

THE LONDON HARNESS HORSE PARADE SOCIETY

incorporating

**The London Cart Horse Parade Society
The London Van Horse Parade Society**



**Parade of Commercial & Private
Harness Horses and Ponies**

EASTER MONDAY, 1st APRIL 2024

at

**THE SOUTH OF ENGLAND CENTRE
ARDINGLY, WEST SUSSEX, RH17 6TL**

SCHEDULE of CLASSES

ENTRIES CLOSE 1st MARCH 2024

SOCIETY OFFICIALS:

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A company Limited by Guarantee - Registered in England -
Certificate of Incorporation No. 2878969 Registered Charity No. 1035613

PARADE TIMETABLE (subject to adjustment)

10.15 a.m.	Veterinary and Farriery Inspections
10.30 a.m.	Judging of Light Horses, Harness and Vehicles
To follow	Judging of Heavy Horses, Harness and Vehicles
To follow	PARADE OF MOTORISED VEHICLES
To follow	PARADE OF ALL HORSE DRAWN EXHIBITS

NOTE: Exhibitors must attend the Final Parade to receive Rosettes & Brasses

AWARDS

At the Judge's discretion the following awards may be given:

First Class awards to exhibits who reach the standard of the Society.

Second Class awards and **Third Class awards** to exhibits who do not reach the standard of the society in one or more respects. The Judge's decision is final.

SPECIAL ROSETTES will be offered by:

The British Driving Society for every exhibit

The Clydesdale Horse Society for the best **Clydesdale** type exhibits.

The Donkey Breed Society for the best **Donkeys**.

The Hackney Horse Society for the best **Hackney** type exhibits.

The Haflinger Society of G.B. for the best **Haflinger** type exhibits

The Percheron Horse Society for the best **Percheron** type exhibits.

The Shire Horse Society for the best **Shire** type exhibits.

The Suffolk Horse Society for the best **Suffolk** type exhibits.

The Traditional Gypsy Cob Association (to TGCA members)

The UK Friesian Federation for the best **Friesian** type exhibits

The Welsh Pony & Cob Society for the best **Welsh** type exhibits

Richard H.F. Fuller Esq. for the best **Young Whips**

The Sir Walter Gilbey Memorial Co. Ltd. for the best **Pre-1940 vehicles**.

The John Young Memorial Award is a special and limited award. The criteria is that the exhibit will be turned out in a traditional manner but not driving a pre-1940's vehicle and so not eligible for the Sir Walter Gilbey Memorial Award.

The Worshipful Company of Loriners' Newcomers Award

For new exhibitors or exhibitors who have not entered the London Harness Horse Parade within the last 5 years. This will be determined by the Parade Secretary's records of entries based on the exhibitor and not the animal(s) or vehicle. All qualifying entries will receive a special rosette and a copy of the Centenary History Book "Parade", in addition to any other prizes. Only entries that come forward for judging at the parade will be eligible for this award.

AWARDS FOR REGISTERED FARRIERS

Certificates of Merit will be awarded by "Horse and Hound" to registered farriers of well-shod horses in good working condition, which have been approved by the farriery judges at the **London Harness Horse Parade 2024**. Owners of exhibits MUST provide their registered farriers details on the entry form.

It is further suggested that it would be of considerable interest to the public and officials if the name of the farrier (or his card) was displayed on the vehicle (near side or front). Only one certificate will be awarded to each registered farrier. Certificates will be issued by post after the Parade.

