

Yorkshire Agricultural Society



Tuesday 9th to Friday 12th July 2024

Patron: HRH The Prince of Wales

President: Martin Cockerill

Show Director: Charles Mills

SHOEING & SHOE MAKING COMPETITIONS

Schedule and Regulations

ENTRIES CLOSE
Thursday 30 May

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The Great Yorkshire Show raises funds for the Yorkshire Agricultural Society to help support farming and the countryside.

Registered Charity No: 513238 Company Reg No: 1666751 VAT Reg No: 613048081

Regional Agricultural Centre, Harrogate, North Yorkshire. HG2 8NZ



Farriers and Apprentices entering these classes must be registered with the Farriers' Registration Council, Unit 14, Swan Court Forder Way, Peterborough, PE7 8GX

Judge: Mr M Randles, Cheshire. D.W.C.F

Judge: Mr G Watt, Angus, Blairgowrie (Probationary Judge) D.W.C.F

Entries Close: Thursday 30 May 2024 (no refunds after this date)

TEAM PAIRS CLASS 1 - £80 (£40 per person)

Classes 2, 3, 6 & 7 - £40.00

Classes 4 & 5 - £20

BLOCK ENTRY - £130

(£30 Saving if entering all 4 Classes 1, 2/3, 6 & 7)

**CLASSES 1, 2, 3, 6 AND 7 ARE OPEN TO REGISTERED FARRIERS ONLY
ALL STEEL WILL BE PROVIDED**

Shoes will be plain - Stamped, Fullered, Swaged and Fullered, or from Fullered Concave, as directed by the Judge.

We have also been approached by the Farriers Registration Council in light of "couping" which is also a welfare concern and will not be permitted at this Show.

CLASS 1 BRITISH PAIRS ROADSTER SHOERING

Sponsored by Silverback Chaps

Each team has to shoe one side of the horse, front fully fullered and hind plain stamped caulkin and wedge. Also, a specimen shoe needs to be made, each team is allowed to use one vice and one anvil only. Time allowed 90 minutes. **Class limited to the first 20 pairs entered.**

To be held on Wednesday of Show.

**Prizes: 1st £200 plus the British Pairs Roadster Shoeing Trophy; 2nd £100; 3rd £80; 4th £60
The Cooke Cup will be awarded for the best shod foot.**

CLASS 2 OPEN HUNTER SHOERING

Sponsored by Handmade Shoes UK Ltd

Competitors to make two shoes and nail one on, to the judge's direction. Time allowed 60 mins. Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £100 plus the Bass North Trophy; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

NEW CLASS

CLASS 3 MASTERS OPEN HUNTER SHOERING (over 50s)

Sponsored by NWT Horseshoes Ltd

Competitors to make two shoes and nail one on, to the judge's direction. Time allowed 60 mins. Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £100 plus the Masters Open Hunter Trophy; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

CLASS 4 1st AND 2nd YEAR APPRENTICE SHOEMAKING

Sponsored by Strömsholm

By first & second year registered Apprentices. Make shoes to judge's direction. Time allowed 60 minutes. No Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £50; 2nd £30; 3rd £25; 4th £20

CLASS 5 3rd AND 4th YEAR APPRENTICE SHOEMAKING

Sponsored by Mustad

By third & fourth year registered Apprentices. Make shoes to judge's direction. Time allowed 60 minutes. No Striker allowed.

To be held on Thursday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £50, 2nd £30; 3rd £25; 4th £20

CLASS 6 HEAVY HORSE SHOEING

Sponsored by Londonderry Forge Supplies Ltd

Competitors to make two shoes and nail one on, to the judge's direction. Time allowed 70 mins. Striker allowed.

To be held on Friday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £200 Voucher from Londonderry Forge; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

CLASS 7 SURGICAL SHOE-MAKING. Open to Registered Farriers Only

Sponsored by Richard Ash Horseshoes

Make Surgical shoes to the directions of the judge, from the materials provided. Time allowed 60 minutes. No Striker allowed.

To be held on Friday of Show.

Prizes: 1st £100 plus the Westways Trophy; 2nd £50; 3rd £40; 4th £30

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**THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF FARRIERS** makes awards in order to promote, support and maintain the highest standard of excellence in Farriery. Registered Farriers who are awarded the Company's medals have attained the very high standard demanded by the Company Awards may be made in the following:

**SPECIAL PRIZE**

**Silver Medal** - Class 2, 3; **Bronze Medal** - Classes 4, 5 and 7.

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SPECIAL PRIZES

Class 2, 3 & 6 Special prize for best dressed foot kindly donated by Beanie Tools.

