

Pony Club WA State Showjumping Squad

The Pony Club WA State Showjumping Squad is to provide an opportunity for showjumping combinations to be supported by mentoring and to assist with increasing skills, knowledge and experiences with the aim to increase participation in the showjumping discipline and to encourage participation at the Pony Club Nationals 2021.

INFORMATION

2019 Showjumping qualification height requirements for Nationals

AGE GROUP	HEIGHT	JUMP OFF HEIGHT
Sub-Junior	80cm	90cm
Junior	105cm	To 115cm
Senior	110cm	To 120cm

2020 Showjumping qualification minimum height requirements for Squad selection

AGE GROUP	AGE	HEIGHT
Sub Junior/Junior	16yrs and under	90cm
Senior	17yrs and over	105cm

AIM

1. Increase awareness and participation in the Showjumping discipline at PCA Nationals 2021
2. Support a squad of riders who have the capacity to compete at the highest pony club levels
3. Provide a Showjumping Squad Chief Coach to oversee, instruct and mentor squad riders and their equine partner(s)
4. Hold 3 – 6 clinics in 2020 with invitational high caliber coaches and with continued instruction and guidance
5. Encourage squad riders to participate in Officials Training eg. Showjumping Judging and/or Course Designing to increase knowledge and practical experience in the showjumping arena
6. Equip squad riders with skills and knowledge and practical experience, such as:
 - a. Competing at required heights
 - b. Goal setting
 - c. Understand the prevention of injury and Injury management (of both horse and rider)
 - d. Long distance travel and horses
 - e. Completing a performance diary and many others yet to be decided....

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **A maximum of 20 riders will be selected for the squad:** provisional split is 10 senior riders and 10 junior riders but final split will depend on nominations received.
- The Showjumping Squad sub committee and Squad Chief Coach will rank applications according to strength of applications against the selection criteria with recommendations being endorsed by the State Showjumping Committee
- The Pony Club WA Office will advise all applicants in writing on the outcome of their application.
- Any appeals against squad selection must be conducted in accordance with the Pony Club WA Handbook, Book 4.
- Payment of a non refundable one off fee of \$150 is required by successful applicants to secure their position on the squad.
- Non payment of the squad fee by the invoiced due date may result in that applicants position being offered to a reserve rider.

- All squad members will receive Squad shirt, saddle blanket and a competition competency diary.
- Clinics will have fees to cover ground fees, coach's fees, lunch and any other expenses. Cost of clinic will be advertised when clinic details opened. These are estimated to be approximately \$70-\$100 per clinic for squad members.
- Reserve squad: if there is an over subscription of accepted applications, nominations can be placed on a waiting list to make a reserve squad. If there are places available at any clinic, reserve squad members can be invited to participate.
- Any squad clinics that are undersubscribed by squad members, reserve squad members will be invited to participate, on a first come basis. If the clinic is still not full, the clinic can be opened up to pony club members. Non Squad riders, including reserve squad members must be jumping at appropriate level and signed off as competent by their Club Chief Coach (non-squad member charges may apply).

SELECTION CRITERIA

Candidates:

- Must complete the required application form.
- Must be a current member of Pony Club WA and qualified on their horse, as per 2018 Pony Club WA rally qualification and hold or be actively working towards the appropriate Efficiency Certificate, so they are qualified by the Nationals application date.
- Provide with their application a letter of recommendation from their Club Chief Coach, that addresses the applicant's competency, enthusiasm to receive guidance, aspiration and potential talent for future selection at Pony Club Nationals in Showjumping.
- Riders are expected to keep informed on Squad related information by checking their emails, and the dedicated Squad Facebook page.
- Must have included a signed compliance form with their application form.
- Provide necessary evidence of eligibility including a A4 page on your horse(s) and your own career, together details of your competition performances over the past two years.
- Junior squad members must be 16 years and under as of the 1st January. Minimum of 3 competition performances with 4 penalties or less in SJ rounds at 90cm level in the past 12 months (not eventing showjumping rounds).
- Senior squad members must be between 17 and 24 years as of the 1st January. Minimum of 3 competition performances with 4 penalties or less in SJ rounds at 105cm in past 12 months (not eventing showjumping rounds).

SQUAD REQUIREMENTS

Squad members must commit and attend a minimum of three squad dates per annum. All squad members must reapply each year.

