

THE ROYAL CHESHIRE COUNTY SHOW



2026

16th-17th June

Schedule for:
Shire Horse Classes

Entries close: 18th May



The Cheshire Agricultural Society CIO - Data Protection Policy

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DISCLAIMER

Whilst the Society will take all reasonable steps to prevent accidents to persons or injury to property, neither the Society nor its Officers or Servants accept responsibility for such accidents or injuries howsoever caused and whether or not involving negligence on the part of any such officers or servants. The Show, its Officers or Servants, shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss however caused, that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant, or to any article, animal, or property brought into the Showground, or while entering or leaving the Showground. Each exhibitor shall be solely responsible for any loss, injury or damage that may have been done to or occasioned by, or arising from, any machinery, or other article, or any animal or property exhibited by him. It is a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall indemnify and hold harmless the Show from and against all actions, suits and claims on account of such damage or injury. The Society through its Secretary (or Show Director) shall have full and free right to refuse to accept any entry, to cancel any entry after being made and accepted, to refuse admission to the Showground of any proposed exhibit and/or to remove or order to be removed at the risk and expense of the owner thereof any exhibit which has been admitted to the Showground. There shall be no obligation upon the Show Committee to make or offer any explanation or reason for any such action, and the Show Committee shall not incur any liability or responsibility in this matter.

HOW TO MAKE YOUR ENTRY

All entries are to be made via www.rcs.entrymaster.online. All passes/tickets will be sent to the email address provided on the entry form

PLEASE NOTE

- a) Under no circumstances can an entry be moved from one class to another, or substitutions made (please refer to Show Rules).
- b) Tickets, exhibit numbers and passes will be sent to the name and address on the Entries Statement in early June.
- c) Passports must be brought to the show.

Trophies remain the property of the Cheshire Agricultural Society CIO and will **NOT** be given out. There will be the opportunity for the winning Exhibitor to be photographed with the trophy at the Trophy Marquee. We would ask that you treat our volunteers with the utmost respect in this matter as they are conforming to the wishes of the Society. Failure to do so will result in either a loss of prize money and/or exclusion from the show for a period of 12 months.

PRIZE MONEY & FORWARD PAYMENTS

All money will be sent via an email link to the exhibitor who entered after the show. This could take up to a month in some circumstances. Prize money will only be given if the exhibitor shows in the grand parade.

STABLING

We have our own shire sized stables available, this will be available on the entry form on a first come first serve basis.

TICKET ALLOCATION

1 horse	-	2 Tickets
2 horses	-	3 Tickets
3 horses	-	4 Tickets
4 horses	-	5 Tickets
5 horses	-	6 Tickets
6 horses	-	7 Tickets
7+ horses	-	Issued at Society's discretion

When entering on both days, tickets will be issued as appropriate

DRESS FOR SHOWING

All exhibitors **MUST** wear a suit or smart jacket with a tie. In cold conditions, a suitable smart topcoat is acceptable. Exhibitors should only discard jackets by the express permission of the Judge.

Ladies are reminded that the dress code also applies to them. Please note that bare arms are not acceptable. Gilets (tweed or other colour) are not acceptable in the show ring. We also remind in-hand handlers that smart trousers should be worn. Jeans are not acceptable.

Suitable footwear should be worn. Wellington boots, trainers, slip on shoes and open toes shoes are unsafe and are not acceptable.

The dress code will be enforced for classes and for the Grand Parades.

DRESS CODE FOR WOMEN

The dress code above also applies to women. Showing of horses in short sleeves, gilets, jodhpurs (except ridden classes) is not permissible.

OUTSIDE ASSISTANCE

Exhibitors in all competitive classes (except foals, yearlings and ridden classes if the horses are stripped) are strictly prohibited from receiving any help, assistance or change of handler unless in the case of an emergency or serious threat of harm or risk to the exhibitor, other exhibitors, horses or any other individual. Exhibitors of foals and yearlings are permitted to have an assistant if needed for the individual 'show', and exhibitors of ridden horses are permitted to have an assistant if the horse is required to be stripped of the saddle. All assistants must be dressed appropriately for the show ring. They must not enter the ring until required and must leave the ring as soon as the relevant animal has completed its 'show' and returned to the line-up. In the event of a breach of this rule the exhibitor and person/persons providing such assistance will be disqualified from the Class. For the avoidance of doubt, this also includes 'whipping up'.

