



The Veteran Horse Society Spring Festival

Sunday 12th May 2024

At

Rugby Riding Club

Rainsbrook Ave, Ashlawn Road, Rugby, CV22 5QE

Open to Members & Non-Members

Head Office: 01239 881300 / 07789 514004

Affiliated to Rescue Equine Showing Society

Entries open 1st April

On-line Entries close 1st May

Official Photographer: VLS Photography

£100 Prize Money to the Overall Veteran Champion.

Kindly donated by Mobility Care Services Ltd

Show Secretary

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Online entries

[Veteran Horse Society Spring Festival Show \(myridinglife.com\)](http://myridinglife.com)



A link will be available a week before entries open.

Amendments

Please refer to the website for amendments and updates.

Membership

VHS Membership can be taken at the Spring Festival.

Stabling

Local stabling is available near to the showground and can be booked by contacting:

Michelle Hinks-Brown on 07941 156066.

Age badges

Horse/Pony age badges should be worn in all classes.

Age badges can be ordered directly from VHS Head Office, prior to the show.

Entry Fees

	VHS Member	Non-Member	Late Entry (All classes)
<i>Veteran Horse Society Showing Championship</i>			
Area Qualifier	£12.50	£17.50	+£5.00
Direct Qualifier	£20.00	n/a	
<i>Open Showing Classes</i>			
Open Show Classes	£15.00	£15.00	+£5.00
<i>First aid contribution</i>			
Per Competitor	£5.00	£5.00	n/a

Ring 1

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Commencing at 10.00 am – Judge Miss Louise Colwell

Veteran Horse Society Showing Championship

Area Qualifier 2024

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*First round qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final:
Veteran Of the Year 2024*

FOUNDATION CLASSES - IN HAND:

1F	In Hand Diamond Veteran 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
2F	In Hand Veteran 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
3F	In Hand Pre-Veteran 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

1st – 4th in each class qualify for any 2023 Regional Final

FOUNDATION CLASSES - RIDDEN:

4F	Ridden Diamond Veteran 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
5F	Ridden Veteran 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
6F	Ridden Pre-Veteran 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

1st – 4th in each class qualify for any 2023 Regional Final

Open to members and non-members. All competitors and grooms must adhere to VHS Rules in all circumstances. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification.

VHS Regional Final qualification. All competitors placed 1st to 4th in each Area Qualifier class will qualify for the corresponding class at VHS Regional Finals. Members must always carry their card in the ring and have their showing card signed by the judge as proof of qualification. Non-members will receive a red qualification card which can be exchanged for a signed showing card when applying for VHS membership. It is the competitor's responsibility to present their Showing card to the judge.

Regional Finals are open to members only. Ridden classes may include lead rein.

All competitors are eligible to enter open classes at the National Veteran Championships,

to be held at Arena UK Lincolnshire on 30th August 2024 – 1st September 2024. No qualification or membership necessary. See VHS website for schedule. (*Spring 2024 onwards*)

Ring 2

Commencing at 9.00am – Judge: **Miss Laura Nott**

Class 15 & 24 – Judge: Mr Nigel Vale

Open Ring

Class 7	Best Turned Out Open to all. In Hand or ridden.
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Class 8	Youngstock In-hand Yearling, 2 & 3 yr olds
Class 9	Mountain & Moorland In-hand Large and small breeds (will be split if entries warrant)
Class 10	Plaited horse or pony in-hand. Hacks, Hunters, Show or Show Hunter pony, Riding Horse.

Class 11	Cobs in-hand. Hogged or traditional
Class 12	Coloured In-hand inc Alternative colours, Piebald, Skewbald, Palomino, Dun, Spotted, Cremello, Roan
Class 13	Foreign Breeds in-hand

Class 14	Miniature horse in-hand
Class 15	Rescue Equine Showing Society Qualifier – Open in Hand: Any age, type, breed. Mares with foal at foot are not permitted. No exhibit under the age of one year may be exhibited on its own.

