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# NORTHERN IRELAND FESTIVAL - TIMETABLE - FRIDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2025

# **BLUE RING ~ 8am**

# Horse Performance Working Hunter:

First phase only

Judge: Avril McKinley

Class 27: Horse Performance 70cms Class 28: Horse Performance 80cms Class 29: Irish Draught Performance

80cms

Judge: Sally Jones Percival

Class 30: Horse Performance 90cms Class 31: Irish Draught Performance

90cms

Class 32: Horse Performance 1.0m

CH 11: Horse Performance Working Hunter Championship to be held in the Friday evening performance (classes 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32)

#### Home Produced Working Hunter Horses:

Exhibits in these classes will not be ridden by the judge and will be required to give an individual display.

Judges: Alexander J Osbourne / Craig McClelland

Class 33: Home Produced Working Hunter 75cms

Class 34: Home Produced Working Hunter 90cms

CH 12: Home Produced Working Hunter Horse Championship (Classes 33, 34).

#### Amateur Working Hunter Horses:

Exhibits in these classes will not be ridden by the judge and will be required to give an individual display.

Judges: Alexander J Osbourne / Craig McClelland

Class 35: Amateur Working Hunter 75cms

Class 36: Amateur Working Hunter 90cms

CH 14: Amateur Working Hunter Horse Championship (Classes 35, 36).

#### **BRONZE RING ~ 8am**

# Pony Performance Working Hunter:

First phase only for Ponies up to 158cms.

Judge: Viv Pearce

Class 22: Pony Performance 55cms Class 23: Pony Performance 65cms Class 24: Pony Performance 75cms

#### Judge: Zoe Moore Williams

Class 25: Pony Performance 85cms Class 26: Pony Performance 95cms

CH 9: Pony Performance Working Hunter Championship to be held in the Friday evening performance (classes 22, 23, 24, 25, 26)

# **GREEN RING ~ 9am**

#### Young Handlers:

Judge: Olivia Minihane

Class 1: Young Handler, aged 7 to 10 years on 1st January in current year

Class 2: Young Handler, aged 11 to 16 years on 1st January in current year

CH 1: Young Handler Championship (Classes 1, 2)

### Beginner Ridden:

Judge: Olivia Minihane

Class 3: Tiny Tots Lead Rein Show Pony, Show Hunter Pony or M&M Pony. Pony not to exceed 122cms. Rider not to have attained their 6th birthday on 1st January in the current year.

Class 4: Tiny Tots First Ridden Show Pony / Show Hunter Pony (up to 122cms) or M&M Pony (up to 128cms). Rider not to have attained their 9th birthday on 1st January in the current year.

Class 5: First Year First Ridden Show Pony/ Show Hunter Pony (up to 122cms) or M&M Pony (up to 128cms). Rider not to have attained their 10th birthday on 1st January in the current year.

Beginner Ridden Championship CH 2: (Classes 3, 4, 5)

#### Pony Equitation:

Judge: Katherine Atkin-Bowdler

Only the rider is judged in these classes, not the pony - open to any pony - show class format (no jumping)

Class 6: Pony Equitation (rider up to 10 years on 1st January in current year)

Class 7: Pony Equitation (rider aged between 11 and 13 on 1st January in current year)

Class 8: Pony Equitation (rider aged between 14 and 16 on 1st January in current year)

CH 3: Pony Equitation Championship (Classes 6, 7, 8) to be held in the Friday **Evening Performance** 

#### Part-Bred Ridden:

Judge: Peter Bowdler

Class 40: Part-Bred Ridden, up to 148cms Class 41: Part-Bred Ridden, exceeding 148cms

CH 27: Part-Bred Ridden Championship (Classes 40, 41) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the relevant Ridden Horse or Pony Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

#### Novice Mini M&M Pony:

Judge: Peter Bowdler

Class 42: Novice M&M Lead Rein Class 43: Novice M&M First Ridden

CH 28: Novice Mini M&M Championship (Classes 42, 43) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Mini Novice Pony Supreme Championship in the Saturday Evening Performance

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#### GOLD RING ~ 8am

### The Connemara Cup:

Judge: Russell Marks / Simon Poxon Marks

Class 143: Connemara Ridden Pony (Junior rider aged under 14 on 1st January in the current year)

Class 144: Connemara Ridden Pony (Junior rider aged 14 to 18 on 1st January in the current year)

Class 145: Connemara Ridden Pony (Adult rider aged over 18 on 1st January in the current year)

Class 146: 4/5 Year Old Connemara Ridden Pony (rider any age)

Class 147: Connemara Ridden Pony (rider any age)

CH 17: Connemara Cup Final (the first two from classes 143, 144, 145, 146, 147) to be held in the Friday Evening Performance

#### Young Riders M&M Ridden:

#### Judge: Susan Hoggans

Class 37: Young Riders Intermediate Open M&M Ridden (any breed) Stallion, Mare or Gelding. Rider not exceeding 25 years.

Class 38: Young Riders, Open M&M Ridden Large Breeds Mare or Gelding. (Rider not exceeding 18 years).