Class 4 & 5 Special prizes for the placed competitors kindly donated by Londonderry Forge Supplies Ltd.

SP1 The competitor with the most combined foot points from classes 2, 3 & 6 will be presented with the *Glenn Brooke Perpetual Memorial Trophy*.

CHAMPION PRIZES

CH1 The Mustad Cup plus £30 prize money and a Special Prize will be awarded for the competitor with the most points in Open Classes 1, 2, 3, 6, 7. The Reserve will receive £20.

CH2 Mustad Show Apprentice - Special Prize will be award to the Apprentice with the most points from class 5 or 6.

BEST SHOD RIDDEN COB

YAS Rosette & Prize Card. The Worshipful Company of Farriers will award a Rosette, Prize Card & Plaque to the winner of this competition and a Plaque for the Registered Farrier responsible for its feet & shoeing

Judge: Mr H Dyer, Londonderry, North Yorkshire

The WFC Approved Judge will examine each horse during the judging (of the Ridden Cob classes), taking into consideration:

- a) The condition of the feet.
- b) The making (or preparation) and fitting of the shoes.
- c) The nailing and position of the clips.

Normal shoes or showing plates are equally acceptable, provided they are suitable for the horse. All Ridden Cobs in Lightweight & Heavyweight classes will automatically be eligible for this competition.

SHOEING AND SHOE-MAKING REGULATIONS

Please note that the general regulations also apply to this section.

We have also been approached by the Farriers Registration Council in light of "couping" which is also a welfare concern and will not be permitted at this Show.

- 1 The competition is open to Registered Farriers, and Registered Apprentices, practising their trade in any part of Great Britain.
- 2 A Registered Farrier is deemed to be a person registered under the Farriers (Registration Act 1975) or (Amendment Act 1977), and all entrants for **shoeing** classes must have a registration number.
- 3 Competitors must bring their own tools, including sledgehammer and provide their own strikers. The competition organisers will provide, forge, anvils, iron, nails. Please note: The location of the Forge is sited near the Fashion Pavilion at the top of the Showground.
- 4 **Competitors should wear appropriate footwear, glasses and protective clothing; the stewards and judges may bar a competitor from competing if, in their opinion, the competitor has inadequate clothing and footwear.**
- 5 Competitors must accept the foot allocated to them.
- 6 Competitors will be advised of the times they are required to compete, and they are to be ready to commence work at the times notified. Adequate time will be allowed to each competitor in Classes 2 and 3 for cutting iron to length and taking off old shoes, before competition rounds commence. The start and finish of competition rounds will be signalled by a timekeeper. A competitor will be considered as having completed work when:
 - a) The competitor's specimen shoes are placed where instructed by a steward.
 - b) The shod foot of the horse is not being handled in any way. All work must stop when instructed and work may be completed after the judge has finished his marking.
- 7 Failure to comply with Regulations 5 and 6 may result in disqualification.
- 8 Entry fees (including VAT): **Class 1 - £80 (£40 per person), 2, 3, 6 & 7 - £40.00, Classes 4 & 5 - £20.00**

Please make cheques payable to Yorkshire Agricultural Society.

- 9 Caravan passes can be purchased for the Show Caravan Park (Brown) for a fixed cost of £96.00 regardless of the number of nights occupied. Please book on the entry form. *Due to the high demand we may not be able to accommodate all requests.*
- 10 No protest will be entertained unless lodged in writing with the Chief Steward or Show Director within 2 hours of the class being judged. Any person lodging an objection must give specific grounds for such objection and deposit the sum of £50 to the Steward which shall be forfeited if the objection is overruled or deemed frivolous.
- 11 **The Judge's decision shall be final.**

YORKSHIRE AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY

GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW REGULATIONS AND INFORMATION

Please observe the following rules for your safety, the smooth running of the Show and the enjoyment of all who visit the Show in any capacity.

Show Opening Times

Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday: 8.00am to 6.00pm

1. **Entry Fees/Payments**

Entry fees/payment must be made via BACS transfer (Please notify us of the payment date) or Cheque made payable to "Yorkshire Agricultural Society".

The Society reserves the right to refuse any entry without providing reasons. Owners of livestock and equine showing classes are eligible for reduced entry fees providing they are a current, Single, Joint or Life Member of the Yorkshire Agricultural Society i.e. have paid the current years' membership subscription or are paying it with their entries. Junior or Intermediate members can upgrade their membership to benefit from the reduced fees.

2. **Acceptance of Entries**

The society reserves the right to refuse any entry without providing reasons. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure entries are completed well in advance of the entry closing date. Closing dates are final and will be strictly enforced, entries received after the closing date will be returned.

