

# *Midlands Spring Show*

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

At

**Rugby Riding Club**

Rainsbrook Ave, Ashlawn Road, Rugby, CV22 5QE

Affiliated to **Veteran Horse Society**

**Entries open 1<sup>st</sup> April**  
**On-line Entries close 1<sup>st</sup> May**

Official Photographer: VLS Photography

**Show Secretary**

**8 Barrack Close, Sutton Coldfield, West Midlands, B75 7HB**

**Tel: 07805 397144**

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Online entries

<https://www.myridinglife.com/eventdetails.aspx?id=501169>



A link will be available a week before entries open.

## Stabling

Local stabling is available near to the showground and can be booked by contacting:

Michelle Hinks-Brown on 07941 156066

Sam or Alyson on 07725 793596

Amy Pugh on 07949 771980

Lesley Pugh on 07721 333958

Please also Google - Stable & Stay Warwick

## Entry Fees

			<b>Late Entry (All classes)</b>
<b>Open Show Classes</b>			
Open Show Classes	£15.00		+£5.00
	<b>VHS Member</b>	<b>Non-Member</b>	
<b>VHS Qualifiers</b>			
Area Qualifier	£12.50	£17.50	+£5.00
Direct Qualifier	£22.00	N/A	
<b>First aid contribution</b>			
Per Competitor	£5.00	£5.00	n/a



Google Maps - Rugby Riding Club

# Ring 1

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Commencing at 9.00 am – Judge Mr Jack Mills

<b>Class 1</b>	<b>Best Turned Out</b> Open to all. In Hand or ridden.
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<b>Class 2</b>	<b>Youngstock In-hand</b> Yearling, 2 & 3 yr olds
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<b>Class 3</b>	<b>Mountain &amp; Moorland In-hand</b> Large and small breeds (will be split if entries warrant)
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<b>Class 4</b>	<b>Plaited horse or pony in-hand.</b> Hacks, Hunters, Show or Show Hunter pony, Riding Horse.
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<b>Class 5</b>	<b>Cobs in-hand.</b> Hogged or traditional
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<b>Class 6</b>	<b>Coloured In-hand</b> inc Alternative colours, Piebald, Skewbald, Palomino, Dun, Spotted, Cremello, Roan
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<b>Class 7</b>	<b>Foreign Breeds in-hand</b>
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<b>Class 8</b>	<b>Miniature horse in-hand</b>
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<b>Class 9</b>	<b>Young Handler.</b> 14 years and under to be judged on ability not the pony/horse, hard hats to be worn – no stallions.
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<b>Class 10</b>	<b>Not before 1pm</b> <b>Open Lead rein.</b> Rider 8 years and under, pony not to exceed 12.2 hh
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<b>Class 11</b>	<b>First Ridden Pony.</b> Rider 12 yrs & under pony not to exceed 13.2hh
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<b>Class 12</b>	<b>Ridden Mountain &amp; Moorland</b> inc Lead Rein (to be split if entries warrant)
<b>Class 13</b>	<b>Ridden Cobs.</b> Hogged or Traditional
<b>Class 14</b>	<b>Ridden Plaited.</b> Hacks, Hunters Show or Show Hunter Pony, Riding Horse

<b>Class 15</b>	<b>Ridden Coloured.</b> Inc alternative colours, piebald, Skewbald, Palomino, dun, Spotted, Cremello, Roan.
<b>Class 16</b>	<b>Open Ridden.</b> Non-lead Rein, an open show class

### **CH1 - In-hand CHAMPIONSHIP**

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 1 – 9 after completion of In-hand classes in Ring 1.

### **CH2 - Ridden CHAMPIONSHIP**

1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 10 - 16 after completion of ridden classes in Ring 1.

## **Ring 2**

Commencing at 10.00am – Judge: Mr John Askins

### **Area Qualifier 2025**

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*First round qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final:  
Veteran Of the Year 2025*

### **FOUNDATION CLASSES - IN HAND:**

<b>1F</b>	<b>In Hand Diamond Veteran</b> 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
<b>2F</b>	<b>In Hand Veteran</b> 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
<b>3F</b>	<b>In Hand Pre-Veteran</b> 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

**1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> in each class qualify for any 2025 Regional Final**

**FOUNDATION CLASSES - RIDDEN:**

<b>4F</b>	<b>Ridden Diamond Veteran</b> 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
<b>5F</b>	<b>Ridden Veteran</b> 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
<b>6F</b>	<b>Ridden Pre-Veteran</b> 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

**1<sup>st</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> in each class qualify for any 2025 Regional Final**

Open to members and non-members. All competitors and grooms must adhere to VHS Rules in all circumstances. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification.

