



MINIATURE HORSE OF THE YEAR SHOW

BURY FARM EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, BUCKS, LU7 9BT

26th September 2025

Elite Grading & Liberty Evening

27th September 2025

Show Day



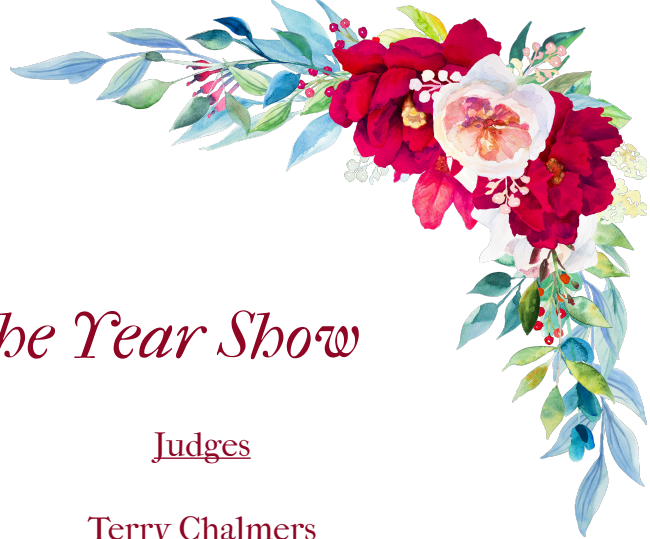
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The Miniature Horse of the Year Show

Terms & Conditions

All horses **MUST** be registered/over stamped with the International Miniature Horse & Pony Society Ltd. Over stamping **MUST** be completed prior to the show. To over stamp please visit the website and apply to the Registrar. All exhibitors **MUST** be members of IMHPS. For all details and forms visit www.imhps.com

Show Location

Bury Farm Equestrian Center, Mill Road,
Slapton, Bucks, LU7 9BT, United Kingdom

Show Date & Start times

Friday 26th September 2025
Ring 1: 18.00pm

Saturday 27th September 2025
Ring 1: 8.00am | Ring 2: 8.30am | Ring 3: 8.00am

Entry Information

Entry fees: £12.50 per class
Elite Grading fee: £25

Entries via entry master
Entries close 21st September 2025

Stabling

Please contact the show ground directly.
Bury Farm Equestrian Center,

www.buryfarmestates.co.uk

Judges

Terry Chalmers
Lucinda Haines
Georgina Maywood
Natalie Hudson

Membership fees

Associate Single Membership: £25.00
Associate Family Membership: £35.00

Class Height Categories

Under 34" at maturity
34 to 42" at maturity

Health Requirements

All horses must have documentation, endorsed by a veterinarian, of an initial series of 2 intramuscular injections for primary vaccination against equine influenza given no less than 21 days and no more than 92 days apart. In addition, to booster injections must be recorded as having been given at least within every 12 months following the 3rd shot of the initial series.

The Miniature Horse of The Year Show is under the auspices of IMPHS and is not to be confused with the Horse of the Year Show organised by the British Show Jumping Association.

30th Miniature Horse of the Year Show

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Youngstock Evaluations, Elite Grading & Liberty Evening

18.00pm Start

Judge: Mr Scott Dixon

- E1. IMHPS Youngstock Evaluation Yearling
- E2. IMHPS Youngstock Evaluation Two Year Old
- E3. Elite Grading Mare
- E4. Elite Grading Gelding
- E5. Elite Grading Stallion
- L1. Liberty

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Ring 1

08:00am Start

Late Qualifiers

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

1. Late Qualifier Yearling
2. Late Qualifier Two Year Old
3. Late Qualifier Three Years & Over

Elite Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

For miniature horses that have been elite graded

4. International Elite Graded Miniature/Midi Mare of the Year
5. International Elite Graded Miniature/Midi Gelding of the Year
6. International Elite Graded Miniature/Midi Stallion of the Year

Elite Championship

Middleweight Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

1st to 6th will be awarded for horses Under 34" & Over 34"

7. International Middleweight Miniature/Midi Yearling & Two Year Old of the Year
8. International Middleweight Miniature/Midi Three Years & Over of the Year

