



URGENT NOTICE

Calling All Pony Riders - Jumping
GAUTENG

S.A. PONY RIDERS CHAMPIONSHIPS 2014 - (JUMPING)

(Hosted in Gauteng)

SELECTION CRITERIA

JUMPING

SELECTION PANEL

1. Chad Cunningham
2. Yvonne Bolton
3. Kate Launder

CONVENOR

Mariette van Jaarsveld

- Teams will be announced on the 23rd May 2014

It is an honour and privilege to be selected for a Provincial Team, and riders chosen will be expected to participate in ALL team functions, including training sessions, cocktail parties, parades, etc. basically anything that the Chef de Equipe deems necessary.

The Chef de Equipe has the final say over the team riders and the selection of the final 4, after the proceeding classes (**at the SA Pony Riders Championships**) which all would have competed in.

Good sportsmanship is expected at all times as well as courtesy shown to fellow members and opposition teams. If a rider and horse combination accepts their Team Selection, they are expected to treat it as their first priority over any other shows/classes that they may wish to compete in.

SELECTION SHOWS

To select a Team of “on form” combinations as at the time of the show. Performances of all relevant combinations will be monitored at the shows prior to selection.

1. *New Year's Festival*
2. *KEP Valentine Show*
3. *KEP Classic*
4. *Maple Ridge – Presidents Cup*
5. *Easter Show*
6. *Pony Rider / JNR Derby*

- Points will be awarded to the top 10 finishers in each competition, i.e.: riders are awarded points based on the results in a class and the top 10 riders will be allocated such points.
- Priorities would be on the main classes i.e.: Grand Prix, Championships, Two round Competitions
- It would not only be based on points.
- **Performance, consistency** would also be used
- Good treatment of pony.
- Points will be weighted higher closer to selection dates to ensure best of form.
- Pony must have a history of being sound.

ANALYSIS OF RECORDS

Once again priority must be given to the most recent performances,

- Number of "Selection Points gained at Selection Shows"
- Number of "Clear Rounds"
- "Total Penalties" and for what. Knocking will precede stops in the event of equality. Recurring problems, i.e. water obstacles, combinations, napping, etc. will be noted.

PLEASE NOTE THAT INTER SCHOOL COMPETITIONS WILL NOT BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION

FINAL SELECTION

Should a team of riders not be obvious after the above process, the following will be taken into account.

- Experience of rider
- Length of partnership of pony and rider
- Soundness of pony (random veterinary inspections may be conducted from time to time, inclusive of dope testing)
- Any disciplinary action of letter of warning that may have been issued to the rider.

SELECTORS DECISION

The selectors have full discretion to choose the team which, in their opinion, is most likely to win. The selector's decision is final, It may be based on rider temperament by vote, if in a previous team, the commitment and team spirit shown. However it is made it will be subjective.