



Shropshire County Agricultural Show

SATURDAY 25th MAY 2024

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Horse and Pony Schedule

The organisation of the Shropshire County Show is under the control of a Show Committee and a Board of Trustees. The Show is held under the Articles of Association, By-Laws and Regulations of the Shropshire & West Midlands Agricultural Society, which accordingly binds all exhibitors and others attending the Show.

The attention of exhibitors is drawn to the Show Rules and Regulations (enclosed in the schedule) and to the Breed Societies and Conditions printed in the Schedule.

The Society reserves the right to postpone or cancel the Show, or any particular section or event, if such cancellation, postponement arises out of strikes, lock-outs, trade disputes or labour problems, or any other cause beyond the control of the Society including, but without limitation, Act of God, Governmental Act, Regulation or request, fire, accident, war, riot or an inability to obtain adequate labour, materials or sufficient number of entries.

The Schedule is subject to the Orders and Advice of The Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs (DEFRA), and any Local Authorities which may be operative at the time of the Show.

PRESIDENT:

Anna Turner, His Majesty's Lord-Lieutenant of Shropshire

COUNTY SHOW CHAIRMAN:

Mr Neale Sadler

SHOWGROUND CEO:

Mr Ian Bebbington

GENERAL HORSE SECRETARY:

Sue Dutton Jones

HEAVY HORSE SECRETARY:

Yvonne Simmons

Entries Closing Date 10th May 2024

**PLEASE READ THIS SCHEDULE AND THE DETAILS BELOW FULLY
PRIOR TO ENTERING THE SHOW**

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HORSE SCHEDULE

EXHIBITORS

Prize money will be available from the Steward.

IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF EXHIBITORS TO READ AND COMPLY WITH THE SHOW REGULATIONS SET OUT BELOW

1. **Safety helmets should always be worn.** Anyone riding a horse anywhere on the Showground is required to wear a properly fitted **SAFETY HAT** meeting a minimum standard as set out by the British Horse Society Hat Rules 2024.
2. **Ridden Section.** Please note that the judge need not ride all the exhibits forward.
3. **Fall of Horse/Pony or Rider.** A fall of Horse/Pony or Rider during any class will result in elimination. The rider must not remount in the ring and should seek medically qualified attendant before remounting.
4. **Owners/Handlers** All Horses/Ponies Must have a competent person in charge.
5. **Horse walks** will be provided, and Exhibitors are required to use these designated routes to access the showing rings and must obey directions from the Officials and Stewards at the crossing points. Exhibitors need to be aware that this is a busy Agricultural Show with large crowds and traditional displays performing throughout the showground: total segregation from both the general public and noisy attractions cannot, therefore, be guaranteed. Exhibitors are not permitted to use the horse walks for any purpose other than prior to the start of their class and horses must be kept at a walk. Trotting, cantering or exercising of horses is not allowed on the horse walks under any circumstances and may result in disqualification.
6. **Horse Passports** (England) Regulation 2009 requires all owners to obtain a passport for each animal that they own. Please remember to bring these passport(s) to the Show and have them available for inspection if requested by Local Trading Standards Officers. If you require any further information, please contact the DEFRA helpline, or visit their website. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to ensure all animals are registered and they are members of the relevant breed societies.
7. **Horse Equine Influenza Vaccinations** Horses must have been vaccinated to comply with the Silver Gilt standard set out in the British Equestrian advice notes. Requirements of the primary course (1st vaccination and then 2nd vaccination between 21 – 60 days later), followed by the first booster (120 – 180 days) and all subsequent boosters and an annual booster vaccination within 365 days thereafter. Horses may compete having received the primary course and prior to the first booster but not within 7 days of receiving a vaccine dose. Foals should commence vaccinations at 6 months old. Horses that received the primary course prior to 1 January 2024 are permitted to have an interval of up to 92 days between the first and second vaccination of the primary course and for the first booster an interval of up to 7 months following the date of the administration of the second vaccination of the primary course. Vaccinations are subject to local risk assessments by the attending veterinarians. We urge all owners to always adhere to strict biosecurity protocols.
PLEASE NOTE: that neither vaccination certificates nor passports should be sent to the show office prior to the event but must be available for spot checks on the day of the show.
8. **Public Liability Insurance** All Horse/Pony exhibitors must ensure they have adequate public liability insurance cover (suggested minimum of £5 million).
9. It is a requirement of entry that owners/competitors have adequate **public liability insurance** of a recommended minimum of £1 million. The onus is on every rider who suffers a fall or any person who suffers an injury whilst on the Showground to report the fall/injury to the Show Secretary.
10. **Judges:** The Shropshire & West Midlands Agricultural Society reserves the right to substitute other Judges/Classes from those printed in the Schedule or to make additional appointments without prior notice. We also reserve the right to amalgamate class without prior notice.
11. **Your Exhibitor Number/s, Lorry Pass and any other wristbands** will be posted to you. This is your confirmation of entry. One Lorry Pass per Exhibitor. Vehicles will not be admitted through the Horse / Livestock Gate without a 2024 Lorry Pass. Please ensure your Pass is clearly visible.
12. **Showing Numbers:** If you have not received your numbers by 20th May, please telephone the Show Office. The Society cannot be held responsible for postal delays and missing items.
13. No Refunds for errors on entries will be given if you are rejected by the Society governing the classes you enter. There are No Exceptions. Please ensure you are eligible to compete in the classes you are entering.
14. **Responsibility of Exhibitors** Exhibitors are responsible for seeing that their exhibits are in the Ring at the correct time for judging of the Special Prizes, Cups etc.
15. **Mobile Phones** The use of mobile phones is not permitted within the collecting and judging rings.
16. **Timetable Classes** may commence at or after the published time. The Society will not be responsible for any loss where an exhibitor has made entries in more than one class and because of time over run it is not possible for him/her or the horse/pony to compete in one or more later classes. No claim for refund of fees paid or other loss, direct, indirect or consequential will be accepted or paid. Once a class has commenced it is deemed the class is closed and no further exhibitors may enter the ring.

