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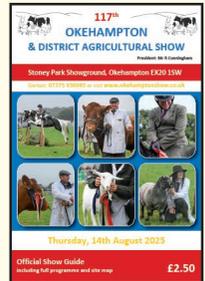
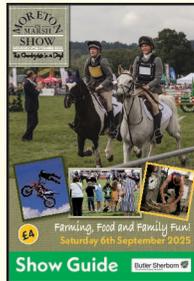
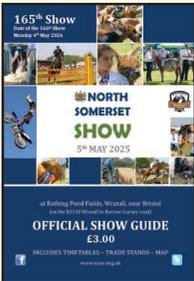
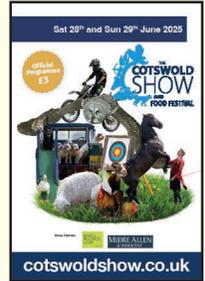
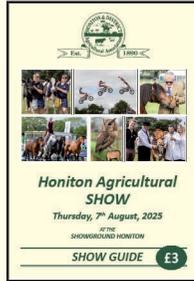
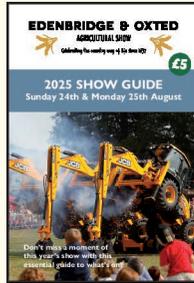
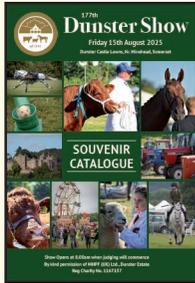
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ENTRIES

Showing entries close on **4th April 2026.**

Online entries only.

www.nsas.org.uk/exhibitors/competitors/horse-showing/

All entry fees are Exclusive of VAT.

BS entries, only, close on Monday 20th April 2026

PRIZE MONEY

Prize money can only be collected on Show Day from the **ON-SITE PRIZE MONEY OFFICE.**

Prize money will NOT be available from the Show Office, unless you finish competing after 5pm.

Prize money not collected at the Show will be deemed a donation to the Society.

CUPS AND TROPHIES

Winners of Cups and Trophies are asked to collect and sign for them in the Cup office on Show Day. **A FREE engraving service is available on Show Day, visit Steve's Engraving in front of the Food Hall.**

Winning exhibitors are asked to make their own arrangements for engraving Cups and Trophies. All Cups and Trophies, unless stated, are perpetual and are to be held for the period between Shows.

All Cups and Trophies, unless stated, must be returned clean, in good condition and in time for presentation at the 2027 North Somerset Show.

If not collected on Show Day, the Society is not responsible for delivering cups to winners.

TICKETS

Pre-Show Saver Tickets:

SAVE WITH ADVANCE TICKETS

www.nsas.org.uk

Available up to 19th April:

Adults	£19.50
Children (5-16 yrs)	£7.50
Family (2 adults, 2 children)	£48.00

Show Day Admission Prices:

Adults	£21.00
Children 15 and under 6	£10.00
Family (2 adults, 2 children)	£55.00
Children under 5	Free
Public car park	Free

167th ANNUAL NORTH SOMERSET SHOW – Bank Holiday Monday 3rd May 2027

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE AND ORDER OF JUDGING

Classes		
	Ring 1: British Showjumping classes	from 8.30 am
	Ring 2 A: Shetlands 307-315 Mountain and Moorland In-Hand 316-321 Mountain and Moorland Ridden 322-330 Ring 2 B: Coloured In-Hand & Ridden 331-339 Veteran In-Hand & Ridden 360-365 Miniature Horses 340-345	from 8.00 am from 8.00am
	Ring 3: RoR In Hand 346 RoR Ridden 347 Heavy Horses In-Hand & Ridden 348-354 Ridden Hunters 355-359	from 8.00 am

This timetable is provisional, and the Committee reserve the right to amend or cancel classes according to necessary or prevailing conditions. Exhibitors are asked to note times of judging. Any major changes in timings will be circulated to exhibitors with their tickets, etc., prior to the Show.

INVITED JUDGES

British Showjumping

Shetland Ponies

Mountain and Moorland in Hand

Mountain and Moorland - Ridden

Veterans in Hand & Ridden

Coloured In Hand & Ridden

Ridden Hunters (Conformation)

Ridden Hunters (Ride)

British Miniature Horses

Retraining of Racehorses

Heavy Horses In Hand

Heavy Horses Ridden

Mr R Griffiths, Gower

Ms P Balch, Worcestershire

Mr M Fry, Southampton

Lindsay Caldwell

Miss C Smith, Oxfordshire

Mrs H Hillard MFH, Gloucestershire

Miss C Chamberlayne, Newbury

Mr R Pink, Somerset

J Brace, Bridgend

Mr M Phillips, Gwent

HORSE SECTION RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. All horses/ponies brought to this Show must be in perfect health and should not have been in contact with any animal suffering from an infection or disease. Stewards are authorised to remove any animal which, in the opinion of the Honorary Veterinary Officer, should not be on the Showground.
2. Protective headgear, with the chin strap securely fastened, must be worn at all times whilst mounted on the showground. Hats must be in accordance with the appropriate affiliated Society's rules and regulations. This rule applies to everyone mounted and will involve disqualification for those who do not comply.
3. All Stallions, 3 years old and over must, at all times, be wearing a bit or chifney whilst moving around the Showground. Stallions must be identified by a blue tail ribbon and, if stated in the relevant section rules, a stallion disc. Please see each individual section for more information.
4. No horse should be left unattended unless they are in the horsebox/trailer, and known to behave sensibly when ordinarily left in such a situation
5. Dogs must be always kept on non-retractable leads whilst on the showground.
6. All animals will be considered and treated as being in the sole charge and custody of the exhibitor during the whole of the show and every exhibitor or his servant must be in charge of same. The organisers will not be responsible for, or in respect of, any loss, damage, accident or injury, arising from accident or any other cause to any persons, stock, vehicles or equipment.

