

SOUTH WEST HAIRY PONY FEST 2025



Sunday 4th May 2025

**NPS Summer championship M&M Qualifiers In Hand & Ridden
The Showing Register Amateur of the Year Show qualifiers
Special Highland Dales and Fell championships
Qualifier for the Fell Pony Society 2025 young handler championship
South West Pony Association qualifiers
Unaffiliated classes for all breeds and types**

Something for everyone!

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At Kings Sedgmoor Equestrian Centre

Greylake, Nr Bridgwater, Somerset TA7 9BP

**(please refer to the directions on the last page of the schedule – do not rely
on sat nav!)**

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South West Pony Association

This show is a qualifier for the South West Pony Association Championships
to be held on 28 - 30 August 2025
at The David Broome Event Centre, Crick, Monmouthshire. NP26 5XP

To qualify for the 2025 Championships:

Enter one of the qualifying classes at this show.

If you are placed first or second in the class, you should be given a qualifying card.

- 1) Fill in the information required on the front of the card.
- 2) Register with Showing Scene if not already registered. *This is Free*
- 3) Join SWPA via www.showingscene.com as a **2025** Member
- 4) Take a picture of the card and upload to the relevant Championship Class
(Championship Classes are 1 – 134 on Saturday of the Championships)

Please Note:

Membership Fee for the 2025 Championships is £25 which includes two adults and all children at the same address and all equines owned or leased by the family.

Classes eligible for qualification are as follows; 1,2,3,4,5,6,9,10, 11,12,13,14,15, 21,22,26,28,29, 38,39, 40,41,42,43,44,45,47,48, 49,51,52,53,54,55,56,57

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NPS IN HAND CLASSES

RING 1 (Starts 9 am)

Judge: Mr Paul Davis

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 1:** Small breeds 1, 2 & 3 year olds
CLASS 2: Large breeds 1, 2 & 3 year olds
CLASS 3: Welsh sections A + B 4 & over
CLASS 4: Small breeds excluding welsh 4 & over
CLASS 5: Welsh C + D 4 & over
CLASS 6: Large breeds excluding welsh 4 & over

Kindly sponsored by Sue Howes

This show is a qualifier for the Fell Pony Society Young Handler of the Year championship at the Fell Pony Breed Show in August 2025. If you are a junior member of the FPS, please let the secretary know when you pick up your number. Entrants need not show Fell ponies to qualify, but will be required to show a Fell pony at the final. Full details can be found at fellponysociety.org.uk/awards

Judge: Miss Lyndsey Hayter (**not before 11am**)

The NPS/MOLE VALLEY FARMERS M&M Home Produced In Hand National Championship

Please see NPS Rule Book, Sec A, 3.6. Please enter this class in the spirit it is intended. Competitors who contravene the above will be disqualified.

- CLASS 7:** Small Breeds, stallions, mares and geldings any age
Kindly sponsored by Angels Stud and Production
CLASS 8: Large Breeds, stallions, mares and geldings any age
Kindly sponsored by Angels Stud and Production

Judge: Mr Paul Davis

NPS/BLACKERTOR & SHARPTOR STUDS M&M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship

1st & 2nd prize winners from classes 1-8 are eligible.

Kindly sponsored by Brynley Andrews Associates (brynleyandrewsassociates.com)

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

Qualifiers are entitled to compete in the final of the Silver Medal Rosette Championship to be held at the NPS Summer Championship show 5th-7th August 2025

Sashes to champion and reserve

Judge: Mrs Jackie Webb

HIGHLAND DALES AND FELL IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Recipients of the highest placed breed rosettes in classes 1-8 eligible to compete

Kindly sponsored by Sara Hird

Sashes to champion and reserve

NPS RIDDEN CLASSES

Ring 1 (continued)

Judge: Miss Lyndsey Hayter (**not before 12pm**)

The NPS/COOPER FAMILY M&M Junior Ridden National Championship

CLASS 9: 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

Kindly sponsored by Karen Hodge

CLASS 10: 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 18th birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Championship for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 9 and 10

