

Appleton Grange Riding Club In-Hand and Ridden Show 10th August 2025

(Incorporating STARS & CHAPS qualifiers)

To be held at Appleton Grange Equestrian Centre, Appleton Wiske, Northallerton, DL6 2AT.

Our August show includes some additional Coloured classes. These classes are for anyone with a coloured pony / horse and have been added with the CHAPS championships in mind. This is a low key no pressure show, open to all including non-members.

Members of the Appleton Grange Riding Club will be eligible to gain points towards qualifying for the STARS Championships to be held at Aintree Racecourse in November 2025. Please see below for an explanation of the STARS Championship and how to qualify.

The highest place **CHAPS** member / registered horse / pony may also qualify in relevant classes for The CHAPS (UK) Championships Show to be held at Arena UK, from the 14th to 16th August 2025. Appleton Grange Riding Club members can also complete in the Colourama Championship at the Championship show. For further details, please visit www.chapsuk.com.

Classes may be split or amalgamated subject to number of entries received. Please read the rules carefully (below) prior to entering. Pre-entries only to be made via Horsevents.

IN HAND Voungstock Mixed Types (1 2 & 3ve)

Class I	Open to any type exhibit; yearlings, 2 or 3 year olds.	
Class C1	COLORED HORSE AND PONY (CHAPS) IN-HAND - Youngstock Mixed Types (1, 2 & 3yo) Open to any coloured and horse and pony; yearlings, 2 or 3 year olds.	
Class 2	IN-HAND – Veterans Open to all horses and ponies 14 years old or over.	
Class 3/C2	IN-HAND - Open Coloureds – includes OPEN CHAPS Qualifiers Open to all coloured horses and ponies of any type and height, including alternative coloureds.	
Class 4	IN-HAND - Open Plaited Ponies Open to all plaited ponies not exceeding 148cms. To be shown plaited and trimmed.	

Class 5 IN-HAND - Open Plaited Horses

Open to all plaited horses exceeding 148cms. To be shown plaited and trimmed.

Class 6 IN-HAND - Young Handler

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Handlers not to have received their 18th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Horse or pony any height.

Class C3 COLORED HORSE AND PONY (CHAPS) IN-HAND – Junior Handler

Open to any coloured and horse and pony of suitable height for the handler. Handlers not to have received their 18th birthday before the 1st January in the current year.

Class 7 IN-HAND - Mountain & Moorlands

Open to all M&M breed types: Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A, B, C & D Exmoor, Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Connemara.

Class 8 IN-HAND – Cobs

Open to all cobs including hogged and Traditionals.

IN-HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

Class C4 COLORED HORSE AND PONY (CHAPS) RIDDEN – Lead Rein & First Ridden

Open to any coloured and horse and pony. Lead Rein rider not to have attained their 8th birthday and First Ridden rider not to have attained their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 133cms. Snaffle bridles only. Lead rein must be attached directly to the noseband only.

Class C5 COLORED HORSE AND PONY (CHAPS) RIDDEN – Junior & Intermediate Rider

Open to any coloured and horse and pony. Junior riders not to have attained their 18th birthday. NCT ponies not to exceed 148cm and NN ponies not to exceed 153cm.

Intermediate rider to have attained their 14th but not their 25th birthday. Ponies not to exceed 158cm.

Class C6 COLORED HORSE AND PONY (CHAPS) RIDDEN – Novice Coloured Horse and Pony

Open to any coloured and horse and pony. Not to won have won an open CHAPS class before 1st January in the current season.

Class 9 RIDDEN - Tack and Turnout

Open to any age rider, horse, or pony. Lead Rein ponies eligible for this class.

Class 10 RIDDEN - Lead Rein Pony

Rider not to have attained their 10th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 128cms. Snaffle bridles only. Lead rein must be attached directly to the noseband only.

Class 11 RIDDEN - First Ridden Pony

Rider not to have attained their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 128cms. Snaffle bridles only.

Class 12 RIDDEN – Novice (Walk / Trot only)

Class is aimed at novice riders / horses and ponies only. Cantering is not required in the go round & is optional for the individual show. Please note this class is NOT a STARS qualifier.

Class 13 RIDDEN – Veterans

Open to all horses and ponies 14 years old or over.

Class 14/C7 RIDDEN - Open Coloureds includes OPEN CHAPS Qualifiers

Open to all coloured horses and ponies of any type and height, including alternative coloureds.

Class 15 RIDDEN - Open Plaited Ponies

Open to all plaited ponies. Show Pony types not exceeding 148cms. Show Hunter Pony types not exceeding 153cm. To be shown plaited and trimmed.

Class 16 RIDDEN - Open Plaited Horses

Open to all plaited horses. Show Horse types exceeding 148cms. Show Hunter Horse types exceeding 153cm. To be shown plaited and trimmed. Also open to ex-racehorses that have raced under rules.

Class 17 RIDDEN - Mountain & Moorlands

Open to all M&M breed types: Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A, B, C & D Exmoor, Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Connemara.