CLASSES

1. COMMERCIAL LIGHT horses or ponies: Singles
2. COMMERCIAL LIGHT horses or ponies: Pairs
3. COMMERCIAL LIGHT horses or ponies: Unicorns or Teams
4. COMMERCIAL CART/HEAVY horses: Singles
5. COMMERCIAL CART/HEAVY horses: Pairs
6. COMMERCIAL CART/HEAVY horses: Unicorns or Teams
7. PRIVATE horses or ponies: Singles
8. PRIVATE horses or ponies: Pairs
9. PRIVATE horses or ponies: Unicorns or Teams
10. MULES OR DONKEYS To a suitable vehicle
11. YOUNG WHIP - Minimum age 6 years. Up to 16 years old. Hard hats recommended to be worn by all Young Whips. Must be accompanied by a responsible adult.
- 12.* TRADITIONAL (pre-1940) (LIGHT and HEAVY) A limited number of Awards of Merit will be awarded to sound and well-maintained horse drawn vehicles constructed pre-1940.
MUST BE ENTERED IN ANOTHER CLASS.
13. DECORATED HARNESS HORSE
14. HORSE DRAWN AGRICULTURAL IMPLEMENTS
(Suitable wheeled vehicles)
- 15.* STATIC HORSE DRAWN VEHICLES OR IMPLEMENTS
(* Entry Fee not applicable)

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

All entries to be made on the Society's official entry form

Entries may be refused on any grounds at the Committee's discretion

1. Animals will be subject to examination by a veterinary surgeon for condition, soundness and fitness for work.
2. All animals must be four years old or over.
3. Mares heavily in foal may not be exhibited.
4. All vehicles must be sound and well maintained, suitable for a competent whip to drive on the road.
5. The vehicle must be appropriate to the size and strength of the animal and must not be overloaded at any time.
6. There must be a driver and at least one groom with each vehicle entered.
7. All exhibitors should have experience of driving on public highways.
8. Any entries considered unsuitable may be requested to leave the Parade.
9. Exhibitors must hold adequate public liability insurance and provide evidence of such cover when submitting their entry form.
10. All exhibitors will be expected to take part in the final parade.
Exhibitors not taking part in the parade will NOT be entitled to receive any special rosettes or horse brass.

NO SULKIES ALLOWED UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES
NO RIDING AT ALL ON THE SHOWGROUND (EXCEPT POSTILLION)

THE MAIN OBJECTS OF THE SOCIETY

1. To improve the general treatment, condition and management of horses, ponies and donkeys.
2. To encourage persons in charge of animals employed for transport to take a humane and intelligent interest in their well-being and to show kindness towards their animals.
3. To encourage and assist all horse-users to achieve a high standard of care, management and cleanliness.

JUDGING GUIDELINES

General (The Judge's decision is final)

The following points will be taken into consideration:

- a) Safety is the first requirement and essential.
- b) The horse must be sound, well shod or correctly trimmed, in good condition, well groomed, and suitable for the vehicle.
- c) The harness must fit the animal and vehicle. It should be in good repair and clean. New harness or show harness is not necessary.
- d) The vehicle must be road-worthy, sound, properly balanced, clean, suitable for the size of the animal and not overloaded.
- e) The driver, groom and passengers should be neat and tidy. Drivers and passengers should wear hats & gloves as appropriate for the vehicle. Hard hats recommended to be worn by all Young Whips.
- f) Whips should be carried by drivers at all times.

Veterinary Inspection

All animals should be:

- a) **4 years old or over**
- b) in good condition
- c) free from clinical signs of infectious and contagious disease
- d) free from wounds, galls, sores or other injuries

Farriery Inspection

To qualify for a Farriery award, the animal should be trimmed and shod with:

- a) the correct type, weight and size of shoes
- b) level feet
- c) correct limb alignment
- d) no loss of bearing surface of the foot
- e) clenches in an even line, smooth and gripping the wall firmly

The committee do not hold themselves responsible for anything that may happen to competitors, spectators, their property, servants, attendants or animals in connection with or arising out of this Event. It is a condition of entry or participation that each entrant agrees to indemnify the Committee against any legal action or proceeding arising from any incident. Exhibitors must hold adequate public liability insurance and provide evidence of such cover when submitting their entry. **ALL REASONABLE STEPS MUST BE TAKEN BY EXHIBITORS TO ENSURE THE SAFETY OF ALL DRIVERS & PASSENGERS.**