

Sunday 4 May  
 Sunday 18 May  
 Sunday 15 June  
 Sunday 20 July  
 Sunday 17 August

## OXENHOLME BRANCH OF THE PONY CLUB OPEN GYMKHANA 2025 SCHEDULE

AT LANE FARM, CROOKLANDS LA7 7NH  
 by kind permission of Westmorland Agricultural Society

Please note – points will be awarded to OPC members for each class. (1<sup>st</sup> -6, 2<sup>nd</sup> - 5, 3<sup>rd</sup> - 4, 4<sup>th</sup> - 3, 5<sup>th</sup> - 2, 6<sup>th</sup> - 1. Points will be added up from all gymkhanas to find class champions and trophies presented at the presentation evening.

Pre-Entries taken up to A WEEK before the event date at a discounted price of OPC Members £5 – All Others £7

Entries to be made online

Additional classes can be entered on the day once you have pre-entered at the discounted price

Sole Entries taken on the day - Fee per class for all classes - OPC Members £8 – All Others £10

Withdrawn entries – refunds are at the discretion of OPC

In the event of cancellation by the organisers full refunds will be given

Ages as of 1st January 2025

### Ring 1: Best turned out, equitation and pony club pony/horse classes 8 to 13 – 9am start

Class 1 Best Turned Out Pony and Rider

Equitation – Riders may only enter one equitation class

N.B. Snaffle bridles ONLY – i.e. NO 'Wilkie' Snaffles

2 Lead Rein - riders to be aged 8 years and under sponsored by 'BSG Solicitors'

2a Beginners - walk & trot only (can still be on lead for jumping classes)

3 First Ridden (9 years & under) sponsored by 'JH Agri Consultancy'

4 10 and 11 years

5 12 and 13 years

6 14 and 15 years

7 16 years and over

#### AFTER 12noon

8 Lead rein pony club pony (must be pc member)

9 Pony club Pony (must be pc member) sponsored by 'Graham Fawcett Plant Ltd'

9a Pony Club Horse (must be a pc member)

10 The pony/horse the judge would most like to take home

11 Best mane and tail (pony or horse)

12 Best figure of eight (pony or horse)

13 Young handler (pony or horse)

### Ring 2: Working Hunter – 9.30am start

Class 14 Training stakes 45cm sponsored by 'Fleets Farm Equestrian'

15 Training stakes 60cm

Training Stakes - No marks for confirmation - all about style and manners, other classes judged using usual scoring

16 Lead Rein – riders 10 yrs & under, max height 30cms

17 Wobbly Tots – riders 10 yrs & under, max height 30cm and may be assisted (must not enter cradle stakes class)

18 Cradle Stakes - riders 10 yrs & under, pony not exceeding 122cm (max height 45cm)

19 Nursery Stakes - riders 12yrs & under, pony not exceeding 133cm (max height 60cm)

#### AFTER 12 NOON

20 Novice Pony not exceeding 153cm, not to have won 3 x 1st in any WHP Competition (max 70cm)

21 Novice Horse exceeding 153cm, not to have won 3 x 1st in any WHP Competition (max 80cm)

22 Open Pony not exceeding 153cm – (max height 90cm)

23 Open Horse exceeding 153cm (max height 105cm)

### Ring 3: Show Jumping – 9.45am start

**Maximum height clarification – organisers reserve the right not to build to this height if conditions dictate.**

24 Lead rein – max height 30cm

25 30cm – riders 10 years and under (may be assisted)

26 40cm – riders 10 years and under (may be assisted)

27-J 50cms under 16s on ponies sponsored by 'Lake District Bunkbarn'

27-S 50cm anyone else

28-J Junior Todds 60cm - under 16s on ponies

28-S Senior Todds 60cm - anyone else

29-J 70cm under 16s on ponies

29-S 70cm anyone else

#### AFTER 12NOON

30-J Junior Todds 80cm - under 16s on ponies

30-S Senior Todds 80cm - anyone else

- 31-J 90cm under 16s on ponies sponsored by 'The Creative Branch'
- 31-S 90cm anyone else
- 32 100cm open to all
- 33 105cm open to all

**Please note:**

**No pony/horse to jump more than 4 classes in a day e.g. 2 SJ and 2 WH.**

**Ring 4: HANDY PONY** – Lead Rein, Junior 10yrs & Under, Senior over 10yrs, will run from 9.30am to 1.30pm Entries are online or at ring side @ £3 per round

**In case of bad weather please ring Jillian on 07825 085679 or Karen on 07766 362173**

### **Junior & Senior Todd's Classes, qualification rules**

*The first 4 highest placed Oxenholme members in each class (28J, 28S & 30J, 30S) will qualify for the Todd's finals day, to be held on the 17 August 2025*

*If a horse and rider combination placed 1-4 have already qualified at a previous Gymkhana then the next placed horse and rider combination will be taken.*

*Only Oxenholme members can qualify for the finals day but the classes are open to anyone to enter*

**The Pony Club's purpose is to:- "encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sport connected with ponies and riding; to give instruction in riding and horsemastership and to educate Members to look after and take proper care of their animals; to promote the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty to create strength of character and self-discipline"**

#### **Rules and Regulations**

1. **Non-competitive entries** will be accepted by combination of horse & rider wishing to enter a class lower or higher than their proper height/age, but after competing non-competitively, that combination will be non-competitive for the remainder of the day.
2. All entries to be paid for at the time of entry via online booking system – additional classes can be entered on the day
3. A horse/pony may only be entered once in each class. A rider can ride more than one horse/pony per class.
4. Key information <https://branches.pcuk.org/oxenholme/key-pony-club-information-regarding-whips-hats-vaccs/>
5. Snaffle bridles (NO Wilkie Snaffles) in equitation classes – no martingales or boots.
6. No outside assistance in any class.
7. No lunging on the show field without permission from the DC.
8. All hair should be securely tied up and in a hair net.
9. Pony club members wishing to wear spurs must have written permission from their DC.
10. **No pony to jump more than four classes in one day** (show jumping and working hunter)
11. **Heights are provided on the schedule are a guideline only.** The judge has the right to build the course as deemed appropriate.
12. ALL Competitors must compete in show gear
13. If you are doing Lead Rein Jumping / Working Hunter, the only class you can enter off lead rein is class 2a Beginners Equitation. If you enter a lead rein class, then you are to be on lead rein all day (you can have a go at the assisted classes, but you would have to be non-competitive and you can do class 2a competitively).

#### **NOTICE TO ALL PERSONS ATTENDING THIS EVENT**

**It is most important that any incident involving:**

- 1) Accident, illness or injury to any rider, spectator or any other person present at the event
- 2) Accident injury to any horse or other animal present, whether competing at the event or not
- 3) Damage to any property or vehicle

is reported to the organisers/committee immediately.

#### **HEALTH & SAFETY**

The organiser of this event has taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present.

For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of all the Officials and Stewards. The risk assessment for this event can be inspected on request. First aid is via nominated First Aiders on the Committee and Secretary.

#### **LEGAL LIABILITY**

Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of this event, nor the Pony Club, nor the agent, employee or representative of these bodies, accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any other way whatsoever.

