Horses

EQUINE INFLUENZA

⚠EQUINE FLU UPDATE⚠
Following further consultation with our equine veterinary advisor and the Show Committee, we have updated our Equine Influenza vaccination requirements. It is now compulsory for all equines (including Heavy Horses and display horses) attending the Melplash Show, whether competing or taking part in displays, to have up-to-date Equine Influenza vaccinations.

As a minimum Equines must have completed their primary vaccination course, consisting of the following
- 1st Vaccination (V1): The initial injection administered on Day 0
- 2nd Vaccination (V2): Given 21 to 60 days after V1

Further vaccinations should be administered as follows:
- 3rd Vaccination (V3): Given 120 to 180 days (4 to 6 months) after V2.

- Annual Boosters: Must be administered within 365 days of the previous vaccination. The booster cannot be given later than the date of the previous year's injection

- Vaccinations should not be given within 7 days of the event. Please note that the day of vaccination is counted as Day 0, with the following day being Day 1.

All equine passports will be checked. On arrival at the showground, and before unloading your animals, please report to the horse secretary's tent so that passports can be checked. (Heavy Horse passports will be checked by a Heavy Horse steward in your showing area). Your competition numbers will be given to you once checks have been carried out successfully. Any person unable to provide the required vaccination information will unfortunately be asked to leave the showground. Please do not unload your animals until your passports have been inspected and approved.
Finally, if your equine, or any other equines in the vicinity of your yard, stables or field, are showing signs of illness, please do not attend the show. Refunds will only be issued upon receipt of a valid veterinary certificate confirming illness or injury.
Thank you for your understanding.
27/08/2026 09:00

Ridden Hunters

These Ridden Hunter classes are open to all, no society registration necessary.
The judges are not obliged to ride all entries.
Ring: Main Ring

Judges

Mr Edward Rees (Ride Judge)
Mrs Ann Bassett (Conformation Judge)

Number	Name	Description
1	Local Hunter	Local Hunter - This is a local class, entries must come from a radius of 20 miles of Melplash Church. Novice Hunters must not have won a prize of £10 or over before the closing date of entries. Exhibitors to state on entry form if Hunter is eligible to compete for additional Novice Rosette. Riders of Novice Hunters to provide own white arm bands to assist the judge. The highest placed horse not exceeding 158cms to come forward to the championship for the H18 trophy Horses need not be registered with any society.
2	Open Hunter, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 153cms.	Open Hunter mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, exceeding 153cms, riders to have attained their 16th birthday by 1st January of the current year. The highest placed horse not exceeding 158cms to come forward to the championship for the H18 trophy. Horses need not be registered with any society.
R1	Ridden Hunter Championship	The judging of the Ridden Hunter Championship for the Prize Winners in Classes 1 and 2.

Working Hunters

Ring: Ring 2

Judges

Mr Edward Rees (Ride Judge)
Mrs Ann Bassett (Conformation Judge)

Number	Name	Description
3	Novice Working Hunter - Open to All	Novice Working Hunter, Open to All, Mare, gelding or stallion (competing stallions must have a red, white and blue ribbon displayed in their tail) 15.0hh and over. 4 years old and over. Not to have won a total of £200 excluding championship money, in prize money in working hunter classes, or more than 25 British Eventing Points or £200 British Show Jumping at home or abroad before 1st January of the current year. (Fences not to exceed 2'9.) Horses need not be registered with any society.
4	Open Working Hunter	Open Working Hunter, 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 and over, exceeding 148cms, to be ridden. Grade A show-jumpers and advanced event horses not eligible to compete in Working Hunter classes. (Fences to not exceed 3'3). 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. Horses need not be registered with any society.
R2	Working Hunter Championship	The Working Hunter Championship open to 1st and 2nd prize winners in classes 3 and 4.

Riding Horse

Ring: Ring 2

Judges

Mrs Ann Bassett (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
5	Riding Horse, for horses exceeding 148cms,	Riding Horse, for horses exceeding 148cms, to be judged on conformation, manners and way of going. Will not be ridden by the judge.