7. The organisers of this Show have 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 and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers, officials and stewards.
8. All competitors take part at their own risk. The landowners, organisers, sponsors or officials will not hold themselves responsible for any loss, damage, accident or injury to owners, handlers, spectators, livestock or any property or vehicle, however caused.
9. Objections must be made in writing within one hour of the incident accompanied by a deposit of £20.00 which is returnable if the objection is sustained.
10. Times of classes may vary on the day. Please keep an eye on your ring and check with your ring steward, not the Secretary, as entry fees will not be refunded.
11. Classes will be judged under the relevant affiliated Society's rules and regulations. The judges' decision is final.
12. A Veterinary Surgeon will be available all day on the showground. If, for whatever reason, they may be required please inform a steward and they will get the vet to you (Appointed veterinary surgeons: Tibbs & Simmons – 01934 862808).
13. In the unfortunate event of an animal dying or being destroyed on the Showground, the owner/exhibitor is responsible for the cost of disposal and agrees to indemnify the Society in respect of that cost.
14. The organisers reserve the right to vary the order or composition of the schedule according to circumstances and to substitute other judges from those named, or to make additional appointments as required. The organisers reserve the right to amalgamate or sub-divide any class should numbers entered justify it.
15. The decision of the organisers on any point not covered by the rules is final.
16. Entry fees shall not be returnable except in the following cases: - (a) they will be refunded in the event of cancellation of classes or a DEFRA Order prohibiting the exhibition of animals at the North Somerset Show. (b) in the case of an animal incapacitated by accident, injury or illness. Any claim under this clause must be made in writing to the Secretary and must be accompanied by a certificate issued by a Veterinary Surgeon and to be received not later than 24th April 2026 together with all stickers and passes issued in respect of the entry/ies in question. **ANY CLAIM RECEIVED AFTER 24th APRIL 2026 WILL BE INVALID.** The entry fee is not returnable to an Exhibitor who enters an animal in a class for which it is ineligible or not registered.
17. Failure to exhibit any animal entered will entail forfeiture of entry fees.
18. All horses attending the Show must have up-to-date vaccinations.
19. This Show is affiliated to Equifest, taking place at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on the 5th – 8th August 2026. The two highest exhibits not already qualified in each affiliated class will qualify.
20. All animals ridden anywhere on the Showground, rings or lorry parks (day or night), must only be ridden by a rider whose size and weight does not compromise the animal's welfare. We are operating under the 20% rider weight guideline where the rider in full riding attire with full tack must be less than 20% of the animal's bodyweight. This is based on a relatively fit, healthy animal, as an overweight animal is also a welfare concern.
21. **Exhibitors are required by DEFRA to carry with them Official Identity Documents for all horses/ponies when competing or travelling. Competitors are reminded that it is a DEFRA requirement that the Official Identity Documents must be in the name of the legal owner within 30 days of ownership. This must be registered with the breed society, relevant studbook or ID issuing agency, dependant on breed/type of animal. Spot checks may be carried out at qualifying shows and by breed societies.**

The North Somerset Show is committed to protecting your personal data and processing it only in accordance with legal requirements. For more details you should request a copy of our GDPR policy.

We process your personal data as it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you to facilitate your entry to the Show.

We will not transfer your data outside of the EEA (European Economic Area) and will not share your data with third parties, except for Breed Societies and/or affiliated Societies and Equine Events, to whom we submit entries and results, to be checked for validity and eligibility based on their legitimate interests. Results will also be circulated with members of the Press and published on our website.

We retain your data in accordance with our retention schedule to simplify future applications.

You have various rights in the data we hold including rectification and objecting to processing.



BRITISH SHOWJUMPING SENIOR AFFILIATED SHOWJUMPING

Ring 1

Starting time 8.30am

Judges: **Anne Newberry, Gail Baker, Amanda Harris**

Commentator: **Suzanne Webb**

Course Designer: **Krissy Spiller**

Collecting Ring Steward: **TBC**

Show day Secretary: **Terri Hill**

Please read the rules at the beginning of the horse section. Also:

- i. The North Somerset Show is affiliated to the British Show Jumping and all Show Jumping classes will be judged in accordance with British Show Jumping rules.
- ii. Full entry fees must be remitted with each entry. Refunds will be made in accordance with rule 79.5.
- iii. All entries must include a photocopy of the registration card of the owner, horse and rider.
- iv. Entries in classes 300-306 are confined to registered horses to be ridden by members in accordance with rule 79.
- v. Rule 82.21: "No member shall allow a stallion for which he/she is responsible as owner, lessee, authorised agent or rider to attend a show, compete or be prepared to compete in any show jumping competition without taking adequate precautions to ensure other horses/ponies, competitors and members of the public are not put at risk of injury."
- vi. When jumping in the Ring, the practice or collecting areas, all Riders must wear protective headgear, according to the current standards as listed below:

All PAS 015; VG1; (BS)EN1384 2017; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; SNELL E2016; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards; Skullcaps must be of, or worn with, a dark coloured plain peaked cover. Refer to your Society/Association Rule Book for further clarification.

Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet one of the following current Safety Standards/specifications MUST be worn by all Riders between the ages of 15 to 17 inclusive. All PAS 015; VG1; (BS) EN1384 2017; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; SNELL E2016; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards. The most recent updates to the list are the addition of SNELL E2016 and EN1384 (2017); the newest version of the SNELL Standard could have begun to appear in 2017 and is accepted to the list; the newest version of the EN1384 Standard will begin to appear during 2018 and is also accepted to the list.

300 300 GFS Senior Newcomers Championship - First Round/ Senior 1.10m Open **Starting time 8.30am DRAWN ORDER – order will be emailed to competitors.**

Rule 312. Table A7. Speed 325mpm. Start Height 1.10m.

Newcomers:

(a) For registered horses in Grade C that have not won a total of 375 points. Four double clears will qualify - in accordance with rule 312.6(b)

(b) For all horses born on or after 1st January 2020, irrespective of Points. Horses will only be eligible for double clear qualification to Second Rounds if they reach the age of six years or under in the same calendar year as the Newcomers Final - in accordance with Rule 312.6.

Four double clears will qualify for the Senior Newcomers Second Rounds. Qualifying period: 1st May 22 – 30th April inclusive. If combined with an open: In the event of 30 or more starters the class will be split with two sets of prize money.

1.10m Open: For registered horses ridden by Adult, Associate or Junior Members.

Entry fee: £30 per horse (inc VAT)

Prizes: 1st: £200, 2nd: £150.00, 3rd: £100.00, 4th: £75.00, 5th: £65.00, 6th: £25.00

Will only be one set of prize money

301 Senior 1.15m Open (inc. the National 1.15m Members Cup Qualifier)

DRAWN ORDER – order will be emailed to competitors.

