



# 179<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL SHOW

TO BE HELD AT

AYR RACECOURSE

CRAIGIE ROAD, GATE 'A'

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ON

SATURDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2024

## SCHEDULE OF LIVESTOCK

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# AYR COUNTY SHOW OFFICE BEARERS

President	Mr William Cunningham
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Immediate Past Chairman	Mr John Barclay
Secretary	Mrs Lorraine Murdoch
Treasurer	Mr Colin Mair

## MEMBERSHIP OF THE AYRSHIRE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION 2024

<b>Annual Membership:</b>	<b>£ 20.00</b>
<b>Ten Year Membership:</b>	<b>£160.00</b>
<b>Life Membership:</b>	<b>£400.00</b>

Members of the Association in 2024 are entitled to the following privileges:

- Admission to Ayr County Show
- Access to Members Marquee
- To attend and vote at General Meetings of the Association

## FREE PASSES

### **Members and Life Members**

Every Life Member of The Association and other Members paying an Annual Subscription of not less than £20.00 shall receive a Member's Ticket admitting them to the Showground. The subscription for the current year must have been paid prior to the Show.

### **Exhibitors**

Each Exhibitor will be issued with a wristband, (for personal use only) entitling entry to the Showground.

### **Leaders of Stock**

Leaders, bona-fide, attending on Stock, are admitted free to the Showground WITH THEIR STOCK on display of the appropriate Vehicle Pass and Wristband. The number of Exhibitor Wristbands allotted to each Exhibitor will be at the discretion of the Association. Attendants arriving at the Show separately will be liable to admission charges.

### **Passes Not Transferable**

Passes are not transferable, and anyone found making an improper use of same will be reported to the Directors. The Stewards are empowered in their respective Sections to check improper use of Free Passes

# JUDGING TIMETABLE 2024

## **Dairy Section**

Ring 1 – 9.00am - Calf & Showmanship Classes for all Dairy Breeds  
Ring 1 – 11.00am Ayrshire Cattle – (classes will alternate with Jersey Cattle Section)  
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Ring 2 – 11.00am – Holstein Cattle  
Ring 2 – Red & White Cattle – On Completion of Holstein Cattle Classes  
Dairy Inter-Breed Awards – 12.30/1.00pm

## **Beef Section**

Ring 3 – 10.00am – Continental Cattle Section  
Ring 4 – 10.00am – Native Cattle Section  
Ring 5 – 10.30am – Commercial Cattle Section

First available Ring – Home Beef, Continental Beef & Prime Cattle YFC followed by Young Stockpersons 'Beef' Competition

Beef Inter-Breed Awards – approx. 2.00pm – Main Ring

## **Sheep Section**

Ring 1 – 9.30am – Suffolk Sheep Section  
Ring 2 – 9.30am – Border Leicester Sheep Section followed by Zwartbles Sheep Section  
Ring 3 – 9.30am – Hampshire Down Sheep Section followed by Texel Sheep Section  
Ring 4 – 9.30am – Blue Texel Sheep Section followed by British Charollais Sheep Section  
Ring 5 – 9.30am – AOCB Sheep Section (MV) followed by Beltex Sheep Section  
Ring 6 – 9.30am – Valais Blacknose Sheep Section (MV) followed by AONB Sheep Section (MV)  
Ring 7 – 9.30am – Valais Blacknose Sheep Section (Non MV) followed by Commercial Sheep Section  
Ring 8 – 9.30am – AOCB Sheep Section (Non MV) followed by Ryeland & AONB (Non MV)  
Ring 9 – 9.30am – Bluefaced Leicester Traditional followed by Bluefaced Leicester Crossing Type followed by Blackface Sheep Section

Young Stockpersons 'Sheep' Competition to be held on completion of all sections / rings

**'The Sheep Interbreed will immediately follow thereafter'**

Sheep Breeds YFC – Judging to follow Sheep Interbreed Competition

## **Clydesdale Horses Section**

Clydesdale Horse – 10.30am  
Clydesdale Horse YFC – Judging to follow after the Clydesdale Horse Section  
Stud Cart Class – On Completion of Clydesdale Horse Judging

