



BLUE CHIP NORTH WEST SHOWING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Saturday 16th September 2017



All rings will begin at 9 am and follow on. Champion and Reserve in each class will go forward to their Section Championship

Ring 1 - In Hand	Ring 2 - In Hand	Ring 3 - Ridden	Ring 4 - Ridden
1. M&M Youngstock 3yrs & under	14. Youngstock Excl M&M 3yrs & under	27. Best Turned Out Rider any age	42. Senior Equitation Riders 17 yrs & over
2. In Hand Welsh Sec. A & B 4yrs & over	15. In Hand Coloured Native Native/Traditional/Vanner - shown in natural state Horse/pony any age	28. Riding Club Pony To include small jump	43. First Ridden Equitation Riders 10 years & under
3. In Hand Welsh Sec. C & D 4yrs & over	16. In Hand Coloured Non Native Plaited/Hogged & Trimmed Horse/Pony any age	29. Riding Club Horse To include small jump	44. Junior Equitation Riders 11-16 years
4. In Hand M&M excl Welsh 4yrs & over	17. In Hand Foreign Breeds Any age Breeds originating outside British Isles	30. Ridden Veteran Horse/Pony 15-19 years	45. Lead Rein Equitation Riders 7 years & under
5. In Hand Unregistered/Part Bred M&M Pony any age	18. In Hand Unusual Colour Spotted/Palomino/Dun/Roan Horse/ pony any age	31. Ridden Veteran Horse /Pony 20 years +	46. Ridden Coloured Non Native To be shown hogged and trimmed
6. In Hand Miniature Excl Shetlands	19. In Hand Open Horse Any age, over 14.2hh	32. Ridden Arab & Part Breeds Any Height	47. Ridden Coloured Native Native/Traditional/Vanner - shown in natural state
7. Best Condition M&M All breeds, any age	20. In hand Open Pony Any age, 14.2hh & under	33. Ridden Green Horse/Pony Horse/Pony 6 years & under Snaffle bit only	48. Nervous/Novice Rider Any age - may be split jnr/snr

LUNCH BREAK

CLASSES WILL NOT START BEFORE 1PM

LUNCH BREAK

Ring 1	Ring 2	Ring 3	Ring 4
8. In Hand Veteran 15-19 years	21. In Hand Bonny Pony 148cm & under Any age	34. Lead rein M&M Rider 7yrs & under	49. Ridden Hunter Pony 153cm & under
9. In Hand Veteran 20+ Horse/ pony any age	22. Young Handler 10yrs & under Pony any age	35. First Ridden M & M Rider 10yrs & under	50. Ridden Hunter Over 153cm
10. In Hand Cob Horse/ pony any age	23. Young Handler 11 - 16yrs Horse/ pony any age	36. Ridden M&M Small Breeds Exc Welsh	51. Ridden Show Pony 148cm & under
11. In Hand Arab and Part Bred Horse/ pony any age	24. Best Condition Excl M&M Any height/age	37. Ridden M&M Large Breeds Exc Welsh	52. Ridden Hack & Riding Horse Heights relevant to type
12. In Hand Race Horse Must have been raced/in training	25. Prettiest Mare Any age	38. Ridden Welsh Sec A & B	53. Lead Rein Show Pony Rider 7yrs & under
13. In Hand Hunter Horse/Pony	26. Handsomest Gelding Any age	39. Ridden Welsh Sec C & D	54. First Ridden Show Pony Rider 10yrs & under
		40. Ridden foreign Breeds Breeds originating outside British Isles	55. Ridden Cob
		41. Ridden Unusual Colour Spotted/Palomino/Dun/Roan	56. Racehorse to Riding Horse

All section championships held in the Championship Ring at the conclusion of each ring. All Champion and Reserve Champions from the above classes are eligible for that ring's Section Championship.

CH5. Ring 1 Section Championship	CH6. Ring 2 Section Championship	CH7. Ring 3 Section Championship	CH8. Ring 4 Section Championship
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The Blue Chip North West Showing Supreme In Hand & Ridden Championship 2017

Section Champions, Reserves and Second Reserves are eligible.



RULES

It is a condition of entry that the rules are accepted and adhered to. Failure to comply with the rules may result in expulsion from the showground and a ban on competing at either Bridgewater RC or the Blue Chip North West Showing Championships. Rules are taken from Bridgewater RC's full rule list, available online at www.bridgewaterridingclub.com/bridgewater-riding-club-rules

- 1.1 THE JUDGES DECISION IS FINAL. Arguing with the judge or verbal or physical abuse to anyone on the show ground (committee, stewards or other competitors) will invite elimination and expulsion from the showground
- 1.3 Mistreatment of any animal on the show ground will not be tolerated and the competitor/handler may be asked to leave the showground and face a ban.
- 1.4 Any person making a complaint or questioning any aspect of the show must do so in an orderly manner by placing £10 with the Show Secretary within one hour of the event happening together with a written explanation of the complaint. If the complaint is found to be justified by the committee at their next meeting the £10 will be returned. If not, the £10 will be donated to charity.

