

MELPLASH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY SHOW 2025

at West Bay Showground,
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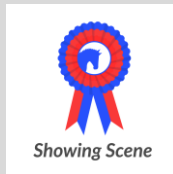
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2026 Show Date will be
Thursday 27th August 2026

EQUINE INFLUENZA

In order to attend the 2025 Melpash Show all equines must have been vaccinated for Equine Influenza.

The requirement for the first 3 vaccinations is as follows:

first 2 vaccinations 21 - 92 days apart;

third booster between 150-215 days;

annual booster vaccination within 365 days thereafter.

No horse should enter competitions within 7 days of an EI vaccination.

Foals should commence vaccinations at 6 months old.

We urge all owners to adhere to strict biosecurity protocols at all times.

Vaccinations are subject to local risk assessments by the attending veterinarians.

Please do not send vaccination certificates or passports to the show office prior to the event.

Random checks will be carried out on the showground during the day.

SHOW REGULATIONS

The Melpash Agricultural Society Show and its ancillary activities are organised and run by the Melpash Agricultural Society Limited.

The Committee shall have the power to interpret these rules and the regulations if there should be any ambiguity or difference of opinion concerning the purport or intention of any rule or regulation. The Committee shall have power to deal with any matter not provided for in these rules.

Subscribers' Rates of Entry

1. All members of the Society and all persons subscribing £35 and upwards are 'Subscribers' and may take advantage of reduced entry fees as mentioned in the Prize Lists as follows:
Subscribers of up to £37.50 (£70.00 Double): Four entries at Subscriber's Rates each. Subscribers of £47.50 (£85.00 Double) or more: Unlimited number of entries at Subscribers' Rates.
 - a) No Member, while their subscription is unpaid shall enjoy any privileges of this Society, and no person, formerly a member of the Society but resigning whilst standing indebted to the Society, shall be permitted to make Subscribers' Rate Entries.
 - b) The privilege of entering at Subscribers' Rates is strictly limited to members of the Melpash Agricultural Society.
 - c) No entry will be accepted unless the correct fee accompanies it, and if the Exhibitor is a Member of the Society the subscription for the year, unless previously paid, together with any arrears that may be due.

Classes

2. The Society reserves the right to cancel any breed section with three or less exhibitors and to amalgamate or cancel classes in which there are less than 6 entries. In the event of a class having to be cancelled the entry fee will be returned.

Entries & Closing Date

- 3 All Subscriptions and Entry Fees must be paid to the Secretary at the time of entry, or the entries will not be accepted. All entries must be made on the printed forms obtained from the Show office or downloaded from www.melplashshow.co.uk. Or enter online via our Showing Scene page. Completed forms must be received in the Show Office by the closing date. **LATE ENTRIES WILL BE CHARGED AN ADDITIONAL £10.00 PER ENTRY.** If any animal is entered in more than one class this must be clearly stated on the entry form. No refunds can be made for any entry after the relevant closing date.

Ownership of Exhibits

4. Except where otherwise stated in the Schedule all exhibits must be the bona fide property of the Exhibitor.

Ages of Animals

- 5 The ages of all animals exhibited must be stated at time of entry. The judges have the liberty of asking the Hon Veterinary Surgeons to apply the dentition test to any animal.

Local Class

- 6 Entries in Local Classes must come from within a radius of 12 miles of Melplash Church. Rule 4 concerning ownership also applies. The exception to this rule in class 1 - Local Hunter, entries must come from a radius of 20 miles.

Time of Arrival of Exhibits

- 7 Exhibits must be on the Show Field and be ready to be judged as per the timetable.

Bearer Entrance Tickets

- 8 Bearer Entrance Tickets will be issued to enable Exhibitors to bring animals into the Show Field. Bearer tickets will be issued at the discretion of the Committee.

Rejection of Entries

- 9 The Committee reserves the right to reject an entry.

Entry Fees Forfeited/Travelling Expenses

- 10 Subscribers and Non-Subscribers making an entry and not sending their proposed exhibits to the Show shall forfeit their entry fee, except as stated in Jumping Classes. The Committee reserve the right to limit the number of entries if necessary, where travelling expenses are offered.

Prizes may be withheld

- 11 All Prize Winners in the classes for Cattle, Sheep and Goats must parade at the Grand Parade or forfeit their prize money.

Substitution and Nomination

- 12 All entries in classes for Hunters, Ponies and Livestock are to be made by name and no substitution will be allowed. Nomination entries will not be accepted.

Protests

- 13 Any person making a protest must make the same in writing within 30 minutes of completion of the judging of the class concerned and at the same time deposit £50.00 with the Secretary, which amount will be forfeited if the Chairman of Committees consider the objection frivolous. If the objection be on the grounds of unsoundness, the particular character of unsoundness must be stated, and any objection not made in the manner and within the time mentioned in this rule will be inadmissible, unless the Chairman of Committees shall otherwise direct.

Disputes

- 14 All disputes will be settled by a Committee and their decision will be final.

The Judging Ring

- 15 No one will be allowed in the rings or near the Judges whilst they are engaged upon the awards, except those who have duties to perform, and any Steward being an exhibitor or interested in any exhibit must withdraw from the ring whilst the class in which they have entered or are interested in is being judged.

Departures

- 16 All winners, including Heavy Horses but **excluding Horses and Ponies** must stay at the Show Field to parade in the Grand Parade or they will forfeit their prize. Exhibits in the Horticultural, Home Produce, Woodcraft & Handicraft Sections must not be moved until 5pm or at the Section Chairman's discretion.

Accident or Illness

- 17 The Society will not be responsible for any illness or accident from any cause whatsoever that may occur to any person (whether an exhibitor or not) or animal or damage to or loss of any article exhibited in the Show, and it shall be a condition of entry that any exhibitor shall indemnify the Society against any claim and cost arising from any such illness, accident, damage or loss.

Conditions of Judging

- 18 In awarding prizes to cattle, Judges are instructed to decide according to the merits of the animals for breeding purposes so that an animal in 'store' condition may compete on equal terms with one which is fat.

