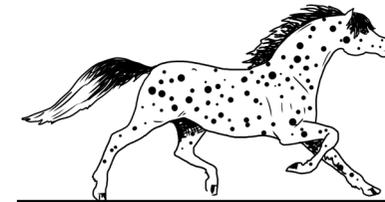


13. Competitors who enter more than one class which may clash do so entirely at their own risk. Classes will not be held up and no entries will be refunded.
14. Manes and tails may be plaited, pulled or left natural. Animals under 12 months may not be clipped out but show trimming is allowed. The cosmetic touching up of spots or use of stage makeup on the head is not allowed.
15. All ridden Horses/Ponies must be four years old and over. Junior, family and novice ponies must be shown in a snaffle. No spurs allowed in the Ridden classes.
16. For the ridden classes, classes open to children 3 years and over. Except the fancy dress classes where there is no age restriction. It is the parent/guardians responsibility for care and safety of the child at all times.
17. Three year old mares with foal at foot will not be eligible for Youngstock classes. All foals must be at least 30 days old on the day of the show and be shown at foot until they reach 5 months old. Foals may be shown in a halter, slip or headcollar.
18. All stallions and colts 4 yrs old and over must be adequately bitted and in possession of a stallion license with their relevant breed society.
19. Misuse of drugs: The administration of any substance not a normal nutrient, whether intentionally or unintentionally, which may affect the performance, temperament or soundness of an exhibit is forbidden. Such forbidden substances are listed in Appx.IV, F.E.I Veterinary Regulations.
20. Cruelty: Excessive whipping, stimulation by noise, intimidation or infliction of pain by any means, is forbidden in all parts of the showground and stable areas at all times.
21. Conduct: All exhibitors must behave in an orderly and professional manner and not show under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
22. All persons entering the showground do so at their own risk. The organisers accept no responsibility for any accident, loss or injury however caused to any animal, person or property. Parking of horse boxes and trailers in the designated areas only.
23. Amateur Home Produced Rules—Handler must be the owner of the animal entered and not to have been paid for showing or producing any Horse/Pony for a third party, this includes any remuneration either as employment, casual showing, or any in-kind benefits whatsoever. Animal not to have resided on a professional yard on show or training livery in 2026. Not to have been shown by a professional in 2026. Not to have received regular training from a visiting professional in 2026.

# Spotfest North West

**Sunday 12th April 2026**

Thompson House Equestrian Centre  
Pepper Lane, Standish, WN6 0PP.



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**British Spotted  
Pony Society**

**Entries to:** Zena Jackson, 92 Main Street, Halton Village, Runcorn,  
Cheshire, WA7 2AX.

Email: [info@britishspottedponysociety.co.uk](mailto:info@britishspottedponysociety.co.uk)

**PRE ENTRIES CLOSE: 04th April**

ENTER ONLINE - [www.showingscene.co.uk](http://www.showingscene.co.uk)

## **The President, Chairman and Council of The British Spotted Pony Society**

We would like to welcome you to Spotfest North West at Thompson House Equestrian Centre.

### **Judge**

CHRIS HOLT

### **Entry Fees**

**PRE ENTRY FEE:** Class 1-14 £10 per class Class 15-27 £8 per class

**ENTRIES ON THE DAY:** Class 1-14 £12 per class Class 15-27 £10 per class

Competitors that have Pre Entered will be able to enter extra classes on the day of show at the Pre Entry Fee Rate.

### **Influenza Vaccinations**

Thompson House Equestrian Centre ask that horses and Ponies are up to date with the annual vaccination.

### **Photographer**

TBC

### **Class Eligibility**

Please note that Horses/Ponies competing at the show must be Registered with their relevant Breed Society unless entering the Open classes. If you are unsure which classes you are eligible for please call Zena Jackson 07774 714638 or email: [info@britishspottedponysociety.co.uk](mailto:info@britishspottedponysociety.co.uk).

### **Facilities**

Indoor 40mx27m Arena

### **Catering**

Café on site.