Table A4. Speed 350mpm. Start Height 1.15m. Rule - 76.6.

Open to all registered horses to be ridden by Adult, Associate or Junior Members. Those riders not listed on the British Showjumping Gold League as of 31st March 2025 will be eligible to qualify for the National 1.15m Members Cup Final. Qualifies for: British Showjumping National Championships. Qualification period: 1st June-31st May.

Numbers to qualify: Two double clears (subject to revision). Qualification is horse/rider combination. Double clear qualifications will not be obtained from one round competitions (e.g. Table A4 or Table A (1 Round)).

Entry fee: £36 per horse (inc VAT)

Prizes: 1st: £500.00, 2nd: £400.00, 3rd: £300.00, 4th: £200.00, 5th: £100.00, 6th: £30.00

302 Redpost Equestrian Senior Foxhunter Championship – First Round / 1.20m OPEN

Rule 310. Table A7. Speed 350mpm. Start Height 1.20m. Rule 76.6.

In the event of 30 or more starters the class will be split and two sets of prize money awarded.

Horses (or ponies in pony competitions) may compete in one section only. In the event of insufficient entries lower prizes will be withheld.

Foxhunter:

(a) For registered horses in Grade C that have not won a total of 700 points. Four double clears will qualify - in accordance with rule 310.6

(b) For all registered horses born on or after 1 January 2019, irrespective of points. Horses will be eligible for double clear qualification to attend second rounds providing they reach the age of seven years or under in the same calendar year as the Foxhunter Final - in accordance with rule 310.6 Four double clears will qualify.

Four double clears will qualify for the Senior Foxhunter Second Rounds. Qualifying period: The Senior Foxhunter Second Round qualifying period for the 2023 second rounds is 1 May – 30 April (subject to revision).

Rule 102.16 British Showjumping hind boot rule for boots/leg protection applies in this class.

Those horses that have qualified for the Senior Foxhunter Championship in 2024 are not eligible for qualification to the 2026 Championship. If combined with an open: In the event of 30 or more starters the class will be split with two sets of prize money.

1.20m Open: For registered horses ridden by Adult, Associate or Junior Members.

Entry fee: £30 per horse (inc VAT)

Prizes: 1st: £200, 2nd: £150.00, 3rd: £100.00, 4th: £75.00, 5th: £50.00, 6th: £25.00

303 National 1.30m OPEN

Rule 306. Table A7. Speed 375mpm. Start Height 1.30m. Rule 76.6.

Open to registered horses to be ridden by Adult, Associate and Junior Members.

Qualifies for: The British Showjumping National Championships.

Qualifying period: 1st July- 30th June.

Numbers to qualify: Two double clears to qualify to the final. Double clear qualifications will not be obtained from one round competitions (e.g. Table A4 or Table A (1 Round)).

Entry fee: £60 per horse (inc VAT)

Prizes: 1st: £1,000, 2nd: £800.00, 3rd: £600.00, 4th: £400.00, 5th: £200.00, 6th: £50.00

Additional prizes kindly sponsored by equestre-sport.com



304 1.00m Open

Table A7. Speed 325mpm. Start Height 1.00m. Rule 76.6.

For registered horses in Grades: A, B & C. Ridden by Adult, Associate or Junior Members who will be aged 12 years or over in the current calendar year. In the event of insufficient entries lower prizes will be withheld.

Entry fee: £24 per horse (inc VAT)

Prizes: 1st: £100, 2nd: £80.00, 3rd: £60.00, 4th: £50.00, 5th: £40.00, 6th: £20.00

305 Senior 1.05m OPEN

Single Phase. Speed 325mpm. Start Height 1.05m. Rule 76.6.

For registered horses in Grades: A, B & C. Ridden by Adult, Associate or Junior Members who will be aged 12 years or over in the current calendar year. In the event of insufficient entries lower prizes will be withheld.

Entry fee: £24 per horse (inc VAT)

Prizes: 1st: £100, 2nd: £80.00, 3rd: £60.00, 4th: £50.00, 5th: £40.00, 6th: £20.00

H5 The Libby Holliday Memorial Perpetual Trophy kindly presented by her family will be awarded to the winner of the 1.05m Open

SHETLAND PONIES

Ring 2 From 8.00am

Judge: **Mr R Griffiths**

Entry Fee: £18.00 per class (inc VAT)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

- i. This Show is affiliated to the Shetland Pony Stud-Book Society; Classes must be confined to registered ponies. Ponies must be named on the entry form and in the catalogue. Society rosettes will only be given to ponies registered with the Stud-Book Society or foals eligible for registration. Three-year-old fillies with foals may not be shown. All foals must be a minimum of three weeks old on the day of the Show. Ridden stallions MUST display a stallion bridle badge. In-hand stallions 2 years and over are advised to display a stallion bridle badge.
- ii. The Shetland Pony Stud-Book Society will award rosettes to the Senior Champion & Reserve, Miniature Champion & Reserve, Standard Shetland Champion & Reserve, Junior Shetland Champion & Reserve, Best Gelding and Best Open Ridden
- iii. Exhibitors under 14 yrs old may not show colts (excluding foals) or entire males in In-hand classes. Exhibitors under 12 yrs old on the day of the Show may not show entire males in ridden classes. Exhibitors should not kneel but remain standing while in the ring. Hard hats must be worn by all exhibitors, irrespective of age, in ridden classes. Ridden ponies must be 4 years old or over. In ridden classes, if a rider falls off at any time whilst in the ring, both pony and rider must leave the ring, rider dismounted and take no further part.
- iv. In the interest of safety, hard hats must be worn by all Exhibitors aged 14 years of age or under in In-hand classes.
- v. The South West Shetland Pony Group will present a Special Rosette to the highest placed pony owned by a Member in each class. Current Membership Cards MUST be produced in the RING.
- vi. **Classes 307-312** to be shown in-hand

