

**UK PONIES & HORSES  
WINTER WORKING HUNTER  
SHOW**

**SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024**

*To be held at*

**NEWBOLD VERDON EQUESTRIAN CENTRE  
LEICESTERSHIRE LE9 9NE**

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*All Entries online via: Entry Master*

*Postal Entries close on 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2024*

*Online Entries close on 9<sup>th</sup> February 2024*

**ENTRIES ACCEPTED ON THE DAY AT A HIGHER RATE.**

**1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> placed competitors in the UKPH Open Classes will qualify for the Spring Classic  
2024**

***UKPH Young Riders Working Hunter Pony Classes***

Course Builder: Mr S Cradock

Photographer: Jordan Brooking Photography.

*All updates and amendments to the schedule or changes to the running order of the day will be posted  
on [www.ukponies.uk](http://www.ukponies.uk) or via the Facebook page.*

*Working Hunter Pony classes will be open to all Mountain & Moorland Breeds, as well as Plaited Ponies  
and Horses.*

*Competitors are not required to be a Member of UK Ponies & Horses to compete in these classes.*

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The safety and security of persons and animals attending the show is of paramount importance to the organisers of the show. Competitors and all those attending the show are reminded of their obligations under Health & Safety legislation to adhere to the safety instructions of stewards and officials at all times, and to adhere to written instructions and signs relating to safety of others who may be affected by their actions or omissions.

Exhibitors shall be responsible for the behaviour of their assistants and riders, and for the conduct of such persons, and all persons in charge of exhibits shall be subject to instructions given by judges & stewards. Anyone not adhering to directional signs and requests by the Stewards and Officials will be required to leave the Showground immediately.

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#### Equine Influenza Regulations

Please see Current UK Ponies & Horses Rule Book 2024 or refer to the Rule 9 in the Rules Section of the Schedule

**Classes to start at 8.30am**

**WARM UP CLASS 1**

**Open to all, to take place on Saturday in Ring One**

The opportunity for Competitors to jump a standard course of fences as a warm up class with no conformation stage. Competitors will not be marked, however rosettes will be awarded to those jumping a clear round. Competitors will have a choice of jumping 40cms, 55cms or 65cms. **(40 CMS SECTION TO JUMP FIRST)** Riders to declare which height they wish to jump at the time of entry.

**JUDGE – Mrs H Turner (Suffolk)**

**Class 2 to start at 9.30am**

**Class 2: Lead Rein 40cms cross poles, M&M or Plaited mare or gelding 4 years old & over, not to exceed 122cms, rider not to have attained their 9th birthday in the current year.**

**Class 3: First Ridden 40cms, M&M or Plaited mare or gelding 4 years old & over, not to exceed 128cms, rider not to have attained their 12th birthday in the current year.**

**Mini Working Hunter Pony Championship open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from Classes 2 to 3.**

**Classes 4 to 7 are open to Novice Pony/Rider Combinations not to have been placed 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> in any WHP class**

**Class 4: 55cm Working Hunter Pony open to both M&M's & Plaited, 4 years old & over.**

**Class 5: 60cm Working Hunter Pony open to both M&M's & Plaited, 4 years old & over.**

**Class 6: 65cm Working Hunter Pony open to both M&M's & Plaited, 4 years old & over.**

**Working Hunter Pony Championship open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from Classes 4 to 6**

**Not Before 13.00**

**WARM UP CLASS 7**

**Open to all, to take place on Saturday in Ring One**

The opportunity for Competitors to jump a standard course of fences as a warm up class with no conformation stage. Competitors will not be marked, however rosettes will be awarded to those jumping a clear round. Competitors will have a choice of jumping 70cms or 80cms, 90cms or 100cms **(70 CMS SECTION TO JUMP FIRST)** Riders to declare which height they wish to jump at the time of entry.

**JUDGE – Mrs V Bruce (Cambridgeshire)**

**Class 8: 70cm Working Hunter Pony open to both M&M's & Plaited, 4 years old & over.**

**Class 9: 80cm Working Hunter Pony open to both M&M's & Plaited, 4 years old & over.**

**Class 10: 90cm M&M Working Hunter Pony, 4 years old & over.**

**Class 11: 100cm Working Hunter Pony open to both M&M's & Plaited, 4 years old & over.**

**Working Hunter Pony Championship open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from Classes 8 to 11**



## UK PONIES & HORSES YOUNG RIDERS WORKING HUNTER PONY CLASSES

### **JUDGE – TBC**

#### **Class 12: UKPH Young Riders M & M Working Hunter Pony Intermediates.**

Stallion, Mare or Gelding, 4 years old and over.

