

# In the Spotlight Horse Show

## In-Hand & Ridden Classes

Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> March 2025

Held at  
Croft Top Equestrian Centre  
Stonefold Village  
Accrington  
BB5 2DP

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PRE-ENTRY £12 PER CLASS plus £2 first aid per rider/handler

ENTRIES ON THE DAY £15 PER CLASS plus £2 first aid per rider/handler

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Pre-entries close Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> March @ 7pm

To pre-enter, please follow the link below

<https://inthespotlightcorporation.lite.events>

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***\*\*In-hand classes AM, Ridden Classes PM\*\****

***\*\*1 ring indoor for the classes, Outdoor ring for warm-up\*\****

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***\*\*28 classes\*\****

***\*\*5 Section championships\*\****

***\*\*2 Supreme Championships\*\****

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PLEASE READ EVERYTHING IN THIS SCHEDULE IF YOU WISH TO ENTER AND ATTEND THIS SHOW!

For all show enquiries please contact us in one of the following ways:

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## **RULES**

1. The Judge's decision is final. Any complaints regarding the judge's decision will not be accepted.
2. Any objection must be lodged in writing within 10 minutes of class closing together with a £20 fee which will be returned if the objection is upheld. Where an objection is lodged towards the height of a horse or pony, if a valid height certificate cannot be produced on the day then the objection will stand and the animal will be disqualified from the class and the prize (if awarded one) will be taken off them and handed to the next eligible competitor. Where the objection relates to an age of a competitor, a valid form of ID will be required to prove their age. If this cannot be produced on the day then the objection will stand and the rider will be disqualified from the class and the prize (if awarded one) will be taken off them and handed to the next eligible competitor.
3. All ages for both horse & rider are taken from the 1st of January in the current year. All riders/handlers must have attained their 3rd birthday on the date of the show. All ridden horse/ponies must be at least 4yrs old to compete in a ridden class.
4. The Organisation reserve the right to alter, amalgamate or cancel classes if sufficient/insufficient entries.
5. Hard Hats to current BSI standards with a chin strap to be worn in all ridden classes, and in-hand classes by handlers 16 years and under unless a Non-Standard Hat Disclaimer is signed. Non-Standard Hat Disclaimer cards must be carried by competitors at all times and produced to the ring steward upon entering the ring. Top Hats may be worn in Championships & Supreme Championship.
6. Whips are not to exceed 30".
7. **No refund of entries will be allowed under any circumstances. If we have to cancel the show, all entries will be refunded minus a £5 per competitor administration fee. Entries cannot be transferred to another show date.**
8. The organisers accept no responsibility or liability for any loss, incident or accident(s) to persons, equines or property. The Landowners of this show will not be held responsible in any way for any loss, damage or injury in any way. All competitors should hold a minimum of third party liability insurance.
9. No Mucking out of horseboxes on the showground.
10. The Organisers reserve the right to ask any one demonstrating cruelty or anti-social behaviour to leave the showground and will be banned from any future events.
11. **IF YOU ARE NOT PRESENT WHEN YOUR CLASS IS DUE TO START THEN YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED INTO THE RING ONCE THE CLASS HAS STARTED AND THE TROT HAS COMMENCED. IT IS UP TO THE COMPETITOR TO ENSURE THEY DO NOT MISS THEIR CLASS. YOU WILL NOT BE REFUNDED IF YOU MISS A CLASS AND NOR WILL YOU BE ABLE TO SWAP TO ANOTHER.**
12. WALK & TROT and NOVICE CLASSES – Any horse or pony that has been placed 1st in any Open Ridden class before the 1st Jan 2024 is not eligible for these classes. Competitor's coming off the Lead Rein will be allowed in these classes even if they have won open Lead Rein classes. Please enter this class in the spirit that it is intended.
13. No spurs are allowed to be worn by any competitor under the age of 16yrs in any class. Any competitor over the age of 16yrs may wear spurs if riding a horse exceeding 148cms and if the class allows it.
14. **No form of bullying, harassment or nasty comments, whether in person or on social media will not be tolerated and any person found to be doing so will be banned from all events and removed from the showground immediately. Any online bullying will be reported to police and appropriate action will be taken.**
15. Foals must be at least 30 days old on the show day. No mare with a foal at foot may compete in ridden classes.
16. No horse/pony to be left tied to a trailer/lorry unattended.
17. All animals attending the show must be competently handled/ridden, any unruly animals, mare, gelding, filly, stallion or colt, will be asked to leave the showground as a matter of safety. All stallions and colts 2 years+ must be bitted. Age of handlers for stallions or colts, or riders of stallions as follows: Stallions/Colts not exc 13.2hh- minimum age of handler/rider 14yrs. Stallions/Colts 13.2hh and over – minimum age of handler/rider 16yrs. Lead rein handlers must be at least 17yrs of age and fully competent.
18. **By entering the show you are accepting these rules.**

