



# NPS Scotland Finals and Silver Medal Championships

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2023

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**Closing Dates for Entries:**

**Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> July 2023 for all Qualifying Shows held prior to this date.**

**Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> August for Qualifying Shows held between 26<sup>th</sup> July and 5<sup>th</sup> August 2023.**

**Strictly No Late Entries**

**Stabling Booking from 1st June 2023: [www.equoevents.co.uk](http://www.equoevents.co.uk)**

**Entries for all classes may only be made online only via the  
[NPS SCOTLAND ENTRYMASTER](http://www.npsscotland.co.uk) system – [www.npsscotland.co.uk](http://www.npsscotland.co.uk)**



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## NPS Scotland Competition Sponsors

M&M Novice Ridden	Kilmannan Stud
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M&M Working Hunter Pony	Kingfisher Building Products
M&M Junior Ridden	Kind Friends of NPS Scotland
M&M In Hand	Townhead Pet n Pony
Riding Ponies/Hunter Ponies In Hand	NFU Mutual Insurance

## Judges and Officials 2023

### Judge

Mrs L Ahmet, Kent

### Sections

- NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud M&M Novice Ridden Championship Final 2023 (C)
- NPS Scotland/Kilgraston School M&M Lead Rein and First Ridden Championship Final 2023 (R)
- NPS Scotland/NFU Mutual Insurance Riding Pony/Hunter Pony In Hand Championship Final 2023

Mrs J Webb, Somerset

- NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud M&M Novice Ridden Championship Final 2023 (R)
- NPS/TheNicholls Family M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette (Scotland)Final 2023
- NPS Scotland/Townhead Pet n Pony M&M In Hand Championship Final 2023

Mr E Mackechnie-Guire,  
Warwickshire

- NPS Scotland/Blackertor & Sharptor Studs M&M IN Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship (Scotland) Final 2023
- NPS Scotland/Baileys Horse Feeds M&M Open Ridden Championship Final 2023 (R)



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| Miss K Wainwright,<br>Cheshire | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NPS Scotland/Kingfisher Building Products M&amp;M WHP Championship Final 2023 (J)</li> <li>• NPS Scotland/Baileys Horse Feeds M&amp;M Open Ridden Championship Final 2023 (C)</li> </ul>                                                                                           |
| Mrs G Simpson, Derbyshire      | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NPS Scotland/Kingfisher Building Products M&amp;M WHP Championship Final 2023 (C)</li> <li>• NPS Scotland/Kilgraston School M&amp;M Lead Rein and First Ridden Championship Final 2023 (C)</li> <li>• NPS/The Nicholls Family M&amp;M Silver Medal Rosette Championship</li> </ul> |
| Mrs MC Nimmo, West Lothian     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• NPS Scotland/Maggie May Junior Ridden Championship Final 2023</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Ms Linda Lucey                 | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• M&amp;M WHP Coursebuilders</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |

**ENTRIES FOR ALL CLASSES MAY ONLY BE MADE ONLINE VIA THE NPS SCOTLAND ENTRYMASTER SYSTEM**  
[www.npsscotland.co.uk](http://www.npsscotland.co.uk)

#### EQUINE INFLUENZA VACCINATIONS

All horses and ponies competing at Blair Castle MUST be vaccinated against Equine Influenza. Foals under six months of age are exempt from vaccination. For further information please visit [www.blairhoretials.co.uk/equine-flu](http://www.blairhoretials.co.uk/equine-flu)

#### THE TUMMEL ARENA – 8.30am PROMPT

#### NPS SCOTLAND/KILMANNAN STUD MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND NOVICE RIDDEN FINAL 2023

**Judges: Mrs Lorayne Ahmet, c/o Aquilas Stud, Summerfield Farm, Borough Green Road, Ightham, Near Sevenoaks, Kent, TN15 9HS (C) and Mrs Jackie Webb, Minstrels Farm, Withy Road, East Huntspill, Highbridge, Somerset, TN9 3NW (R)**

Only open to qualified novice ponies, 4 years old and over.

Ponies must be shown in a snaffle bit. A standard cavesson noseband is the only type of noseband permitted in flat ridden classes.

Ridden stallions MUST display a stallion bridle marker available from the NPS office or from any other society.

Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.

The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of [NPS Scotland](http://www.npsscotland.co.uk) before entering this Final.