Middleweight Under 34" Championship

Middleweight 34-42" Championship

Lightweight Section

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

1st to 6th will be awarded for horses Under 34" & Over 34"

9. International Lightweight Miniature/Midi Yearling & Two Year Old of the Year
10. International Lightweight Miniature/Midi Three Years & Over of the Year

Lightweight Under 34" Championship

Lightweight 34-42" Championship

AMHA Section

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

11. International AMHA Yearling of the Year
12. International AMHA Two Year Old of the Year
13. International AMHA Mare or Gelding of the Year Three Years +
14. International AMHA Stallion of the Year Three Years +

AMHA Championship

AMHR Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

1st to 6th will be awarded for horses Under 34" & Over 34"

- 15. International AMHR Yearling of the Year
- 16. International AMHR Two Year Old of the Year
- 17. International AMHR Mare or Gelding of the Year Three Years +
- 18. International AMHR Stallion of the Year Three Years +

AMHR Under 34" Championship

AMHR 34-38" Championship

ASPC Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

- 19. International ASPC Yearling of the Year
- 20. International ASPC Two Year Old of the Year
- 21. International ASPC Three Year Old & Over of the Year

ASPC Championship

Scaled Down Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

1st to 6th will be awarded for horses Under 34" & Over 34"

Scaled Down

- 22. International Scaled Down Hack of the Year
- 23. International Scaled Down Arabian of the Year
- 24. International Scaled Down Riding Horse of the Year
- SH. International Scaled Down Hunter of the Year
- 25. International Scaled Down Cob of the Year
- 26. International Scaled Down Quarter Horse of the Year

Scaled Down Under 34" Championship

Scaled Down 34-42" Championship

Colour Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

1st to 6th will be awarded for horses Under 34" & Over 34"

- 27. International Solid Colour Miniature/Midi of the Year
- 28. International Coloured Miniature/Midi of the Year
- 29. International Spotted Miniature/Midi of the Year
- 30. International Dilute Miniature/Midi of the Year
- 31. International Other colour Miniature/Midi of the Year

Colour Under 34" Championship

Colour 34-42" Championship

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Ring 2

08:30am Start

Foal Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

Foal

- 32. International Filly Foal of the Year
- 33. International Colt/Gelding Foal of the Year
- 34. International British Bred Foal of the Year
- 35. International American Bred Foal of the Year
- 36. International Shetland Foal of the Year
- 37. International IMHPS Passported Foal of the Year
- 38. International Solid Colour Foal of the Year
- 39. International Multi Colour Foal of the Year

Foal Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 32- 39 to come forward)

Foal Championship not eligible for supreme of show

Heavyweight Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

- 40. International Heavyweight Miniature/Midi of the Year Yearling & Two Year Old
- 41. International Heavyweight Miniature/Midi of the Year Three Years & Over

Heavyweight Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 40- 41 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

British Bred Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

- 42. International British Bred Miniature/Midi of the Year Yearling
- 43. International British Bred Miniature/Midi of the Year Three Years & Over

British Bred or Part Bred Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 42- 43 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

Falabella Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

- 44. International Falabella of the Year Yearling & Two Year Old
- 45. International Falabella of the Year Three Years & Over

Falabella or Part Bred Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 44- 45 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

Born & Bred in the UK Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

46. International Born & Bred in UK Yearling & Two Year Old

47. International Born & Bred in UK Three Years & Over

Born & Bred in the UK Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 46- 47 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

Owned, Bred & Exhibited Section

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

48. International Owned, Bred & Exhibited Yearling & Two Year Old

49. International Owned, Bred & Exhibited Three Years & Over

Owned, Bred & Exhibited Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 48- 49 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

Exclusive Open Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

50. International Exclusive Yearling of the Year

51. International Exclusive Two Year Old of the Year

52. International Exclusive Three Years & Over of the Year

Exclusive Open Section Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 50- 52 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for exclusive & relevant supreme of show

Exclusive Elite Section

Judge: Mrs Gillian Cowell

53. International Exclusive Elite Graded Miniature of the Year

54. International Exclusive Elite Graded Midi of the Year

Exclusive Elite Graded Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 53- 54 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for exclusive & relevant supreme of show

Exclusive Colour Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

55. International Exclusive Solid Colour of the Year

56. International Exclusive Broken Colour of the Year

57. International Exclusive Other Colour of the Year

Exclusive Colour Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 55- 57 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for exclusive & relevant supreme of show