Kindly sponsored by Mathew Lawrence

NPS/ WTJ Insurance Brokers Ltd Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier – wear white arm bands

NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

Judge: Mr Paul Davis (**not before 1pm**)

The NPS/PICTON STUD M&M Novice Ridden National Championship

CLASS 11: Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland

Kindly sponsored by Charlotte McGill

CLASS 12: Welsh A, Welsh B

Kindly sponsored by Heniarth Yeats

CLASS 13: New Forest, Connemara

CLASS 14: Fell, Highland, Dales

CLASS 15: Welsh C, Welsh D

Championship for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 11 – 15

Kindly sponsored by Champions Choice Rosettes

Open to pure bred registered M&M stallions, mares and geldings four years old or over. A pony is not eligible to compete if, before 1st January in the current year, it has done any of the following:

- i. Won an open affiliated mixed M&M Ridden class
- ii. Qualified for Horse of the Year Show, LIHS or RIHS Open M&M Ridden classes
- iii. Qualified for the M&M Novice or Intermediate Ridden final at the NPS Summer Championship show (N.B. Ponies can compete as novices in this competition for two consecutive years provided they do not submit an entry to the final in the first year).
- iv. If a pony qualifies for Horse of the Year Show, LIHS or RIHS in its second year it is immediately de-noviced and cannot compete in the Picton Final. Ponies must be shown in a snaffle bit.

NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

Judge: Miss Lyndsey Hayter

The NPS/DARGAVEL M&M Young Ridden Pony National Championship

CLASS 16: All breeds – 4 years old

Kindly sponsored by Karen Hodge

CLASS 17: All breeds – 5 years old

CLASS 18: All breeds – 6 years old

Championship for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 16 – 17

Open to pure bred registered M&M stallions, mares and geldings four, five or six years old

NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

Kindly sponsored by Meadow Clinical Canine Massage

Judge: Miss Lyndsey Hayter

The NPS/PEASEDOWN STUD & JESS TALBOT M&M Intermediate Ridden National Championship

CLASS 19: Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A, Welsh B

CLASS 20: Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh C, Welsh D

Championship for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 19 – 20

Kindly Sponsored by Amanda Cox Equine Massage & Bodywork

Open to pure bred registered M&M stallions, mares and geldings five years old or over. A pony is not eligible to compete if it has qualified before 1st January in the current year for:

- i) The M&M Open Ridden Championship final at Horse of the Year Show or
- ii) The M&M Supreme Ridden Championship final at London International Horse Show or
- iii) The M&M Open Ridden Championship Final at Royal International Horse Show

NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

Judge: Mr Paul Davis

The NPS/RINGSIDE STUD M&M Open Ridden National Championship

CLASS 21: Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A, Welsh B

CLASS 22: Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh C, Welsh D

Kindly sponsored by Bethan Jones in memory of Grasmere Nutmeg

Championship for 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 21 - 22

Kindly sponsored by Sara Hird

Judge: Miss Lyndsey Hayter

NPS/NIPNA DALES PONY STUD M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship

1st and 2nd from classes 9 to 22 to compete

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.

Kindly sponsored by AOC Equine

Sashes to champion and reserve

Judge: Mrs Jackie Webb

HIGHLAND DALES AND FELL RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIP

Recipients of the highest placed breed rosettes in classes 7-18 eligible to compete

Sashes to champion and reserve

Kindly sponsored by Caroline Simpson - Bluecaps Midnight Mathew

RIDDEN UNAFFILIATED, TSR & NPS AMATEUR CLASSES

Ring 2 (starts 9am)