Parade – 3.00pm

Rowan Crystal Supreme Champion of Champions Competition to follow Parade

\*\*PLEASE NOTE ALL TIMINGS ARE APPROXIMATE\*\*

# REGULATIONS GENERAL CONDITIONS

1. ENTRY FORMS should be completed in BLOCK CAPITALS or via online entry system and lodged with the Secretary as early as possible and NO LATER THAN the date entries close.
2. ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THE DATES SHOWN IN THE SCHEDULE.
3. ADDITIONAL ENTRY FORMS. Please telephone the office requesting additional form(s), as soon as possible, or photocopy your original form. Do you put more than one exhibitor on a form?
4. IN CLASSES FOR GROUPS AND PAIRS the Name and Pedigree of Animal or Animals does not require to be given. Simply give the name and address of the Exhibitor and the Class Number.
5. PAYMENT. All entries must be accompanied by the correct amount, including membership subscription, where applicable, Cheques made payable to AYRSHIRE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION. No entry will be deemed to be accepted until all entry monies have been paid.
6. RIGHT RESERVED TO REFUSE ENTRIES. The Show Committee reserve to themselves the right of refusing, cancelling or prohibiting the exhibition of Entries from any person who has been expelled from the Membership of any Agricultural or Dairy Society or who may have been prohibited, suspended or disqualified from making entries or exhibiting at the Show or Shows of any Agricultural or Dairy Society, or Breed Society in consequence of having attempted to obtain a prize by giving a false Certificate or by unfair means, or who is under exclusion from any Breed Society for fraudulent practices. The Show Committee further reserve to themselves the right of refusing any other entries they may think fit to exclude, or to cancel any entry made, or to prohibit the exhibition of any entry.
7. WITHDRAWAL OF ENTRIES should be intimated to the Secretary prior to the Show. No refund of Entry Fees will be made for cancellations received after this date. (Dairy Cattle not included).
8. ALL SECTIONS. Sections may be cancelled or amalgamated at steward's discretion if less than 3 exhibitors and 9 animals in total.
9. THE AYRSHIRE AGRICULTURAL ASSOCIATION IS NOT LIABLE FOR LOSS OR DAMAGE pertaining to or connected with any exhibitor or exhibit sustained at the Show or in transit. Neither will The Association be accountable for any accident that may occur to any person attending the Show whether as a visitor, exhibitor or otherwise.
10. STOCK SUBJECT TO ORDER OF OFFICIALS. Stock entered for Competition, and actually in the Show, is subject to the Control and under the orders of the Show Committee, Stewards, Secretary and other Show Officials, and such Stock may not be withdrawn from competition or from parade without the consent of the Committee or Secretary.
11. PERSONS INTERFERING WITH JUDGES ETC. Persons making insulting remarks to, or in any way unduly interfering with the Judges, Stewards or other Officials while in the performance of their duties, and all Exhibitors and others in charge of Stock while in the Judging Rings, refusing to accept or display Tickets, Rosettes, etc. awarded by the Judges and handed to them by the Stewards or other Officials, or tearing up Tickets, Rosettes, etc. so awarded or handed to them, or acting in any similar manner shall be considered guilty of misconduct, and shall be dealt with under these Rules.
12. EXHIBITORS ANSWERABLE FOR CONDUCT OF EMPLOYEES, ETC. All persons in charge of Stock or other exhibits, and all persons admitted into the Show, shall be subject to the Rules of Ayrshire Agricultural Association and shall obey the orders of the Secretary, Stewards and other Officials of the Association. Exhibitors shall be answerable for the conduct of their employees or representatives.
13. POWER TO ENFORCE REGULATIONS. The Stewards and other Officials have power to enforce the Regulations of The Association in their different departments.
14. PROTESTS. A protest, having reference to Exhibits at the Show, may be lodged by any person having interest. Said objections, however, must be lodged in writing with the Secretary within seven days of the close of the Show, and must state specifically the grounds of objection, and must be accompanied by a

deposit of £5 - except in cases where the objection is laid by the Show Committee in which case the objections may be made at any time and a deposit shall not be necessary - and which deposit shall, if the objection be proved frivolous to the satisfaction of the Directors, be forfeited. Said protest will be heard and determined by the Directors.