### **Directions**

Address: Thompson House Equestrian Centre, Pepper Lane, Standish, WN6 0PP  
[www.thompsonhouseequestriancentre.co.uk](http://www.thompsonhouseequestriancentre.co.uk)

**\*Please note that classes may be divided or amalgamated at the show secretaries discretion.**

### **General Show Rules** – Please read carefully

1. Entries must be on official forms with correct fees (non-refundable) payable to BSpPS by the closing date. No substitution of entries is permitted. Entries by minors (under 18) should be checked and signed by a parent, guardian or trustee.
2. Entries must include full pedigree if known. Incorrect pedigree can lead to disqualification, genuine mistakes will result in the animal being moved to the correct class. The BSpPS will not be held responsible for any inaccuracy in any pedigree or other particulars in the catalogue, though every care will be taken.
3. The BSpPS reserves the right to amalgamate classes should there be insufficient entries, change or replace judges, add or retain prizes or championships at their discretion. If any class is cancelled entry fees would be refunded. The council reserves the right to reject an entry form, or person if it seems appropriate to do so.
4. Animals must be within the height guidelines for their class. Where the height is specified in a class, an Official may require such an animal to be measured. Half an inch will be allowed for normal shoes. Height guidelines as NPS for ponies 2 years old and over.
5. Age of rider shall be taken as that on the day of show. The age of a Horse/Pony shall be calculated from 1<sup>st</sup> January in the year of its birth.
6. Objections made in writing and with a deposit of £10.00 handed to the secretary within 15 minutes of the finish of the class concerned. If, upon investigation, the protest is found to be frivolous, the sum shall be forfeited to the Society's funds.
7. The owner/handler of any equine showing signs of disease or distress will be asked to remove the animal from the showground.
8. Judges must not judge Horses/Ponies, which they, or their immediate family have bred, sold, leased, produced or received financial gain from, excluding stud fees.
9. The Judge's decision shall be final. Classes should be judged on conformation, correct movement and manners, depending on the class description. Coat, colour and markings should be taken into consideration if two or more Horses/Ponies are equal on their other merits. Is it at the discretion of the judge to withhold the 1<sup>st</sup> or other prizes should the quality of entries not justify the prize.
10. A riding hat and safety harness to current standards, **MUST BE WORN** by all competitors in ridden classes. WHIPS and CANES must not exceed 30" except for side saddle. Exhibitors and Grooms must be neatly dressed in the show ring.
11. All dogs **MUST** be kept on a lead and under proper control at all times.
12. Equines when not competing must be kept to the stable or collecting enclosures. They must be kept under control at all times.



**\*Qualifier for BSpPS Winners Championship\***



**\*Ensure you have your Card of Merit for highest placed Members exhibiting animals  
Registered with British Appaloosa Society \***



**\* Rosette to highest placed Animal Registered with the Appaloosa Horse Club UK**

## Spotfest Champion of Champions

Supreme Champions from the series of Spotfest Shows go forward for Champion of Champions which takes place at Spotfest West Midlands on the 18th July 2026 at The Three Counties Showground, Malvern.

### **Ring One - Commencing at 9.00 am**

#### **BSpPS Main Register ( to include section 1 & 2)– In Hand**

*Open to ponies Registered with the British Spotted Pony Society on the Main Register. For all ponies 14.2hh and under on the day. Including Solid Colours.*

Class 1: YOUNGSTOCK. 1, 2 and 3 year old. Any sex.

Class 2: MARE AND GELDING. 4 years old and over.

Class 3: STALLION. 4 years old and over.

**BSpPS MAIN REGISTER CHAMPIONSHIP – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed exhibits**

**From class 1-3** (Champion & Reserve to go forward for the BSpPS Overall Championship)

#### **BSpPS Provisional/Part Bred/International Register – In Hand**

*Open to ponies Registered with the British Spotted Pony Society on the Provisional (Main Section 3) Part Bred and International Register. Including Solid Colours. Animals Registered from August 2025 in the Supplementary Register are also eligible.*

Class 4: YOUNGSTOCK. 1, 2 and 3 year old. Any sex.

Class 5: MARE AND GELDING. 4 years old and over.

Class 6: STALLION. 4 years old and over.