### **Ring 1 – Indoor Arena – In-hand 9am start**

- 1. Best Condition** – Any age & type
- 2. In-hand M&M and Welsh** (will split if sufficient entries)
- 3. In-hand Coloured** – including unusual coloured
- 4. In-hand Open Showing** – Any age & type
- 5. In-hand Hogged / Native / Traditional / Gypsy Cob**
- 6. In-hand Part Bred** – Open to any part bred
- 7. Youngstock** – 3yrs old & under (will split into ages if sufficient entries)

### **Section Championship – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> from classes 1 – 7. Champion & Reserve to go forward to the Supreme In-hand Championship at the end of the in-hand classes.**

- 8. In-hand Hunter** – Any age & height
- 9. In-hand Veteran** – 15yrs and over.
- 10. In-hand Pure Bred / Foreign / Rare Breeds** – including heavy horses.
- 11. In-hand Shetland / Miniature Horse** – Any age. (will split if sufficient entries)
- 12. In-Hand Most Promising New Combination** – Any age & type. To be in their 1<sup>st</sup> show season together.
- 13. Young Handler** – Handler not to have attained their 16<sup>th</sup> birthday before the 1<sup>st</sup> Jan in the current year

### **Section Championship – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> from classes 8 – 13. Champion & Reserve to go forward to the Supreme In-hand Championship at the end of the in-hand classes.**

### **Supreme In-hand Championship – all section Champions & Reserves**

### **Ring 1 - Indoor - Ridden Classes – not before 12.30pm (may start later than this but will not be before)**

- 14. Pre-Novice Walk & Trot** – 4yrs old & over. Any height. Animals not to have won a 1<sup>st</sup> before 01.01.24 in any open ridden class. Snaffle Bridles Only. This class is aimed at newly broken ponies and very novice animals. (Lead reins welcome)  
Competitor's coming off the Lead Rein will be allowed in these classes even if they have won open Lead Rein classes
- 15. Ridden Novice** – 4yrs old & over. Any height. Animals not to have won a 1<sup>st</sup> before 01.01.24 in any open ridden class. Any Suitable Bridle. Walk & trot on the go-round, canter required in individual show. (No Lead Reins) Competitor's coming off the Lead Rein will be allowed in these classes even if they have won open Lead Rein classes
- 16. Novice Rider** – Open to any novice or nervous rider aged 3yrs old and over. Animals to be 4yrs old & over. Walk & trot only. Lead Reins welcome.

### **Novice Championship for all 1st & 2nd prize winners from classes 14-16**

- 17. Lead Rein Pony** – 4yrs old & over. Riders not to have attained their 10<sup>th</sup> birthday before the 01.01.25. Ponies not exceeding 128cms.
- 18. First Ridden Pony** – 4yrs old & over. Riders not to have attained their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday before the 01.01.25. Ponies not exceeding 128cms.
- 19. Junior Rider** – 15yrs & under. This will be walk and trot on the go-round and then a show of your choice.

### **Junior Championship for all 1st & 2nd prize winners from classes 17 – 19**

- 20. Ridden Veteran** – 15yrs & over.
- 21. Ridden Most Promising New Combination** – 4yrs old & over. Any type. To be in their 1<sup>st</sup> show season together.
- 22. Ridden Show Hunter Horse/Pony** – 4yrs old & over
- 23. Ridden Part Bred** – 4yrs old & over. Open to any part bred.
- 24. Ridden Pure Bred / Foreign / Rare Breeds** – 4yrs old & over.
- 25. Ridden Hogged Cob / Native / Traditional / Gypsy Cob** – 4yrs old & over
- 26. Ridden Open Showing** – 4yrs old & over, any type
- 27. Ridden M&M & Welsh** – 4yrs old & over
- 28. Ridden Coloured** – 4yrs old & over. Including unusual coloured

### **Open Ridden Section Championship for all 1st & 2nd prize winners from classes 20 – 28**

### **Supreme Ridden Championship for all Champions & Reserves from Novice, Junior & Open Ridden Championships**