

**Newsletter**

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**Calendar**

**March**

10th-12th – Trials

17th - SZ Dressage & SJ

18th – WTPC Mini ODE 4-5

25th – PCT Board meeting

25th – CHPC Shield

**April**

7th – Dressage Championships

8th – Show Jumping Championships

15th – Kentish Open Gymkhana

29th IP- IPC Encouragement Cup

**May**

13th – Northern Zone Games

20th – North West Zone Games

20th – Southern Zone Games

**June**

3rd – State Games Championships.

PLEASE SEND ALL CALENDAR UPDATES TO [sec@pcat.org.au](mailto:sec@pcat.org.au)

For further Calendar items please visit [www.ponyclubtas.com.au](http://www.ponyclubtas.com.au)



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**Most news items get posted directly onto our website under LATEST NEWS so look up that section regularly, especially in busy PC times and keep an eye on the Calendar for forthcoming activities.**

**International Teams**

Pony Club Australia has announced the selected International Teams for 2018.

Congratulations to all the riders, coaches and managers, especially the 3 Tasmanian Riders who were successful.

Gerogia Pearce from Leven Pony Club (Showjumping in France, Matilda Scott from Midlands Pony Club (Polocrosse in the Uk) and PyperPage from Mersey Valley Pony Club (China Team-Gymkahana and Showjumping).

Also Congratulations to Carol Hobson who has been selected as the Coach of the the China Team-Gymkhana and Showjumping.

**State Trials Championships**

The Pony Club Tasmania State Trials Championships will be held on 10th, 11th and 12th March 2018 at the Tasmanian Pony & Riding Club grounds, Powranna.

Goodluck to all participating riders.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Riders must have you 2018 PCT membership card with you to present at trot up. Failure to do so will result in a non-refundable $50 fine.

**State Dressage & Showjumping Championships**

The schedule is now out and entries close on 20th March2018.

Visit this link for the schedule and entry forms;

<http://ponyclubtas.com.au/News/TasmanianNews/TabId/13014/ArtMID/24251/ArticleID/2169/Dressage-ShowJumping-Championship-Schedule-and-Entries.aspx>

DRESSAGE-Saturday 7th April 2018-8.30am

SHOW JUMPING-Sunday 8th April 2018-8.30am

Location: Tasmanian Equestrian Centre, Lauderdale

Conducted by: PCT Southern Zone

Technical Delegates: State: Mike Smith Zone: Andrew Gibson

**Handbook**

Our newly formatted Handbook has been emailed out to clubs. It looks great and has the added advantage of being able to search from the contents page. Just click on what you want in the contents and it will take you straight to the page. The ‘home’ icon on each page will take you back to the contents.

Please, if you come across anything that is contradictory, send me an email, as we’ve done our best to try to fix any anomalies, but being such a large document, its possible there may have been something overlooked. If we know, we can have it fixed. Happy Reading!

Version 2 of the Handbook is now available on the Pony Club Tasmania Website. Please make sure you have the latest version.

There have been some changes to the Games Section 9 since the handbook has been updated.

* A and B division only.
* A Team only to attend state games.
* No age grouping.
* Most capable riders make up the A team.
* Clubs to select teams.
* Clubs may enter an A and a B team or an A team only or a B team only.

This will be on a trial basis for a period of two years.

**WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK**

**A Reminder once you have completed/renewed your working with children check could you please send your number and the expiry date to Kyra Jackson** [sec@pcat.org.au](mailto:sec@pcat.org.au) **for inclusion on the state database, these will also need to go to your Zone AGM for inclusion on the minutes.**

If you have any queries, there are a number of fact sheets and guidelines available on the below mentioned website.

**For further information relating to the Check please contact:**

Phone: 1300 13 55 13

Fax: (03) 6233 8338

Email: workingwithchildren@justice.tas.gov.au

Mail: PO Box 56 Rosny Park TAS 7018

Web: www.justice.tas.gov.au/working\_with\_children

Please visit the below site for further information; http://ponyclubtas.com.au/News/TasmanianNews/TabId/13014/ArtMID/24251/ArticleID/2155/Working-with-Children-Information.aspx

**David Quick Clinic 2018**

**Save the Date**

Date: 4th & 5th August 2018.

