

# British Indoor Finals at Keysoe

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The standard was the highest for many years, with a record entry of 156 competitors from all over the country including Jersey, bidding for the championship titles.

Local competitors gain qualification during the winter and a strong presence represented the Midlands area including:

- Lincolnshire - Laughton Manor
- Midlands - Moreton Morrell
- Nottinghamshire and South Yorkshire- Tickhill
- North Yorkshire - Askham Bryan

North Yorkshire region saw two champions from their region, Open Pony and Supreme Champion went to Tara Wilkinson, 18, who drove Joe, 125cms, ahead of the 22-strong Open Pony class in all phases, with her mother Leslee backstepping.



Tara Wilkinson



Angela Smith



Elizabeth Greensmith



Graham Clements

The tightest contest was between Yorkshire's Steve Hoyle, Open Horse, and reigning champion Ellen Littlechild, Steve pulling ahead by 0.54 penalties with 'supercob' Spencer, last year's intermediate champions ahead of Ellen Littlechild, from Jersey.

The novice class showed great talent and Kevin Smith won the Novice Horse championships. Kevin competes regularly at Tickhill and Laughton Manor.

The tight and testing cones course favoured smaller turnouts, just 25% of the 156 drivers scoring single-figures and the international-style obstacles could be driven tight and technical but offered flowing alternative routes.

The Scottish charity, Sports Driving Unlimited's drivers were well represented and funds were raised in memory of their principal trainer and popular competitor, Amanda Saville Nisbet.



Mike Charlesworth



Sarah Daley



Steve Hoyle



Sue Mart

Competitors from our region did us proud and look forward to campaigning for next year  
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