Extra Stock

- 19 Spaces will be allotted for extra stock not shown for prizes, if asked for previously.

Animals Not Entered for Exhibition

- 20 If any animals are brought into the Show Field without having been entered for exhibition, unless prior consent has been obtained from the Show Secretary, the owner shall be liable for a fine of up to £15 and the forfeiture of any prize awarded to them.

Rosettes

- 21 No animal shall be decorated in colours other than the Society's Prize Rosettes and other rosettes awarded at the Show.

The Melplash Agricultural Society Limited has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid or prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of all Officials and Stewards. All dogs should be kept under strict control, on non-retractable leads whilst on the Showground particularly around the Livestock Areas. Stewards and Officials reserve the right to reject any animal deemed to be unsafe.

To comply with Health & Safety Executive guidelines the Society has provided Horse Walks. It is a condition of entry that all exhibits keep within these designated routes, and that all reasonable precautions are taken to prevent accidents and that guidance is taken from Officials & Stewards at crossing points etc.

**ALL TROPHIES AND CUPS TO BE RETURNED TO THE
SOCIETY OFFICE BY 1ST JULY**

The Melplash Agricultural Society thanks the Show Commentators
**George Rendell, Marg Cowley, Simon Ledger,
Lester Williams and Robert Pinney**

Riders' Headgear

- 22 Protective headgear must be worn by riders of horses and ponies when mounted anywhere on the Showground. All riders aged 18 years and under must wear headwear to the current standard. When jumping in the ring, the practice or collecting areas all riders must wear protective headgear according to the current standards.

Body Protectors

- 23 Body Protectors may be worn and are **STRONGLY** recommended whilst competing in WHP & WH classes.

Equine Influenza

- 24 All equines must have been vaccinated for Equine Influenza. The requirement for the first 3 vaccinations is as follows: First 2 vaccinations 21 - 92 days apart; third booster between 150-215 days; annual booster vaccination within 365 days thereafter. No horse should enter competitions within 7 days of an EI vaccination. Foals should commence vaccinations at 6 months old. We urge all owners to adhere to strict biosecurity protocols at all times. Vaccinations are subject to local risk assessments by the attending veterinarians.

Passports & Vaccination Certificates

- 25 Neither the vaccination certificates nor passports should be sent to the show office prior to the show. However random checks will be carried out on the showground during the show so please ensure they accompany the animal to the show

Bridles

- 26 In the interest of safety, all horses and ponies aged 3 years old or over must wear a bit or Chifney whilst moving around the show ground.

Young Handlers

- 27 All handlers in horse and pony classes must have attained their eighth birthday on show day with the exception of class 11.

Awards

- 28 No second prize will be awarded in classes of less than three catalogued entries, no third prize will be awarded in classes of less than five catalogued entries.

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE

TIME	MAIN RING	CLASS
8.00am – 9.15am	Ridden Hunters- Local and Open Ridden Hunter Championship	1 & 2
Not before 9.15am	Tattersalls ROR Open Ridden Show Series Qualifier Tattersalls RoR Novice Ridden Show Series Qualifier RoR Championship (to include Challenge Class)	6 8
9.15am – 10.45am	Heavy Horses – In Hand	80-85
10.45am	Ridden Heavy Horse	87
11.00am	Shetland Pony Grand National	
11.40am	Jamie Squibb – Squibbstyle FMX	
12.15pm	Battens Unaffiliated Show Jumping Grand Final	76
1.30pm	Inter Hunt Knock Out Competition	77
2.00pm	Parade of Hounds	
2.15pm	Shetland Pony Grand National	
2.50pm	Judging of Horse, Pony & Dog Fancy Dress	37
3.00pm	Best Turned-Out Heavy Horse in Show Harness	86
3.15pm	Grand Parade of Animals & Awards	
3.45pm	Jamie Squibb – Squibbstyle FMX	
4.15pm	Unaffiliated Show Jumping	78 & 79
RING 2		
8.30am	Tattersalls ROR Former Racehorse Challenge	7
Not before 9.00am	Mixed Height Working Hunter Pony Native Working Hunter Pony (Large Breeds) Native Working Hunter Pony (Small Breeds) Championship	14 12 13
Not before 11.30am	Riding Horse Novice Working Hunter Open Working Hunter Working Hunter Championship	5 3 4
Not before 1.00pm	Coloured classes -In Hand Coloureds – Ridden Coloured Championship	30-32 33-34
RING 3 – will be divided for In Hand classes		
9.00am	Ring 3A - Mountain & Moorland In Hand classes	22-25
9.00am	Ring 3B - Shetland In Hand classes	26-29

Not before 11.00am	Veteran In Hand class	35
Not before 11.30am	Open Lead Rein Open First Ridden Mini Championship	15 16
	Mixed Height Open Hunter Pony Championship: winners of Lead Rein, First Ridden & Mixed Height Open Hunter Pony compete for MAS Challenge Bowl	17
Not before 12.30pm	Tattersalls RoR Open In-Hand Show Series Qualifier	9
Not before 1.00pm	Veteran Ridden class Veteran Championship	36
Not before 1.30pm	NPS Lead Rein and First Ridden classes Mini NPS M&M Championship	18 & 19
	NPS Open Ridden classes	20 & 21
Not before 3.00pm	Pony Club Pony and Young Handler	10 & 11

Ridden Hunters
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Ridden Hunter classes are open to all, no society registration necessary.
The judges are not obliged to ride all entries.

Judges: Mr Connor Pullin, Beaminster (Ride)
Mr Michael Cook, Taunton (Conformation)

Ridden Hunter Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12.

