



Pony Breeders of Shetland Association
Summer Show
Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th June 2026
At Cunningsburgh Showfield



This show is affiliated to NPS Scotland and the Shetland Pony Stud Book Society
SPSBS Bronze Medal Show

NPS Rules - [Rule Book - The National Pony Society](#)

SPSBS Rules - <https://www.shetlandponystudbooksociety.co.uk/shows/s-p-s-b-s-rule-book/>

Judge: Mr Stein Langorgen, Norway

Saturday 27th June 2026 judging will commence at **9am prompt.**

Sunday 28th June 2026 judging will commence at **10am prompt.**

Closing date for all entries **Monday 15th June 2026.** No late entries will be accepted.

NPS SCOTLAND QUALIFIERS – RULES 2026

To be run under NPS SCOTLAND CHAMPIONSHIPS RULES 2026. These rules clarify areas particular to NPS Scotland. We also run to the Rules of the National Pony Society. Copies of these rules can be found on our website www.npsscotland.co.uk

Exhibitors are deemed to be conversant with these rules.

A judge is not obliged to award an NPS Scotland Qualification if he/she feels that the pony is not of a sufficient standard.

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RIDDEN CLASSES

NB: Classes may be split/amalgamated depending upon entries

Class 1 NPS Scotland/ Craigclowan School M&M Lead Rein Ridden

Mares and geldings four years old and over not exceeding 122cm, registered in the main body of the following Breed Society stud books: Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, New Forest, Welsh A and Welsh B. To be shown in a snaffle bit. Rider must have attained their 3rd birthday but not reached their 9th birthday by the 1st January in the current year.

NPS Scotland/ Craigclowan School M&M Lead Rein Championship

The 2 highest placed ponies in the Lead Rein Class not already qualified will go forward to the final which will take place at Scone Palace International Horse Trials on Friday 28th August 2026. **Qualifications to go no lower than 4th place**

Class 2 NPS Scotland/ Craigclowan School M&M First Ridden

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 A and Welsh B. Riders must have attained their 3rd birthday but not reached their 12th birthday by 1st January in the current year

NPS Scotland/ Craigclowan School M&M First Ridden Championship

The 2 highest placed ponies in the First Ridden Class not already qualified will go forward to the final which will take place at Scone Palace International Horse Trials on Friday 28th August 2026. **Qualifications to go no lower than 4th place**

Class 3 NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud Novice Ridden Mountain & Moorland Small Breeds (Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh A & Welsh B)

Class 4 NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud Novice Ridden Mountain & Moorland Large Breeds (Connemara, Dales, Fell, Highland, New Forest, Welsh C & Welsh D)

NPS Scotland/Kilmannan Stud Novice Ridden Mountain & Moorland

Open to stallions, mares and geldings four years old and over, registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book.

A pony is not eligible to compete if, before 1st January in the current year, it has done any of the following:

- i. Won an open affiliated mixed M&M Ridden class
- ii. Qualified for Horse of the Year Show, LIHS 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 Finals (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).
- iv. If a pony qualifies for Horse of the Year Show, LIHS or RIHS in its second year it is de-noviced and cannot compete in the Kilmannan Final at Scone Palace Final.

The **2** highest placed ponies, not already qualified, in each class will qualify for the Final which will take place at the Scone Palace International Horse Trials on Friday 28th August 2026. **Qualifications to go no lower than 4th place.** This can be either mixed M. & M. or Breed Classes

Class 5 The NPS Scotland/Maggie May Junior Open Ridden Small Breeds

Open to registered Dartmoor, Exmoor, Shetland, Welsh Section A, Welsh Section B mares and geldings four years old and over. Riders aged under 14 years on 1st January in the current year

Class 6 The NPS Scotland/Maggie May Junior Open Ridden Large Breeds

Open to registered Dales (may exceed 148 cms), Fell, Highland, New Forest, Connemara and Welsh Section C and Welsh D (may exceed 148 cms), mares and geldings four years old and over. – Riders aged under 18 years on 1st January in the current year

The NPS Scotland/Maggie May Junior Open Ridden Championship

Open to mares and geldings four years old and over, registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book. **Please note NO Stallions are allowed in the Junior Classes.**

The **2** highest placed pony, in each Junior Ridden Class not already qualified, will qualify for the Final which will take place at the Scone Palace International Horse Trials on Friday 28th August 2026. **Qualifications to go no lower than 4th place**

Class 7 NPS Scotland/Harbro Open Ridden Mountain & Moorland Small Breeds

Class 8 NPS Scotland/Harbro Open Ridden Mountain & Moorland Large Breeds

NPS Scotland/Harbro Open Ridden Mountain & Moorland Championship

Open to stallions, mares and geldings five years old and over, registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book.

