

# NOTES FOR HORSE AND DONKEY EXHIBITORS

## ENTRIES CLOSING DATE

Horse and Donkey: 1<sup>st</sup> September 2025

Competitors may enter additional classes on the day – CASH ONLY.

No Member's Discount for entry on the day.

## CLASS ENTRY FEES

All PAID-UP MEMBERS of the Romsey Agricultural & Horse Show Society (RAHSS) are entitled to reduced entry fees.

### Light Horse Entry fees – (Advanced Entry) –

RAHSS Members £20, Non – Members £23.

### British Miniature Horse Society Fees

RAHSS Members £20, Non-Members £20

### Heavy Horse and Donkeys Entry Fees and Prizes –

please see individual sections/classes for entry fees and prizes.

### PLUS, A FIRST AID CHARGE OF £3 PER RIDER/HANDLER

Please note - this includes Heavy Horse and Donkey handlers.

**PLEASE NOTE: Online entries are through "Showing Scene" – once entries open there will be a link on our website**

**([www.romseyshow.co.uk](http://www.romseyshow.co.uk)).** Payment will be taken through STRIPE.

**For postal entries,** cheques should be made payable to: 'The Romsey Show,' and should be sent with the entry form to

"The Romsey Show Office, 4, The Old Carhouses, Broadlands, Romsey, Hants, SO51 9LQ"

No entry will be accepted unless signed by the Exhibitor or authorised agent and the correct entry fee, including the appropriate first aid charge(s) for **ALL** riders/handlers, is paid in full.

To allow classes to run to time class sizes may be limited.

## INSURANCE

Competitors are **required** to have third party insurance cover for all riders, handlers, and animals in their party.

Any person under 16 years old must be accompanied/supervised by an adult when in charge of an animal.

## ENTRY TICKETS

Admission to the Main Showground will be by Exhibitor Wristbands and will be provided based on the number of horses/ponies entered. Additional wristbands may be purchased at the special Exhibitors' advanced rate of £16.00 with your entry.

Wristband/Horse Box Passes and show day information will be sent out 2 weeks prior to the show day.

- 1 horse/pony entered - 2 wristband passes
- 2 horses/ponies entered - 3 wristband passes

Thereafter 1 wristband pass per additional horse/pony entered up to a **maximum** of 6 wristband passes.

HORSE BOX passes will only be issued to and only be valid for vehicles/trailers **carrying horses or ponies**.

Due to limited parking, and for safety, other vehicles will be required to park in the FREE CAR PARK!

**Sat-Nav Postcode for the showground horsebox entrance is SO51 9LB - coordinates N 50.9777°, W 001.4854° - what3words "trying.liquid.examples"**

## PRIZES AND AWARDS

The society will award 1st – 6th place rosettes at the judges' discretion.

Championship and Reserve Champion rosettes & sashes

Unless otherwise stated, prize money for the Light Horse Section is as follows:

- In Hand classes – 1st £15, 2nd £10,
- Ridden Classes – 1st £20, 2nd £15,
- Supreme Champion - £100
- Reserve Supreme Champion - £75

**The money will be paid by BACS to the winner's bank account after the show. This may take up to 2 weeks.**

## Cups/Shields

From 2025, exhibitors will be required to pay a deposit of £100 (per exhibitor) should they wish to take their cup/shield home.

The deposit will be returned by the Show Society once all the cups/shields under that exhibitor's name have been returned undamaged and in good condition the following year, as requested by the Society.

Exhibitors will be required to present their ID (driving licence/passport) at the Secretary's Tent in order to be issued with the cup/shield on show day. The details written on the cup card must match the ID. No cups/shields will be allowed to leave the site if the exhibitor does not have proof of ID.

Exhibitors are liable for the payment of the replacement cup (s) value as per the official Society's insurance valuation should they not return the cup/shield by the requested date on the form. Deposit payments will be returned via bank transfer within one month of the cup being returned.

## Equine Influenza / Microchipping

**All equines MUST be accompanied by their approved DEFRA passport.**

Equine Influenza Vaccination Certificates All equines (horses, ponies, donkeys) attending the Romsey Show must have been vaccinated for Equine Influenza. Equines may attend having received the primary course, and prior to the first booster, but not within 7 days of receiving a vaccine dose. The primary course is first vaccination and then second vaccination 21 - 92 days later. This should be followed by the first booster (150 - 215 days) and all subsequent boosters. Equines must have been vaccinated within the 12 months prior to the Show. Foals - In-foal mares that have already had vaccinations of primary Equine Influenza course should be vaccinated 4-6 weeks before the foal is due to be born. Foals should be vaccinated for Equine Influenza at 6 months to commence their primary course. A valid record of vaccination must be available on request at any time during the Show. Failure to produce evidence of vaccination may result in refusal of entry or immediate removal from the Showground. Please note that neither vaccination certificates nor passports should be sent to the Show Office prior to the event. However, random checks will be conducted on the Showground.

## **TUBBY or TRIM**

***Find out how to judge a healthy body condition without scales!!***

There is continuing concern about OBESE horses and ponies. Judges are continually being asked by Societies not to place over-weight animals. In conjunction with Celtic Equine Vets, the Romsey Show is offering you the opportunity to make sure you will not be penalised because your animal has stopped going to WEIGHT WATCHERS!! **You could also win a prize** if your animal is close to its ideal weight already.

***SO WHY NOT TAKE THE CHANCE TO SEE IF YOUR ANIMAL IS FIT FOR THE JOB, YOU WANT IT TO DO –***

As Honorary Vets to the Show, the Celtic Equine Veterinary Practice will be present on show day providing veterinary cover, including the checking of Passports and Flu jabs. They will be located near the Horse Secretary's tent.

If you take your animal with its showing number (back number) to the vet's tent, at any time between 9:00 and 16:00, you can have a short demonstration of where and how precisely to take weight tape measurements, and how to use the formula, so that you can work out the weight of your animal. A copy of the instructions and diagrams will be free to take away with you.

The vets will decide which measured animals are closest to the correct weight for their type and size, and the winning owners will be sent their prizes by post after the Show, with the awards being recorded in the Show results.

NOTE - The availability of a vet at any time will obviously depend on any higher priority requirements for their services during the Show.

*Celtic Equine Veterinary Practice is in Minstead, near Lyndhurst, telephone: 02380 814155.  
web site: [www.celticequinevets.co.uk](http://www.celticequinevets.co.uk)*

Ring 1A  
**TRADITIONAL GYPSY COB ASSOCIATION "TOYS" IN HAND & RIDDEN CLASSES**  
**Affiliation Number TGCA 25/1309/ULT**

**No known breeding required to enter these classes**

**TGCA Breed** classes are qualifiers for the Best of Breed Finals at the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association's (TGCA) National Breed Championship Show "TOYS". Classes are open to all traditional gypsy cobs.

**Part Bred** classes, are open to all part bred traditional gypsy cobs and are qualifiers for the part bred finals at "TOYS". exhibit must have one parent that is pure bred traditional gypsy cob.

**The Stallions** – All stallions (pure or part bred, four years and over) in order to enter any TGCA affiliated class MUST be TGCA registered, have passed TGCA stallion evaluations and their TGCA stallion disc displayed on their bridle. Stallions and colts over the age of two, MUST be shown in a stallion bridle with a metal bit and chain lead as per the current TGCA rulebook.



Current TGCA members must present their Membership card and Qualification card to the judge in the ring for signature.

Non-members MUST receive a qualification card from the judge and have 21 days to join the TGCA and register their horse to validate the qualification. Please refer to [www.tgca.co.uk](http://www.tgca.co.uk) for further details including membership, horse registration and showing rules (contained within the members handbook).

**Championships**

**Quest for a Star Championship** - TGC - 1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA classes above may go forward to the Quest for a Star Championship as per below rule.

**ONLY current TGCA members and horse/pony that is already TGCA registered can exhibit in this championship.**

Membership card and Members qualification card (specific to that exhibit) must be presented upon entry into the ring. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Ultimate Star Championships at TOYS.

**Go for Glory Championship** - PB -1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA part bred classes may go forward to the Go for Glory Championship. For 2024 TOYS qualifiers, the handler/rider and exhibits (apart from stallions) do not have to be TGCA members/registered on the date of the show. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Crowning Glory Championships at TOYS.

**Judge: Mrs J Brown**

- Class 1** Youngstock – open to fillies colts and geldings aged 1, 2 and 3 years old
- Class 2** In Hand Senior - open to mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over.
- Class 3** Ridden - Open to mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over

**Quest for a Star Championship** - Traditional Gypsy Cobs 1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA classes above may go forward to the Quest for a Star Championship as per below rule.

