



WINTER NEWSLETTER 2024

Dear Members and Parents

We enjoyed seeing so many of you at the Annual Party and Prize Giving in October and celebrating your achievements during the year – thank you again to Lindsay Kelly for allowing us to use her great venue for this event. We have another event coming up at the Forest Community Centre in January which is an information evening and an opportunity to find out how Pony Club works, to ask any questions you may have and hopefully to give us some new ideas. More information in the Newsletter on this.

There is lots of important information in this Newsletter as we are trying to get dates in your diary for many of our activities next year. Booking info is enclosed with this Newsletter for our Lead Rein, Mini, Novice and Intermediate Easter Clinics and online booking for those will open early 2025 on Eventmaster. Information and dates for Junior and Senior Camp are also included but we are not yet opening booking for either of those. We know that with booking comes a deposit and that this is an expensive time of year! So please put the dates in your diary for Junior and Senior Camp and do contact the organisers if you have any questions about either Camp. We will send out further information when booking opens later in the Spring.

We will also over the coming months be asking for help with our events during 2025. Please

volunteer when you can as your help is essential to the successful running of our events, which raise vital funds for the branch. The first two where we will need help in 2025 are our Dressage Show at Priory Equestrian on Sunday 23 February and our Hunter Trials at Fair Oak Cross Country on Saturday 19 April. No special skills are needed to help at our events – briefing will be given for all roles, and you don't need to be horsey to help. Most helpers enjoy the experience and have a good day out.

We have more Multi Activity Days and Showjumping, Arena Eventing and Mounted games on offer as well as Stable Management over the winter. Please try to attend these rallies and trainings even when the weather doesn't feel that inviting.

The Dressage Show in February also has something to cater for most abilities including a Walk and Trot only Test to encourage our younger members to take part. We also hope to see all those members who have been honing their skills through the Dressage League! It is also an Open Show so entries from PC Mums/Dads welcome and do please spread the word to non-Pony Club friends and family.

Depending on the weather we hope that Cross Country Rallies will start again in March, giving you time for a bit of practise before our popular Hunter Trials in April at Fair Oak, with classes starting from 60cm.

Remember to keep a close eye on your pony or horse over the winter to make sure they don't lose too much condition. The combination of wet and cold is the worst possible combination for them to cope with.

Thank you to all of you for your support of Petersfield Pony Club over the year. We end the year with 105 members making us one of the bigger branches in our Pony Club Area.

And finally. . . although membership is now on a rolling basis, for many of our longer standing members your renewal will be due at the end of January at a cost of £88.00 (the majority of which goes to Head Office to pay for the overall PC operation rather than the Branch). Please remember to fill in the Gift Aid details to increase the income to Pony Club at no extra cost to you. We hope that all of you will be re-joining but if you are not, please let us know so that we don't keep reminding you!

Happy Christmas and New Year! Hoping very much that 2025 will be a happy, healthy and horsey year for all of you!

Gill & Kate



*Welcome to the following
new members:*

*Peaches Moorhouse
Finley Oosthuizen
Arabella Oosthuizen*



**IMPORTANT NOTICE TO
ALL MEMBERS
10 and UNDER**

*If your pony does not have a
martingale, make sure you
always come to rallies, events etc
with a stirrup leather around the
pony's neck.*

*This is for you to hold onto when
things do not go right to avoid
pulling on your pony's mouth
and perhaps to save you from
falling off.*



SAFETY AT RALLIES

Please can you all make sure that unless you are riding in a lesson, that you only walk (mounted/dismounted), especially when going from your trailer to the lesson. The car park is a potentially dangerous situation with a lot of ponies, children, dogs etc milling around. It is the responsibility of everyone present to ensure that all measures are taken to safeguard both ponies and people at all times. Please be aware of safety.

Air jackets: When an air jacket inflates the sudden noise startles horses in the immediate vicinity thereby causing difficulties for the other members of a ride if used in a group ride in a confined area, e.g., an indoor school or outdoor manège. Air jackets are therefore not encouraged for group rides.

Also, it is your responsibility to pick up any horse droppings and hay in the parking area and in the school - if that is where the lesson is taking place.

