

SADDLEWORTH & DISTRICT BRANCH OF THE PONY CLUB

Registered Charity No. 1050146

Show Schedule 2024



Showground

Platting Road, Scouthead, Saddleworth OL4 4AF

Grid Ref: 974057

Website: www.branches.pcuk.org/saddleworth/

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Saddleworth and District Pony Club Events

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Qualifiers for: STARS Champion of Champions – Aintree Equestrian Centre

FOR HEALTH AND SAFETY REASONS AND PREVENTION OF ACCIDENTS

PLEASE DO NOT PARK ON EITHER SIDE OF PLATTING ROAD

UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES

THERE IS SUFFICIENT PARKING FOR ALL VEHICLES INCLUDING VISITORS CARS

ON THE FIELD. PLEASE PARK WHERE INSTRUCTED.

LEGAL LIABILITY: Save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of this event or The Pony Club nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies, nor the landlord or his tenant, accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any other person or property whatsoever. Entries are only accepted on this basis.

VACCINATION RULES

The Pony Club are still following twelve month booster vaccinations for all competitions except Area Qualifiers and Championships where 6 month vaccinations are required. So this year Saddleworth Pony Club will be following the same twelve month booster requirement for all training, rallies and shows held on Pony Club field and at Friezland.

When attending training or shows at other venues we are bound by the venue rules. Note that there must also be a clear 7 days after any booster vaccination before attending events. We will always try to put a venues vaccination policy on prior to any events but also suggest you check directly with them if in any doubt. It is the responsibility of members to ensure they have the correct vaccinations.

At our Open Shows & Dressage competitions we will be carrying out spot checks on passports.

All non-members must present their passport at booking office before numbers can be collected.

NOTE: You must, by law, when transporting horses, have their passports with you.

Further information can be found on the Pony Club main website pcuk.org.

Please note vaccinating your pony and ensuring they are up to date is the **responsibility of the owner** and we suggest you seek advice from your Vet for more information.

Gill Morrell has started to create a data base of everyone's vaccinations, please contact her with any update on your vaccination programme.

Area competitions and Championships require 6 monthly vaccinations.

INSURANCE

The Pony Club 'Public and Products Liability Insurance' Policy includes cover for all the official Area Competitions and the Championships. Details of this insurance are available on The Pony Club website.

In the event of any accident, loss or damage occurring to a third party or to the property of a third party (including the general public and competitors) no liability should be admitted, and full details should be sent at once to The Pony Club Office.

HEALTH & SAFETY

Organisers of this event have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the officials and stewards.

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Except in an emergency, please do not telephone committee members after 9:00pm.

Dear Members and Parents,

Welcome to another season for Saddleworth and District Branch of the Pony Club. May we say "Welcome" to all new members and we look forward to seeing you and our long standing members again this season.

Please note that Dressage classes will continue to run on a Saturday and will be held at Friezland Arena.

Remember that Entries need to be in by **the Tuesday before the competition.**

HEALTH AND SAFETY

We will provide first aid cover during major events. Ideally, however, we should try to avoid accidents occurring. With this in mind, we ask you to be safety conscious at all times. In this way we will reduce any risk of accidents taking place. In addition, considerate and tidy parking of horse boxes, trailers and cars can both improve safety. Riders should be aware at all times of the risks posed by these vehicles and pedestrians.

-- NO VEHICLES TO BE PARKED ON PLATTING ROAD --

HELP AND SUPPORT

All committee members are unpaid volunteers. It would be greatly appreciated if parents could help in some small way at shows and at other events:

- Helping set up the field before a show or rally
- Helping to put away jumps and equipment at the end of the show
- Volunteering to give half an hour of their time to assist with catering, stewarding, running clear round etc.
- Taking all litter home
- Please see any committee member with any offers of help.

INSTRUCTION

Once again during the summer, we shall be running evening and weekend instruction on the Pony Club ground at Platting Road and also at Friezland Arena. Some training will also take place at Woodnook Arena, New Gap Farm, and Lower Mudd Farm. The training will cover show jumping, Dressage and Mounted Games, Eventing and is open to all members no matter what level they are at. This excellent instruction, is at a very reasonable cost and it is recommended that all members take advantage of it. Please contact the team trainers for more details.