307 STANDARD SHETLAND YEARLING 1 year old Colt, Filly or Gelding

308 STANDARD SHETLAND YOUNGSTOCK 2- & 3-year-old Colt, Filly or Gelding

HC1 - STANDARD JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 307 to 308

309 STANDARD SHETLAND MARE 4 years and over, with or without foal at foot.

310 STANDARD SHETLAND STALLION or GELDING 4 years and over. Special rosette to the highest placed gelding.

HC2 - STANDARD SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 309 to 310

HC3 - OVERALL STANDARD CHAMPIONSHIP for standard junior and senior Champion and Reserve

311 MINIATURE SHETLAND YEARLING 1 year old Colt, Filly or Gelding

312 MINIATURE SHETLAND YOUNGSTOCK 2- & 3-year-old Colt, Filly or Gelding

HC4 - MINIATURE JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 311 & 312

313 MINIATURE SHETLAND MARE 4 years and over, with or without foal at foot.

314 MINIATURE SHETLAND STALLION or GELDING 4 years and over. Special rosette to the highest placed gelding.

HC5 - MINIATURE SENIOR CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 313 to 314

HC6 - OVERALL MINIATURE CHAMPIONSHIP for miniature junior and senior Champion and Reserve

315 RIDDEN SHETLAND 4 years and over to be shown under saddle, on or off lead rein

HC7 - OVERALL SHETLAND CHAMPIONSHIP for Champion and Reserve prize winners in the Overall Standard Shetland Championship (HC3), Overall Miniature Shetland Championship (HC6) and Ridden Shetland class

MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND PONIES

These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. Ponies must be registered in the main body of their respective Mountain & Moorland Stud Books. Part-Breds are not eligible for Mountain & Moorland Classes. Qualifying rounds for most NPS competitions are open to ponies owned by NPS members and non-members. Owners of qualified ponies must become adult **Qualifying or Life** members to enter the final of the competition at the NPS Summer Championship Show at Malvern from **4th – 6th August 2026**.

The highest placed pony in each class will qualify for the final. Qualification may pass down to third place if the first and second ponies are already qualified.

NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers 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 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.

This competition is open to stallions, mares and geldings, four years old and over, to be registered in, and complying with the showing requirements of, the main body of their respective stud books. Riders of stallions must have obtained their 12th Birthday (small breeds) or 14th birthday (large breeds) before 1st January in the current year.

MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND IN-HAND CLASSES

Ring 2 *Following Shetland classes*

Judge: **Ms P Balch**

Entry Fee: £18.00 per class (inc VAT)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

- i. The North Somerset Show is affiliated to the National Pony Society and all classes will be judged under the rules and jurisdiction of the Society. Copies of the rules can be obtained from the NPS.
- ii. These classes are qualifiers for **The NPS/Absorbine M&M In Hand Summer Championship to be held at Malvern 4th – 6th August 2026**. These classes are open to pure bred registered M&M ponies in the main body of their studbook. Owners' membership cards must be shown in the ring to receive qualifications. Foals are not eligible.
- iii. **Classes 316-321** are qualifiers for the **Equifest Open Mountain & Moorland In Hand** Open to Mountain & Moorland ponies registered with their respective Pure-Bred Societies of Connemara, Dales, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Shetland, Welsh A, B, C, and D. Stallion, Mare or gelding, any age. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.
- iv. Class **316** is a qualifier for the **TAM O'SHANTER BREEDING CHAMPIONSHIP**. The highest three placings - Connemara Mares only - will qualify for the Tam O'Shanter Breeding Championship" (3 qualifiers).
- v. Classes **318 and 320** are qualifiers for the **TAM O'SHANTER BREEDING CHAMPIONSHIP**. The highest three placings of each age group - Connemara yearlings, two-year-olds and three-year-olds - will qualify for the Tam O'Shanter Breeding Championship" (9 qualifiers). The BCPS Breed Show will be on Friday 17th & Saturday 18th July 2026 at Warwickshire College, Moreton Morrell, Warwick CV35 9BL

- 316 The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M IN HAND SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP LARGE BREEDS** - 4 years old and over Mare, Gelding or Stallion (Welsh C and D, Connemara, Dales, Fell, New Forest, Highland)
- 317 The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M IN HAND SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP SMALL BREEDS** - 4 years old and over Mare, Gelding or Stallion (Welsh A and B, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland)
- 318 The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M IN HAND SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP LARGE BREEDS** - 2- or 3-year-old Colt, Filly or Gelding (Welsh C and D, Connemara, Dales, Fell, New Forest, Highland)
- 319 The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M IN HAND SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP SMALL BREEDS** - 2- or 3-year-old Colt, Filly or Gelding (Welsh A and B, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland)
- 320 The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M IN HAND SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP LARGE BREEDS** - Yearling (Welsh C and D, Connemara, Dales, Fell, New Forest, Highland)
- 321 The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M IN HAND SUMMER CHAMPIONSHIP SMALL BREEDS** - Yearling (Welsh A and B, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland)

HCS - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 316 - 321

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 NPS Affiliated M&M In Hand section. Owner's membership cards must be presented in the ring to receive the medal and/or qualification.

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 **4th – 6th August 2026**.

MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND RIDDEN CLASSES

Ring 2 *Following Mountain & Moorland In-Hand classes*

Judge: **Mr M Fry**

Entry Fee: £18.00 per class (inc VAT)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

The North Somerset Show is affiliated to the National Pony Society and classes **322 - 330** will be judged under the rules and jurisdiction of the Society. Copies of the rules can be obtained from the NPS.

- i) Classes **324- 328** are qualifiers for **The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship**. These classes are open to pure bred registered M&M stallions, mares and geldings four years old or over. A pony is not eligible to compete if, before 1st January in the current year, it has done any of the following:
 - a. Won an open NPS affiliated mixed M&M Ridden class
 - b. Qualified for Horse of the Year Show, LIHS or RIHS Ridden classes
 - c. Qualified for the M&M Novice or Intermediate Ridden final at the NPS Summer Championship show (N.B. Ponies can compete as novices in this competition for two consecutive years provided they do not submit an entry to the final in the first year).
 - d. If a pony qualifies for HOYS, LIHS or RIHS in its second year it is immediately de-noviced and cannot compete in the Picton Final
- ii) Class **322** is a qualifier for the **Equifest Open Mountain & Moorland Lead Rein**. Open to Mountain & Moorland ponies registered with their respective Pure-Bred Societies of Dartmoor, Exmoor, New Forest, Shetland and Welsh A or B. Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Riders not to have attained their 9th Birthday before 1st January in the current year. To be led by an attendant and shown in a snaffle bridle. The lead rein to be attached to the noseband only. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.
- iii) Class **323** is a qualifier for the **Equifest Mountain & Moorland First Ridden**. Open to Mountain & Moorland ponies registered with their respective Pure-Bred Societies of Dartmoor, Exmoor, New Forest, Shetland and Welsh A or B. Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Riders not to have attained their 12th Birthday before 1st January in the current year. To be shown in any suitable bridle. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.
- iv) Classes **329-330** are qualifiers for the **Equifest Mountain & Moorland Open Ridden**. Open to Mountain & Moorland ponies registered with their respective Pure-Bred Societies of Connemara, Dales, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Shetland, Welsh A, B, C, and D. Stallion, Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. Riders any age. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.