Registered in their approved Pure Breed Society stud books of Connemara, Dales, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh Section A, B, C, D.

Riders not to have attained their 25th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. (Please refer to the current UK Ponies & Horses Rule Book).

Maximum Heights of fences as follows: - Not exceeding 122cms – 60 cms, not exceeding 133cms – 70cms,

Exc 133 cms but not exc 143 cms – 80cms.

Exceeding 143cms – 90cms.

**Exceeding 143cms to jump first**

#### **Class 13: UKPH Young Riders M & M Working Hunter Pony exceeding 133cms**

Mare or Gelding, 4 years old and over. Registered in their approved Pure Breed Society stud books of Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A & B, Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh Section C & D.

Riders not to have attained their 18th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.

Maximum Heights of fences as follows: - Exc 133 cms but not exc 143 cms – 80cms & Exc 143cms – 90 cms.

#### **Class 14: UKPH Young Riders M & M Working Hunter Pony not exceeding 133cms**

**To include a section for Nursery Stakes riders to be twelve years and under.**

Mare or Gelding, 4 years old and over. Registered in their approved Pure Breed Society Stud Books of Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A & B, Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh Section C & D. Riders not to have attained their 18th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.

Max Heights of fences as follows: -

Nursery Stakes not exceeding 55cms, not exceeding 122cms – 60cms, not exc 133 cms - 70 cms.

**UKPH Young Riders Working Hunter Pony Championship – open to 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 12 to 14**

<b><u>ENTRY FEES 2024</u></b>	
<b>Entry Fees up to &amp; including the 9<sup>th</sup> of February 2024</b>	<b>Entry Fees on the day</b>
<b>Warm Up Classes - £15.00</b>	<b>Warm Up Classes - £20.00</b>
All classes £15.00	All other classes £20.00
FIRST AID - £6.00 PER RIDER	FIRST AID £6.00 PER RIDER



# UK PONIES & HORSES RULES 2024

UK Ponies & Horses would like to make it clear to all competitors that any horse /pony brought to the show but not entered is done so at the owner's risk and the Association cannot accept liability or cover insurance unless an entry fee is paid.

The safety and security of persons and animals attending the show is of paramount importance to the organisers of the show. Competitors and all those attending the show are reminded of their obligations under Health & Safety legislation to adhere to the safety instructions of stewards and officials at all times, and to adhere to written instructions and signs relating to safety of others who may be affected by their actions or omissions.

Exhibitors shall be responsible for the behaviour of their assistants and riders, and for the conduct of such persons, and all persons in charge of exhibits shall be subject to instructions given by judges & stewards

Anyone not adhering to directional signs and requests by Stewards and Officials will be required to leave the showground immediately.

1. All exhibitors entering shall be considered as having read the following rules and regulations. Anything not covered shall be decided by the Chairman and Council in consultation with the secretary of any Breed Show Society concerned or with the Show Veterinary Surgeon in cases calling for their opinion.
2. The decision of the Chairman and the Council will be final.

### 3. ENTRIES

No entries will be accepted unless:

- a) Lodged in a proper manner on the official and appropriate form, signed by the exhibitor or an authorised agent, and complying in every respect with these Regulations and any conditions that may be specified. No substitution or nomination entry will be accepted. All Entries must be entered through the online entry system. Entries will be accepted on the day at a higher rate as per stated in the schedule.
- b) Horse/Ponies must be registered and entered in the name of their legal registered owner. When a lease/loan is negotiated the Horse/Pony will not be treated as the Property of the Lessee/Borrower until the Lease/Loan has been registered with UK Ponies & Horses.
- c) The appropriate fee or fees are paid by the entry closing date. **Entry fees are not refundable even with a vet's certificate. If the show re-schedules, cancels or postpones its show date, the entry fee will be refunded less an administration cost of 25%. The Secretary must have a request of refund before the new show date, under no circumstances will a refund be given after the new show date. If the show is completely abandoned, refunds will be given less an administration fee of £25.00.**
- d) Changes and alterations to entries must be done in writing by email or post and submitted before **THE 9TH OF FEBRUARY 2024**. No changes, alterations or corrections will be administrated after this date.
- e) The Association reserves the right to refuse or cancel any entry already accepted, without any reason for doing so. Whenever under this Regulation an entry is refused or cancelled, or an exhibit is refused admission or removed, the fees paid, may at the discretion of the Council, be refunded and, if refunded, shall be accepted by the exhibitor or intending exhibitor in full satisfaction of all claims against the Association.
- g) Every exhibitor will be held responsible for the correctness of his/her entry. If, when called upon to prove the correctness, he/she fails to do so, the entry in question will not be accepted or if already accepted may be cancelled or the exhibit may be disqualified, and any award cancelled.
- h) HORSE & PONY REGISTRATION: All exhibits must be registered in their respective Pure Breed Society Stud Books or Part Bred Stud Books and will be judged according to the UK Ponies & Horses Rules. All horses/ponies entered into the Championship classes must be registered with UK Ponies & Horses.
- l) STUD LICENCES: All stallions & 2 or 3 year old Colts must hold a license, unless otherwise governed by the individual Breed Society and MAY NOT be entered into the Young Handler or Junior M&M Ridden Classes.
- j) Handlers/Riders may only compete with one Horse/Pony in any one **SHOWING** class. A competitor may ride more than one exhibit (maximum 2) in a Confined Novice Working Hunter/Pony, Open Working

Hunter/Pony, M&M Working Hunter Pony, Style & Performance, Competition/Potential Dressage Horse/Pony and WH/WHP Classes, **but before the final phase must nominate to the Ring Steward which horse/pony he/she will ride for the final presentation of marks and rosettes.** Once the class has commenced there shall be no change of rider, except in a Championship.

k) Acceptance of a cheque combining entry fees and stabling is not acceptance or confirmation that stabling is available.

l) It is the responsibility of the Exhibitor/Competitor not to enter a class that may result in simultaneous judging times in adjacent rings.

#### 4. 4. STABLING

All Stable bookings are to be made directly with Newbold Equestrian Centre. Stabling is subject to availability and will be allocated on a first come first serve basis. Final stable requirements must be finalised no later than seven days prior to the start of the event. A £20.00 stable deposit fee will be payable by the Hirer. Stables must be left clean & swept out on departure otherwise the deposit will be forfeit.

**Horses/ponies must not be placed in a corral on the show ground/or left in horseboxes on site overnight.**

Access to stabling facilities will be available from midday the day before the event. Special arrangements must be made with Newbold Equestrian Centre if access is required prior to this, and may incur additional charges.

Electric Hook up is available and should be booked directly with Newbold Equestrian Centre.

#### 5. 5. CONTROL & CONDUCT

a) All exhibitors and persons admitted to the Show-ground shall be subject to the Rules, Bylaws, Regulations and Conditions of UK Ponies & Horses and the Chairman shall have the power to suspend or remove from the show ground, anyone who refuses to comply with the instructions given by the stewards or whose conduct shall be in the view of the chairman derogatory or prejudicial to the interests of UK Ponies & Horses or its members, or who shall have been guilty of an act or admission, involving cruelty or unnecessary suffering to any animal. The Chairman's decision will be final.

b) Any animal not under control or in any way constituting a danger shall be removed from the show ring at the request of the Judge, Steward or Chairman.

c) Neither UK Ponies & Horses or any of its officers, assistants or Stewards, shall in any way be responsible for any loss, injury or damage that may happen to exhibitors or their assistants, or any other members of the public or to any animal or property, or to any vehicle brought into the show-ground or to any premises used in conjunction with the show, or while entering or leaving the same.

d) Exhibitors shall be responsible for the behaviour of their assistants and riders and all persons in charge of exhibits shall be subject to the orders of the Stewards or Judges. All exhibitors including grooms and other attendants, attending exhibitors in the judging rings must be correctly dressed wearing a jacket and must wear a hat.

e) FIRE PRECAUTIONS – BARBECUES: To prevent any fire risks, exhibitors must not hold barbecue parties in the horsebox lines.

f) DOGS: Dogs must be kept under control and on a lead at all times whilst on the show ground. They will not be permitted in the arena. Please remember to clean up after your dog at all times.

g) MOTORCYCLES and SCOOTERS are BARRED and this rule will be strictly adhered to. BICYCLES may not be ridden on the show ground at any time.

h) Any exhibitor who allows their children to break the above rule will be disqualified and NOT allowed to compete.

