



# DUBARRY BURGHLEY YOUNG EVENT HORSE FINAL

**Friday 4 September 2026**

*Dressage Judges - Christina Klingspor & Angela Tucker*

*Jumping Judges - Andrew Heffernan & Nicky Roncoroni*

*Suitability & Type Judge - John Killingbeck*

*Potential to Gallop Judge - Clayton Fredericks*

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The BYEH series encourages riders, trainers and breeders to produce potential world-class event horses that may one day gallop around Defender Burghley Horse Trials.

The Dubarry Burghley Young Event Horse Finals will take place in the House Arena on Friday 4th September 2026.

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| 5-Year-Olds | 08.10am |
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| 4-Year-Olds | 13.30pm |
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## ENTRIES

- £100 including VAT.
- All entries are to be made online via Equo - [Entry Link](#)

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| Entries Open | Monday 6th July |
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| Entries Close | Friday 7th August |
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Those qualifying at Addington will have until Friday 14th August to enter.

Times for the Final will be available on the Burghley website on Monday 31st August.

## PRIZES

|     |        |      |      |
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| 1st | £1,500 | 6th  | £150 |
| 2nd | £700   | 7th  | £100 |
| 3rd | £400   | 8th  | £100 |
| 4th | £250   | 9th  | £100 |
| 5th | £200   | 10th | £100 |

Breeder's prize: £100

Highest-placed mare:  
£100

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of Ireland

**The Dubarry Trophies** will be awarded to the Champion Four-Year-Old and the Champion Five-Year-Old.

**The Henson Challenge Cup** will be awarded to the Five-Year-Old Champion.

**The Alwyn Varley Memorial Trophy** will be awarded to the owner of the highest-placed horse in the Four-Year-Old Final, providing they are also the breeder of the horse.

In each class a rosette will be awarded by **Sport Horse Breeding of Great Britain** to the owner of the highest placed horse sired by a SHB (GB) Graded Stallion, provided it finishes in the top 10 places.

In each class a rosette will be awarded by **British Breeding** to the Owner and the Breeder of the highest placed British bred horse, providing it finishes in the top ten places.

## ARENA FAMILIARISATION

There will be the opportunity to familiarise (at walk) in the House Arena where the Young Event Horse Final takes place.

**5-year-old horses** on the morning of Friday 4th September before competition starts.

**4-year-old horses** during the lunch break after the 5-year-old final and before the 4-year-old final commences

More accurate times will be confirmed once entries have closed.

## DRESSAGE PHASE

30 marks

Unlike a normal dressage test, combinations are not assessed on the current state of training and marks are not given for individual movements.

The idea is to find horses with three correct, scopey and regular gaits, whilst considering the attributes for potential longevity and performance as a world class event horse.

### **Trot (5)**

Rhythm, looseness, suppleness, swinging back, potential ability to engage the hindquarters.

### **Rideability/Temperament (5)**

According to the age and stage of training and reaction to the aids.

### **Canter (5)**

Rhythm, looseness, suppleness, natural balance, uphill tendency, potential ability to engage the hindquarters.

### **Suitability (10)**

Aptitude as a young event horse and potential to make a world class event horse.

### **Walk (5)**

Rhythm, relaxation, activity, ground cover.

| TEST        |                                                                                  |
|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| A           | Enter at working trot                                                            |
| From X      | Proceed directly to M                                                            |
| M           | Working trot                                                                     |
| C           | Serpentine 3 loops each loop to go to side of the arena finishing at A           |
| FXH         | Change rein showing some lengthened strides (not required by 4-year-old's)       |
| Between H&C | Working canter right                                                             |
| C           | Circle right 20m diameter                                                        |
| MXK         | Change rein with transition to trot between X and K                              |
| Between K&A | Working canter left                                                              |
| A           | Circle left 20m diameter                                                         |
| Between A&F | Working trot                                                                     |
| F           | Medium walk                                                                      |
| B           | Half 20m circle left to E. On crossing centre line free walk on a long rein to E |
| E           | Directly to A - leave the arena free walk on a long rein                         |

## JUMPING PHASE

40 marks

Judges are looking for a bold athletic horse with good technique. A horse with these qualities, should not necessarily be penalised for knocking down one fence (or a four-year-old having one refusal), providing they demonstrate they react positively afterwards. Four-year-olds may find it easier to jump some fences out of trot.

Maximum height of fences:

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| 4-Year-Olds | 1.00m |
| 5-Year-Olds | 1.10m |

Fall of horse or rider or a total of 3 refusals will result in elimination.