Exclusive Weight Section

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

58. International Exclusive Lightweight of the Year

59. International Exclusive Middleweight of the Year

60. International Exclusive Heavyweight of the Year

Exclusive Weight Category Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 58- 60 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for exclusive & relevant supreme of show

Exclusive American Section

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

61. International Exclusive American Under 34" of the Year

62. International Exclusive American 34 to 38" of the Year

63. International Exclusive American 38 to 42" of the Year

Exclusive American Breeding Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 61- 63 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for exclusive & relevant supreme of show

Exclusive Breed Type Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

64. International Exclusive British Bred of the Year (1st & 2nd Qualify for Exclusive Supreme)

65. International Exclusive Falabella of the Year (1st & 2nd Qualify for Exclusive Supreme)

66. International Exclusive Shetland Pony of the Year (1st & 2nd Qualify for Exclusive Supreme)

67. International Exclusive Part-Bred of the Year (1st & 2nd Qualify for Exclusive Supreme)

Exclusive Breed Type Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 64- 67 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

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Ring 3

08:00am Start

Performance Section

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

- 68. Open Obstacle
- 69. Novice Obstacle
- 70. Youth Obstacle
- 71. Open Jumping
- 72. Novice Jumping
- 73. Youth Jumping

Adult Performance Championship

Youth Performance Championship

Youth Exhibiting Mare Section

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

- 74. Youth Under 7 Years Exhibiting a Mare
- 75. Youth 8-12 Years Exhibiting a Mare
- 76. Youth 13-18 Years Exhibiting a Mare

Youth Mare Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 74- 76 to come forward)

Youth Exhibiting Gelding Section

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

- 77. Youth Under 7 Years Exhibiting a Gelding
- 78. Youth 8-12 Years Exhibiting a Gelding
- 79. Youth 13-18 Years Exhibiting a Gelding

Youth Gelding Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 77- 79 to come forward)

Youth Colour Section

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

- 80. Youth Solid Colour
- 81. Youth Multi Colour

Youth Colour Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 80- 81 to come forward)

Youth Breed Type Section

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

- 82. Youth British Bred Miniature Horse
- 83. Youth American Miniature Horse
- 84. Youth Falabella or Part Bred
- 85. Youth Shetland Pony

Youth Breed Type Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 82- 85 to come forward)

Youth Best Section

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

- 86. Youth Best Trot
- 87. Youth Best Mane & Tail
- 88. Youth Best Condition & Turnout
- 89. Youth Best Handler/Ringcraft

Youth Best Section Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 86- 89 to come forward)

Classes not before 1pm

Open Shetland Section

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

- 90. International Miniature Shetland Yearling & Two Year Old of the Year
- 91. International Miniature Shetland Three Years & Over of the Year
- 92. International Standard Shetland Yearling & Two Year Old of the Year
- 93. International Standard Shetland Three Years & Over of the Year

Open Shetland Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 90- 93 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

Shetland Colour Section

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

- 94. International Shetland Solid Colour of the Year
- 95. International Shetland Multi Colour of the Year

Shetland Colour Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 94- 95 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

SPSBS Miniature Shetland Section

Judge: Mrs Gillian Cowell

- 96. Miniature Shetland Yearling & Two Year Old
- 97. Miniature Shetland Mare Three Years & Over
- 98. Miniature Shetland Gelding Three Years & Over
- 99. Miniature Shetland Stallion Three Years & Over

SPSBS Miniature Shetland Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 96- 99 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

SPSBS Standard Shetland Section

Judge: Mrs Gillian Cowell

- 100. Standard Shetland Yearling & Two Year Old
- 101. Standard Shetland Mare Three Years & Over
- 102. Standard Shetland Gelding Three Years & Over
- 103. Standard Shetland Stallion Three Years & Over

SPSBS Standard Shetland Championship

(1st & 2nd place horses from classes 100- 103 to come forward)

Champion & Reserve qualify for relevant supreme of show

Classes not before 5pm in ring 1

Driving Classes

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

- 104. International British Driving of the Year
- 105. International American Driving of the Year
- 106. International Novice Driving of the Year
- YD. International Youth Driving of the Year