- 1 **LOCAL HUNTER**, This is a local class, entries must come from a radius of 20 miles of Melplash Church. Novice Hunters must not have won a prize of £10 or over before the closing date of entries. Exhibitors to state on entry form if Hunter is eligible to compete for additional Novice Rosette. Riders of Novice Hunters to provide own white arm bands to assist the judge. The highest placed horse not exceeding 158cms to come forward to the championship for the H18 trophy **Horses need not be registered with any society.**
Entry Fee Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 2 **OPEN HUNTER**, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 153cms, riders to have attained their 16th birthday by 1st January of the current year. The highest placed horse not exceeding 158cms to come forward to the championship for the H18 trophy. **Horses need not be registered with any society.**
Entry Fee Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

CHAMPIONSHIP - The judging of the Ridden Hunter Championship for the Prize Winners in Classes 1 and 2.

- H1 **Perpetual Challenge Bowl**, given by the Townspeople of Bridport, for the **Ridden Hunter Champion**. First and Second Prize Winners in Ridden Hunter Section eligible.
- H2 **The Mark Williams Memorial Perpetual Challenge Trophy**, presented by Mrs. Mark Williams, for the Best Local Hunter
- H3 **The H. T. Puley Memorial Perpetual Challenge Cup** for the Best Local Hunter, which has hunted with the Seavington Hunt in the past season.
- H18 **The Graham Crumpler Memorial Trophy** presented by his daughters for the Best Small Hunter.

Working Hunter

Judges: Mr Connor Pullin, Beaminster (Ride)
Mr Michael Cook, Taunton (Conformation)

Working Hunter Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12.

- 3 **NOVICE WORKING HUNTER, OPEN TO ALL**, Mare, gelding or stallion (competing stallions must have a red, white and blue ribbon displayed in their tail) 15.0hh and over. 4 years old and over. Not to have won a total of £200 excluding championship money, in prize money in working hunter classes, or more than 25 British Eventing Points or £200 British Show Jumping at home or abroad before 1st January of the current year. (Fences not to exceed 2'9"). **Horses need not be registered with any society.**
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00
- 4 **OPEN WORKING HUNTER**, for Working Hunters, any weight, mares, geldings or stallion (competing stallions must have a red, white and blue ribbon displayed in their tail) four years old and over, exceeding 148cms, to be ridden. Grade A show-jumpers and advanced event horses not eligible to compete in Working Hunter classes. (Fences to not exceed 3'3"). This class will be judged in two parts. Part one (jumping) will be judged first, without a jump-off. All clear rounds and any other horses the judges may require will go forward to the next part. **Horses need not be registered with any society.**
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00
- H4 **D. H. Morey Memorial Perpetual Challenge Trophy**, presented by Mrs Morey and Family, for the Best Working Hunter. The Working Hunter Championship open to 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 3 and 4.

Riding Horse

Judge: Mr Michael Cook, Taunton

- 5 **RIDING HORSE**, for horses exceeding 148cms, to be judged on conformation, manners and way of going. Will not be ridden by the judge.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00

Retrained Racehorses

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Judges: Mrs Sarah-Kate Coward, Fordingbridge (Ride)

Mr Robin Sharp, Devizes (Conformation)

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

- 6 **Tattersalls RoR OPEN Ridden Show Series Qualifier 2026**, Open to RoR competition registered horses. Thoroughbred mare or gelding, 4years old or over, any height. Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2025. Horses should be ridden in a snaffle, Pelham or simple double bridle with a plain cavasson noseband. Horses should be plaited. **The first THREE go forward to the championship at Hickstead in June 2026.** All entries MUST be competition registered with the RoR and include their competition registration number on entry form and have **RACED in GB**. All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. Please be aware that the show will split the class on the horse's last run in a race (NH or Flat) or will provide 2 ride judges should the entries exceed 20. Please mark your entry form accordingly. **Competitors must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. Racing injuries and blemishes will NOT be ignored in this series**
RoR rosettes 1st – 4th plus Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £30, 2nd £20, 3rd £10, Highest placed Veteran (15+) £10.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00
- 7 **Tattersalls RoR Former Racehorse Challenge 2026**, Open to all RoR and NR competition registered horses, mare or gelding 4yrs old or over, any height. Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2025. Horses to be ridden in any suitable bridle and should be plaited. All entries must have current RoR Competition Registered. Racing injuries and blemishes ARE IGNORED in this series. **The first three go forward to the final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships, Aintree, August 2026.** The Judge will NOT ride. Horses may be stripped for conformation at the discretion of the judge. Competitors must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. The class to be judged 50% jumping, 20% Style while jumping and performance and 30% awarded for show, manners and suitability to be retrained.

PHASE 1

Jumping to be judged:

8 rustic jumps 70cm to 80cm with a maximum spread of 75cm.

The following points to be deducted at the end of each jumping round:

10 points to be deducted for a knock down, 15 points to be deducted for a refusal, 20 points for second refusal. Elimination for third refusal or fall or Error of Course.

PHASE 2

Class returns without boots and judged for an individual

show/conformation. (In some classes, at the judge's discretion, horses might be asked to do a 'show' following their jumping without leaving the ring. This is often the case with a large number in the class)

Each horse to complete an individual show of no longer than 1 ½

minutes. Show to include the following movements: walk, trot, canter showing change of leg, extended canter (gallop) halt and stand, walk off on long rein. Total marks out of 30% for Show, manners and

suitability to be retrained. Fences for the final at Aintree can be up to a maximum of 85cm with a spread of 80cm.

Prizes: RoR rosettes 1st –4th plus RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £20, 2nd £10, 3rd £5, Highest placed Veteran (15+) £10. Codes to be redeemed at the RoR office. The Highest Placed Veteran also qualifies for the Tattersalls RoR Ridden Veteran Show final at the Jockey Club RoR National Championships on August, 2026.

Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00

8 Tattersalls RoR NOVICE Ridden Show Series Qualifier 2026,

Thoroughbred mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, any height, must have raced in GB and have current RoR Competition Membership.

Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January of the calendar year holding the classes. Horses will be ridden by the Judge and will be

stripped for conformation assessment. Horses to be ridden in a snaffle, pelham or simple double bridle with a plain cavesson noseband.