Retrained Racehorses

Ring: Main Ring

Judges

Ms Lucinda Tylor (Ride Judge)
Mrs Polly Walker (Conformation Judge)

Number	Name	Description
6	Tattersalls RoR OPEN Ridden Show Series Qualifier 2027	Tattersalls RoR OPEN Ridden Show Series Qualifier 2027, Open to RoR competition registered horses. Thoroughbred mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, any height. Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2026. Horses should be ridden in a snaffle, Pelham or simple double bridle with a plain cavasson noseband. Horses should be plaited. The first THREE go forward to the championship at Hickstead in June 2027. All entries MUST be competition registered with the RoR and include their competition registration number on entry form and have RACED in GB. All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. Please be aware that the show will split the class on the horse's last run in a race (NH or Flat) or will provide 2 ride judges should the entries exceed 20. Please mark your entry form accordingly. Competitors must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. Racing injuries and blemishes will NOT be ignored in this series RoR rosettes 1st – 4th plus Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £30, 2nd £20, 3rd £10, Highest placed Veteran (15+) £10.
7	Tattersalls RoR Former Racehorse Challenge 2027	Tattersalls RoR Former Racehorse Challenge 2027, Open to all RoR and NR competition registered horses, mare or gelding 4yrs old or over, any height. Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2026. Horses to be ridden in any suitable bridle and should be plaited. All entries must have current RoR Competition Registered. Racing injuries and blemishes ARE IGNORED in this series. The first three go forward to the final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships, Aintree, August 2027. The Judge will NOT ride. Horses may be stripped for conformation at the discretion of the judge. Competitors must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. The class to be judged 50% jumping, 20% Style while jumping and performance and 30% awarded for show, manners and suitability to be retrained. PHASE 1 Jumping to be judged: 8 rustic jumps 70cm to 80cm with a maximum spread of 75cm. The following points to be deducted at the end of each jumping round: 10 points to be deducted for a knock down, 15 points to be deducted for a refusal, 20 points for second refusal. Elimination for third refusal or fall or Error of Course. PHASE 2 Class returns without boots and judged for an individual show/conformation. (In some classes, at the judge's discretion, horses might be asked to do a 'show' following their jumping without leaving the ring. This is often the case with a large number in the class) Each horse to complete an individual show of no longer than 1 ½ minutes. Show to include the following movements: walk, trot, canter showing change of leg, extended canter (gallop) halt and stand, walk off on long rein. Total marks out of 30% for Show, manners and suitability to be retrained. Fences for the final at Aintree can be up to a maximum of 85cm with a spread of 80cm. Prizes: RoR rosettes 1st –4th plus RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £20, 2nd £10, 3rd £5, Highest placed Veteran (15+) £10. The Highest Placed Veteran also qualifies for the Tattersalls RoR Ridden Veteran Show final at the Jockey Club RoR National Championships in August, 2027.
8	Tattersalls RoR NOVICE Ridden Show Series Qualifier 2027	Tattersalls RoR NOVICE Ridden Show Series Qualifier 2027, Thoroughbred mare or gelding, 4 years old or over, any height, must have raced in GB and have current RoR Competition Membership. Riders must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2026. Horses will be ridden by the Judge and will be stripped for conformation assessment. Horses to be ridden in a snaffle, pelham or simple double bridle with a plain cavesson noseband. Horses should be plaited. All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. Competitors/grooms must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. Racing injuries and blemishes are NOT ignored in this series. The first three go forward to the Final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships Aintree August 2027. Prizes: RoR rosettes 1st –4th plus Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £30, 2nd £20, 3rd £10. To take part in this class, horses must NOT have won: a ridden open class under any affiliated showing society including (inc SEIB/HOYS, BSHA, SHB(GB) BSPS, BSPA, Tattersalls RoR Open /Amateur Ridden Show Series Qualifier, TARRA Ridden, or any other open class except Tattersalls RoR Challenge Show Series, other Working Hunter type classes or RoR In Hand classes. Unaffiliated Show wins are not considered. Horses may remain in the Tattersalls RoR Novice Ridden Show Series (Formerly RoR Jockey Club Novice Show Series) classes until they have won three Tattersalls RoR Novice Show Series Qualifiers. They are de-noviced on their third novice win or at midnight on the day they win an open class, whichever happens first. They are still eligible to compete in the Tattersalls RoR Novice Final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships.
9	Tattersalls RoR OPEN In Hand Show Series	Tattersalls RoR OPEN In Hand Show Series Qualifier 2027, Open to all RoR and NR competition registered horses, 3 years and over, fillies, mares and geldings. Handlers must be 15 years or over on the 1st January 2026. Horses do not need to be shod to compete in the RoR Open In-Hand class. Horses can be shown in a bitless/In-Hand Bridle. Blemishes caused through racing will be ignored.

