

# NORTH STAFFORDSHIRE PONY CLUB

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### Welcome from our DC:

I hope you have all had a lovely summer. We started off the summer holidays with our annual camps. What a brilliant time we all had. Plus the weather was very kind to us this year. I have enjoyed seeing you all thriving on your ponies. Rallies and trainings have now kicked back in. Hopefully we will see you all soon at our Autumn rallies. Our annual presentation evening is on Friday 25th October at Standon & Cotes Village. Please come and join us celebrating our members & branch success over the last 12 months.





## Area Show Jumping:

We took two 70cm teams to the Area competitions this year, comprising of

The shooting Stars Lola, Emma, and Chloe - sadly Maddie was taken ill and was missed many her team mates.

Pippa, Poppy and Maisie made up the lightening team.

Pippa was also jumping Lily in a mixed area team with Reevea in the 90cm class.

Reevea had taken her two ponies and had entries the 90, 1m and 110cm classes. She jumped as part of mixed area teams too.

Pippa and Reevea's 90cm team took 2nd in the tack and turnout competition and team 8th Overall.

Reevea continued in good form on her ponies qualifying for the National Championships with Flynn being 5th in the 1m, Jaffa wasn't too far behind in 13th but no qualification for him. However they took team 3rd and won the tack and turnout

Then the fences went up and Reevea headed into the 110 class, with the final round standing at 115. Reevea placed in the top ten again and qualified Flynn for the National Championships too! A long but successful day for her!

We were very proud of our 70cm teams at their first area sj competitions, to have progressed in your riding to compete there is a wonderful achievement and a great start to an equestrian journey. The team spirit amongst members epitomised the meaning of Pony Club. No team qualifications this year despite some clear rounds and some small hiccups..damn those poles! Notably Emma rode a great double clear in good style on cheeky.

We would like to thank everyone who competed on behalf of the club today, and thank all parents and supporters who work hard to make days like this happen for their children.

**-Victoria Nicholls**



## Rallies and Training:

Unless a rally or training session specifies a height, everything is open to all abilities.

We provided a range of rallies and training sessions, which include:

- **Ridden rallies:** usually focusing on flatwork, show jumping or sometimes both.
- **Training:** Focused on a specific area and aimed at progression towards Interbranch and Area competitions.
- **Cross Country:** Usually out in open fields/schooling ground.}]
- **Arena Eventing:** Cross country fences in an arena.
- **Mounted Games:** Suitable for juniors and seniors and





## More Championship Success!



Reeva Mason and her pony Rostrevor award Ri winning the PC 80 grassroots championships at Kelsall Hill. Diego is Only 6 and at times he can be quirky, so when she went on to win the entire championship we were shocked, but extremely happy! - Andrew Mason (Reeva's Father)

Reeva Mason and her pony Sandy's Mel (Jaffa) coming 2nd in the PC 80 grassroots eventing championships at Kelsall Hill. We aimed for a test of around 30-31 and she managed a 31.6% which put her in joint 3rd. She then jumped a fantastic clear in the showjumping around a technical course. Then, around a country course with a few questions and with no watches allowed to check the time, Reeva and Jaffa flew around the course clear, and on the optimum time of 4 minutes to finish in 2nd place. - Andrew Mason (Reeva's Father)



Emma Johnson and her pony Cheeky placing 9th in the Pony Club Eventing Championship at Kelsall Hill.

- Cheeky and I were lucky enough to qualify for the championship. It was a fantastic learning experience. It was by far the biggest competition I've ever attended and I did find it a bit daunting. However, I had some fantastic support from my pony club friends that really gave me a boost. I am so pleased to have done this before outgrowing her, she is a superstar! - Emma Johnson

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# Members Corner!

Take a look at what our members have been up to!



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