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17. No refunds will be given under any circumstances. It is the **Competitor's responsibility** to be at the ring for their class. NO exceptions can be made for persons missing their classes.
18. Where Classes are run under Affiliated Societies the Rules of these Affiliated Societies apply. Please contact Societies direct with any Membership or Registration Queries.
19. Stallion Badges **All entire males 2yrs old and over must display a stallion disc.**
20. Stabling is only available on request, please contact the office to book and for prices. Each reservation period commences at 8.00 am on the first day until 5.00pm the following day.
21. No corralling of horses or ponies is allowed. If horses/ponies are found to be corralled, they will be charged at stable rate.
22. Dogs to be kept on the lead at all times.
23. A fine of £20.00 will be charged for mucking out of horseboxes onto the Showground.
24. **Litter:** Please ensure that litter is placed in designated receptacles or taken home with you.
25. **TICKET/ PASS ALLOCATION:** Each exhibitor will be allocated 1 Lorry/Trailer Parking Pass & 2 show tickets for the first Horse/Pony entered and 1 extra show ticket for each further Horse/Pony entered to a maximum of 4 tickets per exhibitor.
26. **Equine Welfare:** 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 body weight. This is based on a relatively fit, health animal, as an overweight animal is also a welfare concern.

Stewards will be on duty in the Horse parking area/horse line and will be checking wristbands for entry. Please ensure you are wearing your wristband visibly.

SAFETY

Where possible All vehicles must be on site and parked up by 8am and not leave the site until 5.00pm, If you need to exit the showground before 5.00pm, you must locate a Showground Steward who will arrange for you exit with the help of showground staff for safety reason. The Organisers of the 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, and all the Officials and Stewards. All persons whether riding, leading, exercising, or exhibiting, must wear suitable and sufficient protective headgear and footwear. Riding Hats must meet a minimum standard as set out by the British Horse Society hat rules 2024.

MEDICAL ASSISTANCE

Medical Assistance will be on site. Please contact your nearest Steward/Official who will call for First Aid.

VETERINARY ARRANGEMENTS:

Fyrnwy Equine Clinic – Tel: 01939 260251. Fyrnwy are also supplying a Farrier.

A Veterinary Surgeon will be on-site throughout the Show period.

Exhibitors are responsible for their own cost of Veterinary treatment.

Disease Caveat: If you are affected by a notifiable disease and unable to attend, we will refund the entry fee.

ACTION IN CASE OF FIRE. In the event of a fire occurring on the Showground the following action should be taken:

1. Notify the nearest Steward who will arrange for the Fire Service to attend.
2. Ensure that all other persons retreat to a safe area away from the fire and clear the approach roadways which will be used for access by the Fire Service.
3. Only if it is safe to do so, tackle the fire with extinguishers until the Fire Service arrives.
4. Any directive given by the Fire Service must be followed.

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| ENTRY FEES ALL CLASSES | £12.00 |
| FOALS | £ 7.00 |

PRIZE MONEY ALL CLASSES

| | 1st | 2nd | 3rd | 4th |
|-------------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| Heavy Horses | £35 | £25 | £15 | £10 |
| All Other Classes | £20 | £15 | £10 | |

All Foal Classes receive Rosettes Only

If there are less than 3 entered in a class only 1st prize money will be awarded.