**ALL PRIZE WINNERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO TAKE PART IN THE GRAND PARADE (WITHOUT EXCEPTION)
AND WILL BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE PRIZE RAFFLE OF £150 PER DAY**

SHIRE SPONSORS

The Cheshire Agricultural Society CIO is most grateful.
to the following for their sponsorship.



ROBINSONS BREWERY

The Shire Section

Mrs D Nulty, Mrs K Whittaker

Champion Shire Foal & Reserve Champion Shire Foal

Mrs D Nulty & Mr B Massey

Young Handlers

Mr H Bardsley, Mr J Worthington, Mr C Paulsson

AOB

Shire Horse Society

Stallion 2 years and over

Mr & Mrs J Worthington

Best Shire 2 Years old and under

Mrs Hazel Gordon

Shire Horse Foal Class

TUESDAY 16 JUNE 2026

Class 702

THE SARAH ROUSE MEMORIAL

HEAVY HORSE 3 OR 4 HORSE TEAM

CHAMPIONSHIP TURNOUT

Judge – Mrs J Massey, Cheshire

Trade or Agricultural Teams Welcome to be judged in the main ring.

The Cheshire Agricultural Society CIO
is pleased to act as hosts for these Championships
featuring superb turnouts from all over the Country.

The winner will be presented with

**THE CHESHIRE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY
160TH ANNIVERSARY TROPHY No 314**

To be judged on Tuesday 16 June 2026
then staged in the Main Ring at approximately 2.15 pm

Entry Fee - £28.00 (refundable for all entries forward)

Appearance Money - £400.00 per competing entry

Could exhibitors please describe their turnout
on a separate sheet for the commentator

SHIRE HORSES

Affiliated to the Shire Horse Society and judged under Shire Horse Society Rules and Conditions

In Hand Judges

Mrs K Marx, Germany

Mr B Morgan, Gwent

Ride Judge

TBC

Conformation, In hand Referee and Any Other Heavy Breed Judge

Mr S Roper, East Sussex

Heavy Horse Turnout, Two Wheeled Carts Judge

Mrs J Massey, Cheshire

MAIN RING

Entry Free: £15.00

Class 700

HEAVY HORSE (SINGLES ONLY) – P E MOSS CHALLENGE TROPHY No 316

1st - £30 2nd - £25 3rd - £20 4th - £15

Each exhibitor will receive £100 appearance money

Will exhibitors please describe their turnout on a separate sheet for the commentator

MAIN RING APPROX 10.30

Class 701

HEAVY HORSE (PAIRS ONLY) To be judged in the main ring - THE LORD WOOLLEY CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY No 315

1st - £30, 2nd - £25, 3rd - £20, 4th - £15,

Each exhibitor will receive on appearance £100 for a pair of horses

Will exhibitors please describe their turnout on a separate sheet for the commentator

MAIN RING APPROX 12.30

Entry Fee: £28.00

Class 702

HEAVY HORSE 3 or 4 HORSE TEAM CHAMPIONSHIP TURNOUT - THE SARAH ROUSE MEMORIAL. THE CAS 160TH ANNIVERSARY TROPHY No 314. Trade or Agricultural Teams Welcome.

MAIN RING APPROX 2.15

SHIRES RING

Judging to start at 9.30am in the Shire Ring

This is a permanent running order and is not subject to change

First Prize Winners of the following classes will be required to take part in the Grand Parade and will be eligible for the prize raffle of £150.

Entry Fee: £10.00

Class 703

ANY OTHER BREED FOAL (Excluding shires)

1st - £40, 2nd - £35, 3rd - £30, 4th - £25

Entry fee: £10.00

Class 704

ANY OTHER BREED 1 OR 2 YEARS OLD (Excluding Shires)

1st - £40, 2nd - £35, 3rd - £30, 4th - £25

Special HH70

ANY OTHER BREED CHAMPIONSHIPS Champion Rosette and £100

Entry Fee: £15.00

Class 705

OPEN RIDDEN CLASS (Light Horse crosses not accepted) Horse will be ridden by the judge. No rider or horse substitutions will be allowed (please refer to Show Rules).

