highest places apprentice in the South West .(Ref: 358)
- SH6 SPECIAL PRIZE. The South West Farriers Supplies Restricted Pony Trophy** will go the winner of Class 8. (Ref: 361)
- SH7 SPECIAL PRIZE. Handmade shoes Hunter Trophy.** (Ref: 379) Trophy will go to the winner of Class 4.

South West Farrier Supplies are kindly donating a prize of £10 awarded each day for the best Specimen Shoe in Classes 1, 3 and 4. They are also kindly donating spot prize for the restricted pony shoeing which will go to the highest placed competitor from devon.

**BFBA Devon Branch are kindly supporting
Firemen/Doormen Agricultural Heavy Horse Competition.**

**Vulcan Horseshoes will kindly be donating the prizes for the Vulcan open shoemaking class 2.
1 carton of Khan slim nails, 2 pairs of Khan tongs and 10 boxes of shoes to be distributed
between 1st - 6th place**

**NWT Horseshoes have kindly donated the anvils and spot prizes for the fireman and doorman
classes**

**Handmade Shoes have kindly donated all the concave steel for the shoeing classes and spot
prizes for the open hunter shoeing.**

**Stromsholm have kindly donated spot prizes for both the apprentice classes and the show
champion**

Devon Hoof Clinics are kindly providing competitor forges for apprentice classes

Devon Hoof Clinics are kindly sponsoring coke

MUSTAD are kindly sponsoring the nails for all shoeing classes

Silverback Chaps are kindly donating a voucher for a pair of silverback chaps to be awarded to the best dressed foot over all three days

Robert McIntosh is kindly donated prizes for the roadster shoeing

Park Gas are kindly sponsoring the gas for the apprentice classes

Goodbye Flies are kindly sponsoring prizes for the open pony shoeing

Prizes will be awarded at approximately 5.00pm on Saturday 23rd May

NOTES FOR SHOEING COMPETITORS

Entrants in all classes must compete on the day stated. The draw for the starting times for each Competitor will be made after the entries close, and Competitors will be notified of their starting times before the Show. These arrangements are made for the convenience of Competitors but in the event of failure to arrive on time, or for any other reason, the Steward may, at his discretion, alter the starting time. One admission ticket will be supplied for the day of the competition.

Residential Vehicles

Parking space is restricted. All competitors must park as instructed by the Shoeing Steward. Permits for vehicles/caravans used as living quarters are available for a reserved area in the External Caravan Park as indicated on the attached layout plan. Any caravan or tent found in the shoeing or horse areas will be asked to move immediately. Failure to do so will mean exclusion from the competition. Please telephone 01392 35300 for further details. (Tickets must be bought in advance).

Advance Sale Tickets

Admission tickets for additional guests or family members may be purchased prior to the Show at reduced rates.

In recognition of the need for Competitors in the Shoeing classes to bring their equipment onto the Showground, a limited number of special passes will be issued if you enter four classes or more, if you are an apprentice, you will be issued a car park pass for the closest external car park. A lock up store will be available to competitors, the key to be held by the Steward of the Shoeing section. Cars will not be permitted to enter or leave the Showground between the hours of 9.00am and 7.00pm. Subject to space and at the Stewards' discretion it may be possible to accommodate a small number of cars close to the shoeing stand. Full registration details will be required.

The Devon County Show (DCAA) expects all equine professionals (including farriers) who are attending the Show to take all necessary bio security precautions to eliminate any possible spread of Equine Flu.

Farriery Awards

There will be no Worshipful Company Awards for 2026 as we have overseas judges

Acknowledgements

The Devon County Show is grateful for the support of the Sponsors, Judges and Stewards.