	Qualifier 2027	All those entering horses and/or participating in the show agree to be bound by the Retraining of Racehorses Rules and Regulations from time to time in force. Handlers/grooms must wear a safety/kite mark hard hat with a chinstrap. The first three go forward to the final at The Jockey Club RoR National Championships at Aintree, August 2027. Prizes: RoR rosettes 1st –4th plus Tattersalls RoR official merchandise voucher 1st £20, 2nd £10, 3rd £5. Highest placed Veteran (15+) £10. The Highest Placed Veteran also qualifies for the Tattersalls RoR Open In-Hand Veteran Show final at the Jockey Club RoR National Championships in August 2027
R3	Retrained Racehorse Championship	The judging of the Retrained Racehorse Championship will take place after class 8, those placed 1st and 2nd in the former racehorse classes (excluding in hand class) will go forward.

Pony Club Pony and Young Handler

Limited to the first 30 entries received.

The Melplash Agricultural Society respectfully request that ALL competitors in the Pony classes wear a skull cap or hat with safety harness according to the current approved BSI or European Standard.

Ring: Ring 3A

Judges

Mr Michael Cook (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
10	PONY CLUB PONY, not exceeding 14.2hh (148cms).	PONY CLUB PONY, not exceeding 14.2hh (148cms). This class is open to any member of any Pony Club. A jump will be available but only for the purpose of entrants being able to demonstrate ability, should they wish.
11	Young Handler	Young Handler, handlers to be 12 years and under (must not have attained their 13th birthday on the day of the show) To be judged on presentation and competence of the handler, not the animal that is being shown. Handlers must wear correctly secured British Standard skull caps. No colts or stallions permitted. To be shown in a bridle with a mouthed bit. A Special Rosette will be awarded to each handler not placed.

Working Hunter Ponies

Course Builder: Mr Nigel Payne.
If there are insufficient entries these classes will be amalgamated.
Ring: Ring 2

Judges

Mrs Stephanie Hill (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
12	Native Working Hunter Pony - Large Breeds.	Native Working Hunter Pony - Large Breeds, New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh C, Welsh D. Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over. Maximum height of fences 70cms, riders any age.
13	Native Working Hunter Pony - Small Breeds.	Native Working Hunter Pony - Small Breeds, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A, Welsh B, Mare or gelding, 4 years old or over.
14	Mixed Height Working Hunter Pony	Mixed Height Working Hunter Pony, mare or gelding, 4 years old or over. Ponies not exceeding 133cms - max height of fences 75cms and rider not to have attained their 14th birthday. Ponies not exceeding 143cms - max height of fences 80cms and rider not to have attained their 17th birthday. Ponies not exceeding 153cms - max height of fences 90cms and rider not to have attained their 20th birthday. Ponies not exceeding 158cms - max height of fences 1.0m and rider not to have attained their 25th birthday.
R4	Native & Mixed Height Working Hunter Championship	Native & Mixed Height Working Hunter Championship