15. THE VIOLATION OF ANY OF THE REGULATIONS, or disobedience of the Directors, Show Committee, Secretary, Stewards, or other Officials of The Association, shall render the offending person liable to forfeiture of all premiums awarded to him or of such a portion as the Directors may ordain, and also liable to be expelled from the Membership of The Association, and disqualified from again, or for a certain number of years, exhibiting at the Shows of The Association, or to have his case disposed of by fines or otherwise as the Directors may determine.

16. THE DECISION OF THE DIRECTORS SHALL BE FINAL in the case of protests made in virtue of Regulation 15 hereof, and in every other matter arising at or in connection with the Show, be final, and every person present at the Show, whether as a Judge, Exhibitor, Visitor or otherwise, shall be deemed thereby to have agreed to refer the subject matter of such decision to the final determination of the Directors, to the exclusion of all Courts of Law.

17. DECISIONS MAY BE COMMUNICATED TO OUR SOCIETIES. All decisions under these Rules may, along with the names and addresses of the persons against whom such decisions have been pronounced, be communicated by the Secretary of this Association to the Secretaries of all Agricultural or Dairy Societies holding open Shows in the United Kingdom, and to the Secretaries of all Breed Societies in the United Kingdom, and may be published in the Annual Reports of this Association and in such newspapers or journals as the Directors may determine, and every Exhibitor competing at the Show, and every person present at the Show, whether as a Director, Member of Committee, Steward, Judge, Exhibitor, Visitor or otherwise, shall be deemed thereby to have consented to such communication and publications.

18. NO SHEETS shall be erected in front of the Cattle between 8 am and the close of the Show.

19. REMOVAL OF STOCK. Exhibitors of Stock will not be permitted to remove their exhibits from the Showground between the commencement of the Show and the time fixed of 5.00 pm for removal of exhibits on the Saturday afternoon or following Livestock Parade, except on production of a certificate from the official Veterinary Surgeons. Exhibitors contravening this rule will be liable to forfeit all prize money awarded.

20. THE HOLSTEIN SECTION is restricted to Animals registered with the HFS Herd Book proper or the Holstein Herd Book, or Classes B or C of the Supplementary Register.

21. ONLY ONE STALL. When an Animal is to compete in two Classes it must be entered in both, but the Secretary must be informed when an animal is thus entered twice, so that only one running number may be given and one stall erected.

22. COWS AND HEIFERS SHOWN IN CALF in Classes 1 and 4 must be due to calve not later than 1st July.

23. CATTLE BYRES. The storage of feeding stuffs, boxes, etc. in the passages is strictly prohibited. Smoking within the cattle byres is prohibited. The cooking of meals within the byres is also prohibited.

24. CALCULATION OF AGE. Where age is not otherwise regulated, it is calculated from 1st January of each year in which the Animal was produced.

25. STOCK MUST BE THE BONA-FIDE PROPERTY OF THE EXHIBITOR. Except where otherwise provided Stock may be purchased up to the last date of entry, but must be the bona-fide property of the Exhibitor in whose name it is entered, and must have been in his possession from last day of entry to date of Show, and in case of Sale, delivery must have been given and the price paid.

26. OWNERS OF CATTLE AND HORSES MAY LEAD THEIR OWN STOCK into the Judging Ring with each lot exhibited. In the case of Clydesdale Horses, there has to be one handler and one groom only in the judging ring at any time. In the case of Sheep, only one person is allowed to enter the Judging Ring with each lot exhibited. Stock must be led by a responsible, experienced person.