Driving Supreme

Evening Championship Classes

Judge: Miss Natalie Hudson

- 107. International Fancy Dress of the Year
- 108. International Concours of the Year

Judge: Mrs Lucinda Haines

- 109. International Newcomer of the Year
- 110. International S.E.N.D Handler of the Year

Judge: Mr Terry Chalmers

- 111. International Golden Aged Handler 50+ of the Year
- 112. International Gelding of the Year

Judge: Mrs Georgina Maywood

- 113. International Ultra Mini of the Year
- 114. International Veteran of the Year

1st & 2nd place horses from classes 109 to 114 go forward to relevant supreme of show

Evening Championships

Champions of Champions

(Champions from MHOYS Qualifying Shows)

Please enter via entry master

Equine America's Condition & Turnout Championship

(For all of those that receive best condition & turnout rosette)

Supreme Championships

Exclusive Supreme of the Year

Shetland Supreme of the Year

Midi Supreme of the Year Over 34" and up to 42"

Miniature Supreme of the Year 34" and Under

Class Descriptions

MINIATURE HORSE CLASSES – Under 34”

MIDI HORSE CLASSES – Over 34” and up to 42”

FOALS/WEANLINGS – Foals can be clipped but must be rugged appropriately. Foals are excluded from the evening Gala and Supreme of Show championships.

Breed Classes

PART BRED- Must be 50% or more.

FALABELLA CLASSES: Falabella horses are any height but must be registered in accordance with the rules of the Falabella Society.

BRITISH BRED CLASSES: For miniature horses that have pure English heritage. No American or Falabella bloodlines.

AMHA CLASSES: For horses registered with the American Miniature Horse Association.

AMHR CLASSES: For horses registered with the American Miniature Horse Registry.

ASPC CLASSES: For horses registered with the American Shetland Pony Club.

OPEN & COLOUR SHETLAND CLASSES: For registered or unregistered native Shetland ponies.

SPSBS CLASSES: For SPSBS registered Shetland ponies only.

Exclusive Section

EXCLUSIVE SECTION- The exclusive sections are for horses that are owned, produced, and shown by the exhibitor. Horse must NOT have been in a training yard since the 1st January 2025. Horse must be trained, conditioned, clipped, groomed, and shown by owner or immediate family member. No one with a professional trainer in the household or on premises may compete. If you have won overall supreme at MHOYS you are not eligible to compete, if you have won a supreme but feel that you are still considered an amateur/non-professional please contact the show committee to clarify your status.

Handler Classes

NEWCOMER CLASS- Open to exhibitors in their first three years of showing miniature horses and have NOT won Supreme or reserve supreme at MHOYS, MHCGB, UKAMHS or BMHS Breed Shows. Horses entered in this section MUST be owned by the exhibitor or direct family member and MUST NOT be in training with a producer. The horses that qualify for the supreme of show by this section alone, MUST be shown in the supreme by the newcomer.

YOUTH CLASSES- For handlers under 18 years of age. The youth section of classes is only for mares and geldings. Youth under 14 years of age are not allowed to show a colt/stallion.

S.E.N.D CLASS- For competitors who have disabilities and/or special educational needs.

GOLDEN AGED HANDLER- For handlers aged 50 years or older.

Other Classes

OWNED, BRED & EXHIBITED: Open to horses & ponies which are owned, trained, conditioned, clipped, groomed, and shown by their breeder or direct family member. Foals that were purchased in utero are ineligible.

BORN & BRED IN THE UK: Open to horses & ponies which were born and bred in the UK.

ULTRA MINI CLASSES – For miniature horse under 30” at maturity. Yearlings under 28” and two year olds under 29”.

VETERAN CLASSES – Horses aged 15 years or older are eligible for these classes.

ELITE GRADING- Grades the suitability of your horse for breeding. If your horse passes the grading, the horse is given lifetime qualification to Miniature Horse of the Year Show and into the Studbook. Once your horse is qualified you do not have to do the grading again.

ELITE SECTION: For miniature horses that have been elite graded.

CONDITION & TURNOUT- the emphasis is on the appearance and tidiness of the horse and handler, not on conformation or type. To compete in the condition & turnout championship you must receive one of the best condition & turnout rosettes.