Horses should be plaited. Horses should be ridden in a snaffle, pelham or simple double bridle with a plain cavesson noseband. Horses should be plaited. All those entering horses and/or participating in the show

agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. Competitors/grooms must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. Racing injuries and blemishes are NOT ignored in this series

The first three go forward to the Final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships Aintree August 2026.

Prizes: Prizes – RoR rosettes 1st –4th plus Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £30, 2nd £20, 3rd £10

To take part in this class, horses must NOT have won: a ridden open class under any affiliated showing society including (inc SEIB/HOYS, BSHA, SHB(GB) BSPS, BSPA, Tattersalls RoR Open /Amateur Ridden Show Series Qualifier, TARRA Ridden, or any other open class except Tattersalls RoR Challenge Show Series, other Working Hunter type classes or RoR/In Hand classes. Unaffiliated Show wins are not considered. Horses may remain in the Tattersalls RoR Novice Ridden Show Series (Formerly RoR Jockey Club Novice Show Series) classes until they have won (win) three Tattersalls RoR Novice Show Series Qualifiers. They are de-noviced on their third novice win or at midnight on the day they win an open class, whichever happens first. They are still eligible to compete in the Tattersalls RoR Novice Final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships.

Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 9 **Tattersalls RoR OPEN In Hand Show Series Qualifier 2026**, Open to all RoR and NR competition registered horses, 3yrs and over, mares, fillies and geldings. Handlers must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2025. Horses do not need to be shod to compete in the RoR Open In-Hand class. Horses can be shown in a bitless/In-Hand Bridle. Blemishes caused through racing will be ignored.

All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. Handlers/grooms must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap.

The first three go forward to the final at The RoR National Championships at Aintree, August 2026.

Prizes: RoR rosettes 1st –4th plus Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £20, 2nd £10, 3rd £5.

Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

CHAMPIONSHIP - The judging of the Retrained Racehorse Championship will take place after class 8, those placed 1st and 2nd in the former racehorse classes (excluding in hand class) will go forward.

- H17 **The Toecurler Memorial Trophy** presented by Mrs Millie Tonks for the Champion Former Racehorse.

Pony Club Pony & Young Handler

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mrs Gill Longhurst, Ilminster

Limited to the first 30 entries received.

The Melplash Agricultural Society respectfully request that ALL competitors in the Pony classes wear a skull cap or hat with safety harness according to the current approved BSI or European Standard.

- 10 **PONY CLUB PONY**, not exceeding 14.2hh (148cms). This class is open to any member of any Pony Club. A jump will be available but only for the purpose of entrants being able to demonstrate ability, should they wish.

Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- H15 **The Valerie White Perpetual Challenge Cup**, presented by the late Mrs Valerie White to the best turnout-out Horse or Pony in Classes 10. Entries wishing to be considered for this award are to wear white armbands provided by themselves.

- 11 **YOUNG HANDLER**, handlers to be 12 years and under (must not have attained their 13th birthday on the day of the show) To be judged on presentation and competence of the handler, not the animal that is being shown. Handlers must wear correctly secured British Standard skull caps. No colts or stallions permitted. To be shown in a bridle with a mouthed bit. A Special Rosette will be awarded to each handler not placed.

Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

PONIES

Judge: Mrs Sandra Seward, Carmarthen

Course Builder: Mr Nigel Payne

Prize Money: 1st £20, 2nd £15, 3rd £12

If there are insufficient entries these classes will be amalgamated.

- 12 **NATIVE WORKING HUNTER PONY - LARGE BREEDS**, New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh Section C & D, Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over. Maximum height of fences 80cms, riders any age.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00
- 13 **NATIVE WORKING HUNTER PONY - SMALL BREEDS**, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A&B, Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over. Maximum height of fences 70cms, riders any age.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00
- 14 **MIXED HEIGHT WORKING HUNTER PONY**, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over. Ponies not exceeding 133cms - max height of fences 75cms and rider not to have attained their 14th birthday.
Ponies not exceeding 143cms - max height of fences 80cms and rider not to have attained their 17th birthday.
Ponies not exceeding 153cms - max height of fences 90cms and rider not to have attained their 20th birthday.
Ponies not exceeding 158cms - max height of fences 1.0m and rider not to have attained their 25th birthday.
Entry Fee: Member: £12.00; Non Member £14.00

Championship

- H5 **The Johnson Perpetual Challenge Trophy**, presented by Mr & Mrs S D Johnson to the winner of the Native and Mixed Height Working Hunter Pony Championship.

Ridden Ponies

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mr Charles Seward, Carmarthen

- 15 **OPEN LEAD REIN PONY**, Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 127cms. Riders not to have attained their 8th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00
- 16 **OPEN FIRST RIDDEN CLASS**, Mare or gelding, 4years old and over, not exceeding 127cms. Riders not to have attained their 10th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. No cantering is allowed except for individual performances.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

MINI PONY CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to ponies, 4 years old and over, that have been placed 1st or 2nd in the Lead Rein and First Ridden classes only.

- 17 **THE MIXED HEIGHT OPEN HUNTER PONY**, Mare or Gelding, 4 years old or over, not exceeding 153cms. Will not be required to jump.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

A Special Rosette will be awarded to the best local pony. See Rule 6 in the Schedule. Local entrants must wear a white armband to be provided by themselves.

- H6 **The MAS Challenge Bowl** will be awarded to the Best Ridden Pony. 1st and 2nd prizewinners in classes 15, 16 and 17 are eligible.

NPS Ridden Ponies

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mrs Sandra Seward, Carmarthen

NPS Qualifying Rounds: These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. Ponies must be registered in any of the British Riding Pony studbook sections or the Ridden Register; the GSB; the AHSB; the AASB, or registered in the main body of their respective M&M Stud Book. Part bred ponies are not eligible unless overstamp into one of the British Riding Pony studbook sections, or the Ridden Register. Qualifying rounds for most NPS competitions are open to ponies owned by NPS members and non-members but only ponies owned by adult NPS qualifying or life members are eligible to qualify for the final competition at the NPS Summer Championship in Summer 2026. The highest placed pony, if owned by an NPS member, in each class will qualify for the final. Qualification may be passed down to third place if the first and second ponies are already qualified. WTJ Insurance Brokers Ltd Home Produced Ridden Championship - Riders of Home Produced ponies (see definition in the NPS Rules Book) can wear a white arm band in classes where this is indicated.