SPECIAL CONDITIONS applicable to Classes 1 – 8

- 1 All shoeing competitors must be registered as practicing farriers under the Farriers Registration Act 1975 as amended.
- 2 The Devon County Show will take reasonable care to ensure the safety of horses, public and competitors. Competitors must hold sufficient public liability or other insurance cover for any injuries they cause to their self, other people or animals.
- 3 ***To comply with Health & Safety Regulations all persons in the Forge area must wear protective footwear and safety glasses. No person will be allowed into the Shoeing Forge without the above safety measures. All competitors must wear and provide their own personal protective equipment. ALL COMPETITORS MUST ADHERE TO THIS REGUALTION OTHERWISE THEY WILL BE DISQAULIFIED FROM COMPETING.***
- 4 Competitors must use iron and nails supplied by the Devon County Show.
- 5 The foot is to be prepared before making the second half of either shoe.
- 6 Heels may be hot rasped (at the discretion of the Judge) or unless stated.
- 7 The foot must not be oiled.
- 8 The time will be fixed by Stewards to prepare feet, making shoes and putting on, on the day.
- 9 Competitors must provide their own striker's tools.
- 10 Strikers must remain by their forges during the competition and on no account must they approach the horses until the competition is decided.
- 11 Only competitors and officials will be allowed in the enclosure during competitions.
- 12 The draw for the competition order will be made immediately after the closing date for entries.
- 13 Competitors must report to the Steward by the time they are due to commence. If they are not present when their names are called competitors may be disqualified, unless the Stewards are satisfied with the explanation given.
- 14 A forge with electric fan, fuel and an anvil will be provided.
- 15 If you have entered but are unable to attend, please ring the Show Office (01392 353700) **PRIOR TO** the competition. *In an event of an emergency during the Show, the steward must be informed. The steward can be contacted by ringing the Shoeing Stand Steward (07540 808820). (The Steward reserves the right to disqualify any competitor if the said competitor has failed to take part in a previous class without notifying the Steward that he was unable to attend).*
- 16 The Devon County Show reserves the sole and absolute right to interpret these or any other prescribed regulations, conditions and prize lists, and to finally settle and determine all or any matters, question, difference, in regard thereto, or otherwise arising out of, or in connection, with the Show and to substitute Judges for those announced in the prize list, or to make additional appointments as may be deemed necessary.

- 17 **Force Majeure**
If an event defined hereafter as Force Majeure occurs the DCAA will not be responsible for the financial consequences or any losses or any actions claims or demands caused to or made by an exhibitor or their servants or agents caused by the failure of the Devon County Show to be held on one or more of the days but for the event of Force Majeure on which it would otherwise to be held. Force Majeure means for the purposes of this clause exceptionally inclement weather; flooding of the whole or any part of the Devon County Showground or the whole or any part of the car parks associated with it ; an act of God including but not limited to fire, flood, earthquake, windstorm or other natural disaster; act of any sovereign including but not limited to war, invasion, act of foreign enemies, hostilities (whether war be declared or not), civil war, rebellion, revolution, insurrection, military or usurped power or confiscation, nationalisation, requisition, destruction or damage to property by or under the order of any government or public or local authority or imposition of government sanction embargo or similar action; law, judgment, order, decree, embargo, blockade, labour dispute including but not limited to strike, lockout or boycott; interruption or failure of utility service including but not limited to electric power, gas, water or telephone service; failure of the transportation of any personnel equipment, machinery supply or material required by DCAA to run the Devon County Show ; breach of contract by any essential personnel; any other matter or cause beyond the control of DCAA.
- 18 Photographs and/or film footage will be taken at this event. These images may be used by the Devon County Agricultural Society, its subsidiaries (including but not limited to Devon County Show) and show sponsors in the following ways:
- Printed publicity
 - Online publicity (including but not limited to Facebook, Instagram & Twitter)
 - Website use – (DCAA, its subsidiaries or sponsors)
 - Any other fair use in marketing and promoting the Devon County show by ourselves and our sponsors
- They will be stored securely and will not be kept for longer than they are needed for the purposes listed above. If you would prefer for you or your child not to be photographed, please speak to the photographer on the day or contact the show office. If you would like to review our privacy and usage policy or have any further questions please contact info@dcshow.org or head to devoncountyshow.co.uk or phone 01392 353 700. Registered Charity Number: 292897.
- 19 **All Exhibitors and other persons admitted to the Showground shall be subject to rules, the orders, regulations (including Health and Safety) of the Devon County Show and the Council of the Devon County Agricultural Association.**
- 20 The Devon County Show operates to a high Health and Safety Standard. All exhibitors and stewards are expected to meet that standard and comply with the Health and Safety at Work Act 1974, which is held in the Association's office.
- 21 Exhibitors **must** comply with the latest guidance relating to safe animal handling, as well as relevant legislation.
- 22 **COMPETITORS IN THE SHOEING SECTION ARE NOT PERMITTED TO SELL THEIR WARES FROM THE AREA BEHIND THE FORGE (SHOEING EXHIBITORS CAR PARK) UNLESS AUTHORISED, IN WRITING PRIOR, TO THE SHOW BY THE SHOW SECRETARY. ANY EXHIBITOR NOT ADHERING TO THIS REGULATION MAY BE DISQUALIFIED FROM COMPETING AT FUTURE DEVON COUNTY SHOWS**
- 23 **Please note that entries will be limited in classes 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to a first come first served basis. 24 entries in classes 1, 2, 3 and 4. 12 entries in classes 5 and 8. Priority in Class 2 to registered farriers already entered in other classes.**
- 24 Information from entry forms will be stored on computer, information about the results may be published and/or provided to the Press for publication. The making of an entry is irrevocable consent for the storage and disclosure of information in this way.