Ridden Ponies

Ring: Ring 3A

Judges

Mrs Stephanie Hill (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
15	OPEN LEAD REIN PONY, Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 127cms.	OPEN LEAD REIN PONY, Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 127cms. Riders not to have attained their 8th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.
16	OPEN FIRST RIDDEN CLASS, Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 127cms.	OPEN FIRST RIDDEN CLASS, Mare or gelding, 4 years old and over, not exceeding 127cms. Riders not to have attained their 10th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. No cantering is allowed except for individual performances.
17	The Mixed Height Open Hunter Pony	The Mixed Height Open Hunter Pony, Mare or Gelding, 4 years old or over, not exceeding 153cms. Will not be required to jump.
R5	Mini Pony Championship	Open to ponies, 4 years old and over, that have been placed 1st or 2nd in the Lead Rein and First Ridden classes only.
R6	Best Ridden Pony	Best Ridden Pony

NPS Ridden Ponies

NPS Qualifying Rounds: These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. Ponies must be registered in the main body of their respective M&M Stud Book. Or for the British Riding pony classes must be registered in the appropriate section of the British Riding Pony Studbook. Qualifying rounds for most NPS competitions are open to ponies owned by NPS members and non-members but only ponies owned by adult NPS Qualifying or Life members are eligible to qualify for the final competition at the NPS Summer Championship in Summer 2027. The highest placed pony, if owned by an NPS member, in each class will qualify for the final. Qualification may be passed down to third place if the first and second ponies are already qualified. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Ltd Home Produced Ridden Championship - Riders of Home Produced ponies (see definition in the NPS Rules Book) can wear a white arm band in classes where this is indicated. These ponies, if owned by NPS members, are then eligible to qualify for the final at the NPS Summer Championship Show. The Owner's Membership cards MUST be produced in the ring when requested or the qualification will be forfeit.
Our show affiliation number is S24.002
Ring: Ring 3A

Judges

Mr Michael Goddard (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
18	The NPS/SHOWING CLASSICS M&M Leading Rein National Championship	The NPS /SHOWING CLASSICS M&M Leading Rein National Championship, Open to mares and geldings four years old or over not exceeding 122 cms registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book. Riders must have attained their 3rd birthday but must not have attained their 9th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. To be shown in a snaffle bit. To be run under National Pony Society Rules 2025. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier - wear white arm bands.
19	The NPS /PARTRIDGE & PARR M&M First Ridden National Championship	The NPS /PARTRIDGE & PARR M&M First Ridden National Championship, Open to mares and geldings four years old or over not exceeding 128 cm registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book. Riders must have attained their 3rd birthday but not reached their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. To be run under National Pony Society Rules 2025. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier – wear white arm bands. NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years
R7	Mini NPS Pony Championship	Open to ponies, 4 years old and over, that have been placed 1st or 2nd in the Lead Rein and First Ridden classes only.

NPS Mountain and Moorland - Ridden

NPS Qualifying Rounds: These classes are judged under the Rules of the NPS. Ponies must be registered in the main body of their respective M&M Stud Book. Or for the British Riding pony classes must be registered in the appropriate section of the British Riding Pony Studbook. Qualifying rounds for most NPS competitions are open to ponies owned by NPS members and non-members but only ponies owned by adult NPS Qualifying or Life members are eligible to qualify for the final competition at the NPS Summer Championship in Summer 2027. The highest placed pony, if owned by an NPS member, in each class will qualify for the final. Qualification may be passed down to third place if the first and second ponies are already qualified. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Ltd Home Produced Ridden Championship - Riders of Home Produced ponies (see definition in the NPS Rules Book) can wear a white arm band in classes where this is indicated. These ponies, if owned by NPS members, are then eligible to qualify for the final at the NPS Summer Championship Show. The Owner's Membership cards MUST be produced in the ring when requested or the qualification will be forfeit.
Our show affiliation number is S24.002.

