

The Royal Windsor

by Jenny



The Spanish Ridden class; 1st Esmerado III ridden by Miss E Bale, and 2nd Amoroso XXVIII ridden by Mr A Barham

A gallant group of members braved the thunder, lightning and torrential rain to compete in the Spanish Ridden classes at the Royal Windsor Horse Show.

Competitors and intrepid supporters had been up before dawn to make the trip to this prestigious venue. Most had little sleep the night before as this tremendous thunder storm raged around the Home Counties.

As Libby dragged me out of bed at 3.30 am I thought there must be some mistake surely we had only just gone to sleep? The horses were equally surprised when we stumbled bleary eyed onto the yard, but breakfast in the middle of the night was an extremely popular idea and we were soon forgiven.

Every cloud has a silver lining and the one advantage of such an early class was that we beat the rush hour and whistled round the M25 without a single hold-up.

The layout of the showground has radically changed from previous years. The four rings are now in close proximity to one another at the river end of Home Park. Although our new ring is smaller and situated further from the horse boxes it has a lovely big warm-up area right next door and

the horse walk goes along the riverbank rather than through the trade stands.

Sadly the original scheduling had put our two classes running back to back which may have put off a lot of people from entering both classes. Our committee negotiated a gap of one class in between but by then it was too late to attract any more competitors as entries had closed.

No matter, the two young stallions competing in the Traditional Dress class looked fantastic. They were both beautifully turned out and were a really impressive sight. The English Dress class was well supported. What impressed me most was that there were several mares competing under saddle alongside some very young stallions. All behaved impeccably

and were a real credit to our breed. The heavens opened again, right in the middle of the class and as I gratefully sheltered with spectators under the covered grandstand I had to admire our stalwart judge, Mr. Elwyn Hartley Edwards, who did not flinch as the rain poured down. He made sure that everyone had as much time as they wanted for their individual shows and yet managed to keep the class bang on time. He must have had a very difficult time judging, the horses went so well and everyone managed to look extremely smart despite the rain.

On behalf of our Association I would like to thank our judge, Mr. Elwyn Hartley Edwards and all the ring stewards for their professionalism in such unpleasant conditions. All the owners, riders, and spectators who turned out at such an early hour and all those who worked so hard on our Breed Society stand over the four days of the show. Special congratulations should go to Julie Barham who was competing just a few weeks after the birth of her baby daughter.



Carina, the only partbred entered at the show, came 6th in the English Ridden class. She is owned & bred by Jill Fewster, and was ridden by Mrs D Moore.

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Royal Windsor is one of the most prestigious events in the International equine calendar. It really is a stunning venue with fantastic trade stands and a wide variety of entertainment for all the family ranging from International show jumping and Grand Prix dressage to fireworks to Music.

Next year our committee is campaigning for more prominent and better spaced scheduling of our classes at Windsor, please help them by bringing along your horses and all your supporters.

RESULTS

Spanish Ridden Class for Purebred & Partbred Spanish Andalusians

(3 entered)

1. ESMERADO III, 5yrs,
s. Paraguayo II, d. Esmeralda XVI.
Breeder; D Francisco Olivera Bermudez.

Owner & rider; Miss E Bale.

2. AMOROSO XXVIII, 5yrs,
s. Galeno II, d. Amorosa XXIII.
Breeder; Jose Julio. Owners; Mr A & Mrs J Barham. Rider; Mr A Barham.

English Ridden Class for Purebred & Partbred Spanish Andalusians

(9 entered)

1. FETICHE VI, 8yrs,
s. Paricio, d. Amarista III.
Breeder; D Vicente Pereto Cardona.
Owner; Miss J Goodall. Rider; Mrs D Lassetter.

2. ESMERADO III

3. LENGUETO V, 7yrs,
s. Tabladillo, d. Lengueta.
Breeder; D Fermin Bourghiez. Owner & rider; Miss S J Tilley

4. DANES DONANA, 8yrs, s. Aderezo, d. Desideosa.

Breeder; The late C Crosland. Owner; Mrs C Crosland. Rider; Mrs L Street.

5. SAMSARA, 6yrs,
s. Arrogante V, d. Azucena X.
Breeder; D Vicente Pereto Cardona.
Owner; Mrs P H Medlam. Rider; Miss A Jupp.

6. CARINA, 7yrs,
s. Ghandi, d. Oakview Bonnie.
Breeder & Owner; J Fewster. Rider; Mrs D Moore.



Above and below, 1st place for the second year running in the English Ridden class was Fetiche VI ridden by Mrs D Lassetter, & owned by Miss J Goodall.