Don't forget our exciting Camps at Warren Farm and Somerford Park in August.

THANKS

We would like to thank everyone who has sponsored classes, rings, rosettes and events for the coming season. If you would like to do so in the future, please contact any committee member. We wish you all a happy and successful season at the Pony Club.

Yours sincerely,
The Committee

SADDLEWORTH AND DISTRICT PONY CLUB OPEN SHOWS

Sunday 14th April 2024 • Sunday 12th May 2024
 Sunday 9th June 2024 • Sunday 14th July 2024

Venue: The Pony Club Field, Platting Road, Scouthead, Saddleworth OL4 4AF
 Grid Ref: 974057

Class entry fees

Pony Club & Riding Club Members: £6.00 in advance/£7.00 on the day

Non-members: £9.00

PLUS ONE OFF PAYMENT OF £3.00 PER COMPETITOR, FIRST AID COVER

We encourage you to pre-book please to avoid queues on the day.

Entries can now be made via Entry Master - <https://saddleworthpc.entrymaster.online/>

Ring 1: Equitation to commence at 9:30am			
1	Best Turned Out	Open to any age rider, horse, or pony. LR ponies eligible for this class.	This class will be judged as follows: 30% cleanliness, condition, and correctness of tack, 30% cleanliness and preparation of pony. 30% cleanliness neatness of rider (and handler if LR) 10% overall impression. Q
2	Senior / Intermediate	Senior - Rider - 16 years and over Intermediate - Rider 13-15 years Pony / Horse any height	Separate trophy for highest placed Senior and Intermediate rider at Presentation. Q
3	Junior	Rider 10-12 years Pony / Horse any height	Q
4	Primary	Rider 9 years and under Pony / Horse any height	Primary riders will not be expected to canter on the go round. Q
5	Lead Rein	Rider 9 years and under Pony / Horse any height	Classes 4 and 5 will be combined as a Stars Qualifier. Highest placed across both classes will Qualify for Stars. Q
6	Best Figure of 8 in trot	Rider any age	This class is intended for lead rein, just coming off lead Rein or less experienced older riders.
7	Pony Club Pony	Rider any age Pony under 148cm (14.2 hh)	Required to jump a small fence. Q
8	Pony Club Horse	Rider any age Pony / horse 148cm (14.2 hh) and over	Required to jump a small fence. Q
Rules and regulations - All Ages are on 1.1.24 - Plain Snaffle bridle (Snaffle Bit) must be used with a cavesson, drop or flash noseband. - Martingales are not permitted. - No spurs. - Show may be provided by judge or you may be asked to ride your own.			

Ring 2: Show Jumping to commence at 9:00am				
9	Pre Open	Any age / height	75 - 80 cms	
10	Open		85 - 90 cms	
11	Lead Rein		on the floor - 30 cms	Rider 9 years & under
12	Absolute Beginners	Any age. Pony / Horse any height	height 30cms / 40cms	Absolute beginners jumping off the Lead Rein, but please enter this class in the spirit in which it is intended.
13	Beginners	Any age / height	40 - 50 cms	
14	Mini Novice		50 - 60 cms	
15	Novice		65 - 70 cms	
16	Novelty Class			Show 1: Pairs Show 2: Rider & Groom Show 3: Can elimination
Rules and regulations				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can only enter 2 SJ classes and Novelty class as a third class - You may enter classes 9&10, 11&12, 12&13, 13&14, 14&15, 15&9 - Mini novice - combination not to have been placed champion or reserve last season, or won a novice class or above last season. - Novice - combination not to have been placed champion or reserve last season or won a pre-open or Open last season. - Beginners - combination not to have been placed champion or reserve last season or won a mini novice class or above last season. 				