27. **BEEF CATTLE BREEDS.** The use of a `humbug` is mandatory for all Breeds of Cattle.
28. **SECURING OF ANIMALS.** Bulls must be secured by a ring in the Nose, with a Rope or Chain attached. All Cattle must be securely tied in the Stalls, and in the case of Horses, one person must be in constant attendance on each Animal.
29. **EXHIBITORS SHALL BE ANSWERABLE** for all acts, whether committed by themselves, their employees, or others in charge of their Stock; and shall be responsible for their Animals during the whole time they remain in the Show. Except when being taken to the Judging Ring, no Animal may be unstalled without the sanction of a Steward.
30. **ALL LIVESTOCK MUST BE PARADED** at the times stated in the Program of the Show and when required by the Stewards and under their direction. Attendants must be beside their Animals twenty minutes before the hour of Parade, and be ready to proceed to the Ring immediately on receiving the orders of the Steward. Stock must be led by a responsible, experienced person.
31. **DOCTORING OF ANY ANIMALS AT THE SHOW.** The Association's Veterinary Surgeon or surgeons will examine and report as to any "doctoring" of exhibits for the Show. They are empowered to examine the report on any Animals which have been blistered or punctured, which have or have had teats set, inflated or sealed or which have had soap or other adhesive matter applied to them, and, generally Animals which have been altered in appearance in order to mislead the Judges. Their attention is specially directed to any case in which water or other liquid has been poured into Cattle, to what is known as "gingering" Horses, and to any other practice which causes pain. They may inspect and examine any Animal as soon as it enters the Showground and as long as it may remain there. On their, or his, representation that improper practices on any animal have been resorted to, the animal shall be disqualified from competing for prizes, and the Stewards shall cause it to be removed or prevented from entering the "Show Judging Ring and the offending Exhibitor may be otherwise dealt with as the Directors may consider appropriate.
32. **IN CASES OF AWARDS TO COWS OR HEIFERS IN CALF, MARES IN FOAL, EWES IN LAMB,** the Premiums may be withheld until a Certificate of Produce by a competent Veterinary Surgeon has been produced. Premiums will not be paid should deception have been attempted upon the Judges.
33. **FULL PARTICULARS MUST BE GIVEN ON ENTRY FORM.** All particulars as to name, pedigree, registration number etc. required in the Entry Form must be filled in. When pedigree, etc. is unknown, this must be stated on the Entry Form.
34. **JUDGES.** The Committee reserve the right to appoint Judges in place of any who may not be able to attend, or to appoint additional Judges, or to cancel or make alterations to the published list. Judges are not eligible to judge Bred Stock and must inform their Chief Steward who shall in turn be required to appoint an alternative judge.
35. **GROUPS OR PAIRS. BEEF INTERBREED GROUP OF 3.** Entries may be made in Group of 3 on Saturday. Pairs must be entered on entry form and appropriate fees paid.
36. **DAIRY SUBSTITUTION.** Between closing date of entries and day of Show, an Exhibitor who has made an entry in the DAIRY Cattle Section will be permitted to substitute for it an entry of another Animal in the same class.

# HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

Standards and Rules form part of the Exhibitor Entry Form and a condition of Entry will be an acceptance of these rules and regulations

1. A Safety Advisor has been appointed to ensure the safety of the event and the implementation of the Safety Policy.
2. Extra stewards are appointed to ensure all safety precautions are complied with and the Chief Steward in each Section will be in charge of their own Section.
3. Animals being moved through the event area will be separated from the public by roped off walkways and the movement of animals to judging rings will be organised to create as little stress as possible.
4. Bull(s) should be secured by rings or screws. All animals must be securely tied with a halter and a neck rope.
5. The use of a 'Humbug' is mandatory for all beef animals over age of 6 months.
6. Animals which are excited or aggressive should not be paraded and may require to be withdrawn from the event.
7. Children should not be allowed to handle bulls or fractious animals. In the Juvenile classes an adult should always be in attendance to take over if a child is having difficulty in controlling an animal.
8. Dogs should be kept on the lead at all times.
9. Any plant, machinery or equipment used prior to, or after the Show should only be operated by an adult who is fully trained in its safe use. Children must not be allowed to ride on or operate machinery including All Terrain Vehicles.
10. Pedestrian access routes from Car Parks will be clearly signposted.
11. Exhibitors, trade stands, caterers, retailers etc using LPG Gas must comply with HSE regulations in respect of storage and use of any containers that they may bring.
12. First Aid facilities will be provided on the day of the Show and these will be clearly signposted and identified.
13. Emergency Services will have access to all parts of the Showground at all times.
14. In the event of a major incident an incident sheet will be available from the Secretary's Tent on which proper information will be recorded immediately.