Class 39: Young Riders, Open M&M Ridden Small Breeds Mare or Gelding. (Rider not exceeding 14 years)

CH 26: Young Riders M&M Ridden Championship (Classes 37, 38, 39). Champion & Reserve eligible to compete Pony the Ridden Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance

#### Novice M&M Ridden:

Judge: Susan Hoggans

Class 44: Novice M&M Ridden Small Breeds

Class 45: Novice M&M Ridden Large Breeds

Ridden Novice M&M Championship (Classes 44, 45)

# RED RING ~ 9am

#### Home Produced Horses:

Judges: Kimmy Nicholl / Zara Owen

Exhibits in these classes will not be ridden by the judge and will be required to give an individual display.

Class 11: Home Produced Ridden Hunter

Class 12: Home Produced Riding Horse Class 13: Home Produced Ridden Cob

CH 5: Home Produced Ridden Horse Championship to be held in the Friday Evening Performance (Classes 11, 12, 13). Champion and Reserve eligible to compete in the Ridden Horse Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

#### Amateur Ridden Horses:

Judges: Kimmy Nicholl / Zara Owen

Exhibits in these classes will not be ridden by the judge and will be required to give an individual display.

Class 14: Amateur Ridden Hunter

Class 15: Amateur Riding Horse

Class 16: Amateur Ridden Cob

CH 13: Amateur Ridden Horse Championship to be held in the Friday Evening Performance (Classes 14, 15, 16). Champion and Reserve eligible to compete in the Ridden Horse Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

# Ladies Side Saddle / Astride:

Judges: Sarah Verdon / Mark Sheen

Class 17: Ladies Hunter, to be ridden Astride

Class 18: Junior Side Saddle, up to 158cms, rider under 18 years

Class 19: Ladies Side Saddle

CH 6: Ladies Championship to be held in the Friday Evening Performance (Classes 17, 18, 19). Champion and Reserve eligible to compete in the relevant Ridden Horse or Pony Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

# Racehorse to Riding Horse:

Judges: Sarah Verdon / Mark Sheen

Class 20: Novice Racehorse to Riding Horse

Class 21: Open Racehorse to Riding Horse (Dublin Horse Show Qualifier)

CH 7: Racehorse to Riding Horse Championship (Classes 20. 21). Champion and Reserve eligible to compete in the Ridden Horse Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

# SILVER RING ~ 8am

Novice M&M Working Hunter Ponies: Judges: Mark Robert Reeves / Steve

Hulston

Class 47: Novice M&M WH Pony not exceeding 122cms (58cms)

Class 48: Novice M&M WH Pony exceeding 122cms but not exceeding 133cms (69cms)

Class 49: Novice M&M WH Pony exceeding 133cms but not exceeding 143cms (84cms)

Class 50: Novice M&M WH Pony exceeding 143cms (90cms)

CH 33: Novice M&M WH Pony Championship to be held in the Friday Evening Performance (Classes 47, 48, 49, 50)

# **Connemara Working Hunter Ponies:** Judges: Daniel Tarpey

Class 54: Connemara Working Hunter Pony – Rider Under 16 years (84cms) Class 55: Connemara Working Hunter

Pony – Rider 16 years and Over (92cms) CH 10: Connemara Working Hunter Pony Championship to be held in the Friday Evening Performance (Classes 54, 55)

#### **Beginner Working Hunter:**

Judge: Nathan Arnold

These classes are for true 'Beginner' WH Riders just starting to compete in WH classes. Riders who have won an Open WH class previously will not be eligible. Open to both plaited and M&M Ponies. Course made up of Six Fences.

Class 51: Lead Rein Working Hunter -Cross Poles. Pony not exceeding 122cms. Rider not to have attained their 9th birthday on 1st January in the current

Class 52: First Ridden Working Hunter -Fences 30 – 40cms. Pony not exceeding 128cms. Rider not to have attained their 12th birthday on 1st January in the current year

Class 53: Assisted Working Hunter -Fences 25 - 30cms. Pony not exceeding 122cms. Rider not to have attained their 10th birthday on 1st January in the current year. Adult to go around with child but must not lead pony.

CH 8: Beginner Working Hunter Championship (classes 51, 52, 53)

# **Novice Mini Working Hunter Ponies:**

Judge: Nathan Arnold

Class 89: Novice Starter Stakes Working Hunter Pony (60cms)

Class 90: Novice Cradle Stakes Working

Hunter Pony (55cms) CH 35 Novice Mini WH Pony Championship (Classes 89, 90)









# FRIDAY EVENING PERFORMANCE ~ GOLD RING ~ 7.00pm

FANCY DRESS: - Katherine Atkin-Bowdler / Peter Bowdler

Class 9: Fancy Dress – up to 10 years

Class 10: Fancy Dress – over 10 years

# **CHAMPIONSHIPS**

CH 4: Fancy Dress Championship - Katherine Atkin-Bowdler / Peter Bowdler

CH 5: Home Produced Ridden Horse Championship - Kimmy Nicholl / Zara Owen

CH 33: Novice M&M Working Hunter Championship - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

CH 17: Connemara Cup Final - Russell Marks / Simon Poxon Marks

CH 13: Amateur Ridden Horse Championship - Kimmy Nicholl / Zara Owen

CH 10: Connemara Working Hunter Pony Championship - Daniel Tarpey

CH 3: Pony Equitation Championship - Katherine Atkin-Bowdler

CH 6: Ladies Championship - Sarah Verdon / Mark Sheen

CH 9: Pony Performance Working Hunter Championship - Viv Pearce / Zoe Moore Williams

CH 11: Horse Performance Working Hunter Championship - Avril McKinley / Sally Jones Percival