ONLY current TGCA members and horse/pony that is already TGCA registered can exhibit in this championship. Membership card and Members qualification card (specific to that exhibit) must be presented upon entry into the ring. Youngstock and Seniors may be split for Quest for a Star Championship purposes with a separate Quest Championship for each section. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Ultimate Star Championships at TOYS. Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the Supreme of Show Championships at Romsey Show in Ring 3.

**The Greatest Gelding Award** - Traditional Gypsy Cobs The award is aimed to encourage the showing of geldings, therefore creating a market for often unwanted colt foals and enabling the creation of a network of potential performance prospects to represent the best Traditional Gypsy Cob breed in the World at the highest level. This Award should be given to the highest placed registered Traditional Gelding. The judge will award this within the classes/championship

**Judge: Mrs J Brown**

- Class 4** Youngstock - Open to Part Bred fillies, colts and geldings aged 1, 2 and 3 Years old
- Class 5** In Hand Senior - Open to Part Bred mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over.
- Class 6** Ridden - Open to Part Bred mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over.

**Go for Glory (GOG) Championship** – Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cobs 1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA part bred classes may go forward to the Go for Glory Championship.

For 2026 TOYS qualifiers, the handler/rider and exhibits (apart from stallions) do not have to be TGCA members/registered on the date of the show. Youngstock and Seniors may be split for Go for Glory Championship purposes with a separate Championship for each section. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Crowning Glory Championships at TOYS. Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the Supreme of Show Championships at Romsey Show in Ring 3.

**The Greatest Gelding Award** - Part Bred Gypsy Cobs The award is aimed to encourage the showing of geldings, therefore creating a market for often unwanted colt foals and enabling the creation of a network of potential performance prospects to represent the best Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cob breed in the World at the highest level. This Award should be given to the highest placed registered Part Bred Traditional Gelding. The judge will award this within the classes/championship

**Ring 1B**  
**BRITISH MINIATURE HORSE SOCIETY ROYAL INTERNATIONAL QUALIFIER**

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 BMHS and have paid the BMHS 2025 showing levy. These classes are qualifiers for the royal international horse show, first place horse from each class will qualify or if already qualified the next highest placed unqualified horse down to 5<sup>th</sup> place will qualify. Horses must be in the possession of a 2026 measurement certificate. (as per BMHS showing declaration form) or if not must be measured for qualification to remain valid. Height limits for all classes are as follows.

*4yrs & over – Mini 82cm / Midi 87cm*  
*3yrs – Mini 81cm/ midi 86cm*  
*2yrs – mini 79cm/ Midi 84cm*  
*Yearling – Mini 77cm/ Midi 82cm*

**Judge: Ms V Stanley**

**Class 7** 3yrs old and over fully licensed stallion. 3yrs old not exceeding 86cm 4yrs old and over not exceeding 87cm

**Class 8** 3yrs old and over mare 3yrs old not exceeding 86cm, 4yrs old and over not exceeding 87cms

**Class 9** 3yrs old and over gelding. 3yrs old not exceeding 86cm, 4 yrs old and over not exceeding 87cms

**Class 10** 2yr old colt, filly or gelding, not exceeding 84cms

**Class 11** Yearling colt, filly or gelding not exceeding 82cms

**Class 12** Yearlings and above must be the correct mini height for their age

**British Miniature Horse Society Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 7-12 qualify. The Champion and reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship. The overall champion is eligible to compete in the champion of champions class at the British miniature horse society breed show.

**Ring 2**  
**WELSH PONIES IN HAND**

**Judge: Mr P Deacon**

**Class 13** Welsh Section A - Yearling Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 14** Welsh Section A - 2 & 3yrs Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 15** Welsh Section A - 4yrs over Mare or Gelding In Hand

**Class 16** Welsh Section A - Stallion 4yrs or over In Hand

**Welsh Section A Pony in Hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 13-16 qualify. The Champion and reserve Champion qualify for Overall Welsh Pony Championship.

**Class 17** Welsh Section B - Yearling Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 18** Welsh Section B - 2 & 3yrs Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 19** Welsh Section B - 4yrs over Mare or Gelding In Hand

**Class 20** Welsh Section B - Stallion 4yrs or over In Hand

**Welsh Section B Pony in Hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 17-20 qualify. The Champion and reserve Champion qualify for Overall Welsh Pony Championship.

**Judge: Mr P Gray**

**Class 21** Welsh Section C - Yearling Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 22** Welsh Section C - 2 & 3yrs Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 23** Welsh Section C - 4yrs over Mare or Gelding In Hand

**Class 24** Welsh Section C - Stallion 4yrs or over In Hand

**Welsh Section C Pony in Hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 21-24 qualify. The Champion and reserve Champion qualify for Overall Welsh Pony Championship.

**Class 25** Welsh Section D - Yearling Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 26** Welsh Section D - 2 & 3yrs Filly, Gelding or Colt In Hand

**Class 27** Welsh Section D - 4yrs over Mare or Gelding In Hand

**Class 28** Welsh Section D - Stallion 4yrs or over In Hand

**Welsh Section D Pony in Hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 25-28 qualify. The Champion and reserve Champion qualify for Overall Welsh Pony Championship.

**Class 29** Welsh Part Bred In Hand - Any Age/Any Sex/Any Height

**Welsh Pony in Hand Overall Championship** – The Champion and reserve Champion from Welsh Section A Championship, Welsh Section B Championship, Welsh Section C Championships, Welsh Section D Championships & 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> place from class 29 qualify for this championship. Champion & Reserve Champion from this championship qualify for the Supreme of Show Championships at Romsey Show in Ring 3.

#### Ring 4

##### **NEW FOREST PONY & CATTLE BREEDING SOCIETY CLASSES**

*Open to New Forest Ponies registered with the New Forest Pony & Cattle Breeding Society.  
All entire males two years old & over are advised to display a stallion disc but must hold a licence.*

**Judge: Mrs J Beatham**

**Class 30** Ridden New Forest 138cm and under 4 years old and over, stallions, mares or geldings. Riders of stallions must be over 12 years.

**Class 31** Ridden New Forest over 138cm 4 years old and over, stallions, mares or geldings. Riders of stallions must be over 12 years.

**New Forest Pony Ridden Championship** 1st and 2nd prize winners from classes 30 & 31 qualify. Champion & Reserve are eligible for Supreme Championship

**Class 32** Yearling - colt, filly or gelding

**Class 33** Two and three year old - colt, filly and gelding

**Class 34** Mare - four years old and over

**Class 35** Gelding - four years old and over

**Class 36** Stallion - four years old and over



**In Hand New Forest Championship** 1st and 2nd prize winners from classes 32-36 qualify. Champion & Reserve are eligible for Supreme Championship

#### RING 4

##### **SIDE SADDLE ASSOCIATION CLASSES**

**Judge: Mrs S Hislam**

**Class 37** Best Horse or Pony Ridden Side Saddle - Open to horses and ponies 4 years old and over. Conformation and manners will be taken into consideration. Horses/ponies will not be stripped. A special rosette will be awarded to the highest placed Adult and Junior Members of the SSA carrying their current Championship Points Card. Competitors must wear a hat to current Safety Standard. The highest placed coloured exhibit ridden by a member aged 16 or over (who has not already qualified) receives a Special Rosette & qualifies for the Side Saddle Final at the CHAPS Championship Show. Open to any type of exhibit. Riders/owners need not be a member, or their exhibit registered with CHAPS at the time of qualification but in order to compete at the Championships the Rider/owner must be a showing member, and their horse/pony registered with CHAPS before entering the Final. Lead Rein competitors are eligible for this class. Leaders must be correctly dressed.



**Class 38** Equitation Championships Open Qualifying Class - open to Adults and Juniors. If entries warrant, an Open Class may be divided into an Adult and a Junior Class at the discretion of the Show. SSA Rosettes and Qualifying Points shall be awarded to Adults & Juniors as 2 sections: the highest placed Adult & Junior Members will receive SSA rosettes to 3rd place, and Qualifying Points down each line. The highest placed Member under 14 on 1st January of the current year will receive a rosette. Competitors must wear a hat to current Safety Standard or above.

**Class 39** Side Saddle Riding Club Horse or Pony - Open to horses and ponies four years old and over. Riders will be required to give a short show & may include a small jump maximum 61cm (2ft). The height may be adjusted during the course of the class at the judge's discretion. The class shall be judged on the show, manners of the horse/pony and its suitability for the rider. Conformation will not be considered. A special rosette will be awarded to the highest placed Adult and Junior members of the SSA carrying their current Championship Points Cards. Hats must be up to current safety standards.