# CLYDESDALE HORSES

Chief Steward – Mr Allan Craig  
This Show is affiliated to The Clydesdale Horse Society

## **ENTRY FEES AND PRIZE MONEY IN CLYDESDALE HORSE CLASSES**

Non-Members Entry Fees - £16 per class (Including Pairs Class)

Members Entry Fees - £12 per class (Including Pairs Class)

Stud Cart - £20 (refundable on appearance)

YFC Classes - £5 per class

Young Stockpersons Competition - Free

## **CLASS PRIZE MONEY**

First £25

Second £15

Third £10

## **STUD CART CLASS PRIZE MONEY**

First £30

Second £20

Third £15

Fourth £10

## **YOUNG STOCKPERSONS PRIZE MONEY**

First £20

Second £15

Third £10

## **YFC PRIZE MONEY**

First £20

Second £15

Third £10

## **Entries Closing Date**

Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Online Entries – <https://ayrcountyshow.lite.events/>

Postal Entries will be accepted

## **Clydesdale Horse Judging Time Table 2024**

**\*\*\*PLEASE NOTE ALL TIMINGS ARE APPROXIMATE\*\*\***

Clydesdale Horse – 10.30am

Clydesdale Horse Handler followed by YFC – Judging to follow after the Clydesdale Horse Section

Stud Cart Class – On Completion of Clydesdale Horse Judging

## **IMPORTANT**

**Note 1:** Passports & Up to Date Vaccinations should be made available for inspection on request.

**Note 2:** Classes may be merged or split at the Stewards' discretion.

**Note 3:** Exhibitors are responsible for having their animals in the judging rings on time.

**Note 4:** The Champion will qualify for The Rowan Crystal Supreme Champion of Champions Competition.



# CLYDESDALE HORSE SECTION

**Judge:** Mr Peter Black, Newton of Collessie Farm House, Collessie, Cupar

To be judged at 10.30am

## SPONSORED BY:



- Class 192 GELDING. Any Age
- Class 193 ENTIRE COLT. 1 or 2 years of age
- Class 194 ENTIRE COLT. 3 years & over
- Class 195 BROOD MARE. In foal or having had a foal in the Season of 2024. The foal should, if possible, be shown. (NOTE: Mares entered in this class which prove not to be in foal are to be shown in the Yeld Mare class)
- Class 196 FOAL
- Class 197 YELD MARE. Born in 2021 or previously
- Class 198 FILLY. Born in 2022
- Class 199 FILLY. Born in 2023
- Class 200 PAIR OF CLYDESDALES. Any Age

CHAMPIONSHIP Clydesdale Horse Section

### SPECIAL AWARDS

**DUMFRIES PERPETUAL TROPHY** for the Supreme Clydesdale Champion presented by the Rt Hon Earl of Dumfries, in memory of his grandfather, the first President of the Ayrshire Agricultural Association.

**CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY & Rosette** presented by the late James Chapman, Johnston, Gartcosh, for the Best Male Clydesdale, any age.

**CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY & Rosette** presented by the late James Chapman, Johnston, Gartcosh, for the Best Female Clydesdale, any age.

**THE MATTHEW YOUNG MEMORIAL TROPHY 1977** presented by the late Mrs Margaret Young, Garpin, Maybole, for the Best Clydesdale, any age bred by Exhibitor. To be competed for annually.

**THE JOHN M. HAMILTON PERPETUAL MEMORIAL TROPHY**, presented by John M. Hamilton, Bogton, for the Best Pair of Clydesdales at Ayr County Show.