Entry fee: Classes 1-5 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £15.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £12.00. 3<sup>rd</sup> £10.00

A pony is not eligible to compete if, before 1st January in the current year (NB: Please note any results from 2020 are exempt) it has done any of the following:

- i) Won an open NPS affiliated mixed Mountain and Moorland Ridden class.
- ii) Qualified for Horse of the Year Show, BSPS Lemeix Final or RIHS Open M&M Ridden Classes
- iii) Qualified for the M&M Novice or Intermediate Ridden final at the NPS Summer Championship show and the NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud Novice Final at NPS Scotland Championship Finals (Blair) (N.B. Ponies can compete as novices in this competition for two consecutive years provided they do not submit an entry to the final in the first



year). 2020 is excluded when calculating consecutive years. Competitors are also reminded that the NPS Scotland Show at Blair in 2021 was an Open Show so competing at it does not preclude you from entering this Final.

iv) If a pony qualifies for Horse of the Year Show, BSPS Lemeiux Final or RIHS in its second year it is immediately de-noviced and cannot compete in the Kilmannan Final at Blair.

1. Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland
2. Welsh Section A, Welsh Section B
3. New Forest, Connemara
4. Fell, Dales, Highland
5. Welsh Section C, Welsh Section D

Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 1-5.

Champion £100.00 and sash and the Nick Mason Salver. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash.

Champion and Reserve Champion eligible to compete in the NPS/The Nicholls Family Ridden M&M Silver Medal Rosette Championship following the conclusion of the Open Ridden section at the end of the day.



**NOT BEFORE 11.00am**

**THE NPS/THE NICHOLLS FAMILY M&M RIDDEN SILVER MEDAL ROSETTE CHAMPIONSHIP (SCOTLAND) FINAL 2023**

**Judge: Mrs Jackie Webb, Minstrels Farm, Withy Road, East Huntspill, Highbridge, Somerset, TN9 3NW**

Only winners of Ridden Silver Medal Rosettes throughout the season in Scotland may compete. Ridden stallions MUST display a stallion bridle marker available from the NPS office or from any other society. Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

Separate entry to NPS at The Arthur Rank Centre, Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire, CV8 2LG is required. Tel: 01420 88333. Email: [admin@nationalponysociety.com](mailto:admin@nationalponysociety.com) Website: [www.nationalponysociety.org.uk](http://www.nationalponysociety.org.uk) Entries for this Silver Medal Final close with NPS Head Office on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023. Entries received after this date will be refused.

The Champion and Reserve Champions will receive Gold Medal Rosettes.

**THE NPS/BLACKERTOR & SHARPTOR STUDS M&M IN HAND SILVER MEDAL ROSETTE CHAMPIONSHIP (SCOTLAND) FINAL 2023**

**Judge: Mr Erik Mackechnie-Guire, Dunstaffnage House, - address TBC**

Only winners of In Hand Silver Medal Rosettes throughout the season in Scotland may compete. All In Hand stallions and colts 2 years old or over must be adequately bitted and MUST display a stallion bridle marker available from the NPS office or from any other society. Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

Separate entry to NPS at Arthur Rank Centre, Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire, CV8 2LG is required. Tel: 01420 88333. Email: [admin@nationalponysociety.com](mailto:admin@nationalponysociety.com) Website: [www.nationalponysociety.org.uk](http://www.nationalponysociety.org.uk) Entries for this Silver Medal Final close with NPS Head Office on Monday, 31<sup>st</sup> July 2023. Entries received after this date will be refused.

The Champion and Reserve Champions will receive Gold Medal Rosettes.

**NOT BEFORE 1.00pm**

**NPS SCOTLAND/BAILEYS HORSE FEEDS MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND OPEN RIDDEN FINAL 2023**

**(Incorporating the NPS/RINGSIDE STUD M&M Open Ridden National Championship 2024)**

**Judges: Miss Kerry Wainwright, Skellorn Stud, Lockgate Farm, Wood Lane East, Adlington, Cheshire, SK10 4PH (C) and Mr Erik Mackechnie-Guire, Dunstaffnage House, - address TBC (R)**

Only open to qualified ponies. A standard cavesson noseband is the only type of noseband permitted in flat ridden classes. Ridden stallions MUST display a stallion bridle marker available from the NPS office or from any other society. Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.  
The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of NPS Scotland before entering this Final.

Entry fee: Classes 6-11 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £20.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £15.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £10.00



6. Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland
7. Welsh Section A, Welsh Section B
8. New Forest, Connemara
9. Fell, Dales
10. Welsh Section C, Welsh Section D
11. Highland

*The First Placed Ridden Highland Pony will be awarded The Acorn Quaich kindly re-presented by Mrs Louise Fraser.*

Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 6-11

Champion £100.00 and sash the Perpetual Argaty Trophy. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash

Champion and Reserve Champion eligible to compete in the NPS/The Nicholls Family M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship following the conclusion of the Open Ridden section at the end of the day.

