



THE TRADITIONAL GYPSY COB ASSOCIATION

Home of the Traditional Gypsy Cob

For shows wishing to hold TGCA qualifiers, please read this information as it holds all the relevant information needed to run our classes at your show, together with schedule wording which must be on your schedule.

All in hand and ridden classes are qualifiers for the Best of Breed finals at the TGCA National Championship Show, The Traditional of the Year Show "TOYS". Full details can be obtained from the TGCA website, www.tgca.co.uk.

PLEASE NOTE NO SHOW IS AFFILIATED UNTIL WRITTEN CONFIRMATION VIA EMAIL, TOGETHER WITH THE AFFILIATION NUMBER IS RECEIVED.

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TGCA Championship Show Classes

TGCA Qualifying Class Sections –Traditional Gypsy Cobs – TOYS Best of Breed Finals

All classes are open to traditional gypsy cobs, which are of any colour and meet the TGCA breed standard

Youngstock	Open to fillies, colts and geldings aged 1, 2 and 3 Years old
In Hand Senior	Open to mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over. This class can be done as an open height class or split as per below: Small - Not to exceed 148cm Large - 148cm and above
Ridden	Open to mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over. . This class can be done as an open height class or split as per below: Small - Not to exceed 148cm Large - 148cm and above

You may combine youngstock and in hand senior into one class. We ask that you hold a minimum of one ridden and one in hand class

Quest for a Star Championship - Traditional Gypsy Cobs

1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA classes above may go forward to the Quest for a Star Championship as per below rule.

ONLY current TGCA members and horse/pony that is already TGCA registered can exhibit in this championship. Membership card and Members qualification card (specific to that exhibit) **must** be presented upon **entry into the ring.** **Youngstock, Seniors and Ridden will be split for Quest for a Star Championship purposes with a separate Quest Championship for each section.**

EXCITING NEWS FOR 2026 – A DEDICATED QUEST CHAMPIONSHIP FOR YOUR MINI COBS

1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA classes above may go forward to the Quest for a Star Championship for Mini Cobs (13 hands and under) as per below rule.

ONLY current TGCA members and horse/pony that is already TGCA registered can exhibit in this championship and may not enter any other Quest Championship at the same show. Membership card and Members qualification card (specific to that exhibit) **must** be presented upon **entry into the ring.** The Champion/Reserve qualify for the Quest Ultimate Star Mini Championships.

The Greatest Gelding Award - Traditional Gypsy Cobs

The award is aimed to encourage the showing of geldings, therefore creating a market for often unwanted colt foals and enabling the creation of a network of potential performance prospects to represent the best Traditional Gypsy Cob breed in the World at the highest level.

This Award should be given to the highest placed registered Traditional Gelding.

The judge will award this within the classes/championship

PB Championship Show Classes

TGCA Qualifying Class Sections – Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cobs – TOYS Part Bred Finals

All classes are open to all part bred traditional gypsy cobs, which are of any colour and one parent must be a traditional gypsy cob.

Youngstock	Open to fillies, colts and geldings aged 1, 2 and 3 Years old
In Hand Senior	Open to mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over. This class can be done as an open height/type class or split as per below: Small - Not to exceed 148cm/Large - 148cm and above Or Native/Non-Native (Plaited/Hogged)
Ridden	Open to mares, stallions and geldings aged 4 years and over. This class can be done as an open height/type class or split as per below: Small - Not to exceed 148cm/Large - 148cm and above Or Native/Non-Native (Plaited/Hogged)

You may combine youngstock and in hand senior into one class. We ask that you hold a minimum of one ridden and one in hand class

Go for Glory (GOG) Championship – Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cobs

1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA part bred classes may go forward to the Go for Glory Championship. **From 31st August 2025 for 2026 TOYS qualifiers, the handler/rider and exhibits must be TGCA members/registered on the date of the show. Youngstock, Senior In-Hand and Senior Ridden will be split for Go for Glory Championship purposes with a separate Championship for each section.** The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Crowning Glory Championships at TOYS.

The Greatest Gelding Award - Part Bred Gypsy Cobs

The award is aimed to encourage the showing of geldings, therefore creating a market for often unwanted colt foals and enabling the creation of a network of potential performance prospects to represent the best Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cob breed in the World at the highest level.

This Award should be given to the highest placed registered Part Bred Traditional Gelding.

The judge will award this within the classes/championship

Schedule Wording

TGCA TOYS In Hand and Ridden Classes

Affiliation Number TGCA/00/00/00

No known breeding required to enter these classes

TGCA Breed classes are qualifiers for the Best of Breed Finals at the Traditional Gypsy Cob Association's (TGCA) National Breed Championship Show "TOYS". Classes are open to all traditional gypsy cobs.

Part Bred classes, are open to all part bred traditional gypsy cobs and are qualifiers for the part bred finals at "TOYS". The exhibit must have one parent that is pure bred traditional gypsy cob.