The **2** highest placed ponies, not already qualified, in each class will qualify for the Final which will take place at the Scone Palace International Horse Trials on Friday 28th August 2026. **Qualifications to go no lower than 4th place.**

WORKING HUNTER PONY CLASSES

NB: Classes may be split/amalgamated depending upon entries. Competitors may enter a maximum of 2 Working Hunter classes.

- Class 9 Working Hunter Poles/X Poles**
- Class 10 Working Hunter 1' 6"**
- Class 11 Working Hunter 2'**
- Class 12 Working Hunter 2' 6"**
- Class 13 Working Hunter 2' 9"**
- Class 14 Working Hunter 3'**

NPS Scotland/Kingfisher Building Products Mountain & Moorland Open WHP Championship

Open to stallions, mares and geldings **five** years old or over, registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book.

The **2** highest placed ponies, meeting the criteria below, in classes 11 – 14 not already qualified, will qualify for the Final which will take place at the Scone Palace International Horse Trials on 28th August 2026.

Qualifications to go no lower than 4th place.

- Class 11 Ponies not exceeding 122cm
- Class 12 Ponies exceeding 122cm but not exceeding 133cm
- Class 13 Ponies exceeding 133cm but not exceeding 143cm
- Class 14 Ponies exceeding 143cms but not exceeding 148cms (with the exception of Welsh Section D and Dales for which there is no height restriction).

	Class 11	Class 12	Class 13	Class 14
Height of Ponies	Ponies not exceeding 122cms	Ponies exceeding 122cms but not exceeding 133cms	Ponies exceeding 133cms but not exceeding 143cms	Ponies exceeding 143cms but not exceeding 148 (except for Welsh Section D and Dales for which there is no height restriction).
Min Height of Jumps	55cm	65cm	75cm	85cm
Max Height of jumps	70cm	80cm	90cm	100cm
Max. Spread of jumps	55cm	65cm	75cm	85cm

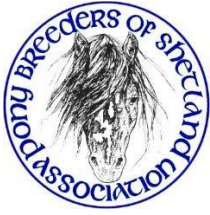
Shows, especially those held early in the year, may reduce the heights and spreads shown above in order to encourage riders to compete, but competitors that qualify must be aware that the jumps will be as above for the Finals at Scone Palace.

The course will consist of a minimum of seven fences, one of which must be a spread, a change of direction must be included. If a hazard is included, it will be numbered and judged as a fence. A water tray jump will be included at the final.

1st & 2nd Placed ponies from classes 1 – 14 will come forward for the Overall Ridden Championship

The Champion Ridden Registered Shetland Pony will be awarded the SPSBS Bronze Medal

This is subject to the pony being registered with SPS-BS and the owner/exhibitor being a fully paid-up member of the SPS-BS. In the event of the champion pony or owner/exhibitor not being eligible, the Bronze Medal can be awarded to the reserve champion should they meet the registration and membership requirements. Medals will be awarded by the show secretary, upon production of a current SPS-BS membership card.



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YOUNG HANDLER CLASSES

Class 15 Young Handlers Up to 10 Years Old

Class 16 Young Handlers 11 – 18 Years Old

Best Young Handler

IN HAND CLASSES

Class 17 Registered Shetland Pony Foal

Class 18 Registered Shetland Pony 1 year old

Class 19 Registered Shetland Pony 2 years old

Class 20 Registered Shetland Pony 3 years old

Class 21 Registered Shetland Pony Mare 4 years +

Class 22 Registered Shetland Pony Gelding 4 years +

Class 23 Registered Shetland Pony Stallion 4 years +

Class 24 Registered Mountain & Moorland Pony 1, 2 or 3 years old (excluding Shetland Ponies)

Class 25 Registered Mountain & Moorland Pony Small Breeds (excluding Shetland Ponies) 4 years +

Class 26 Registered Mountain & Moorland Pony Large Breeds 4 years +

1st & 2nd placed ponies from classes 17 – 23 to come forward to compete for the Overall In Hand Shetland Champion and Reserve