### **NPS/THE NICHOLLS FAMILY RIDDEN MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND SILVER MEDAL ROSETTE CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Judge: Mrs Gill Simpson, Woodcroft, The Hills, Bradwell, Hope Valley, Derbyshire, S33 9HZ**

A Silver Medal Rosette is offered by the National Pony Society for the best registered pony owned by an **NPS Qualifying or Life member** in their NPS affiliated M&M Ridden Section. Membership cards must be presented in the ring to receive the medal and/or the qualification. Ponies qualified in Scotland are entitled to compete in either the NPS/The Standinghat Stud and Show Team M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship to be held at the NPS Summer Championship Show in Malvern, or at the Championship Show in Scotland. **Qualifiers may only compete in one Nicholls Family Final.**

**Ponies eligible to compete will be the KILMANNAN NOVICE RIDDEN CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION, the MAGGIE MAY JUNIOR RIDDEN CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION and the BAILEYS OPEN RIDDEN CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION**

### **THE COUNTRY FAIR ARENA – 8.30am PROMPT**

### **NPS SCOTLAND/KINGFISHER BUILDING PRODUCTS MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND WORKING HUNTER PONY FINAL 2023**

**Judges: Miss Kerry Wainwright, Skellorn Stud, Lockgate Farm, Wood Lane East, Adlington, Cheshire, SK10 4PH (J) and Mrs Gill Simpson, Woodcroft, The Hills, Bradwell, Hope Valley, Derbyshire, S33 9HZ (C)**

Only open to qualified ponies, 4 years of age and over. Ponies must be within the specified height range for their breed. Stallions **MUST** display a stallion bridle marker (see Notes for Exhibitors for further details).

Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.

The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of NPS Scotland before entering this Final.

Entry fee: Classes 12-15 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £25.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £15.00

These classes will run to the Rules of the NPS/TOPSPEC M&M WHP National Championship Rules (page 42 2023 Rule Book).

12. Ponies not exceeding 122cms (12hh). Fences maximum 70cms (2'4")

13. Ponies exceeding 122cms (12hh) but not exceeding 133cms (13hh). Fences max 80cms (2'8")

14. Ponies exceeding 133cms (13hh) but not exceeding 143cms (14hh). Fences max 90cms (2'11")

15. Ponies exceeding 143cms (14hh). Fences max 100cms (3'3")



Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 12-15  
Champion £100 and sash The Kingfisher Trophy. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash.

**NOT BEFORE 1.00pm IN THE WHP JUMPING ARENA (bottom end)**

**NPS SCOTLAND/TOWNHEAD PET N PONY IN HAND MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND IN HAND FINAL 2023  
(Incorporating the NPS/NIART STUD M&M In Hand Summer Championship 2024)**

**Judge: Mrs Jackie Webb, Minstrels Farm, Withy Road, East Huntspill, Highbridge, Somerset, TN9 3NW**

Only open to qualified ponies.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.

The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of NPS Scotland before entering this Final.

Entry fee: Classes 16-21 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £15.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £12.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £10.00

In Hand stallions (2 years old and over) must be adequately bitted and are advised to display a stallion bridle marker. Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

16. Connemara, Fell, Dales, New Forest, Welsh Section C, Welsh Section D, 4 years of age and over

This class may be split by breed depending on entries received.

17. Highland, 4 years of age and over

18. Shetland, 4 years of age and over

19. Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh Section A, Welsh Section B, 4 years of age and over

Senior Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 16-19.

20. Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A, Welsh Section B, 3 years of age and under

21. Connemara, Fell, Dales, Highland, New Forest, Welsh Section C, Welsh Section D, 3 years of age and under

Youngstock Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 20-21.

**Overall Championship. Champion £100.00 and sash. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash.**

**NPS/Blackertor & Sharptor Studs Mountain and Moorland In Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship**

A Silver Medal Rosette is offered by the National Pony Society for the best registered pony owned by an **NPS Qualifying or Life member** in their NPS affiliated M&M In Hand Section. The Sponsor's Rosette is also awarded to the pony receiving the qualification. Membership cards must be presented in the ring to receive the medal and/or the qualification. Ponies qualified in Scotland are entitled to compete in either the NPS/Kilmannan Stud M&M In-Hand Silver Medal Rosette Championship to be held at the NPS Summer Championship Show in Malvern, or at the Championship Show in Scotland. Qualifiers may only compete in one Blackertor & Sharptor Final.



**NOT BEFORE 1.00pm IN THE WHP JUMPING ARENA (top end)**

**NPS SCOTLAND/NFU MUTUAL INSURANCE RIDING PONY AND HUNTER PONY IN HAND FINAL 2023**

**Judge: Mrs Lorayne Ahmet, c/o Aquilas Stud, Summerfield Farm, Borough Green Road, Ightham, Near Sevenoaks, Kent, TN15 9HS**

Only open to qualified ponies. Ponies may only compete in either class 22 or class 23.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.