3. **Cancellation or Combining of Classes**

The Society reserves the right to cancel or combine any classes if it is decided that there are insufficient entries or exhibitors. If classes are cancelled all entry fees will be refunded in these circumstances.

Full Cancellation or Withdrawal from Show

If you wish to withdraw from the Show for any reason, then this should be done by writing/emailing the Livestock & Entries Dept. with the details of the reason for your decision. The request will be looked at on an individual basis; this may vary from section to section - see individual Breed Regs.

4. **Checking of Entry Details**

Exhibitors are entirely responsible for the eligibility of their animals for the classes entered and should check that all details are complete and accurate before submitting their entries via the on-line system on our website. Requests to amend incorrect details may attract an admin fee.

Entry Fees will not be refunded to exhibitors who enter ineligible animals.

5. **Substitution of entries is NOT allowed.** (Unless stated separately in the individual section Regulations).

6. **Competitor/Exhibitor Declaration**

By submitting entries (in any section), you agree to abide by the content and spirit of and Codes of Conduct regulations of the Yorkshire Agricultural Society. Any exhibitor who breaks any of the Society's rules or uses unfair means to win a prize, will be subject to the rules on Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders contained herein and, as a result, may forfeit all prizes and be barred from attending future shows.

7. **Disputes**

In the event of any dispute, parties are directed to the procedure contained under Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders contained herein. (Sections 33 -50).

8. **Entry to the Show**

Exhibitor tickets in the form of wristbands will be allocated in accordance with the details on the schedule. Additional day tickets may be purchased in advance – please order with your entries.

Advance prices are as follows:

Adult £35.00 Child: (5yrs to 18 yrs) £13.00 Family: 2 adults & 3 Children £86.00

9. **Prize money can only be paid by bank transfer following the Show.** Bank details are required (when entering) for any monies to be paid out. If no details are given, we will assume you wish to donate your winnings to the Yorkshire Agricultural Society. All prize money will be paid by the end of August in the current year.

10. Display of Exhibits

No exhibit may be covered during show opening hours. No rosettes or prize cards except those won at the Great Yorkshire Show in the current year may be displayed and are displayed at the owner's risk. Duplicates will not be supplied.

11. Merit

The Judge has discretion to withhold any prize where he/she considers there is insufficient merit.

12. Protests

Any protest must be lodged in writing within two hours of the class being judged and accompanied by a deposit of £50. The protest must be handed in at the Show Office. The protest will be considered by a Committee chaired by the Show Director or the Chief Executive and the Committee's decision is final. If the protest, in the view of the Show Director, is deemed to constitute a Dispute then it will be dealt in accordance with the procedure under Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders, contained herein. If the protest is not sustained then the deposit may be forfeited at the Society's discretion. Please note: This is a general regulation and Individual Section Regulations regarding protests may differ to the above.

13. Cups and Trophies

All YAS Society cups and trophies are perpetual and cannot be won outright. Cups and Trophies may be collected from the Show Office on show days on production of the winner's slip which will be handed to the winner in the ring.

THIS MAY DIFFER FOR THE 2024 SHOW DEPENDANT ON GOVERNMENT GUIDANCE AT THAT TIME).

Cups and Trophies will not be posted after the Show.

Cups/Trophies must be returned to the Society's Office no later than 15 March 2025 at the expense of the exhibitor.

THIS IS A CONDITION OF TAKING THE CUP/TROPHY.

When returning trophies to the Society please ensure the correct details are supplied for engraving purposes.

PLEASE DO NOT HAVE YAS SOCIETY CUPS/TROPHIES ENGRAVED.

All engraving will be carried out on return of the YAS cup/trophy and must ONLY be at the appointment of the Society. Please note: Due to the age and value of a few of the cups and trophies listed in the schedules, a keepsake/tankard may be offered by the Society instead of that particular cup or trophy, although the winner's details will be added to any such cup or trophy for posterity.

14. Dogs/Pets are not allowed on the Showground, (including Car Parks, Camp sites, etc.) except for Assistance Dogs and those taking part in competitive classes or events.

15. Any exhibitor removing their exhibit before the permitted time as detailed in the relevant schedule shall be deemed to have breached these rules and it will be categorised as a Major Breach (as defined) and will be subject to the rules governing Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders.

16. Responsibilities of Exhibitors

It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure they arrive on the showground in sufficient time for the commencement of their classes. Any ring timetables publicised are provisional and may be subject to change. The Society will not accept responsibility for any exhibitor missing their class(es).

