



SHOWING 2026

12th April, 10th May, 14th June, 12th July, 20th Sept

Open show for members and non-members

Somerford Park Farm, Holmes Chapel Rd, Brereton Heath, Congleton CW12 4SW

Qualifier for STARS 2026 (subject to STARS schedule/rule changes)

FOR QUALIFIER DETAILS PLEASE SEE LAST PAGE

RING 3 Commencing 10.00am prompt

Class 19 - In-hand Best Turned Out (Children can be assisted if required)

Class 20 - In-hand Best Trot (can be assisted if required – **handler 10yrs and under**)

Class 21 - In-hand Bonny Pony (**handler any age**)

Class 22 - In-hand Best Mane & Tail (can be assisted if required – **handler 10yrs and under**)

Class 23 - In-hand Shetland & Miniature (**handler any age**)

Class 24 - In-hand Tiny Tot Handler (not to have attained 8th birthday by 1.1.26)

Class 25 - In-hand Young Handler (8-11 years)

Class 26 - In-hand Junior Handler (12-18 years)

CHAMPIONSHIP (Anyone placed 1st & 2nd in classes 19 – 26)

Not Before 1.00pm

Class 27 - In-hand Youngstock (3 years and under – horses will be deemed to change age on 1st Jan)

Class 28 - In-hand Coloured (exc dun, pal, roan - may be split into 143cm and under & over 143)

Class 29 - In-hand Plaited Horse/Pony

Class 30 - In-hand Cob - Hogged or Hairy

Class 31 - In-hand Veteran (15yrs and over may be split into age categories)

Class 32 - In-hand Mountain and Moorland (Excl Shetlands - may be split small/large)

Class 33 - In-hand Best Condition

Class 34 - In-hand Dun, Spotted, Palomino, Roan etc

CHAMPIONSHIP (Anyone placed 1st & 2nd in classes 27 – 34)

PLEASE NOTE EACH RIDER/HANDLER CAN ONLY COMPETE ONE HORSE PER CLASS (THIS INCLUDES ANY SPLIT CLASSES) – WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SHOWJUMPING

ALL IN-HAND CLASSES: Must be appropriately dressed, Handlers under 10 yrs can be assisted if required.

NOTES: Under 18s must wear hard hats, all other handlers must wear suitable headwear. Children/competitors must not be carried, assistants in the ring must wear appropriate head and footwear



RING 4 Commencing 9.30am prompt

Class 35 - Best Turned Out Ridden

Class 36 - Plaited Show Pony/Riding Horse (may be split if sufficient entries)

Class 37 - Ridden Coloured (excl Spotted, Palomino, Dun, Roan etc)

Class 38 - Ridden Shetland

Class 39 - Ridden Cob – Hogged or Hairy

Class 40 - Ridden Mountain and Moorland (excl Shetlands - will be split into large/small)

Class 41 - Ridden Veteran - horse/ponies aged 15 years and over

Class 42 - Ridden Green Horse (Any Age - not to have been placed 1st in a ridden class before 2026 – canter optional)

Class 43 - Ridden Dun, Spotted, Palomino, Roan etc

Class 44 - Ridden Hunter/Hunter Type

All morning ridden classes open to Lead Rein

CHAMPIONSHIP (Anyone placed 1st & 2nd in classes 35 - 44)

Not Before 1.00pm - All Equitation classes to be ridden in a snaffle bit

Class 45 - Lead Rein & First Ridden plaited pony (lead rein not to have attained 10th birthday,

First Ridden not to have attained 12th birthday as of 01.01.26, ponies not to exceed 128cm – Judged Separately

Class 46 - Lead Rein & First Ridden Unplaited (lead rein not to have attained 10th birthday,

First Ridden not to have attained 12th birthday as of 01.01.26, ponies not to exceed 128cm – Judged Separately

Class 47 - Have a Go Equitation (For nervous or novice riders, horse/pony and rider any age, NO GROUP CANTER)

Class 48 - Lead Rein Equitation – riders not to have attained 10th birthday by 01/01/26 (lead rein attached to noseband)

Class 49 - First Ridden Equitation – not to have attained 12th birthday by 01/01/26 (GENUINE FIRST RIDDENS – No group canter)

Class 50 - Junior Equitation – (17yrs and Under) (Cannot enter Lead Rein/First Ridden Equitation)

Class 51 - Senior Equitation – (riders 18yrs and over)

Class 52 – Riding Club Horse/Pony (Small jump included - split under 148cm/over 148cm)

CHAMPIONSHIP (Anyone placed 1st & 2nd in classes 45 - 52)

**PLEASE NOTE EACH RIDER/HANDLER CAN ONLY COMPETE ONE HORSE PER CLASS
(THIS INCLUDES ANY SPLIT CLASSES) - WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SHOWJUMPING**

ENTRY FEES: Entries in advance via Horse Monkey **Members £12.00** Non-members £16.00
Entries on the day **Members £14.00** Non-Members £18.00

NOTES:

MDRC General Rules apply – see our website www.maccridingclub.com

OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE WILL NOT BE TOLERATED.

Advance Show Contact Jodie 07872 076470



12 April – CHAPS Qualifiers – Affiliation number – 26-026

This show is affiliated to CHAPS. Both owner and rider/exhibitor need NOT be a member of CHAPS (UK) nor must the horse or pony be registered with CHAPS UK to compete. However, in order to qualify both owner and rider/exhibitor need to be a current showing member and have a valid qualifier card. Members to apply to CHAPS for appropriate qualifier card.

10 May – VHS Qualifiers

Veteran Horse Society – AREA QUALIFIER 2026.

