



## **Dales Pony Society**

# **ANNUAL SPRING STALLION and BREED SHOW**

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2026 at 10:00 am**

**STREATLAM FARM,  
BARNARD CASTLE, CO. DURHAM, DL12 8RQ**  
Off the A688 Barnard Castle to Bishop Auckland Road

### **Judges**

Ring A: Mrs G Cockbain

Ring A Novice classes: Mrs K Waite

Ring B In-Hand: Mr E Coulthard

Ring B BSPS Supreme Heritage Ridden Semi-Final: Mrs P Eminson

Ring B Ridden classes: Miss A Pennell

Prefix: Carrock

Prefix: Cowtondales

Prefix: Langrigg

Prefix: Highclose

Prefix: Nipna

Colt Premiums: Mrs J Graham, Mr R James, Mrs E Jones, Mr C Parker

**Entries Closing Date: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2026**

**NO ENTRIES ON THE DAY**

**It is strongly recommended that ponies travelling to shows are vaccinated**

***If you would like to sponsor a class or section, please contact [kewwaite@aol.com](mailto:kewwaite@aol.com).  
Sponsorship is £20 per class and £30 for a Championship***

# Rules and Conditions of Entry

## BREED SHOW RULES

These rules apply to all central and regional breed shows and any other shows organised by the Society.

### COMPETITORS

Shows are confined to members of the Dales Pony Society.

The following definitions apply when making entries for shows:

Owner:	The person whose name appears in the passport and stud book
Exhibitor:	The person who makes the entry to the show
Handler/Rider:	The person who is handling or riding the pony in the ring
Novice In Hand Pony:	The pony must not have won a first prize in hand before 1 <sup>st</sup> January of the current year.
Novice Ridden Pony:	The pony must not have won a first prize under saddle by 1 <sup>st</sup> January of the current year. The pony must be shown in a snaffle bridle and ponies will be asked to canter

The Exhibitor needs to be a paid-up Full Member. It is the responsibility of every exhibitor to ensure that all Handlers and Riders are fully paid up members of the Society, for insurance reasons.

An exhibitor may not knowingly exhibit a pony bred, sold, leased or produced by the judge or his/her immediate family.

### Ponies

1. All ponies must be registered in the Dales Pony Society Stud Book, excluding part-bred and those ponies registered in the Section X of the stud book. Misrepresentation of any exhibit other than its true colour or form, will cause it to be banned from the show, and may cause the owner's name to be removed from the membership list.
2. Ponies to be shown in their natural state. No trimming, clipping or pulling of mane, tails, or feathers on the legs. Tails may be rough-trimmed to prevent them dragging on the ground. No young stock (3 years and under) should be shown clipped.
3. In the interests of welfare and only for ponies 4 years and over, ridden and driven ponies may be body-clipped in the winter, taking rule 2 into account. Lower legs should not be clipped.
4. No plaiting except for the traditional plait at the top of the tail bearing ribbons if so wished.
5. No false hair or make-up of any kind is permitted.
6. All stallions 3 years and over must be licensed and in full stallion tack at all times, except when under saddle or in harness.
7. All foals exhibited must be by a licensed and registered Dales stallion and must be 3 weeks old or more on the show day. All foals must be haltered at all times.
8. **Foals and yearlings must not be shod.**
9. All ponies entered in the show must be accompanied by their passports, or to be eligible to apply to the Society for a passport, as required by the Equine Identification (England) Regulations 2018.

### RING FORMALITIES

All ponies must be shown clockwise round the ring. No exhibit is allowed to overtake the exhibit walking or trotting in front. No exhibit will be allowed to enter or leave the ring without the permission of the steward.

Exhibitors are not allowed to speak to the judge unless spoken to. Any matters arising must be reported to the ring steward only.

Any pony not under sufficient control or being a danger to the public or other competitors will be asked to leave the ring.

### DRESS AND ACCESSORIES

No whips with lashes in all classes.

No spurs are allowed.

The Dales Pony Society requests that the best appropriate headgear will be worn, correctly fitted and with the harness fastened at all times when mounted. Hats must meet one of the following current safety standards/specifications as of 1 January 2024: PAS015 2011, VG1, (BS) EN1384 2023, ASTM F1163 2015 & 2023, SNELL E2016 onwards, AS/NZS 3838 2006 onwards. Some hats are badged with two or more standards, as long as a hat contains at least one compliant hat standard, then it is deemed suitable for use. Anyone not following this recommendation will be asked to dismount and if they are in the ring, they will be asked to leave the ring. Handlers of ponies in In Hand classes aged 14 years and under must wear a correctly secured skull cap/riding hats that meets one of the above standards.

### TROPHIES

Trophies will be returned to the Society on receipt, for engraving, and they will then be presented to the winners when ready but must be returned to the Society on request.

