

# Flamstead Pony Club

## PROCESS FOR TEAM SELECTION

Team Selectors – Head Coach, DC & Discipline Team Manager

Head Coach – Georgie Dalton

District Commissioner – Katy Reid

Show Jumping Managers – Juliet Laing & Rosie Hamilton

Eventing Manager – Sarah Hudgell

Dressage Manager – Juliet Hooper

Tetrathlon Manager – Kate Rainbow

Mounted Games and Quiz – Juliet Hooper

1. Members will be informed of upcoming Pony Club competitions via our website, email, newsletter or WhatsApp groups.
2. To be considered for teams, members and horse/pony combination ideally will have completed three ridden rallies in the previous 6 months in their chosen discipline.
3. In advance of a competition, members will be asked confirm availability and their intention to enter.
4. The discipline head, Head Coach and DC will make their selections based on members being able to demonstrate that they are confident, capable and safe to ride/compete at the level at which they wish to compete at. Members will be required to show a proven track record at the relevant level by actively competing at competitions.
5. In the case of over subscription for places in team competitions, along with proven track record, team selectors will also review that members have attended 3 rallies within the previous 6 months and to show a commitment to Branch by attending Camp or volunteering at Branch events. Selectors will also take into account previous situations in which members have indicated their availability for competitions and then changed their availability after team selection is made (with the exception of horse or rider injury).
6. Members putting themselves forward for selection should keep a record of competitions that they have competed at and update their discipline manager on results. You will be asked to provide results for up to 5 previous relevant competitions in the run up to a large team event.

7. In addition to formal eligibility criteria, the selectors will take into account the standard of riders at which a particular competition is aimed at and will also take into account the level required at any Championships should a team/individual qualify.
8. In determining teams, selectors will aim to form a strong "A team" to put forward followed by further teams if the competition allows. The "A team" would be formed of 4 riders where possible. For example, if 6 candidates were interested in being part of a 4 person team, 4 would form the team and 2 would compete individually.
9. If not selected to ride for a team, a member may be invited to ride as an individual if the competition rules allow this and if there is evidence that the member and pony are able to compete at the level of the competition.
10. The Pony Club's Conflict of Interest Policy will be adhered to when making team selections.
11. Team selection will be notified to parents/guardians and members.
12. Final Team Selection will be made by the relevant team manager, Head Coach and DC. Members should be aware that in cases where rules allow, qualifying team members for competitions may be subject to change at the discretion of the team manager / Head Coach and District Commissioner. Parents / Guardians and children will be expected to respect any final decision made by the selectors. All parents, guardians and members are expected to comply with the Pony Club Code of Conduct.