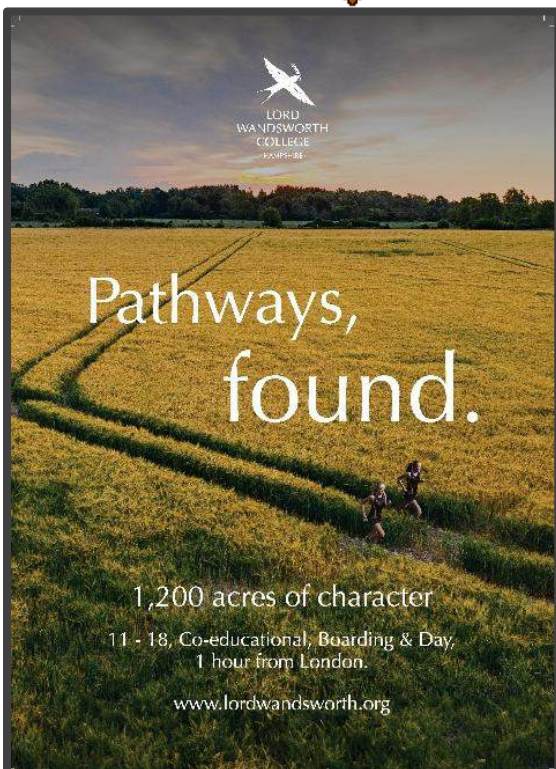


TURNOUT

Would you please all pay careful attention to turnout of yourselves and your pony/horse when attending all Rallies and Training. Please make sure your boots are polished, jodhpurs, tack etc are clean.

Your hair must be tied back securely, in a safe manner to reduce the risk of hair being caught and to prevent scalp injuries. A hairnet is therefore recommended.

The wearing of any sort of jewellery when handling or riding a horse/pony is not recommended and if done at any Pony Club activity, is done at the risk of the member/their parent/guardian. However, to stop any risk of injury, necklaces and bracelets (other than medical bracelets) must be removed, as must larger and more pendulous pieces of jewellery (including those attached to piercings) which create a risk of injury to the body part through which they are secured. For the avoidance of doubt a wristwatch, wedding ring, stock pin worn horizontally and/or a tie clip are permitted. It is recommended that stock pins are removed for cross country.



EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please ensure you have a current, working email address recorded with us that you also check regularly.

We use email to notify members of rallies/training, times and upcoming events, as well as the **Facebook Group**.

NEW SPURS TEST

To promote the welfare of horses and ponies, whilst educating riders, The Pony Club are introducing a new SPURS RULE | effective from 1 January 2025.

No member will be permitted to wear Spurs unless they have:

- Attained C+ Test
- OR**
- Attained the New Spurs Test



If you wish to be considered for Spurs Training (which must be attended prior to a Spurs Assessment, please contact Gill Ibbott | 07930 545450 or petersfielddc@pcuk.org

PARENTS & MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: STIRRUPS

Ensure that your stirrups and boots fit correctly. For very good safety reasons, Pony Club rules require the following: **“Standard riding or jodhpur boots with a fairly thin, smooth sole and a well-defined square cut heel” and “Stirrups should be of the correct size to suit the rider’s boots. There must be 7mm (¼”) clearance on either side of the boot”.**

These rules together with the requirement not to wear other unsuitable footwear including boots and stirrups with interlocking treads, are there to minimise the risk of the foot becoming caught in the stirrup in a fall which can cause very serious injuries. If you are buying new boots check the size of stirrups with the new boots.

At competitions this is probably the most common problem picked up by tack checkers. We will be checking this at our MADs over the winter and will advise you if your stirrups are the wrong size, but please also check yourself.

If you go to a Pony Club competition with incorrect size stirrups, you may not be allowed to take part.

BADGES/TIES/SWEATSHIRTS/JACKETS

These are always kept in stock; please contact me. If you need The Pony Club Manual of Horsemanship these can be purchased from Amazon – a must if you are taking Tests.

Medical Arm Bands are no longer compulsory wear, but it is still recommended that one is worn.

All other Pony Club merchandise can now be purchased direct from Wainwright Screenprint:

[Pony Club Essentials](#)

Julie Gordon

‘Dressage Anywhere’ The Pony Club Online Dressage Championships



Hosted by ‘Dressage Anywhere’,
The Pony Club Dressage Championship gives the opportunity to all Branch or Centre members to compete from home or from their own yard or field by videoing their test. Please visit the ‘Dressage Anywhere’ website for more information:

<http://www.dressageanywhere.com/>

WEBSITE

[Petersfield Pony Club](#)

Do make use of our website. We put up schedules, our programme and your successes and results plus photos. We shall also be putting up times prior to events and results after them. It is also useful for advertising horses/ponies for loan and sale and buying and selling horse boxes/trailers etc. Other branches run their websites in a similar fashion.