### COMPLAINTS

Any complaint must be reported to the Show Secretary's Office. There will be a complaint fee of £40, which will be returned if the appeal is upheld following an enquiry. If the appeal fails the fee will be forfeited.

### OTHER CONDITIONS

The Society reserves the right to combine or divide classes as necessary.

Any exhibitor whose pony is causing damage to the showground may be asked to leave the showground.

It is necessary that all exhibitors carry Public Liability Insurance for an adequate indemnity to protect against their negligence including any injury caused by their animals or property.

## **PASSPORT REQUIREMENTS**

A valid passport must accompany the pony and be available for inspection on collection of numbers or be produced on request at any other time during the show. The passport may be checked against the pony's microchip at any time. If a valid passport cannot be produced, or if the microchip cannot be verified or does not match the passport, the exhibitor will be told to leave the show immediately with all animals.

## **BREACHES OF RULES**

Breaches of any of the Show Rules, or any other Society rule, will be reported by the stewards to the Secretary, who will then place them before the Council for a ruling.

## **PRIVACY STATEMENT**

Exhibitors and Handlers may be photographed or videoed on show days for Society archives and publicity in newsletters, brochures, the Society's website and social media. By taking part in any Society organised shows exhibitors agree to being photographed or videoed for these purposes. Personal information that you supply to us may be used by the Society in a number of ways. Full details of our privacy policy can be found on our website; if you prefer a hard copy, please ask.

## **DISCLAIMER**

Neither the Society nor any of its officials or servants will be held responsible for anything that may happen, from any circumstances whatever, to exhibitors or their servants, or the public or any spectator, or through any animal or vehicle, exhibited at the show and it will be a condition of entry that each exhibitor shall not hold the Society responsible, and that he or she indemnify the Society against any legal proceedings arising from any such cause or circumstance.

**PLEASE NOTE:** That whilst every effort has been made to allow exhibitors to enter as many classes as possible, classes will not be held up in the event of a clash so exhibitors must be aware of this when choosing which classes to enter.

### **How to find Streatlam Farm**

From A1 North: Take Junction 60, A689 west to Bishop Auckland. Take the A688 to Bishop Auckland and Barnard Castle. The Showground is on the A688 Barnard Castle to Staindrop road, on the right before you get to Barnard Castle.

From A1 South: Take A66 Penrith Road at Scotch Corner. Take the first right turn to Barnard Castle and go into the town. Turn right at the Butter Cross and follow the main road through and out of the town. At the second roundabout, bear left on the A688 towards Staindrop and Bishop Auckland. The showground is on the left, after about a mile.

Please take care when turning into the show field as the A688 is a very busy road.

### **ENTRY FEES: £10.00**

**£3 First Aid contribution to be paid per Handler / Rider  
Catalogue to be collected with back numbers from the Marquee**

**Entries via Entrymaster** [www.entrymaster.co.uk](http://www.entrymaster.co.uk) [Direct link click here in PDF](#)

**Or post ONLY**

**Please make cheques payable to "Dales Pony Society".**

**If you wish to pay by bank transfer**

**Account name - Dales Pony Society**

**Sort Code - 20-56-74**

**Account Number - 60311545**

**Stating "SpringShow" reference.**

### **PRIZE MONEY:**

**Overall In Hand Champion £20.00 – Overall In Hand Reserve £10.00**

**Overall Ridden Champion £20.00 – Overall Ridden Reserve £10.00**

## Cups and Trophies

Herbert Straker Cup	Best stallion, 5 years & over	Class 1
Master John Trophy	Oldest stallion	Class 1
Norman Bayles Cup	Best stallion, 3 & 4 year old	Class 2
Frank Collingwood Cup	Best 2 year old colt	Class 11
Davies Cup	Best yearling colt	Class 12
Blockley Cup	Best senior mare	Class 4
Alderson Trophy	Best junior mare	Class 3
Mrs Field Challenge Cup	Best brood mare	Class 9
Calamity Cup	Best foal	Class 10
Urwin and Strickland Cup	Best 3 year old filly	Class 13
Blandford Tankard	Best 2 year old filly	Class 14
Blandford Cup	Best yearling filly	Class 15
Thompson Cup	Best gelding	Classes 16, 17, 18 to compete
Mrs Field MBE Memorial Cup	Best section mare	Class 5
David Howard Cup	Best section filly	Class 6
Melody Cup	Best pony under saddle	Classes 23-29 to compete
Mrs Field MBE Tankard	Best turned out pony and groom	All exhibits eligible
Robert Sanderson Memorial Cup	Highest placed Section A pony exhibited in hand by a member residing within 30 miles of Barnard Castle	
William Watt Jnr. Memorial Cup	Best male pony (All ages, Section A)	
Corner Memorial Trophy	Youngstock Champion (3 years and under, Section A)	
William Watt Memorial Cup	Overall Champion - All Section A 1 <sup>st</sup> and 2 <sup>nd</sup> in hand prize winners eligible to compete	