Ring 3: Working Hunter to commence at 10:00am				
17	Lead Rein	Rider 9 years and under		Poles on the floor up to max height of 30cm Q
18	Tiny Tots	Rider to be 9 and under Pony to be 128cm (12.2hh) or under		40cm Q
19	Absolute beginners	Rider any age Pony / Horse any height		40cms. Lead rein riders can enter off the lead - Can be assisted if required. Please enter this class in the spirit it is intended.
20	Mini Novice	Rider any age Pony / Horse any height		55-65cms Ponies 133cm and under can qualify for stars Q
21	M & M	Small breeds	Rider any age	60cms (Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A & B, Exmoor Q
		Large breeds		75cms (Highlands, Fells, Dales, New Forest, Connemara, Welsh C&D Q
22	Novice	Rider any age Pony / Horse any height		65 - 70 cms
23	Pre Open			75 - 80cms Q
24	Open			85 - 90cms (Q - horses over 153 to qualify for stars) Q
Rules and regulations				
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Can only enter 2 WH classes. - You may enter classes 17&19, 17&18, 19&18, 19&20, 20&21, 18&21, 21&22, 21&23, 21&24, 22&23, 23&24. - Mini novice - combination not to have been placed champion or reserve last season, or won a novice class or above last season. - Novice - combination not to have been placed champion or reserve last season or won a pre-open or Open last season. 				

Ring 4: Handy Pony to run from 9:30am – 12:30pm

25	Lead Rein	Rider 9 years and under Pony / Horse any height	Competitors may complete this class any time between 9:30am and 12:30pm NB Ages are as at 1.1.2024
26	Primary		
27	Junior	Rider 10 - 12 years Pony / Horse any height	
28	Intermediate	Rider 13 -15 years Pony / Horse any height	
29	Senior	Rider 16 years and over Pony / Horse any height	

Rules and regulations

- Competitors may enter this class at any time at the caravan 30 minutes before the class finishes.
- No whips allowed.

Ring 5: Mounted Games to commence not before 1:30pm

30	Lead Rein	9 years and under Pony / Horse any height	Classes may run out of order. NB Ages are as at 1.1.2024
31	Primary		
32	Junior	10 - 12 years Pony / Horse any height	
33	Intermediate / Senior	13 - 15 years / 16 yrs and over Pony / Horse any height	

Rules and regulations

- All ponies/horses must be ridden in a snaffle bridle with a cavesson flash or drop noseband.
- When finishing a race and crossing the line all riders must turn right along the fence.
- All riders must wear skull caps (no fixed peak hats).
- There will be separate trophies for the highest placed intermediate and Senior
- Leaders must be at ponies shoulder.

Ring 6: Showing and Ridden Hunters to commence at 10:30am		
34	Ridden Showing	Rider any age. Horse or Pony any height. Open to all types from show ponies to cobs. Q
35	Ridden Hunter Type	Rider any Age. Pony/Horse any height including Lead Rein (LR cannot qualify for Stars). Q
36	Ridden Veteran	Rider any age. Horse or Pony any height aged 14 and over including Lead Rein Q
37	Lead Rein Showing	9 years and under. Horse/Pony any height. Q
38	Beginners First Ridden	Rider 9 years and under. May be assisted. Pony to be 12.2hh or under. Canter is optional. Lead rein may enter off the lead.
39	First Ridden	Rider 12 years and under Pony to be 128cm (12.2hh) or under. No canter on go round. Q
40	Ridden M&M (small and large breeds)	Any age including lead reins. Large and small breeds will qualify for stars separately Large - Fells, Dales, Highlands, New Forest, Welsh C & D, Connemara. Small - Shetland, Dartmoor, Welsh A & B, Exmoor. Q
41	Ridden Coloured and Palomino	Any age / height, including lead reins Open to all plaited, native, cob and traditional Types Palomino is not a qualifier for stars. Q
42	Young Handler	Handler Must be between 4 and 18. For competitors aged between 4 and 8 pony must not exceed 128cms (12.2hh) and competitor must be accompanied by an adult in the ring BUT the adult may not assist in handling of the pony unless the handler is in difficulty. For competitors aged between 8 and 18 - Horse or pony any height.
43	In hand Showing	Open to all Cobs, Plaited Ponies and Horses, M & M, Veterans and Coloured Horses and Ponies. Q
Rules and regulations		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Horses must be 14 years and over to enter class 36. - Canter is optional in class 37 - Helmets must be worn when leading in class 42-43 - Separate trophies will be awarded to highest placed pony and highest placed horse in class 35 and 38. 		
All Classes for ring 1,2,3,4,5 & 6 will be placed 1 st - 6 th plus Overall Champion and Reserve and places to 6 th at presentation dance.		