# NORTHERN IRELAND FESTIVAL - TIMETABLE - SATURDAY 3rd May 2025

# BLUE RING ~ 8am

Novice Working Hunter Horses: Judges: Sally Jones Percival / Zara Owen

Class 81: Four Year Old Working Hunter Horse (70cms)

Class 82: Novice Small Working Hunter Horse (height cert required for 158cms)

Class 83: Novice Working Hunter Horse (90cms)

CH 36: Novice WH Horse Championship to be held in the Evening Performance (Classes 81, 82, 83)

# Cob Working Hunter:

Judges: Sally Jones Percival / Zara Owen Class 84: Cob Working Hunter (90cms)

# Northern Ireland Festival Working **Hunter Finals**

Competitors must have qualified at one of the winter qualifying working hunter shows to be eligible to enter classes 401 -415

# Judges: Kimmy Nicholl / Olivia Minihane

Class 401: Festival 4 Year Old Working Hunter Horse Final (passport will be required to confirm horse foaled in 2021 (75cm)

Class 402: Festival 80cms Working Hunter Horse Final

The top 10 competitors in each of Classes 401 and 402 will be required to come forward in the Saturday Evening Performance for the final placings.

# **BRONZE RING ~ 8am**

# **Novice Working Hunter Ponies:**

Judges: Peter Bowdler / Katherine Atkin-**Bowdler** 

Class 85: Novice Intermediate Working Hunter Pony not exceeding 158cms (1m) Class 86: Novice 153cms Working

Hunter Pony (90cms)

Class 87: Novice 143cms Working Hunter Pony (85cms)

Class 88: Novice 133cms Working Hunter Pony (75cms)

CH 34: Novice Working Hunter Pony Championship to be held in the Evening Performance (Classes 85, 86, 87, 88)

#### Northern Ireland Festival Working **Hunter Finals**

Competitors must have qualified at one of the winter qualifying working hunter shows to be eligible to enter classes 401 **-** 415.

Judges: Susan Hoggans / Nathan Arnold Class 407: Festival M&M WH Pony -

Exceeding 143cms (1m)

Class 408: Festival M&M WH Pony -Exceeding 133cms but not exceeding 143cms (90cms)

Class 409: Festival M&M WH Pony -Exceeding 122cms but not exceeding 133cms (80cms)

Class 410: Festival M&M WH Pony – Not exceeding 122cms (65cms)

The top 10 competitors in each Class will be required to come forward in the Saturday Evening Performance for the final placings.

# **GREEN RING ~ 8am**

#### NIF Connemara Pony of the Year Competition

Judge: Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

Class 130: Connemara Ridden Pony (stallions)

Class 131: Connemara Ridden Pony (geldings)

Class 132: Connemara Ridden Pony (mares)

Class 133: Connemara Ridden Pony (4/5 year olds)

Class 134: Connemara Ridden Pony (junior rider aged under 18 on 1st January in the current year)

Class 135: Connemara Ridden Pony (adult rider aged 18 or over on 1st January in the current year)

Class 136: Connemara Ridden Pony (veteran pony aged 15 or over on 1st January in the current year)

The winner and runner up of classes 130 to 136 qualify for CH19: NIF Connemara Pony of the Year to be held in the Saturday Evening Performance.

#### Novice Mini Show Ponies:

Judge: Simon Poxon Marks

Class 65: Novice Show Pony Lead Rein Class 66: Novice Show Pony First Ridden

CH 24: Novice Mini Show Pony Championship (Classes 65 - 66) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Mini Novice Pony Supreme Championship in the Saturday Evening Performance.

#### Mini Part Bred Ridden Ponies:

Judge: Simon Poxon Marks

Class 67: Part-Bred Lead Rein Class 68: Part-Bred First Ridden

CH 25: Part-Bred Mini Championship (Classes 67, 68) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Mini Open Pony Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

# Novice Connemara Ridden Ponies:

Judge: Simon Poxon Marks

Class 112: Novice Connemara Ridden Pony (rider under 18 on 1st January in current year)

Class 113: Novice Connemara Ridden Pony (rider 18 or over on 1st January in current year)

CH: 49: Novice Connemara Ridden Pony Championship (Classes 112, 113)



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# GOLD RING ~ 9am

#### **Novice Intermediate Ponies:**

Judge: Mark Sheen

Class 56: Novice Intermediate SHT Class 57: Novice Intermediate SRT

CH 20: Novice Intermediate Championship (Classes 56, 57)

#### **Novice Show Hunter Ponies:**

Judge: Mark Sheen

Class 58: Novice 153cms Show Hunter

Ponv

Class 59: Novice 143cms Show Hunter

Pony

Class 60: Novice 133cms Show Hunter

Class 61: Novice 122cms Show Hunter Ponv

CH 21: Novice Show Hunter Pony Championship (Classes 58, 59, 60, 61)

#### **Novice Mini Show Hunter Ponies:**

Judge: Daniel Tarpey

Class 122: Novice Show Hunter Pony

Class 123: Novice Show Hunter Pony First Ridden

CH 22: Novice Mini SH Ponv Championship (Classes 122, 123) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Mini Novice Pony Supreme Championship in the Saturday Evening Performance.

# **Novice Show Ponies:**

Judge: Daniel Tarpey

Class 62: Novice Show Pony combined heights to 148cms.

