



Dundalk Show Society CLG

Schedule

Dundalk Agricultural Show 2026

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DUNDALK SHOW SOCIETY CLG

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General Rules

The Show is managed by the Directors, Committee and Sub-Committees. All persons entering the Showground are subject to the directions of Stewards and the Secretary. All exhibits must be the bona fide property of the exhibitor. Entries must be accompanied by the correct fee. While every reasonable care will be taken, the organisers accept no responsibility for accident, loss or damage to exhibits, exhibitors or spectators. Judges may withhold prizes where merit is insufficient. Objections must be lodged with the Secretary on the day of judging with a €20 fee. No exhibit may be removed before **5.30pm**. A 5% Irish Shows Association levy applies to prize money in relevant livestock sections. Vehicles and trailers are parked at owner's risk.

Disputes will be dealt with under ISA procedures. **XL Bully-type dogs are strictly prohibited on the Showground.** Please exercise caution at all times and follow Steward instructions. All animals must be led by a competent adult and must not be tied to trailers. Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times.

Irish Shows Association c/o The Secretary, Tullyrahan, Drumakill, Castleblaney, Co. Monaghan. Full rules: www.irishshows.org/rules

EQUINE COMPETITIONS

Head of Section: Gro Hylén · 085 724 0148

Full address and Eircode must be supplied for all entries. Prize money will be paid by cheque after the show. Please note that a 5% ISA levy will be deducted from all prize money.

Any rider under 18 years of age **must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian**

Horse riding is a dangerous sport. While mounted, **all competitors and ride judges must wear suitable protective headgear**, compliant with current safety standards and **securely fastened** at all times.

[SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS FOR HORSES](#)

WORKING HUNTER - RING 1

Entry Fee: €20 unless otherwise stated.

Open to Horses and Ponies 4 years old and over. Each horse will be required to jump a course of working hunter fences. The Judge will take into account the overall style of the jumping but each fence will be taken into consideration. The approach, take off, jump, landing, and departure from each fence will be assessed. The conformation and movement of the horse will be assessed by the Judge.

Prizes: 1st - €75, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €25 (unless otherwise stated)

187 NOVICE WORKING HUNTER PONY

Entrants will jump a course up to 0.6m

Start Time: 9:00 am

188 OPEN WORKING HUNTER PONY

Entrants will jump a course up to 0.7m

Start Time: 11:00 am

189 NOVICE WORKING HUNTER HORSE

Entrants will jump a course up to 0.8m

Start Time: 1:00 pm

190 OPEN WORKING HUNTER HORSE

Entrants will jump a course up to 1m

Start Time: 3:00 pm

RIDING HORSES - RING 3

Entry Fee: €20 unless otherwise stated.

Dún Síog Cup - Champion Riding Horse

The ridden classes are to be judged on rideability, manners and conformation. An individual show if required by the judges should not exceed 2 minutes and include walk, trot and canter, a simple change at canter, rein back, strike off on required leg, gallop on, halt and stand still, there will be strong emphasis on manners, rideability, movement and conformation. The judge may ride the horse. Horses should be shown in a snaffle or double bridle and well fitted saddle. Riders should have attained their 16th birthday.

Prizes: 1st - €75, 2nd - €50, 3rd - €25 (unless otherwise stated)

196 LIGHT WEIGHT

Open for mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. A lightweight should be able to carry up to 12st 7lb, stand around 16-16.2hh and have about eight and a half inches of bone under the knee.

Start Time: 9:00 am

197 MIDDLE WEIGHT

Open for mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. A middleweight hunter stands around 16.3hh, can carry between 12st 7lb and 14st and has around nine inches of bone.

Start Time: 10:00 am

198 HEAVY WEIGHT

Open for mare or gelding, 4 years old and over. A heavyweight stands around 17hh, has nine to nine and a half inches of bone and is capable of carrying more than 14st.

Start Time: 11:00 am

199 SMALL HUNTER

Open for mare or gelding, 4 years old and over measuring between 147cm and 157 cm.

Start Time: 12:00 pm

200 CHAMPION RIDING HORSE

Qualifiers for this are first place and second place in lightweight, mediumweight, heavyweight and small hunter. The **Dún Sióg Cup** will be presented to the champion riding horse.

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - Champion, 2nd - Reserve Champion

201 COLOURED RIDING HORSE

Open to any piebald or skewbald coloured gelding or mare 4 years old and upwards and measure above 14.3hh. Shown Under Saddle.

Start Time: 1:00 pm

202 COB RIDING CLASS

Open to traditional turn out and Show turn out. Gelding or mare 4 years old and upwards and measure above 14.3hh. Shown Under Saddle.

Start Time: 2:00 pm

203 R2RH

Open to Irish bred thoroughbreds, gelding or mare 4 years old and upwards with a passport issued by Weatherbys.

Start Time: 3:00 pm

204 VETERAN RIDING CLASS

Open for mares or geldings 18 years old and over, measuring above 14.3hh.

Start Time: 3:30 pm

205 CHAMPION HORSE OF THE SHOW

Open to first and second places in ridden horse classes. **LIAM RICE CUP** will be presented to the Champion Horse

Start Time: 4:00 pm

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - Champion - LIAM RICE CUP, 2nd - Reserve Champion

IN-HAND CLASSES - RING 4

Entry Fee: €15 unless otherwise stated.