These ponies, if owned by NPS members, are then eligible to qualify for the final at the NPS Summer Championship Show. The Owner's Membership cards MUST be produced in the ring when requested or the qualification will be forfeit.

Our show affiliation number is S24.002

- 18 **The NPS /SHOWING CLASSICS M&M Leading Rein National Championship**, Open to mares and geldings four years old or over not exceeding 122 cms registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book. Riders must have attained their 3rd birthday but must not have attained their 9th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. To be shown in a snaffle bit.

NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier - wear white arm bands.

Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 19 **The NPS /PARTRIDGE & PARR M&M First Ridden National Championship**, Open to mares and geldings four years old or over not exceeding 128 cm registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book. Riders must have attained their 3rd birthday but not reached their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.

NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier – wear white arm bands. NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

A **Special Rosette** will be awarded to the best local pony. See Rule 6 in the Schedule. Local entrants must wear a white armband to be provided by themselves.

MINI NPS M&M PONY CHAMPIONSHIP

Open to ponies, 4 years old and over, that have been placed
1st or 2nd in the Lead Rein and First Ridden classes only.

NPS Mountain & Moorland Ridden

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mrs Sandra Seward, Carmarthen

NPS Silver Medal Rosette Championships: NPS Silver Medal Rosette Championships: These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. NPS Silver Medal Rosettes are only awarded when the owner of the champion pony is a Qualifying or Life member of the NPS. A valid membership card must be in the rider's/handler's possession on entering the ring and be produced immediately on request by either the judge or the steward. If the owner of the Champion pony is not a member, or the owner's membership card is not immediately produced, the rosette may be awarded to the Reserve Champion provided they have the required membership card. If the Champion pony has previously qualified it is still entitled to the Silver Medal Rosette, but the qualification card goes to the Reserve Champion pony, provided the owner of that pony is a member of the NPS. The Silver Medal Rosette and the qualification card can be awarded no lower than first Reserve (third). Foals are not eligible for Silver Medal Championships.

Qualifiers are entitled to compete in the final of the Silver Medal Rosette Championship to be held at the NPS Summer Championship Show in August 2026.

Our show affiliation number is S24.002

- 20 **The NPS/Ringside Stud M&M Open Ridden National Championship,**
Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A & B, Open to registered
pure bred M&M stallions, mares and geldings five years old or over.
*NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden
Championship Qualifier– wear white arm bands.*
*NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for
rider up to 25 years*
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 21 **The NPS/Ringside Stud M&M Open Ridden National Championship**
Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh Section C & D.
Open to registered pure bred M&M stallions, mares and geldings four
years old or over. Rider any age, with the exception of riders of
Stallions who must have attained their 14th birthday before 1st January
of the current year. *NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home
Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier– wear white arm bands.
NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for
rider up to 25 years*
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

Champion & Reserve Champion Rosettes will be awarded. The 1st and
2nd prize winners in Classes 20 and 21 will go forward to the
Championship.

**NPS / NIPNA DALES PONY STUD M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette
Championship.** A Silver Medal Rosette is offered by the National Pony
Society for the best registered pony owned by an NPS Qualifying or Life
member in the M&M Ridden section (excluding Leading Rein, First
Ridden & WHP). Membership cards must be presented in the ring to
receive the medal and/or the qualification. A pony can only attend one
M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship final in a season
either at NPS Summer Championships at Malvern or at NPS Scotland
Championships at Scone Palace. A pony may only take the
qualification for the Silver Medal Final once in a season.

- H20 **The Anne Carslaw Memorial Cup** for the Ridden Mountain & Moorland
Champion

Mountain & Moorland In-Hand

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mrs Jackie Cooper, Ferndown

The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M In Hand Summer Championship

These classes are open to pure bred registered M&M ponies in the main body of
their studbook. Owner's membership cards must be shown in the ring to receive
qualifications. Foals are not eligible.

- 22 **Class 1 - Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh Section A & B, 3 years old and
under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.**
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 23 Class 2 - New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh Section C & D, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00
- 24 **MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND.** Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh Section A & B, Mare, Gelding or Stallion, 4 years old or over.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00
- 25 **MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND.** New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh Section C & D, Mare, Gelding or Stallion, 4 years old or over.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

Champion and Reserve Champion Rosettes will be awarded. The 1st and 2nd Prize Winners in classes 22-25 will go forward to the Championship.

NPS/BLACKERTOR & SHARPTOR STUDS M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship - A Silver Medal Rosette is offered by the National Pony Society for the best registered pony owned by an NPS Qualifying or Life member in the M&M In Hand section. Membership cards must be presented in the ring to receive the medal and/or the qualification. NPS M&M Breed Champions Prelim Rounds Qualifier for the Great British In Hand Show – 14th September 2025, Vale View. A pony can only attend one M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship final in a season either at NPS Summer Championships at Malvern or at NPS Scotland Championships at Scone Palace. A pony may only take the qualification for the Silver Medal Final once in a season.

- H19 **The Anne Carslaw Memorial Cup** for the In Hand Mountain & Moorland Champion
- H7 **The Sundae Perpetual Cup**, presented by Mr & Mrs KM Lockyer for the Best Welsh Pony in the Ridden and In Hand Mountain and Moorland classes, to be registered with the Welsh Pony & Cob Society.

The Melplash Agricultural Society offers a Special Rosette to the Best Yearling in Classes 22 and 23.

- H8 **The Willow Cup**, kindly presented by Mr & Mrs D G Mannings will be presented to the Best Exmoor, Classes 22 and 23.