**Side Saddle Association Championship** 1st and 2nd prize winners from classes 37-39 qualify. Champion & Reserve are eligible for Supreme Championship

**Class 40** Side Saddle Concours d'Elegance – The sole criterion for this class is the elegance of the picture presented by horse and rider. Attention may be paid to the rider's personal appearance but detailed inspection of rider or tack is not required. Fancy dress or period costume is not permitted. Competitors are required to walk, trot and canter. No individual show is required, but the Judge may ask groups of 3 or 4 riders to give short displays. A Special rosette will be awarded to the highest placed Adult Member and Junior Member of the SSA carrying their current Championship Points Cards. Competitors must wear a hat to current Safety Standard or above.

#### Ring 4

#### **SENIOR SHOWING & DRESSAGE LTD INCORPORATING THE EASY CHIP LTD LONDON INTERNATIONAL EXCEL HS SSADL HOME PRODUCED DIRECT ROUTE MIXED QUALIFIER 2025**

**Judge: Miss S Fitt**  
**Judge: Mrs E Langford**



**Class 41** Pre Senior/ In Hand/ Pony or Horse/ 15-18 Years

**Class 42** Senior/ In Hand/ Pony or Horse/ 19-23 Years

**Class 43** Senior-Plus/ In Hand/ Pony or Horse/ 24 Years & Above

**Class 44** Pre Senior/ Ridden/ Pony or Horse/ 15-18 Years

**Class 45** Senior/ Ridden/ Pony or Horse/ 19-23 Years

**Class 46** Senior-Plus/ Ridden/ Pony or Horse/ 24 Years & Above

**SSADL CHAMPIONSHIP** – The 1<sup>ST</sup> and 2<sup>ND</sup> prize winners from the above classes are eligible for the Championship. The highest placed 2025 SSADL Rider/ Handler and registered pony/horse will claim the LIHS Ticket. If the champion has already qualified then the qualification will be handed down the line to the next eligible competitor.

*DIRECT ROUTE QUALIFIERS – Are open to Members and Non-members HOWEVER, to claim the LIHS ticket a competitor MUST already be a 2025 member. The members MUST produce the membership card or a covering letter from the SSAD Show office to be able to claim the LIHS Ticket. The same rider/handler/pony/horse combination must stay the same for the Grand Final. No substitutions will be accepted. For a competitor to be eligible to compete at the LIHS Senior Showing Grand Final at the XCELL, ALL ponies/horses MUST meet the current FEI Vaccination Regulations.*

**NOTE -ONCE A COMPETITOR HAS QUALIFIED FOR LIHS IN THE RIDDEN SECTION, THEY ARE NOT ALLOWED TO QUALIFY IN THE IN-HAND SECTION AND VICE VERSA.**

Competitors MUST produce both the above cards at the ring side before entry NO CARDS NO ENTRY No Spurs with the exception to senior side saddle riders. No Galloping or canter extensions, No Wearing of Face/Body Jewellery with the exception to the ear ring used by competitors with health problems. Foals are NOT permitted SSADL Classes. For In-Hand Classes- Minimum age of handler = 11 years old. First Ridden ponies/riders will be asked after the initial walk round to come into the centre of the ring. First Ridden Competitors will only canter in their individual shows. Lead Rein & First Ridden competitors: Strip section both lead rein and First Ridden rider MUST stay mounted. STALLIONS- Either for In Hand or Ridden classes, Competitors Must be 16 years of age or over. Competitors cannot enter the ring once the command of trot has been given. Grooms must be 16 years of age and correctly Dressed. Judges are NOT allowed to groom for a SSADL competitor. The same rider/handler/pony/horse combination must stay the same from qualifier to Grand Finals, unless special circumstances should arise, then it will be left to the discretion of the Directors and Advisory Committee to oversee this rule if required. The same rider/handler/pony/horse combination must stay the same whether side saddle or astride from First/Second or Direct Route Qualifiers and Grand Final. ALL

COMPETITORS MUST AQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH SSADL RULES BEFORE ENTERING SSADL Rulebook can be found at [www.seniorshowinganddressage.co.uk](http://www.seniorshowinganddressage.co.uk) SSADL AGE BADGES MUST BE WORN BY MEMBERS, FAILURE TO DO WILL DEEM DISQUALIFICATION.

ALL STALLIONS MUST WEAR THE SSADL STALLION BADGE ALL COMPETITORS MUST AQUAINT THEMSELVES WITH ALL THE SSADL RULES BEFORE ENTERING For more in depth information go to [www.seniorshowinganddressage.co.uk](http://www.seniorshowinganddressage.co.uk)

#### Ring 4

#### **COLOURED HORSE AND PONY CLASSES**

**Judge: Mr P Hart**

**Class 48** OPEN YOUNGSTOCK 1,2,3 years old (No Foals)

**Class 49** NON-NATIVE OPEN IN HAND Any Height, Any Age, (No Foals) (THE FOXWOOD PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP NO.57 to the winner of this class).

**Class 50** NATIVE/COB/TRADITIONAL IN HAND Any Height, Any Age, (No Foals) (THE MORGAN GILES CUP NO.98 to the winner of this class).

**Class 51** NON-NATIVE OPEN RIDDEN Any Height, 4 Years old and over. (THE RAPPAHANNOCK PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP NO.58 kindly presented by Mr & Mrs O.A.S Cutts to the winner of this class).

**Class 52** NATIVE/COB/TRADITIONAL RIDDEN Any Height, 4 Years old and over. (THE OWN LOCKTER BOWL NO.40 to the winner of this class).

**Coloured Horse and Pony Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 48-52 qualify. The champion and reserve champion qualify for the supreme of show championship

#### **RING 5**

##### **BRITISH MINIATURE HORSE SOCIETY OPEN CLASSES**

These classes are open to all miniature horses registered and unregistered, not exceeding 92cms and will run under BMHS showing rules.

[www.bmhs.co.uk](http://www.bmhs.co.uk) "showing"/ "showing rules".

**Judge: Ms V Stanley**

**Class 53** Broken Colour – Any Age

**Class 54** Solid Colour (to include roans, palomino, dun) – Any age

**Class 55** Spotted – Any Age

**Open British Miniature Horse Society Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 53-55 qualify. The champion and reserve champion qualify for the supreme of show championship. Champion and Reserve Champion qualify for the open championship in the evening performance at the 2026 BMHS breed show to be held at Stretcholt Equestrian Centre, Stretcholt, Bridgewater, Somerset, TA6 4SR. The open champion at the breed show will receive £100, Reserve Open Champion will receive £60, 2<sup>nd</sup> Reserve Open Champion will receive £40.

#### **Ring 6**

##### **RIDING PONY BREEDING CLASSES**

**Judge: Mrs C Whitely**

**Class 56** Riding Pony – Yearling, Open to fillies, Colts & Geldings not exc 148cm at Maturity

**Class 57** Riding Pony - 2 & 3 Yrs Open to fillies, Colts & Geldings not exc 148cm at Maturity

**Class 58** Riding Pony - 4 Yrs and over Open to Mares, Stallions & Geldings, Broodmare with foal at foot not exc 148cm

**Riding Pony In hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 56-58 qualify. The champion and reserve champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

#### **Ring 6**

##### **SHOW HUNTER PONY BREEDING CLASSES**

**Judge: Mrs C Whitely**

**Class 59** Show Hunter Pony – Yearling, Open to fillies, Colts & Geldings

**Class 60** Show Hunter Pony - 2 & 3yrs, Open to fillies, Colts & Geldings

**Class 61** Show Hunter Pony - 4yrs and over Open to Mares, Stallions & Geldings, Broodmare with foal at foot

**Show Hunter Pony In hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 59-61 qualify. The champion and reserve champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

#### **Ring 6**

##### **SHOW PONY/SHOW HUNTER PONY RIDDEN CLASSES**

**Judge: Mrs C Whitely**

**Class 62** Show Pony & Show Hunter Pony - Lead Rein Open to Ponies 13.2 & under. Riders 10 Years & Under Mare or gelding 4 years old and over. Riders must of attained their 3rd birthday Ponies must be shown in a snaffle bit.

**Class 63** Show Pony & Show Hunter Pony - First Ridden Open to Ponies 13.2 & under. Riders 12 Years & Under Mare or gelding 4 years old or over, Riders must of attained their 3rd birthday To be shown in any suitable bridle.

**Class 64** Open Show Pony Mixed Height Ridden - Ponies not to exceed 158cms Riders may be any age. Rider to be suitable size for pony. Riders must be 12 years old or over when riding stallions not exceeding 128cm and 14 years old or over when riding stallions exceeding 128cms.

**Class 65** Show Hunter Pony Mixed Height Open Ridden - Ponies not to exceed 158cms Riders may be any age. Rider to be suitable size for pony. Riders must be 12 years old or over when riding stallions not exceeding 128cm and 14 years old or over when riding stallions exceeding 128cms.

