

Ballinasloe Show

Saturday 27th September 2025

Schedule of Classes

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Message from Dara Calleary

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Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht



Welcome to the 2025 Ballinasloe Agricultural Show

As Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht, I am delighted to be in a position to support the Ballinasloe Agricultural Show for 2025. My Department will again this year provided €1 million to over 120 other agricultural shows combined across the country, including your own event here in Ballinasloe.

Ní hamháin gur ceiliúradh ar shaol na tuaithe agus ar thraidisiúin na tuaithe iad seónna, is ceiliúradh freisin iad ar an nuálaíocht agus ar scoth na tuaithe. Déanann na seónna ceiliúradh freisin ar atá i gceist agus ar an tábhacht atá le Meitheal a bhfuil rath na bpobal seo ina croílár.

Like the show here in Ballinasloe, each local show around the country continues to be a key social event in the agricultural calendar. They have so much to offer, not just in terms of the competitions that are taking place here today, but also for the platform they provide to local businesses, local farmers and for local craft and artisan food producers. The local show is also one of the best days of the year for meeting neighbors and friends.

Your local shows provide a great link between our towns and villages and the rural hinterlands that support them. A place where exhibitors, producers, farmers and the wider public meet face to face to share all that is good about life in the countryside.

Each of the shows taking place this year have something special that

makes them stand out from the rest. It may be the pedigree livestock competitions or perhaps the exhibitions and food offerings. Whatever it is, your local agricultural show has something for everyone.

I would like to acknowledge the work that goes on for many months behind the scenes to bring this show to fruition. The efforts of committee members and local volunteers is a testament to how much this show means to the locality. Of course there is a sense of local rivalry for those much coveted titles and awards but it is always in the very best of spirits. The way in which neighbouring farms and parishes come together to support each other is a key component of country life. This sense of Meitheal is always on display as part of the local show.

Today is a chance to take a break from the busy farming schedule this time of year. I hope those of you attending the show this year thoroughly enjoy the day and that it gives everyone a chance to celebrate all that is good about rural Ireland. I will be visiting a number of the shows around the country and meeting as many of you as I can.

Dara Calleary TD

Minister for Rural and Community Development and the Gaeltacht

A handwritten signature in dark ink, reading "Dara Calleary". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style. The first name "Dara" is written in a larger, more prominent script, and "Calleary" follows in a similar but slightly smaller script. There is a small dot at the end of the signature.

SATURDAY 27TH SEPTEMBER 2025

Gate opens at 9 am

All animals to be shown under bridle, all foals being haltered and led.

CONNEMARA REG GELDING CLASSES

Entry Fee: €15

Sponsor: **Keith Clogher Equine**

Class starts at 10am

Class 01: In Hand Yearling Class

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 02: In Hand 2 year old Class

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 03: In Hand 3 year old Class

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 04: All Ireland Keith Clogher Equine Registered Connemara Pony Gelding of the Future (€500 + Sash)

The Breeder of the All-Ireland Keith Clogher Equine Registered Connemara Pony Gelding
of the future will receive €100

Qualifiers held on the day from Classes (A1 - A3) (Top 4 in each class) Judging for this begins straight
after classes in this section

SALMON'S DEPARTMENT STORE CHILDREN'S COMPETITION

Entry Fee: €15

Class 05: Children's Competition in hand fancy dress

Either handler or animal or both

All entries in this class will receive a special rosette sponsored by **Salmons Department Store, Ballinasloe**

1st Prize - €50 voucher, 2nd Prize - €30 voucher, 3rd Prize - €20 voucher, 4th Prize - €15 voucher & 5th Prize - €10 voucher

COB CLASSES

Entry Fee: €15

Sponsor: **Tony Irish Cobs Downey**

Classes start at 10 am

Class 06: Mare & Foal Cob

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 07: In Hand Cob up 2.5 year old not exceeding 15.3

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 08: In Hand Cob up 3 year old upwards not exceeding 15.3

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 09: Maxi Cob exceeding 15.3 and over

Prizes: 1st Prize €50, 2nd Prize €30, 3rd Prize €20

Class 10: All Ireland Tony Irish Cobs Downey Cob of the Future (€500+ Sash)

Qualifiers held on the day of Classes (A7 - A9) (Top 4 in each class)

(Top 4 from Class A6 not eligible for this class)

Judging for this begins straight after classes in this section finish

HORSE AND PONY LOOSE JUMPING COMPETITION

Entry Fee: €50

NOTE:

- To be judged on confirmation and jumping ability
- there will be two judges adjudicating each section individually, and both scores will be totaled at the end to determine the placings
- passports must be available for inspection

Class 11: All Ireland EquiTrans Horse Transport Loose Jumping Horse Champion Starting at 11am

This competition is open to three and four year old horses.

Horses to be presented in bridles.

Jumping will in reverse order last entry received will be first to go

Prizes:	1st Prize €500	5th Prize €60
	2nd Prize €200	6th Prize €55
	3rd Prize €80	7th Prize €50
	4th Prize €70	8th -10th Rosette

Class 12: All Ireland EquiTrans Horse Transport Loose Jumping Pony Champion

Starting at 1.30 pm (Approx)

This competition is open to three and four year old 12.2, 13.2 or 14.2 ponies

Ponies to be presented in bridles.

Jumping will in reverse order last entry received will be first to go

Prizes:	1st Prize €500	5th Prize €60
	2nd Prize €200	6th Prize €55
	3rd Prize €80	7th Prize €50
	4th Prize €70	8th -10th Rosette

DOG SECTION

Entry Fee: €5

Wags"n" Tails Pet Shop Dog Show

Entries will only be taken for this section on the day

JUDGING COMMENCES AT 2PM

1st - €20 voucher, 2nd - €15 voucher & 3rd - €10 voucher

Class 13: Best Puppy

Male or Female under 12 months

Class 14: Best Gundog

Best Gundog

Class 15: Best Toy Dog

Class 16: Best Collie Dog

Class 17: Best Terrier

Class 18: Best Working Dog

Class 19: Best Utility Dog

Class 20: Best Non-Pedigree Dog

Any mixed breed

Class 21: Best Dog the Judge would like to take home

Class 22: Best Golden Oldie Dog

Class 23: Best Rescue Dog

Class 24: Dog handled by a Lady

Class 25: Dog handled by a Gentleman

Class 26: Dog handled by a Child Under 12

Class 27: Best Dog in Fancy Dress

Class 28: Champion Dog of the Show

Champion Dog of the Show

Reserve Champion of the Show

1st prize winners from class A13 - A27

Class 29: The All Ireland Native Breed Dog Championship

**IRISH SHOWS ASSOCIATION AND BALLINASLOE SHOW PRESENT
THE ALL IRELAND IRISH NATIVE BREED DOG CHAMPIONSHIP**

PRIZE FUND : €400

RULES AND CONDITIONS

1. This competition is confined to Irish Native Breed any variety—dog/bitch

Which are as follows

- A) Irish Glen of Imaal Terrier
- B) Irish Red Setter
- C) Irish Red & White Setter
- D) Irish Soft Coated Wheaten Terrier
- E) Irish Terrier
- F) Irish Water Spaniel
- G) Irish Wolfhound
- H) Kerry Beagle
- I) Kerry Blue

2. **Two dogs** to qualify from each qualifying show.
3. Entries in this championship cannot compete in any other dog classes at Ballinasloe Show.

These rules should be read in conjunction with the ISA Rules.

Entry Fee To Qualifying show: €3.00. To Final: €6.00.

1st €150 Perpetual Trophy for winner, 2nd €100, 3rd €75, 4th €50, 5th €25 Entry Fee: €6