### **Technique, Balance & Rideability/Temperament (25)**

The horses desire to be careful over a fence taking into account the natural technique (of limbs and body) appropriate for a world class event horse. Natural balance and general athleticism/agility. (Quickness of the footwork and lightness of landing). Rideability indicated by general attitude, reaction to riders aids.

### **Suitability (15)**

Suitability, type to include scope and range of movement to indicate potential to be a future world class event horse that is capable of getting the time around a Championship five star track.

## SUITABILITY & TYPE PHASE

20 marks

Judges are looking for horses with the attributes to withstand the demands of the sport in terms of soundness, speed and stamina. Lack of quality and other defects which might indicate limited stamina or speed should be penalised, even though the horse may be a nice dressage or show jumping prospect.

## GALLOP PHASE

10 marks

The top 10 horses after the first three phases only, are required to come forward.

## CONDITIONS

1. Horses must exceed 148cm without shoes.
2. Age: Open to horses born in 2021 and 2022.
3. Only horses that have qualified at one of the official Burghley Young Event Horse Qualifiers are eligible for the final.
4. Saddlery: (warm-up and competition): tack as per British Eventing Rules for Novice Dressage - snaffle bridle only, see website [www.britisheventing.com](http://www.britisheventing.com). Running martingale only and front boots are optional for sections I, II and III. However, NO hind boots or bandages of any kind may be worn in the collecting ring, warm-up area or actual class. Jumping whip only allowed (max length 75cm).
5. Dress: As for British Eventing Novice Dressage Test/Hunting Dress. British Eventing/BHS approved hat and harness to be worn for all sections.
6. Entries Open: 6th July 2026.
7. Close of Entries: 7th August 2026 for qualifiers being held before this date. 14th August for those qualified at Addington.
8. Withdrawals are to be made by 17.00 on Friday 28th August. Email [daisy.armstrong@burghley.co.uk](mailto:daisy.armstrong@burghley.co.uk) or telephone 01780 484505.
9. Starting Times will be available after 17.00 on Monday 31st August via [burghley-horse.co.uk](http://burghley-horse.co.uk).
10. Admission: each entry will receive one Friday Horsebox vehicle pass and three wristlets. In addition, 2 Friday admission tickets and 1 Friday public car park pass will be issued for ONE owner (email required at time of entry). No cars will be allowed to park in the Horsebox Park. Any vehicle coming without the appropriate pass will be charged the daily rate. Horses must not be left unattended in the horsebox park.
11. Vaccinations: Horses must have been vaccinated to comply with Burghley Horse Trials requirements:
  - Primary course received prior to January 2024 - V1 to V2 21–92 days, V3 (first booster) 150–215 days after V2 and at least annual subsequent boosters.
  - New primary courses administered from 1st January 2024 - V1 to V2 21–60 days, V3 (first booster) administered within 6 months + 21 days of V2. Any subsequent boosters must be within one year of previous booster.Horses/Ponies must have been vaccinated within 6 months + 21 days prior to the 3rd September but not less than 7 days of arriving at our Event, and we urge all owners to adhere to strict biosecurity protocols at all times. Horses may compete having received the primary course and prior to the first booster but not within 7 days of receiving a vaccine dose.
12. Stabling: There is no stabling available onsite. Please contact the Horse Trials Office for other stabling options.
13. Conflict of Interest: Within the equestrian community, there may be times when conflicts occur. For guidance, it has been determined that a perceived/potential conflict of interest could arise in the event that an appointed judge has a previous or current connection to a horse entered in the competition. Examples of such connections and interests include, but not limited to, the following: The judge has; bred or previously owned the horse or acted as an agent in its sale; previously competed, trained or kept the horse at livery; previously or currently had a financial or other interest in the horse. In the event that a judge/owner/rider (or their agent) knows of, or should know of, any potential and/or perceived conflict of interest in a horse entered in the competition they must declare this to the Organiser as soon as it is known. Steps will be taken to manage it as practically as possible. Any potential conflicts will be written and displayed next to the scoreboard. Conflicts at the Final will be avoided and managed by Burghley Horse Trials.
14. It is a condition of entry that all riders, owners, grooms, and their connections/relatives, must conduct themselves and communicate in a respectful manner towards the public, officials, and all other parties present or entered in the competition. Such behaviour includes respect for the Judges and their decisions, which are final. Offensive behaviour, and/or other violations of this condition, may lead to sanctions such as disqualification and future bans.