

## More Information per Discipline

Show Jumping	
<p>More about the Qualifying Competitions</p>	<p><b>How do I Qualify for Area 12 Championships at BCA on 26th October?</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● To qualify the pony/horse &amp; rider combination must have achieved a <b>double clear</b> round (no faults) at a Pony Club show at either 40, 50, 60, 70cms (depending on class entered.)</li> <li>● To qualify for the 80cms you must have qualified at Interbranch PC80.</li> <li>● Please note that at Championships, it is a 2-round competition with the fences in the 2<sup>nd</sup> round being <u>5cms</u> higher and take this into consideration when training.</li> <li>● Qualification events are those run by any PC Branch and do not have to be in Area 12.</li> <li>● The Qualification Period is 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to end September 2025 for each class.</li> <li>● The combination must have received a Qualification Card from their DC/Team Managers and have registered on the Area 12 Championship website.</li> <li>● Our DC/Team Managers will ensure all qualified members are registered and so have a chance of entering as a Team Member or/and an Individual.</li> </ul> <p><b>How do I qualify for Regional Championships at Aston Le Walls on 30<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> Aug</b></p> <p><b>Regionals</b> are PC70 and PC80. The Qualifying Interbranch Regional Show Jumping Competition is held at <u>Middlegrove Farm on 14<sup>th</sup> June 2025</u> and is a friendly show on grass which runs 40cms-80cms with the PC70 and the PC80 being team and individual qualifiers for the Regional Championships 24/25<sup>th</sup> Aug</p> <p><b>How do I qualify for JCB Championships Showjumping in August at OffChurch Bury?</b></p> <p>The qualifying show for teams and individuals is Area Show Jumping on June 22<sup>nd</sup> at Addington for those jumping 90cms, 1m and 1.10m.</p>
<p>How are Teams chosen?</p>	<p>Selection for the Qualifying Competitions will be made by the Team Manager Caroline Warwick &amp; Instructors</p> <p>Please do reach out and let us know if you are interested as we'd love to chat to you!</p> <p>Members will be contacted in advance to make sure they can prepare appropriately. We normally run a list and confirm the teams in advance of the competition.</p>
<p>What training should I be doing?</p>	<p>We provide frequent training rallies with a variety of instructors at different levels at loads of venues. Please look at our rallies and bookings page.</p> <p>Entering local Pony Club competitions also really helps you prepare for the upcoming qualifiers as it allows you to gain the experience of arena craft, perfect a warmup routine and identify important areas that need to be worked on within your partnership with your pony.</p> <p>We regularly let members know of any upcoming shows with links to the schedules on our website &amp; facebook page.</p> <p>Please note that many of the Championships run at a slightly higher height than the qualifying competitions, so please take this into account in your practice!</p>

## Show Jumping

### Eligibility

#### Area 12 Championships Eligibility – 40cm, 50cm, 60cm and 70cm

- The pony or horse/rider combination must **not** have competed at any Pony Club *Regional* or *Area* Show Jumping competitions.
- In addition, the pony and horse/rider combination must **not** have been placed at *any* Show Jumping competition at a height more than **10cms** above their Championship class height.
- As the season progresses, it is likely that some competitors will qualify at two or even three heights. These competitors will be required to enter the Championships at their **highest** qualifying height.
- Age restrictions do apply for the 50cm and 70cms classes:

50cms - 12 yrs and under at 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2025

70cms – 13 yrs and under at 1<sup>st</sup> Jan 2025

#### **REGIONAL** PC70 and PC80

PC80 Riders are NOT eligible if they have Previously represented their Branch or Centre at PC90 level or above.

PC70 Riders must be aged 13 and under on 1st January of the current year. Riders are NOT eligible if they have previously completed at any PC80 or above Area or Regional competition for Show Jumping.

#### **AREAS & CHAMPIONSHIPS** SJ PC90, PC100 and PC110

Members must fulfil all the eligibility rules on the day of the Competition depending on the height entered Please note these rules may be subject to change so please check schedules

Full eligibility rules can be found in the Showjumping rulebook [Rulebooks | The Pony Club \(pcuk.org\)](#)

Each Rider/Parent is responsible for ensuring they understand and comply with the Rule Book and are eligible for selection.