If an event is cancelled for any reason, it will say so on Petersfield Pony Club’s Home Page of the website as well as on our Facebook Group.

[The Pony Club](#) This is the home page of the Pony Club.

Petersfield Branch is with [Area 13](#). Here you will find the Area Calendar which shows schedules for all Area 13 events along with Area Results, Courses, Tests etc.

DATES FOR THE DIARY

PARENTS EVENING 2025

- Fri 24 Jan Forest Community Centre, Bordon

MULTI ACTIVITY DAYS 2025

- Thurs 15 Feb Merrist Wood Arena, Worplesdon
- Sat 2 Mar Priory Equestrian, Frensham

BRANCH COMPETITION DATES 2025

- Sun 23 Feb Open Dressage Show, Priory Equestrian
- Sat 19 Apr Open Hunter Trials, Fair Oak Cross Country, Rogate
- Sun 18 May Area 13 Prince Philip Cup Qualifiers, Chase Farm
- Sun 22 Jun Open Horse Trials, Heath Farm, Munstead
- Sun 7 Sept Open Annual Show, Chase Farm



EASTER CLINICS 2025

- Mon 7 – Tues 8 Apr Mini and Lead Rein Clinics, Stockbridge Farm
- Wed 9 – Thurs 10 Apr Novice and Intermediate Clinics, Stockbridge Farm

CAMPS 2025

- Mon 4 – Fri 8 Aug Junior Camp, Fair Oak Cross Country, Rogate
- Mon 18 – Fri 22 Aug Senior Camp, Littleton Manor Equestrian Centre

ANNUAL PARTY & PRIZE GIVING 2025

- Fri 17 Oct Forest Community Centre, Bordon



TEST & ACHIEVEMENT BADGES OBTAINED THROUGH THE WINTER

MAIN ACHIEVEMENT BADGES

'Equine Behaviour'

Sienna Scholes, Isla Wilson

'Wildlife'

Isla Wilson

MINI ACHIEVEMENT BADGES

'Gold' Mini Achievement Badge & Certificate

Sophie Baldwin, Rosa Hood, Ellie Wilson, Harvey Wilson, Cordelia Wilson

'Horse Clothing'

Ettie Flett, Dottie Flett, Erin Gunstensen, Sienna Scholes, Georgia Scholes, Isla Wilson, Ellie Wilson, Cordelia Wilson

'Learning Theory'

Ettie Flett, Dottie Flett, Erin Gunstensen, Sienna Scholes, Georgia Scholes, Isla Wilson, Ellie Wilson, Cordelia Wilson



'Mucking Out'

Ettie Flett, Dottie Flett, Erin Gunstensen, Sienna Scholes, Georgia Scholes, Isla Wilson, Ellie Wilson, Cordelia Wilson

'Pony Behaviour'

Ettie Flett, Dottie Flett, Erin Gunstensen, Georgia Scholes

'Wellbeing'

Ettie Flett, Dottie Flett, Erin Gunstensen

'Wildlife'

Ettie Flett, Dottie Flett, Erin Gunstensen, Ellie Wilson



Join us

PONY CLUB
Petersfield



**WE ARE HOLDING AN INFORMATION EVENING FOR ALL PARENTS AND MEMBERS ON
FRIDAY 24 JANUARY 2025 AT
FOREST COMMUNITY CENTRE, BORDON | 7.00 pm.**

**THIS IS INTENDED FOR NEW MEMBERS AND ANYONE WHO HAS QUESTIONS OR COMMENTS
ABOUT HOW THE BRANCH WORKS.**

**WE WANT TO ENSURE THE CLUB IS PROVIDING THE ACTIVITIES YOU WOULD LIKE TO TAKE
PART IN AND WILL WELCOME ANY IDEAS YOU MAY HAVE.**

**WE WILL EXPLAIN THE COMPETITION PROCESS AND THE TRAINING AND TESTS THAT WE
HOLD THROUGHOUT THE YEAR. WE WILL GIVE YOU AN IDEA OF THE PONY CLUB YEAR
AND PROVIDE INFORMATION ABOUT OUR SUMMER CAMPS.**

**WE RUN COMPETITIONS AS A CLUB AS FUNDRAISERS FOR OUR TRAINING AND HOPE THAT
SOME OF YOU MIGHT LIKE TO GET INVOLVED AND SUPPORT THESE EVENTS.**

**WE WILL BE PROVIDING CRAFT ACTIVITIES FOR MEMBERS AND THE BAR WILL BE OPEN,
SO PLEASE FEEL FREE TO MAKE IT A FAMILY EVENING OUT!**

**PLEASE BOOK ON VIA ENTRYMASTER IN ORDER THAT
WE WILL KNOW NUMBERS ATTENDING.**

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THE 2025 DODSON & HORRELL AREA QUIZ | SUNDAY 9 MARCH

The Pony Club Quiz (unmounted) is an inclusive competition for our Centre and Branch members.