Young horses are shown in hand, wearing appropriate headgear. Emphasis on manners, movement and conformation.

Prizes: 1st - €30, 2nd - €20, 3rd - €10 (unless otherwise stated)

211 YEARLING HORSE

Foaled in 2025. Thoroughbred and non-thoroughbred, entered in their respective stud book, likely to make a high class performer or hunter.

Start Time: 11:00 am

212 TWO YEAR OLD HORSE

Foaled in 2024, colt filly or gelding. Thoroughbred and non-thoroughbred, entered in their respective stud book, likely to make a high class performer or hunter.

Start Time: 11:00 am

213 THREE YEAR OLD HORSE

Foaled in 2023, colt filly or gelding. Thoroughbred and non-thoroughbred, entered in their respective stud book, likely to make a high class performer or hunter.

Start Time: 12:00 pm

214 TWO OR THREE YEAR OLD PONY

Foaled in 2023-24, colt filly or gelding.

Start Time: 12:30 pm

215 CHAMPION YOUNG HORSE/PONY

The **Augustine Roche Cup** will be presented to the Champion young horse. Qualifiers for this are first and second placed in classes (yearling, 2 year old, 3 year old and two or three year old pony).

Start Time: 1:00 pm

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - Champion, 2nd - Reserve Champion

216 CONNEMARA MARE

Open to Registered Connemara mares 4 years old and upwards. Can be in foal or have a foal at foot. Shown in hand. **The ANNAVERNA CUP** will be presented to the winner of the class.

Start Time: 2:00 pm

PONY OPEN RIDDEN CLASSES - RING 5

Entry Fee: €15 unless otherwise stated.

Any suitable bridle may be worn. Individual showpiece. To be judged on suitability, obedience, conformation and movement. All children in these classes may be asked to unsaddle, saddle and lead their ponies unassisted.

Ponies entered in these classes should not enter Novice riding classes

Prizes: 1st - €30, 2nd - €20, 3rd - €10 (unless otherwise stated)

222 RIDDEN CONNEMARA

Registered Connemara shown under saddle. To demonstrate the traits of the Connemara Pony; good temperament, rideability, intelligence, soundness, surefootedness and suitability for child or adult. Presented without plaits.

Start Time: 10:00 am

223 PONIES UNDER 128CM

Open for ponies, mares or geldings, measuring up to 128cm. Rider up to 13 years of age.

Start Time: 11:00 am

224 PONIES UNDER 138CM

Open for ponies, mares or geldings, measuring up to 138cm. Rider up to 15 years of age.

Start Time: 11:30 am

225 PONIES UNDER 148CM

Open for ponies, mares or geldings, measuring up to 148cm. Rider up to 17 years of age.

Start Time: 12:00 pm

226 CHAMPION OPEN RIDING PONY

Qualifiers for this are first and second class winners of ponies under 128, ponies under 138 and ponies under 148.

Start Time: 12:30 pm

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - Champion - Open Pony cup, 2nd - Reserve Champion

PONY NOVICE RIDING/RIDING SCHOOL - RING 5

Entry Fee: €15 unless otherwise stated.

Any suitable snaffle bridle may be worn. Riders will be asked to do an individual show, cantering optional. Judged on riding ability, riders position, response of pony to riders aides and accuracy of show piece.

Prizes: 1st - €30, 2nd - €20, 3rd - €10 (unless otherwise stated)

232 LEAD REIN CLASS

Open for mares or geldings, measuring up to 128cm. Suitable for and to be ridden by children between 3 and 8 years of age.

Start Time: 1:00 pm

233 MY LOVELY GREY

Open for grey ponies, measuring up to 148 cm. To be ridden by riders under 18 years of age.

Start Time: 1:30 pm

234 MY LOVELY BAY OR CHESTNUT

Open for bay or chestnut ponies, measuring up to 148 cm. To be ridden by riders under 18 years of age.

Start Time: 2:00 pm

235 MY LOVELY COLOURED

Open for Piebald or Skewbald ponies, measuring up to 148 cm. To be ridden by riders under 18 years of age.

Start Time: 2:30 pm

236 CHAMPION FIRST YEAR SHOWING

Champion Novice/Riding school showing pony will receive a Champion rosette and a cup. Qualifiers for this are first and second class winners of lead rein, my lovely grey, bay/chestnut and colored.

Start Time: 3:00 pm

Champion Class - no direct entry.

Prizes: 1st - Champion - Novice Pony Cup, 2nd - Reserve Champion

OBEDIENT PONY - RING 2

Entry Fee: €15 unless otherwise stated.

Each rider is judged individually, and every participant is rewarded with a rosette or a medal. Open to ponies and children. A fun course to test riders' skills through different obstacles and small jumps.

Prizes: 1st - Rosette, 2nd - Rosette, 3rd - Rosette (unless otherwise stated)

242 X-POLES

Start Time: 10:00 am

Entry Permitted on the Day.

243 40CMS

Start Time: 11:00 am

Entry Permitted on the Day.

244 50CMS

Start Time: 12:00 pm

Entry Permitted on the Day.