Ring 7: Clear round 9:30am – 11:30pm
This is open to any competitor and heights of jumps can be altered accordingly. PLEASE PAY ON ENTRY. COST £3.00

QUALIFIER INFORMATION

The shows are qualifiers for STARS Champion of Champions to be held at Aintree Equestrian centre in November 2024. Dates to be confirmed.

MEMBERS POINTS SYSTEM EXPLAINED

Points are awarded as follows:

FIRST	$6 + 2 = 8$
SECOND	$5 + 2 = 7$
THIRD	$4 + 2 = 6$
FOURTH	$3 + 2 = 5$
FIFTH	$2 + 2 = 4$
SIXTH	$1 + 2 = 3$

All other members entering a class are awarded 2 points.

- Points will only be awarded after a member's subscription has been paid.
- Your District Commissioner must be informed if you are to change your pony. Change of your pony will incur a new points tally.
- Points may be awarded for different animals, however, points will be tallied separately.
- Classes for Overall Champion of Champions will be categorized A, B, C and D as shown below.
- The best results from one class in each category to go forward for the overall points for the Champion of Champions Overall Trophies.

POINTS RECORD

CATEGORY	A	B	C	D
Classes	Dressage or Equitation	Showing or Riding Club	Working Hunter or Show Jumping	Mounted Games or Handy Horse /Pony

Class Number	Horse/Pony	1 st Show - April	2 nd Show - May	3 rd Show - June	4 th Show - July

OPEN DRESSAGE COMPETITION

To be held at: Friezland Arena, Greenfield OL3 7HJ

Commences 10 o'clock prompt.

All Saddleworth Pony Club Members will be awarded points towards annual dressage trophies at Presentation Dance.

Saturday April 13th 2024 • Saturday May 11th 2024 • Saturday June 8th 2024

Class	Age Limit 01.01.24	April 13th 2024	May 11th 2024	June 8th 2024
1. LEAD REIN		Saddleworth PC Lead Rein	Saddleworth PC Lead Rein	Saddleworth PC Lead Rein
2. ABSOLUTE BEGINNERS	Lead Rein or just off Lead Rein	Saddleworth PC Lead Rein	Saddleworth PC Lead Rein	Saddleworth PC Lead Rein
3. BEGINNERS JUNIOR INTRO	Rider 12 years & under	INTRO A	INTRO B	INTRO C
4. OPEN JUNIOR INTRO	Rider 16 years & under	INTRO B	INTRO C	INTRO A
5. BEGINNERS JUNIOR PRELIM	Rider 12 years & under	PRELIM 7	PRELIM 18	PRELIM 12
6. OPEN JUNIOR PRELIM	Rider 16 years & under	PRELIM 12	PRELIM 13	PRELIM 14
7. JUNIOR NOVICE	Rider 16 years & under	NOVICE 28	NOVICE 24	NOVICE 30
8. SENIOR INTRO	Riders over 16 years.	INTRO A	INTRO B	INTRO C
9. SENIOR PRELIM	Riders over 16 years.	PRELIM 12	PRELIM 18	PRELIM 13
10. SENIOR NOVICE	Riders over 16 years.	NOVICE 28	NOVICE 24	NOVICE 30

£12.00 per class Pony Club Members & Riding Club members

£14.00 per class Non-Members.

Entries via website, any queries please contact: Pat Dewhurst,
39 Stamford Drive, Woodhouses, Failsforth, M35 9WS. Tel: 0161 681 6338.

ENTRIES TO BE MADE BY TUESDAY BEFORE THE COMPETITION

NO ENTRIES TAKEN ON THE DAY

SADDLEWORTH PONY CLUB LEAD REIN TEST IS ON OUR WEBSITE

It is the competitor's responsibility to obtain copies of tests.

These are available from the Dressage Secretary - please send S.A.E.