Class 16	Young Handler. 14 years and under to be judged on ability not the pony/horse, hard hats to be worn – no stallions.
Class 17	Not before 1pm Open Lead rein. Rider 8 years and under, pony not to exceed 12.2 hh

Class 18	First Ridden Pony. Rider 12 yrs & under pony not to exceed 13.2hh
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Class 19	Ridden Mountain & Moorland inc Lead Rein (to be split if entries warrant)
Class 20	Ridden Cobs. Hogged or Traditional
Class 21	Ridden Plaited. Hacks, Hunters Show or Show Hunter Pony, Riding Horse

Class 22	Ridden Coloured. Inc alternative colours, piebald, Skewbald, Palomino, dun, Spotted, Cremello, Roan.
Class 23	Open Ridden. Non-lead Rein, an open show class
Class 24	Rescue Equine Showing Society Qualifier – Open Ridden: Any type of breed, four years of age and over. Can include Lead Rein and First Ridden (will not be included in the initial go-round). All riders must be appropriate height/weight for their equine.

CH1 - In-hand CHAMPIONSHIP

1st and 2nd places from classes 7 – 16 after completion of In-hand classes in Ring 2.

CH2 - Ridden CHAMPIONSHIP

1st and 2nd places from classes 17 - 24 after completion of in ridden classes in Ring 2.

CH3 – Veteran Champion of the VHS Spring Festival 2024

Open to 1st and 2nd places from classes 1D – 6D.

Overall Veteran Champion - £100 cash prize kindly donated by Mobility Care Services Ltd

The Reserve Veteran Champion to be presented with a beautiful Saddle cloth kindly sponsored by Allen & Page.

Rescue Equine Showing Society

DEFINITION OF RESCUE:

1. Any equine that is adopted, fostered, under a guardianship scheme from any National Equine Welfare Council registered Charity (NEWC).
2. Any equine that has been adopted, fostered, under a guardianship scheme from any other equine charity (must be registered with the Charity Commission).

3. Any equine that has been 'independently' rescued by an individual. There must be supporting evidence (photographic, veterinary) that will be included in the 'Rescue History' for the equine, to demonstrate their rescue status.

Ring 1

Commencing at 1:00pm – Judge: Mr Stephen Follows

Veteran Horse Society Showing Spring Festival

Direct Qualifier 2024

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Direct Qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final

VETERAN HORSE OF THE YEAR 2024

IN HAND:

1D	In Hand Diamond Veteran 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
2D	In Hand Veteran 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
3D	In Hand Pre-Veteran 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

RIDDEN:

4D	Ridden Diamond Veteran 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
5D	Ridden Veteran 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
6D	Ridden Pre-Veteran 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

Open to members and non-members, however **NON-MEMBERS** to purchase **Day Membership Show Card** for this show. Day membership must be purchased from VHS head office at least 2 weeks in advance of the show, at a cost of £25.00. Payment by telephone with a Credit or Debit card is required. A day membership show card and age badge will be provided. Owners who are not competing are not required to be a member.

Should classes with fewer than 5 entries forward, Supreme Final qualifications will be awarded at the judge's discretion and are not guaranteed.

All competitors and grooms must adhere to VHS Rules in all circumstances. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification.

Members and Day members must carry their current VHS membership card **in the ring** and produce these on request – no exceptions will be made. No card no entry or qualification.

VHS Supreme Final qualification. Competitors placed 1st and 2nd in each class will also qualify directly for their corresponding class at the VHS Supreme Final, to be held at the National Veteran Championships. 30th August – 1st September 2024, Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire.

VHS Regional Final qualification. All competitors placed 3rd and 4th in each class will qualify for their corresponding class at any VHS Regional Finals.

VHS M&M Supreme Final qualification. Will be to the highest placed M&M in each class to qualify (at the judge's discretion) for the VHS M&M Supreme Final at the National Veteran Championships. Show Card to be signed.