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS – For horses that have been awarded IMHPS champion at MHOYS Qualifiers in 2025.

Performance Classes

DRIVING/RIDING/OBSTACLE/JUMPING CLASSES – Horses competing in driving, riding or jumping classes must be over three years of age.

CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE- Concours d'Elegance is a costume competition (not fancy dress or 'cosplay') and it is judged on the overall picture of elegance, perhaps depicting a film, painting or period drama. Costume, tack, handler and horse will be taken into consideration.

FANCY DRESS- Is a class to get yourself and your horse dressed up for. Fancy dress is all about getting imaginative, creative, and having fun. Examples: TV characters, historical figures, mythical creatures, etc.

HALTER OBSTACLE- In this class, you lead your horse, though, around, over and under obstacles.

LIBERTY – The Liberty class is a demonstration of the natural beauty of the Miniature Horse. Horses are to be judged on style, grace, animation, gaits, presence, music suitability and ease of catching. Movement, action, carriage, charisma, boldness, enthusiasm, and exuberance will be the basis for judging the class. Horses will be judged beginning when halter is removed by the exhibitor (the individual wearing the number) and until caught by the exhibitor. Time of Liberty shall be 1 1/2 minutes; time to catch shall be 1 1/2 minutes. Only the exhibitor and one handler will be allowed in the arena with horse. Whips and shaker bottles are allowed but touching the horse during performance with aids or hands will result in disqualification. Horse must be caught and haltered by exhibitor within 1 1/2 minutes or be disqualified. Music is required. Suitability of horse's movement to the chosen music must be evaluated. No assistance from outside of the arena will be permitted. Elimination will result unless the judge feels that the outside action was taken to cause the exhibitor's horse to be disqualified. Announcement is to be made prior to the class to specify that no outside assistance is allowed. All horses entered in the Liberty class must be at least one year old. Exhibitor and handler must be properly attired. Horses should work both directions of the arena, use the entire arena and demonstrate an ANIMATED gallop and elevated trot. The duration (time frame) of either gait is not critical as long as both gaits are well demonstrated. Horses which perform without encouragement, other than a signal to change direction, are highly preferred. Baiting of horses to encourage an animal to perform/to catch is not allowed. Baiting in such class is a disqualification.

SHOW RULES – PLEASE READ VERY IMPORTANT!

All Persons competing or attending any IMPHS affiliated show regardless of membership are subject to the rules of the society. The rules must be obeyed, Failure to comply with rules will result in refused entry or disqualification.

1. The governing members of the Society / Show reserve the right to refuse entry to any person without explanation
2. The Judge's decision is final.
3. No substitution allowed, and no refunds will be given. Every exhibitor is responsible for completing the entry forms correctly and with integrity. Please fill in ALL sections of the entry form that are appropriate.
4. The Society, the governing members and show committee are not responsible for any loss, injury or death to any persons/animals at any time whilst on the showground whether competing or not.
5. The show committee reserves the right to cancel, alter, amend, split or amalgamate any class at any time.
6. Any animal showing signs of disease or illness will be asked to leave the show.
7. Any exhibitor or attendants who have knowingly brought animals from stables / farms that currently have outbreaks of any contagious / infectious disease are subject to immediate disqualification and asked to leave the showground.
8. Any animals that are unruly / deemed to be unsafe will be asked to leave the showground.
9. BSI standard hats must be worn by all juniors whilst handling in the ring, mounted, or driving.
10. No lunging in the collecting rings or in the carpark areas.
11. Dogs must be always kept under control and ON A LEAD.
12. Any objections must be made in writing within 20 minutes of the class/incident finishing and handed to the secretary with a deposit of £50.
13. Please ensure you have valid and up to date Public Liability Insurance
14. Owners are responsible for all Vets, Doctors fees etc. incurred at the showground.
15. Please conduct yourselves in a courteous manner. Any abuse to any person or animal at the show will not be tolerated in any way, and the culprit will be asked to leave the showground immediately and forfeit any prizes won.
16. Any height objections can be lodged with the secretary and a deposit of £50 cash on the day, this will be returned to the complainant should the animal fail to measure the required height. The Owner of the horse to be present at time of measuring by qualified measurer.
17. Any complaints will be dealt with by the show Directors and Committee, and their decision is FINAL.