# Pony Equitation:

Judge: Daniel Tarpey

Only the rider is judged in these classes, not the pony - open to any pony under 158cms - show class format (no jumping) Class 138: Pony Equitation (rider under 16 years on 1st January in current year) Class 139: Pony Equitation (rider aged 16 or over on 1st January in current year) CH 48: Pony Equitation Championship (classes 138, 139)



# Horse of the Year Show Qualifier

Class 306 Entry fee includes an £18 HOYS contribution

Please refer to the HOYS Qualifier Information detailed at the end of this

Judge:Steve Hulston (ride) / Russell Marks (conf)

Class 306: National Pony Society / Baileys Horse Feeds Mountain & Moorland Ridden Connemara Pony of the Year

# **RED RING ~ 9am**

#### Ridden Mares:

Judges: Avril McKinley / Alexander J Osbourne

Class 69: Ridden Horse, Mares only 1st & 2nd placed competitors are eligible to enter CH37 Open Ridden Hunter Championship on Sunday

#### Irish Draught:

Judges: Avril McKinley / Alexander J

Osbourne

Class 70: Registered Ridden Irish Draught Horse

#### Novice Ridden Horses:

Judges: Avril McKinley / Alexander J Osbourne

Class 71: 4 Year Old Ridden Hunter Horse

Class 72: Novice Small Hunter Horse Class 73: Novice Hunter Horse

Class 74: Novice Riding Horse

Class 46: Novice Cob CH 30: Novice Ridden Horse Championship to be held in the Evening Performance (Classes 46, 71, 72, 73, 74)

#### Coloured Horses & Ponies:

(Amateur of the Year Qualifiers if eligible) Judges: Zoe Moore Williams / Viv Pearce

Class 75: Coloured Ridden Horse,

exceeding 153cms Class 76: Coloured Ridden Ponv. not exceeding 153cms

CH 31: Coloured Horse / Pony Championship (Classes 75, 76). Champion and Reserve eligible to compete in the relevant Horse or Pony Supreme Championship in the Sunday evening performance

#### Veteran Ridden Horses & Ponies:

Judge: Zoe Moore Williams / Viv Pearce Class 77: Ridden Veteran Horse (horse to have attained the age of 15 years on

1st January in the current year)

Class 78: Ridden Veteran Pony (pony to have attained the age of 15 years on 1st January in the current year - Ponies not to exceed 153cms)

Class 79: Ridden Veteran Horse (horse to have attained the age of 20 years on 1st January in the current year)

Class 80: Ridden Veteran Pony (pony to have attained the age of 20 years on 1st January in the current year - Ponies not to exceed 153cms)

CH 32: Veteran Ridden Championship to be held in the Evening Performance (classes 77, 78, 79, 80) Champion and Reserve eligible to compete in the relevant Ridden Horse or Pony Supreme Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

# SILVER RING ~ 8am



# Horse of the Year Show Qualifiers

Classes 301 - 305 Entry fee includes an £18 **HOYS** contribution

Please refer to the HOYS Qualifier Information detailed at the end of this timetable

Judges: Debbie Spears (j) / Sarah Verdon

Class 301: 133cm National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony of the Year (Ponies not exceeding 133cm. Riders not to have attained their 14th birthday before 1st January in the current year) - (jumps 80cm - 90cm)

Class 302: 143cm National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony of the Year (Ponies exceeding 133cm and not exceeding 143cm. Riders not to have attained their 17th birthday before 1st January in the current year) (jumps 90cm - 100cm)

Class 303: 153cm National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony of the Year (Ponies exceeding 143cm and not exceeding 153cm. Riders not to have attained their 20th birthday before 1st January in the current year) (jumps 95cm - 105cm)

Class 304: National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Intermediate Working Hunter Pony of the Year (Intermediates exceeding 148cm and not exceeding 158cm, Riders not to have attained their 25th birthday before 1st January in the current year) (jumps 105cm -

Judges: Craig McClelland (j) / Zara Owen

Class 305: Sport Horse Breeding of Great Britain Working Hunter of the Championship (max 114cm)

CH15: Horse of the Year Working Hunter Qualifiers Championship (plaited) (Classes 301-305) will take place during the Saturday Evening Performance.

#### Restricted Performance Jumping:

First phase only - for horses and ponies who have NOT previously qualified for Horse of the Year Show, London International Horse Show or Dublin Horse Show jumping classes.

Judges: Peter Bowdler / Katherine Atkin-Bowdler

Class 148: Horses 90cm Restricted Performance Jumping

Class 149: Horses 80cm Restricted Performance Jumping

Class 150: Ponies (up to 158cms) - 80cm Restricted Performance Jumping

Class 151: Ponies (up to 158cms) - 70cm Restricted Performance Jumping

CH 23: Restricted Performance Jumping Championship (classes 148, 149, 150, 151)











# Hobby Horse 6.30pm - Mark Sheen / Cate Sheen

'Show Us Your Best Moves' - Under 10's, 10-18 year old's, Adults Pick up a free number from the show office on Saturday

# SATURDAY EVENING PERFORMANCE - GOLD RING - 7.00pm

# **EVENING PERFORMANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS:**

CH 34: Novice Working Hunter Pony Championship - Peter Bowdler / Katherine Atkin-Bowdler