17. Conditions of Admittance

Persons are admitted to the showground and car parks at their own risk and vehicles, together with their accessories and contents, are parked at the owner's risk. While every care is taken to ensure the safety of people and vehicles the Society will not accept liability for any loss or damage or personal injury however caused.

18. No Smoking

All enclosed AND substantially enclosed areas on the Showground are Smoke Free (no smoking including the use of e-cigarettes). This includes permanent buildings, temporary structures, tents, marquees or similar, stables, cattle sheds, sheep, pig and goat lines, the Main Ring and White Rose Ring Grandstands. Any persons breaking this rule may be excluded from future shows.

19. Animal Welfare

Any person causing suffering or any form of cruelty to animals will be deemed to have committed a Major Breach of these Rules. Both the first instance adjudicators and any subsequent Appeal Panel will rely on the proposed sanctions below as guidance when considering any decision:

- (a)** A lifetime Exclusion Order preventing you from ever exhibiting and/or attending the Show;
- (b)** An Order to forfeit of entry fees, prizes and prize monies;
- (c)** YAS reserve the right to report any cruelty to animals to any relevant prosecuting authority including but not limited to; the Police, NYC Trading Standards and APHA, RSPCA or any Breed Association.

20. Health and Safety

Any exhibitor who fails to comply with health and safety or fire safety legislation may be liable to enforcement action by NYC Environmental Health and the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Fire Safety Officer. It is the responsibility of all exhibitors to familiarise themselves with the Health and Safety Policy for the Show and to comply with any requirements placed on them whilst competing at the Show. Livestock exhibitors will indemnify the Yorkshire Agricultural Society for any losses suffered as a result of their failure to provide competent handlers in accordance with these regulations and the GYS Health and Safety Policy.

21. Disclaimer

In the absence of any negligence or other breach of duty by us, the Society and its officers shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss howsoever caused that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant or to any animal, article or property exhibited or brought on to the showground by him." Each exhibitor shall indemnify the Society from and against all actions, suits expenses or claims on account of or in respect of any such damage or injury however caused.

- 22.** The Society and its officers shall not be responsible for any accident, damage or loss however caused that may occur to any exhibitor or his servant or to any animal, article, or property exhibited or brought onto the showground by him. Each exhibitor shall indemnify the Society from and against all actions, suits expenses or claims on account of or in respect of any such damage or injury however caused.

23. Insurance

By submitting an entry you indemnify the YAS that on or from the date of application up to and including the end of the Great Yorkshire Show the applicant will hold valid insurance to insure against loss or damage caused to any person or property to a minimum value of £2 million.

24. By submitting an entry you are confirming to the following:

You are stating that you understand, confirm and agree to the following statement:

"To the best of my knowledge and belief, the animal(s) I have entered is/are free from any clinical disease at the time of entry including Ringworm lesions. I further declare that all necessary precautions will be taken to prevent the said animal(s) from being exposed to infectious or contagious diseases from the time of entry to their arrival on the Showground.

Each and all of the particulars given are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief; that these animals are my own property; and that they are duly qualified, according to the Society's regulations and conditions, to compete for the prize or prizes for which they are entered.

To conform, as an exhibitor, to all the Regulations, Code of Conduct, Conditions and Orders of the Great Yorkshire Show; to hold the Society blameless in the event of any illness, loss or damage occurring to, or through, any animal I may enter or exhibit at the Show, or of mis-delivery of the same: and to indemnify the Society against any legal proceeding arising from any such illness, loss, damage or mis-delivery".

25. **Disqualification, Sanctions and Exclusion Orders**

Disputes

In the event of any dispute between you and any other person attending the Show (other than persons connected with, employed by or representing the Show/YAS) regarding any matter relating to the Show, the parties shall refer the matter to the Show Director or Chief Executive who will make a decision which shall be binding and exclusive.

26. In the event of a dispute between you and the YAS (or any officer, member, associate or employee of the same) the matter will be directed to the Show Director, in the first instance. The Show Director will, at his sole discretion, decide the appropriate procedure necessary to achieve resolution. The procedures available to the Show Director are contained in this section alone and by entering this agreement, you agree that the dispute resolution procedures contained herein will be final and binding on the parties.

27. **Rule Breaches**

Upon the YAS becoming aware of any breach of this agreement (the Rules), the matter will be put before the Show Director who will, at his sole discretion, decide whether the breach is deemed to be Minor or Major.

28. Disputes under these Rules will be deemed to fall into 3 categories:

(a) Disputes arising out of Minor Breaches;

Minor Breaches The following examples are intended to be illustrative only and this list is not exhaustive. The Show Director will, at his sole discretion, determine whether any breach is Minor or Major:

- i. Procedural misdemeanours in pre-showing organisation;
- ii. Late arrivals for showing;
- iii. Any other act deemed to be a Minor Breach by the Show Director.