Health and Safety for Features Exhibitors

Devon County Show takes pride in welcoming both exhibitors and visitors to the Show. In order that we provide a safe environment for all parties we ask that you comply with the following when on Show Site. For some Feature Sections additional rules may apply. In the event of a query please speak to your Section Stewards.

Children: Please ensure children are supervised at all times. If possible leave children at home during set up and breakdown; the show site is not a suitable play area as there are a number of moving vehicles and heavy equipment on site during these periods.

Dogs: We strongly recommend that you do not bring your dog onto site during set up or break down. Any dogs on site must be on a short non retractable lead and under your control at all times. Please do not leave your dogs in your car.

Drones: The use of drones is strictly prohibited on the Showground and car parks during Show week.

Fire: In the event of a fire please follow the instructions of the Feature's Steward who will know what action to take in the event of an emergency. Fire extinguishers are available in all marquees and these are located near to the fire exits or at a central fire point

First Aid: Our medical centre is available on the Wednesday before the Show and this is indicated on our site maps (near the Lime Tree Café) and until midnight on the Saturday night.

General: If you see something that you think is unsafe or wrong then please report this so that we can do something about it.

Electrical Equipment: Any electrical equipment being plugged into the Show's electrical installation (paid for in advance) must be PAT tested.

Slips, Trips and Falls: Please ensure that you keep walkways clear of your belongings, cables or any other objects. Exhibits must be secure and displayed so that they will not topple over during the Show

Smoking: Smoking of any type is not permitted in any of our buildings, marquees, or temporary structures.

Vehicles: Please drive slowly and stick to the designated roadways. Your vehicle must be off site and parked in the appropriate car park by the time advised by your Section. At the end of the Show please do not move your vehicle until permission is given to do so. Quad bikes and motor bikes (other than those in displays) are not permitted on the Show Site.

Waste: Please ensure that any waste is placed into the appropriate waste skip provided.

Working at Height: If you are building a display then appropriate working at height equipment should be used (as identified in your risk assessment). Climbing on boxes, chairs or staging is not acceptable. Anyone using tower scaffolding must be suitably trained in its erection and use (PASMA).

The Devon County Show is a fundraising activity of the Devon County Agricultural Association to help support agriculture and the countryside.