*First round qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final:
VETERAN HORSE OF THE YEAR 2026
Kindly Sponsored by Allen & 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 age 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 be exchanged for signed showing card when applying for VHS membership. This MUST be done within 21 days of qualification. It is the competitors' 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 May each year or a late penalty fee of £15 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 4th – 6th September 2026. No qualification or membership necessary. See VHS website for schedule which is available mid-season 2026.

For further information please visit the VHS website www.veteran-horse-society.co.uk or telephone the VHS Show Office on 01239 881300 or 07789 514004.

CLASS 1F VETERAN IN-HAND, COMBINED AGE CLASS (15 years and over).

To be run as one class but judged as separate age categories:

Diamond Veteran (25 years and over), Veteran (20–24 years) & Pre-Veteran (15–19 years). Open to horses and ponies of any breed and height.

CLASS 2F VETERAN RIDDEN, COMBINED AGE CLASS (15 years and over).

To be run as one class but judged as separate age categories:

Diamond Veteran (25 years and over), Veteran (20–24 years) & Pre-Veteran (15–19 years). Open to horses and ponies of any breed and height.

14 June – NCPA Qualifiers

12 July - TGCA Qualifiers Affiliation Number - 26/0407/STD



10 May & 20 Sept - The Showing Register (TSR)

This Show is affiliated to The Showing Register Amateur of the Year Final, taking place at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire on 28/29 November 2026. The two highest exhibits not already qualified in each affiliated class will qualify.

Please refer to the TSR Amateur Rulebook for our amateur definitions which can be found below: [TSR Rulebook – The Showing Register](#)

EXHIBITS DO NOT NEED TO BE MEMBERS TO QUALIFY – TSR MEMBERSHIP WILL BE REQUIRED FOR THEM TO COMPETE IN THE FINAL

WORDING TO BE USED FOR TSR AMATEUR OF THE YEAR QUALIFIERS The two highest placed exhibit not already qualified will qualify for the relevant TSR Amateur of the Year final class to be held at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire on 28th and 29th November 1. **COLOURED HORSE/PONY RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR**

Ponies: Open Ridden Piebald/Skewbald, stallion, mare or gelding 4 years and over. Riders any age except for those on stallions who must have attained their 14th birthday by 1st January of the current year. Spurs must not be worn. Ponies under 153 cms.

Horses: Open Ridden Piebald/Skewbald, stallion, mare or gelding 4 years and over. Riders any age except for those on stallions who must have attained their 14th birthday by 1st January of the current year Spurs may be worn by adult riders. Animals 153cms and over.

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 except for those on stallions who must have attained their 14th birthday by 1st January of the current year and suitably mounted. Spurs must not be worn.

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 except for those on stallions who must have attained their 14th birthday by 1st January of the current year. Spurs must not be worn

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.

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 must have attained their 3rd birthdays but not attained their 12th birthday before 1st January in the current year. To be shown in any suitable bridle.

PLAITED PONY RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open plaited pony, mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 153cms. Any suitably mounted rider. Spurs must not be worn

LEAD REIN PLAITED RIDDEN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Lead Rein Pony mare or gelding 4 years old and over not exceeding 128cms. Riders to have attained their 3rd birthday but not their 9th birthday before 1st January in the current year. To be led by an attendant and shown in a snaffle bridle. Lead rein to be attached to the noseband only.

FIRST RIDDEN PLAITED AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

First Ridden Pony, mare or gelding 4 years old and over not exceeding 128cms. Riders to have attained their 3rd birthday but not their 10th birthday before 1st January in the current year. To be shown in any suitable bridle.

RIDDEN RIDING HORSE/HACK AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open to Hacks and Riding Horses. mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. Exceeding 148cms but Hacks not exceeding 160cms. Riders must have attained their 15th birthday by the day of the Show Spurs may be worn by adult riders

RIDDEN COB AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open Ridden Cob, mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. Exceeding 148cms. To be shown hogged and trimmed. . Riders must have attained their 15th birthday by the day of the Show Spurs may be worn by adult riders

RIDDEN HUNTER AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open Ridden Hunter, mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. Exceeding 148cms. . Riders must have attained their 15th birthday by the day of the Show. Spurs may be worn by adult riders

RIDDEN VETERAN AMATEUR OF THE YEAR

Open to horses and ponies of any breed, type and height, 15 years and over. Riders of any age, suitably mounted – animals will not be galloped. Spurs not to be worn. Blemishes are not taken into consideration.

CONDITIONS OF AFFILIATION

- 1.** Shows must include in their final schedule the above wording. **This Show is affiliated to The Showing Register Amateur of the Year Final, taking place at Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire on 28th and 29th November 2026. The two highest exhibits not already qualified in each affiliated class will qualify.**
- 2.** A draft copy of the schedule must be forward for approval before going to print or online.
- 3.** TSR to approve judges used from show. Alternatively, Judges to be chosen from The Showing Register Panel.
- 4.** All correspondence relating to these documents must be sent to: Debbie Spears, The Showing Register, Stoneleigh Park, Kenilworth, Warks, CV8 2LZ.
- 5.** No refund of any monies will be made to the show in respect of any starting or nonstarting entrant for any reason whatsoever.
- 6.** TSR reserves the right to withdraw and re-allocate any qualifiers from any show if the conditions contained herein are not adhered to.
- 7.** TSR Amateur qualifiers may be held in conjunction with other competitions
- 8.** Equine welfare is of paramount importance therefore it is recommended that each show has a Welfare Policy in place.
- 9.** By accepting to hold TSR qualifiers, you are agreeing to adhere to the latest General Data Protection Regulations and will follow procedures set out by TSR and Grandstand Media Ltd.
- 10.** All riders must attain their 3rd birthday by 1st January of the current year. All riders must be suitably mounted.
- 11.** Handlers of Lead Rein ponies must be at least 14 years of age.
- 12.** TSR reserves the right to cancel/postpone the final in certain circumstances.