Heavy Horse Show - Sunday Class Schedule 2026

Sunday 30th August 2026

SHIRE HORSE SOCIETY AFFILIATED - CLASSES 1-6

Entry Information

Venue: The Showground, Gallowfields Road, Market Harborough, Leicestershire, LE16 7QB

Entries close: Monday 17th August 2026

Entry fee: £10 per in-hand or harness class

Young Handler: Free entry

Appearance premium: £35 paid to each in-hand or harness entry that appears before the judge

JUDGING COMMENCES: 9:30AM

PLEASE NOTE: All horses must be on the showground by 8:00am.

TWO RINGS RUN CONCURRENTLY

Ring 1: Shire Horse Classes 1-6, followed by the Shire Championship, Class 7 and Class 15.

Ring 2: Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale Classes 8-13, followed by the Ring 2 Championship.

Both rings will operate alongside each other throughout the day.

Ring 1 - Shire Horse Classes

Class 1: Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding	**£10**
Class 2: Two or Three-Year-Old Colt, Filly or Gelding	**£10**
Class 3: Gelding, Four Years Old and Over	**£10**
Class 4: Barren Mare, Four Years Old and Over	**£10**
Class 5: Brood Mare with Foal at Foot	**£10**
Class 6: Colt or Filly Foal	**£10**

SHIRE CHAMPIONSHIP - AFTER CLASS 6

The first- and second-placed exhibits from Classes 1-6 will go forward. The judge will select the Shire Champion and Reserve Champion before Classes 7 and 15 continue in Ring 1.

Class 7: Best Matched Pair In-Hand	**£10**
Class 15: Young Handler	**FREE**

Young Handlers must be 12 years old or over.

Ring 2 - Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale

Class 8: Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding	**£10**
Class 9: Two or Three-Year-Old Colt, Filly or Gelding	**£10**
Class 10: Gelding, Four Years Old and Over	**£10**
Class 11: Barren Mare, Four Years Old and Over	**£10**
Class 12: Brood Mare with Foal at Foot	**£10**
Class 13: Colt or Filly Foal	**£10**

PERCHERON, SUFFOLK OR CLYDESDALE CHAMPIONSHIP - AFTER CLASS 13

The first- and second-placed exhibits from Classes 8-13 will go forward. The judge will select the Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale Champion and Reserve Champion before the remaining Sunday programme continues.

Open Sunday Class - Main Ring

Class 14: Working Harness	**£10**

To take place immediately before the Grand Parade.

Sunday Judging Team

Ring 1 - Shire Classes: Mr J W H Burks, Market Rasen, Lincs

Ring 2 - Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale: Mr T L G Henfrey, Greystones, The Common, Crowland, Lincs

Best Shod: Tommy Harris DIPWCF, The Rugby Farrier

Best Turnout Handler & Best Braided Horse: Mr Stephen James Leadham

Championships, Special Awards & Grand Parade

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Running Order

Two-ring judging: Ring 1 will run Shire Horse Classes 1-6, followed by the Shire Championship, Class 7 and Class 15. Ring 2 will run Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale Classes 8-13, followed by the Ring 2 Championship. Both rings will operate concurrently throughout the day.

Ring 1 - Shire Championship

Classes 1-6 will be judged in class order. The first- and second-placed exhibits from each class will qualify for the Championship. Championship judging will take place immediately after Class 6, when the judge will select the Shire Champion and Reserve Champion. Class 7 Best Matched Pair In-Hand and Class 15 Young Handler will then continue in Ring 1.

Ring 2 - Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale Championship

Classes 8-13 will be judged in class order. The first- and second-placed exhibits from each class will qualify for the Championship. Championship judging will take place immediately after Class 13, when the judge will select the Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale Champion and Reserve Champion.

Open Sunday Class - Main Ring

Class 14: Working Harness will take place in the Main Ring immediately before the Grand Parade.

GRAND PARADE - APPROXIMATELY 3:00PM

All horses that have appeared during the day will be brought into the Main Ring for the Grand Parade and the presentation of the day's principal awards.

Special Awards

Best Shod: This is not a separate entered class. It will be judged independently throughout the day across all classes by Tommy Harris DIPWCF. The selected exhibit will receive a rosette during the Main Ring presentations.

Best Turnout Handler & Best Braided Horse: These awards will be judged throughout the day by Mr Stephen James Leadham and presented in the Main Ring following the Grand Parade.

Main Ring Presentations

Presentations following the Grand Parade will include the Shire Champion and Reserve Champion sashes; the Percheron, Suffolk or Clydesdale Champion and Reserve Champion awards; the Shire Horse Society Silver-Plated Spoon and Rosette; Best Shod; Best Turnout Handler; Best Braided Horse; Best of Breed awards; and any other sashes or rosettes awarded during the day.

Prize Money

Section	1st	2nd	3rd	4th
In-hand / Harness	£30	£25	£20	-
Young Handler	£20	£12	£8	£4

Shire Horse Society Award

SILVER-PLATED SPOON AND ROSETTE

A Silver-Plated Spoon and Rosette are offered for the Best Mare or Filly in the Shire classes. The winner must be a Shire Horse Society member and the animal must be registered, or eligible for registration, in the Stud Book or Grade B Register. The judge may withhold the award if an exhibit does not show sufficient merit.