The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of NPS Scotland before entering this Final.

All In Hand stallions and colts 2 years old or over must be adequately bitted and are advised to display a stallion bridle marker.

Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

Entry fee: Classes 22-23 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £25.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £15.00.

Special rosettes will be awarded to the best yearling, 2 year old, 3 year old and 4 year old and over in each class.

22. Riding Ponies not exceeding 148cms at maturity. All ages.

23. Hunter Ponies not exceeding 153cms at maturity. All ages.

Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 22-23

Champion £100.00 and sash. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash.

**NOT BEFORE 1.00pm IN THE WHP CONFORMATION ARENA**

**NPS SCOTLAND/MAGGIE MAY MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND JUNIOR RIDDEN FINAL 2023**

**Judge: Mrs MC Nimmo, Duntarvie Stud, Winchburgh, Broxburn, West Lothian, EH52 6QA**

Only open to qualified ponies, 4 years of age and over.

To be shown in any suitable bridle.

Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.

The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of NPS Scotland before entering this Final.

Entry fee: Classes 24-26 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £20.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £15.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £10.00

Rider Class 24 – Under 14 years as of 1<sup>st</sup> January; Class 25 and Class 26 – Under 18 years on 1<sup>st</sup> January. Please refer to NPS 2022 Rule Book page 38).

24. Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A and Welsh Section B

25. Not exceeding 138cms – Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Connemara, Welsh Section C

26. Exceeding 138cms, but not exceeding 148cms – Fell, Highland, New Forest, Connemara, Dales (may exceed 148cms), Welsh Section D (may exceed 148cms)

Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 24-26

Champion £100.00 and sash and the Maggie May Trophy. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash.

Champion and Reserve Champion eligible to compete in the NPS/The Nicholls Family M&M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette Championship following the conclusion of the Open Ridden section at the end of the day.





**NOT BEFORE 2.00pm IN THE WHP CONFORMATION ARENA**

**NPS SCOTLAND/KILGRASTON SCHOOL MOUNTAIN AND MOORLAND LEAD REIN AND FIRST RIDDEN FINAL 2023**

**Judges: Mrs Lorayne Ahmet, c/o Aquilas Stud, Summerfield Farm, Borough Green Road, Ightham, Near Sevenoaks, Kent, TN15 9HS (R) and Mrs Gill Simpson, Woodcroft, The Hills, Bradwell, Hope Valley, Derbyshire, S33 9HZ (C)**

Only open to qualified ponies, 4 years of age and over.

QUALIFYING CARD NUMBER MUST BE SUBMITTED WITH ENTRY.

The OWNER OF THE PONY must be or become a member of NPS Scotland before entering this Final.

Entry fee: Classes 27-28 £18.00. Prize money: 1<sup>st</sup> £25.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> £20.00, 3<sup>rd</sup> £15.00

Whiskers are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.

**27. Mountain and Moorland Lead Rein Final.**

Mares and geldings four years old and over not exceeding 122cms, registered in the main body of the following Breed Society stud books: Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, New Forest, Welsh Section A and Welsh Section B. Riders must be at least 3 years old on the day of the class, but not to have attained their 9<sup>th</sup> birthday by the 1st January in the current year. Ponies must be shown in a snaffle bit.

*The First Placed Lead Rein Pony will be awarded The Pumphill Tirella Trophy kindly presented by Mrs Lynn Robertson.*

**28. Mountain and Moorland First Ridden Final.**

Mares and geldings four years old and over not exceeding 128cms, registered in the main body of the following Breed Society stud books: Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, New Forest, Welsh Section A and Welsh Section B. Rider not to have attained their 12<sup>th</sup> birthday by 1st January in the current year. Ponies may be shown in any suitable bridle.

Championship for 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners in classes 27-28

Champion £100.00 and sash and the Netherbrae Quaich. Reserve Champion £50.00 and sash.

**\*\*NEW FOR 2023\*\***

**NPS SCOTLAND SUPREME BLAIR CASTLE PONY OF THE YEAR**

**All Champion and Reserve Champion ponies from all Ridden and In Hand Sections eligible to compete.**

**NPS SCOTLAND NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS**

**ENTRIES MAY ONLY BE MADE ONLINE VIA THE NPS SCOTLAND ENTRYMASTER SYSTEM**

All Competitors are assumed to have read these notes and questions arising out of the Show will be determined by reference to these notes.