CH 36: Novice Horse Working Hunter Championship - Sarah Verdon / Zara Owen

CH 15: Horse of the Year Show Working Hunter Qualifiers Championship -Debbie Spears / Sarah Verdon / Craig McClelland / Zara Owen

CH 30: Novice Ridden Horse Championship - Avril McKinley / Alexander J Osbourne

CH 32: Veteran Ridden Championship - (The Arabian Knight Memorial Trophy) -Veteran Horse Society Golden Ticket Qualifier (Champion and Reserve to qualify if eligible) Zoe Moore Williams / Viv Pearce

CH 19: NIF Connemara Pony of the Year Championship - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

# Northern Ireland Festival Working Hunter Finals

Class 401: Festival 4 Year Old Working Hunter Horse - Kimmy Nicholl / Olivia Minihane

Class 402: Festival 80cms Working Hunter Horse - Kimmy Nicholl / Olivia Minihane

Class 407: M&M Working Hunter Pony exceeding 143cms - Susan Hoggans / Nathan Arnold

Class 408: M&M Working Hunter Pony not exceeding 143cms - Susan Hoggans / Nathan Arnold

Class 409: M&M Working Hunter Pony not exceeding 133cms - Susan Hoggans / Nathan Arnold

Class 410: M&M Working Hunter Pony not exceeding 122cms - Susan Hoggans / Nathan Arnold

The 1st Placed Horse or Pony in the Festival Working Hunter finals (classes 401 to 415) are eligible to compete in the Festival Supreme Working Hunter Championship in the Sunday Evening Performance.

# SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIPS: All Judges

**SUP 1:** Mini Novice Champion of Champions (Champion & Reserve from CH 22, 24, 28, 35)

**SUP 2:** Novice Supreme Championship (Champion & Reserve from CH 20, 21, 23, 29, 30, 33, 34, 36 & SUP 1)







# NORTHERN IRELAND FESTIVAL - TIMETABLE - SUNDAY 4th May 2025

# **BLUE RING ~ 8am**

#### Northern Ireland Festival Working **Hunter Finals**

Competitors must have qualified at one of the winter qualifying working hunter shows to be eligible to enter classes 401 **–** 415.

Judges: Zara Owen / Zoe Moore Williams / Kimmy Nicholl

Class 403: Festival Small Working Hunter Horse (height certificate required for 158cms) (95cms)

Class 404: Festival 90cms Working **Hunter Horse** 

Class 405: Festival 1m Working Hunter Horse

Class 406: Festival 1.10m Working Hunter Horse

The top 10 competitors in each of Classes 401 - 415 will be required to come forward in the Sunday Evening Performance for the final placings.

# **BRONZE RING ~ 9am**

The 'Perfect Performance' Working Hunter Trophy

Pony Performance Working Hunter. First phase only for Ponies up to 158cms.

Judge:Viv Pearce

Class 124: Pony Performance 70cms Class 125: Pony Performance 80cms Class 126: Pony Performance 90cms CH16 The 'Perfect' Performance Working Hunter Trophy Championship (ponies) (classes 124, 125, 126)

# Horse Performance Working Hunter. First phase only

Judge: Olivia Minihane

Class 127: Horse Performance 80cms Class 128: Horse Performance 90cms Class 129: Horse Performance 1.0m CH18 The 'Perfect' Performance Working Hunter Trophy Championship (horses) (classes 127, 128, 129)

# **GREEN RING ~ 9am**

#### Open M&M ridden Ponies:

Judge: Peter Bowdler

Class 110: Open Small M&M Ridden

**Ponies** 

Class 111: Open Large M&M Ridden

**Ponies** 

CH 44: Open M&M Ridden Championship (Classes 110, 111)

# Open Show Ponies:

Judge: Peter Bowdler

Class 115: 128cms Open Ridden Show

Class 116: 138cms Open Ridden Show Pony

Class 117: 148cms Open Ridden Show

Pony

CH 45: Open Show Pony Championship (Classes 115, 116, 117)

#### Mini M&M Ponies:

(Amateur of the Year Qualifiers if eligible)

Judge: Sally Jones Percival Class 118: Open M&M Lead Rein Class 119: Open M&M First Ridden CH 46: Mini M&M Championship

(Classes 118, 119) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Mini Pony Supreme Championship in the Evening

Performance

#### Connemara Ridden Ponies:

Judge: Sally Jones Percival

Class 120: Connemara Ridden – Rider

Under 16 years

Class 121: Connemara Ridden – Rider

Over 16 years

CH 47: Connemara Ridden Pony Championship (Classes 120, 121)







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# GOLD RING ~ 9am

# Mini Open Show Ponies:

(Amateur of the Year Qualifiers if eligible) Judge: Daniel Tarpey

Class 100: Open Show Pony Lead Rein Class 101: Open Show Pony First

Ridden

CH 40: Mini Show Pony Championship

(Classes 100, 101)

Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Open Mini Pony Supreme Championship in the Evening Performance

# Mini Open Show Hunter Ponies:

Judge: Daniel Tarpey

Class 102: Open Show Hunter Pony Lead Rein

Class 103: Open Show Hunter Pony First Ridden

CH 41: Mini Show Hunter Pony Championship (Classes 102, 103) Champion & Reserve eligible to go forward to the Open Mini Pony Supreme Championship in the Evening Performance