Venue: Andrew Wilson’s Indoor, near Carrick.

**Coach and Panel List**

The Coaches and panel List have both been added to the coaches section of the new website. Could you please check that your details are correct and if there are any changes please email [sec@pcat.org.au](mailto:sec@pcat.org.au)

The information from these lists will soon be added to the database so it is imperative that all information is correct so that you are receiving all information.

2018 Games List

Bending, Ball and Racquet, Bottle, Canadian, Five Flag, Sock, Spillers, Stepping Stones, 5 mug, 3 Mug, 2 Flag, Wizards Castle, Hi-lo, Fishing, Ball and Bucket.

**Scoring Changes**

Please see below information regarding a change to the Dressage Coefficient. Please forward this information onto all scorers.

You may or may not be aware, but the Dressage Coefficient which is currently 1.5 is being removed from Jan 1 2018.

For example previously if a rider scored 70% in Dressage, it is taken from 100 = 30 x 1.5 = 45 Penalties. As from January 1 the penalties will be 30. This has the effect of reducing the influence of the Dressage phase on the final result.

Obviously your current scoring programs will need to be modified to accommodate this change as follows:

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within "add ins" in your program, select Setup / Event Setup / Setup Rules.

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EA\* to \*\*\*\* should be highlighted - Select Edit, within the pop up screen on the 3rd line down is the word Multiplier with a 1.5 in the adjacent box. Please change it to 1 and select "close" and click on Save on the Rules Setup page.

This process needs to be repeated for the next line down EA Ev105(PN) and below.



**National Fleet Discount**

At Mitsubishi Motors, we’re thrilled to jump on board as the official vehicle partner for Pony Club Australia for the next three years and we’d love to reward eligible members with an exclusive offer. If you’re a Pony Club member or affiliate member, we’d like to reward you with National Fleet Discount across the range of new Mitsubishi vehicles. National Fleet Discount delivers exclusive pricing normally only reserved for large organisations. Since 1917 Mitsubishi Motors has been at the forefront of technological innovation and our vehicles have been tested and triumphed in some of the most gruelling and toughest terrain on earth including the Dakar rally. As we continue to move forward, pushing the boundaries of innovation, you can rest assured your Mitsubishi has been built for the time of your life so that you can focus on riding. As the SUV Experts we know that towing your horse float is different to any other type of towing. So we have tested out the most popular tow cars in a horse towing test. See how the Pajero, Triton and Pajero Sport stack up and which SUV is right for your stable. Click here to access this offer, please download the application form from the PCT website and have it endorsed by PCT or your state office. For full offer terms and conditions, please contact your local Mitsubishi Motors dealer.

**Website**

Check it out at [www.ponyclubtas.com.au](http://www.ponyclubtas.com.au/)

All Calendar items are located on the front page if you scroll down there is a list in the yellow section. If you click on the events any entry forms, flyers or schedules will be available to view. You can also view the calendar by clicking on the News tab at the top and selecting Event Details and again if you click on the events any entry forms flyers or

schedules and results will be available to view. Please send new calendar events and updates to sec@pcat.org.au.

The Handbook is available under the Handbook tab at the front.

Most recent news items are on the front page, if you click on the arrow it will scroll across and you can also click on the item to get more information. News items are also available under the News tab and select Tasmanian News. Newsletters and National news are also available under the News tab.

All coaching information is located under the Coaching Tab along with the Syllabus of instruction and the current coaches listing and panel listing have been added under this tab

Any queries please contact Kyra Jackson sec@pcat.org.au

**Pony Club Tasmania Awards-Re-Opened**

Pony Club Tasmania has re-opened the award nominations. The winners of these awards will then nominated to Pony Club Australia for the National Awards. Each Zone needs to have their nomination in to [sec@pcat.org.au](mailto:sec@pcat.org.au) by Wednesday 21st March 2018. Each nomination will receive a certificate from Pony Club Tasmania.

**Nomination Process**

Nominations need to be called for at Club level and be approved by the Club Committee and then put forward to the Zone for approval before being submitted to [sec@pcat.org.au](mailto:sec@pcat.org.au) by Wednesday 21st March 2018.

Each nomination must be accompanied with information on why the nominee/s should be considered for the award. Each of the assessment criteria are equally weighted.