It provides a chance for members to test their equestrian knowledge in a fun and friendly team environment.



- **Mini Section** – Teams of four- Ages to be 10 years and under on 1 January of competition year, with one member to be 8 years and under.
- **Junior/Senior Section** – Teams of four- must have two junior members (ages to be 13 years and under) and then two of any age up to 25.
- Mini questions to be based on the E, D and easier parts of the D+ Tests and Mini Achievement Badges.
- Junior/Senior questions to be based on the C, C+ and B Tests and Achievement badges.
- Format of questions will be mixed of activity rounds such as memory games/pictionary, guess what's in the bag, question/answer rounds and many more!

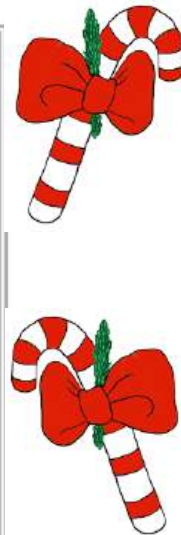
If you are interested, please let Gillian Ibbott know; we can arrange some practice sessions.



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STABLE MANAGEMENT SESSIONS with Lottie Flett

We have had a great year holding regular Unmounted Stable Management Rallies on the first Monday of the month 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm at Whiteways End Cottage in Seale.

Lottie Flett has been brilliant at getting everyone involved and loving the Rallies from 3 year olds to teenagers!

We cover 2 Badges per session with a great range of Badges this year including Sequence of Foot Fall, Trimming and Plaiting, Working Dogs, Birds, Farming, Camping and Poisonous Plants.

Its great team building and fun for all involved plus we get to learn how to look after our precious ponies and countryside around us.



Contact Jenny Wilson to join the WhatsApp group for more info and come along and join us if you can!
equinephysio@live.com or 07810 434488

PREPARATION FOR 'C' TEST - UNMOUNTED

This is for members who have already achieved their D+ Test and are 11 yrs old.

The C Test covers basic care of a pony at grass, welfare and behaviour, tack care and fitting, correct grooming, travelling and loading, shoeing and first aid.

These are unmounted sessions to go over the pony care requirements of the Test and are designed to help you learn and practice your knowledge. We will be running more training and a Test Day in the spring subject to demand.

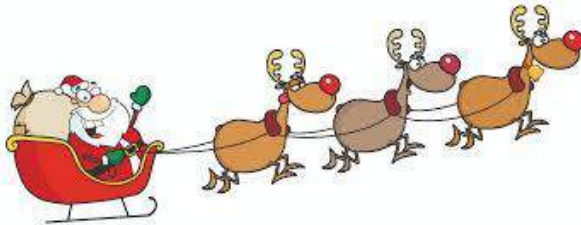


They will take place at Whispering Pines, Winchester Road, Rushmoor, Farnham, GU10 2EG from 5.30 pm – 7.00 pm.

- Friday 17 January
- Friday 7 February
- Friday 7 March
- Friday 4 April

Here is a link to the syllabus, please contact Gill Ibbott for further information | 07930 545450 or petersfielddc@pcuk.org

<https://resources.pcuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/04/c-test-2023-pdf.pdf>



'D' and 'D+' TESTS | MINI ROAD RIDER & ROAD RIDER ACHIEVEMENT BADGES

The Pony Club Training structure encourages members to take Tests which enable them to learn progressively about horse and pony care and riding. The Tests are taken at recommended ages and begin with 'E' Test, Mini Road Rider Achievement Badge and 'D' Test. We feel these Tests are an important step on your horse owning ladder and can ultimately qualify you for a career in horses. We subsidise the costs of training and Tests with monies raised from competitions as part of encouraging all members to learn about horsemanship.

These are suitable for all members who have not yet taken any Tests, it would also be useful for you to attend the Stable Management Rallies to prepare you for the care questions. The Tests are all oral and practical and take place in small groups.

The Road Rider Achievement Badge **Theory** will be held via Zoom for both parts with Alex Van Randwyck on **Tuesday 25 February**. The riding part will be held at the Multi Activity Day **on Saturday 1 March** at Priory Equestrian.