Class 18 RIDDEN – Cobs

Open to all cobs including Hogged and Traditionals.

Class 19 RIDDEN – Lead Rein and First Ridden Equitation

Lead Rein riders not to have attained their 10th birthday and First Ridden riders not to have attained their 12th birthday before 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 148cm. Snaffle bridles only. Lead rein to be attached directly between noseband & the leader's hand only.

Class 20 RIDDEN – Junior & Senior Equitation

Snaffle bridles only. Please note only riders who have not attained their 16th birthday before 1st January in the current year are eligible to qualify for the Sunshine Tour. For the STARS championship Junior riders have attained their 12th but not their 18th birthday before 1st January in the current year.

Class 21 RIDDEN – Riding Club Horse and Pony

Riders will be asked to jump a small jump as part of their show. Height of fence will be increased for horses exceeding 148cm.

RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIP

SHOW RULES

- 1. Full and correct attire must be worn by all competitors and their grooms. All riders must wear correctly fitting headgear to PAS015 or higher, whilst mounted anywhere on the showground. Junior members MUST wear them when competing in hand.
- 2. Ages of horse/pony are taken as at 1st of January in the current year.
- 3. Any stallions must be ridden/handled by a competent person with a minimum age of 14 and are to display a 'Stallion' disc on their bridle.
- 4. Spurs are permitted for senior riders only (aged over 18 years).
- 5. Excessive use of whips is forbidden and will result in disqualification. Whips must not exceed 75 cms.
- 6. The ruling of Judges/Officials is Final.
- 7. Neither the organizers, landowners, committee, or agents of the show accept any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury, or illness to horses/ponies, any person, owner, rider, handler, spectator, land or property whatsoever, whether caused by negligence, breach of contract or in any way whatsoever.
- 8. All competitors wishing to compete at the STARS championship must have read and comply with the rules and eligibility. These can be found here on the STARS Champion of Champions Facebook page and on the Documents section for each show date on horsevents.co.uk.
- 9. All competitors wishing to qualify for the STARS Championship must attend a minimum of 2 points shows.
- 10. All competitors wishing to compete at the Sunshine Tour championship must have read and comply with the rules and eligibility. These can be found on their website https://www.sunshinetour.co.uk
- 11. Entry fees will not be refunded for withdrawals made after entries have closed. Entry fees for withdrawals made prior to entries closing will be made at the discretion of the Appleton Grange Riding Club.
- 12. ALL COMPETITORS will be deemed to have read and accepted these rules as a condition of entry.

EXPLANATION OF THE STARS CHAMPIONSHIP

The STARS championships will be held November 2025 at Aintree Racecourse. 61 clubs have affiliated to the 2025 championships, including Appleton Grange Riding Club (AGRC). Each of the clubs will take a team to compete at the championships. Therefore, making for a fantastic atmosphere as not only are you competing for yourself, but you are there as part of a team. Ahead of the event, we will set up a group for our Championship team members with tips and advice to help you with your preparation and turnout, answer any questions and be there to cheer one another on at the big event.

HOW TO QUALIFY FOR STARS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Appleton Grange Riding Club will be holding a number of In-hand & Ridden shows ahead of the championships. These shows are open to all, including non-members and those not looking to qualify for STARS. However, if you wish to be in with of chance of qualifying for the STARS championships, you must be a member of the Appleton Grange Riding Club.

In each of our AGRC classes, points will be awarded to those placed in the top 6. The horse and rider combination with the highest points accrued across the show series and who are also eligible will be invited to represent Appleton Grange Riding Club at the STARS championships. If this person is unable to go, the place will be offered to the next highest points scorer.

Please be aware that a number of our classes may be for a qualifier for more than one Finals class at the STARS Championship. Below is a table detailing which Finals classes members can qualify for in each of our classes.

The results and league table will be published on Horsevents.co.uk following each show.

If you have any questions, please contact us using Messenger via the Appleton Grange Riding Club Facebook Page or via email - appletongrangeridingclub@gmail.com. Thank you.