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES FRIDAY 10TH MAY 2024

SHROPSHIRE & WEST MIDLANDS AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

Rosettes to the Champion & Reserve will be presented in all relevant classes

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Arrival – Heavy Horses may be brought in between 2.00pm and 8.00pm on Friday 24th May 2024. Heavy Horses must be brought in no later than **8.00am on Saturday 25th May 2024**

TIMETABLE & JUDGES

| RING | TIME | | JUDGE | CLASSES |
|--------|------|----------------------------------|-------------------|---------|
| Ring 1 | 10am | In-hand Heavy Horses | Mr. Richard Green | 1-11 |
| Ring 2 | 10am | Light Horses: In-hand and ridden | Sally Chamberlain | 12-23 |

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Entry Fees

Heavy Horses

Classes 1,2,3,4,5 and 6 Non SWMAS members £12.00 SWMAS members £10.00

Class 7 - £7.00

Class 9 – HOYS Shire Horse of the year qualifier Non SWMAS members £20.00 SWMAS members £15.00

Except Heavy Horses in Working Gear, Heavy Horses in Decorated Harness & Young Handlers - Free Entry

Light Horses and ponies

Classes 12 – 23 (inclusive) Non SWMAS members £12.00 SWMAS members £10.00

(only accepted until 10th May 2024)

There will be NO exceptions.

IN HAND Heavy Horse Classes – Affiliated to the Shire Horse Society

HEAVY HORSE IN HAND REGULATIONS

TIMES OF ARRIVAL, JUDGING AND DEPARTURE

Ring 1 – 10.00am Start.

Judge: Mr Richard Green

Lancashire

Stewards: Yvonne Simmons

Prize Money

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| | <u>1st</u> | <u>2nd</u> | <u>3rd</u> | <u>4th</u> |
| Class 1-7 | £35.00 | £25.00 | £15.00 | £10.00 |

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| | <u>1st</u> | <u>2nd</u> |
| Class 10-11 | £35.00 | £25.00 |

Class 8 Every Young Handler will be awarded £10.00

If there are less than 3 entered in a class only 1st prize money will be awarded

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SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY RULES: Shire exhibitors must be members of the Shire Horse Society. **THE WINNING ANIMAL MUST BE REGISTERED OR ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRATION IN THE STUD BOOK OR GRADE B REGISTER.** Entries cannot be accepted at Affiliated Shows in classes for Shire or Heavy Horses from any person who had been either suspended or removed from membership of the Shire Horse Society or has been excluded from exhibiting for prizes at Shows, Sales or Exhibitions or from taking part in any Show organised by the Shire Horse Society. **Please state registered numbers on your entry form.**

Shire Horse Young Handler Shire Horse Society will once again be running the SHS Young Handler's Accumulator Award in 2022. Points relative to placings will be awarded to those young handlers who are 2022 members of the Shire Horse Society. The winner will be announced at the end of the year. Details listed below if you need any wording for the schedule. Points will be awarded to the top five, with points awarded as follows: - 1st-5 points, 2nd-4 points, 3rd- 3 points, 4th-2 points and 5th- 1 point.

The Champion Young Handler with the most points at the end of the year will win the trophy. Those taking part in the above should be junior members of the Society and are able to join mid-season if they are not already members. Points will only count once membership is taken up and points will not be back dated. Junior memberships are £10 per annum and are open to those that have not attained their 18th birthday.

Please note:

Exhibitors, in their own interests, are advised to read carefully the General Show Regulations in this schedule before making their entries.

Classes

(Open All Heavy Horse Breeds)

1. **Stallion 2yrs Old & Over.**
2. **Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding.**
3. **2 and 3yrs Old Filly or Gelding.**
4. **Gelding 4yrs Old and Over.**
5. **Barren Mare, 4yrs Old and Over.**
6. **Mare with own foal at foot.**
7. **Foal Class (if sufficient entries these classes may be split).**

The 1st and 2nd Prize winners from sections (1,2,3,4,5,6 & 7) are eligible to compete for the Champion Heavy Horse

8. HOYS SHIRE HORSE OF THE YEAR QUALIFIER

Supported by the Shire Horse Society:

This class is a qualifier for the Shire Horse of the year Championship supported by the Shire Horse Society, to be held at the NEC, Birmingham on the 7th -13th October 2024. This class is open to pure bred fully registered Shires of two years old and over that are entered and exhibited in their appropriate breed classes at this show. This class will be run in accordance with the general rules as set out in the Horse of the Year show rulebook, a copy of which can be downloaded from www.hoys.co.uk

Exhibitors, please note that the HOYS entry fee of £18.00 is payable for this class and the HOYS entry form is required in addition to that for the show

The special prizes HH1 – HH10 will be awarded.