Special Breed Rosettes

The Dartmoor Pony Society offers a Rosette for the Best Registered Dartmoor Pony. The Winner must be a member of the Society and produce Membership Card at the time of the award.

The British Connemara Pony Society offers a Rosette for the Best Registered Connemara pony.

The British Fell Pony Society offers a Rosette for the Best Registered Fell Pony.

The New Forest Pony Breeding & Cattle Society offers a Special Rosette for the Best Registered New Forest Pony.

The Welsh Pony & Cob Society offers Rosettes in the Pony Section. Name of breed and registered number to be shown on entry form for inclusion in the Catalogue. Your personal data – Exhibitors will need to provide the WPCS with certain personal information relating to you. Your privacy is extremely important to WPCS, so we want you to know exactly how we will use that personal information. Our full privacy notice setting out detailed information about matters such as what personal information we use, for what purpose we use it, what our legal basis for doing so is and who we share your personal information with, can be viewed on our website <http://wpcs.uk.com/> If you would prefer to see a hard copy of our privacy notice, please ask a member of WPCS staff to provide you with the same. Our show affiliation number is AF000315.

The Exmoor Pony Society offers a Rosette for the Best Registered Exmoor Pony.

Shetlands - In Hand

These classes will be amalgamated with the M&M In hand classes if there are insufficient entries.

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mr Charles Seward, Carmarthen

The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M In Hand Summer Championship

These classes are open to pure bred registered M&M ponies in the main body of their studbook. Owner's membership cards must be shown in the ring to receive qualifications. Foals are not eligible. **These classes are run under the rules of the Shetland Pony Stud Book Society. Animals must be registered in the Shetland Pony Stud Book.**

1. Classes must be confined to SPS-BS registered ponies. Ponies must be named on the entry form and in the catalogue if one is produced. Society rosettes must only be given to ponies registered with the Society or to foals eligible for registration.
2. Three-year-old fillies with foals at foot may not be shown. All foals must be a minimum of three weeks old on the day of the Show.

3. IN ORDER TO ENTER A STALLION CLASS AT AN AFFILIATED SHOW, ENTIRE MALES AGED 4 YEARS OLD AND OVER MUST HAVE AN "S" NUMBER AND HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY THROUGH EITHER THE SPS-BS STALLION ASSESSMENT PRIOR TO 2006 OR THE CURRENT SPSBS VOLUNTARY VETERINARY EXAMINATION.

4. Children under 14 years old may not show colts (excluding foals) or entire males in In-hand classes. In the interests of safety, hard hats must be worn by all handlers aged 14 years or under in In-hand classes. Exhibitors should not kneel but remain standing while in the ring.

26 **Standard Shetland**, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.

Entry Fee: Member: £12.00; Non Member £14.00

27 **Standard Shetland**, 4 years old and over, Mare, Stallion or Gelding. Foals not eligible.

Entry Fee: Member: £12.00; Non Member: £14.00

28 **Miniature Shetland**, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.

Entry Fee: Member: £12.00; Non Member £14.00

29 **Miniature Shetland**, 4 years old and over, Mare, Stallion or Gelding. Foals not eligible.

Entry Fee: Member: £12.00; Non Member: £14.00

Shetland Championship

The Melplash Agricultural Society will award a Champion Rosette and Reserve Champion Rosette to the best Shetland in classes 26-29.

The Shetland Pony Stud Book Society

offer the following rosettes:

Overall Champion and Reserve Champion rosettes
Standard Champion and Reserve Champion rosettes
Miniature Champion and Reserve Champion rosettes
Junior Champion and Reserve Champion rosettes
(aged 3 years and under)
Overall Best Gelding

NPS/BLACKERTOR & SHARPTOR STUDS M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette
Championship - A Silver Medal Rosette is offered by the National Pony Society

for the best registered pony owned by an NPS Qualifying or Life member in the M&M In Hand section. Membership cards must be presented in the ring to receive the medal and/or the qualification. NPS M&M Breed Champions Prelim Rounds Qualifier for the Great British In Hand Show – 14th September 2025, Vale View. A pony can only attend one M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship final in a season either at NPS Summer Championships at Malvern or at NPS Scotland Championships at Scone Palace. A pony may only take the qualification for the Silver Medal Final once in a season.

Coloureds - In Hand & Ridden

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

Judge: Mrs Gillian Wright, Burley

This Show is affiliated to The Coloured Horse & Pony Society (UK). **Our show affiliation number is 25-062.** Both owner and the rider / exhibitor need not be a member of CHAPS (UK) nor must the horse or pony be registered with CHAPS (UK) to compete. However in order to qualify both Owner and Rider/Exhibitor need to be a current showing member and have a valid Qualifier card. Members should apply to CHAPS (UK) for the appropriate qualifier card.

This Show is a Qualifier for the 2026 CHAPS (UK) Championship Show.

The following classes are CHAPS (UK) Qualifiers; 30, 31, 32, 33 & 34. For full rulings and information on competition/qualification, please refer to the CHAPS (UK) Members' Handbook; or visit www.chapsuk.com for rulings. Only Skewbalds and Piebalds may compete in these classes. All stallions, 4 years old and over entering these classes must be graded with CHAPS (UK). All stallions must wear Stallion ID Discs in the ring without exception.

- 30 **CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE OPEN IN HAND QUALIFIER**, any height.
Any age, no foals.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 31 **CHAPS (UK) NATIVE / COB / TRADITIONAL OPEN IN HAND QUALIFIER**, any height. Any age, no foals
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 32 **CHAPS (UK) OPEN YOUNGSTOCK QUALIFIER**, 1, 2 or 3 year olds; no foals.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00

- 33 CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE OPEN RIDDEN QUALIFIER, any height.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00; Non Member £14.00
- 34 CHAPS (UK) NATIVE / COB / TRADITIONAL OPEN RIDDEN
QUALIFIER, any height.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00

Championship

The Melplash Agricultural Society Champion Rosette and Reserve Champion Rosette will be awarded to the best coloured horse or pony in Classes 30-34.