322 The NPS/ SHOWING CLASSICS M&M Leading Rein National Championship.
Open to mares and geldings four years old or over not exceeding 122 cm 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 Ltd Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier – wear white arm bands.

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

HC9 - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 322-323

324 The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship - Dartmoor, Exmoor and Shetland. 4 years old or over. Riders any age. NPS/ Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

325 The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship - Welsh A and Welsh B. 4 years old or over. Riders any age. NPS/ Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

326 The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship - New Forest and Connemara. 4 years old or over. Riders any age. NPS/ Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

327 The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship - Fell, Highland and Dales. 4 years old or over. Riders any age. NPS/ Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

328 The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship - Welsh C and Welsh D. 4 years old or over. Riders any age. NPS/ Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

HC10 - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 324-328

329 The NPS/RINGSIDE STUD M&M Open Ridden National Championship Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A, Welsh B.
Open to registered pure bred M&M stallions, mares & geldings five years old or over. NPS/ WTJ Insurance Brokers Home-Produced Ridden Championship – wear white arm bands.

330 The NPS/RINGSIDE STUD M&M Open Ridden National Championship Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh C, Welsh D.
Welsh Part Bred Classes - Two highest placed WPB Geldings in top four not already qualified qualify. Open to registered pure bred M&M stallions, mares & geldings five years old or over. NPS/ WTJ Insurance Brokers Home-Produced Ridden Championship – wear white arm bands. NPS/ Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

HC11 - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 329-330

COLOURED HORSES & PONIES

Ring 2b From 8.00am

Judge: Miss C Smith

Entry Fee: £18.00 per horse (inc VAT)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

This show is affiliated to the Coloured Horse & Pony Society (UK). Affiliation number 26-033

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. The Chaps (UK) Championship Show will be held on the 20th – 22nd August 2026

- i. The following classes are CHAPS (UK) Qualifiers. 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/Piebalds may compete in these classes.
- ii. **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.**

COLOURED HORSES & PONIES IN-HAND CLASSES

- i. Classes **331 – 335** are qualifiers for the **Equifest In Hand Piebald / Skewbald**. Open In Hand Piebald / Skewbald stallion, mare, colt, filly or gelding, any age. The first three places will also qualify for the BSPA Championships subject to their show rules & conditions.
- ii. This competition is open to mares, geldings, and CHAPS (UK) graded stallions are permitted. Ponies must be four years old or over, to be registered in, and complying with the showing requirements of, the main body of the stud books of the Coloured Horse and Pony Society CHAPS (UK) or the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association (TGCA). Stallions are required to wear stallion discs in order to compete. All Riders and owners must be Members of the Coloured Horse and Pony Society, The Showing Register or the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association.

- 331 CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE IN HAND HORSE QUALIFIER**, to exceed 153cms (15hh) Any age, no foals
- 332 CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE IN HAND PONY QUALIFIER**, not to exceed 153cms (15hh) Any age, no foals
- 333 CHAPS (UK) NATIVE/COB/TRADITIONAL IN HAND QUALIFIER**, to exceed 148cms (14.2hh) Any age, no foals
- 334 CHAPS (UK) NATIVE/COB/TRADITIONAL IN HAND QUALIFIER**, not to exceed 148cms (14.2hh) Any age, no foals
- 335 CHAPS (UK) OPEN YOUNGSTOCK QUALIFIER**, 1,2- or 3-year-olds, no foals.

HC12 CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 331 – 335

COLOURED HORSES & PONIES RIDDEN CLASSES

- i. Classes **336 - 339** are qualifiers for the **Equifest Ridden Piebald / Skewbald**. Open Ridden Piebald / Skewbald stallion, mare, or gelding, 4 years old and over. The first three places will also qualify for the BSPA Championships subject to their show rules & conditions. Spurs may not be worn by any rider on a pony (exceeding 153cms). No Pony under 153cms will be ridden by the Judge. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.
- ii. This competition is open to mares, geldings, and CHAPS (UK) graded stallions are permitted. Ponies must be four years old or over, to be registered in, and complying with the showing requirements of, the main body of the stud books of the Coloured Horse and Pony Society CHAPS (UK) or the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association (TGCA). Stallions are required to wear stallion discs in order to compete. All Riders and owners must be Members of the Coloured Horse and Pony Society, The Showing Register or the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association.

- 336 CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE RIDDEN HORSE QUALIFIER** - exceeding 153cms (15hh) Judge will not ride.
- 337 CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE RIDDEN PONY QUALIFIER** - not exceeding 153cms (15hh) Judge will not ride.
- 338 CHAPS (UK) NATIVE/COB/TRADITIONAL RIDDEN HORSE QUALIFIER**, exceeding 148cms (14.2hh) Judge will not ride
- 339 CHAPS (UK) NATIVE/COB/TRADITIONAL RIDDEN PONY QUALIFIER**, not exceeding 148cms (14.2hh) Judge will not ride

HC13 - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 336- 339

BRITISH MINIATURE HORSE CLASSES

Ring 2b

Judge: **Mr R Pink, Somerset**

Entry Fee: £18.00 per horse (inc VAT. RIHS levies paid for by sponsor)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

These classes are affiliated to the British Miniature Horse Society (BMHS), all classes will be run under their rules. Only registered horses owned by a BMHS member may enter. Owners, handlers and exhibitors must be current members of the British Miniature Horse Society and have paid the appropriate BMHS 2025 Showing Levy.