Judge: Zoe Nettleton

Ridden classes

- CLASS 23:** Very novice ridden walk and trot. Canter optional in individual show. Open to any breed/type
- CLASS 24:** Novice ridden horse or pony, not to have won a cash 1st prize before 1st January 2025
- CLASS 25:** New combination. Pony and rider not to have competed together as a combination before 1st January 2025
- CLASS 26:** Lead rein pony. Plaited or M&M, riders 10 and under, ponies 122cm and under
- CLASS 27:** First year first ridden pony. Plaited or M&M, riders 12 and under, ponies 128cm and under (rider not to have ridden off the lead rein in a show class before 1st January 2025)
- CLASS 28:** First ridden pony. Plaited or M&M, riders 12 and under, ponies 128cm and under
- CLASS 29:** Junior ridden not exceeding 148cm, riders 16 and under. Open to any breed/type

All classes above may be split if sufficient entries

Ridden championship

Open to 1st and 2nd prizewinners from classes 23 to 29

Kindly sponsored by Kate Cox in memory of Marion Williams & Irene Nash

Sashes to champion and reserve

Marion Williams & Irene Nash perpetual trophy to the champion

Judge: Mrs Jackie Webb (Not before 12pm)

The Showing Register Amateur of the Year Show qualifiers

This Show is affiliated to The Showing Register Amateur of the Year Final, taking place at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire on 6th and 7th December 2025. The two highest exhibits not already qualified in each affiliated class will qualify.

CLASS 30: MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND LARGE BREEDS RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open to Mountain and Moorland ponies registered with their respective Pure Bred Societies of Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forests, Connemara, Welsh C and Welsh D. Stallion, mare or gelding 4 years and over. Riders any age

CLASS 31: MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND SMALL BREEDS RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open to Mountain and Moorland ponies registered with their respective Pure Bred Societies of Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A and Welsh B. Stallion, mare or gelding 4 years and over. Riders any age and suitably mounted.

CLASS 32: COLOURED PONY AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open Ridden Piebald/Skewbald, stallion, mare or gelding 4 years and over. Riders any age. Spurs may not be worn. Ponies 153cms and under. This class may be split into Native and Non-Native at the final

CLASS 33: COLOURED HORSE AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open Ridden Piebald/Skewbald, stallion, mare or gelding 4 years and over. Riders any age. Spurs may be worn by adult riders. Animals 153cms and over. This class may be split into Native and Non-Native at the final.

CLASS 34: LEAD REIN MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open to Mountain and Moorland ponies registered with their Pure Bred Societies of Dartmoor, Exmoor, New Forest, Shetland, Welsh A or B. Mares or geldings 4 years old and over, not exceeding 128cms. Riders must have attained their 3rd birthday but not have attained their 9th birthday before 1st January in the current year. Led by an attendant and shown in a snaffle bridle, the lead rein to be attached to the noseband only

CLASS 35: FIRST RIDDEN MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open to Mountain and Moorland ponies registered with their Pure Bred Societies of Dartmoor, Exmoor, New Forest, Shetland, Welsh A or B. Mares or geldings 4 years old and over not exceeding 128cms. Riders not to have attained their 12th birthday before 1st January in the current year. To be shown in any suitable bridle.

CLASS 36: RIDING CLUB HORSE AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open Riding Club Horse, mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. Exceeding 148cms. Riders any age.

CLASS 37: RIDING CLUB PONY AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open Riding Club Pony, mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. Not Exceeding 148cms. Lead reins not permitted.

TSR Amateur Ridden championship

Open to 1st and 2nd prizewinners from classes 30 to 77

Kindly sponsored by LM Management Company

Sashes to champion and reserve

Judge: Mrs Jackie Webb (Not before 2pm)

NPS M&M and Plaited Amateur Ridden National Championship

Stallions, mares and geldings four years old and over registered in any of the NPS British Riding Pony studbook sections or the Ridden Register; the GSB; the AHSB; the AASB, or registered in the main body of their respective M&M Stud Book. Part bred are not eligible unless entered into one of the NPS British Riding Pony studbook sections or the Ridden Register. Rider any age, except stallions. Please see Section L on the NPS rule book for the definition of Amateur Status.

