



The Concours d' Elegance Society of Great Britain

National Show & Championships
Friday Evening 26th and Saturday 27th September
2025

Venue Address:

Onley Grounds Equestrian Complex, Willoughby, Rugby, CV23 8AJ

Entry fees per class £15 Members - £20 Non Members

First Aid fee of £5 per rider

Entries close on Sunday 21st September 2025, or before if
classes are full

Entries via: myridinglife.com

Stable Bookings via:

Onley Ground Equestrian Complex Website

General enquiries:

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Sponsors needed please help if you can
Championships £50 Classes £30

Photographer & First Aider in attendance

**Refreshments available
HORSES CAN BE DANGEROUS
ALL PERSONS ENTERING
THE SHOWGROUND DO SO AT THEIR OWN RISK**

Evening of Friday 26th September 2025

‘Strictly Fancy Dress-Age’

Dressage to music with a twist! All combinations to compete in fancy/dress costume. Choose your own theme (films/musicals/favourite piece of music) and develop a costume and routine to go with it. Anything goes, as long as the judge can recognise what you are meant to be!

Any suitable bride. Marks will be awarded for choreography, costume, music, and the horse's paces. The music does not need to match the footfalls of the horse.

Maximum routine 5 mins from entry to exit.

Clearly labelled CDs/memory sticks must be handed in to the Show Office on arrival. It is your responsibility to ensure the correct track is clearly labelled and plays correctly. A spare copy is recommended. Entries will be limited

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Class 28 Single

Class 29 Pairs or Teams

Class 30 Inhand

Any breed and any height. Lead rein permitted.

To be run and placed as a single class (adults and juniors combined).

Juniors, not to have attained their 16th birthday by 1st January of current year, are also eligible for additional rosettes and prizes, see 'Strictly Fancy Dress-Age Junior Section' below. Competitors will be given times once entries have close. This time will have a cap on entries.

Champagne Challenge!

Class 31

Fun class. You do not need to wear a costume! All entries will be given a flute of champagne and asked to perform an individual show, in walk trot and or canter. Class will be judged on how much liquid (water) is left for you to drink at the end of your show out!

(Limited entry numbers)

Saturday 27th September 2025

RING 1 – RIDDEN CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE CLASSES

Commencing at 9:00am. Please be in the collecting ring by 8.45am

Judge:

Top three placings qualify for Concours d'Elegance Rider of the Year 2024

Judges will be appointed according to entries to avoid conflict of interest as far as possible. You must be a member to compete in these classes. Membership can be paid on the day.

Class 1 Open Pony

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Open to any type of pony under 14.2hh

Class 2 Lead Rein

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Plaited or native, 4 years old and over. Riders not to have attained their 10th birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Class 3 Ridden Homemade Costume Pony under 14.2hh

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Homemade costume and accessories to be home made and not by a professional. Purchased jackets may be used as part of the costume. The criteria for this class is the elegance of the picture presented by horse/pony and rider, and the way of going of the horse/pony. Safe tack must be used. Detailed inspection of the rider's period costume is not required. Fancy dress is not permitted. The costume does not need to be handmade by the rider.

Class 4 Ridden Mountain & Moorland including Welsh

Kindly sponsored by Rebecca Rawlinson of RJR Costume Designs

Costume or traditional attire astride/side saddle. Rider any age.

Class 5 Ridden Veterans

Kindly sponsored

Open to horses from 15 years and over. Costume or traditional attire astride/side saddle. Rider any age.

Class 6 Ridden Part Bred and Cobs

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Part bred horse or pony or any Cob type

Class 7 Ridden Juniors

Kindly sponsored by

Open to riders aged 16 years and under.

Judge:

Class 8 Ridden Traditional Attire

Kindly sponsored by

Riders any age, to be dressed in traditional (regular) riding clothes, uniforms are permitted, but no period costume to be worn (also open to side saddle riders in traditional habits)

Class 9 Ridden Coloured

Kindly sponsored by

Open to all types of coloured horses and ponies and all types. Rider any age

Class 10 Ridden Rare or World breeds

Kindly sponsored by

Open to all world breeds. National dress or costume permitted

Class 11 Historical Costume

Kindly sponsored by

This class is to be judged on historic correctness of costume and tack Open to all

Class 12 Side Saddle

Kindly sponsored by

Costume or traditional habit.

Class 13 Ridden Gracious Ladies & Gentlemen

Kindly sponsored by

Open to riders over the age of 45 years

***** RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIP *****

First and second place prize winners from classes 1 to 15 are invited to take part in this class. Prizes will be awarded to the Champion and Reserve Champion.

RING 2 — Commencing at 9:00am

Judge:

Class 14 Open Ridden Horse

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Astride or Side saddle. Open to all types over 14.2hh Riders any age

Class 15 Ridden Homemade Costume Horse over 14.2hh

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Homemade costume and accessories to be home made and not by a professional. Purchased jackets may be used as part of the costume. The criterion for this class is the elegance of the picture presented by horse/pony and rider, and the way of going of the horse/pony. Safe tack must be used. Detailed inspection of the rider's period costume is not required. Fancy dress is not permitted. The costume does not need to be handmade by the rider.