### What is the dress code?

Black, navy or tweed competition jacket, white shirt, PC tie and badge, white or beige jodphurs/ breeches. Long hair preferably in a hairnet or tied back neatly in a bun.

Horses/ponies to be plaited

Tack - please see rule book [Rulebooks | The Pony Club \(pcuk.org\)](#)

### If I qualify – what next?

- Qualifications 40cms to 80cms go to the **Area 12 Championships** at the BCA on 26th October 2025.
- Qualifications obtained at Interbranch for PC70 and PC80 will go to the **Regional Championships** held at Addington on 30<sup>th</sup> -31<sup>st</sup> August Area Qualifications for 90cms, 1m and 1.10m go to the **National JCB Championships** held in August (exact date tbc) at Offchurch Bury, Warwick.

Please note: You must let us know if you are unable to commit to going to the Championships BEFORE we do entries as we will enter you either as an individual or in a non-qualifying team.

### Who to contact for more information

Caroline Warwick [ivelvalley@pcuk.org](mailto:ivelvalley@pcuk.org)

Eventing	
More about the Qualifying Competitions	<p><b>Area 12 Championships.</b> Throughout the year there are many PC One Day Events and Hunter Trials. Completing one of these with a clear cross country qualifies you for the Area 12 Championships date &amp; venue tbc, which will have classes from PC40-PC80</p> <p><b>Eventing 70 &amp; 80</b> 6<sup>th</sup> July at Elmwood it is a qualifier for The Regional Championships 30<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> August at Aston Le Walls</p> <p><b>Area Eventing Qualifier</b> 6<sup>th</sup> July with <b>90, 100 110. In addition the Chairman's Cup</b> will also run at 100+ with a trot up and Show Jumping held on the last day. All these qualify for the JCB Championships held at Offchurch Bury in August.</p> <p><b>PC110</b> qualify via the MERS route. Champs to be held at Wellington</p> <p>Eventing Dressage Tests <a href="#">PC-Dressage-Area-Championship-Tests-2025.pdf</a></p>
How are Teams chosen?	Team Manager Claire Maudlin, the DC's and instructors will choose the teams. Experience and consistent results at the height you are competing are the most important factors.
What Training should I be doing?	You will need a very fit horse so make sure you do plenty of fast work, whether that be at the gallops or on good ground out hacking and plenty of hill work, along with your usual dressage, SJ and XC schooling.
Eligibility	The eligibility criteria is different for all the classes but you cannot compete in a class if you have evented more than 10cm bigger. If you are unsure if you are eligible, please speak to Claire and see the Eventing rulebook <a href="#">Rulebooks   The Pony Club (pcuk.org)</a>
What is the dress code?	<p>Skull caps at all levels of XC</p> <p>Tweed or black/navy jacket, stock shirt &amp; pony club stock/tie</p> <p>Solid single colour, dark or muted colour white, beige, cream dark contrast seat jods / breeches, cream preferred for dressage at Area, regionals &amp; Championships</p> <p>XC – Ivel Valley XC base layer &amp; silk</p> <p>Tack - please see rule book <a href="#">Rulebooks   The Pony Club (pcuk.org)</a></p> <p>Dressage &amp; SJ – white saddle pad</p> <p>Horses/Ponies to be plaited</p> <p>Tails can be worn in Dressage for Chairmans Cup</p> <p>Hard hats,gloves &amp; suitable footwear mandatory for CC trot up.</p>
If I qualify – what next?	<p>90,100,100+ Pony Club Championships Offchurch Bury, 8<sup>th</sup> – 16<sup>th</sup> August</p> <p>70,80 30th-31st August Aston Le Walls</p> <p>40-80 Area 12 Championships, date tbc</p> <p>Please note: You must let us know if you are unable to commit to going to the Championships BEFORE we do entries as we will enter you either as an individual or in a non-qualifying team.</p>
Who to contact for more information	Claire Maudlin <a href="mailto:Clairemaudlin@btconnect.com">Clairemaudlin@btconnect.com</a>

## Dressage

### More about the Qualifying Competitions

#### Area 12 Championships

To qualify for the Area 12 Championships, the pony or horse/rider combination must have completed successfully (i.e. attained 65% or higher and/or been placed 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> in a class of 10 riders or more). Qualification events are those run by a PC Branch but do not have to be in Area 12.