**CLASSES TO BE JUDGED UNDER THE RULES OF THE NPS:** Exhibitors are deemed to be conversant with these Rules. For full details please visit [www.nationalponysociety.com](http://www.nationalponysociety.com) or contact the NPS Office at Arthur Rank Centre,



- **The OWNER OF THE PONY** must be or become a member of **NPS Scotland** before entering these Finals.
- **EQUINE INFLUENZA** vaccinations are a compulsory requirement for all horses/ponies competing in NPS affiliated classes.
- **ENTRIES AND CLOSING DATES.** Closing date will be Tuesday, 25<sup>th</sup> July for all qualifiers held before this date. For ponies which qualify at Shows from 26<sup>th</sup> July to 5<sup>th</sup> August, the closing date will be Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> August 2023. These dates will be strictly adhered to. No late entries accepted. Entries may only be made online via the NPS Scotland Entrymaster System.
- **EXHIBITOR NUMBERS:** These will be collected from the NPS Scotland Secretary's tent adjacent to the showing rings. Admission and lorry passes along with other relevant information will be sent to Competitors prior to the show date.
- **PRIZE MONEY:** Prize money is to be collected from the NPS Scotland Secretary's Tent adjacent to the showing rings. Prize money **not** claimed either on the day of the show or within 30 minutes of the awarding of the rosettes in the last class of the day will be forfeited.
- **SCORESHEETS:** Only the WHP score sheets will be available to view by exhibitors. At Finals, NPS Scotland reserves the right to have (use) unofficial mark sheets for the judges' reference only. These marks sheets will NOT be for public display. Please refer to Rule 4.6(k) page 17 2023 Rule Book.
- **WHISKERS** are not to be trimmed for any breed. This rule is now mandatory for 2023.
- **IN-HAND STALLIONS AND COLTS:** Handlers of Stallions and Colts in In-Hand Classes must be 14 years old or over before 1<sup>st</sup> January in the current year. All In-Hand stallions and colts 2 years old or over **must** be adequately bitted and are advised to display a stallion bridle marker.
- **RIDDEN STALLIONS:** Ridden stallions **must** display a stallion bridle marker. In M&M classes, riders of stallions must be 12 years old or over when riding small breeds (Shetland, Dartmoor, Exmoor, Welsh A & B). When riding large breeds (Highland, Fell, Dales, Connemara, New Forest Welsh C & D) riders of stallions must be 14 years old or over.
- In **ALL** classes whips/canes must not exceed an overall length of 75cms (30"). Spurs are **not** allowed in any ridden class. Correctly secured current British standard skull caps/riding hats must be worn at all times when mounted. In the Working Hunter Pony Classes (14-17), riders may only ride one pony in each class.
- **THE JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL.** A judge may order that a pony that constitutes a danger must leave the ring. An exhibitor may not knowingly exhibit a pony bred, sold, leased, produced, broken or trained by the Judge, and /or his/her immediate family or his/her employer.
- **TIMETABLE: EXHIBITORS ARE ASKED TO NOTE THE TIMETABLE.** Whilst every effort is made, the Organisers cannot be held responsible if classes clash. Judges will not wait or delay classes if a competitor entered in that class is competing in another.
- **CLASSES.** The Committee reserves the right to divide, cancel, or amalgamate any class where deemed necessary.
- **OBJECTIONS** – Objections or protests must be made in writing giving full name and address within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the first class concerned and lodged at the Show Secretary's Office, and accompanied by a £100.00 fee, which will only be refunded in the event of the objection being upheld.
- **SUBSTITUTION** – No nomination entries will be accepted and no substitution of animals will be allowed.
- **REFUNDS** – no refund of entry fees will be given under any circumstances.
- **HEIGHT:** The Organisers follow the rules of the Joint Measurement Scheme. Exhibitors without a JMS Certificate must be prepared to have ponies measured on the day of the Show.
- **SOUNDNESS** – All animals must be sound. If, in the opinion of any Judge, a pony is considered to be unsound, the Exhibitor will be given the option of withdrawing the exhibit from the class. The Judges' decision is final.
- **DISEASE** – Any animal found suffering from a contagious or infectious disease is to be removed from the Showground immediately at the request of the Veterinary Surgeon.
- **DOPE TEST** – The Committee reserve the right to have any animal tested.
- **CONTROL** – Any animal not under control **MUST** be removed from the Showground immediately when so



requested by an Official.