**Show Pony & Show Hunter Pony Ridden Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 62-65 qualify. The champion and reserve champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

**Ring 6**  
**Shetland Classes**

**Judge: Mrs H Linfield**

**Class 66** Shetland Youngstock - 1,2,3 Years old.

**Class 67** Shetland 4yrs and over - open to mare gelding and stallion

**Shetland Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 66-67 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

**Ring 6**  
**Foreign/ Rare Breed Classes**

**Judge: Mrs L Lidbury**

**Class 68 OPEN FOREIGN/ RARE BREEDS** - Open to stallions, mares & geldings. Any age. Any height. To be shown In Hand. Breed to originate outside of the UK or to be on the rare breeds, critical, endangered, or vulnerable lists. (e.g. Cleveland Bay, Hackney, Suffolk Punch, Dales, Exmoor, Dartmoor, Clydesdale, Fell, Highland, Irish Draught & Caspian)

**Class 69 OPEN RIDDEN FOREIGN/ RARE BREEDS** - Open to stallions, mares & geldings. 4 years old and over. Any height. Riders any age except stallions (see rule J.5). Breed to originate outside UK, or be on the rare breeds critical, endangered, or vulnerable list. (e.g., Cleveland Bay, Hackney, Suffolk Punch, Dales, Exmoor, Dartmoor, Clydesdale, Fell, Highland, Irish Draught, Caspian).

**Foreign/ Rare Breeds Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 68 & 69 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

**Ring 6**  
**Part Bred Classes**

**Judge: Mrs L Lidbury**

**Class 70 OPEN PART BRED** - Open to Stallions, mares & geldings. Any age. Any Height. To be shown In Hand.

**Class 71 OPEN RIDDEN PART BRED** - Open to Stallions, mares and geldings, 4 years old and over. Riders must be 12 years or over. Horses should be ridden in a snaffle, pelham or simple double bridle.

**Part Bred Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 70-71 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

**Ring 7**  
**British Show Horse Association Classes**

**Rising Star Qualifiers – London International Horse Show**

LIHS 18th – 22nd December 2025 Classes 72-75 qualify for LIHS BSHA Rising Star Supreme Finals at the London International Horse Show, highest placed unqualified in top five to qualify. A results points table will run for all qualifying classes and a 'wild card' will be awarded to those unqualified with the highest points in each section following the final qualifier. The Judge will NOT ride exhibits in these classes or at the Finals.



**Judge: Mrs P Moon**

**Class 72 BSHA Large Riding/ Hack Ridden** Large Hack/ Riding Horse type: Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 148cms. Hacks exceeding 154 cm, not exceeding 160cms and Riding Horses exceeding 158cms. Rider to be 15yrs or over. The highest placed unqualified horse in the top 5 will qualify for the LIHS BSHA Rising Star Supreme Small Hack/Riding Horse Supreme Final at the LIHS in December. QUALIFICATION WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL ONCE BSHA MEMBERSHIP IS COMPLETED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF QUALIFICATION In addition, the two highest unqualified placed horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star Hack/Riding Horse final at the BSHA National Championships Show in September. Associate Rising Star Qualification Cards will be awarded in the ring.

**Class 73 BSHA Small Riding/ Hack** Small Hack/ Riding Horse type: Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 148cms. Hacks not to exceed 154cms and Riding Horses not to exceed 158cms. Rider to be 15yrs or over. The highest placed unqualified horse in the top 5 will qualify for the LIHS BSHA Rising Star Supreme Small Hack/Riding Horse Supreme Final at the LIHS in December. QUALIFICATION WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL ONCE BSHA MEMBERSHIP IS COMPLETED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF QUALIFICATION In addition, the two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star Hack/Riding Horse final at the BSHA National Championships Show in September. Associate Rising Star Qualification Cards will be awarded in the ring.

**Class 74 BSHA Maxi Cob Type Ridden** Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 155cms - to be judged as Cobs. Rider to be 15yrs or over. Judges must pay particular attention to type (i.e. short legged animals of COB type). To be shown hogged. The highest placed



unqualified horse in the top 5 will qualify for the LIHS BSHA Rising Star Maxi Cob Supreme Final at the LIHS in December. QUALIFICATION WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL ONCE BSHA MEMBERSHIP IS COMPLETED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF QUALIFICATION In addition, the two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star Cob final at the BSHA National Championships Show in September. Associate Rising Star Qualification Cards will be awarded in the ring.

**Class 75 BSHA Cob Type Ridden** Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 148cms, but not exceeding 155cms. Rider to be 15yrs or over. The highest placed unqualified horse in the top 5 will qualify for the LIHS BSHA Rising Star Cob Supreme Final at the LIHS in December. QUALIFICATION WILL BE CONFIRMED BY EMAIL ONCE BSHA MEMBERSHIP IS COMPLETED WITHIN 14 DAYS OF QUALIFICATION In addition, the two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star Cob final at the BSHA National Championships Show in September. Associate Rising Star Qualification Cards will be awarded in the ring.

**BSHA Rising Star Ridden Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 72-74 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

#### Ring 7

##### BSHA ASSOCIATE RISING STAR IN-HAND SERIES CLASSES

Open to members and non-members, 15 years and over. Classes 76,77,78,79 will qualify for the BSHA Associate Rising Star In-Hand Series Final at the BSHA National Championships Show, September 2025. The two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify in each class.

**Judge: Mrs P Moon**

**Class 76 BSHA Riding/ Hack In Hand** Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 148cms. The two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star In Hand Hack/Riding Horse Final at the BSHA National Championships Show September 2025.

**Class 77 BSHA Cob Type In Hand** Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 148cms. Exhibits to be shown hogged. The two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star In Hand Cob Final at the BSHA National Championships Show September 2025

**Class 78 BSHA Hunter Type In Hand** Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, exceeding 148cms. The two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star In Hand Hunter Final at the BSHA National Championships Show September 2025

**Class 79 BSHA Racehorse to Show Horse In Hand** mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 148cms. Open to Thoroughbred and Arab horses retired from race training. The two highest placed unqualified horses will qualify for the Associate Rising Star In Hand Racehorse to Show Horse Final at the BSHA National Championships Show September 2025. This class is open to competitors who work within the racing industry.

**BSHA Associate Rising Star In Hand Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 76-79 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

#### Ring 7

##### Light Horse Classes

**Judge: Mrs P Moon**

**Class 80 OPEN RIDDEN Middle Weight/Heavy Weight Hunter** Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 158cms. Capable of carrying over 89kgs (14 stone). Rider to be 15yrs or over.

**Class 81 OPEN RIDDEN Light Weight/Small Hunter** Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, (Lightweight exceeding 158cms, Small Hunter exceeding 148cms, but not exceeding 158cms). Capable of carrying up to 79.5kgs (12 stone 7lbs). Rider to be 15yrs or over.

**Class 82 OPEN RIDDEN TB/ PART TB OR EX RACEHORSE** Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 148cm. Open to thoroughbred horses or Arab horses retired from race training. Rider to be 15yrs or over.

**Light Horse Ridden Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 70-71 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

#### Ring 3

##### National Pony Society Classes

**Judge: Mr D Bright**

**Class 83 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 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday but must not have attained their 9th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. To be shown in a snaffle bit.

**Class 84 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 3<sup>rd</sup> birthday but not reached their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.



**NPS Mini's Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 83-84 qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

**Class 85 The NPS/RINGSIDE STUD M&M Open Ridden National Championship**

**Class A** Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A, Welsh B

**Class B** Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh C, Welsh D

**NPS/NIPNA DALES PONY STUD M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 85A-85B qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show 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.

**Class 86 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.

**Class A** Small Breeds, Yearling, 2 and 3 years old Colt, Filly or Gelding.

**Class B** Small Breeds, 4 years and over, Stallion, Mare or Gelding.

**Class C** Large Breeds, Yearling, 2 and 3 years old Colt, Filly or Gelding.

**Class D** Large Breeds, 4 years and over, Stallion, Mare or Gelding.

**NPS/BLACKERTOR & SHARPTOR STUDS M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 86A-86D qualify.

The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show 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 – 14<sup>th</sup> 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.

**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

**Ring 3**

**Mountain & Moorland Junior Classes**

**Class 87 M&M Junior Ridden**

**Class A** Open to registered Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A, Welsh Section B mares and geldings four years old and over. Riders must not have attained their 14th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.

**Class B** Open to registered Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Connemara and Welsh Section C mares and geldings four years old and over. Riders must not have attained their 18<sup>th</sup> birthday before 1<sup>st</sup> January in the current year.

**M&M Junior Championship** – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Places from classes 87A-87B qualify. The Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the supreme of show championship.