CLASS 38: Ridden M&M small and large breeds

CLASS 39: Ridden plaited ponies not exceeding 153cm

NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years

NPS amateur championship

Open to 1st and 2nd prizewinners from classes 38 to 39

Kindly sponsored by Team Wynsand

Sashes to champion and reserve

UNAFFILIATED IN HAND AND OPEN/RESTRICTED RIDDEN CLASSES

Ring 3 (starts 9am)

Judge: Debbie Handley

Restricted home produced ridden classes, horse, pony or rider never to have competed at HOYS, LIHS or RIHS. Please enter these classes in the spirit intended

- CLASS 40:** Ridden coloured horse or pony
CLASS 41: Ridden show pony/hunter pony not exceeding 153cm
CLASS 42: Ridden mountain and moorland pony
CLASS 43: Ridden show horse/hunter/cob exceeding 153cm

Restricted ridden championship

Open to 1st and 2nd prizewinners from classes 40 to 43

Kindly sponsored by Colin Mckirgan Driving School

Sashes to champion and reserve

Open ridden classes – open to all

- CLASS 44:** Performance pony/horse. Will be required to perform a freestyle show that includes the following movements: 20m circle at trot, extended trot across the diagonal, canter serpentine, extended canter across the diagonal and walk on a long rein. This class will be judged on performance alone, and conformation will not be taken into account

Kindly sponsored by Vicki Foden

- CLASS 45:** Ridden veteran horse or pony over 15 years
CLASS 46: Senior riders over 50 years
CLASS 47: Open ridden pony not exceeding 148cm any breed or type
CLASS 48: Open ridden horse exceeding 148cm

Open ridden championship

Open to 1st and 2nd prizewinners from classes 40 to 43

Kindly sponsored by Mathew Lawrence

Sashes to champion and reserve

Judge: Debbie Handley (not before 1pm)

Unaffiliated in hand classes – open to all

- CLASS 49:** Youngstock 1, 2 & 3 year old mountain and moorland
CLASS 50: Youngstock 1, 2 & 3 year old excluding mountain and moorland
CLASS 51: Shetland any age
CLASS 52: M&M in hand small breeds 4 & over excluding shetlands
CLASS 53: M&M in hand large breeds 4 & over
CLASS 54: In hand pony 4 & over not exceeding 148cm (excluding M&M)
CLASS 55: In hand horse 4 & over exceeding 148cm
CLASS 56: In hand coloured horse or pony any age
CLASS 57: In hand veteran horse or pony over 15 years
CLASS 58: Senior handler over 50 years

Open in hand championship

Open to 1st and 2nd prizewinners from classes 49 to 58

Kindly sponsored by Team Tiny Shetlands

Sashes to champion and reserve

PRIZES

Rosettes 1st – 6th in all classes.

Edible treats for ponies and riders/handlers in every class

Various prizes in kind

ENTRY FEES:

Unaffiliated classes: Before the day: £10.00 per class, on the day: £13.00 per class

NPS Qualifier Classes: Before the day: £12.00 per class, on the day: £15.00 per class

Plus £3 first aid contribution

Cash only on the day

Online entries can be made via Showing Scene. Entries close on 30th April 2025

NPS Qualifying Rounds: These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. Ponies must be registered in any of the British Riding Pony studbook sections or the Ridden Register; the GSB; the AHSB; the AASB, or registered in the main body of their respective M&M Stud Book. Part bred are not eligible unless over stamped into one of the British Riding Pony studbook sections. or the Ridden Register. Qualifying rounds for most NPS competitions are open to ponies owned by NPS members and nonmembers but only ponies owned by adult NPS Qualifying or Life members are eligible to qualify for the final of the competition at the NPS Summer Championship Show at Malvern from 5th – 7th August 2025. The highest placed pony, if owned by an NPS member, in each class will qualify for the final. Qualification may pass down to third place if the first and second ponies are already qualified. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Ltd Home Produced Ridden Championship - Riders of Home Produced ponies (see definition in the NPS Rules Book) can wear a white arm band in classes where this is indicated. These ponies, if owned by NPS members, are then eligible to qualify for the final at the NPS Summer Championship Show. The Owner's Membership cards MUST be produced in the ring when requested or the qualification will be forfeit.