#### **Open Show Hunter Ponies:**

Judge: Susan Hoggans

Class 104: Open Ridden 122cms Show **Hunter Pony** 

Class 105: Open Ridden 133cms Show **Hunter Pony** 

Class 106: Open Ridden 143cms Show **Hunter Pony** 

Class 107: Open Ridden 153cms Show **Hunter Pony** 

CH 42: Open Show Hunter Pony Championship (Classes 104, 105, 106, 107)

#### Open Intermediate Ponies:

Judge: Katherine Atkin-Bowdler

Class 108: Open Intermediate Show

Hunter Type Pony

Class 109: Open Intermediate Show

Riding Type Pony

CH 43: Open Intermediate Championship

(Classes 108, 109)

#### RED RING ~ 9am

#### Ridden Hunters:

Judges: Alexander J Osbourne / Craig McClelland

Class 91: Small Hunter (height certificate

required for 158cms)

Class 92: Lightweight Hunter Class 93: Middleweight Hunter Class 94: Heavyweight Hunter CH 37: Open Ridden Hunter

Championship (Classes 91, 92, 93, 94) (Amateur of the Year Qualifier if eligible)

#### Riding Horses:

Judges: Alexander J Osbourne / Craig McClelland

Class 95: Small Riding Horse Class 96: Large Riding Horse CH 38: Open Riding Horse Championship (Classes 69, 95, 96)

#### Ridden Cobs:

Judges: Sarah Verdon / Avril McKinley Class 97: Lightweight Ridden Cob Class 98: Heavyweight Ridden Cob Class 99: Maxi Ridden Cob (over 155cms)

Class 137: Traditional Gypsy Cob CH 39: Open Ridden Cob Championship

- The Countess Cup donated by Jennifer Kennedy (Classes 97, 98, 99,

(Amateur of the Year Qualifier if eligible)

# SILVER RING ~ 8am

#### Northern Ireland Festival Working **Hunter Finals**

Competitors must have qualified at one of the winter qualifying working hunter shows to be eligible to enter classes 401 **-** 415.

#### Judges: Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

Class 411: Festival Cradle Stakes Working Hunter Pony (67cms) Class 412: Festival Starter/Nursery Stakes Working Hunter Pony (75cms) Class 413: Festival 133cms Working Hunter Pony (90cms)

Class 414: Festival 143cms Working Hunter Pony (1m)

Class 415: Festival 153cms Working Hunter Pony (1.05m)

The top 10 competitors in each of Classes 104 – 116 will be required to come forward in the Sunday Evening Performance for the final placings.



Horse of the Year Show Qualifiers Classes 307 - 311 Entry fee includes an £18 **HOYS** contribution

Please refer to the HOYS Qualifier Information detailed at the end of this timetable

# Judges: Mark Sheen (j) / Russell Marks

Class 307: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland Junior 122cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year Class 308: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland 122cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year

Class 309: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland 133cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year

Class 310: Jacksons of Yorkshire

Mountain & Moorland 143cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year

Class 311: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland Exc. 143cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year

CH 50: Horse of the Year Show M&M Working Hunter Qualifiers (Classes 307, 308, 309, 310, 311)









# SUNDAY EVENING PERFORMANCE - GOLD RING - 5.00pm

# Northern Ireland Festival Working Hunter Finals

Class 411: Cradle Stakes Working Hunter Pony - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

Class 403: Small Working Hunter Horse - Zara Owen / Zoe Moore Williams / Kimmy Nicholl

Class 412: Starter Stakes Working Hunter Pony - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

Class 404: 90cms Working Hunter Horse - Zara Owen / Zoe Moore Williams / Kimmy Nicholl

Class 413: 133cms Working Hunter Pony - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

Class 405: 1m Working Hunter Horse - Zara Owen / Zoe Moore Williams / Kimmy Nicholl

Class 414: 143cms Working Hunter Pony - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

Class 406: 1.10m Working Hunter Horse - Zara Owen / Zoe Moore Williams / Kimmy Nicholl

Class 415: 153cms Working Hunter Pony - Mark Robert Reeves / Steve Hulston

# OPEN RIDDEN SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIPS: All Judges

SUP 4: Mini Pony Supreme Championship

(Champ & Res from CH 25, 40, 41, 46)

**SUP 5:** Ridden Horse Supreme Championship (Champ & Res from CH 5, 6, 7, 13, 31, 32, 37, 38, 39)

**SUP 6:** Ridden Pony Supreme Championship

(Champ & Res from CH 6, 10, 26, 27, 31, 32, 42, 43, 44, 45, 47, SUP 4)

# FESTIVAL WORKING HUNTER CHAMPIONSHIPS: All Judges

**SUP 7:** Festival Supreme Working Hunter Championships

(1) Ponies (winners of classes 407, 408, 409, 410, 411, 412, 413, 414, 415) -

(2) **Horses** (winners of classes 401, 402, 403, 404, 405, 406) -







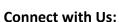
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# Horse of the Year Show 2025 Qualifiers Information

Classes 301-311 entry fee include a £18 HOYS contribution

# National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony Of The Year (classes 301 - 304)

Ponies / Horses / Riders / Owners that are resident in Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland and are competing in the HOYS qualifiers at NIF DO NOT need to belong to any of the HOYS approved societies. Should a combination qualify for the Horse of the Year Show, Ponies / Horses / Riders / Owners will need to join one of

the HOYS approved societies (NPS, Ponies UK, The Showing Register or BSPS within ten days of qualification. If you qualify for the Horse of the Year Show at the NEC in October your animal will also need a current/valid JMB height certificate within 28 days of the notification of qualification from HOYS or by the closing date of HOYS entries, whichever is sooner.