**VHS Regional Final qualification.** All competitors placed 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup> in each Area Qualifier class will qualify for the corresponding class at VHS Regional Finals. Members must always carry their card in the ring and have their showing card signed by the judge as proof of qualification. Non-members will receive a red qualification card which can be exchanged for a signed showing card when applying for VHS membership. It is the competitor's responsibility to present their Showing card to the judge.

**Regional Finals are open to members only.** Ridden classes may include lead rein.

All competitors are eligible to enter open classes at the National Veteran Championships, to be held at Arena UK Lincolnshire on 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025 . No qualification or membership necessary. See VHS website for schedule. (*Spring 2025 onwards*)

**Age badges**

Horse/Pony age badges should be worn in all classes.  
Age badges can be ordered directly from VHS Head Office, prior to the show.  
Please Call 01239 881300

**Membership**

VHS Membership can be taken at the Midlands Spring Show.

## Ring 2

Commencing at 1:00pm – Judge: Mrs Sally Chamberlain

### Veteran Horse Society Direct Qualifier 2025

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*Direct Qualifier for the Veteran Horse Society Supreme Final*

**VETERAN HORSE OF THE YEAR 2025**

#### IN HAND:

<b>1D</b>	<b>In Hand Diamond Veteran</b> 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
<b>2D</b>	<b>In Hand Veteran</b> 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
<b>3D</b>	<b>In Hand Pre-Veteran</b> 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

#### RIDDEN:

<b>4D</b>	<b>Ridden Diamond Veteran</b> 25 years and over. Any breed and any height.
<b>5D</b>	<b>Ridden Veteran</b> 20-24 years old. Any breed and any height.
<b>6D</b>	<b>Ridden Pre-Veteran</b> 15-19 years old. Any breed and any height.

Open to members and non-members, however **NON-MEMBERS** to purchase **Day Membership Show Card** for this show. Day membership must be purchased from VHS head office at least 2 weeks in advance of the show, at a cost of £25.00. Payment by telephone with a Credit or Debit card is required. A day membership show card and age badge will be provided. Owners who are not competing are not required to be a member. Should classes with fewer than 5 entries forward, Supreme Final qualifications will be awarded at the judge's discretion and are not guaranteed.

All competitors and grooms must adhere to VHS Rules in all circumstances. Failure to do so may result in immediate disqualification.

Members and Day members must carry their current VHS membership card **in the ring** and produce these on request – no exceptions will be made. No card no entry or qualification.

**VHS Supreme Final qualification.** Competitors placed 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> in each class will also qualify directly for their corresponding class at the VHS Supreme Final, to be held at the National Veteran Championships. 29<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup> August 2025, Arena UK, Grantham, Lincolnshire.

**VHS Regional Final qualification.** All competitors placed 3rd and 4th in each class will qualify for their corresponding class at any VHS Regional Finals.

**VHS M&M Supreme Final qualification.** Will be to the highest placed M&M in each class to qualify (at the judge's discretion) for the VHS M&M Supreme Final at the National Veteran Championships. Show Card to be signed.

**CH3 – Veteran Champion of the Midlands Spring Show 2025**

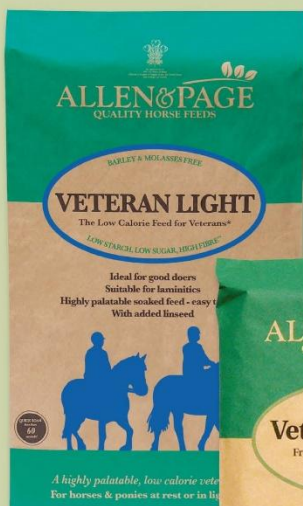
Open to 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> places from classes 1D – 6D.

***Overall Veteran Champion - £100 cash prize kindly donated by Mobility Care Services Ltd***



# Feeds for Veteran Champions

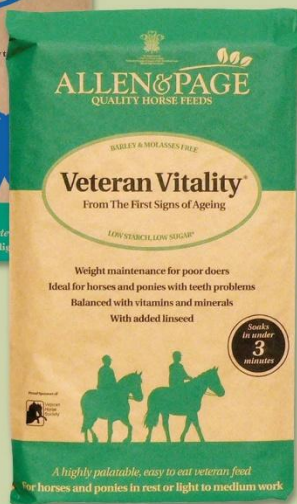
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Class	Name of horse	Age of horse	VHS membership no.(horse)	Name of rider/handler	Age of rider	VHS membership no. (rider)	Entry fees (GBP)
If there is any further information we should know about the horse, please state here: (e.g. stallion)						total entry fees	
						first aid	<b>5.00</b>
						<b>TOTAL</b>	

**ALL DETAILS MUST BE COMPLETED – VHS Membership details only required for VHS Qualifiers.**

I hereby certify that the above details are correct in all particulars so far as I know them, and I agree to abide by all the Show regulations.