These classes are qualifiers for the **Royal International Horse Show, the first and second placed horse only in each class will qualify**, or if already qualified the next highest placed unqualified horse down to fifth place will qualify.

Horses must be in possession of a 2026 measuring certificate (as per BMHS Showing Declaration form) or if not, must be measured for any qualification to remain valid.

Height limits for all classes are as follows:-

	Mini (small)	Midi (standard)
4 years old and over	82cms	87cms
3 years old	81cms	86cms
2 years old	79cms	84cms
Yearlings	77cms	82cms

- 340 ROYAL INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE HORSE** - 3 years old and over fully licensed stallion. 3 year olds not exceeding 86 cms, 4 year olds and over not exceeding 87 cms.
- 341 ROYAL INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE HORSE** - 3 years old and over mare. 3 year olds not exceeding 86 cms, 4 year olds and over not exceeding 87 cms.
- 342 ROYAL INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE HORSE** - 3 years old and over gelding. 3 year olds not exceeding 86 cms, 4 year olds and over not exceeding 87 cms.
- 343 ROYAL INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE HORSE** - 2 year old colt, filly or gelding. Not exceeding 84 cms.
- 344 ROYAL INTERNATIONAL MINIATURE HORSE** - yearling colt, filly or gelding. Not exceeding 82 cms.
- 345 ROYAL INTERNATIONAL MINI MINIATURE HORSE** - yearlings and above. Must be the correct 'mini' height for their age.

HC14 – CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 340-345

RETRAINING OF RACEHORSES

Ring 3

Judge: **J Brace, Bridgend**
Entry Fee: £18.00 per horse (inc VAT)
Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00



Tattersalls

- i. 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. All entrants must have current RoR competition membership (www.ror.co.uk)
- ii. Competitors must wear a safety/kit mark hard hat with chinstrap and any grooms coming into the ring must also wear a suitable hard hat.
- iii. Class **346** is a qualifier for the **Equifest Open Re-Trained Racehorses**. Thoroughbred mare or gelding, 4 years old & over, any height. Horses must have been raced in the GB to be eligible to compete. Riders any age. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.

346 TATTERSALLS RoR OPEN IN-HAND SHOW SERIES QUALIFIER 2026

Open to all RoR and NR competition registered horses, 3yrs and over, fillies, mares and geldings. Handlers must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2026

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 Jockey Club RoR National Championships at Aintree, 22nd August 2026**

Prizes -RoR rosettes 1st - 4th and Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £20, 2nd £10, 3rd £5.00

347 TATTERSALLS RoR AMATEUR RIDDEN SHOW SERIES QUALIFIER 2026

Open to all RoR and NR competition registered horses, 4yrs and over, mares and geldings, owned, produced and ridden by an **Amateur**. Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2026. Horses should be ridden in a snaffle, Pelham or simple double bridle with a plain cavesson noseband. Horses should be plaited. Racing injuries and blemishes ARE IGNORED in this series. The Series is open to AMATEUR riders only - those employed in racing will be allowed to compete. Class will be judged under 'riding horse' format without 'type' being taken into consideration. The Judge will not ride at the qualifiers but will ride in the Final. Competitors/handlers/grooms must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap.

The first three go forward to the final at the Hickstead Derby Meeting 21st June 2026.

Prizes RoR rosettes 1st - 4th and RoR Tattersalls official merchandise voucher 1st £20, 2nd £10, 3rd £5.00. Highest Placed Veteran (15+) £10 voucher

The winner also qualifies for the Tattersalls RoR Amateur Ridden Show Series Special at **the Jockey Club RoR National Championships at Aintree, 22nd August 2026**. Highest Placed Veteran qualifies for the **RoR Ridden Veteran Final, 22nd August 2026**.

If sufficient entries, the class may be split into National Hunt and Flat at the organisers' and RoR's discretion. Both sections will qualify.

Amateur definition:

The rules are as in the rulebook with the following addition that an amateur may not show a horse owned or sponsored by a company or commercial firm. In addition, a person classed as amateur must not be supported by a company in any way or act as brand ambassador whether financially or in-kind.

An amateur is a person who for the purpose of RoR classes does not/has not during the current season or previous season: Engage (d) in breeding, livery, buying or selling, dealing or hiring horses in a commercial capacity. Horses must not have been stabled at or reside in a Professional Producer's/Trainer's yard from January 1st, 2025. Riders must not have ridden any animals produced by a Professional/Trainer in the current or previous season. Horses and riders must not receive any help from a Professional Producer/Trainer at a SHOW in the current season.

A rider who has ridden for a Professional/Producer Trainer in the current or previous season must not have ridden horses at a show. Any breaches of this ruling will be taken seriously and will result in disqualification from future classes.

IN-HAND HEAVY HORSES & HARNESS CLASSES

Ring 3

These classes are affiliated with the Shire Horse Society

Judge: **Mr M Phillips**

Entry Fee: £18.00 per horse (inc VAT)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

A special prize of £10.00 will be awarded for the Best Foal in class 366
£10 will be paid for each animal forward (mare and foal count as one)

Please read the rules at the beginning of the horse section. Also:

- i. Travelling expenses will be paid at the following rates for horses forward on Show day: £50.00 per horse
- ii. **YOU MUST COLLECT TRAVEL EXPENSES ON SHOW DAY.** Expenses will be paid out from the secretary's office. Expenses will not be posted after the Show.
- iii. **Classes 348-353 & 366** are qualifiers for the All 4 Wood Tree Services West of England Heavy Horse In-hand and Harness Championships held at The Wessex Heavy Horse Society Show & Country Fayre at the Turnpike Showground, Shaftesbury, on the **13th September 2026**. These are open to members and non-members.
- iv. **Class 366** is a qualifier for the Summer Brood Mare Supreme Championship with the final being held at the 2026 National Summer Show at Rockingham Castle on 27 August 2026, where the ultimate winner will receive prize money of £1,000. The highest placed brood mare will qualify.
- v. **Class 353** is a Qualifier for the **Equifest BRHHS Eversley Ridden Heavy Horse Championship**. Open to horses 4 years old and over that are registered in the main British Stud Books of the Shire, Clydesdale, Suffolk or Percheron Society at the time of qualification and must be entered in the name and ownership they are registered. Qualification will be awarded no lower than 3rd place if the winning horse has already qualified. At Shows where there is no Ride Judge a stand/individual show will be required. Riders will be required to give a short individual show at walk, trot & canter or set show lasting approximately 2 minutes. Change of rein and lengthened strides in trot and canter must be shown. Rein back, (optional) stand still and obedience to the leg. Horses should leave the ring at a walk or trot. Entries will not be asked to jump. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on 5th - 8th August 2026.
- vi. **Class 353** is a qualifier for the All 4 Wood Tree Services West of England Ridden Heavy Horse Championship held at The Wessex Heavy Horse Society Show & Country Fayre at the Turnpike Showground, Shaftesbury, on the 13th September 2026. Open to members and non-members.