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.

RULES

1. All ponies in Novice classes must be shown in a snaffle bridle
2. The Committee reserve the right to cancel or amalgamate any Class(es) or sub-divide if necessary.
3. The Committee reserve the right to refuse entries without giving a reason
4. Any objections must be handed to the secretary in writing within 10 minutes of the class being judged, accompanied by £20.00. Deposit returnable if the objection is upheld.
5. The Committee will not be responsible for any accident to animals, persons or property.
6. The decisions of the Judges and Committee are final.
7. No entry fees will be refunded without a veterinary certificate
8. It is the responsibility of exhibitors to enter their ponies in the correct class or classes.
9. No entry will be accepted unless accompanied by full fees.
10. Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats that meet one of the following current Safety Standards MUST be worn by all Riders when mounted. All PAS 015; VG1; ASTM F1163 04a onwards; SNELL E2001; AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards. The EN1384, BSEN1384 may also be worn until 1st January 2017, unless otherwise notified. 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.
11. No loose dogs allowed on the showground.
12. In all ridden classes the wearing of SPURS is forbidden.

13. Show canes/whips must not exceed 30".

14. Registration numbers (if applicable) must be stated on the entry form and with entries on the day.

16. All Stallions and colts, two years old or over, must be in possession of a current Ministry of Agriculture, National Pony Society or appropriate Breed Society Stallion Licence, except Highland and Dales ponies where this rule is extended to three years old or over.

Ridden Stallions MUST display a stallion bridle disc. In Hand stallions and colts 2 years old or over must be adequately bitted and may display a stallion bridle marker.

Directions to Kings Sedgmoor Equestrian Centre

Sat Nav to us is extremely unreliable and can take you miles out of your way for unknown reasons. We highly recommend you do not use.

From J23 M5/Bridgwater A39

- A39 Follow signs to Street/Glastonbury.
- Go through Ashcott village until you reach the junction heading to the A361/Taunton.
- Turn right onto the A361 Taunton Road, travel through the villages of Pedwell and Greinton.
- Pass the Greylake Inn (now a private house) on your right hand side and the motor garage on your left.
- Look for KSEC signs.
- Turn left into the entrance approx. 200m after the garage.
- Keep left and go down the track.

From Podimore roundabout A303

- Take the A372 for approx.. 1 mile.
- Turn right onto the B3151 signposted Street.
- Follow road, pass Somerton and through the village of Compton Dundon.
- Rise up the top of the hill where you come across a crossroads.
- Turn left over Street Hill and drop down through Berhill to the Pipers Inn junction.
- Turn left and immediately left onto the A361 Taunton Road, travel through the villages of Pedwell and Greinton.
- Pass the Greylake Inn on your right hand side and the motor garage on your left.
- Look for KSEC signs.
- Turn left into the entrance approx. 200m after the garage.
- Keep left and go down the track.

From J25/Taunton

- Follow signs onto the A38. (Please note the new road layout around Monkton Heathfield.) Follow road until you see signs to Glastonbury/Street.
- Turn onto the A361. Follow through villages of Durston, Lyng, Burrow Bridge and Othery.
- Go across the open levels and pass the RSPB bird sanctuary on your left, go around the sweeping bend and look out for KSEC signs.
- Turn into the entrance on your right hand side. The entrance is opposite Moor edge Farm. You will see a large wooden fence with a big willow tree with leylandii behind. Keep Left in entrance with the large King Sedgemoor Equestrian sign. Go through gate and come down short track.

From Bridgwater via Westonzoyland

- Follow the A372 through Westonzoyland, turn left passed the council recycling centre.
- At the end of the road turn left onto the A361.
- Go across the open levels and pass the RSPB bird sanctuary on your left, go around the sweeping bend and look out for the KSEC signs.
- Turn into the entrance on your right hand side. The entrance is opposite Moor edge Farm. You will see a large wooden fence with a big willow tree with leylandii behind. Keep Left in entrance with the large King Sedgemoor Equestrian sign. Go through gate and come down short track