The Mini Road Rider Achievement Badge part will also be held via Zoom with Alex on **Wednesday 26 February**.

The Mini Road Rider Achievement Badge is a pre-requisite before taking 'D' Test and the Road Rider Achievement Badge is a pre-requisite before taking 'C' Test.

'D' and 'D+' training and Tests will also be held on **Saturday 1 March** at the Multi Activity Day at Priory Equestrian. You will need to be 8 years old to take 'D' Test and 10 years old to take 'D+'.

['D' Test syllabus 2023](#)

['D+' syllabus 2023](#)

The Tests are ridden, and you will need your pony. The cost will be £15.00 to include all training and the Tests. All bookings to be made online.

For further information, please contact **Nicola Wright**: simonwright925@btinternet.com : 07776 194198

MEMBERS ONLINE ACTIVITIES & RESOURCES

This page is where you will find all downloadable documents to help with Pony Club activities.

To view the content, you will need to enter your membership number and branch.

➤ Resources: <https://resources.pcuk.org/>



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HUNTING | 2024/25

We are lucky enough to be surrounded by several different hunts. Meet cards are held by the secretaries and you are usually able to hunt for two – three days a year without needing a subscription.

Look at the websites for further information. You will find out what to wear and what to expect.

Always contact the Hunt Secretary if you are planning to attend. Pony Club members pay a reduced cap of approx £25.00.

- The Surrey Union: <http://www.surreyunion.com>
SUH Info suhinfo@gmail.com Mrs Lucy Moreton
- Hampshire Hunt: www.hampshirehunt.co.uk
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secretary@sandhurstdraghunt.co.uk



Please also email Gill Ibbott if you plan to attend | petersfielddc@gmail.com

TROPHIES AWARDED AT ANNUAL PRIZE GIVING - 2024

TROPHY	PONY CLUB MEMBER
<u>MINI AWARDS</u>	
The Davies Cup: Mini Achievement	Harvey & Dilly Wilson
The O'Hare Cup: Most Consistent Mini Member	Clemmie Thomas
The Briggs Cup: Most Improved Mini Member	Georgia Scholes
Chase Cup: Lead Rein Member	Ettie & Dottie Flett
Tiddles Trophy: Mini member having most fun	Helena Halsey
<u>JUNIOR AWARDS</u>	
Cindy Cup: Pony approx 13.2hh & rider under 14 having most fun together	Rosa Hood Ted
Keeley Shield: Most supportive Junior in teams and general PC activities	Isla Wilson
Stable Management Trophy	Imogen Tivers
<u>NOVICE AWARDS</u>	
Dream Cup: Member having fun and success at Novice Level	Daisy-Mai Mitchell
Bushey Cup: Most improved Novice	Ottilie Brown
Priory Trophy: Novice level member taking part and competing across the disciplines	Amelia Mitchell
Bluey Trophy: Most versatile pony approx 14.2hh	Amelia Connolly Zeus
<u>SENIOR AWARDS</u>	
Jasper Cup: Horse (over 14.2hh) and rider making best progress through hard work, perseverance, and determination	Elodie Noble Wanda
Cockshott Cup: Most improved Senior	Sophie Mitchell
Kemp Salver: Improvement on new horse/pony	Orla McDonnell Freddie
Rolo Cup: Consistent and successful member rep Branch at high level	Elodie Ashby Rudd Elvis
<u>DISCIPLINE SPECIFIC AWARDS</u>	
<u>MOUNTED GAMES</u>	
Sparrow Cup: Mounted Games Mini member	Ellie Wilson
Turner Cup: Mounted Games Senior Team Member	Silka Jones
Sweet Sue Cup: Deserving member of Mounted Games Team	Aliva Palmer
<u>DRESSAGE</u>	
Mini Dressage Cup: Improvement and Achievement	Ellie Wilson Bonnie
Junior Dressage Trophy	Alivia Palmer Goldie
Novice Dressage Cup: Improvement and achievement	Flo Hood Lenny
Senior Dressage Cup: Improvement and achievement	Sophia Monk Bertie
<u>SHOWJUMPING</u>	
'Zola' Junior Showjumping Trophy	Willow Barry Chilli
Novice Showjumping Trophy	Sofia Bracci Timmy
Senior Showjumping Cup: Successfully rep Branch at a higher level	Hattie Biles Ali
<u>EVENTING</u>	
'Polo' Junior Eventing Trophy	Francesca Bracci Flora
'Condie Nelson' Novice Eventing Trophy	Izzy Noble Trump
Cross Country Cup: Successfully rep Branch at a higher level	Elodie Ashby Rudd Elvis
<u>TETRATHLON</u>	
Tadpole Tetrathon Salver	Alec Legge
Mini Tetrathlon Salver	Alice Chant
Tetrathlon Trophy	Trinity Clement