- 348 SHIRE HORSE SENIOR GELDING** - Four years old and over (foaled in 2022 or previously)
- 349 SHIRE HORSE SENIOR BARREN MARE** - Four years old and over (foaled in 2022 or previously)
- 366 SHIRE HORSE SENIOR BROOD MARE** - Four years old and over (foaled in 2022 or previously) shown with own foal - foals must be at least three weeks' old
- 350 SHIRE HORSE FILLY, COLT OR GELDING** - Yearling & 2 year old (Foaled in 2024 or 2025)
- 351 SHIRE HORSE FILLY, COLT OR GELDING** - Three-year-old (foaled in 2023)
- 352 ANY HEAVY HORSE, ANY AGE, MARE OR GELDING, OTHER THAN SHIRE** - Special rosette for best Clydesdale, Percheron & Suffolk.
- HC15 CHAMPIONSHIP** for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 348 -352 & 366

The Shire Horse Society is pleased to award a Spoon & Rosette for the Best Mare or Filly

- 353 BEST REGISTERED RIDDEN HEAVY HORSE**
Open to pure-bred horses 4 years old and over that are registered in the main British Stud Books of the Shire, Clydesdale, Suffolk or Percheron Society at the time of qualification and must be entered in the name and ownership they are registered.
- 354 HARNESS CLASS** - Mare or Gelding shown in harness: will be judged 25% for horse and 75% for harness. Judged in the Main Ring at approx. 1.00pm

RIDDEN HUNTERS

Ring 3

Judge: **Confirmation – Mrs H Hillard**
Ride – Miss C Chamberlayne

Entry Fee: Class **355**: £18.00 per horse (inc VAT)
Class **356-359**: £30.00 per horse (inc VAT & £12 RIHS levy)
Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00

Please read the rules at the beginning of the horse section. Also:

- i. The North Somerset Show is affiliated to the Sport Horse Breeding (GB) Society and all Hunter classes will be subject to its rules. Copies of the rules can be obtained from SHB(GB), Tel: 01732-866277 or www.sporthorsegb.co.uk. It is strongly recommended that competitors aged 18 or over wear correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet one of the following current Safety Standards: All PAS 015; VG1; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards. It is mandatory for competitors under the age of 18 to wear such skull caps or hats. ANY COMPETITOR NOT ADHERING TO THIS RULE WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE RING/CLASS
- ii. Mare or gelding four years old and over exceeding 148cm, not having won three affiliated Novice classes or three affiliated Open classes (excepting Working and Ladies classes) before 1st January in the current year. OR, not having been placed 1-9 in ANY CLASS (excepting Working, Ladies and Search for a Star) at The Royal International Horse Show OR Horse of the Year Show before 1st January in the current year. A Novice may be shown in a snaffle bridle. Horses entered in these classes must be registered (passported or overstamp) with SHB(GB) and owners and riders must be members of SHB(GB), or compete on a Day Ticket.
- iii. Class **356** is a qualifier for the **Equifest Open Small Hunters**. Classes **357 – 359** are qualifiers for the **Equifest Ridden Hunters**. The two highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on **5th - 8th August 2026**.
- iv. Classes **356-359** are qualifiers for The Agria Royal International Horse Show. The two highest placed horses will qualify, no horse lower than 2nd will qualify. RIHS Qualification will not pass down the line beyond the aforementioned placings.
- v. Only horses registered with SHB (GB) and who are also registered on the current year's Show Hunter Register are eligible to enter in Qualifying Classes for RIHS Ridden and Working Hunter Championships and the Show Hunter Registration Number must be quoted on entries. Any horse that is entered for a Qualifying Class without first being on the Show Hunter Register cannot subsequently be registered and therefore will not be eligible for entry in that class on the day and will be disqualified if forward.
- vi. DAY TICKETS - Competitors may compete on a day ticket and may have a maximum of two Day Tickets per season. Each day ticket is valid for the entirety of the show (this covers all SHB(GB) Classes that require a membership and registration) and it covers owner and rider membership together with horse registration/over-stamp for that show. As a qualifying class for RIHS in order for the qualification to be valid, application for full owner/rider membership and horse registration/ over-stamp must be received in the SHB(GB) office within 14 days.
- vii. Classes **356-359** are also qualifying classes for the SHB(GB) SUPREME RIDDEN HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS to be held at the **Supreme Hunter Championship 12th – 13th August 2026**. Horses placed 1st – 3rd in each section will qualify.

355 OPEN NOVICE HUNTER - Mare or Gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 14.2hh Exhibitors/Horses do not need to be registered with SHB(GB) in this this class

356 RIHS SMALL HUNTER - Mare or Gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 148cms but not exceeding 158cms (Horse does not have to have a JMB height certificate but if qualifies needs to obtain a JMB height cert. withing 28 days)

357 RIHS LIGHTWEIGHT HUNTER - Mare or gelding, four years old and over, exceeding 148cms, capable of carrying up to 79.5kgs (12 stone 7lbs)

358 RIHS MIDDLEWEIGHT HUNTER - Mare or Gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 148cms, capable of carrying 79.5kgs (12 stone 7lbs) and not exceeding 14 stone

359 RIHS HEAVYWEIGHT HUNTER - Mare or Gelding, 4 years old, exceeding 148cms, capable of carrying over 89kgs (14 stone)

HC16 CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in class 356-359

H1 H J Yeandel Memorial Perpetual Silver Challenge Cup kindly presented by Mrs E C Yeandel will be awarded to the Champion of the Hunter classes