**Ring 3**

**Childrens Fun Classes**

**These are unaffiliated fun children's classes please enter them in the spirit they are intended.**

**Judge: Mrs H Banks**

**Class 91 Young Handler** – Age 4 to 16 In Hand Open to horses and ponies of any age, height or type.

**Class 92 Handsomest Gelding** - In Hand or Ridden Open to horses and ponies of any age, height or type.

**Class 93 Prettiest Mare** - In Hand or Ridden Open to horses and ponies of any age, height or type.

**Class 94 Pony Judge Would Like to take Home** - In Hand or Ridden Open to horses and ponies of any age, height or type.

**Class 95 Fancy Dress In Hand or Ridden** - Riders can be lead. Open to horses and ponies of any age, height or type.

**Children's Ring Championship – All 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> places qualify for this championship**

## **Ring 3 SUPREME OF SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP**

**JUDGE: TBC**

All Champion & Reserve Champion competitors from M&M Junior Championship, NPS/BLACKERTOR & SHARPTOR STUDS M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship, NPS/NIPNA DALES PONY STUD M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship, NPS Mini's Championship, Light Horse Ridden Championship, BSHA Associate Rising Star In Hand Championship, BSHA Rising Star Ridden Championship, Part Bred Championship, Foreign/ Rare Breeds Championship, Shetland Championship, Show Pony & Show Hunter Pony Ridden Championship, Show Hunter Pony In hand Championship, Riding Pony In hand Championship, Open British Miniature horse society Championship, Coloured Horse and Pony Championship, SSADL CHAMPIONSHIP, Side Saddle Association Championship, In Hand New Forest Championship, New Forest Pony Ridden Championship, Welsh Pony in Hand Overall Championship, British Miniature Horse Society Championship, Go for Glory (GOG) Championship, Quest for a Star Championship qualify.

Prize Money – Supreme Champion: £100.00, Reserve Supreme Champion: £75.00

## **HEAVY HORSE RING**

**The Heavy Horse In Hand Championship and Heavy Horse In Show Harness Class are Qualifiers for the West of England Heavy Horse Championships on.....**

### **RULES OF QUALIFICATION:**

1. Qualifiers must be from Recognized 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 24th September at the Turnpike Showground (between Shaftesbury and Gillingham in North Dorset) then the Championship Secretary must be notified no later than 14th September 2024. The Qualification can then be passed to the next eligible horse. Each horse that qualifies will receive a Qualifier 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. Tel: 01725 517683 Mobile: 07958 921089 Email: [wessexheavyhorsesociety@gmail.com](mailto:wessexheavyhorsesociety@gmail.com)

We are delighted that the Young Handler Class is generously being sponsored by Southern Counties Heavy Horse Association and we would encourage all Heavy Horse entrants to please support this class. All classes are open to any Heavy Horse Breed.

**A Carters prize of £5** will be awarded for every horse which, in the opinion of the judge, is turned out to a sufficiently high standard.

Note: All exhibits in the Heavy Horse classes must parade in Ring 1 at 15:45 to qualify for the travelling grant of £70 per individual horse attending the Show, which will be sent after the Show.

**Judge: Mr T Hemfries**

**Entry fee for Heavy Horse Classes (unless otherwise stated):** RAHSS Members £4, non-members £6 (£9)

**Prize monies:** 1st £30, 2nd £25, 3rd £20, 4th £15, 5th £10, 6th £5.

**Class 96 HEAVY HORSE GELDING 3 years old and over**

To be shown in hand

**Class 97 HEAVY HORSE, YEARLING, OR 2 YEARS OLD**

To be shown in hand

*This class was generously sponsored by Mr Billing at the previous Romsey Show*

**Class 98 HEAVY HORSE MARE or MARE WITH OWN FOAL AT FOOT**

Three years old and over, to be shown in hand. Foals to be at least three weeks old on show day. **Special prize of £5** to the best foal. **Rosettes** will be given to the best six foals in the above Class (at the Judge's discretion)

*This class was generously sponsored by Mr Billing at the previous Romsey Show*

**HEAVY HORSE IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP** Open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 96-98. **Champion £35 and Reserve £25. (THE TALBOT MEMORIAL PERPETUAL CHAMPIONSHIP CHALLENGE CUP NO.29)** kindly presented by Mr & Mrs J Wrigley and a championship rosette to the **Champion Heavy Horse of the Show**. Champion & Reserve Champion qualify for the Supreme of Show Championships at Romsey Show in Ring

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**Judge: Mr T Hemfries**

**Class 99 HEAVY HORSE YOUNG HANDLER** (*Free to enter*)

**Hard hats to be worn by all young handlers.**

Mare or gelding 4 years old and over, to be led by a handler who has attained their 12th birthday and is 18 years old or under on the show day. A responsible adult must accompany each entrant into the ring. **Rosettes to all.** No grant for this class.

**Prize monies for this class:** 1st £20, 2nd £15, 3rd £10, 4th £5.

THE SOUTHERN COUNTIES HEAVY HORSE ASSOCIATION TROPHY to the winner of this class.

***This class was generously sponsored by Southern Counties Heavy Horse Association at the previous Romsey Show***

**Class 100 RIDDEN HEAVY HORSE AND PART-BRED HEAVY HORSE**

Mares and geldings 4 years old and over. Sire or Dam must be a recognised heavy horse breed. Judge will not ride. Pure breeds will be judged traditionally and part-Breds may be asked to canter in their individual show.

***This class was generously sponsored by Mr & Mrs North at the previous Romsey Show***

**Class 101 HEAVY HORSE LADIES CART**

Single Turnout in Harness with two wheeled vehicle driven by a lady. Traditional costume to be worn.

THE MAUREEN HAUSER PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY to the winner of this class.

***This class was generously sponsored by Graham Walton Publishing at the previous Romsey Show***

**HEAVY HORSE – HARNESS**

**Judge: Mr T Hemfries**

**Prize monies:** 1st £35, 2nd £30, 3rd £25, 4th £20, 5th £15, 6th £10.

**Class 102 HEAVY HORSE IN HARNESS**

Mare or gelding, 3 years old and over, to be shown in full harness. To be judged 25% for horse's condition and cleanliness (not conformation) and 75% for harness.

(THE FURZEDOWN PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP NO.20) kindly presented by the late Sir Gordon Ley, Bart., to the best exhibit in the above class.

**Special rosette and prize** of £25 for the Best Shod Horse in this class.

**Class 103 BEST PLAITED TAIL**

Open to all Heavy Horses from all classes to come forward to Harness Class (Class 58) to be judged.

**Special rosette and prize** of £20 for the Best Plaited Full Tail in the above class.

***This special prize was generously sponsored by Southern Counties Heavy Horse Association at the previous Romsey Show.***

**HEAVY HORSE – TURNOUT**

**(Main President's Ring – RING 1 at 15:45)**

**Judge: Mr T Hemfries**

**Class 104 HEAVY HORSE TURNOUT.**

Open to Single, Pair or Team, to a suitable agricultural or trade vehicle. Agricultural vehicles must not have springs or high seats or patent harness. This class will be split into agricultural and trade vehicle sections, with prizes from 1st to 6th in each section.

**A description of the vehicle must be included on the entry form, along with which section you are entering.**

**Prize monies:** 1st £50, 2nd £40, 3rd £30, 4th £25, 5th £20, 6th £15.

(THE GOLDEN GUINEA PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY NO.63) kindly presented by Messrs. J. R. Parkington & Co. Ltd., Wine Shippers of Brentford, London, to the Best Agricultural or Trade Heavy turnout in this class.

***This class was generously sponsored by D Jeffery & Co at the previous Romsey Show***

**DONKEY CLASSES**

This is a Champion Donkey Status Show for 2025 and is affiliated to the Donkey Breed Society **whose Rules apply.**

**Judge: Mrs J Barrett**

**Entry fee:** RAHSS Members £5, non-members £6 (£9)

**Prize monies** (unless otherwise stated): 1st £15, 2nd £12, 3rd £10.

**Note:** All entire male donkeys must be shown in a bridle with a leading rein correctly attached to the bit and must be led by an adult attendant. For long reining, donkeys must wear a bit or bridle (open or blinkered), a driving pad or saddle with long reins. Whips are to be carried but overuse will be penalised.

**Class 105 BEST CONDITION AND TURNED-OUT DONKEY**

Any age or sex, to be judged 75% for condition and 25% for turnout. Conformation will not be considered. **Special rosette** to the best young handler under 16 years of age on the day of the Show.

***This class was kindly sponsored by Mr C Barrington-Brown at the previous Romsey Show.***

#### **Class 106 DONKEY COLT, FILLY OR GELDING YOUNGSTOCK**

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the best 2-year-old and the best Gelding providing the winning exhibits are members of the D.B.S.