PONY RACING	
Mrs Hurricane Cup: Racing	Bella Forster
GENERAL AWARDS - awarded to members at any level	
Smiley Cup: Always cheerful	Poppy Parkes
Doughty Cup: Good Pony Club Member	Oli Chant
Hunting Cup	Bella Forster
Turnout Trophy	Olivia Puddick
Ladybird Cup: Someone showing resilience	Poppy Turl
The Blackie Cup: horse/pony giving confidence	Chloe Connolly Jack
Doyne Ditmus Cup: most committed new member	Rebecca Puddick
Jefferey Cup: Consistent member	Freya Hood
Shepherd Shield: Most versatile horse	Daisy Hood
Horsemanship Trophy	Evi Clague
Bugsy Cup: Most supportive family	Daw Family
Secretary's Trophy: For support of Branch generally	Gill Ibbott
DCs Cup: Always good member, joining in all activities; willing to help	Jan Witherington

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TEAM COLOURS - 2024

BLUE CROSS HORSE & PONY CARE	DRESSAGE	SHOWJUMPING
Olivia Puddick	Alivia Palmer	Willow Barry
Imogen Tivers	Rebecca Puddick	Amelia Connolly
Isla Wilson		Bonnie Lou Stevens
		Amelia Syred
		Isla Wilson

OTHER AWARDS - 2024

AREA BADGE AWARDED

Elodie Ashby Rudd

CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS 2024

Regional Championships

Willow Barry
Francesca Bracci
Amelia Connolly
Amelia Mitchell
Daisy-Mai Mitchell
Alivia Palmer



National Championships

Elodie Ashby Rudd
Hattie Biles
Sofia Bracci
Trinity Clement
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JUNIOR CAMP 2025

SAVE THE DATE

We are excited to confirm that **Junior Camp 2025** will be held at Fair Oak Cross Country in Rogate from **Monday 4 - Friday 8 August 2025**.

Junior Camp is aimed at riders up to 13 years, but it is very much open to all and will cater for any ability. Riders will have 4 days of age and capability appropriate flatwork, showjumping and cross country tuition alongside stable management and other fun activities. A friendly competition is held on the last day where our riders and ponies can show off what they have learnt and improved on during the week. The week will culminate in a musical ride display from each ride for parents, families and supporters to enjoy.

So, with our venue and brilliant instructors booked, please save the dates in your diary and we will let you know as soon as we open the bookings.

Rebecca Chant & Natasha Palmer

SAVE THE DATE

Littleton Manor Farm, Reigate Heath | Monday 18 – Friday 22 August 2025.

The equestrian facilities boast:

- a cross country course designed by Willis Brothers who also design for Badminton. This has been used to host BE events, and has a variety of jumps, ditches, and a water complex (jumps 60cm - 1m+)
- Gallops
- 2 recently re-surfaced arenas (one with an entire side of mirrors and the other is a huge showjumping school) plus an optional grass arena should we need it.

Senior Camp is suitable for those happy and competent to ride in open spaces and in company, and able to look after their pony. Generally aimed at ages 12+ we can make exceptions, please talk to us.

You should ideally have attended a number of Pony Club Rallies or Trainings so that we are aware of your level and experience.

If you have any queries or would like a chat about what Camp involves, please don't hesitate to contact one of the team.

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<p>The Forest Community Centre is also home to East Hampshire District Country – Community Transport</p>	
<p>Please call us for further details of our activity or to book for a function</p>	

BLUE CROSS HORSE & PONY CARE COMPETITION

VOLUNTEERS FOR BLUE CROSS COMPETITION NEEDED



Are there any members who enjoy testing their knowledge? We need volunteers for this practical Quiz (unmounted) to pit their wits against other Area 13 teams.

Minis: Questions to be based on the Care section of the 'E', 'D' and easier parts of the 'D+' Efficiency Test cards and Mini Horsemanship Achievement Badges. At the Championships a small number of questions will cover all of the 'D+' syllabus.

Juniors: Questions to be based on the Care section of the 'D', 'D+', 'C' and easier parts of the 'C+' Efficiency Test cards and Horsemanship Achievement Badges. At the Championships a small number of questions will cover Advances Achievement Badges and all of the 'C+' syllabus.