VETERAN HORSES

Ring 2b

Veteran Horse Society Area Qualifier 2026

First round qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final:

VETERAN HORSE OF THE YEAR 2026

Kindly sponsored by Allen & Page

Judge: **Lindsay Caldwell**

Entry Fee: £18.00 per horse (inc VAT)

Prize Money: 1st £30.00, 2nd £25.00, 3rd £20.00



- i. Classes **360 – 362** are qualifiers for the **Equifest Open In Hand Veteran Horse/Pony**. The **two** highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on the **5th - 8th August 2026**.
- ii. Open to members and non-members of the Veteran Horse Society. All competitors and grooms must adhere to VHS Rules in all circumstances. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification. *Those wishing to join or renew Society membership will need to apply for this before 1st July each year or a late penalty fee of £15 will be charged.*
- iii. Please see the Veteran Horse Society Rule book, available at veteran-horse-society.co.uk/showing. Please take particular note of the following rules:
 - a. Riders/handlers of stallions must have attained their 16th birthday before the first of January in the current showing year. They must be of an appropriate size and competency to handle the stallion.
 - b. All Stallions must display a stallion bridle badge. VHS Stallion badges can be purchased via the VHS website.
 - c. Mares in foal or with foals at foot are not permitted to compete.
- iv. **VHS Regional Final qualification.** All competitors placed 1st to 4th in each Area Qualifier class will qualify for the corresponding class at VHS Regional Finals. Members must carry their card in the ring at all times and have their showing card signed by the judge as proof of qualification. Non-members will receive a red qualification card which can be exchanged for signed showing card when applying for VHS membership, *this MUST be done within 21 days of qualification*. It is the competitors' responsibility to present their Showing card to the judge.

Regional Finals are open to members only.

All competitors are eligible to enter open classes at the National Veteran Championships, Arena UK, Lincolnshire 4th – 6th September 2026. No qualification or membership necessary. See VHS website for schedule which is available mid season in 2026. For further information please visit the VHS website www.veteran-horse-society.co.uk or telephone the VHS Show Office on 01239 881300 or 07789 514004.

VETERAN HORSES IN-HAND CLASSES

360 IN HAND DIAMOND VETERAN pony or horse 25 years and over

361 IN HAND VETERAN pony or horse 20 to 24 yrs old

362 IN HAND PRE-VETERAN pony or horse 15 to 19 yrs old

HC17 - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 360 – 362

VETERAN HORSES RIDDEN CLASSES

- i. Classes **363 – 365** are qualifiers for the **Equifest Open Ridden Veteran Horse/Pony**. The **two** highest placed exhibits not already qualified will qualify for the relevant Equifest Championship to be held at Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire on the **5th - 8th August 2026**.

363 RIDDEN DIAMOND VETERAN pony or horse 25 years and over

364 VETERAN RIDDEN pony or horse 20 to 24 yrs old

365 RIDDEN PRE-VETERAN pony or horse 15 to 19 yrs old

HC18 - CHAMPIONSHIP for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 363 - 365

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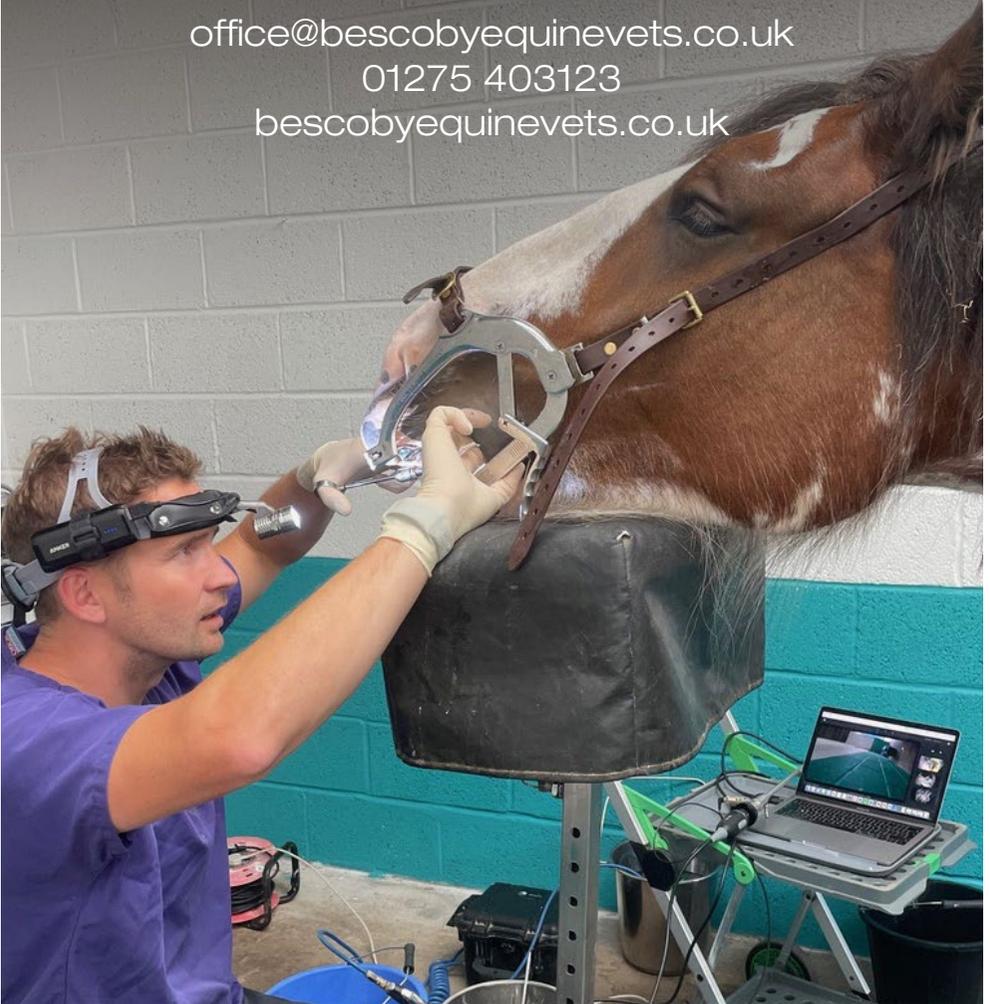
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