The highest placed colt or gelding is eligible to compete for **The Sleeman Cup** which will be judged following class 93.

The highest placed filly is eligible to compete for **The Brigadier Sleeman Cup** which will be judged following class 94.

THE FLORENCE WILFORD CHALLENGE CUP (53) kindly presented by Mrs. D. E. Edwards for the winner of this class.

#### **Class 107 DONKEY STALLION or GELDING 4 years old and over**

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the best Gelding providing the winning exhibit is a member of the D.B.S.

THE HONOR WARD PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP (90) kindly presented by Mr. & Mrs. Edwards for the best Gelding in this class. THE SLEEMAN PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP (46) kindly presented by Brigadier J.C.de F. Sleeman, CBE, for the best Donkey Stallion, Colt, or Gelding. The winner of class 93 and the highest placed colt or gelding from class 92 are eligible to compete for The Sleeman Cup.

#### **Class 108 DONKEY MARE or MARE WITH OWN FOAL AT FOOT**

Open to mares 4 years old and over, or broodmares 5 years old and over with own foal at foot. Foals must be 6 weeks old or over on day of show and born in the current year. Foals to be judged first.

**Prize monies for this class** – 1st £20, 2nd £15, 3rd £12.

**Best rosette and prize** of £5 to best foal.

**Rosettes** will be given to the best six foals in Class 94 (at the judge's discretion).

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the best Foal providing the winning exhibit is a member of the D.B.S. THE BRIGADIER JOHN SLEEMAN PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP (50) kindly presented by Brigadier J.C.de F. Sleeman, CBE, for the best Donkey Mare or Filly. The winner of class 94 and the highest placed filly from class 92 are eligible to compete for The Brigadier Sleeman Cup.

**DONKEY CHAMPIONSHIP Open to the 1st and 2nd prize winners in Classes 61 – 64 (THE LADY BEAUMONT PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP NO.30) kindly presented by Lady Beaumont for the best Donkey in Show. The In Hand Champion Donkey at this show automatically qualifies for the relevant Championship at the D.B.S. Annual Supreme Championship Show provided it is owned by a fully paid-up member of the D.B.S. A donkey may win more than one Championship at shows but will qualify only once for the D.B.S. Supreme Championship Show. If the Champion has already qualified the reserve will take the qualifier. No other donkey will be eligible.**

#### **Class 109 BEST LOCAL DONKEY**

This is for donkeys owned by a DBS member who lives within a 25-mile radius of the showground and will be judged immediately following the In Hand Championship. Eligible competitors should wear a GREEN armband.

#### **Class 110 RIDDEN DONKEY, four years old or over, on or off leading rein.**

No entire male donkey allowed. Children 8 years old or under (minimum 3 years) may be led. When a child competes on a leading rein the donkey must be led by a competent adult (18 years or over) and the leading rein must be attached to the noseband.

The following weight/ height restrictions shall apply to riders:

Donkeys up to 10.2hh - not over 8 stone or 4'0",

Donkeys 10.2-11.0hh - not over 8 stone or 4'6",

Donkeys 11.0-12.0hh - not over 9 stone or 5'0",

Donkeys 12.0-14.0hh - not over 10 stone or 5'6".

**Prize monies for this class**– 1st £15, 2nd £10, 3rd £5.

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the best Young Rider under 16 years of age on the day of the Show, providing the winning exhibit is a member of the D.B.S. THE COMPTON HORSE SHOW CUP 1953 (111) to winner of this class.

#### **Class 111 PET DONKEY**

To be judged entirely on the suitability of the donkey as a family pet and not as a handy donkey. Conformation will **not** be considered. No entire male donkeys allowed.

#### **Class 112 YOUNG HANDLER CLASS**

Open to Donkey Mare, Filly or Gelding to be led by a person under 16 years of age on the day of the Show. To be judged on the manner and ability with which the donkey is shown. No entire male donkeys allowed.

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the winner, providing the winning exhibit is a member of the D.B.S.

THE CHAIRMANS CUP (105) to the winner of this class.

#### **Class 113 LONG REIN.**

Open to Donkey Mare or Gelding, three years old and over. To be judged for steady course, impulsion, and crisp transactions, relying on voice commands ONLY.

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the winner, providing the winning exhibit is a member of the D.B.S.

THE STOKES CHALLENGE CUP (51), kindly presented by Mrs. V.T. Stokes, to the winner of this class.

#### **Class 114 VETERAN**

Open to donkeys aged 20 years old and over.

The Donkey Breed Society presents a **rosette** to the winner, providing the winning exhibit is a member of the D.B.S.

## REGULATIONS for Equine Exhibitors

**The Romsey Agricultural & Horse Show Society (hereafter referred to as “The Society”) shall not be responsible for any error which may appear in the catalogue, or for any entry being made in the wrong class. It is the responsibility of each exhibitor to read these rules and abide by them.**

The Society takes the health and welfare of animals seriously and has signed up to the ASAO Animal Welfare Plan. This Plan relates to all animals exhibited. The Society will take whatever appropriate measures it deems necessary to ensure the best welfare conditions exist for all animals. All exhibitors are required to ensure that their animals are fit and healthy upon arrival and throughout their time on the Showground. More details relating to health and welfare matters can be found elsewhere in these Regulations.

### A. General rules

A.1. The term “Authorised official” shall include any person, whether employed by the Society or not, appointed by the Society to act in an official capacity at the Show.

A.2. The term “Showground” shall include all areas under the control of the Society on Show Day, including car parks, horse lines, horse walks, warm-up rings, collecting and horse rings (not just the area to which paid admission is required).

A.3. The term “Exhibitor” shall include all persons taking part in any competition or display arranged by the Society and the owner of any animal, plant, machinery, or other thing involved in such competition or display otherwise exhibited in the Showground. Save for death or personal injury caused by negligence of the Society or its authorised officials, the Society shall not be responsible for death, injury, disease, damage or any loss caused to an exhibit or to their assistant or to any animal, article, plant, machinery, or thing of whatever nature brought to the Showground by said exhibitor from whatever cause such as death, injury, disease damage or loss arises.

A.4. The Society **requires** all Exhibitors to insure themselves, their assistants, and their animals against all liabilities both to the Society and its authorised officials and to all other persons using the Society Showground unless the Secretary has given written dispensation. The Society reserves the right to require an appropriate certificate of insurance to be produced for inspection by the Society at the Show Office or upon the Showground.

A.5. All Exhibitors shall indemnify and hold harmless the Society and its authorised officials from and against all actions, suits, expenses, and claims made against the Society on account of or in respect of the negligence or breach of contract of the exhibitor.

A.6. Every animal shall be considered and treated as being in the sole custody of the Exhibitor during the whole period of the Show, and, whilst on the Showground, every Exhibitor shall have at least one person in charge of each animal exhibited/brought by him/her at all times, and the Society shall not be responsible in respect of any loss, damage or injury arising from accident or any other cause whatsoever.

A.7. The use of mobile phones and similar personal electronic devices shall NOT be permitted by any person who is solely responsible for an animal (i.e. holding, leading, or riding) in the horse walks, exercise area, warm up areas, and collecting rings. Any use of such devices in the judging rings is forbidden, including taking photographs or videos. Any person found using such a device when managing an animal or supervising a young person managing an animal shall be excluded from the ring.

**A.8. No person shall behave in an offensive, abusive, or unpleasant manner to any person or any horse/pony at this event. Exhibitors shall be held responsible for the actions of any persons who are Family Members or who are employed by them or who are assisting, supporting, representing or otherwise acting on their behalf and any action or conduct of such person which would be a breach of the Rules shall constitute a breach of the Rules by the Exhibitor concerned. Family Members in this context shall include any person who is, in the reasonable opinion of the Society, a member of the Member’s family in the widest sense.**

**A.9. No person shall ill-treat animals at any time whether misuse/excessive use of a whip, bit, spurs, or any item of saddlery or in any other way whatsoever.**

A.10. Any Exhibitor or his/her assistant who shall refuse to obey an order from the Authorised officials or who shall be guilty of improper behaviour shall not be allowed to compete, and the Society shall have the power to order the offender to leave the Show and to refuse that person’s entry for future Shows. The Society reserve the right to reject or cancel the entry or entries made by any person, if they deem it fit to do so.

A.11. No person shall be allowed to fix any placard on the Showground without the written permission of the Secretary, and no exhibitor shall be allowed to distribute handbills on the Showground.