# Classes

## Collecting Ring: 10:00 am

### Junior Stallion and Colt Premiums

2 year old colts competing for a junior premium must be eligible to be stallions  
Please report to the stewards at the Collecting Ring for Ring A

10.00 am 3 year old colts followed by 2 year old colts

## Ring A: 10:00 am

- Class 1 Stallion, 5 years and over
- Class 2 Stallion, 4 years old and colt 3 years old. All entries must be licensed stallions
- Class 3 Mare, Section A, 4 to 7 years old (*other than in Class 9.*)
- Class 4 Mare, Section A, 8 years and over (*other than in Class 9*)
- Class 5 Mare, Section B, 4 years and over (*foals are eligible to compete in Class 10*)
- Class 6 Filly, Section B, 1, 2 or 3 years old (special rosette to the highest placed yearling)

### Section B Championship 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 5 & 6 to complete

#### TO FOLLOW ON

- Class 7 Novice In Hand Pony, Section A or B, 4 years old and over. The pony must not have won a first prize in hand before the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the current year
- Class 8 Novice In Hand Pony, Section A or B, Yearling, 2 or 3 year old. The pony must not have won a first prize in hand before the 1<sup>st</sup> January of the current year

#### NOT BEFORE 12.00 NOON

- Class 9 Brood Mare, Section A, 4 years and over, with foal at foot or to foal in 2026, to a licensed Dales stallion
- Class 10 Foal, Section A or B, eligible for registration in the Dales Pony Stud Book (*foals from mares in classes 5 and 9 can compete; foals must be 3 weeks old or over on the show day; foals must not be shod*)
- Class 11 Colt, Section A, 2 years old, eligible to become a stallion
- Class 12 Yearling Colt, Section A, eligible to become a stallion, (*yearlings must not be shod*)
- Class 13 Filly, Section A, 3 years old (*not to be in foal for 2026*)
- Class 14 Filly, Section A, 2 years old (*not to be in foal for 2026*)
- Class 15 Yearling Filly, Section A, (*yearlings must not be shod*)

#### Youngstock Championship

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners Classes 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, & 15 and the two highest placed 3 year old colts from Class 2 are eligible to compete

#### Overall In Hand Ring A Championship

1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15 are eligible to compete.

This Show is a qualifier for the NPS Area 4 In Hand Final sponsored by "Gowland Plumbing Services". The Champion and Reserve Champion from Mountain & Moorland In Hand Classes will qualify for the Final to be held on Monday 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026 at the NPS Area 4 Summer Show. Qualifiers do not have to be Members of the NPS.

## Ring B: 10:00 am

- Class 16 Gelding, 8 years old & over  
Class 17 Gelding, 4 to 7 years old  
Class 18 Gelding, Yearling, 2 or 3 years old (special rosette to the highest placed yearling)

### **Gelding Championship 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 16, 17 & 18 to complete**

- Class 19 Dales Part Bred 4 years old and over. *(Ponies must be registered in the Dales Pony Society Part Bred Register)*  
Class 20 Dales Part Bred Yearling 2 & 3 year olds *(Ponies must be registered in the Dales Pony Society Part Bred Register)*  
Class 21 Part Bred Ridden, 4 years old and over *(Ponies must be registered in the Dales Pony Society Part Bred Register)*

### **Part Bred Championship 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 19, 20 & 21 to complete**

## **NOT BEFORE 12.00 NOON**

*Riders of stallions must be 14 years or older.*

- Class 22 The B.S.P.S. New Horizon Plastics Heritage Ridden Championship  
Registered Pure Bred Dales. Ponies 4 years old or over. Riders any age.  
The 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners will qualify to compete at the Semi-Final to be held at THE B.S.P.S. HERITAGE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW, at Arena U.K. (The qualification will NOT pass down the line).

Ponies, Owners and Riders need not be B.S.P.S. Members to compete in the B.S.P.S. Heritage Ridden Supreme London International Horse Show Semi-Final qualifying classes but pony, owner and rider will need to register to compete in the SEMI-FINAL to be held at the B.S.P.S. "Heritage" Championship Show. Classes will be judged under B.S.P.S. rules as per the 2026 B.S.P.S. Rule & Show Handbook. Animals must be the correct height for the breed as laid down in the individual breed standards.

### **Classes 23, 24, 25, 26 & 27 are traditional walk and trot only**

- Class 23 Traditional Ridden Gelding, any section, 8 years and over  
Class 24 Traditional Ridden Gelding, any section, 4 to 7 years old  
Class 25 Traditional Ridden Mare, any section, 8 years and over  
Class 26 Traditional Ridden Mare, any section, 4 to 7 years old  
Class 27 Traditional Ridden Stallion, licensed stallions, 4 years old and over

### **Traditional Ridden Championship 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 23, 24, 25, 26 & 27 to complete**

Champion and Reserve qualify for the **Dales Pony Society Ridden Pony of the Year in 2026**. This will be held at the NCPA Northern Spectacular, Northallerton Equestrian Centre, DL7 0PQ on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026. If the Champion and Reserve have already qualified, then the qualification will be passed down the line.

