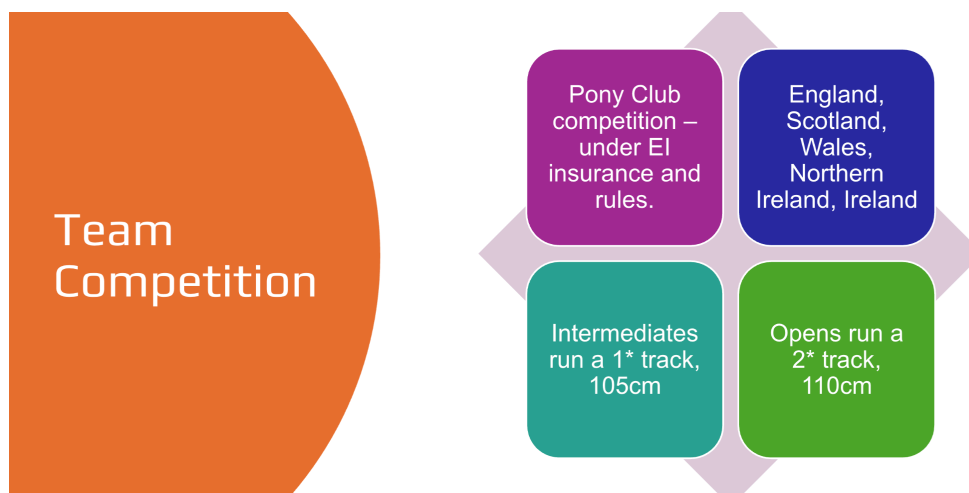


PONY CLUB NATIONS CUP OF EVENTING

The Pony Club Nations Cup of Eventing brings together the very best Pony Club event riders from Ireland, Scotland, England, Northern Ireland, and Wales in an exciting display of talent and teamwork. Hosted by the Irish Pony Club at the prestigious Ballindenisk International Horse Trials in September 2025, it promises to deliver a weekend of unforgettable action and sporting spirit.

The following document has been prepared to summarise the qualifying criteria and outline some key facts about the Pony Club Eventing Nations Cup organised by the Eventing Ireland Youth Committee and funded by the GMMF, competitors and generous sponsors in collaboration with The Pony Club (UK) and the Irish Pony Club.



Location and Date

24-28th September

Ballindenisk International, Cork, Ireland.

CNC1* CNC2*S

Competition Format

Dressage, Show Jumping and XC

There will be the opportunity for a trot up

Dressage Tests

2024 FEI Eventing CCI1* Dressage Test C (PC100)

2025 FEI Eventing CCI2* Dressage Test D (PC110)

Show Jumping and XC Heights

CNC1* and CNC2*S

Stabling at Venue included in entry fee of 300E

Youth Supper and Entertainment on site

ELIGIBILITY

Eligibility for all Classes

Note - the Nations Cup will be run under Eventing Ireland rules and (where required) FEI rules may also apply.

The organisers reserve the right to adapt eligibility with agreement of OC and stewards

All horses must be at least 5 years old

Both horses and ponies are eligible to enter

Horses cannot compete in more than one level of eventing at Area, Championship or Nations Cup level in one year

Riders or horses cannot have schooled over the XC course within 2 weeks of the competition

All competitors selected for the Nations Cup must be registered with Eventing Ireland (as a web member or full member in this calendar year)

All competitors from Ireland / Northern Ireland MUST attend at least 2 of the 3 funded training sessions organised by EIYC.

All UK, English, Scottish and Welsh competitors selected must attend training organised at Area Level with a PCUK qualified coach.

All combinations must be signed off as competent to compete by their Area Representative or Pony Club Chair.

All Irish combinations must be signed off as competent to compete by an independent level 2 or higher HSI coach or a 4* senior rider.

The CNC1* is eligible to grade C athletes (ie: those approved to ride at EI100) and the CNC2* is eligible for A athletes (approved to ride to EI110)

Eligibility for all CNC1* / PC Intermediate Level (in addition to the criteria above)

EI105 / PC100 Level

Member must be aged 13 or over on 1st January 2025

Combination must have completed 3 x clear XC rounds at EI100/BE100/PC100 / IPC Intermediate level within the 2024/ 2025 season.

Combination should show proficiency in Show Jumping and Dressage phases at PC / EI / BE level with evidence of consistent results

Combination are ineligible if they have competed at EI115 / BE Intermediate level or above

Eligibility for all CNC2*S / Open Level (in addition to the criteria above)

EI110 / BE Novice / PC110 / IPC OPEN

Member must be aged 14 or over on 1st January 2025

Combination must have completed 3 x clear XC rounds at EI110/BE Novice/ PC110 / IPC Intermediate level within the 2024/ 2025 season.

OR

Combination must have completed 3 x clear XC rounds at BE110/ EI110 / BE Novice level in the 2024/ 2025 season

Combination should show proficiency in Show Jumping and Dressage phases at PC / EI / BE level with evidence of consistent results

Combination are ineligible if they have competed at EI120 / BE Advanced level or above

LINKS TO RULES for qualifying organisations

Eventing Ireland

<https://www.eventingireland.com/rulebook/>

British Eventing

<https://heyzine.com/flip-book/754edda90d.html>

UKPC Eventing Rules

<https://pcuk.org/eventing/>

Irish Pony Club Eventing Rules

<https://www.irishponyclub.ie/images/pdf/rulebooks/eventing-rulebook-2025%20v5.pdf>

Team Selection

Note: This is a guide only and the selectors decision is final.