Inhand classes commence on the completion of class 15 in Ring 2

Top three placed qualify for In Hand Concours d'Elegance of the Year later in the day must be paid up members to compete in the "of the year classes"

Class 16 Rare or World Breeds Inhand

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Open to all world breeds. National dress or costume permitted.

Class 17 In Hand Coloured

Kindly sponsored by

Open to all in hand, coloured horses/ponies.

Class 18 Inhand Gracious Ladies & Gentleman

Kindly sponsored by

Open to riders over the age of 45 years. Class will be split into age groups if sufficient entries.

Class 19 In Hand Homemade Costume

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Costume and accessories to be home made and not by a professional. Purchased jackets may be used as part of the costume. Detailed inspection of the rider's period costume is not required.

Class 20 In Hand Part bred or Cob.

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In hand class for all part bred horses/ponies and cobs

Judge:

Class 21 In Hand Mountain & Moorland

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Mountain & Moorland including Welsh - Class will be split if there are sufficient entries. Any horse to fit the description of Mountain & Moorland and rider combination in costume or traditional attire.

Class 22 In Hand Veteran

Kindly sponsored by

Open to horses and ponies between 15 years and over

Class 23 In Hand Open Horse or Pony

Kindly sponsored by

Open to all In Hand Competitors. Any age, any type

Class 24 In Hand Shetland & Miniature Horses

Kindly sponsored by

Class 25 Gentleman's Class

Kindly sponsored by

Gentleman's attire class inhand or ridden acceptable (this class is just for gents, but they are, able to compete in all classes!)

Class 26 In Hand Junior

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Open to all juniors showing In Hand and aged 16 years or under

Class 27 In Hand Traditional Attire

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Handlers any age, to be dressed in traditional (regular) riding clothes, uniforms are permitted – but no period costume to be worn)

***** IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP *****

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First and second place prize winners from classes 16 to 26 are invited to take part in this class and those who have qualified throughout the year. Prizes will be awarded to the Champion and Reserve Champion. This is no fee required to enter this championship

***** SUPREME OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP *****

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Open to Champion & Reserve champion from the Ridden and Inhand sections to compete.

Evening Performance

Saturday 27th September 2025

**Not before 4pm
Entire large indoor area**

Concours d' Elegance Society of the Year classes

(you must be a fully paid member and qualify at one of our qualifying shows to compete in these classes, you can qualify on the show day as long as you are the winner of your class and a CDSGB member)

Judges

Class 32 In Hand Concours d'Elegance of the Year Championship

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This class is open to all In Hand Competitors who have qualified at the show today or by qualifying at any show affiliated to The Concours d'Elegance Society of GB Show between 1st October 2023 and the date of this show. All entrants must be paid up members of the society.

Class 33 Junior Concours d'Elegance Rider of the Year Championship

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This class is open to all junior Competitors who have qualified at the show today or by qualifying at any show affiliated to The Concours d'Elegance Society of GB Show between 1st October 2023 and the date of this show. All entrants must be paid up members of the society.

Class 34 Adult Astride Concours d'Elegance Rider of the Year Championship

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This class is open to all adult astride Competitors who have qualified at the show today or by qualifying at any show affiliated to The Concours d'Elegance Society of GB Show between 1st October 2023 and the date of this show. All entrants must be paid up members of the society

Class 35 Side Saddle Concours d'Elegance of the Year Championship

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This class is open to all side saddle Competitors who have qualified at the show today or by qualifying at any show affiliated to The Concours d'Elegance Society of GB Show between 1st October 2023 and the date of this show. All entrants must be paid up members of the society

Classes 1 to 27 are open to everyone, you do not need to be a member and you do not need to qualify. **However, "Of The Year" classes are only open to competitors who have qualified and are members of the society.** You can qualify at many shows across the UK or on the day of the championship show (membership must be paid)

Classes will run concurrently. Due to the cost of hiring this exclusive venue, we do need to use the time effectively. We will do our best to accommodate you but, if you need to change costumes between classes, please ensure you are organized and have a good, supportive ground crew with you!

We are unable to wait for people or hold any classes.

Please enter sensibly, we will not hold any classes to wait for competitors if classes clash, please ensure you keep an eye on your ring and you are in your collecting ring in plenty of time.

Classes will be judged in accordance with the Rules of The Concours d'Elegance Society of GB. Appointed Judges may be substituted to ensure the smooth running of the programme and to avoid any conflict of interest. Classes will be judged according to the Guidelines of the Concours d'Elegance Society of GB which can be found at www.eqconcoursgb.com

Competitors are expected to create own numbers.

No refunds will be given once you have entered your classes, swoping of classes at the secretary's discretion.

Stabling available both Saturday and Sunday evenings, please contact Onley Grounds or book online.