1st - £40, 2nd - £35, 3rd - £30, 4th - £25

The winner will receive the **CAS KAREN WHITTAKER TROPHY No 318**

Entry Fee: £15.00

Class 706

GELDING 3 years old and over

THE FRANK KLUCZNIK & SON LTD CHALLENGE TROPHY No 310

1st - £60, 2nd - £50, 3rd - £40, 4th - £30

Best Shire Gelding eligible for Championship

Entry Fee: £15.00

Class 707

STALLION 2 years old and over

The winner will receive **THE TETLEY WALKER TROPHY No 309**

1st - £60, 2nd - £50, 3rd - £40, 4th - £30

- Class 708** **Entry Fee: £15.00**
BARREN MARE 3 years old and over
The winner will receive **THE HAROLD CALLWOOD MEMORIAL TROPHY No 311**
1st - £60, 2nd - £50, 3rd - £40, 4th - £30
- Class 709** **Entry Fee: £15.00**
COLT, GELDING or FILLY 1 year old
1st - £60, 2nd - £50, 3rd - £40, 4th - £30
- Class 710** **Entry Fee: £15.00**
GELDING or FILLY 2 years old
1st - £60, 2nd - £50, 3rd - £40, 4th - £30
- Class 711** **Entry Fee: £15.00**
BROOD MARE with foal at foot
The Winner will receive **THE ASHBOURNE TROPHY No 312**
1st - £60, 2nd - £50, 3rd - £40, 4th - £30
- Class 712** **Entry Fee: £10.00**
COLT FOAL
1st - £50, 2nd - £40, 3rd - £30, 4th - £20
The winner will receive **THE TURNER TROPHY No 304**
- Class 713** **Entry Fee: £10.00**
FILLY FOAL
The winner will receive the **WRIGHT & MORTEN TROPHY No 305**
1st - £50, 2nd - £40, 3rd - £30, 4th - £20
- Special HH71** **CHAMPION FOAL** Champion Rosette, Sash & £100 **THE ANSON FRANKLIN MEMORIAL SALVER**
RESERVE CHAMPION FOAL Reserve Champion Rosette, Sash & £50
- Class 714** **Entry Fee: £15.00**
ANY HEAVY HORSE BREED (Excluding Shires)
Mare or Gelding 3 years old and over
1st - £40, 2nd - £35, 3rd - £30, 4th - £25
Each competitor forward will receive £25 in addition

Times will be announced when entries for the show close and will be included on the exhibitor's letter by arrangement of the Chief Steward.

- Class 715** **Entry Fee: £20.00**
SHIRE HORSE OF THE YEAR CHAMPIONSHIP SUPPORTED BY THE SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY This class is a qualifier for the Shire Horse of the Year Championship 2026 supported by the Shire Horse Society to be held at the NEC, Birmingham on 8th -12th October 2026. This class is open to pure bred, fully registered shires of 2 years old and over that are entered and exhibited in their appropriate breed classes. 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. **No prize money will be allocated to this class. 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.**

Entry into **Class 715** is free but a Horse of the Year Show contribution of £20.00 must be paid. Entries will only be accepted on condition that exhibitors are placing entries in the classes above. **THE HORSE OF THE YEAR SHOW ENTRY FORM PROVIDED WITH THE SCHEDULE MUST BE COMPLETED FOR THIS CLASS.** The Shire Horse Society reserves the right to share your membership data with Grandstand Media Ltd in compliance with the Horse of the Year Show (HOYS) Rules and Regulations. This sharing is for the purpose of HOYS matters to include, but not limited to, qualification or disciplinary. For further details regarding the use of data for Horse of the Year Show qualifiers, please refer to www.hoys.co.uk. 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.

- Special HH72** **CHAMPION SHIRE IN THE SHOW**
BARCLAYS BANK LTD SILVER PERPETUAL CHALLENGE CUP No 301
 Champion Rosette, Sash and £100
 RESERVE CHAMPION will receive Reserve Champion Rosette, Sash and £50
- Special HH73** **CHESHIRE SHIRE CHAMPION**
 Open to STALLION, MARE, FILLY or GELDING, the property of an exhibitor residing in Cheshire.
THE OAKES (MILLERS) LTD CHALLENGE BOWL No 306, Champion Rosette and £100.
- Special HH74** **BEST SHIRE** Mare, Filly or Filly Foal in the Show, the property of an exhibitor residing in Cheshire
THE MILTON MEMORIAL PERPETUAL CHALLENGE TROPHY No 303
- Special HH75** **BEST SHIRE** 2 years old and under £100 & **THE HAWORTH TROPHY No 308**
- Special HH76** **BEST GELDING** 3 years old or older, **THE MARTINS BANK LTD SILVER PERPETUAL CUP No 302**
- Special HH77** **CHAMPION FOAL** The property of a Cheshire Exhibitor
 Champion Rosette **THE PETER ALLAN MEMORIAL CHALLENGE TROPHY No 307**
- Special HH78** **SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY SILVER PLATED SPOONS AND ROSETTES FOR BEST MARE OR FILLY**
- Special HH79** **SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY SILVER PLATED SPOONS AND ROSETTE FOR BEST STALLION**