***** Times available on Saddleworth PC website Thursday prior to the competition**

DRESSAGE RULES

- **Please Note:** DO NOT drive past the arena during a test, wait until rider has saluted the judge at the end of the test.
- Competitors that have been Champion or Reserve in an Intro Beginners (Walk Trot class) or won a higher class last season cannot enter Beginners Intro class this season.
- **Please Note:** that Beginner Intro classes are to be entered in the spirit they are intended, ie. Genuine beginner combinations.
- Competitors who have **affiliated BD dressage points at Prelim level** are allowed to enter Prelim classes.
- Competitors who have **affiliated BD dressage points at Novice level** may not enter the Prelim classes.
- Those with **74 or more BD points may not enter the Novice.**
- Competitors cannot enter both Intro and Novice classes.

All other rules as per the British Dressage Rule Book 2024.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROSETTE FOR HIGHEST SCORE IN ONE CLASS FROM CLASSES 1, 2, 3 & 4 at Presentation Dance.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROSETTE FOR HIGHEST SCORE IN ONE CLASS FROM CLASSES 5, 6 & 7 at Presentation Dance.

CHAMPIONSHIP ROSETTE FOR HIGHEST SCORE IN ONE CLASS FROM CLASSES 8, 9 & 10 at Presentation Dance.

JUNIOR OVERALL DRESSAGE CHAMPION FOR BEST SCORE IN 2 CLASSES.

SENIOR OVERALL DRESSAGE CHAMPION FOR BEST SCORE IN 2 CLASSES.

RULES

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY

Health and Safety Rules

Health and Safety Rules – The Organisers of this event have taken responsible precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precaution to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the Organisers, Officials and Instructors.

1. The Organisers reserve the right to exclude any horse or pony they consider to be a danger to spectators or other competitors. Known kickers should wear a red tail ribbon.
2. Stallions are allowed providing the animal has full insurance cover, including third party liability, and is handled by a competent adult. (18 years & over)
3. Competitors and Spectators must obey the instructions of the Officials of the Club at all times whilst on the Showground.
4. No galloping on the Showground. Cantering and trotting is only permitted in rings.
5. Dogs must be on a lead at all times and must be cleaned up after.
6. £3 per competitor per show for First Aid cover.

Competition Rules

1. Correctly fitting Hard Hats must be worn fastened whilst mounted anywhere within the Showground area. Hat Standard Safety Mark Allowed at the following activities:
 - PAS 015: 2011* with BSI Kitemark All activities
 - VG1 with BSI Kitemark All activities
 - Snell E2016* onwards with the official Snell label and number All activities
 - ASTM-F1163 2004a onwards with the SEI mark All activities
 - AS/NZS 3838, 2006 onwards All activitiesJunior members are also compelled to wear them when competing in In-hand and Novelty Classes. Correct footwear must be worn when riding.
Jockey skull cap must be worn in mounted games.
2. No horse / pony under 4 years of age, to be ridden on the showground.
3. Stallions are allowed providing the animal has full insurance cover, including third party liability, and is handled by a competent handler 18 years of age or over.
4. Snaffle bridles must be worn in Equitation Classes. **MARTINGALES** are not permitted
5. Spurs are not to be worn in Equitation Classes and are not to be worn by Junior members in any class.(unless agreed in advance by the DC) If spurs are worn without agreement members may be disqualified from the class.
6. Definition of a **NOVICE, MINI NOVICE AND BEGINNERS**... Is stated in the class rules. Please respect these.