This competition is open to mares and geldings, four years old or over. Ponies must be registered with either NPS, UK Ponies & Horses Ltd, TSR, or BSPS. Riders and Owners must be members of either NPS, UK Ponies & Horses Ltd, TSR, or BSPS. Exhibitors are required by DEFRA to carry with them Official Identity Documents for all horses/ponies when competing or travelling. Competitors are reminded that it is a DEFRA requirement that the Official Identity Documents must be in the name of the legal owner within 30 days of ownership. This must be registered with the breed society, relevant studbook or ID issuing agency, dependant on breed/type of animal. Spot checks may be carried out at qualifying shows and by breed societies.

This class is divided into four sections as follows:

Section A Ponies not exceeding 133cm. Riders not to have attained their 14th birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Class 301: 133cm National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony of the Year (Ponies not exceeding 133cm.

Ponies exceeding 133cm and not exceeding 143cm. Riders not to have attained their 17th birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Class 302: 143cm National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony of the Year

Section C Ponies exceeding 143cm and not exceeding 153cm. Riders not to have attained their 20th birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Class 303: 153cm National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Working Hunter Pony of the Year

Intermediates exceeding 148cm and not exceeding 158cm, Riders not to have attained their 25th Section D birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Class 304: National Pony Society / Mole Valley Farmers Intermediate Working Hunter Pony of the Year

These classes 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.

This is a Horse of the Year Show Qualifier, all data given upon entry of this class is provided to Grandstand Media Limited and stored on the Grandstand Entries System. For full policy details please visit www.grandstandentries.com.









Marks will be awarded in the following way:

PHASE I (70 MARKS)

A: JUMPING POINTS 50 MARKS B: STYLE WHILE JUMPING 20 MARKS

PHASE II (30 MARKS)

C: CONFORMATION, TYPE AND

FREEDOM OF ACTION 20 MARKS D: MANNERS & WAY OF GOING 10 MARKS

In the event of equality the TOTAL MARK from Phase 1 will take precedence, followed by the MANNERS Mark, and then the CONFORMATION, TYPE and FREEDOM OF ACTION MARK.

This class is a qualifying class for Horse of the Year Show, NEC, Birmingham, 8th - 12th October 2025. Qualification will not pass below 5th Place. Qualification will be verified by the Horse of the Year Show office.

# Sport Horse Breeding of Great Britain Working Hunter of the Year (class 305)

This competition is for Working Hunters, any weight, mares, geldings or stallion (competing stallions must have a red, white and blue ribbon displayed in their tail) four years old or over, exceeding 148cm, to be ridden.

Any horse which has qualified as a Grade A Show Jumper or Advanced Event Horse as at 1st January in the current year is not eligible to compete in Working Hunter classes.

All Riders, Owners and Producers must be Members of the British Show Horse Association, The Showing Register or Sport Horse Breeding GB. Horses must be registered with the British Show Horse Association, The Showing Register or Sport Horse Breeding GB.

Exhibitors are required by DEFRA to carry with them Official Identity Documents for all horses/ponies when competing or travelling. Competitors are reminded that it is a DEFRA requirement that the Official Identity Documents must be in the name of the legal owner within 30 days of ownership. This must be registered with the breed society, relevant studbook or ID issuing agency, dependant on breed/type of animal. Spot checks may be carried out at qualifying shows and by breed societies.

Ponies / Horses / Riders / Owners that are resident in Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland and are competing in the HOYS qualifiers at NIF DO NOT need to belong to any of the HOYS approved societies.

Should a combination qualify for the Horse of the Year Show, Ponies / Horses / Riders / Owners will need to join one of the HOYS approved societies (British Show Horse Association (BSHA) for Horses; TSR or SHGB for Hunters) within ten days of qualification.

If you qualify for the Horse of the Year Show at the NEC in October your animal will also need a current/valid JMB height certificate within 28 days of the notification of qualification from HOYS or by the closing date of HOYS entries, whichever is sooner.

Fences will not exceed 1.14m (3ft 9ins) in height, there should be a minimum of 8 fences and a maximum of 12 fences. The course must contain a combination and should contain a water tray. This class will be judged in two parts. Part One (Jumping) will be judged first, without a jump-off. All clear rounds and any other horses the judges may require will go forward to the next part. A rider can ride up to two horses in the jumping phase but then must select only one horse to take forward into the ride and conformation section if so required (no change of rider is allowed).

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.

This is a Horse of the Year Show Qualifier, all data given upon entry of this class is provided to Grandstand Media Limited and stored on the Grandstand Entries System. For full policy details please visit www.grandstandentries.com.









Marks must be awarded in the following way:

PHASE I (60 MARKS)

A: JUMPING POINTS 40 MARKS B: STYLE WHILE JUMPING 20 MARKS

PHASE II (40 MARKS)

C: CONFORMATION 20 MARKS D: RIDE 20 MARKS

In the event of equality the CONFORMATION MARK from Phase II will take precedence, followed by the RIDE MARK, and then the STYLE MARK.

This class is a qualifying class for Horse of the Year Show, NEC, Birmingham, 8th - 12th October 2025. Qualification will not pass below 3rd place, with the exception of the BSHA National Championship show. Qualification will be verified by the Horse of the Year Show office.