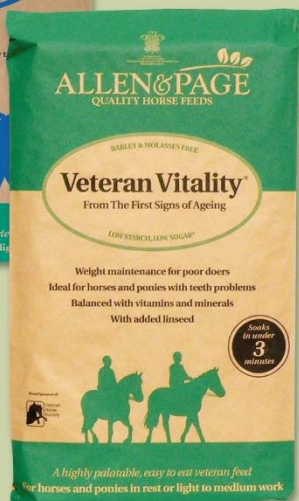


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Show Regulations

GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. This show is run in accordance with Veteran Horse Society rules. Please refer to VHS Rulebook.
2. By entering any class at this show, the competitor agrees to abide by all aspects of Veteran Horses Society rules, including those in the VHS Rulebook and those explicitly outlined in this schedule, included Covid track & trace.
3. Exhibitors under the age of 18 must have the declaration on the entry form signed by a parent/guardian.
4. Failure to observe any of the rules may result in disqualification of the horse/pony concerned and/or the Exhibitor may be requested to leave the showground.
5. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to fully insure their personal property and animals for which they are responsible whilst on the Showground. Exhibitors are required to have liability insurance cover for their exhibits whilst at the show.
6. Behaviour of an offensive, abusive or unpleasant manner to any person on the Showground will not be tolerated. Any person found to be doing so will be asked to leave the Showground with their exhibits immediately. They may be subject to the VHS disciplinary procedure and all entry/stabling fees, prizes etc. will be forfeited.
7. No person shall ill-treat any animal at any time whether by misuse/excessive use of a whip, bit, item of tack/saddlery or in any other way whatsoever. A Welfare Officer will always be present at the show ground.
8. All exhibitors are asked to be aware of animals on the Showground and ensure that all exhibits are fit and well. If anybody has reason to believe that a horse/pony is unfit, they must report this to the organisers immediately.
9. All horses to be accompanied by a valid equine passport which must be produced upon request.
10. Entry fees are non-refundable after the close of entries in any circumstance. Requests for refunds prior to this date must be made in writing to the Show Secretary together with a valid veterinary or medical certificate.
11. Entries will not be accepted without full payment.
12. Cheques are not acceptable, unless permission is granted from Head Office and must be received 3 weeks prior to the show.
13. Competitor numbers can be collected from the Show Secretary on the day.
14. Horse/Pony age badges should be worn in all classes. These can be ordered from VHS Head Office. A limited supply will be available for purchase from the Show Secretary on the day.
15. The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry at the discretion of a VHS Director.
16. The organisers reserve the right to limit entries, change, cancel, split or amalgamate classes as they see fit.
17. The organisers take cannot be held responsible where a competitor has entered more than one class and a clash occurs. Whilst every reasonable effort will be made to allow competitors to compete in both, this may not always be possible. The judge's decision is final.
18. It is mandatory for all riders to wear correctly secured riding hats to the current approved BSI or European standard (except for side-saddle exhibits where SSA rules apply).
19. Hat disclaimer - Any competitor aged 18 or over wishing to wear other headgear during a class may do so at entirely their own risk. A disclaimer must be signed by the competitor and given to the Show Secretary 1 hour before the class begins.
20. Body Protectors may be worn.
21. Motorbikes and quad bikes are not be permitted on the Showground.
22. Bicycles and scooters must not be ridden near rings or horses.
23. Buggies and mobility vehicles may not be driven around the show, unless an exemption has been granted in writing by the organisers. Only exhibitors with a medical disability will be granted dispensation. All persons must be over 18 years of age and have a valid licence and appropriate insurance.
24. Dogs are always to be kept under control and on a lead. Loose dogs will be impounded and will not be released until a payment of £40 is made. Owners are to clean up after their dog. Any person found to disregard this rule will be fined £40. All payments will be donated directly to Veteran Equine Trust: 1104072
25. The organisers do not accept any liability for any accident, injury, loss, damage or illness to any riders, handlers, spectators, horses, ponies or to any property whatsoever and howsoever caused.
26. Handlers of a lead rein are not required to be Day or Full Members for the Direct Qualifier.
27. To enter Classes 1D – 6D no qualification is necessary but Full or Day Membership is required 14 days prior to the Show



**VETERAN HORSE SOCIETY SPRING
FESTIVAL 12th May 2024**

Class	Name of horse	Age of horse	VHS membership no.(horse)	Name of rider/handler	Age of rider	VHS membership no. (rider)	Entry fees (GBP)
If there is any further information we should know about the horse, please state here: (e.g. stallion)						total entry fees	
						first aid	5.00
						TOTAL	

ALL DETAILS MUST BE COMPLETED.

I hereby certify that the above details are correct in all particulars so far as I know them, and I agree to abide by all the VHS regulations.

EXHIBITOR'S SIGNATURE (Parent/Guardian if under 18yrs of age)

EXHIBITOR'S NAME.....

OWNERS NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

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POST CODE..... TEL.NO

MOBILE NOEMAIL.....@.....

Online entry is preferred and can be done through our website, when entries open.