



BHDTA NATIONAL CARRIAGE DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Queen Victoria's Review Ground, Windsor Great Park
12th - 14th September 2008

SCHEDULE FOR

PRIVATE DRIVING and LIGHT TRADE CLASSES

to be held on

SATURDAY 13th SEPTEMBER 2008

including:

Exercise Vehicle
Pleasure Driving
Open Private Driving
Light Trade Turnout Class
Concours d'Elegance
Meet of the Champions

Affiliated to the BDS

Qualifier for 2009 Osborne Refrigerators BDS National Championships

JUDGES:

Class 1: Mr Colin Benford, Aylesbury, Bucks.
Class 2: Mrs Beth Foster, Newark, Notts.
Class 3: Mrs Mary Ford, Burley, Hants.
Class 4: Mrs Beth Foster, Newark, Notts.
Class 5: Mr Colin Benford, Aylesbury, Bucks.
Class 6: Mrs Nikki Taylor, Dorking, Surrey
Class 7: Mrs Christine Dick, Dunstable, Beds.

Affiliated to the British Driving Society

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 22nd AUGUST 2008

(Late entries accepted at double entry fee until 1st September 2008)

Entries to:

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Queen Victoria's Review Ground is on the Ascot Road (A332)

PROGRAMME

Provisional Timetable:

Class 1	1000	Exercise Vehicle Class
Class 2	1030	Pleasure Driving Class
Class 3	1100	Open Private Driving Class - Ponies 13.2 hands and under*
Class 4	1100	Open Private Driving Class - Horses and ponies over 13.2 hands*
	1145	Park Drive for Classes 3/4 and Concours d'Elegance (Class 6)*
Class 5	1200	Light Trade Turnout Class for the Wootton Oaks Trophy
Classes 3/4	1245	Final judging. The winners will compete for the Edgar August Challenge Trophy
Class 6	1300	Concours d'Elegance
		<i>Lunch break</i>
Class 7	1430	Meet of the Champions (<i>by Invitation</i>)
	1500	Approximate finish

**Come and enjoy the magnificent views in Windsor Great Park*

Eligibility

All horses and ponies must be 4 years old and over

CLASS 1 - Exercise Cart

Generously sponsored by Johnny and Melanie Vyse

Singles or pairs, open to all showing competitors, driving a non-traditional vehicle that would be driven every day for exercise. Pneumatic tyres are allowed. Lamps need not be carried.

Showing class judged on the suitability of driver, vehicle, harness and horse - i.e. neat, tidy, workmanlike and safe.

Entry Fee: £15

Prizes: £25, £20, £15, £5

CLASS 2 - Pleasure Driving

Generously sponsored by Johnny and Melanie Vyse

Pleasure Driving classes are for newcomers to showing and not intended for those who show in Private Driving classes. Regular showing competitors are asked to respect this and entries for the Pleasure Driving class may not be accepted from those who enter our Private Driving classes.

To be judged:

- 15% vehicle suitability, fit and cleanliness
- 15% harness suitability, fit and cleanliness
- 70% driver and groom, horse/pony, way of going and suitability as a family pleasure animal.

Competitors may be given a brief series of tasks, e.g. driving through cones.

Pneumatic tyres are allowed. Lamps need not be carried.

Entry Fee: £15

Prizes: £25, £20, £15, £5

CLASSES 3 and 4 - Open Private Driving

Generously sponsored by Johnny and Melanie Vyse

Open to Singles, Pairs and Tandems driven to a suitable vehicle (commercial vehicles and hackney show wagons not permitted). There will be a Park Drive of 3 - 4 miles.

Class 3 - For ponies 13.2 hands and under
Class 4 - For horses/ponies over 13.2 hands

Entry Fee: £20

Prizes in each class: £50, £25, £20, £15, £5

Memento to the winner of each class kindly presented by Bruce and Rita Blundell
Special rosette presented by the BDS for the best junior whip
The first and second prize-winners will compete for the Edgar August trophy

Classes 3/4 are qualifiers for the 2009 Osborne Refrigerators BDS National Championships. The highest placed turnout owned and driven by a member of the British Driving Society and eligible for the following Type-Section disregarding those already qualified down to 6th place in the class will qualify for the 2009 Semi-Finals. Championship will immediately follow the Semi-Finals.

Type-Section a. Single hackney-type

CLASS 5 - Light Trade Turnout Class

Generously sponsored by Carriage Driving Magazine

Open to singles and pairs. Vehicle should be suitable for a tradesman who delivers relatively light goods though no such goods should be carried whilst in the show ring. Vehicle is painted according to the firm's colours with name of firm and business.

Entry fee: £15

Prizes: £50, £25, £20, £15,

The winner will receive the Wootton Oaks Challenge trophy kindly presented by late Mrs M F James

Class 5 is a qualifier for the 2009 Osborne Refrigerators BDS National Championships. The highest placed turnout owned and driven by a member of the British Driving Society and eligible for the following Type-Sections disregarding those already qualified down to 6th place in the class will qualify for the 2009 Semi-Finals. Championship will immediately follow the Semi-Finals.

Type-Sections: j. Two wheel light trade k. Four wheel light trade.

CLASS 6 - Concours d'Elegance including Park Drive

Generously sponsored by Bruce and Rita Blundell

The winner will be the turnout which, in the opinion of the Judge, presents the most pleasing picture, and normal judging criteria do not apply. Fancy dress or period costume is definitely barred. The class is judged from a distance and vehicles will NOT be closely inspected as in an ordinary show class. ***Competitors must take part in the show drive and wear a red armband.***

Entry fee: £15

Prizes: The winner will receive £80

The winner will also receive the perpetual trophy kindly presented by the Smith Family in memory of the late Mr and Mrs Eddie Smith. Rosettes will be awarded to the winner and five runners-up.

CLASS 7 - Meet of the Champions (*by invitation*)

Generously sponsored by Johnny and Melanie Vyse

Open to Singles and Multiples

The National Carriage Driving Championships welcome the Driving Champions of England, Scotland and Wales to the Meet of the Champions (by invitation).

Qualification: 2007 Osborne Refrigerators Champion, 2008 BDS Show Champion, BDS Scottish Show Champion, BDS Wales Show Champion and County Show Champions.

Entry fee: £25

Prizes: **Supreme Champion** **£400 and a challenge cup**
 Best Amateur Whip **£100**
 £25 to each competitor forward on the day
 Rosettes to all competitors

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