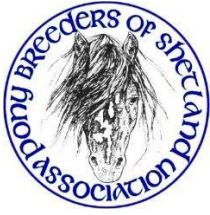
1st & 2nd placed ponies from classes 24 - 26 to come forward to compete for the Overall In Hand M&M Others Champion and Reserve

NPS Scotland/Townhead Pet n Pony In Hand Mountain & Moorland Championship

Open to youngstock, stallions, mares and geldings registered in the main body of their respective Breed Society stud book. In Hand M&M Championships: The In Hand Shetland Champion & Reserve Champion and the In Hand M&M others Champion and Reserve Champion will qualify for the Final at the Scone Palace International Horse Trials on 28th August 2026. Qualification may go to 3rd in the Championship (i.e. 1st Reserve Champion)

The champion In Hand Registered Shetland Pony will be awarded the SPSBS Bronze Medal

Subject to the pony being registered with the SPS-BS and owner/exhibitor being a fully paid-up member of the SPS-BS. In the event of the champion pony or owner/exhibitor not being eligible, the Bronze Medal can be awarded to the reserve champion should they meet the registration and membership requirements. Medals will be awarded by the show secretary, upon production of a current SPS-BS membership card.



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CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- The PBSA Summer Show is affiliated to NPS Scotland and the Shetland Pony Stud-Book Society and will be judged under their rules. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to familiarise themselves with these rules prior to entering.
- All ponies must be registered in their respective stud books, and all ponies must be named on the entry form for inclusion in the catalogue.
- Competing animals must have been the bona-fide property of exhibitors for at least two months prior to the date of the show.
- All children aged 14 years or under must wear a hard hat conforming to the current British standard while exhibiting.
- Whips or show canes must not exceed 30" long.
- The Show Committee reserves the right to amend, amalgamate or cancel any class and to replace a judge if necessary.
- If any pony is suspected of (or found to be) suffering from an infectious/contagious disease, or, any other condition preventing it from being shown, it must be removed from the showground immediately at the request of the Show Committee/vet.
- Judging to commence at 9am prompt on Saturday 27th and 10am prompt on Sunday 28th June. Once judging of a class has commenced, no late arrivals will be admitted to the ring.
- It is the responsibility of each exhibitor/competitor to ensure that the area surrounding their ponies and vehicle are left clean and tidy at the end of the show.
- Any objection must be made in writing to the Show Committee within one hour of the alleged incident, with a deposit of £50, which will be refunded if the objection is upheld.
- The decision of the Judge(s) and the Show Committee is final.
- Exhibitors' numbers will be available from the Secretary on the showground. The correct number must be displayed at all times.
- Stallions must be licensed in accordance with current Breed Society rules.
- Colts and stallions of 2 years old or over must be shown bitted & it is recommended that they display a "stallion" badge on the bridle.
- Three year old fillies with foals at foot may not be shown.
- Foals must be a minimum of three weeks old on the day of the Show.
- Children under 14 yrs old (on the day of the show) may not show colts or entire males in in-hand classes.
- Exhibitors should remain standing at all times whilst in the ring. Kneeling is not permitted.
- In the interests of safety, no rider may compete unless wearing a hard hat of current British safety standard with a fastened chin strap.
- Handlers of ponies in In Hand classes must be at least **7 years** of age and those who are 14 years and under must wear a correctly secured skull caps/riding hat that meets the current standards.
- Children under 12 years old (on the day of the show) may not show entire males in ridden classes.
- Ridden entire males must display a stallion bridle badge.
- If a rider falls off at any time whilst in the ring, both pony and rider must leave the ring, rider dismounted and take no further part.
- NPS Scotland Final rules can be found here - [NPSScotlandChampionshipsRules2026.pdf](#)

Neither the PBSA Summer Show nor its organisers will be held liable for anything that may happen from any cause or circumstance whatsoever to any person, animal, article property. It is a condition of entry that each exhibitor/competitor shall indemnify the show against any such matter aforesaid when signing the entry form. By signing the entry form exhibitors agree to abide by the above rules, code of conduct and procedures of NPS Scotland, SPS-BS and the Pony Breeders of Shetland Association.

Please Note: Photography/Video footage may be taken on show day for promotional purposes for the PBSA.