



British Pig Association Young Handlers Competition 2012



A Grand Final for Young Handlers will be held at the Hatfield Country Show in August. The Final comprises a range of events and activities on which Junior Pig Club members will be judged as well as the handling competition. The Final takes place over the three days of the show and all qualifiers must be present for all three days.

The Final will consist of four age classes.

Novice Young Handlers 8 years and under
Junior Young Handlers 9 to 12 years of age
Intermediate Young Handlers 13 to 16 years of age.
Senior Young Handlers 17 to 21 years of age.

Winners of Young Handler Competitions at BPA sponsored shows throughout the year will be eligible to compete in the final. If a young person has already qualified for the Final they should inform the stewards. The next highest placed competitor who has not already qualified will be eligible.

All young people are now eligible for the Final. If a BPA sponsored show has a Young Handlers Competition with different age groups to those specified for the final the winner will qualify but compete in the Final according to the BPA age groups.

All Young Handlers attending the final must be members of the BPA Junior Pig Club. There are two memberships available.

12 years and under	£10 per annum
13 to 21 years	£15 per annum

All sponsored shows will be sent qualifying cards for the judge to sign and record the winner or the highest place member who intends to go to the final. For example if the first placed handler has already qualified they should inform the steward and if the second placed qualifier is not a member or does not intend to go to the final at Hatfield then the third place member will qualify.

At the Final there will be two Judges. The Young Handlers will be tested on their ability to control and display their pigs. There will be practical tests to encourage Young Pig Keepers to identify good and bad points in a pig and they will also be asked to demonstrate their knowledge of pedigree pig keeping and showing.

At the Grand Final Rosettes and Prize Cards will be awarded.

Senior and Intermediate Champions will receive £50 and a Trophy or Medal with Reserve Champions receiving £25. The Junior Champion will receive £40 and a Trophy or Medal with Reserve Champion receiving £20. All Novice competitors will receive a goody bag with the Novice Champion receiving £10 and a Trophy or Medal.

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