- **DOGS:** Dogs **must** be on a lead and under control at all times whilst on the Showground, in the Stabling, Campsite and parking areas. Owners must clean up after their dogs. Owners whose dogs are found loose or fouling without cleaning up will incur £10 fines which will be donated to the Event Official Charity.
- **LIABILITY:** Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Organisers or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the Organisers, Blair Castle Estate Ltd, nor any Agent, employee or representative of these bodies accept any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury, illness to horses, riders, owners, grooms, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any way whatsoever.
- **INSURANCES:** All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents or their animals. They are therefore strongly advised to take out a third-party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events at home and abroad and to **keep the policy up to date.**
- **LOSS OR DAMAGE:** The Organisers accepts no responsibility whatsoever for loss, injury or damage, however caused, to any person, animal or property in the Showground, in stables or in car parks.
- **NPS SCOTLAND MEMBERSHIP WILL BE SUSPENDED IMMEDIATELY IF:**
  - (a) Payments to NPS Scotland (entries) or Blair Castle Estate Ltd (stabling) are not honoured by the bank. A surcharge of £10.00 along with any relevant bank charges incurred will be charged if replacements cheques have to be processed; and
  - (b) If there is any money owing or if any trophies belonging to NPS Scotland are not returned by the requested date.
- **CLOSING OF CLASSES:** The class is closed and ponies will NOT be allowed into the ring when:
  - (a) In-Hand – when the last pony has done its individual trot around the ring before being lined up.
  - (b) Ridden (including First Ridden) – when the class goes into trot.
  - (c) WHP – 2 minutes after the last pony has jumped.
  - (d) Lead Rein- when the last pony has done its individual trot around the ring before being lined up.

#### NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS FROM BLAIR CASTLE INTERNATIONAL HORSE TRIALS

All competitors are assumed to have read these notes. Any questions arising out of the Show will be determined by reference to these notes.

#### EQUINE INFLUENZA VACCINATIONS

Following consultation with our veterinary advisors and equestrian governing bodies, Blair Castle Horse Trials has made the decision that **all horses and ponies entering the venue must be vaccinated against equine influenza** according to standard British Horseracing Association guideline, with the last vaccination having been administered no more than 365 days prior to entry to the venue.

- All animals must have completed the primary course of two vaccinations. The last vaccination must have been administered at least 7 days before entering the venue.
- Horses competing under FEI rules or British Eventing rules must abide by the vaccination rules of that Governing Body.
- Foals under six months of age will be exempt from the vaccination requirement.

Random passport checks will be implemented to verify vaccination status. Any animal identified without a valid vaccination protocol or if the owner/rider is unable to produce a valid passport will result in immediate ejection of that animal from the venue. No refunds will be issued in respect of entries or stabling.

For further information please visit [www.blairhorsetrials.co.uk/equine-flu](http://www.blairhorsetrials.co.uk/equine-flu)



## COLLECTING RING/WARM UP ARENA

Ponies must remain in the collecting ring/warm up arena until called forward. The area between the Country Fair and Tummel Arena's is to be kept clear at all times. This includes pedestrians, whether they be competitors or general public. No dogs or pushchairs to be allowed into this area.

## GENERAL

1. **CONTROL OF ANIMALS:** Any competitor/owner who cannot adequately control their animal may be required to immediately leave the showground, on the direction of an Official. No refunds will be issued in respect of entries or stabling.
2. **DOGS:** Dogs **must be on a lead and under control at all times** whilst on the Showground, in the Stabling, Campsite and parking areas. Owners must clean up after their dogs. Owners whose dogs are found loose or fouling without cleaning up will incur £10 fines which will be donated to the Event Official Charity.
3. **STABLING:** A limited number of stables are available for competitors. Stables will be available from Thursday 24th August 2023. **Due to a limit on the number of stables available this year, competitors will only be able to book a stable for the night before OR the night after they compete.** There will be the opportunity when booking stables to request additional nights. If there is availability, these will be allocated once entries close.

Stabling will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Applications open on the **5<sup>th</sup> June 2023**; applications received prior to this date will NOT be accepted. Stable bookings to be made online at: [www.entrymaster.co.uk](http://www.entrymaster.co.uk)

Bookings close **Tuesday, 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023**, or when all stables are filled; strictly **no** applications will be accepted after this date. No refunds will be given for stabling cancelled after the closing date.

Please contact the Horse Trials Office if you need to resell your stable. Competitors are **not** permitted to sublet stables or resell stables without prior written permission from the Organisers. This is to ensure we have the correct contact details in case of veterinary emergencies.

Straw is supplied for bedding; competitors requiring shavings are welcome to bring their own or purchase them at the event. Hay and mucking-out tools are not supplied. **All stables MUST be vacated and mucked out by 2pm on the day of departure.**

4. **CLASSES:** The Organisers reserve the right to divide, cancel or amalgamate any class when deemed necessary.

The Organisers reserve the right to refuse an entry without stating a reason and alter or cancel any published classes.

