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**East Anglia scoop the premier awards
At
The Burghley Event Pony Finals
At
Land Rover Burghley International Horse Trials**

Strong competition with riders and their ponies qualifying from Ireland, Isle of Man and through out the UK to have the opportunity to compete on the same stage as International competitors at the Land Rover Burghley International Horse Trials on September 6th.

The famous Burghley House was the ideal setting for the Burghley Event Pony Finals; competitors began with a dressage test followed immediately with phase 2 - a mixture of show jumping and cross country fences, taking riders out of the ring on to the cross country course and back into the jumping area. This proved to be a real test for the event riders of the future before phase 3 conformation.

Jennifer Martell riding Sananvalley Bounce taking the £100 championship from Alida Tysterman and Stambrook Messiah both residing in the Wisbech area

Sponsors Mr and Mrs Tim Smyth commented that it was a great privilege to be involved with the Event Riders of the future. Riding at such a premier event is a wonderful experience for them and I hope they are encouraged to continue training and develop their skills. I am particularly impressed with the high standard and the level of support for these classes the brain child of Ponies Association (UK) chairman Davina Whiteman

Rising stars representing their pony club shone through in the two phase Mini Burghley Event Pony Competition.

63 representatives from 34 invited pony clubs were given the opportunity to show off their eventing talents in the third year of this competition. Aimee White the last competitor to jump riding Tetcott Paper Boy from The Vale of Aylesbury Hunt Pony Club piped Jasean Spragget from the Cottesmore Pony Club who had lead throughout on Gigolo.

Ponies (UK) hosted the final SEIB HOYS Racehorse to Riding Horse class. Jayne Webber taking a last minute ride on Ironman Muldoon, full brother to Royal Athlete a Grand National winner when trained by an emotional Jenny Pitman sister to owner Mrs A.Bowlby who was on the ringside supporting.

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Editors note:

Formed in 1988 as an arm of the original Ponies of Britain founded by Glenda Spooner. This Charity based organisation is actively involved in the training for all equestrian activities.