



NZPCA ONE-DAY EVENT RIDER NOTES

Welcome to the Flaxmere Pony Club ODE 2025. Below are notes to help you plan and enjoy your day.

Please familiarise yourself and/or rider with the following documents:

[ESNZ Rules for Eventing](#)
[NZPCA General Regulations](#)
[Helmet Standards and Tagging Policy](#)
[NZPCA Body Protector Policy](#)
[First Start Riding Regulations](#)
[NZPCA Eventing GSI checklist](#)

- Back numbers can be collected from the office. **You must provide your own back number holder**
- DOGS are allowed but MUST be on a lead at all times, and poo picked up
- No motorbikes allowed. Only committee ATV's etc are allowed on the competition grounds
- No parking on upper level (unless you have booked a powered site. However, vehicles and floats must not hinder cross country course)
- Horses to be in wooden yards only, please only use your allocated yard. You must book and pay to use a yard. Yards are available on the day for \$12 (please bring correct cash to the office to book a yard)
- Please take all rubbish with you
- The Health and Safety summary will be available on the office window and at gear check
- Hay, poo etc MUST be picked up from yards and beside floats and trucks and disposed of in muck bins provided. Leave your yards clean and tidy
- Horses/ponies must wear an ID tag when in yards, tied up, grazing, hacking. It must have the horse's name, rider name and phone number, e.g. metal engraved disc or cattle tag, OR the draw number can be used. When schooled or competed, the horse must be identified by a bridle number, saddle

blanket number or ID tag. Rider back numbers **MUST** be worn at all times when schooling and competing

- As this is a Pony Club event, there are **COMPULSORY GEAR SAFETY CHECKS**. It is your responsibility to know the rules, dress code and legal equipment e.g. you can be asked to show your bit to an official after your dressage test, so please check the [ESNZ Rules and Regulations](#) 1 August 2025 version 9. A copy will be in the office and at gear check station. If you're concerned or have questions, our officials are available to advise
- GEAR CHECKS REQUIRED - classes 1, 2 and 3 (105 and 95) before cross country only, classes 4-11 (50, 65, 80) before **ALL** phases (dressage, showjumping and cross country). The gear check tent will be in front of the Dalvui Pavilion. **DO NOT MISS A GEAR CHECK AS YOU WILL BE ELIMINATED**
- FALLS - any rider who falls during any test (dressage, showjumping or cross country, and when warming up) on the competition site or while competing **MUST** be checked by the medics before competing in the next test, or on another horse, or leaving the grounds. Failure to do so may result in a fine or an official warning card
- Dangerous riding will not be tolerated
- Abuse of horse/pony will not be tolerated
- Let the office know if you are available for cross country fence judging, if you have not been contacted prior to the event.
Saturday cross country briefing (for 50 cross country) will be at 11.45am in Dalvui Pavilion
Sunday cross country briefing (for 65, 80, 95, 105) will be at 7.45am in the Dalvui Pavilion

OTHER USEFUL INFORMATION

- 50 cross country will be open for walking at midday on Friday. 65-105 cross country course will be open for walking on Saturday morning
- Farrier and vet on-call Saturday, on-site Sunday; contact office for details. Any horse that falls in cross country **MUST** be checked by vet before leaving the grounds
- Plaiting preferred for dressage and showjumping
- Dress – jackets or pony club uniform for dressage and show jumping. Gloves must be worn for dressage or you may incur a 2-point penalty. Cross country colours allowed, long sleeves recommended (Article 655)
- NZPCA approved and tagged hard hats **MUST** be worn at all times while mounted—**HELMETS MUST BE YELLOW-TAGGED AS PER REGULATIONS FROM 1st AUGUST 2025**. [Helmet Standards and Tagging Policy](#). Helmet must be properly fitting, securely fastened and correctly maintained. Tags available at gear check (for competitors only)
- NZPCA approved and tagged back protectors **MUST** be worn for cross country [NZPCA Body Protector Policy](#) . Can be worn for other phases. Back protector must meet one of the following standards -

BETA Level 3 2009 or newer, ASTM F1937. If a rider wears an airbag style body protector, it must be worn over a permitted body protector. Tags available at gear check (for competitors only)

- Dressage tests for 50, 65 and 80 can be called, but not for 95 and 105

CLASSES 1-8 (65-105) specific rules:

Please refer to [ESNZ Rules for Eventing](#) and [NZPCA Eventing GSI checklist](#)

- Whips – no whips allowed for dressage phase. Whips allowed for show jumping and cross country but must meet regulations set out in NZPCA – Eventing Gear Safety Inspection Checklist
- Spurs optional for all phases but must meet regulations set out in NZPCA – Eventing Gear Safety Inspection Checklist
- For mount regulations please refer to NZPCA – Eventing Gear Safety Inspection Checklist

CLASSES 9-11 (First Start 50) specific rules:

Please refer to [First Start Riding Regulations](#) and Tips and Tricks document for other useful information

- Hawthorne Coffee will be set up in Dalvui Pavilion for your coffee fix, and the BBQ stall will be open both days (cash only for both)
- Official photographers are KAMPIC and Alex Naera Photography

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TIMETABLE - as per timetable sheet

PRIZEGIVING - both prizegivings will be held 30 minutes after the last class results have been posted. Placegetters please come to prizegiving in dressage attire, including helmet. You will need to be at prizegiving to receive your prize, or have a representative present. We will not post out any prizes.

Thank you for supporting this event and we hope you have an enjoyable day out with your equine friend/s. If you have any further questions, please email ode@flaxmerepc.org or talk to one of our friendly club members on the day

Flaxmere Pony Club ODE Committee

TIME TABLE FOR Flaxmere Pony Club ODE and First Start 2025 Sponsored by Avram Deitch

Saturday												Sunday	
	Dalvui	Dressage Arena 1	Dressage Arena 2	Dressage Arena 3	Dressage Arena 4	Dressage Arena 5	Cross Country Course	Show Jumping Ring 1	Show Jumping Ring 2	Dalvui	Cross Country Course		
7:30	Gear Check opens 7:30am Coffee/BBQ opens 8am									Gear Check opens 7:30am XC Briefing 7:45am Coffee/BBQ opens 8am	1 - NZPCA105		
8:00		1 - NZPCA105	4 - NZPCA80 18 & Over	5B - NZPCA80 14 & Under	Classes: 6; 7 - NZPCA65	Classes: 9; 10; 11 FirstStart50							
8:30		Classes: 2; 3 - NZPCA95				8 - NZPCA65 - 12 & Und							
9:00	XC Briefing for FirstStart 11:45am		5A - NZPCA80 15 - 17					1 - NZPCA105 Course Change	Classes: 9; 10; 11	Gear Check closes 15 min prior to last XC rider	Classes: 4; 5A; 5B		
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