5. **ENTRIES:** Entry fees cannot be refunded under any circumstances after closing date. **Entries close on Tues 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023 at 11.59pm – no late entries will be accepted**
6. **SUBSTITUTION:** No substitution of animals is allowed.
7. **THE JUDGES' DECISIONS ARE FINAL:** A Judge may require that an animal which constitutes a danger to leave the ring. A competitor may not knowingly compete with a horse or pony bred, sold, leased, produced, broken, or trained by the Judge, and/or his/her immediate family or his/her employer.



8. **OBJECTIONS:** Objections or protests must be made in writing giving full name and address within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the first class concerned and lodged at the Convenors Tent with the sum of £100.
9. **SOUNDNESS:** All animals must be sound. If, in the opinion of any Judge, a horse or pony is considered to be unsound, the Competitor will be given the option of withdrawing from the class or asking that the Official Veterinary Surgeon examine the animal.
10. **DISEASE:** Any animal found suffering from a contagious or infectious disease **MUST** be removed from the Showground immediately at the request of the Veterinary Surgeon, along with any animal from the same yard or that have travelled together to the Show.
11. **DOPING TEST:** The Organisers reserve the right to have any animal tested.
12. **CAMPING:** Only competitors who have booked stables are permitted to stay overnight in their horseboxes. Competitors who have not booked stabling must leave the showground at the end of the show day. Ponies may not be kept in horseboxes overnight. Pens are not permitted overnight or during the day. Anyone erecting pens will be asked to remove them.

Competitors requiring an additional pass for a car and caravan or tent must contact the Horse Trials Office in advance. Caravans or cars without the correct pass will be redirected to Car Park 1 or the Event campsite, where they will be required to purchase parking or pitch rental, if available. There is no camping permitted in Car Park 1.

For those who have booked stabling for the night prior to their competition day, access to the site will be possible from 4pm the day before your competition.

**ALL** competitors, riders and owners **must** obey the instructions to enter and leave the site and follow directions given for horsebox parking by the stewards and officials in charge of this area.

To comply with the Fire Services' instructions, if you are sleeping in your trailer/lorry, there **must** be a **4-metre gap** in each direction from your trailer/horsebox

Excluding competitors staying in their horsebox, there is **no camping permitted in the lorry parking – this will be enforced**. Please note, there is no electrical hook-up in the lorry parking.

Diesel generators are permitted, providing they are correctly earthed, sited away from flammable materials, and fuel is safely stored. The Organisers may check generators and remove any deemed unsafe. Generators should not be run during Quiet Hours. **Petrol generators are not allowed under any circumstances.**

Campers are requested to respect other guests and keep noise (including generator noise) to a reasonable level – Quiet Hours will be in effect between 11pm and 7am.

13. **DISRUPTIVE OR ANTISOCIAL BEHAVIOUR**

If in the opinion of the Organisers, any competitor or any member of their group is found to be disruptive or behaving in a way which may be detrimental the event or other competitors, they will be asked to leave the venue. **THIS INCLUDES UNDERAGE DRINKING.** No refunds will be given for stabling or entry fee.

14. **LIABILITY:** Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Organisers or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the Organisers, Blair Castle Estate Ltd, nor any Agent, employee or representative of these bodies accept any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury, illness to horses,



riders, owners, grooms, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any way whatsoever.

15. **INSURANCES:** All owners and competitors are personally responsible for damages to third parties caused by themselves, their employees, their agents, or their animals. They are therefore strongly advised to take out a third- party insurance providing full coverage for participation in equestrian events at home and abroad and to **keep the policy up to date.**

16. **LOSS OR DAMAGE:** The Organisers accepts no responsibility whatsoever for loss, injury, or damage, however caused, to any person, animal, or property in the Showground, in stables or in car parks.

17. **CHILDREN:** children under the age of 16 must be supervised by an adult while riding/handling horses or ponies, except for while competing in a class.

18. **CURFEW:** There is a curfew on riding each evening from 7pm throughout the event. This includes warm-up arenas and hacking as well as competition arenas. Horses and ponies may still be exercised in hand or lunged after this time. Anyone found riding after curfew may be asked to leave the venue. No refunds will be given for stabling or entry fee.

## ADMISSION

Two **passes** will be allocated for the first entered pony, with one additional pass for each additional horse or pony thereafter, plus one additional pass for each "Mare with Foal at foot" entry and one additional pass for each rider under the age of 16 years for an accompanying adult. Children 12 years and under do not require a pass. One vehicle pass will be allocated per entry form.

Each additional vehicle or person must purchase the correct tickets through the online box office [www.blairhorsetrials.co.uk/box-office](http://www.blairhorsetrials.co.uk/box-office). Lorries or trailers that do not contain a horse will not be allowed into the horsebox parking.