Veteran Classes

Judge: Mrs Gill Longhurst, Ilminster

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12

- 35 **VETERAN (15 Years and Over) In Hand**, open to horses and ponies, any breed, any height.
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00
- 36 **VETERAN (15 Years and Over) Ridden**, open to horses and ponies, any breed, any height
Entry Fee: Member £12.00 Non Member £14.00

Championship

The Melplash Agricultural Society will award a Champion Rosette and Reserve Champion Rosette to the best Veteran horse or pony in Classes 35 & 36.

Horse, Pony and Dog Fancy Dress

Judges: Mrs Sam Wakely and Mrs Jo Bugler

Prize Money: 1st £20; 2nd £15; 3rd £12
To be presented in the Main Ring

- 37 **FANCY DRESS**, open to all. Judging will take place in the Collecting Ring and presentation in the Main Ring. Equine handlers and riders must wear hard hats with chin straps. Ridden or In Hand
Entry Fee: £5.00

Unaffiliated Show Jumping

Entry closing date for inclusion in show catalogue; Friday 1st August 2025
Final entry closing date: Wednesday 13th August 2025

Course Designer: Paul Thomas, WEYMOUTH

- 76 **Battens Solicitors Limited Junior GRAND FINAL Unaffiliated show jumping.** Riders to have qualified at shows in Dorset, Devon and Somerset in order to compete in this class. Riders to be 16 years and under on day of show. There will be a drawn order for this class, which will be published on the Melplash Show website.
Table A7 Speed 325mpm

Entry Fee: £10.00

Prize Money: 1st £60, 2nd £40 3rd £30, 4th £20, 5th £15, 6th £10

- H22 The **Battens Solicitors** Trophy will be awarded to the winner.

2025 Qualifying Events

Chard Equestrian – 4th May and 8th June
Axe Vale Pony Club Show – 14th June at Chard Equestrian
Portman Hunt Pony Club Show – 15th June at Wards Hill Farm, Henstridge
Kingston Maurward Equestrian – 18th May, 8th June and 13th July
Dorset Showground – 11th June and 9th July
Seavington Pony Club Show – 17th June at Chard Equestrian
Cattistock Countryside Show – 10th August

This class is very kindly sponsored by Battens Solicitors



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77 **Inter-Hunt Knock-Out Competition** very kindly sponsored by Mr & Mrs Marcus and Jean Beresford.

This competition takes place as a Knockout Tournament in which two teams of three riders per team (**riders to be aged 12 years old and over**) compete over separate courses simultaneously. Early entry advised, as number of teams limited to eight.

Please note: This is a fast-paced competition, and we offer the following advisory information:

- We advise teams to practice before the event.
- We advise that all horses are to wear studs, ideally at least one in each foot, horses not wearing studs that slip excessively during the competition may be eliminated.

NO ENTRY FEE

Prize Money: 1st £60; 2nd £45; 3rd £30; 4th £15

H9 **The Jack Norman Perpetual Challenge Cup**, presented by SJ Norman, Esq to the winning team in Class 77

78 **90cms Unaffiliated Open Show Jumping**

Single fences only, open to horses and ponies.

Single Phase - Speed 325mpm

Entry Fee: £10.00

Prize Money and Rosettes to 6th place: 1st £70, 2nd £50, 3rd £40, 4th £30. 5th £20, 6th £10.

H21 The **Medical & Dental Trophy** will be presented to the overall winner of class 78.

79 **1.00m Unaffiliated Open Show Jumping**

Single fences only, open to horses and ponies.

Single Phase - Speed 325mpm

Entry Fee: £10.00

Prize Money and Rosettes to 6th place: 1st £100, 2nd £70, 3rd £50, 4th £30. 5th £20, 6th £10.

H10 The **Ella Pallister Memorial Cup** will be presented to the overall winner of class 79

Entries limited in classes 78 and 79, early entry advised.

Heavy Horse Classes In Hand & Ridden

9.15 am - Main Ring

Judge: Mr Steve Ledsham, Shrewsbury

Sponsored by:

J C & R H Palmer Ltd,

Class winners will be presented with a Bottle of Golden Cap Whiskey kindly donated by JC & RH Palmer, Bridport.

Entry Fee: £7.50 refundable after the Show, if entry forward (except class 87)

Prize Money: 1st £25; 2nd £20; 3rd £15; 4th £10

£75 towards travelling expenses will be paid by The Melpash Agricultural Society, to each lorry, providing the exhibitor has at least one entry forward on Show Day in classes 80-86 only. (see Rule 15).

Classes 81 & 82 may be amalgamated if in the Judge's opinion there are not enough entries forward.

HEAVY HORSE PARADE: All competitors are invited to join the Parade in the Main Ring at 3.15pm prompt and will receive a Special Rosette.

All Prize Winners must parade in the **Parade of Winners** or forfeit their prize money.

- 80 **THE BEST HEAVY HORSE, IN HAND**, Mare or Gelding, without harness, four years old or over (This is a local class - see Rule 6)
- 81 **THE BEST HEAVY HORSE, GELDING** , four years old or over.
- 82 **THE BEST HEAVY HORSE, MARE**, four years old or over.
- 83 **THE BEST HEAVY HORSE, FOAL**
- 84 **THE BEST HEAVY HORSE YEARLING OR TWO YEAR OLD.**
- 85 **THE BEST HEAVY HORSE**, three years old

- 86 **THE BEST TURNED OUT HEAVY HORSE IN SHOW HARNESS**, Mare or Gelding, to be shown in breeching harness. To be judged 25% for horse, 75% for harness.

The Melplash Agricultural Society will award a special rosette to the **Best Local** exhibitor. Please refer to rule 6.

- 87 **THE BEST REGISTERED RIDDEN HEAVY HORSE**, open to pure bred heavy horses, 4 years old and over and registered in the British Stud Books of the Shire, Clydesdale, Suffolk or Percheron Society. Phase 1 - To be judged on manners & way of going within breed type or Judges ride. Phase 2 - conformation, type, freedom of action.