9. **Young Handler Class (No Stallion or animal's underage of 2 to be led) Young handlers must be 12 years of age who has not attained their 18th Birthday on the date of the show. Free entry to this class.**

(Open to Shires and Any Other Breed Heavy Horse)

10. **Heavy Horse in Working Gears. Free Entry. (Before lunch)**
11. **Heavy Horse in Decorated Harness. Free Entry. (£50.00 to each horse entered) (after lunch)**

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SPECIAL PRIZES

- HH1 CHAMPION Heavy Horse** –Champion Heavy Horse Rosettes
Cash Prize £100
- HH2 RESERVE CHAMPION Heavy Horse** - Reserve Champion Heavy Horse Rosette
Cash Prize £50
- HH3 Best Foal**
- HH4 Best Stallion**
- HH5 Best Shod**
- HH6 Young Handler** (class to be held after the In-hand championship)
- HH7 THE SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY** will present a **SILVER-PLATED SPOON AND ROSETTE**
A Spoon and a Rosette for Best Mare or Filly and a Spoon and Rosette for Best Stallion exhibited in the Shires classes.
No animal to be eligible to take more than one Silver Spoon during any one year. The Shire Horse Society National Shire Horse Show being excepted. The Council reserves the right in offering Spoons, to award them only to persons approved by the Shire Horse Society.
- HH8 Champion Suffolk**
- HH9 Champion Percheron**
- HH10 Champion Clydesdale**

LIGHT HORSES AND PONIES

In hand and ridden classes

TIME OF JUDGING

Ring 2 – 10.00am Start.
Judge: Sally Chamberlain
Mannog Appaloosas

In hand

12. **Non-native Horse/pony.** Plaited. Coloured. Also open to British and American Miniatures who may be shown according to Breed Standard. Any age
13. **Native. Cob.** Traditional type Horse/pony. Coloured. Any age
14. **Alternative Coloured.** Open to spotted/Appaloosa/Palomino/Dilutes. Any age and type.
15. **Foreign PURE Breeds.** (Where studbook of origin is based outside of the UK) Any age. Tack and attire suitable for breed allowed.
16. ***Veteran combined** age class 15 yrs and over. To be run as one class but judged as separate age categories. Diamond.25yrs+. Veteran.20-24yrs. Pre-Veteran.15-19yrs. **VHS AREA QUALIFIER. Please read the VHS rule book.**
17. **Open Youngstock.** Any type/breed. Open to 3yrs and under.

LH1. IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP. 1ST PLACE ONLY TO COME FORWARD

Ridden

18. **Non-native Horse/pony.** Plaited. Coloured.
19. **Native. Cob.** Traditional type Horse/pony. Coloured.
20. **Alternative Coloured.** Open to Spotted/Appaloosa/Palomino/Dilutes.
21. **Foreign PURE breeds.** (where studbook of origin is based outside of the UK). Tack and attire suitable for breed allowed but hard hats conforming to latest standards must be worn.

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22. ***Veteran combined** age class 15yrs and over. To be run as one class but judged as separate age categories. Diamond. 25yrs+. Veteran.20-24yrs. Pre-Veteran.15-19yrs. Open to horse and ponies of any breed and height. **VHS AREA QUALIFIER. Please read the VHS rule book.**
23. (A) **Ridden Mountain and Moorland large breeds.**
Open to New Forest. Connemara, Fells, Dales, Highland, Welsh Section C and Welsh section D ponies.
24. (B) **Ridden Mountain and Moorland small breeds (to include lead rein)**
Open to Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A or Welsh Section B ponies.

LH2. RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIP. 1st PLACE ONLY TO COME FORWARD

Veteran Horse Society – AREA QUALIFIER 2024

First round qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final.

VETERAN HORSE OF THE YEAR 2024

Kindly Sponsored by Allen and Page.

Open to members and non-members. All competitors and grooms must adhere to VHS rules in all circumstances. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification.

VHS Regional final qualification. All competitors placed 1st to 4th in each category will qualify for the corresponding class at VHS Regional finals. Members must carry their cards in the ring and have their showing card signed by the Judge in the ring as proof of qualification. Non-members will receive a red qualification card which can then be exchanged for signed card showing card when applying for membership. This MUST be done within 21 days of qualification. It is the competitor's responsibility to present their showing card to the Judge.

Those wishing to join or renew with the Society will need to apply for this before 1st April each year or a late penalty fee of £15.00 will be charged.

Regional Finals are open to members only.

All competitors are eligible to enter open classes at the National Veteran Championships, to be held at Arena UK, Lincolnshire on the 30th August – 1st September 2024. No qualification or membership necessary. See VHS website for schedule which is available mid-season 2024.

For further information please visit the VHS website www.veteran-horse-society.co.uk or telephone the VHS show office on 01239881300 or 07789 514004

We reserve the right to split or amalgamate classes if there are a small or large number of entries

Shropshire County Show reserves the right to change the judge if deemed necessary.

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