**THE JOHN YOUNG PERPETUAL TROPHY**, presented by John Young, formerly of Shewalton Lodge, Drybridge, Irvine, for the Best Gelding, any age.

#### **The Clydesdale Horse Society Shield**

A Shield (which will be supplied and engraved by The Clydesdale Horse Society) will be awarded to the best yearling or two-year-old colt or filly, registered or eligible for registration with the Society, not having won a Shield before in its lifetime. The exhibitor must be a current member of The Clydesdale Horse Society.

The Champion will receive £30 and the Reserve £15; Best Male - £20; Best Female - £20.

## SPONSORED BY:



# YOUNG HANDLER “CLYDESDALE HORSE” COMPETITION

**Judge:** Mr Peter Black, Newton of Collessie Farm House, Collessie, Cupar

To be held on completion of Clydesdale Horse Section

Class 201 Young Handler

Judged on the individual's ability to show stock. This competition is open to individuals age 12 to 16yrs on the day of the Competition

### SPECIAL AWARDS

An engraved medal is presented by The Clydesdale Horse Society to the best young handler aged 12 to 16 on the day of the show who has not already qualified. That person will also receive a Young Handler qualifier rosette on the day of the show. The capabilities of the handler are to be assessed, not the animal being led. Qualifiers from any show held prior to 30<sup>th</sup> April in any year will qualify for the Young Handler final at the Royal Highland Show in the year of that show. Qualifier after 30<sup>th</sup> April in any year will qualify for Young Handler Final at the following year's Royal Highland Show. A merit rosette will be given to all entrants in the class. The Young Handler Scheme and The Young Handler Final are generously sponsored by the James Bennett Fund

# CLYDESDALE HORSES YFC

**Judge:** Mr Peter Black, Newton of Collessie Farm House, Collessie, Cupar

### **Please Note the following:**

- Exhibits must be shown by a YFC Member

Class 202 Male or Female. Any Age

# CLYDESDALE HORSE STUD CART COMPETITION

**Judge:** Mr Peter Black, Newton of Collessie Farm House, Collessie, Cupar

To be held on completion of Young Handler / YFC Classes

Class 203 STUD CART. Mare or Gelding driven by Lady or Gentleman

# THE ROWAN CRYSTAL SUPREME CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS

## **Panel of Judges:**

Dairy - Mr John Montgomerie, Bellview Shaw Farm, Kilmaurs  
Beef – Mr Archie MacGregor, Allanfauld Farm , Kilsyth, Glasgow  
Sheep – Mr Keith Campbell, Lettermay Lodge, Douglas Pier, Lochgoilhead  
Clydesdale Horse – Mr Peter Black, Newton of Collessie Farm House, Collessie, Cupar

## **Ring Stewards:**

Rodney Wallace, Andrew MacLean, John Barclay,  
Allan Craig, Sheena Kennedy & David Gilmour

## **Commentator:**

Gareth Scott

To be judged immediately after the Parade in The Main Ring  
Parade approx. £3.00pm

## **SPONSORED BY: Mr Jim Craig (Ayr Mart.)**

Qualifying Animals for this competition:

Overall Dairy Interbreed Champion

Overall Beef Interbreed Champion

Overall Sheep Interbreed Champion

Overall Clydesdale Horse Champion

1. Panel of judges will individually mark each animal at their discretion with the exception of their own breed.
2. If any of the qualifying animals do not wish to come forward for the competition the section judge is eligible to mark.
3. Animals will be awarded marks 6 to 10 – no equal points allowed.
4. The animal gaining the most points will be awarded Supreme Champion of Champions; the second highest will be awarded Reserve Champion of Champions
5. In the event of a tie break situation the sponsor Mr Jim Craig or a nominated individual by himself in her absence will make the final decision.

## **SPECIAL AWARDS**

**THE ROWAN CRYSTAL Trophy** presented to the Ayrshire Agricultural Association by Jim Craig (AYR MART.) in memory of his late wife Rowan Awarded to the Supreme Champion of Champions of the Ayr County Show plus £1000 prize money for Supreme Champion of Champions.

Each runner-up will receive £200 prizemoney