(b) Disputes arising out of Major Breaches;

Major Breaches The following examples are intended to be illustrative only and this list is not exhaustive. The Show Director will, at his sole discretion, determine whether any breach is Minor or Major:

- i. Any act of cruelty to animals or acts that may cause suffering to any animal;
- ii. Any act of dishonesty in competing, showing or exhibiting;
- iii. Any other act that could reasonably be regarded as "cheating", to be determined by the Show Director;
- iv. Any breach of any laws, statute, regulation, statutory instrument or bylaw from time to time in force governing any of the following: transport of animals/livestock, care of animals, presentation of animals, breeding of animals, prevention of disease in animals;
- v. Any other act deemed to be more than a minor breach, as determined by the Show Director.

(c) Disputes not relating to a breach of the rules.

29. **Disputes arising out of Minor Breaches** Disputes arising out of Minor Breaches will be dealt with at the hearing chaired by the Chief Executive or the Show Director. The decision of the hearing will be final and binding and there will be no right of appeal. No representation, legal or otherwise, will be allowed at such a hearing and submissions will only be heard from you.

30. Sanctions handed down at a hearing regarding Minor Breaches will be limited to any of the following, singularly or together:

- (a) Formal written warnings. Repeated breaches may lead to a matter being re-categorised as
- (a) Major Breach and will be dealt with accordingly;
- (b) A fine of up to £1000 to be paid to YAS;
- (c) A direction that you leave the Show immediately and not partake in any showing or competition for the remaining duration of that year's show. (N.B this will not impact on any Show, Prize or Remuneration already achieved, prior to the breach, and will not equate to a lifetime ban. Refusal to leave the Showground may constitute a Major Breach and will be dealt with accordingly);
- (d) An Order to forfeit prizes and prize monies.

- 31. Disputes arising out of Major Breaches** Disputes arising out of Major Breaches will be dealt with at a hearing, in private, chaired by the Chief Executive or the Show Director, in the first instance. Evidence will be heard from any witness(es) and submissions will only be allowed from you.
- 32.** No representation legal, or otherwise will be allowed at such a hearing.
- 33.** The hearing will make a decision which shall be binding on all parties.
- 34.** Decisions made in the first instance regarding Major Breaches will be subject to a right of appeal. Should you wish to appeal, you must set out your grounds (reasons) for appeal in writing and these must be lodged with the YAS Chief Executive within 48 hours of the first instance decision.
- 35. Appeals** Upon receipt of validly served grounds of appeal, YAS will form a panel of between 3-5 appropriate representatives to hear the appeal (The Appeal Panel). The panel may include Council Members, current and former Presidents and any appropriate expert as the appeal may require. The panel will set an appeal date to take place not before 28 days from the date of the first instance decision and elect a person to chair the Appeal Panel.
- 36.** The Appeal Panel at their discretion can appoint a suitably qualified person to provide the Appeal Panel with legal advice, if this occurs and only if this occurs you, the appellant, will be allowed legal representation at any future hearings.

All appeal decisions shall be final, binding and exclusive. By entering this agreement you agree that any decision of the Appeal Panel shall be final

- 37.** The Appeal Panel may make any order to ensure the effectiveness and efficiency of the appeal hearing. This includes: the adjournment of the appeal hearing in order to gather further evidence; request further information or disclosure from you; an order that skeleton arguments or any other documents are provided by the parties to the Appeal Panel; and any other reasonable order. Failure to adhere to any reasonable order will be a waiver of your right to appeal and the first instance decision shall be enforced.
- 38.** At the Appeal hearing evidence may be heard from witnesses, both in person and in writing. Any witness whose evidence is in dispute must give evidence in person and any other parties will have the opportunity to ask further questions of that witness.
- 39.** Opening and closing submissions will be allowed from any party involved in the appeal.
- 40.** At the end of the appeal proceedings the Appeal Panel will make a decision. This may be in writing or verbally.
- 41.** Sanctions handed down at first instance hearing or any subsequent appeal hearing concerning a Major Breach will be limited to any or all of the following:
 - (a) A lifetime Exclusion Order preventing you from ever exhibiting and/or attending the Show;
 - (b) An Exclusion Order for a term of years prescribed by the first instance hearing or Appeal Panel at their discretion. (Any Exclusion Order prescribed by an Appeal Panel will be final and binding);
 - (c) An Order to forfeit of prizes and prize monies;
 - (d) A fine not exceeding £10,000 to be paid to YAS;