## PASSES WILL BE SENT AS E-TICKETS WHICH WILL BE EXCHANGED FOR PHYSICAL PASSES ON SITE.

## DATA PROTECTION

By entering any class through the Entrymaster System, you agree to the following:

- To allow the data provided on the entry form to be processed and stored electronically for the purposes of managing your competition entry and to it being shared with third party organisations for verification of qualifying status and results etc. e.g., for affiliated or related championships and finals.
- To the owner's/competitor's name and horse's details to be displayed in the official catalogue, and to be released to appropriate third parties.
- To receive specific updates regarding this and future classes at Blair Castle. You can unsubscribe at any time by emailing [info@blairhorsetrials.co.uk](mailto:info@blairhorsetrials.co.uk)
- To be aware that there will be an official photographer at this show and all the affiliates, NPS Scotland, and Blair Castle International Horse Trials reserve the right to use photographs taken at this Show in any publications/websites/social media sites.
- That they have read and agree to the Rules as laid down in the relevant 2023 Rule Book and Notes for Competitors.

We take the security of your personal data very seriously and commit to not using it for any other purpose without your further consent. The full privacy policy can be read [www.blairhorsetrials.co.uk/privacy-policy](http://www.blairhorsetrials.co.uk/privacy-policy) or by requesting a copy from Atholl Estates Office, Blair Atholl, Perthshire, PH18 5TH, by email [info@blairhorsetrials.co.uk](mailto:info@blairhorsetrials.co.uk) or phone 01796 481543.



## NPS Scotland Finals and Silver Medal Championships 2023

The Tummel Arena – 8.30am prompt	The Country Fair Arena – 8.30am prompt
<p><b>NPS Scotland/Kilmanman Stud M&amp;M Novice Ridden 2023</b>  <b>Classes 1-5</b>                      Judges – MrL Ahmet (C) and Mrs J Webb (R)</p>	<p><b>NPS Scotland/Kingfisher Building Products M&amp;M WHP Final 2023</b>  <b>Classes 12-15</b>                      Judges: Miss K Wainwright (J) and Mrs G Simpson (C)</p>
<p><u>Not before 11.00am</u>  <b>NPS/The Nicholls Family M&amp;M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette (Scotland) Final 2023</b>                      Judge: Mrs J Webb                      Followed by  <b>NPS/Blackertor &amp; Sharptor Studs M&amp;M In Hand Silver Medal Rosette (Scotland) Final 2023</b>                      Judge:Mr E Mackechnie-Guire</p>	<p><u>Not before 1.00pm in the WHP Jumping Arena (bottom end)</u>  <b>NPS Scotland/Townhead Pet n Pony M&amp;M In-Hand Final 2023</b>  <b>Classes 16-21</b>                      Judge: Mrs J Webb</p>
<p><u>Not before 1.00pm</u>  <b>NPS Scotland/Baileys Horse Feeds Open Ridden Championship 2023</b>  <b>Classes 6-11</b>                      Judges: Miss K Wainwright (C) and Mr Erik Mackechnie-Guire (R)</p>	<p><u>Not before 1.00pm in the WHP Jumping Arena (top end)</u>  <b>NPS Scotland/NFU Mutual Insurance Riding Pony/Hunter Pony In-Hand Championship Final 2023</b>  <b>Classes 22-23</b>                      Judge: Mrs L Ahmet</p>
<p><b>NPS/The Nicholls Family M&amp;M Ridden Silver Medal Rosette</b>                      Judge: Mrs G Simpson</p> <p>NPS Scotland/Kilmanman Novice Ridden Champion and Reserve, NPS Scotland/Maggie May Junior Ridden Champion and Reserve and NPS Scotland/Baileys Horse Feeds Open Ridden Champion and Reserve eligible to compete</p>	<p><u>Not before 1.00pm in the WHP Conf Arena</u>  <b>NPS Scotland/Maggie May M&amp;M Junior Ridden Final 2023</b>  <b>Classes 24-26</b>  <b>Judge: Mrs MC Nimmo</b></p> <p><u>Not before 2.00pm in the WHP Conf Arena</u>  <b>NPS Scotland/Kilgraston School M&amp;M Lead Rein and First Ridden 2023</b>  <b>Classes 27-28</b>                      Judge: Mrs L Ahmet (R) and Mrs G Simpson (C)</p>

### Important Competitor Notice

**Please note: ALL** exhibitors are requested to carefully follow directions to the lorry parking area. Please also ensure you allow enough time to familiarise yourself with the layout so that you present yourself at your ring in time for your class.



Whilst the running order of this timetable will not change, please note that once entries close and class numbers are known, 'not before' times MAY be adjusted. Exhibitors will be made aware of any changes to class start or 'not before' times in correspondence sent to them prior to the event and also on the NPS Scotland and Blair Castle Horse Trials websites and relevant social media pages.