The Qualification Period is 1<sup>st</sup> October 2024 to close of entries for each class.

The combination must have received a Qualification Card from their DC and have registered on the Area 12 PC Championship website.

More Info to follow when released.

**Regional Champs & JCB Pony Club Champs - qualifying event for both is at the Area Qualifier at BCA 29<sup>th</sup> June.**

This competition is for all riders from PC70 (Prelim), PC80 (Grassroots) up to the Novice, Intermediate and Open classes. You can compete as an individual and team member. We will put together teams to include all those wishing to compete.

This competition also features a Prix Caprilli class, which is for younger, less experienced partnerships and is a great steppingstone to Dressage.

All tests are available on the PC Website [PC-Dressage-Area-Championship-Tests-2025.pdf](#)

Prix Caprilli test TBC

The Prix Caprilli tests would have been written in the early 1960's & were first created by the Riding Clubs. They mark the skill of the rider and not the way the pony/horse moves.

Usually two small jumps are combined within a dressage test name of the test – named after Frederico Caprilli a teacher at the Italian cavalry schools of Tor di Quinto and Pinerolo.

#### PC70 and PC80

This is aimed at introductory levels, with simple and encouraging tests. If you qualify at BCA at these levels, you can compete at the **Regional Championship at Aston Le Walls on 30<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> August.**

#### Novice, Intermediate and Open

Qualifiers at these levels compete at the **JCB Championships in August.**

### How are Teams chosen?

Team selection is based on experience, results and current competition form.

Jessica, Claire M & Instructors will choose the teams at the appropriate time.

Please note: You must let us know if you are unable to commit to going to the Championships BEFORE we do entries as we will enter you either as an individual or in a non-qualifying team.

## Dressage

<p>What Training should I be doing?</p>	<p>Training should be regular, with your own instructor weekly or fortnightly if possible and / or by attending the dressage rallies. The summer field dressage rallies are strongly recommended for those wishing to compete in this event.</p> <p>There is only one test per level so if you are interested in competing, get learning the test and practise it and the movements regularly where possible. There are many PC and unaffiliated dressage competitions on over the year in our area which are excellent opportunities to practise and some even allow you to do PC test in the 'Pick Your Own' classes.</p> <p>Competition is strong, so get practising as soon as you can!</p>
<p>Eligibility</p>	<p>For Area 12 Championships PC70 – cannot have competed at the PC80 Regional Area Competition or Championship. PC80 – cannot have competed at the PC80 Area Competition or Championship.</p> <p>Please see Jessica or Claire for eligibility or check the Rulebooks <a href="http://ThePonyClub.org">  The Pony Club (pcuk.org)</a>.</p>
<p>What is the dress code?</p>	<p>Dress code for all dressage is black / navy / tweed show jacket, PC stock, pin and badge.</p> <p>White or beige breeches, hat / silk to complement jacket, black or dark brown boots / half chaps.</p> <p>White dressage pad, number bib / badges</p> <p>Tack - please see rule book <a href="http://Rulebooks ThePonyClub.org">Rulebooks   The Pony Club (pcuk.org)</a> or ask Jessica or Claire ...plain black or brown tack, no martingales, snaffle / hanging snaffle or similar bit.</p> <p>No boots. Horses / ponies should be plaited.</p>
<p>If I qualify – what next?</p>	<p>The Regional Championships are at Aston Le Walls 30<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup> August.</p> <p>The JCB Pony Club National Championships 8<sup>th</sup> to 16<sup>th</sup> August, at Offchurch Bury, actual date to be confirmed. Make sure you have those dates blocked in your diary.</p>
<p>For more information</p>	<p>Please contact Jessica or Claire <a href="mailto:ivelvalley@pcuk.org">ivelvalley@pcuk.org</a> for any help or information.</p>