Entry Fee: £15.00 (Those that show on the day will receive a refund of entry fee) - **Please state name of young handler on entry form**

Class 716

YOUNG HANDLERS CLASS

Entry Fee - £15.00

For Exhibitors 21 years old or under. NO HELP will be allowed. No marks will be given for the conformation of the Horse. Marks will only be awarded for the way the Horse is handled in the ring. The winner will receive **THE J K MOSS CHALLENGE TROPHY No 313**

1st - £30 2nd - £25 3rd - £15 4th - £10 any others £5

Prize money kindly donated by Mrs D Nulty and Mr B Massey.

The winning young handler will qualify for the Shire Horse Young Handler of the Year Championship at the Midland Shire Foal Show on Saturday 26th September 2026.

This is also a qualifier for the Shire Horse Society Young Handler's Accumulator Award Competition.

Entry Fee: £15.00

Class 717

HEAVY HORSE TURNOUT, TWO WHEELED CARTS Open to heavy horses driven to single turnout in harness with two wheeled vehicle driven by a lady or gentleman

1st - £30 2nd - £25 3rd - £20 4th - £15

Each exhibitor forward will receive on appearance £50

The Shire Horse Society is pleased to award: -

- 1 A Spoon and a Rosette for the Best Mare or Filly and a Spoon and Rosette for the Best Stallion (providing there is a separate class/classes for Stallions) exhibited in the Shire Classes.
- 2 The winner of the Special Prize must be a member of the Shire Horse Society.
- 3 Entries cannot be accepted at Affiliated Shows in classes for Shires or Heavy Horses from any person who has been either suspended or removed from membership of the Shire Horse Society or has been excluded from exhibiting for prizes at Shows, Sales or Exhibitions or from taking part in any Show organised by the Shire Horse Society.
- 4 No animal to be eligible to take more than one Silver Spoon during any one year. The Shire Horse Society Spring Show being excepted.
- 5 THE WINNING ANIMAL MUST BE REGISTERED OR ELIGIBLE FOR REGISTRATION IN THE STUD BOOK OR GRADE B REGISTER.
- 6 The Judge invited to officiate must be on the Society's Official Panel and has the right to withhold the award of the Silver Spoon and Rosette if an exhibit does not show sufficient merit.
- 7 The Council reserve the right in offering Spoons, to award them only to persons approved by the Shire Horse Society.

Please Note

Spoons will be dispatched to winners directly from the Shire Horse Society.

SHIRE HORSE OF THE YEAR QUALIFIER SUPPORTED BY THE SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY

This class is a qualifier for the Shire Horse of the Year Championship supported by the Shire Horse Society
Rosettes will be awarded to the qualifying and reserve horses
Run under conditions laid down by the Shire Horse Society

MOBBERLEY MEMBERS CHAMPION FOAL OF THE YEAR

This show is part of the Mobberley Members Champion Foal of the Year
Points for this competition are:-

1st - 5 points, 2nd - 3 points, 3rd - 1 point

Special form and rules are obtained from the Secretary Marion Hardy - 01625 861828