**ALL COMPETITORS IN THE HEAVY HORSE CLASSES ARE
AUTOMATICALLY ENTERED IN CLASS 88.**

- 88 Best Shod Heavy Horse.

No Entry Fee.

Judge: Mr Nigel Perrott, Wincanton

Prize Money: 1st £25;

A competition sponsored by the Worshipful Company of Farriers, for the Best Shod horse in the Heavy Horse Section (Classes 80 - 87, excluding foal class). The judge will examine each horse before or during the line-up for preliminary judging, taking into consideration:

- a. The condition of the feet
- b. The making (or preparation) and fitting of the shoes
- c. The nailing and the position of clips.

Normal shoes and showing plates are equally acceptable, provided they are suitable for the horse.



The Worshipful Company of Farriers will award:

- A Rosette and Inscribed Card to the winner
- A Brass plaque to the winner
- A Brass plaque to the Registered Farrier responsible for its feet and shoeing.

THE FINAL JUDGING OF THE HARNESS CLASS AND PARADE OF ALL HEAVY HORSES ATTENDING THE SHOW WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE MAIN RING AS PART OF THE GRAND PARADE

THE MELPLASH AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY CHAMPIONSHIP

First and Second Prize Winners in Classes 80 to 85 eligible. Champion £15.
Reserve Champion £10.

The **Shire Horse Society** will award a Spoon and Rosette for the Best Mare or Filly. This offer is subject to the Shire Horse Society Special Conditions of Offer and the winner must be a member of the Shire Horse Society. No animal to be eligible to take more than one Silver Spoon during any one year. The Shire Horse Society Spring Show being excepted.

THE WEST OF ENGLAND HEAVY HORSE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025

Kindly sponsored by All 4 Wood Tree Services

To be held on SUNDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2025 at the Turnpike Showground
CHAMPIONSHIP CLASSES: HEAVY HORSE CHAMPION IN-HAND
HEAVY HORSE CHAMPION IN SHOW/DECORATED HARNESS

RULES OF QUALIFICATION:

1. Qualifiers must be from Recognised Heavy Horse Breeds of any age; Stallions, Colts, Mares, Fillies and Geldings.
2. (a) The In-Hand Qualifier must be the Show Champion of the day. If the Champion is already qualified at a previous Qualifier Show then the Qualifier position can go down the line to 4th place, at the Judge's discretion. If the top 4 horses have already qualified then no Qualifier can be awarded.
(b) The Show Harness and/or Decorated Harness Qualifier must be the highest placed on the day, down to 4th position at the Judge's discretion.
3. If a Qualifier is subsequently unable to attend the Championships on 21st September at the Turnpike Showground (between Shaftesbury and Gillingham in North Dorset) then the Championship Secretary must be notified no later than 8th September 2025. The Qualification can then be passed to the next eligible horse.

Each horse that qualifies will receive a Qualifier rosette.

AWARDS AT CHAMPIONSHIP 2025

EACH CHAMPION PRIZE MONEY, SASH AND ROSETTE

EACH RESERVE CHAMPION PRIZE MONEY, SASH AND ROSETTE.

**THE REMAINING FINALISTS ATTENDING CHAMPIONSHIP TRAVEL GRANT
AND ROSETTE**

If exhibitors have any queries, please contact the West of England Heavy Horse Championship Secretary, Erica Macey-Bracken at The School House, Cranborne Middle School, Damerham Road, Cranborne, Dorset BH21 5RP. Mobile: 07958 921089 Email: wessexheavyhorsesociety@gmail.com

SPECIAL NOTE

Horses qualifying for the Championship and others from the same stables may enter and take part in the Wessex Heavy Horse Society's Annual Show on the same day. Schedules are available from the Championship Secretary at the address above. Overnight/day stabling will be available at the Show.

- H14 **The Robert Dupont Perpetual Challenge Trophy**, presented by Robert Dupont, Esq., for the Best Turned-Out Heavy Horse.
- H90 **The John Wakely - Cherry Farm, Beaminster - Perpetual Memorial Trophy** will be presented to the Best Heavy Horse in Class 80.
- H16 **The George Mayo Memorial Cup - Heavy Horse Section.** For the Best Gelding Heavy Horse in Class 81.

Long Service Awards

To the person 44 years of age and under employed in Agriculture who has been employed continuously for the greatest number of years by the same employer, or on the same farm. Any movement from farm to farm with the same employer not to count as a move. Winner to be awarded a Certificate and £15

To the person 45 years of age and over employed in Agriculture who has been employed continuously for the greatest number of years by the same employer, or on the same farm. Any movement from farm to farm with the same employer not to count as a move. Winner to be awarded a Certificate and £15

The above classes are confined to employees who, at the date of entry, are in the permanent employment of persons who are subscribers to the Society. War Service in HM Forces to count as service in Agriculture. A previous prize winner may again be recommended for either of these two competitions provided there is a five year period since last winning. To make a nomination for award, please contact the Society office.

- M1 The Winner of the person aged over 45 category will be awarded the **LTS Littman Memorial Perpetual Challenge Cup**, presented by Mrs C Littman.

The Bugler Cup

Presented by Ralph Bugler, Esq

- M2 **The Bugler Perpetual Cup**, to be awarded annually to the person who has given outstanding service to Agriculture in the West Dorset area.

The Edgar Bishop Memorial Salver

Presented by the late Mr & Mrs Edgar Bishop

- M3 **The Edgar Bishop Memorial Salver**, will be awarded to the person under the age of 40 years of age on Show Day, who has done the most to further the aims for which the Society was established.

The Crumpler Memorial Perpetual Salver

Presented by the family; Diana, Liz, Jenny and Robert

- M4 **The Graham Crumpler Memorial Perpetual Salver in memory of Percy and son Graham**. Awarded annually to the person who has given outstanding service to the Melplash Agricultural Society.

To make a nomination for any of the above awards, please contact the Society office.