**Nominations are expected to be around one page in total.**

Nominations must be submitted electronically (via email) to[sec@pcat.org.au](mailto:sec@pcat.org.au).

Categories will be as follows;

Best achievement by a rider aged 17 -25 years

Pony Club alumnus

Coach of the year

Volunteer of the year

Club of the year

For more information visit;

<http://ponyclubtas.com.au/News/TasmanianNews/TabId/13014/ArtMID/24251/ArticleID/2153/PCT-Award-Nominations-Re-opened.aspx>

B Efficiency Certificates

Congratulations to Georgia Pearce of Leven Pony Club and Olivia Lawson of Tasmanian Pony & Riding Club on recently obtaining their B Efficiency Certificates.

**National Prince Phillip Mounted Games 2018**

Pony Club Victoria has generously offered to host the National Mounted Games competition from 4th -7th October 2018.

Stay Tuned for further information regarding nomination and selection details. Please note you must have you C Efficiency Certificate by selection day to nominate and be 12 years and under 16 years on the 1st January 2018.

**Insurance and Affiliation Reminder**

If payment & waiver/disclaimer are not received by 2nd of each month riders who have ridden in the month before have ridden un-insured and in the unlikely event that there is an insurance claim PCT/Gow Gates are not liable the club independently is accountable, also any rallies or ODE, dressage or SJ events attended cannot be count for state qualifiers. Please do not rely on the post by sending in the mail at the last minute as 2nd of each month is the cut off date.

**Insurance & affiliation** paid between 1st January & 30th June - $80, cover is until 31st December 2018. Paid between 1st July & 31st December - $40

**Trial rally levy** - $40 - covers three rallies only, after 3 rallies if they wish to attend pc they must pay club membership & balance of $40 for insurance/affiliation to PCT .½ fee applies from – 1st July – 31st December

**Day Membership** - $10 - $5 retained by club & $5 to be forward to PCT with 7 days of event.  Note day insurance is public liability only & does not cover rallies or O.D.E’s

To be covered for insurance riders must be a current member of a club.

**WAIVERS** must accompany insurance/affiliation re. Please do not take membership without waiver being supplied.  Riders are not insured without wavier. There are compulsory fields on the waiver form, could club officer bearers please ensure that these are all filled in – they are compulsory in the new data base.

To be fully covered 24/7 and at all events riders (both pony club & adult riders) must be a paid member of a club & insured & affiliation of $80 paid to PCT.

**NCAS coaches** are not insured for riding unless they have paid pony club insurance/affiliation & membership.

**DATA BASE**: when an email address is supplied a receipt is emailed automatically with riders details, membership no. and website for them to log in, they can these amend any of their details, add efficiency certificates, horses details ect & working with children certificate can also be added



Pony Club Tasmania has a Facebook page in which information is regularly posted.

<https://www.facebook.com/Pony-Club-Association-of-Tasmania-100243110034595/?ref=aymt_homepage_panel>

There is also a Facebook group for Current Pony Club coaches called Pony Club Tasmania Coaching where coaching information is regularly posted. Current coaches are encouraged to join this group.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/PCTcoaches/?ref=bookmarks>

Social media is a fantastic way that we build and connect the Pony Club community. Every word and image that you post sends a message about Pony Club. Pony Club has social media policies at the national, state and club level. Inappropriate posts may result in disciplinary action under the PCA Member Protection Policy, which includes the Code of Conduct.

So what is inappropriate?

* Negative comments about or images of a fellow member (could be bullying or harassment).
* Posts that breach confidentiality.
* Criticisms of office holders (could be bullying or harassment) or their decisions. This includes posts on your personal Facebook page. If you have an issue – take it up directly with them.

• Posts that breach anti-discrimination laws.

• Posts that are not factually accurate.

Please be mindful of the above when posting on Facebook.

**Scam Emails**

It has been reported that treasurers of some clubs are being sent requests for money from other clubs please under no circumstances accept these requests or follow their instructions.

Delete email and or report it.

Clubs please do not email or text other clubs for any sort of payment unless an invoice is raised and it follows your PC policy.

DO NOT TRANSFER MONEY ON AN EMAIL or TEXT REQUEST - these are scam emails.