AGRC CLASSES

PROVISIONAL STARS FINALS CLASSES

IN-HAND - Youngstock Mixed Types (1, 2 & 3yo) Open to any type exhibit: Yearlings, 2 or 3 year olds	Youngstock	Open to any type exhibit: Yearlings, 2 or 3 year olds
IN-HAND – Veterans Open to all horses and ponies 14 years old or over	In-Hand Veteran	Open to all horses and ponies 14 years old or over
IN-HAND - Open Coloured Open to all coloured horses and ponies of any type and height, including alternative coloureds.	In-Hand Coloured Pony In-Hand Coloured Horse	Open to all coloured ponies 143cm and under. Open to all coloured horses exceeding 143cm.
IN-HAND - Open Plaited Ponies Open to all plaited ponies not exceeding 148cms. To be shown plaited and trimmed.	In-Hand Plaited Pony	Open to all plaited ponies not exceeding 148cms. To be shown plaited and trimmed.
IN-HAND - Open Plaited Horses Open to all plaited horses exceeding 148cms. To be shown plaited and trimmed.	In-Hand Plaited Horse	Open to all plaited horses exceeding 148cms. To be shown plaited and trimmed.
IN-HAND - Young Handler	Junior Handler	Handlers to have attained their 12th Birthday but not their 18th before 1st January in the current year Handlers to have attained their 8th Birthday but not their 12th before 1st January in the current year Handlers must have attained their 4th Birthday but not their 8th before 1st January in the current year. Pony not to exceed 128cms
Handlers not to have received their 18th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Horse or pony any height.	Young Handler Tiny Tots Handler	
IN-HAND - Mountain & Moorland	In-hand Small Breeds	Open to all small M&M breed types: Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A & B, Exmoor.
Open to all M&M breed types: Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A, B, C & D Exmoor, Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Connemara.	In-hand Large Breeds	Open to all large M&M breed types: Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Connemara, Welsh C & D.
IN-HAND – Cobs Open to all cobs including hogged and Traditionals.	In-Hand Cob	Open to all cobs including Traditionals.
RIDDEN - Tack and Turnout Open to any age rider, horse, or pony. Lead Rein ponies eligible for this class.	Best Turned Out	Open to any age rider, horse or pony. LR ponies eligible for this class
RIDDEN - Lead Rein Pony Rider not to have attained their 10th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 128cms. Snaffle bridles only. Lead rein must be attached directly to the noseband only.	Plaited Lead Rein M&M Lead Rein	Rider to not have attained their 10th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 128cm. Snaffle bridle only.
RIDDEN - First Ridden Pony Rider not to have attained their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 128cms. Snaffle bridles only.	Plaited First Ridden M&M First Ridden	Rider to not have attained their 12th birthday before the 1st January in the current year. Ponies not to exceed 128cm. Snaffle bridle only.
RIDDEN – Veterans Open to all horses and ponies 14 years old or over	Ridden Veteran 14-19 yrs old Ridden Veteran 20+ yrs old	Rider any age. Open to all horses and ponies aged 14-19 years old. Any suitable bridle. Rider any age. Open to all horses and ponies aged 20 years old and over. Any suitable bridle.
RIDDEN - Open Coloured	Ridden Plaited Coloured	Rider any age. Open to all plaited coloured horses and ponies Any suitable bridle
Open to all coloured horses and ponies of any type and height, including alternative coloureds.	Ridden Nat/Cob/Trad Coloured	Rider any age. Open to all Native, Cob and Traditional type coloured horses and ponies Any suitable bridle
RIDDEN - Open Plaited Ponics	Show Pony	Rider any age. Open to all plaited show ponies not exceeding 148cm. Any suitable bridle
Open to all plaited ponies. Show Pony types not exceeding 148cms. Show Hunter Pony types not exceeding 153cm. To be shown plaited and trimmed.	Show Hunter Pony	Rider any age. Open to all plaited show hunter ponies not exceeding 153cm. Any suitable bridle
RIDDEN - Open Plaited Horses	Show Horse	Rider any age. Open to all plaited show horses exceeding 148cm. Any suitable bridle.
Open to all plaited horses. To be shown plaited and trimmed.	Show Hunter Horse	Rider any age. Open to all plaited hunter types exceeding 153cm. Any suitable bridle
Highest placed ex-racehorse registered with ROR will qualify for the ROR finals at the STARS	ROR	Rider any age. Open to all ex-racehorses that have raced under rules. Horses will be ridden by a judge. Any suitable bridle.
RIDDEN - Mountain & Moorland	M&M Small Breed Ridden	Rider any age. Open to all small M&M breed types: Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A & B, Exmoor. Rider any age. Open to all large M&M breed types: Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Connemara, Welsh C & D.
Open to all M&M breed types: Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A, B, C & D Exmoor, Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Connemara.	M&M Large Breed Ridden	
RIDDEN – Cobs Open to all cobs including Hogged and Traditionals.	Show Cob	Rider any age. Open to all ridden cobs including traditionals. Any suitable bridle.
RIDDEN – Lead Rein and First Ridden Equitation Lead Rein riders not to have attained their 10th birthday and First Ridden riders not to have attained their 12th birthday before 1st January in the support was Posicion and to support 148 yrs. Specific heidles only.	Lead Rein Equitation	Rider not to have attained their 10th birthday before 1st January in the current year. Snaffle bridles only. Lead rein to be attached directly between noseband & the leader's hand only.
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RIDDEN – Junior & Senior Equitation Snaffle bridles only	Junior Equitation Senior Equitation	Rider not to have attained their 18th birthday before 1st January in the current year. Horse / pony any height. Snaffle bridles only. Rider to have attained their 18th birthday before 1st January in the current year. Horse / pony any height. Snaffle bridles only.
RIDDEN – Riding Club Horse and Pony		
Riders will be asked to jump a small jump as part of their show Height of fence will be increased for horses exceeding 148cm.	Riding Club Pony Riding Club Horse	Rider any age, pony not to exceed 148cm. Rider any age, horse to exceed 148cm.