- 42.** Costs relating to Minor Breaches or Major Breaches, in the first instance, will be borne by the parties. An Award of costs in relation to appeal proceedings will be decided by the Appeal Panel at the conclusion of the appeal and in the event of a dismissal of the appeal may include any costs incurred by the YAS in relation to the appeal hearing.
- 43. **Publicity and Data Protection****
Yorkshire Agricultural Society is committed to protecting your personal data and processing it only in accordance with legal requirements. We process your personal data as it is necessary for the performance of our contract with you to facilitate your entry to the Show. We will not transfer your data outside of the EEA (European Economic Area) and will not share your data with third parties, except for our online system provider, Breed Societies and/or affiliated Societies and Equine Events, to whom we submit entries and results, to be checked for validity and eligibility based on their legitimate interests. Results will also be circulated with members of the Press and published on our website, this will include the names and town locations of exhibitors. We retain your data in accordance with our retention schedule to simplify future applications. The Society will retain the rights to photographs of any exhibitor or other person on the Showground and store and use the resulting image (including edited or altered versions) for any of the Society's commercial or non-commercial purposes in all and any media, including, without limitation, use in promotional materials and on the Society's website, or supply to carefully selected third parties for use for their own purposes. The Society shall own the copyright in any such images. For further details see our website www.greatyorkshireshow.co.uk/privacy/
- 44. **Show Cancellation****
If the Great Yorkshire Show was to be cancelled prior to its commencement, for reasons outside our control, all competitive entries would be refunded for the full amount paid. There will be no refund or payment for any consequential losses of the show cancelling.
- 45. **Violent, Abusive or Threatening Behaviour****
The Society reserves the right to refuse entry to or remove from the Show anyone, including exhibitors or competitors, who are intoxicated, abusive or offer threats of violence to any person regardless of the circumstances. In such situations the Police may be called and the person or persons responsible will be removed from the Showground and may be excluded from future Shows and other events organized by the Society.

THE 2024 GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

This policy is a legal requirement and outlines the roles and responsibilities within the Yorkshire Agricultural Society (YAS) to ensure compliance with its statutory and moral obligations for health and safety at the Great Yorkshire show.

All Staff (permanent, temporary and contracted), Contractors, Exhibitors, Stewards, Judges and Visitors are expected to comply with the Show Health and Safety Policy and any legal obligations placed upon them.

This policy conforms to the Health and Safety at Work etc Act 1974, the Management of Health and Safety at Work Regulations 1999 and other relevant legislation including the Construction (Design & Management) Regulations 2015 (CDM 2015).

Organisational Responsibilities

Operations Manager – Nigel Morgan

Show & Trade Stands Co-ord. – Michelle Mackey

Show & Trade Stands Officer – Emma Donnelly

Facilities Manager – Joe Leahy

Event Safety Officer – Phil Atkinson

Livestock & Ents Co-ord. – Amanda Stoddart-West

It is the overall responsibility of the Operations Manager to ensure the policy is implemented and individual responsibilities are fulfilled so far as is reasonably practicable. The Operations Manager will ensure all activities under the management and control of the YAS fulfil their statutory requirements with regard to health and safety at the Great Yorkshire Show.

The Operations Manager is responsible through effective planning in ensuring risks involved in work activities and control measures in place are communicated through a process of briefings and the provision of a staff and officials guidance booklet.

The Operations Manager will ensure locations under the control of the YAS and used in connection with the GYS are maintained in a safe condition, entrances and exits used for the movement of people, animals and vehicles are safe and without risk so far as is reasonably practicable.

The Operations Manager assisted by the Facilities Manager will provide up to date safety information for staff, exhibitors, contractors and visitors if individuals are exposed to new or increased risks or are exposed to any substance that may be hazardous to health. The use of all hazardous substances will be supervised by a competent person at all times.

The Facilities Manager is responsible for the management of all Facilities Department staff, contractors and their activities at and in connection with the Show.

Exhibitors

The YAS reserves the right to suspend any activity or remove any contractor or exhibitor from the show ground if they are considered to be unsafe or indirect contravention of health & safety legislation or Show Regulations. All trade, equine, livestock and other exhibitors are responsible for ensuring that plant and machinery is safe and that safe systems of work are set out and followed particularly in respect of the movement of horses and livestock around the showground and they follow any directions given to them by YAS Stewards.