**A.12. POSTPONEMENT/CANCELLATION OR ABANDONMENT. Exhibitors shall not have any claim against the Society or any member of the Society in respect of any loss or damage whatsoever consequent upon the show or any part of it failing to be held or having to be abandoned (for whatever reason e.g. extreme weather, security alerts, etc). No entry monies shall be repaid, and the Society shall have no liability for expenses, consequential loss or damage suffered by exhibitors or their representatives because of this action.**

A.13. The Society has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the Organisers and all the Authorised officials.

**A.14. The Society reserves the right to prevent access to the Showground for any Exhibitor, irrespective of the fact they may have entered Horses or Ponies in any class. Under these circumstances any entry fees or other fees would normally be refunded.**

A.15. Any incident, accident or injury pertaining to property, animal, Exhibitor or their assistants, members of the public or show officials must be reported to an Authorised Official immediately. The Authorised Official will then report the matter to the Show Secretary immediately.

### B. Entries

B.1. The on-line data and any printed entry forms filled in by exhibitors shall be kept by the Secretary. Every person intending to exhibit shall either enter on-line or obtain the forms as appropriate and send them duly filled in to the Secretary. The Secretary must receive the entry data/form, together with the appropriate entry fee, by the date advertised in the schedule. No prize shall be awarded unless the exhibitor shall have first complied with this rule. Any entry received after the date above referred to shall be accepted only at the discretion of the Secretary and any such late entry that may be so accepted shall be liable to an entry double the normal entry fee [no exceptions].

B.2. A free admission wristband/badge will be sent to each Exhibitor, together with the appropriate number of wristbands/badges for use of bona fide assistants in charge of animals. In the case of the transfer or the improper use of a wristband/badge, it will immediately be cancelled, and the full price of admission charged.

B.3. Unless otherwise stated, Exhibitors may enter an unlimited number of animals in each class, subject to the special conditions of the respective classes.

B.4. Horses/ponies **MUST** be entered in the name and ownership under which they are currently registered and **MUST** be shown under their registered name (See also rule B.8).

B.5. Any Exhibitor or other person deceiving or attempting to deceive the Society by entering animals in the wrong classes, ownership or name contrary to these Rules, Classes and Regulations shall forfeit the whole of the entrance fee, and any other prizes won by him/her at the Show except prizes won by exhibits correctly entered by him/her and shall not be allowed in future to exhibit at the Society's exhibitions. The responsibility for correctness of all entries shall rest with the owner or his/her agent and not with the Secretary of the Society for accepting such entry.

B.6. Entries may be substituted provided the Secretary is notified in writing, such notification to reach her **three clear days** before the Show.

B.7. Entrance fees for exhibits which must be withdrawn before the Show due to illness or accident will be refunded provided a Veterinary Officer's Certificate is produced within one month of the show.

B.8. Every exhibit must be the bona fide property or lease of the Exhibitor at the time of entry except in the case of the Heavy Horse Turnout where the owner of the vehicle shall be considered as the Exhibitor. If the animal is sold after the date of entry the change of ownership must be notified to the Show Secretary. Stallions leased for the season will be considered the property of the lessor.

B.9. The Society reserves the right to print Exhibitor details in the Show Catalogue and the results. Completion of the entry form (online or otherwise) indicates that the Exhibitor has agreed to these arrangements.

B.10. Numbers will be supplied by the Secretary. Exhibit numbers will be the same as those in the catalogue and must be properly displayed on each exhibit by the Exhibitor before being admitted to the Show ring. Competitors must wear the correct number for each entry, or they may be disqualified by default. No exhibit will be allowed to wear rosettes or ribbons other than those issued or authorised by the Society.

#### **C. Prizes**

C.1. **Prize money cards MUST be completed by the winner and returned to the Horse Secretary's tent ON THE DAY OF THE SHOW. The money will be paid by BACS to the winner's bank account after the show. This may take up to 2 weeks.**

C.2. All cups and trophies must be returned to the Secretary clean and undamaged, by hand or registered post, by the 1st of August of the following year. Exhibitors who fail to do this may have their entries refused.

#### **D. Animal Welfare**

D.1. **All equines MUST be accompanied by their approved DEFRA passport in the name of the legal owner.**

D.2. Every equine Exhibitor who shall send for exhibition any animal which, to his/her knowledge is not safe to handle, or is suffering from, or has been in contact with any animal suffering from any contagious or infectious disease, shall forfeit and pay to the Secretary the sum of £1000 as and for liquidated damages for each and every animal sent, and in the event of the Society's Veterinary Inspector certifying that any animal sent for exhibition is, in his/her opinion, a source of danger, such animal shall be removed with due speed by the Exhibitor from the Showground, or be otherwise dealt with as the Veterinary Inspector may direct with a view to averting danger or the spread of contagion.

D.3. The Society vet shall have the right to treat an animal if urgent attention is required and the owner cannot be found. It is the Exhibitor's responsibility to ensure that horses and ponies are not left unattended whilst tied to the sides of trailers/lorries.

#### **E. Complaints/disputes**

E.1. Any Exhibitor lodging any objection must deposit £50, which shall be forfeited if the objection is disallowed. All objections must be delivered in writing to the Horse Secretary's office on the Showground within 30 minutes of the incident which has caused the objection to be raised. The Society, whose decision shall be final, will decide upon the objection.

E.2. All disputes respecting the Rules and Regulations of the Society together with all questions, the consideration of which is not otherwise provided for, shall be referred to the Society, whose decision shall be final.

#### **F. Drugs/Drug testing**

F.1. The Society does not tolerate the administration to show exhibits (entered either for competition or sale/ demonstration) of tranquillisers or other drugs which may in any way affect the performance of the animal in question to have the effect of making it behave in the show ring in a manner which is not natural.

F.2. The Society reserves the right to take any samples necessary to assess exhibits for the presence of such hormones or other illegal substances. Refusal to submit a sample shall be dealt with by the Society at their discretion.

F.3. Any Person or Exhibitor (or his/her representative) who is found to have administered or permitted the administration of any such tranquilliser or drugs to any Show exhibit shall:

- a) forfeit their entrance fees and any prizes won,
- b) not be allowed to exhibit at RAHSS shows in the future,
- c) be reported to the Organising Committee and dealt with at their discretion.

In addition, the matter will be referred to the appropriate Breed Society or Organisation.

#### **G. Impartiality**

G.1. The Owner, Rider, Handler, and Exhibitor shall be responsible for ensuring the Rules on Impartiality are followed. They are advised to thoroughly investigate past connections of their exhibits to avoid any conflicts of interest. For the benefit of these rules, where a horse/pony is leased, it shall be treated as the property of the Lessee/Borrower, who shall be defined as the Owner for showing purposes.

G.2. The Society seeks to ensure that all its competitions are judged fairly and that there is no bias or favouritism. This is only achievable if owners, producers, riders, handlers, and judges observe the rules in the spirit in which they are intended.

G.3. The definition of a Professional Producer/Trainer is – "a person who undertakes the preparation and /or production of ponies/horses belonging to other exhibitors for the show ring including at a show." A producer is someone who has a horse/pony on their yard to show for the client and therefore has a financial interest.

G.4. A horse/pony may not be exhibited in a class or final where the horse/pony or its owner/producer/rider/handler has one of the following, or similar, connections with the judge:

The horse/pony has been owned or produced by any person for whom or from whom the judge, his/her partner or business partner has provided or obtained livery or had any other connection (business or otherwise) since 1st January of the preceding year. Stud fees are exempt as per Society guidelines.

The horse/pony is or has been owned, bred, produced, trained, or exhibited by the judge or, a relative, business partner or partner of the judge. (Group teach-ins and demos are exempt; a Group is three or more people)

The rider has shown a horse/pony owned, produced, or trained by the judge since the 1st of January of the preceding year. (Group teach-ins and demos are exempt)

The horse/pony is owned or produced by a person from whom the judge has purchased horses/ponies or to whom he/she sold horses/ponies since 1st January of the preceding year in which he/she is judging.

G.5. The onus is on the Exhibitor to stand down in any class, championship or final where there is an infringement of G.4.

#### **H. Rules relating to Horses/Ponies**

H.1. No Horse or Pony (other than foals accompanying their dams) not having been entered for exhibition in the Show will be allowed onto the Showground. Proof of entry may be required, by showing the appropriate numbers for exhibits. A **Foal** not entered on the entry form and not wearing an allocated number is not eligible to win a prize.

H.2. All animals must remain within the Horse lines designated and must not be exercised other than in designated warm-up areas within the Showground at any time. Access to the Rings, via the official Horse Walks, will only be allowed for judging. **Lunging is NOT allowed anywhere on the Showground.**

H.3. Horses and ponies **must not be left unattended** when tied up outside horse boxes or trailers. (See also Rule J.1.)

H.4. The age of the horse/pony is calculated from January 1st in the year of its birth.