Quiz	
More about the Qualifying Competitions	9th March @ Shiplake Memorial Hall, RG 94DN
How are Teams chosen?	Teams are selected according to age criteria per team
What Training should I be doing?	Please book on to all training sessions online & in person with Amy
Eligibility	As above
What is the dress code?	Pony Club sweatshirt, pony club badge & felt, smart bottoms, sensible footwear
If I qualify – what next?	All qualifiers will attend Championships 20 <sup>th</sup> April @ at Sheffield Wednesday Football Stadium
Who to contact for more information	Amy Lightfoot-Lines <a href="mailto:a.lightfootlines@btinternet.com">a.lightfootlines@btinternet.com</a>

Blue Cross Horse and Pony Care	
More about the Qualifying Competitions	5 <sup>th</sup> May BCA
How are Teams chosen?	Teams are selected according to age criteria per team
What Training should I be doing?	Please book on to all training sessions online & in person with Ella
Eligibility	As above
What is the dress code?	Pony Club sweatshirt, pony club badge & felt, smart bottoms, hat, sensible footwear
If I qualify – what next?	All qualifiers will attend <b>National JCB Championships</b> held August (exact date tbc) at Offchurch Bury, Warwick.
Who to contact	Ella Rogers <a href="mailto:Ellarogers97@gmail.com">Ellarogers97@gmail.com</a>

## TEAM SPIRIT

One of the great benefits and pleasures of Pony Club is the chance to be involved in a team. IVPC expects riders and their supporters to have good attitude and participate in all the required activities within the Branch, either riding or helping. A high level of commitment to all the varied aspects for the preparation process is important. We expect members (and parents) to support and help each other at all times as well as accepting advice from Team Trainers, Managers and other Officials in a constructive way. We would like to remind all members to read the following code of conduct documents that are on the IVPC and PCUK Websites:

- *Pony Club Code of Conduct for Members (updated September 2022)*
- *Pony Club Code of Conduct for Parents and Guardians (updated September 2022)*

### Further information

To register your interest in competing as an Individual or part of an Ivel Valley team at ANY LEVEL in 2025 please email Team Managers stating your preferences and we will contact you.

There are a few broad points that are relevant for all:

1. The Championships courses/tests are always more challenging so aim to qualify at the level that you are very comfortable at and are able to go higher. So, if you are normally competing at 80/90, for example, aim to qualify at 80.
2. Once you have moved up levels, be prepared that you can't go back down levels again as a combination.
3. At Qualifiers and Champs, you must stay for the Prize Giving – so put aside the whole day and be prepared for some waiting.
4. If you have a genuine reason for not being able to come to our Area qualifiers, you can apply to compete and qualify out of area by applying to the DC (restrictions apply).

Please see the [rule books](#) for further details on all these points.

## ATTIRE

When competing at Area level or other Pony Club events IVPC Team attire for both rider and pony should be worn. Please contact the appropriate Team Manager in good time if this may not be possible and IVPC shall try and help facilitate.

If you are involved in prize giving, please wear your riding attire including hat unless directed to do otherwise by organiser.

## TRAINING

Appropriate discipline training sessions will be provided which members should attend as frequently as possible. Dressage/Flatwork and Showjumping sessions for example will be applicable to those doing either pure single discipline or Eventing.

## FITNESS

Horse and rider fitness is vitally important, not only to the success of competitor, but also to the safety and welfare of the horse and rider. Riders must notify the DC, Team Manager or Team Trainer of any change in their own health or fitness status, and/or their horse / pony or veterinary / medical management immediately, where such change could have an impact on performance.

Please see our website for details of all local Pony Club and Championships events.

Thank you – hopefully see you all at some training & qualifying competitions!