NPS Silver Medal Rosette Championships - NPS Silver Medal Rosettes are only awarded when the owner of the champion pony is a Qualifying or Life member of the NPS. A valid membership card must be in the rider's/handler's possession on entering the ring and be produced immediately on request by either the judge or the steward. If the owner of the Champion pony is not a member, or the owner's membership card is not immediately produced, the rosette may be awarded to the Reserve Champion provided they have the required membership card. If the Champion pony has previously qualified it is still entitled to the Silver Medal Rosette, but the qualification card goes to the Reserve Champion pony, provided the owner of that pony is a member of the NPS. The Silver Medal Rosette and the qualification card can be awarded no lower than first Reserve (third). Foals are not eligible for Silver Medal Championships. Qualifiers are entitled to compete in the final of the Silver Medal Rosette Championship to be held at the NPS Summer Championship Show in August 2027
Ring: Ring 3A

Judges

Mr Michael Goddard (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
20	The NPS/Ringside Stud M&M Open Ridden National Championship, Small Breeds	The NPS/Ringside Stud M&M Open Ridden National Championship, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A, Welsh B, Open to registered pure bred M&M stallions, mares and geldings five years old or over. To be run under National Pony Society Rules 2025. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier– wear white arm bands. NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years
21	The NPS/Ringside Stud M&M Open Ridden National Championship, Large Breeds	The NPS/Ringside Stud M&M Open Ridden National Championship Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh C, Welsh D. Open to registered pure bred M&M stallions, mares and geldings five years old or over. To be run under National Pony Society Rules 2025. NPS/WTJ Insurance Brokers Limited Home Produced Ridden Championship Qualifier– wear white arm bands. NPS/Fiona Cork Saddles Young Rider Championship Qualifier – for rider up to 25 years
R8	NPS Mountain and Moorland - Ridden Championship	NPS Mountain and Moorland - Ridden Championship

Mountain and Moorland - In Hand

The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M In Hand Summer Championship
These classes are open to pure bred registered M&M ponies in the main body of their studbook. Owner's membership cards must be shown in the ring to receive qualifications. Foals are not eligible.
Ring: Ring 3A

Judges

Mr Michael Goddard (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
22	Mountain and Moorland In Hand. Class 1 - Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh A, Welsh B, 3 years old and under	Mountain and Moorland In Hand. Class 1 - Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh A, Welsh B, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
23	Mountain and Moorland In Hand. Class 2 - New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh C and D	Mountain and Moorland In Hand. Class 2 - New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh C, Welsh D, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
24	Mountain & Moorland - In Hand Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh A, Welsh B	Mountain & Moorland In Hand. Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh A, Welsh B, Mare, Gelding or Stallion, 4 years old or over.
25	Mountain & Moorland In Hand. New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh C, Welsh D	Mountain & Moorland - In Hand. New Forest, Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, Welsh C, Welsh D, Mare, Gelding or Stallion, 4 years old or over.
R9	NPS Mountain and Moorland - In Hand Championship	NPS Mountain and Moorland - In Hand Championship

Shetlands - In Hand

These classes will be amalgamated with the M&M In hand classes if there are insufficient entries.

The NPS/ABSORBINE M&M In Hand Summer Championship
These classes are open to pure bred registered M&M ponies in the main body of their studbook. Owner's membership cards must be shown in the ring to receive qualifications. Foals are not eligible

These classes are run under the rules of the Shetland Pony Stud Book Society. Animals must be registered in the Shetland Pony Stud Book.

1. Classes must be confined to SPS-BS registered ponies. Ponies must be named on the entry form and in the catalogue if one is produced. Society rosettes must only be given to ponies registered with the Society or to foals eligible for registration.
2. Three-year-old fillies with foals at foot may not be shown. All foals must be a minimum of three weeks old on the day of the Show.
3. IN ORDER TO ENTER A STALLION CLASS AT AN AFFILIATED SHOW, ENTIRE MALES AGED 4 YEARS OLD AND OVER MUST HAVE AN "S" NUMBER AND HAVE BEEN SUCCESSFULLY THROUGH EITHER THE SPS-BS STALLION ASSESSMENT PRIOR TO 2006 OR THE CURRENT SPSBS VOLUNTARY VETERINARY EXAMINATION.
4. Children under 14 years old may not show colts (excluding foals) or entire males in In-hand classes. In the interests of safety, hard hats must be worn by all handlers aged 14 years or under in In-hand classes. Exhibitors should not kneel but remain standing while in the ring.
Ring: Ring 3A

