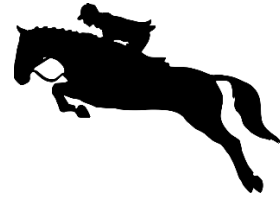


# Triple P Shows



## Present the **KZN INTER-SCHOOLS COMPETITION 2025**

**7th-9th March 2025**

2025 sees the 50<sup>th</sup> KZN Inter-schools Challenge. This prestigious event has been held in KZN at the Durban Shongweni Club since the 1970's !

This year's event has been re-awarded to Triple P Shows - we last held this show very successfully in 2021 and 2022 so we are very excited to host it again. It is not affiliated with SANESA and is run very much as a true school team event. It is open to high school pupils only. They may be graded as pony riders, juniors or adults, but must be in grade 8 or above.

Riders from each school form teams of 3 or 4, with the best 3 scores counting. Each school may enter more than one team, and teams for the different disciplines do not need to have the same riders or horses in them. If there are not enough riders at one school, this school can combine with another school in the same situation, to form a joint team. You may join with different schools in the different disciplines, but not more than one joint team per school in each discipline. (ie. you may not combine school A with school B and school A with school C in the same discipline, but you may do so in a different discipline). A rider may only compete once for their school in each discipline (i.e. if they have two horses they may not ride both, either in the same or different teams in the same discipline). They may ride different horses for their team in a different discipline.

All riders and horses must be registered with SAEF.

All Show Jumping riders must be registered with SA Show Jumping for 2025 (if they are competing in the jumping classes).

If a rider is not registered with SAEQA (equitation SA) they may pay a temporary membership (R50)

All dressage will be run unaffiliated. ie riders do not need to belong to DSA, but if graded riders want grading points, they must pay the extra levy per class and they can then earn grading points dependant on their score

The show will run with the following format :

Friday 7th March:

Dressage: warm up classes (not compulsory) followed by the team event..

Equitation classes (affiliated to SAEQA). One equitation class per rider.

Saturday 8th March:

Individual show jumping (affiliated to SASJ) for all ages and grades, including the Junior Open 1.30/1.35m class. The winner of which will be presented with the Atholl McLeod Memorial Floating trophy. This trophy has many names of past winners on it, some of whom have gone on to compete at top level both in South Africa and internationally, so it's a wonderful trophy to compete for.

Sunday 9th March:

Schools Team Parade – this is a very prestigious event where each school sends one team (consisting of any 3 or 4 rider/horse combinations who have taken part in any of the team events at the show) into a “turnout” competition. Each school team requires a chef d'équipe who is traditionally (but doesn't have to be) a past pupil of the school who is/was involved in equestrian sport. The teams are judged by a panel of experts who examine the turnout of the riders and horses, condition of the horses and their saddlery. The winning school is presented with the A.C.Smith Rose Bowl – a beautiful trophy that has been presented for decades.

After the Team parade and prize giving, the Team Show Jumping will commence. This class is held over a duplicate course of jumps – a lower course (85/90cm) and higher course (1.10m) – riders who are currently competing at 1m or lower jump the 85/90cm jumps, and those who compete at 1.10m or higher jump the higher course. Each school team can consist of all lower grade entries, all higher grade, or a mixture of both. Riders in the teams have to have competed in at least one of the individual classes on the Saturday to be eligible for the team. The top 3 scores from each team count, and in the event of equality of scores after the first round, 2 horses are nominated per team to do a jump off round against the clock, to ascertain the overall winning team. We have Brett Webber (an internationally qualified course designer) coming down from Gauteng to design the courses – he has built for this event a few times in the past so we are very excited to secure him again.

Traditionally each school sets up a gazebo along the side of the arena on the Sunday, and all supporters gather there to support their teams, share meals and drinks and create real team spirit.

This event requires early organisation from the schools, as it takes place in the first term to – so schools need to arrange teams for all the classes well in advance, and ensure that their riders are entered. For those schools who are new to this, usually the equestrian captain or a responsible grade 12 or 11 rider is elected at the school to help with all of this. Teachers are most welcome to get involved, both in the planning, and support on the day, and we hope to see many headmasters and headmistresses, school friends, teachers, and sports coaches at the event on the Sunday.

I hope I have covered all the important information required. For any extra details or advice regarding teams and the turnout parade, please do not hesitate to contact me – either via what's app 0826531511, or email [triplepshows001@gmail.com](mailto:triplepshows001@gmail.com).

We look forward to having teams from many schools participating this year. Entries will only be sent out and put on the relevant websites during early February, so keep a look out for them.

Yours sincerely,

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Pictured here are St Anne's - winners of the A.C. Smith Rose Bowl for the KZN Interschools 2022 team turnout.