Seniors: Questions to be based on the Care section of the 'C+', 'B' and 'AH' Efficiency Test cards. Questions at AH Test level should be used sparingly as not all Branches/Centres will have 'AH' Test level competitors.

Teams make their way around different 'stations', each of which will comprise of a different theory or practical based topic. Ten minutes are spent at each 'station', during which time Members are asked a series of questions to be marked by the Assessor.

Points will be allocated per section, as well as for the manner in which Teams approach the competition. One round will be chosen, at random, as the 'tiebreaker'. In the event of a tie, the Team with the highest score in that particular round will be declared the winners.

The Area 13 Qualifiers are to be confirmed. The winners compete at the final at The Pony Club Championships in August.

If you need any further information, give me a ring or email, you can look up sample questions on the Pony Club Website: <https://pcuk.org/members/non-ridden-competitions/blue-cross-horse-pony-care/>

We will arrange some practice sessions for anyone interested.

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ARENA EVENTING

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The Arena Eventing season is just kicking off!

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the first two dates, but new dates are booked for 2025!

- Sun 19 Jan Castle Copse Equestrian, Haslemere
- Sun 16 Feb All England Jumping Courses, Hickstead

Competitions are held at Coombelands Equestrian, Pulborough, Brendon Pyecombe, Pyecombe and GW Equine, Liss.



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DRESSAGE REPORT | WINTER DRESSAGE LEAGUE

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Dressage Christmas Cracker

This is a two-day dressage competition in the Christmas holidays, just for Petersfield Pony Club members.

- Monday 23 December
- Thursday 2 January

11.00 am starts in the indoor school at the Priory Equestrian Centre, Frensham.

You only need to enter one of the dates to qualify for a competition place; if you enter both dates then your best score will count.

We have the same judge booked for both dates.

All ages and abilities are welcome. All tests may be called.

Dress as for a Rally; no need to plait or wear competition dress unless you would like to.

A perfect low-key opportunity to get some competition experience and build your confidence ready for the new year.

Christmas hats and jumpers are very welcome!

Christmas Cracker rosettes to third place in each class.



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These two dates are rounds 4 and 5 of the Dressage League. Enter the League online to be automatically entered into the Christmas Cracker.

Winter Dressage League

The League is now halfway through. Three rounds are completed, three rounds are left to go.

- Monday 23 December
- Thursday 2 January
- Saturday 25 January

(The first two dates are also the Christmas Cracker, details above).

You need three results to qualify for final League placings – so there's still time for late comers to waltz in and try to steal all the glory!

After the first three rounds, Sophie is ahead in the Walk & Trot, Rebecca is leading the Introductory and Abigail and Alivia are neck and neck in the PC70. Trinity is just ahead of Molly in the Intermediate; they are both managing to make this new 2024 Intermediate Test look easy – well done ladies!

AREA 13 WINTER DRESSAGE LEAGUE

Following a very successful Area 13 Winter Dressage League in 2023/24, this competition will be running again in 2024/25. Please support these competitions.

Made up of:

- Lord Leconfield Hunt Pony Club – Tuesday 29 October 2024
- Chiddingfold Pony Club – Sunday 1 December 2024
- Area 13 Spring Festival Qualifier – Sunday 26 January 2025
- South Berkshire Pony Club – Sunday 9 February 2025
- **Petersfield Pony Club – Sunday 23 February 2025**

Each competition will include the following Area 13 Winter Dressage League classes:

- Class 1: PC WALK & TROT DRESSAGE TEST 2022
- Class 2: PRELIMINARY PC70 DRESSAGE TEST 2022
- Class 3: GRASSROOTS PC80 DRESSAGE TEST 2018
- Class 4: PC NOVICE DRESSAGE TEST 2020
- Class 5: PC INTERMEDIATE DRESSAGE TEST 2024
- Class 6: PC OPEN DRESSAGE TEST 2020

League Rules:

- This League is for Pony Club Members only.
- League entry is automatic if you enter for any of the eligible Area 13 Winter Dressage League competitions.
- Combinations can earn points in each Class that they enter – they get 1 point for each Class they participate in and earn additional points if they are in the top 10 combinations i.e. 10 points for 1st place, going down to 1 point for 10th place across all the classes.
- **N.B. In Classes 1 and 2, Section B will not count towards Winter Dressage League Points.**
- Results for each Combination will be counted from 2 Classes only at each show. Note: Combinations may compete at more levels if they meet the eligibility criteria on the specific schedule.
- Points will be counted from all 5 competitions across all Classes resulting in one overall Area 13 Winter Dressage League Champion and rosettes are down to 10th place.
- **Prize Giving for the Area 13 Winter Dressage League will take place on Sunday 23 February at the Petersfield Dressage competition.**





HORSE TRIALS

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The Horse Trial season starts in March 2025, so make the most of all the dressage and showjumping rallies we have arranged to brush up your skills.