Ireland

CNC1*

Irish Team will be the two highest placed competitors in each of the team arenas with a clear cross country round and the winner of the individual area with a clear cross country round.

CNC2*

Irish Team will be the five competitors with lowest finishing score at PC championships

Northern Ireland

CNC1*

NI Team will be the five NI competitors with lowest finishing score at UKPC championships at either PC100 or PC Chairmans Cup levels (subject to criteria listed above)

If members have not attended the UK Championships then members CAN be selected from Area Qualifiers at the discretion of the Area Representative based on results and competition records. (subject to criteria listed above)

CNC2*

NI team will be selected by EINR / Area17 Representative based on their EI Record at EI110 (subject to criteria listed above)

England, Scotland and Wales

CNC1*

The teams will be selected based on the lowest finishing scores at The Pony Club Championships in either The PC100 or Chairman's Cup Classes. (Subject to the criteria listed above)

If members have not attended the UK Championships then members can be selected from Area Qualifiers by The National Eventing Committee based on results and competition records.(subject to the criteria listed above)

CNC2*

The teams will be selected by The National Eventing Committee based on their PC110 or BE Novice record. Preference will be given to those competing at The PC110 Championships at Wellington International.

FAQ

Q: I have been selected on my results from various championships but do not yet have enough qualifying MER runs on my record to enter. What do I need to do?

A: Carefully read the eligibility criteria above. You will need to achieve the minimum number of qualifying MERs in order to run within 10 days of the competition as a combination. In many cases at 100 level these can be achieved via entry to training classes.

Q: I am based in England, Scotland or Wales and have never travelled abroad before. What do I need to do now?

A: The EI Youth Committee have made contact with Bramhams <https://www.bramhams.com/> who are happy to provide paperwork, book vets and provide advice for a fee. Bramhams will also take part in an advice zoom for all interested parties. Bramhams are a well regarded company with great contacts on both sides of the Irish Sea who will provide a seamless service for you.

Q: Can you tell me a bit more about Ballindenisk?

A: Ballindenisk International is a longstanding and well regarded Irish Venue located near Watergrasshill in Cork, Ireland which has been running competitions since 1926. Now run by the Fell family - the XC course is fantastic and mostly on old turf grassland. Dressage and Show Jumping are on a surface. You can find out more via their [www](https://www.ballindenisk.org/) which also has details of ferry discounts and accommodation.

Q: How much will it all cost?

A: As you know... eventing is not a cheap sport. Irish competitions (incl NI) will receive a subsidy from the George Mernagh Fund and help in the form of some kit and training from other generous sponsors. The exact amounts depend on the numbers who attend and you will be kept informed about the extent of financial assistance.

The cost of the entry is €300 per combination to include stabling.

UK mainland competitors will need to price & factor in the following:

Ferry & transport costs

Paperwork costs

Entry Costs

There may also be a small subsidy available as part of the Irish invitation & you should ask your own Branch or Area if they can support you.

Q: Will there be other Youth Competitors on site?

A: Yes! Ballindenisk is part of the International Youth Exchange with BE/ EI U25s attending from the UK and Ireland. The EI youth committee organise a Youth Supper and will also be on hand to support all Youth Attendees and welcome everyone.

Q: How will we know what is happening?

A: The EI youth committee will set up an optional whatsapp group once teams are confirmed which will be open to parents, guardians, coaches and all competitors aged 18 or over.

Q: Will I get an MER?

A: Please check with the EI head office as this will depend on the class at Ballindenisk that you are entered into.

Q: Once I have been selected how do I enter?

A: via the Eventing Ireland www <https://www.eventingireland.com/> . Note: You will need to set up a web account first via the "Members Area". Once you have done that you can make your entry. For more information, please click <https://www.eventingireland.com/faq/day-ticket-information/> to set up an account and register your horse. For those not registered or new to the website, we will require a parental consent and competency form.

We wish you all the very best of luck at your qualifying competitions.

KEY CONTACTS

For More Info please contact the following:

EI Youth Committee - Funding and Irish Competitors
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alison@eventingireland.com or headoffice@eventingireland.com

Irish Pony Club / Irish Pony Club Competitor queries
carol.coad@gmail.com

NI Pony Club Area 17 competitor queries
Area17@pcuk.org



UKPC competitor queries
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The Irish Pony Club endeavours to promote and encourage horsemanship, sportsmanship, citizenship, and loyalty in a safe and fun atmosphere, for all its members and volunteers.

The UK Pony Club aims to provide children and young people with the opportunity to develop a lifelong love of horses through fun, friendship, horsemanship and sport.

The Eventing Ireland Youth Committee aims to support young Eventers from every background to become better and more viable athletes.

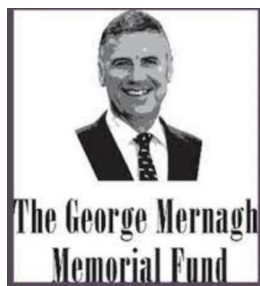
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