7. Whips are not to exceed 30 inches in length in any class. Padded whips are required for Show Jumping.
8. Lead rein competitors may enter other showing classes on the lead rein. They can also attempt first ridden/absolute beginners classes and best figure of 8 off the lead rein but may be assisted.
9. Canter is optional in the First Ridden and there will be no canter on go round in Primary Equitation.
10. Our Club recommends that Back Protectors should be worn and the standard must meet BETA 2018 Level 3 standard (Black and Blue Label) – see below. For general use, the responsibility for choosing body protectors and the decision as to their use must rest with Members and their parents. It is recommended that a rider's body protector should not be more than 2% of their body weight. When worn, body protectors must fit correctly, be comfortable and must not restrict movement. BETA recommends body protectors are replaced at least every three to five years, after which the impact absorption properties of the foam may have started to decline. From 1st January 2024 only body protectors that meet BETA 2018 Level 3 Standard (Black and Blue Label) are to be used. We recommend that back protectors are worn in Jumping and Working Hunter classes and are compulsory for Cross Country.
11. The Judges decision is final and binding in all cases. Please remember the judges are guests of the club and should be treated as such.
12. Grievances or complaints must be put in writing and handed to a Committee Member before the end of the show, with a fee of £10.00.
13. Once the Show has commenced, it is the responsibility of the Competitor to be available for classes. It is good manners and expected that apologies are sent to the Judge / Ring Steward if you are going to be late for their class.
14. Inappropriate language / behaviour will not be tolerated in any form. This may result in memberships being revoked.
15. Classes with insufficient entries may be combined at the Committees discretion.
16. **Entry Fees cannot be refunded except in genuine cases of injury to horse, rider or handler.**
17. To qualify for points, the horse / pony you enter must not change name nor may a substitute horse/pony be used.
18. Members must attend the same class at **TWO** point shows/dressage for their points to count.
19. Trophies awarded at the Presentation Dance must be returned clean to a Committee Member or to the show no later than the end of September. A penalty of **£5.00** and the incurred costs of recovery will be levied on all late returns.
20. Only competitors for the Show Jumping and Working Hunter classes in progress must enter the Collecting Ring. Jumps must not be higher than the current class. Please work in on the right rein only and remember to jump the practice fence with the red flag on the right.
21. The organisers do not accept liability for accident, damage or loss to anyone, animal(s) or property whilst at the show ground.

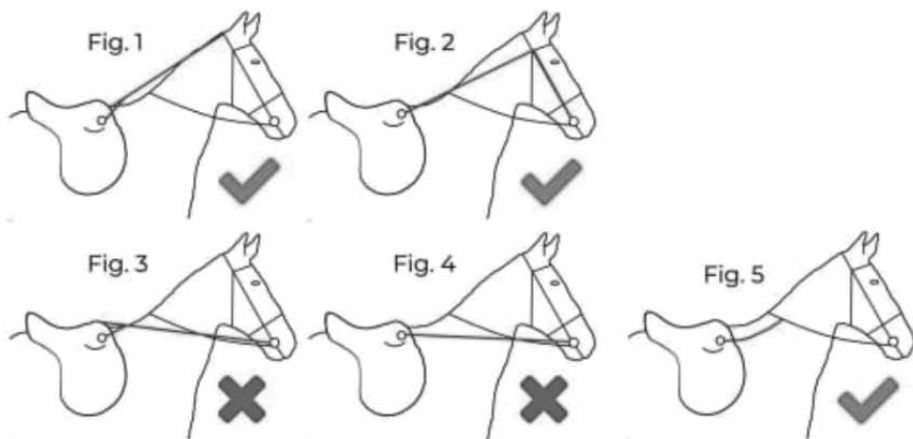
22. All horses / ponies must have a valid Equine Passport.
23. Vaccinations must be up to date particularly if riders are competing at Area and Winter League competition.
24. As classes are qualifiers for Stars Champion of Champions and as such are judged under BSPS rules. Please respect our judges.

PC NEGLIGENCE STATEMENT

Save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of this event or The Pony Club nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies, nor the landlord or his tenant, accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any other personal property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any other way whatsoever. Entries are only accepted on this basis.

The organisers of this event have taken all reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present at this event. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents. They must obey the instructions of the organisers and all officials and stewards.

All non Pony Club competitors are not covered by The Pony Club insurance and must have their own third party cover. The Saddleworth & District Branch of The Pony Club and the organisers of this event are not legally responsible for non Members and their insurance will not cover you.



ROLE OF MEMBERS/ PARENTS/ GUARDIANS - CODE OF CONDUCT

The Pony Club is a voluntary youth organisation for young people within an equestrian environment. The Pony Club aims to promote the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty to create strength of character and self-discipline.

The Pony Club's purpose is:

- To encourage young people to learn to enjoy all kinds of sport connected with ponies and riding.
- To give instruction in riding and horsemanship and to educate Members to look after and take proper care of their animals.
- To promote the highest levels of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty to create strength of character and self-discipline.