Stallions – All stallions (pure or part bred, four years and over) in order to enter any TGCA affiliated class **MUST** be TGCA registered, have passed TGCA stallion evaluations and their TGCA stallion disc displayed on their bridle. Stallions and colts over the age of two, **MUST** be shown in a stallion bridle with a metal bit and chain lead as per the current TGCA rulebook.

Current TGCA members must present their Membership card and Qualification card to the judge in the ring for signature.

Non-members **MUST** receive a qualification card from the judge and have **21 days to join the TGCA and register their horse to validate the qualification.** Please refer to www.tgca.co.uk for further details including membership, horse registration and showing rules (contained within the members handbook).

Championships

Quest for a Star Championship - TGC - 1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA classes above may go forward to the Quest for a Star Championship (separate Quest Championship for Mini Cobs) as per below rule.

ONLY current TGCA members and horse/pony that is already TGCA registered can exhibit in this championship. Membership card and Members qualification card (specific to that exhibit) **must** be presented upon **entry into the ring**. The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Ultimate Star Championships at TOYS.

Go for Glory Championship - PB -1st, 2nd and 3rd from the TGCA part bred classes may go forward to the Go for Glory Championships. **From 31st August 2025 the handler/rider and exhibits need to be TGCA members/registered on the date of the show.** The Champion and Reserve qualify for the Crowning Glory Championships at TOYS.

Rules for TGCA Class Affiliation

1. Judges for TGCA classes **MUST** be chosen from the TGCA Judges Panel List. The TGCA may assist in providing a judge for your classes if required.
2. All shows **MUST** sign and declare that they have adequate **show insurance** to cover the TGCA judge in the event of any accident or claim being made.
3. **All shows will receive a unique show affiliation number.** This must be put in the schedule wording.
4. Show results **MUST** be returned within 10 days of the show date to the TGCA show secretary, ideally via the online results form or by email tgcashows@gmail.com
5. Shows running Quest for a Star/Go for Glory Championship **MUST use a Level 1 TGCA panel judge.**
6. Quest and Go for Glory Shows must run the following classes: Breed classes - youngstock, senior in hand and ridden (minimum three). Part bred in hand and ridden (minimum two)
7. **For Quest and Go for Glory Shows, the Championship is only open to TGCA members who present their membership cards and showing cards for the registered cob. The TGCA provides rosettes for the Quest and Go for Glory Championships.**

8. **Stallions** – All stallions (pure or part bred, four years and over) in order to enter any TGCA affiliated class **MUST** be TGCA registered, have passed TGCA stallion evaluations and their TGCA stallion disc displayed on their bridle. Stallions and colts over the age of two, **MUST** be shown in a stallion bridle with a metal bit and chain lead as per the current TGCA rulebook.
9. All ridden exhibits must be 4 years and over.
10. No foals are permitted to enter any in hand classes, apart from foal shows. If a mare is shown, the foal may accompany her but will not be judged.
11. Qualification goes to top three in each class. If the class is open height, then top three in each height section qualify.
12. To affiliate to the TGCA, please complete online affiliation form or email form to shows@tgca.co.uk.
13. You will receive an email confirming receipt of your affiliation payment, event form and your show number will be issued. Your show will be put on the TGCA show diary. **Until this received, your show is not confirmed as affiliated to the TGCA.**
14. Quest for a Star and Go For Glory Championship will be posted with 14 days of receipt of above email.

Affiliation Charges

Affiliation Type	Show Type	Benefits	Cost
Standard TGC (Traditional Gypsy Cob)	TGC Final Qualifier	Printable Qualification cards downloadable from website (Can be posted if required)	£7.50
		Show/Event advertised on TGCA Show Calendar which can be linked to show website or/and Facebook Event	
		Show/Event promoted on both TGCA Facebook page	
Standard TGC + Quest (Traditional Gypsy Cob)	Quest for a Star Championship (inc Mini Cobs Quest)	As per above +	£15.00
		Champion and Reserve Quest for a Star rosettes provided	
Standard PB (Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cob)	PB Final Qualifier	Printable Qualification cards downloadable from website (Can be posted if required)	£7.50
		Show/Event advertised on TGCA Show Calendar which can be linked to show website or/and Facebook Event	
		Show/Event promoted on both TGCA Facebook page	
Standard PB + GOG (Part Bred Traditional Gypsy Cob)	Go for Glory (GOG) Championship	As per above +	£15.00
		Champion and Reserve Go for Glory rosettes provided	
	TGC Final Qualifier	Printable Qualification cards downloadable from website (Can be posted if required)	

Standard Combi		Show/Event advertised on TGCA Show Calendar which can be linked to show website or/and Facebook Event	£10.00
	PB Final Qualifier	Show/Event promoted on both TGCA Facebook page	

Ultimate	TGC Final Qualifier	Printable Qualification cards downloadable from website (Can be posted if required)	£25.00
	PB Final Qualifier	Show/Event advertised on TGCA Show Calendar which can be linked to show website or/and Facebook Event	
		Show/Event promoted on both TGCA Facebook page	
	Quest for a Star Championship	Champion and Reserve Quest for a Star rosettes provided	
	Go for Glory (GOG) Championship	Champion and Reserve Go for Glory rosettes provided	