



COVID-19: Pony Club Tasmania Update 26th June 2020

Hello Members

We're Back!!

Following the announcement by the Premier on Wednesday that as of 12pm Friday 26th June, sport can move to 'Level C' of the AIS Framework for Rebooting Sport, Pony Club Tasmania is pleased to announce that we can move back to rallies and competition, provided there are less than 500 people present in an outdoor space and hygiene, social distancing and density limits continue to be observed.

Club officials should refer to the attached AIS summary document to understanding what AIS Framework 'Level C' means for your club.

As per the *Tasmanian "Roadmap to Recovery" Stage 3 return to sport*, clubs must ensure there is **at least one authorised person** present to supervise the premises **at all times while it is being used** (creation and maintenance of a record is recommended).

Advice to clubs and members has been updated to the following: - Changes are highlighted in yellow

All pony club events/rallies may resume as normal whilst recognising the hygiene and 1.5m distancing rule with members. Density limits have been revised to a requirement of **2 square metres per person** at a venue.

Club officials will need to take particular care encouraging social distancing with their young riders excited with the return to pony club activities with their peers.

OTHER PONY CLUB ACTIVITIES

State Dressage & Showjumping Championships

- Postponed – Looking at an October date
- Qualification period will be extended accordingly.

At their July meeting, the Board will discuss the implications of the postponement and advise accordingly.

Zone/State Games/NPPG

- Cancelled but considering an alternative to games events later this year or early 2021 – *No further update*

State Certificate/Coaching Schools

- May resume
- **David Quick clinic** being considered in light of border restrictions, particularly in relation to Victoria

Club/Zone Committee Meetings

- Face to face meetings may resume whilst continuing to observe social distancing

2020/21 Membership

With the resumption of pony club activities, riders must be fully insured prior to mounting at their first rally/event. MyPony club is set up ready to receive 2020/21 memberships for each club.

To assist families through this difficult time, the Pony Club Tasmania Board will be offering an 'early bird' reduction in the State component of PC fees. They will also be absorbing the Pony Club Australia 2020/21 increase in affiliation fee. Members re-joining in the months of July and August will receive a \$20 discount on their State affiliation fee, paying \$80 instead of \$100. Members joining from September onwards, will pay the full \$100.

PCT have revised our comprehensive safety plan (attached) which all clubs must adhere to and all COVID-19 documentation is available on the PCT website at <http://www.ponyclubtas.com.au/COVID-19.aspx>

The Pony Club Tasmania Board is excited to be returning to pony club activities and we hope you are all keen to get back to what you love doing with your horses.