Members should:

- Show respect for their ponies / horses, coaches, officials, competition organisers and stewards and their fellow members.
- When competing they should abide by the rules of the competition and accept the decisions of the event stewards and organisers.
- They may query a decision they do not understand politely and listen to the explanation.
- They should support the other members of their team and also the other members of their Branch / Centre.

Parents/Guardians Info

The Pony Club is a volunteer organisation and depends on parents and guardians to help. Fairness should take precedence over competitiveness. Teaching by example will foster caring and respect for all.



Friezland User Group
Supporting local community activities
on and off horseback

FUG (Friezland User Group) is made up of the following organisations:

- Oldham & District Riding Club (ODRC),
- Saddleworth & District Pony Club (SDPC),
- West Pennine Bridleways Association (WPBA)
- Greenfield & Grasscroft Residents Association (GGRA)

In the absence of any budget from the council for the repair and maintenance of the Friezland Arena, **FUG** have formally taken on the financial responsibility for some of the facilities (including the arena) through a Service Level Agreement with Oldham MBC from 1st April 2014.

This facility in our area is very precious, rare and envied by many. But we could quite easily lose it if funds can't be raised to cover the maintenance costs. **FUG** is working very hard to find ways to get support, promote it and raise money.

- ✓ Do you enjoy riding at this amazing facility?
- ✓ Do you enjoy competing at Friezland?
- ✓ Do you enjoy teaching or being taught at Friezland?

If the answer is **YES**, then please become a **Friend of Friezland** and help **FUG** to maintain this fantastic site. You will receive an Annual Newsletter & information about forthcoming events on our notice board and Facebook page.

*For more information see our **FUG Facebook page** or email Foff@odrc.co.uk*

SADDLEWORTH & DISTRICT PONY CLUB DATES 2024

Check Saddleworth Calendar for any changes at:

<https://calendar.google.com/calendar/embed?src=saddleworth%40pcuk.org&ctz=Europe%2FLondon>

3rd March	Quiz
24th March	Area Horse & Pony Care Qualifier
13th April	1st Dressage open points shows - Friezland Arena
14th April	1st PC points show - Saddleworth Pony Club (if wet will be 7th April at Friezland)
11th May	2nd Dressage open points shows - Friezland Arena MG - Townley Park, Burnley
12th May	2nd PC points show - Saddleworth Pony Club
28th - 30th May	3 Day Rally - Pony Club field
2nd June	Polo Badge Training - Swinford Stables Norton's Lane, Great Barrow CH3 7JZ
8th June	3rd Dressage open points shows - Friezland Arena
9th June	3rd PC points show - Saddleworth Pony Club
(30th June)	Eventing TBC @ Llanymyneach
23rd June	Show Jumping @ Myerscough
7th July	PC Area Dressage - Warren Farm, Formby
14th July	4th PC points show - Saddleworth Pony Club
30th July - 2nd August	Mini Camp - Warren Farm, Formby
9th - 11th August	PC CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 - Offchurch Bury, near Leamington Spa Polocrosse, Mounted Games and Tetrathlon.
13th - 18th August	PC CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 - Offchurch Bury, near Leamington Spa Dressage, Show Jumping, Eventing and Polo.
16th - 21st August	Pony Club Senior Camp - Somerford Park
21st - 25th August	Main Camp 11+ - Somerford Park Dressage @ Bold Heath MG TBC @ Townley Park
24th - 26th August	PC REGIONAL GRASSROOTS CHAMPIONSHIP 2024 Kelsall Hill TBC Dressage / Show Jumping / Eventing
7th December	Presentation Dance St Edwards Hall, Spring Lane, Lees, OL4 5AJ

HOW TO FIND US

POST CODE: OL4 4AF

FROM OLDHAM (towards Delph)
Take A62 Huddersfield Road.
At crossroads of Doctor Lane and Platting Road
TURN RIGHT into Platting Road
Showground is on the LEFT

OR Take A670 from Oldham (towards Uppermill)
At Lydgate TURN LEFT into Platting Road.
Continue along road and showground will be on RIGHT.

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