H.5. All ridden horses/ponies must be four years old or over. Mares with a living foal born during the current season are not eligible to compete in ridden classes.

H.6. All horses/ponies, four years old or over, shall come under the jurisdiction of the Joint Measurement Board. In all classes where horses or ponies are subject to height limits the judge may order the exhibit to be measured unless the exhibitor can produce an appropriate official measurement certificate.

H.7. Horses may be measured in the shoes they come in, and the Society reserves the power to disqualify any horse, which, in its opinion, is excessively or unfairly shod.

H.8. All stallions/entries must hold a Stallion Licence, unless otherwise governed by their individual Breed Society. ALL stallions (ridden and in-hand) **MUST** always display a stallion bridle marker (available from most societies) when un-boxed.

H.9. Brood mares must be 3 years old or over and must be shown with foal at foot or certified in foal (with a vet's certificate) for the following year. Where mares are entered as "in foal," the prize may be withheld until a certificate of foaling within the stated period has been furnished to the Secretary.

H.10. A mare that has lost her foal in the current year may, on production of a vet's certificate, compete in a Brood Mare class.

H.11. A Barren Mare is defined as a mare without a foal at foot and not in foal. Barren mares are not eligible for Brood Mare classes.

H.12. All foals must be at least four weeks old on the day of the show (except Heavy Horse), must be the offspring of the mare with which they are exhibited, must accompany their dam into the ring and must be led alongside the mare as much as possible.

H.13. Foals must not be body clipped and must only be shown in a halter or head collar (no bit of any type).

H.14. M&M Small Breeds are defined as Dartmoor's, Exmoor's, Shetlands, and Welsh Sections A & B. M&M Large Breeds are defined as Connemara's, Dales, Fells, Highlands, New Forest, and Welsh Sections C & D.

H.15. All ponies exhibited in purebred M&M classes must be registered in the main body of the Purebred M&M Studbook of their respective breeds at the time of entry. Part Breds and ponies registered in the X section are excluded from purebred classes.

H.16. All ponies exhibited in M&M classes shall be trimmed only within their Breed Society specification. Manes must not be plaited, and tails not braided. No false hair or hair dyeing is allowed. Ponies are restricted to the height limits laid down by their appropriate Breed Societies and may be measured at the judge's discretion.

#### **J. Age of competitors**

J.1. Any person who is solely responsible for an animal (e.g. holding, leading, or riding) on the Showground must have attained their fifth birthday by the day of the show. Any such person under 16 years of age must be accompanied/supervised by an adult while in charge of an animal. See following rules for further restrictions.

J.2. No child under the age of 3 years old on the day of the show may compete.

J.3. To strip a pony a child must have attained their 12th birthday by the 1st of January in the current year, except for stallions where the minimum age will be in accordance with rules J.3 and J.4 below.

J.4. Stallions/colts may not be led or managed by a person who has not attained their 14th birthday before the 1st of January in the current year.

J.5. Any stallion not exceeding 138cm or small breed M&M stallion may NOT be ridden by a person who has not attained their 12th birthday before the 1st of January in the current year. Any stallion exceeding 138cm or large breed M&M stallion may not be ridden by a person who has not attained their 14th birthday before the 1st of January in the current year.

#### **K. Attire and Equipment:**

K.1. Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet one of the following current Safety Standards/specifications **MUST** be worn by all Riders of all ages - all PAS 015; VG1; (BS)EN1384 2017; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; SNELL E2016; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards. Anyone riding a Horse/Pony anywhere on the Showground is **REQUIRED** to wear a properly fastened hat with harness that conforms to current British Standards regardless of breed society rules.

K.2. All those entering the Rings with Horses/Ponies, or to attend Horses/Ponies, must be appropriately dressed including hats. Jackets shall be worn by riders in mounted classes other than Eventing classes where long-sleeved colours and body protectors **must** be worn.

K.3. Handlers of ponies in In Hand classes aged 14 years and under must wear a correctly secured skull caps/riding hat that meets one of the above standards.

K.4. Except for side saddle riders, whips/canes must not exceed an overall length (including any lash) of 76 cm (30 inches). If, in the opinion of the judge, the whip is misused then the exhibit may be sent out of the ring.

K.5. The wearing of spurs in any pony classes is forbidden unless otherwise stated.

K.6. Riders/handlers are not permitted to wear earrings (**excluding Lead Rein handlers**) and/or visible body studs. The Judge will ask the competitor to remove them.

K.7. Bandages and protective pads on ponies' feet, or bar shoes, are not allowed. Protective front boots **ONLY** are allowed when jumping.

K.8. The judge should consider the suitability of the bridle and bit, based on the rider's competence and the way the horse/pony is going in the class.

K.9. All ponies in Novice classes must be shown in a snaffle.

K.10. All ponies in Leading Rein classes must be shown in a snaffle. The leading rein must be attached to the noseband only and the reins must go directly from the bit to the rider's hands. The only attachments to the saddle allowed are a crupper, or handle. Reins must not be attached to the handle or the saddle. The reins must be a normal length and not knotted together or stitched together at a shorter length.

K.11. Ponies may only be ridden on the showground in tack appropriate to the class they are competing in that day.



K.12. M&M brood mares and youngstock may be shown in a halter, leather head collar or any bridle. Other brood mares and youngstock may be shown in a leather head collar or any bridle.

K.13. All foals must be shown in a halter or leather head collar. No foal may be shown in a bit of any type.

K.14. Ponies will not be penalised for wearing nose mesh nets providing they are not head shaking.

#### **L. Conduct of classes**

L.1. All exhibits must be ready 10 minutes prior to the start of the class and must be present in the ring to be judged or receive awards. Competitors should enter the ring when requested by the Stewards – classes will not be held for latecomers.

L.2. No exhibits are to enter the rings with any distinguishing mark save as allowed by the Regulations.

L.3. No person but the judges, ring stewards, other authorised officials, competitors, and grooms (where appropriate) shall be in any of the rings while judging is taking place. Grooms should only enter once the appropriate rider has begun their individual show and must leave the ring before placing is commenced. Unless the judge addresses them, competitors should only communicate with the judge through the ring stewards or other authorised officials.

L.4. Assistance/interference/coaching from outside the ring is **NOT** permitted.

L.5. Where there are more than twenty entries forward, classes may be sub-divided.

L.6. No Ridden pony to be shown on a leading rein except those entered in Leading Rein classes.

L.7. If a judge decides that a rider is not suitably mounted, they may take appropriate action and place down the line.

L.8. The judge may require that a pony which constitutes a danger leaves the ring; the judge's decision is final.

L.9. Ponies may not be ridden side saddle in Leading Rein or First Ridden classes.

L.10. The class is closed, and horses/ponies will not be allowed into the ring:

In Hand/Leading Rein - when the last horse/pony has completed its individual trot round the ring,

Ridden - when the class goes into trot,

Jumping - 2 minutes after the last horse/pony has finished jumping.

L.11. A fall of horse/pony or rider in the ring will result in disqualification. The rider **MUST NOT** remount in the ring. A fall of a rider/handler in an in-hand phase may result in elimination at the discretion of the judge.

L.12. No change of rider/handler will be allowed throughout a class except where a rider/handler is incapacitated, and the judge gives permission for the change.

L.13. The rider/handler may not remove their horse/pony or themselves from the ring during judging without the judge's permission. The class ends when the judge dismisses the class.

L.14. Exhibitors who are likely to have horses or ponies in more than one ring at the same time should provide additional riders and/or handlers.

L.15. Where a rider/handler qualifies more than one pony for a championship they must elect eligible substitute riders/handlers for their other ponies for the championship.

L.16. No prize shall be awarded when, in the opinion of the judges, there is not sufficient merit, and neither shall any prize or premium be given to the exhibitor who shall not have complied with the Rules and Regulations of the Society.

L.17. The Society reserve the right to substitute other judges for those named, or to make additional appointments. Classes may be split or amalgamated at the judge's decision. The decision of the judge is always to be accepted as final.

L.18. The use of resin, soap or other substances in any form or way designed to give an artificial appearance, or any improper means adopted in showing an animal shall disqualify such animal.

#### **M. Jumping penalties**

M.1. No penalty is incurred unless the maximum height of the fence is lowered in the **same vertical plane**.

M.2. A refusal is when a pony turns its quarters to a fence or turns a complete circle in front of a fence or stops in front of a fence **and** takes at least one step backwards, with any one foot.

#### **ALL EXHIBITORS**

By entering a class at The Romsey Show, you agree that The Romsey Agricultural & Horse Show Society may use any personal contact information you provide to contact you about The Romsey Agricultural & Horse Show Society future shows and share competition results with relevant third parties.