All exhibitors must ensure that they maintain a safe working environment and that all articles, substances are moved, stored and used safely and that health & safety and fire safety legislation is complied with. Any exhibitor who fails to comply with the health & safety or fire safety legislation may be liable to enforcement action by NYC Environmental Health and/or the North Yorkshire Fire and Rescue Fire Safety Officer. Prize money will also be withheld and exhibitors may be removed from the Show. Livestock and Equine exhibitors are reminded that a show environment can be extremely stressful for their animals and animals with unpredictable temperament or character should not be brought to the Show.

Livestock and Equine exhibitors will be responsible for carrying out their own risk assessments for the control, movement and conduct of their animals at all times and in the case of livestock applying reasonable controls to ensure that they do not escape or pose a danger to the public whilst being moved around the Showground for grooming, washing, milking, exercise or during loading and unloading. Livestock must be under the control of a competent handler using approved restraints when being moved around the public areas on the Showground and into the judging rings and safeguards are in place to prevent an animal from escaping.

First Aid

First aid and medical facilities at the Great Yorkshire Show are provided by an approved medical contractor who will provide extensive coverage for the four days of the show. First aid points are clearly identified on the showground and on maps and in catalogues.

All contracted medical personnel are qualified first aid or Emergency Care Practitioners. Persons needing hospital care will be transported to Harrogate District Hospital. There is a dedicated Medical Centre on the Showground with a Doctor in attendance when the Show is open to the public. The medical contractor has trained staff at the Show to assist with adults and children at risk.

Emergency Procedures

In the event of a major incident during the Great Yorkshire Show the YAS/GYS emergency procedures will be put into effect. See supplementary document **GYS Major & Critical Incident Plan (2024, Revised)**.

Fire Precautions

All staff, temporary workers, contractors and exhibitors must comply with the Show Fire Risk Assessments which conform to the requirements of the Regulatory Reform (Fire Safety) Order 2005. This includes persons in charge of activities within temporary structures and marquees including multi-occupancy units.

All fire exits must be clearly marked and the route to them will be kept clear at all times. No person shall place an obstruction in aisles, corridors or walk ways that are designated escape routes at any time. Fire extinguishers and other safety equipment will be located at easily accessible points and will be clearly visible and identified as fire safety equipment. No person should attempt to use any fire safety equipment which places themselves or others at risk. Fire safety equipment must not be moved or tampered with or used to prop open doors.

The use of naked flames, or any direct burning appliance is prohibited within multi-occupancy marquees and trade stand. This includes candles and other similar items of any type.

Any person who discovers a fire should dial 999 and inform Event Control or Black Gate Security Point when Event Control is closed.

To supplement any portable fire safety equipment carried on machinery or plant the YAS will have additional equipment on the site located in the Facilities Department.

Smoke Free Regulations/Policy

All enclosed and substantially enclosed areas on the Showground are Smoke Free (No Smoking; this includes the use of E-Cigarettes). This includes all permanent buildings, temporary structures, tents, marquees or similar, stables, cattle sheds, sheep, pig and goat lines and the Main Ring and White Rose Ring Grandstands.

Smoking is only permitted in open spaces on the Showground. Exhibitors who smoke in contravention of this regulation may be excluded from future Shows. The requirements apply to all smoking, including the use of e-cigarettes 24 hrs a day and the Safety Stewards/Security will be responsible for enforcing these regulations on behalf of the Society.

Vehicle Movements/Speed Limits on the Showground

Vehicle movements are not permitted on the Showground when the Show is open to the public except essential service and emergency vehicles. The maximum speed limit on the showground for any type of mechanically driven vehicle including ATVs and quad bikes is 20 mph unless indicated otherwise. This should not be exceeded under any circumstances and due care and consideration should be demonstrated by the drivers of all vehicles when the Show is open to the public, particularly in crowded public areas and when livestock and horses are moving or visible. In public areas if the volume of the public in these areas is so great as to be a hazard or risk to the drivers of mechanical vehicles they should not enter these areas until it is safe to do so.

The safety of the public and workers on foot is of primary consideration regardless of the purpose that the vehicle is being used for. A banksman must be used where any vehicle is required to reverse in a public area.

The use of All Terrain and Off Road Utility Vehicles is prohibited on the Showground unless they have been authorised for use by the Society.

Drivers must not be under the influence of alcohol or drugs (prescription or otherwise) and anyone considered to be a danger to themselves or others may be removed from the Showground or car parks and the Police will be informed.

Complaints in relation to the way a vehicle is driven on site should be reported to the Operations Manager, the Facilities Manager or Event Safety Officer.

Risk Assessment

A Risk Assessment has been prepared by the Society that identifies potential hazards that could pose a risk during the build-up, breakdown and when the Show is open to the public and the controls in place to remove or reduce the risks. A copy of the risk assessment is available on request from the Operations Manager.