SHOW AND CLASS ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- 2.1 The committee reserve the right to refuse any entry/membership or to alter the programme, consolidate classes or to abandon classes. Also to amend, alter or add to these rules as they feel necessary.
- 2.2 The committee cannot be held responsible for the clashing of classes and competitors should bear in mind the approximate times given when entering.
- 2.3 Riders wishing to leave the ring to compete in another class may do so at the discretion of the judge.
- 2.4 All entries on show day should be made prior to the start of the relevant class and any subsequent entry will only be accepted at the discretion of the Judge and Show Secretary.
- 2.5 It is the competitors' responsibility to enter the ring when asked to do so. Failure to do so may lead to elimination from the class unless the ring steward has been informed of the circumstances.
- 2.6 Competitors must not enter rings unless told to do so by an authorised person in charge of the ring. Disobeying this rule will result in elimination.
- 2.7 No horse may be entered more than once in any event. No rider may enter any class more than once except show jumping and working hunter. In the working hunter class, any rider being called back by the judge for the second phase must choose which animal to take forward.
- 2.8 Entry fees cannot be returned except at the discretion of the Show Secretary. In the case of cancellation of the show, any entries will be returned.

RIDERS AGE AND HEIGHT OF PONY

- 3.1 In each case, the age of rider refers to age on 1st January in the current year
- 3.2 Where the rider's age limit and/or height or type of horse or pony is not specified, all riders must be suitably mounted at the discretion of the Judge.
- 3.3 Any instances of a rider of ineligible age entering a class inappropriately will be treated as a breach of the rules and will be treated very seriously and will be fully investigated by committee. As it is a condition of entry at Bridgewater that the rules have been read and will be adhered to, ignorance will not be a valid defence.

LEAD REIN COMPETITORS

- 4.1 Lead rein competitors must be 7 years and under on January 1st of the current year.
- 4.2 Competitors entering Lead Rein classes are confined to Lead Rein throughout the season and **MUST REMAIN ON THE LEAD REIN WHILST ON THE SHOW & PARKING FIELD**. Lead rein competitors may only enter classes specifically designated "lead rein" with the exception of Best Turned Out and Thelwell Classes.
- 4.3 Class 31 Lead Rein Special is for lead rein competitors only. In this class they may go off the lead rein when entering the ring. A responsible adult must be in the ring to provide assistance if necessary. The lead rein must be reattached on leaving the ring.

NOTE FOR TOTS AND FIRST RIDDEN COMPETITORS

While it is unusual, occasionally a judge will ask for a group canter in a Tots/ First Ridden class, particularly in those such as Equitation where the rider's communication with the pony is under scrutiny. If you do not wish your tot or first ridden rider to join in, or they are not capable, they must come into the centre of the ring after the group trot. If your rider is happy to canter in a group, Bridgewater would like to encourage this while not penalising those who are not. The judges are advised that should they request a group canter, the only difference it will make to overall placings would be in the event of a tie. This guideline also stands for ring championships, where mixed ages and abilities are competing together.

HORSE/PONY AGE, ENTIRES & BREEDS

- 6.1 Any horse or pony competing in ridden events must be 4 years of age or over in the current year and must be of sound condition.
- 6.2 Entires must be ridden and handled by senior competitors only. For entire stallions in ridden classes, please follow your breed society's rules.
- 6.3 Foreign Breeds are classified as those breeds originating outside of the British Isles.

SPECIAL NEEDS - Leaders/helpers where necessary will be allowed in the ring. Horse/ pony's suitability for the rider will be the main judging criteria

HATS, WHIPS, SPURS AND TACK

- 9.1 It is mandatory for all competitors to wear a protective helmet manufactured to one of the minimum standards listed below:
It must bear the CE mark and a quality symbol, either the BSI Kitemark, the SAI Global symbol or the official Snell label with number. The CE symbol on its own is not sufficient to ensure consistent standard of manufacture. The PAS 015:1998 and the Snell E2001 meet higher impact criteria and therefore give more protection.
PAS 015:1998 or EN 1384:1996 or BS EN 1384:1997 with the BSI Kitemark. NB The prefix 'BS' on the EN 1384 standard does not mean that the hat has undergone batch testing by the British Standards Institute – the hat must contain the BSI Kitemark as well. Snell E2001 with the official Snell label and number. AS/NZS 3838 1998 or AS/NZS 3838 2003.
- 9.2 EXCESSIVE USE OF WHIP OR SPURS WILL RESULT IN ELIMINATION AND THIS RULING WILL BE ENFORCED.
- 9.3 No whips over 30" to be used in any class.
- 9.4 The use of spurs is not allowed in any Novice class.
- 9.6 No whips or spurs may be used in handy horse/pony classes.
- 9.7 Unless stated, the use of spurs (blunt, turned down) will be allowed by seniors, riding over 153cm horses only, at the discretion of the judge.
- 9.8 In Novice Equitation snaffle bits only are allowed. In other Equitation classes, bits of any suitable type may be used at the discretion of the judge.

SAFETY ON THE SHOWGROUND

- 10.1 NO CANTERING OR GALLOPING will be allowed outside competition rings and exercise areas for safety reasons. Handlers/Riders must be in full control of their animals whilst on the show ground.
- 10.2 All working in must be done in designated warming up areas or in the clear area of the parking field well away from parked vehicles.
- 10.3 All riders, owners and competitors allow their horses and ponies to compete at their own risk. Neither the club nor any persons acting on its behalf will be held responsible for any accident, illness or injury to competitors, spectators, property or animals.
- 10.4 Any vehicles, boxes, trailers or equipment on the showground are the responsibility of the owners and the committee accept no responsibility for any accident, damage or loss for any reason whatsoever.
- 10.5 Drivers are requested to show due consideration to animals and other members when parking and also are requested to park where directed by a member of the committee. Parking as to prevent field gates closing is **STRICTLY PROHIBITED**.
- 10.6 The riding of pedal or motorcycles will not be allowed on the show ground.
- 10.7 All dogs must be on a lead. All dog mess must be removed immediately.
- 10.8 Litter must be placed in bins positioned around the showground. No emptying of horseboxes or trailers is permitted on the parking field.