SHOW RULES

- 1 **ENTRY FEES** Under no circumstances will Entry Fees be returned in the case of cancellation of entries by an Exhibitor or
because of postponement or cancellation of the Show for whatever reason.
- 2 Under no circumstances can an entry be moved from one class to another, or rider or horse substitutions made.
- 3 All animals must be the bona-fide property of the Exhibitor at the time of entry.
- 4 All animals must be provided with ties, and all animals must be halter led in the rings.
- 5 Any person in charge of livestock exhibits who places the stock in their charge in any other place than that allocated
to them or who removes or alters any number or name indicating the position of their exhibit, will be liable to
expulsion from the Showground and their animals may be debarred from competition.
- 6 **ATTENDANTS** Exhibitors or their attendants must remain with their exhibits during the whole time they are at the
Show and must comply with and be governed by the Society's Rules and Regulations.
- 7 **HEADWEAR** Anyone riding a horse must wear a hat to British Standard specification and of a standard approved by
the governing body of their respective horse society.
- 8 **DRESS** Exhibitors should be smartly dressed, gentlemen in smart jacket, trousers, shirt and tie, ladies in trousers or
skirt, smart jacket and blouse. Strictly no jeans.
- 9 **NUMBERING OF EXHIBITS** All exhibits must display the number supplied by the Society for the appropriate class
during judging or in the Parade. Failure to comply with this rule may result in mistakes being made on prize money
payouts.
- 10 **JUDGING** will commence as near as circumstances allow at the times stated in the Schedule, under the respective
sectional headings and Exhibitors will be responsible for their Exhibits being in their respective Ring at the proper time.
- 11 **JUDGES** The Judges named in the Society's Prize Schedule and Show Catalogue or Programme have consented and
have been appointed to act as Judges in the events indicated. The Committee reserve the right to appoint substitutes
for any who may be unavoidably prevented from attending and all entries are accepted upon that understanding.
- 12 Trophies remain the property of the Cheshire Agricultural Society CIO and will NOT be given out. There will be the
opportunity for the winning Exhibitor to be photographed with the trophy at the Trophy Marquee.
- 13 **PROTESTS** Any Exhibitor wishing to lodge a protest must do so in writing to the Executive Director (within one hour
of completion of judging) on the Show Day together with the sum of £25. All protests to be investigated by a
committee consisting of at least three members of the Council whose decision shall be final.
- 14 **PRIZE MONEY** – will be paid directly into the account used to make the entries. This could take up to a
month in some circumstances.
- 15 **STEWARDS** The Committee delegates full power to the Stewards to enforce the Society's Rules and Regulations.
- 16 **TROPHIES** remain the property of the Cheshire Agricultural Society CIO and will **NOT** be given out. There will
however be the opportunity for the winning exhibitor to be photographed with the trophy at the Trophy Marquee.
- 17 **PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE** Exhibitors must carry adequate public liability cover.
- 18 **BREED SOCIETIES** All persons entering, competing or exhibiting an animal in a Class covered by a Breed Society
either to which the Society is affiliated, or which is affiliated to the Society shall be deemed to have consented to
the jurisdiction of the relevant Breed Society and be subject to its constitution and rules (including any disciplinary
procedures) insofar as they are applicable to any event, competition or display promoted or arranged by this Society.
- 19 **POSTPONEMENT OR ABANDONMENT** Exhibitors shall not have any claim against the Society or any member of the
Society in respect of any loss or damage whatsoever consequent upon the Show failing (for whatever reason) to be
held.
- 20 **TEMPORARY PADDOCKS** Exhibitors to remove temporary paddocks by 7.00 am on the Tuesday of the Show.
- 21 **CURRENT ANIMAL WELFARE LEGISLATION** applies at this Show and the Society will support any action where any
breach of such legislation occurs.
- 22 **ELECTRICAL EQUIPMENT** brought to the Show must have a current PAT test certificate.
- 23 **NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.** 1st June closing date

Location of the Showground

The County Showground

Flittogate Lane, Tabley
Knutsford, Cheshire
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F: 01565 650540

E: info@royalcheshireshow.org

W: www.royalcheshireshow.org



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From the North

Leave M6 at Junction 20 (Lymm interchange) - Follow Show signs along A50 towards High Legh and Knutsford. Continue following signs to the Show.

From the South

Traffic using A50 from the south, follow Show signs when approaching Holmes Chapel, to A54 road for Middlewich.

Traffic using M6, leave M6 at Junction 18 (Holmes Chapel interchange). Turn left on to A54 towards Middlewich. At the roundabout approaching Middlewich follow Show signs turning right (A530) towards Northwich. Turn right at traffic lights and continue towards Northwich for about 4 miles to roundabout at junction with A556. Continue to follow Show signs and directions.

From East or West

Leave M56 at Junction 10 and take A559 signposted Northwich. In Antrobus village, turn left and continue to follow Show signs.

When approaching the showground ignore SAT-NAV directions

Follow Green Route signage only

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