### **Classes 28 and 29 include canter**

- Class 28 Novice Ridden Pony  
Class 29 Open Ridden Pony

### **Ridden Championship 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 28 & 29 to complete**

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## **Overall Ridden Championship**

**All Champions and Reserve Champions from Traditional Ridden & Ridden classes**

**Pony of the Year Final – for the group go round ponies will be expected to walk and trot on both reins. For the individual shows, ponies will be required to perform a show as per their qualification i.e. traditional or walk/trot/canter – ponies will be stripped.**

<b>Ring A</b>	<b>Ring B</b>
<p><b>10.00am</b></p> <p><b>JUDGE: Mrs G Cockbain</b></p> <p><b>Class 1</b> Stallion, 5 years and over  <b>Class 2</b> Stallion, 4 years old and colt 3 years old  <b>Class 3</b> Mare, Section A, 4-7 years old (other than in class 9)  <b>Class 4</b> Mare, Section A, 8 years old &amp; over (other than in class 9)  <b>Class 5</b> Mare, Section B, 4 years old &amp; over (with or without foal at foot)  <b>Class 6</b> Filly, Section B, Section Yearling, 2 or 3 year old</p> <p><b>Section B Championship 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 5 &amp; 6 to compete</b></p> <p><b>Classes 7 &amp; 8 to follow Section B Championship</b></p> <p><b>JUDGE: Mrs K Waite</b></p> <p><b>Class 7</b> Novice, Section A or B, 4 years old &amp; over any sex  <b>Class 8</b> Novice, Section A or B, yearling, 2 or 3 year old</p> <p><b>NOT BEFORE 12.00 NOON</b></p> <p><b>JUDGE: Mrs G Cockbain</b></p> <p><b>Class 9</b> Brood Mare, with foal at foot or in foal for 2026 (to a licensed Dales stallion)  <b>Class 10</b> Foal, Section A or B (3 weeks old or more on day of Show)  <b>Class 11</b> Colt, Section A, 2 years old  <b>Class 12</b> Colt, Section A, Yearling  <b>Class 13</b> Filly, Section A, 3 years old (not to be in foal for 2026)  <b>Class 14</b> Filly, Section A, 2 years old (not to be in foal for 2026)  <b>Class 15</b> Filly, Section A, Yearling</p> <p><b>Youngstock Championship 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners Classes 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 and 2 highest placed 3-year-old colts from Class 2 are eligible to compete</b></p> <p><b>Overall Championship 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners Classes 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15 are eligible to compete</b></p>	<p><b>10.00am</b></p> <p><b>JUDGE: Mr E Coulthard</b></p> <p><b>Class 16</b> Gelding, Section A or B, 8 years old &amp; over  <b>Class 17</b> Gelding, Section A or B, 4-7 years old  <b>Class 18</b> Gelding, Section A or B, Yearling, 2 or 3 years old</p> <p><b>Gelding Championship 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 16-18 to compete</b></p> <p><b>Class 19</b> Part Bred, 4 years old &amp; over In-Hand  <b>Class 20</b> Part Bred, Yearling, 2 &amp; 3 years old In-Hand  <b>Class 21</b> Part Bred Ridden</p> <p><b>Part Bred Championship 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 19-21 to compete</b></p> <p><b>NOT BEFORE 12.00 NOON</b></p> <p><b>JUDGE: Mrs P Eminson</b></p> <p><b>Class 22</b> BSPS Supreme Heritage Ridden Semi-Final</p> <p><b>JUDGE: Miss A Pennell</b></p> <p><b>Class 23</b> Traditional Ridden Gelding, 8 years old &amp; over  <b>Class 24</b> Traditional Ridden Gelding, 4-7 years old &amp; over  <b>Class 25</b> Traditional Ridden Mare, 8 years old &amp; over  <b>Class 26</b> Traditional Ridden Mare, 4-7 years old  <b>Class 27</b> Traditional Ridden Stallion, 4 years old &amp; over</p> <p><b>Traditional Ridden Championship 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 23-27 to compete</b></p> <p><b>Class 28</b> Novice Ridden  <b>Class 29</b> Open Ridden</p> <p><b>Non-Traditional Ridden Championship 1<sup>st</sup> &amp; 2<sup>nd</sup> prize winners from classes 28 &amp; 29 to compete</b></p> <p><b>Supreme Ridden Championship Champion &amp; Reserve from Traditional &amp; Non-Traditional Ridden Championships to compete</b></p>