**BSpPS PROVISIONAL/INTERNATIONAL/PART BRED CHAMPIONSHIP – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed exhibits from Class 4-6.** (Champion & Reserve to go forward for the BSpPS Overall Championship)

#### **OVERALL BSpPS CHAMPION**

*(Champion and Reserve to go forward for Supreme Show Champion.)*

#### **Registered Spotted Horse – In Hand**

*Horses to be Registered with relevant Breed Society, to include Knabstrupper, BSpPS Spotted Sport Horses, SHAPS, BAoS and ApHC. Including Solid Colours.*

Class 7: YOUNGSTOCK. 1, 2 and 3 year old. Any sex.

Class 8: MARE AND GELDING. 4 years old and over.

Class 9: STALLION. 4 years old and over.

**REGISTERED SPOTTED HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed exhibits from Class 7-9.**

(Champion and Reserve to go forward for the Supreme Show Championship)

### **Open Spotted/Spot Bred Horse & Pony – In Hand**

(Not to have entered classes 1-9)

*Open to all Spotted/Spot Bred Horses & Ponies not to have entered classes 1-9.*

Class 10: YOUNGSTOCK. 1, 2 and 3 year old. Any sex.

Class 11: MARE AND GELDING. 4 years old and over.

Class 12: STALLION. 4 years old and over.

**OPEN SPOTTED HORSE/PONY CHAMPIONSHIP – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed exhibits from Class 10-12.**

(Champion and Reserve to go forward for the Supreme Show Championship)

### **Ridden**

Open to all Spotted/Spot Bred Horses/Ponies Each rider will be required to give a short individual show. If you Enter Class 16 you are not permitted to Enter Class 17

Class 13: NOVICE RIDDEN (Not to have won a Ridden Class. Snaffle mouthed only.)

Class 14: OPEN RIDDEN

**RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIP – 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed exhibits from class 13-14**

(Champion and Reserve to go forward for Supreme Show Champion)

### **\*\*SUPREME SHOW CHAMPIONSHIP\*\***

Supreme Champion, Reserve and Second Reserve qualify for Spotfest Champion of Champions  
18th July 2026 @ The Three Counties Showground.

### **Open Classes - Open to ALL Spotted/Spot Bred Horses & Ponies**

*Points System Championship - Points will be awarded to Winners from Class 15– 27 as follows: 1st - 5 Points 2nd - 4 Points 3rd - 3 Points 4th - 2 Points and 5th - 1 Point. The Exhibitor with the most Points will be awarded Champion followed by Reserve and Second Reserve.*

Class 15: FANCY DRESS

Class 16: COLOUR PARADE – Open to any Spotted/Spot Bred Horse/Pony. Animals will be put in groups according to their markings (Leopards, Near Leopards, Blanket Spots, Snowflakes, Varnish Roans, Fewspots etc) and judged in their colour groups. 1st and 2nd in each group. In hand, ridden or driven.

Class 17: OPEN SPOTTED/SPOT BRED HORSE/PONY YOUNGSTOCK; 1, 2 & 3 YEAR OLD. Any sex. – In Hand

Class 18: OPEN SPOTTED/SPOT BRED HORSE/PONY; MARE, GELDING & STALLION. 4 years old and over. – In Hand

Class 19: AMATEUR HOME PRODUCED. - In Hand (Please see Rule No. 23)

Class 20: AMATEUR HOME PRODUCED. - Ridden (Please see Rule No. 23)

Class 21: OPEN TURNOUT & ELEGANCE – Animals may be in hand, ridden or driven.

Class 22: YOUNG HANDLER – Handlers 16 yrs and under.

Class 23: LEAD REIN – Rider 11 years and under. Ponies will be shown at walk and trot. Lead rein attached to noseband. Ponies any height.

Class 24: FIRST RIDDEN – Rider 14 years and under. Riders will be required to give a short individual show in walk and trot, cantering is optional.

Class 25: OPEN RIDDEN - Each rider will be required to give a short individual show.

Class 26: BEST COMBINATION - Ridden

To be judged on the overall partnership between horse/pony and rider. Conformation of the animal will not be taken into consideration. The judge will be looking for a harmonious partnership.

Class 27: SENIOR HORSE/PONY 15yrs & over. Animals may be in hand, ridden or driven.