i) SAFETY: The Highway Code is applicable on the show ground. All vehicles are forbidden from driving around the show ground – except those with official passes.

j) Anyone causing a disturbance or any bad behaviour throughout the show ground is liable to be disqualified from competing in the show and future membership reviewed.

k) **OBJECTIONS** shall be made in writing with the objector's full name and address within **one hour** of the event concerned and lodged at the secretary's office together with the sum of **£100 deposit**. The sum shall

be refunded if the objection is sustained but if the objection is not sustained the deposit will be forfeited to the funds of UK Ponies & Horses. The Executive Council will consist of: The Chairman, a Member of the Council and an Official of the Show.

l) It is strongly recommended that all exhibitors carry adequate Public Liability Insurance. The Association does not accept any liability for any injury or damage sustained by any third party what so ever.

## 6. 6. JUDGES, TIMETABLE & AWARDS

a) **The Judges' decision is final.** The Council reserves the right to substitute, add or remove any judge from any class or Championship.

b) TIMETABLE: Judging times are as accurate as possible at the time of printing the schedule. Show entries must not be made from this timetable as it is subject to change. Please check the final copy on the day of the show. **IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE EXHIBITOR TO ENSURE THEY ARE ON TIME FOR THEIR CLASS. NO CLASSES WILL BE HELD.**

c) CANCELLATION OF CLASSES: Classes may be cancelled or amalgamated at the discretion of UK Ponies & Horses.

d) Prize money and Rosettes will be awarded as stated in the schedule of the show. Exhibits in classes with two phases, may not be required for phase two of the judging procedure at the discretion of the Judge.

e) The number of animals which shall give an individual display in any class shall be entirely the decision of the Judge(s).

f) Prize money not collected at the show will be deemed a donation to the show.

## 7. 7. ARTIFICIAL AIDS, HARD HATS & BACK PROTECTORS

a) All artificial aids are forbidden with the exception of correctly fitted standing and running martingales and elasticated side reins for lunging only on UK Ponies & Horses Show grounds.

b) Spurs/dress spurs must **NOT** be worn in any Show Pony/Intermediate Working Hunter/Intermediate Show Hunter Type/Intermediate Show Riding Type/Show Hunter Pony/Working Hunter Pony or any Ridden Mountain & Moorland class. In all other classes, only **BLUNT** spurs may be used unless the class is run under the auspices of an individual Governing Body when their rules must be conformed to.

c) SHOW CANES or WHIPS are not to exceed thirty inches (75cms). In lead rein classes plain or leather covered canes may only be used.

## 8. HATS: Correctly secured Skull Caps/Riding Hats Nos. All PAS015, VG1,(BS)EN1384 2017, ASTM F1163 04a onwards. SNELL E2001, SNELL E2016 AS/NZS 3838 2003 onwards. MUST be worn by riders at all times when mounted. Hats should have a plain cover either Black, Navy Blue, Brown, Grey or Green. Velvet covers are encouraged. For BSPS classes Hats must comply with Rule 43 in the 2023 BSPS Handbook.

A rider whose hat comes off will be eliminated.

A rider whose strap comes undone, whilst competing must on Penalty of Elimination replace it or fasten it before continuing. He may stop without penalty to fasten the strap.

The New European standard will be allowed once finalised and will be allowed in due course.

Riders **NOT** competing in Lead Rein or First Ridden classes may wear current approved BSI Bowlers or Top Hats during an Afternoon Gala or Evening Gala Performance. For classes run under the auspices of an individual Governing Body, their rules must be conformed to.

Handlers of horses/ponies competing in In Hand classes aged 14 years or under, must wear correctly secured current British Standard Skull/Riding Hats.

9. **Body Protectors – MUST** be worn when jumping in any UK Ponies & Horses Affiliated Working Hunter Pony or Working Hunter class, including the practice ring at any UK Ponies & Horses Affiliated Shows.
10. **Body Protectors MUST** be worn when jumping in any BSPS affiliated WHP and WH class as well as in the practice arena.