**EXHIBITOR’S SIGNATURE** (Parent/Guardian if under 18yrs of age) .....

EXHIBITOR’S NAME .....

OWNERS NAME .....

ADDRESS .....

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POST CODE..... TEL.NO .....

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Online entry is preferred and can be done through the VHS website, when entries open.

# Show Regulations

## GENERAL SHOW RULES

1. This show is run in accordance with Veteran Horse Society rules. Please refer to VHS Rulebook.
2. By entering any class at this show, the competitor agrees to abide by all aspects of Veteran Horses Society rules, including those in the VHS Rulebook and those explicitly outlined in this schedule.
3. Exhibitors under the age of 18 must have the declaration on the entry form signed by a parent/guardian.
4. Failure to observe any of the rules may result in disqualification of the horse/pony concerned and/or the Exhibitor may be requested to leave the showground.
5. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to fully insure their personal property and animals for which they are responsible whilst on the Showground. Exhibitors are required to have liability insurance cover for their exhibits whilst at the show.
6. Behaviour of an offensive, abusive or unpleasant manner to any person on the Showground will not be tolerated. Any person found to be doing so will be asked to leave the Showground with their exhibits immediately. They may be subject to the VHS disciplinary procedure and all entry/stabling fees, prizes etc. will be forfeited.
7. No person shall ill-treat any animal at any time whether by misuse/excessive use of a whip, bit, item of tack/saddlery or in any other way whatsoever. A Welfare Officer will always be present at the show ground.
8. All exhibitors are asked to be aware of animals on the Showground and ensure that all exhibits are fit and well. If anybody has reason to believe that a horse/pony is unfit, they must report this to the organisers immediately.
9. All horses to be accompanied by a valid equine passport which must be produced upon request.
10. Entry fees are non-refundable after the close of entries in any circumstance. Requests for refunds prior to this date must be made in writing to the Show Secretary together with a valid veterinary or medical certificate.
11. Entries will not be accepted without full payment.
12. Cheques are not acceptable, unless permission is granted from Head Office and must be received 3 weeks prior to the show.
13. Competitor numbers can be collected from the Show Secretary on the day.
14. Horse/Pony age badges should be worn in all classes. These can be ordered from VHS Head Office. A limited supply will be available for purchase from the Show Secretary on the day.
15. The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry at their discretion.
16. The organisers reserve the right to limit entries, change, cancel, split or amalgamate classes as they see fit.
17. The organisers take cannot be held responsible where a competitor has entered more than one class and a clash occurs. Whilst every reasonable effort will be made to allow competitors to compete in both, this may not always be possible. The judge's decision is final.
18. It is mandatory for all riders to wear correctly secured riding hats to the current approved BSI or European standard (except for side-saddle exhibits where SSA rules apply).
19. Hat disclaimer - Any competitor aged 18 or over wishing to wear other headgear during a class may do so at entirely their own risk. A disclaimer must be signed by the competitor and given to the Show Secretary 1 hour before the class begins.
20. Body Protectors may be worn.
21. Motorbikes and quad bikes are not be permitted on the Showground.
22. Bicycles and scooters must not be ridden near rings or horses.
23. Buggies and mobility vehicles may not be driven around the show, unless an exemption has been granted in writing by the organisers. Only exhibitors with a medical disability will be granted dispensation. All persons must be over 18 years of age and have a valid licence and appropriate insurance.
24. Dogs are always to be kept under control and on a lead. Loose dogs will be impounded and will not be released until a payment of £40 is made. Owners are to clean up after their dog. Any person found to disregard this rule will be fined £40. All payments will be donated directly to Veteran Equine Trust: 1104072
25. The organisers do not accept any liability for any accident, injury, loss, damage or illness to any riders, handlers, spectators, horses, ponies or to any property whatsoever and howsoever caused.
26. Handlers of a lead rein are not required to be Day or Full Members for the Direct Qualifier.
27. To enter Classes 1D – 6D no qualification is necessary but Full or Day Membership is required 14 days prior to the Show