# National Pony Society/Baileys Horse Feeds Mountain & Moorland Ridden Connemara Pony of the Year (class 306)

(please note: this class may be split if entries are sufficient)

This competition is open to stallions, mares and geldings, four years old and over, to be registered in, and complying with the showing requirements of, the main body of their respective stud books. Riders and Owners must be members of their respective Breed Society, NPS, UK Ponies & Horses Ltd, The Showing Register or BSPS.

Ponies / Horses / Riders / Owners that are resident in Northern Ireland or the Republic of Ireland and are competing in the HOYS qualifiers at NIF DO NOT need to belong to any of the HOYS approved societies.

Should a combination qualify for the Horse of the Year Show, Ponies / Horses / Riders / Owners will need to join one of the HOYS approved societies (NPS, Ponies UK, The Showing Register or BSPS) within ten days of qualification. Ponies must not exceed the height limits as stipulated by the relevant Breed Societies. Riders of stallions must have obtained their 12th Birthday (small breeds) or 14th birthday (large breeds) before 1st January in the current year. Exhibitors are required by DEFRA to carry with them Official Identity Documents for all horses/ponies when competing or travelling. Competitors are reminded that it is a DEFRA requirement that the Official Identity Documents must be in the name of the legal owner within 30 days of ownership. This must be registered with the breed society, relevant studbook or ID issuing agency, dependant on breed/type of animal. Spot checks may be carried out at qualifying shows and by breed societies.

These classes 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.

This is a Horse of the Year Show Qualifier, all data given upon entry of this class is provided to Grandstand Media Limited and stored on the Grandstand Entries System. For full policy details please visit www.grandstandentries.com.

Marks will be awarded in the following way:

Show, freedom of action -50 maximum Breed type and conformation - 50 maximum

In the case of equality, the pony with the highest show, freedom of action mark will be deemed the winner. If there is still equality at this point, then the judges' decision will be final.

This class is a qualifying class for Horse of the Year Show, NEC, Birmingham, 8th - 12th October 2025.

Qualification will not pass below 3rd Place. Qualification will be verified by the Horse of the Year Show office.









# Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain and Moorland Working Hunter Pony of the Year (classes 307 - 311)

This competition is open to stallions, mares and geldings, four years old and over, to be registered in, and complying with the showing requirements of, the main body of their respective stud books. Riders and Owners must be members of their respective Breed Society, NPS, UK Ponies & Horses, The Showing Register or BSPS. Ponies must not exceed the height limits as stipulated by the relevant Breed Societies. Riders of stallions must have obtained their 12th Birthday (small breeds) or 14th birthday (large breeds) before 1st January in the current year.

Exhibitors are required by DEFRA to carry with them Official Identity Documents for all horses/ponies when competing or travelling. Competitors are reminded that it is a DEFRA requirement that the Official Identity Documents must be in the name of the legal owner within 30 days of ownership. This must be registered with the breed society, relevant studbook or ID issuing agency, dependant on breed/type of animal. Spot checks may be carried out at qualifying shows and by breed societies.

This class will be split into five sections and must run in the below order:

Class 307: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland Junior 122cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year Section A Ponies not exceeding 122cm, riders must not have attained their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.

Class 308: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland 122cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year Section B Ponies not exceeding 122cm.

Class 309: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland 133cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year Section C Ponies exceeding 122cm but not exceeding 133cm.

Class 310: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland 143cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year Section D Ponies exceeding 133cm but not exceeding 143cm.

Class 311: Jacksons of Yorkshire Mountain & Moorland Exc. 143cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year Section E Ponies exceeding 143cm.

Please note that at Horse of the Year Show ponies must not compete in both the Mountain & Moorland Junior 122cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year and the Mountain & Moorland 122cm Working Hunter Pony of the Year. The pony will compete in the class in which it qualifies first during the season.

Riders and ponies may compete in both section A and section B at HOYS qualifiers. Once a pony has qualified in either section A or section B it will no longer be eligible to compete in the section in which it has not qualified.

In Section A (Mountain & Moorland Junior 122cm Working Hunter Pony) the course of fences must contain only one double and no water tray.

These classes 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.

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PHASE I

(70 MARKS)

A: JUMPING POINTS 50 MARKS

**B: STYLE WHILE JUMPING 20 MARKS** 

PHASE II

(30 MARKS)

C: BREED TYPE & CONFORMATION 20 MARKS

D: INDIVIDUAL SHOW & MANNERS 10 MARKS

In the event of equality, the TOTAL MARK from Phase 1 will take precedence, followed by the Individual Show & Manners Mark, and then the Breed Type & Conformation Mark.

This class is a qualifying class for Horse of the Year Show, NEC, Birmingham, 8th- 12th October 2025. Qualification will not pass below 3rd Place. Qualification will be verified by the Horse of the Year Show office.

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# **Other Qualifiers**

Open Racehorse to Riding Horse (class 21) is a **Dublin Horse Show** Qualifier.

Championship 32: Veteran Ridden Championship is a Veteran Horse Society Golden Ticket Qualifier for the Veteran Horse of the Year Show (champion and reserve to qualify if eligible).

The Showing Register Amateur of the Year qualifiers - classes 75, 76, 100, 101, 118, 119 and championships 37 and 39. The highest placed eligible exhibit in each class will qualify.