11. **Earrings & Body Studs MUST NOT be worn.**

12. **Mobile telephones and ear pieces MUST not be taken into the ring.**

13. **8. ANIMAL HEALTH & SAFETY**

a) **SOUNDNESS:** All animals must be sound. The Judge reserves the right to have any exhibit examined by the Official Veterinary Surgeon. The Council reserve the right to have any exhibit qualifying for a Championship examined by the Official Veterinary Surgeon.

b) **DISEASE:** Any animal found to be suffering from any contagious or infectious disease shall be removed from the show ground immediately at the request of the Veterinary Surgeon. The committee reserve the right to ask any exhibitor with a horse/pony which Judges consider unfit, to leave the ring. Any animal found to be so affected will, on a certificate from UK Ponies & Horses Veterinary Officer be disqualified from competing and must be removed from the show ground by the exhibitor without delay.

c) Stallions/Colts may not be led by any juniors who have not attained their 14th birthday before the 1st January in the current year at any show affiliated to UK Ponies & Horses.

d) Any pony stallion not exceeding 138cms OR Small Breed Mountain & Moorland Stallions – i.e. Exmoor, Dartmoor, Shetland or Welsh A or B – may not be ridden by juniors who have not attained their 12th birthday before 1st January in the current year at any show affiliated to UK Ponies & Horses. Stallions exceeding 138cms OR Large Breed Mountain & Moorland Stallions – i.e. Connemara, Dales, Fells, New Forest, and Welsh C & Welsh D – may not be ridden by any juniors who have not attained their 14th birthday before 1st January in the current year at any show affiliated to UK Ponies & Horses.

e) Payment of Medical/Veterinary Fees – the payment of this fee allows UK Ponies & Horses to provide emergency medical & veterinary cover ON SITE at the Associations Shows. Exhibitors are responsible for the payment of any fees incurred by the use of these services.

14. **9. EQUINE FLU REGULATIONS**

Equine Influenza vaccinations are a compulsory requirement for all horses/ponies competing in UK Ponies & Horses affiliated classes. The requirement for the first 3 vaccinations is as follows: the first 2 vaccinations 21 – 92 days apart, a third booster between 150-215 days, and an annual booster vaccination within 365 days thereafter. No horse should enter competitions within 7 days of an EI vaccination. Foals should commence vaccinations at 6 months old. This Rule may be subject to change from guidance from the FEI/BEF and any changes will be notified via the UK Ponies & Horses website. The current FEI ruling is for a six monthly booster as opposed to annual; therefore it is recommended that you check with shows that fall under FEI regulation before entering e.g. Windsor, Hickstead, and HOYS etc. It is also strongly advised that all animals are vaccinated against tetanus in accordance with manufacturer's instructions. This will be subject to spot checks at UK Ponies & Horses shows.

15. **10. DOPE TESTING**

a) 'Dope Testing' means the examination of a horse/pony by a duly qualified person appointed by UK Ponies & Horses and includes taking samples for subsequent analysis of all or any body fluid, tissues, excreta, hair or skin scrapings at the discretion of the person conducting the examination.

b) All animals taking part in any class will be liable to dope testing. Random Dope Tests may be made at any UK Ponies & Horses Shows. The presence of prohibited substances will render both exhibitor and pony liable to disqualification.

c) Test will be conducted according to Jockey Club Rules.

d) It is the responsibility of the Member/Exhibitor having such custody of a horse/pony, particularly in the twenty four hours before the show, to ensure that nothing is fed, administered or applied to a horse/pony that contains a Prohibited Substance. Ignorance is not an adequate defence.

e) If there is a presence of a Prohibited Substance UK Ponies & Horses Executive Council shall investigate the matter and decide what disciplinary proceeding will apply within fourteen days of the date of posting by UK Ponies & Horses of notification of a positive dope test to the Member/Exhibitor.

f) The horse/pony shall be suspended from being entered or shown or otherwise taking part in any Affiliated Show pending the outcome of the disciplinary procedure.



16. **11. HEIGHT MEASUREMENT**

HEIGHT MEASUREMENT REGULATIONS: The council reserve the right to measure any class by their Official Veterinary Surgeon on the show ground's official measuring pad unless a current JMB Height Certificate is presented. 1cm will be allowed for shoes. Any exhibitor not adhering to the conditions laid down for the class will automatically be disqualified from competing and NO entry fees will be refunded.

17. **12. TROPHIES**

*Trophies will be presented in the ring at the time of final Judging due to current Government guidelines. Please note that to take the trophies home, UK Ponies & Horses will require a £20.00 deposit, refundable on return of said trophy, providing that it is returned to UK Ponies & Horses Office by the 31<sup>st</sup> January, cleaned and in good condition.*

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