Judges

Mrs Fiona Hammond (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
26	Standard Shetland, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.	Standard Shetland, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
27	Standard Shetland, 4 years old and over, Mare, Stallion or Gelding. Foals not eligible.	Standard Shetland, 4 years old and over, Mare, Stallion or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
28	Miniature Shetland, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.	Miniature Shetland, 3 years old and under, Colt, Filly or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
29	Miniature Shetland, 4 years old and over, Mare, Stallion or Gelding. Foals not eligible.	Miniature Shetland, 4 years old and over, Mare, Stallion or Gelding. Foals not eligible.
R10	Shetland Pony Championship	Shetland Pony Championship

Coloureds - In Hand and Ridden

This Show is affiliated to The Coloured Horse & Pony Society (UK). Our show affiliation number is 26-025. Both owner and the 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 should apply to CHAPS (UK) for the appropriate qualifier card.

This Show is a Qualifier for the 2027 CHAPS (UK) Championship Show.

The following classes are CHAPS (UK) Qualifiers; 30, 31, 32, 33 & 34. For full rulings and information on competition/qualification, please refer to the CHAPS (UK) Members' Handbook; or visit www.chapsuk.com for rulings. Only Skewbalds and Piebalds may compete in these classes. All stallions, 4 years old and over entering these classes must be graded with CHAPS (UK). All stallions must wear Stallion ID Discs in the ring without exception.
Ring: Ring 3B

Judges

Mr John Conifey (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
30	CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE OPEN IN HAND QUALIFIER, any height. Any age.	CHAPS (UK) NON-NATIVE OPEN IN HAND QUALIFIER, any height. Any age.
31	CHAPS (UK) NATIVE / COB / TRADITIONAL OPEN IN HAND QUALIFIER, any height. Any age.	CHAPS (UK) NATIVE / COB / TRADITIONAL OPEN IN HAND QUALIFIER, any height. Any age.
32	CHAPS (UK) Open Youngstock Qualifier, 1, 2 or 3 year olds; no foals.	CHAPS (UK) Open Youngstock Qualifier, 1, 2 or 3 year olds; no foals.
33	CHAPS (UK) Non-Native Open Ridden Qualifier, any height.	CHAPS (UK) Non-Native Open Ridden Qualifier, any height.
34	CHAPS (UK) Native/Cob/Traditional Open Ridden Qualifier, any height.	CHAPS (UK) Native/Cob/Traditional Open Ridden Qualifier, any height.
R11	Coloured Horse Championship	Coloured Horse championship

Veteran classes

Ring: Ring 3B

Judges

Mr Michael Cook (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
35	VETERAN (15 Years and Over) In Hand, open to horses and ponies, any breed, any height.	VETERAN (15 Years and Over) In Hand, open to horses and ponies, any breed, any height.
36	VETERAN (15 Years and Over) Ridden, open to horses and ponies, any breed, any height	VETERAN (15 Years and Over) Ridden, open to horses and ponies, any breed, any height
R12	Veteran Championship	Veteran Horse and pony championship

Horse, Pony & Dog Fancy Dress

Ring: Main Ring

Judges

To Be Confirmed (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
37	FANCY DRESS, open to all	FANCY DRESS, open to all. Judging will take place in the Collecting Ring and presentation in the Main Ring. Equine handlers and riders must wear hard hats with chin straps. Ridden or In Hand, dogs welcome to join in too!

Unaffiliated Show Jumping

Ring: Main Ring

Judges

To Be Confirmed (Judge)

Number	Name	Description
76	Battens Solicitors Limited, Unaffiliated show jumping *JUNIOR GRAND FINAL*	Battens Solicitors Limited GRAND FINAL Unaffiliated show jumping. Riders to have qualified at shows in Dorset, Devon and Somerset in order to compete in this class. Riders to be aged 16 years and under on day of show. There will be a drawn order for this class, which will be published on the Melplash Show website. Table A7 Speed 325mpm
77	Inter-Hunt Knock-Out Competition.	Inter-Hunt Knock-Out Competition. This competition takes place as a Knockout Tournament in which two teams of three riders per team (riders to be aged 12 years old and over) compete over separate courses simultaneously. Early entry advised, as number of teams limited to eight. Please note: This is a fast-paced competition, and we offer the following advisory information: • We advise teams to practice before the event. • We advise that all horses are to wear studs, ideally at least one in each foot, horses not wearing studs that slip excessively during the competition may be eliminated.
78	90cms Unaffiliated Open Show Jumping	90cms Unaffiliated Open Show Jumping, Single fences only, open to horses and ponies. Single Phase - Speed 325mpm
79	1.00m Unaffiliated Open Show Jumping	1.00m Unaffiliated Open Show Jumping, Single fences only, open to horses and ponies. Single Phase - Speed 325mpm