The Risk Assessment is a legal document and will be made available in the event of any subsequent claim or investigation against the YAS or an exhibitor or contractor for negligence or damages arising from any act or incident at the Great Yorkshire Show.

Other Arrangements

Storage

Exhibitors or contractors are not permitted to store items or equipment on the showground particularly hazardous substances unless prior agreement has been reached with the Show and Trade Stands Coordinator prior to the Show or it forms part of the contractual arrangements for the Show. Any items that are stored must be stored in accordance with specific instructions outlined by the YAS and must be stored safely. Liquid Petroleum Gas (LPG) and other flammable items must be stored safely and at least 2 meters from a vehicle, building or structure. Exhibitors and contractors must ensure that the storage of any items or equipment does not contravene fire safety regulations.

Use of Barbecues

The use of barbecues by exhibitors or contractors is not permitted within the Showground perimeter unless they form part of a legitimate trade stand demonstration and the necessary safety controls are in place. The Show & Trade Stands Officer must be notified prior to the Show if a barbecue is to be used and approval given in writing. The use of barbecues in the cattle sheds is strictly prohibited.

Disposable and gas barbecues are not permitted in the Caravan and Camping areas or car parks under any circumstances as they are considered a serious fire risk.

Use of e-Scooters & e-Bikes

E-Scooters and e-bikes are not permitted on the Showground at any time. If they are used on the vehicle, caravan or camping parks riders are responsible for operating their vehicles safely and in accordance with the law, and they should check the legal status of their vehicles prior to arrival. The Yorkshire Agricultural Society accepts no responsibility for loss or injury resulting from the unlawful use of vehicles on site.

Public Health Measures

If you are feeling unwell before you attend the Show, you **must** stay at home. If you feel unwell when you are at the Show STOP what you are doing and go straight to the Medical Centre near White Gate.

FOR YOUR SAFETY

Please follow any health protection measures that may be in place at the Show. These are outlined in the Visitor's Code of Conduct on the Show web site.

HEALTH PROTECTION STATEMENT

The Yorkshire Agricultural Society looks forward to welcoming you to the 2024 Great Yorkshire Show. In line with current government guidance on the admission of visitors to the Showground, the Code of Conduct acts to principally guide and advise you of any protocols in place during the event. The organiser's, the YAS has put in place a range of health protection measures to ensure the safety of all visitors to the Show. However, it is vitally important that everyone plays their part in making the event safe and enjoyable and we need your continued support and cooperation to achieve this. Visitors are therefore kindly reminded of the requirement to adhere to the Code of Conduct, and follow all safety requirements, to assist staff and stewards, and to help protect you and your fellow visitors.

Access around the Showground is by concrete or tarmac footpaths and roads. Some parts of the Showground are sloping and mainly grass which may be difficult for visitors with limited mobility and wheelchair users.

Evacuation & Safety Announcements

In the unlikely event of an evacuation of the Showground please follow any instructions given to you by Stewards, Officials or Police Officers or over one of the public address systems. You will be directed to vacate the Showground by the nearest exit and to go to the back of the car park opposite the exit to wait for further instructions, unless advised otherwise.

If a full or partial evacuation of the Main Ring and/or White Rose Ring Grandstands or the Exhibition Halls is required, an announcement will be made over the PA system in those areas.

Please listen carefully to any safety announcement which may direct you to a specific area on or around the Showground. Evacuation should be undertaken calmly and quickly taking any personal items with you. Stewards, the Police and Officials will direct and provide you with further information. Further announcements including updates via social media may be made explaining the nature of the incident and any additional action you may be required to take.

You should not attempt to re-enter the Showground or a building until you are advised to do so for safety reasons.

Health & Hygiene

Visiting The Great Yorkshire Show is an enjoyable and educational experience. However, such visits can never be free from all risks. Farm animals naturally carry a range of microorganisms, some of which may be harmful to people even when the animals appear clean and healthy.

Microorganisms such as E. coli O157 and Cryptosporidium are a particular health risk, especially for young children, expectant mothers, and the elderly.

Touching animals, consuming contaminated food or drink and contact with dirty surfaces may lead to infection if microorganisms are accidentally transferred into the stomach.

Washing hands thoroughly with soap and water immediately after contact with animals will reduce the risk of infection. Hand gels or wipes are not a substitute for washing hands with running water in an agricultural environment.

There are several permanent toilet blocks with washing facilities on the Showground and their locations are clearly indicated on the Showground map.

Always wash your hands thoroughly with soap and warm water after contact with any animal.

Animals have feelings too please respect them and keep a safe distance as a startled animal may well kick-out or bite!