

# Eastern Counties Spring Championship

**Saturday 3 March 2012**

**Trinity Park, Ipswich, IP3 8UH**

## **SCHEDULE & REGULATIONS**

**Judge:** Mr A Reader-Smith AWCF

**Chief Steward:** Mr Stuart Garrard DWCF

**CLOSING DATE: 10 February 2012**

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### **THE WORSHIPFUL COMPANY OF FARRIERS**

*The Worshipful Company of Farriers makes Awards in order to support, promote and maintain the highest standards of excellence in Farriery.*

The Company is grateful to the Suffolk Agricultural Association for supporting these aims.

# Classes

**All steel will be provided.**

**Classes 1 and 2 are open to registered farriers only.**

***MUSTAD are generously donating additional prizes for the first prize-winners in each class.***

## **Class 1 – Open Hunter Shoeing**

**Entry Fee: £35**

Each competitor to make two shoes and fit one, to the judge's requirements. *Time allowed 50 minutes.*

*The Worshipful Company of Farriers Silver Medal to the winner*

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £500, 2<sup>nd</sup> - £250, 3<sup>rd</sup> - £100, 4<sup>th</sup> - £50**

## **Class 2 – Therapeutic Class**

**Entry Fee: £35**

Each competitor to make two therapeutic shoes to the judge's requirements. Details of the shoes and material will be advised before the event. *Time allowed 45 minutes.*

*The Worshipful Company of Farriers Bronze Medal to the winner*

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £150, 2<sup>nd</sup> - £100, 3<sup>rd</sup> - £75, 4<sup>th</sup> - £50**

## **Class 3 - Apprentice Shoemaking – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Years**

**Entry Fee: £20**

***Apprentices to work out of their own gas forges in the back of their own van.***

A two part competition open to all apprentices serving under indentured trade training on the date of the competition.

Part 1 - To make a pair of front shoes hunter style to the judge's requirements.

Part 2 - To make a pair of hunter hind shoes to the judge's requirements.

*Time allowed 45 minutes for each part.*

*The Worshipful Company of Farriers Bronze Medal to the winner.*

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £100, 2<sup>nd</sup> - £50, 3<sup>rd</sup> - £25, 4<sup>th</sup> - £20**

## **Class 4 - Apprentice Shoemaking – 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Years**

**Entry Fee: £20**

***Apprentices to work out of their own gas forges in the back of their own van.***

A two part competition open to all apprentices serving under indentured trade training on the date of the competition.

Part 1 - To make a pair of front shoes hunter style to the judge's requirements.

Part 2 - To make a pair of caulk and wedge hind shoes to the judge's requirements.

*Time allowed 45 minutes for each part.*

*The Worshipful Company of Farriers Bronze Medal to the winner.*

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £100, 2<sup>nd</sup> - £50, 3<sup>rd</sup> - £25, 4<sup>th</sup> - £20**

## **Class 5 – Apprentice Therapeutic Class**

**Entry Fee: £15**

***Apprentices to work out of their own gas forges in the back of their own van.***

Each competitor to make one therapeutic shoe to the judge's requirements. Details of the shoe and material will be advised before the event. *Time allowed 30 minutes.*

*The Worshipful Company of Farriers Bronze Medal to the winner.*

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> - £80, 2<sup>nd</sup> - £40, 3<sup>rd</sup> - £20, 4<sup>th</sup> - £15**

## **Class 6 – Eagle Eye**

**Entry Fee: £10**

Competitors will be allowed 30 seconds to look at the foot and then must make a hunter front shoe, unclipped. The shoe **MUST** have a centre mark or the competitor will be disqualified. *Time allowed 15 minutes.*

**Prize Money: 1<sup>st</sup> – 50% of total entry fees**

# Regulations

## **1 Entries**

Competitors must complete an official entry form and return it, together with fees, to the Suffolk Agricultural Association, Trinity Park, Felixstowe Road, Ipswich, Suffolk IP3 8UH, not later than 10 February 2012. Entries will be accepted on a first come, first served basis. Nominations and substitution entries are not allowed. Cheques should be made payable to 'Suffolk Agricultural Association'.

## **2 Entry Fees**

No entry fee or part thereof shall be returnable once an entry has been accepted and the competitor informed of his/her acceptance.

## **3 Awards/Prize Money**

Prizes may be withheld if the judge, in consultation with the Stewards, deems the entry to have insufficient merit. Prize giving for each class will take place on the afternoon of the day of competition. Prize money will be paid in cash on the day.

## **4 Attendance**

Competitors must be present and ready to commence work at a time which will be notified to them in advance of the event. Latecomers will be liable to disqualification.

## **5 Forge numbers and horses will be drawn before the event. Competitors must accept the foot allocated to them.**

## **6 Time allowance**

The judge will provide details of the shoes required. Points will be deducted from competitors who overrun.

## **7 Time Keeping**

The Chief Steward and his assistants will be responsible for time keeping.

## **8 Equipment/Tools**

Competitors must provide their own tools. The Association will provide forges, fuel, anvils, nails and steel (details of the steel will be given when tickets are issued). The Stewards will not allow the use of freak tools. No flatters allowed.

## **9 Safety Clothing**

To comply with health & safety regulations, all persons within the Forge area must provide their own and wear protective footwear, eye protection and apron/chaps. The stewards or judge may bar a competitor from competing if, in their opinion, the competitor has inadequate protective clothing/footwear and eye protection.

## **10 Competitors and their strikers will only be allowed on the shoeing floor when they are scheduled to compete.**

## **11 Strikers**

Each competitor must make his/her own arrangements for a striker. The striker's name must be shown on the entry form and the competitor must declare for whom he him/herself may be acting as striker in each class entered. No class can be delayed for a striker who is also acting as a striker for another competitor or where the competitor himself is acting as a striker and under these circumstances the steward may disqualify the competitor.

Strikers must not assist competitors beyond their capacity as Strikers.

## **12 Insurance**

All competitors must have adequate personal insurance.

## **13 Objections**

The decision of the Judge shall be final. Objections must be made in writing, addressed to the Executive Director/Secretary of the Association and be accompanied by a deposit of £10.

## **14 Association Conditions**

The Suffolk Agricultural Association reserves to itself by its Council the sole and absolute right to interpret these regulations and conditions and to settle arbitrarily and determine all matters, questions, differences or objections arising out of, connected with or incidental to the event and to refuse or cancel any entries, disqualify competitors, vary or cancel the award of prize money or relax conditions as the Association may deem expedient.