Heavy Horse classes - In Hand and Ridden

Class winners will be presented with a £30 Palmers Wine Store voucher kindly donated by JC & RH Palmer, Bridport.

Entry Fee: £7.50 refundable after the Show, if entry forward (except class 88)

Prize Money: 1st £25; 2nd £20; 3rd £15; 4th £10

£75 towards travelling expenses will be paid by The Melplash Agricultural Society, to each lorry, providing the exhibitor has at least one entry forward on Show Day in classes 80-86 only. (see Rule 15).

Classes 81 & 82 may be amalgamated if in the Judge's opinion there are not enough entries forward.

HEAVY HORSE PARADE: All competitors are invited to join the Parade in the Main Ring at 3.15pm prompt and will receive a Special Rosette.

All Prize Winners must parade in the Parade of Winners or forfeit their prize money. It is a condition of entry that exhibitors ensure that handlers must have the necessary strength and experience to cope with foreseeable problems.
Animals should not be left unattended. All exhibitors must hold a current public liability policy at the time of the show.
Ring: Main Ring

Judges

Mr David Yates (Judge)
Mr Phillip Perryman (Judge)
Mr Edward Rees (Ride Judge)

Number	Name	Description
80	Local Heavy Horse, In hand, any sex, any age, without harness.	Local Heavy Horse, In hand, any sex, any age, without harness. (This is a local class)
81	Heavy Horse, Gelding, four years old and over.	Heavy Horse, Gelding, four years old and over.
82	Heavy Horse, Mare, four years old and over	Heavy Horse, Mare, four years old and over
83	Heavy Horse, Foal	Heavy Horse, Foal
84	Heavy Horse, Yearling or two year old.	Heavy Horse, Yearling or two year old.
85	Heavy Horse, three years old, any sex.	Heavy Horse, three years old, any sex.
86	The Best Turned-out Heavy Horse in Show Harness, three years old and over, any sex.	The Best Turned-out Heavy Horse in Show Harness, to be shown in breeching harness. Three years old and over, any sex. To be judged 25% for horse, 75% for harness. The Melplash Agricultural Society will award a special rosette to the Best Local exhibitor.
87	** NEW FOR 2026** Turn out in wagon, ladies cart or any wheeled implement.	Turn out in wagon, ladies cart or any wheeled implement.
88	Ridden Heavy Horse, open to pure bred heavy horses, 4 years old and over.	Ridden Heavy Horse, open to pure bred heavy horses, 4 years old and over and registered in the British Stud Books of the Shire, Clydesdale, Suffolk or Percheron Society. Phase 1 - To be judged on manners & way of going within breed type or Judges ride. Phase 2 - conformation, type, freedom of action.
R15	Heavy Horse Championship	
89	Best Shod Heavy Horse	Best Shod Heavy Horse, all heavy horses will automatically be entered into this class. A competition sponsored by the Worshipful Company of Farriers, for the Best Shod horse in the Heavy Horse Section (Classes 80 - 88, excluding foal class). The judge will examine each horse before or during the line-up for preliminary judging, taking into consideration: a. The condition of the feet b. The making (or preparation) and fitting of the shoes c. The nailing and the position of clips. Normal shoes and showing plates are equally acceptable, provided they are suitable for the horse. The Worshipful Company of Farriers will award: • A Rosette and Inscribed Card to the winner • A Brass plaque to the winner • A Brass plaque to the Registered Farrier responsible for its feet and shoeing • The overall winner will go forward for the National Best Shod competition.