Squad members must continue to provide their results from competitions. Exemptions may be granted by the Squad Sub Committee, in the case of illness or injury to the horse or rider, it is the rider's responsibility to inform the SJ Chief Coach. When there is a major injury, illness or the qualified mount is not longer available, squad members are invited to attend unmounted, their riding position may be offered to a reserve rider, depending on the circumstances.

Squad members must continue to demonstrate to the Chief Squad Coach that they have met the necessary standards during the training period to justify their selection as a Squad Member. This includes discipline, behavior, presentation ambassadorial skills, team spirit and general conduct.

Application Form

Pony Club WA State Showjumping Squad

NAME					
EMAIL					
PHONE					
D.O.B		AGE AS OF 1/1/2020			
MEMBER OF PONY CLUB WA SINCE					
CURRENT CLUB					
DATE OF JOINING CLUB		NO. OF CLUB WORKING RALLIES ATTENDED IN THE PREVIOUS 12 MONTHS			
PREVIOUS CLUB/S					

CERTIFICATE HELD	E	D	D*	C	C*/K	B
DATE PASSED						

NAME OF HORSE					
HEIGHT		AGE			

We, the undersigned, do hereby declare that the above-named horse and rider combination are competent.

We acknowledge that the rider has a basic knowledge of the Pony Club Aims and Objectives, is an enthusiastic and cooperative club member and would be a good ambassador for their state and/or country.

Horse and Rider have qualified at our pony club, as per 2018 Pony Club WA Working Rally Definition.

ENDORSEMENT OF CLUB

SIGNED <i>Club Chief Coach</i>	
SIGNED <i>Club Secretary</i>	

Please forward to showjumping@ponyclubwa.asn.au by 30 November 2019

1. Completed pages 3, 4 & 5
2. Letter of Recommendation from your Club Chief Coach
3. An A4 page on your horse(s) and your own career, together details of your competition performances over the past two years.

If you have more than one horse that is eligible, please fill out the following form for each horse/pony.

NAME		HORSE NAME	
HAVE YOU AND YOUR EQUINE PARTNER ATTENDED THE PONY CLUB WA CHAMPIONSHIPS OR THE PERTH ROYAL SHOW AND TWO SHOWJUMPING DISCIPLINE EVENTS (CAN BE EA SHOWJUMPING OR A PONY CLUB SHOWJUMPING DAY) IN THE LAST 12 MONTHS AT THE FOLLOWING LEVEL?			YES
			NO

UNDER 17 YRS (JUNIORS)

List competition performances with 4 penalties or less in SJ rounds at 90cm level or higher in the past 12 months (excluding eventing showjumping rounds)

	EVENT NAME	EVENT DATE	CLASS TYPE	HEIGHT (CM)	JUMPING PENALTIES	TIME PENALTIES	JUDGE NAME
1							
2							
3							

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PROPOSED CLINIC DATES Proposed Clinic dates at Baldvis Pony Club: 2020 19 January & 25th April Optional: Course Design & Judging Workshop 13 & 14th March Peel H&PC	Proposed Clinic dates at country clubs: <i>Country venues will be determined to accommodate the majority of the country squad members</i> 2020 – August November
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MERCHANDISE

		MERCHANDISE SIZE (Please Circle)				
SHIRT	CHILD LADIES MENS	XS	S	M	L	XL

	SADDLE BLANKET	PONY	FULL
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Statement of Compliance

SQUAD RIDERS, COACHES, MANAGER, PARENTS WITH PONY CLUB WESTERN AUSTRALIA INC.

This document is to be read and signed by every rider, coach, manager and parent who have nominated to participate in the Pony Club WA Showjumping Squad.

I, (print name), as a representative, of Pony Club WA acknowledge that I have read and understand the Pony Club WA Code of Conduct and undertake to comply with the requirements contained in this document and as defined in all other Pony Club WA policies.

SIGNATURE OF RIDER	
DATE	

NAME OF PARENT GUARDIAN	
SIGNATURE OF PARENT/ GUARDIAN (if rider is under 18)	
DATE	

Please Note:

As from 22nd March 2009, any member representing the PCA having been found **NOT** to have upheld the 'Aims and Objectives' of Pony Club or to have been in breach of the PCA 'Code of Conduct', will **NOT** be considered for selection in future International/National Events.