The Area and Grassroots Qualifiers will commence at the end of June, for PC70, PC80, PC90, PC100 and PC110; let me know if you would like to be considered for the teams.



Pony Club Events

- **Sat 19 Apr** **PPC Open Hunter Trials Fair Oak Cross Country**
- **Sun 27 Apr** **ODE Bisley and Sandown Chase**
- **Sun 22 Jun** **PPC Open ODE in Area 13 PC70 and PC80 Quals, Heath Farm, Munstead**

Area 13 PC90, PC100 and PC110 date and venue to be advised.



MOUNTED GAMES

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Mounted Games Rallies will continue at the MAD's this winter.

Additional Rally sessions may be added according to demand and hopefully so we can have teams at the **Area 13 Prince Philip Cup Qualifiers on Sunday 18 May 2025.**

If you would like to be notified of these additional rallies, please contact Penny Ibbott on penny.ibbott.15@gmail.com; she will add you to the WhatsApp group.



Mounted Games is a team sport that combines a love of ponies and friends with various races. Teams of four or five riders and ponies take part in a series of exciting and exhilarating races at all levels.

Often run on grass or all-weather surfaces, Mounted Games is an adaptation of Gymkhana and is great fun for you, your pony, and your team. You can develop skills such as improving accuracy, agility, concentration, speed, hand to eye-coordination, teamwork and sportsmanship whilst having lots of fun playing some imaginative games.

All ponies and riders are welcome to have a go from beginner to more experienced, there is room for everyone.

It's a lot of fun and there are many friendly competitions to practice your skills.



POLOCROSSE

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Check out the website: www.pcuk.org/index.php/disciplines/polocrosse/

Polocrosse provides the Pony Club with a team competition requiring courage, determination and all-round riding ability on the part of the rider and careful and systematic training of the pony.



It encourages a higher standard of riding through the Pony Club and to stimulate among the future generation a greater interest in riding as a sport and as a recreation. It is suitable for ordinary children on ordinary ponies and encourages a strong and unselfish team spirit.



PONY RACING

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All fixtures, entry details and results can be found: <https://pcuk.org/pony-racing/>

What is Pony Racing?

Pony racing mirrors the Horse Racing you see on the television. Held on licenced racecourses across the UK (such as Ascot and Cheltenham), Pony Racing allows Pony Club members to experience the thrill and experience of racing - but on ponies!

Members wishing to give Pony Racing a go must be aged 9 years on 1 January (in the current calendar year) and can race up until the day of their 17th birthday.

The ponies taking part must be aged between 5 and 20 years old and be fit and sound to race. They must also measure no more than 148cm.

The Pony Club works closely with The Pony Racing Authority (PRA), pony racing's governing body, to provide young people with opportunities to race in point-to-point and the Racecourse Series.

It's great fun for the children and adults.

Again, please contact Nicola as above if you would like to know anything and she would be more than happy to help.



SHOWJUMPING REPORT

Julie Gordon



We have a Showjumping Rally booked at Parwood Equestrian, Normandy on Friday 3 January with David Thomas, for those jumping 60cm+. These rallies fill up very quickly, so early booking is advised – via Entrymaster.

PLUS, we hold Showjumping Rallies at all the Multi Activity Days.

Saturday 9 November | Garth Hunt Pony Club | Berkshire College of Agriculture

Class 1: x-poles

4th Ellie Wilson Chocolate Bon Bon

Class 2: 40cm

9th Ellie Wilson Chocolate Bon Bon

Class 4: 60cm

5th Isla Wilson Tempo

Sunday 17 November | Wokingham Pony Club | Berkshire College of Agriculture

Class 9: 1m

2nd Hattie Biles Billy Arundel

Class 10: 1.10m

2nd Hattie Biles Billy Arundel





TETRATHLON & TRIATHLON

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The Area 13 Triathlon Qualifiers will be held on Saturday 22 February at Brockhurst School, Hermitage organised by South Berks

If you would like any more information about tetrathlon and shooting practices in particular, please contact Lorraine Robinson.



MERRY CHRISTMAS