

**Manawatu Pony Club Show Hunter Team
Championship**

**Hosted by Manawatu Pony Club
Foxton Racecourse, Foxton
26th-28th September 2025**



Class 1 Category A pony

Class 2 Category B pony

Class 3 Category C Pony

Class 4 Hacks

Entry Fee: flat fee of \$90 per rider. This includes class fees, camping, yards for Friday & Saturday night (extra night \$15/pony/night).

Friday afternoon- practice rounds/team introductions/activities

Saturday- 2 conventional rounds, 1 handy hunter

Sunday- 1 conventional round, 1 equitation (not counted towards overall individual points), prize giving

Each Team made up of 8 riders, 2 for each category, each rider completing 3 conventional show hunter rounds, a handy hunter and an equitation.

If an area has more than the maximum number of draft riders, enter them as a team and we will try to add draft riders to make a full team.

Numbers are limited, please enter early to avoid disappointment.

Payments made to MPC SH account 03 0626 0592909 002

All enquiries to info.mpcsh@gmail.com or 0210652123.

Limited hay is available from an outside contractor, orders to Nick 0272653165.

For regular updates follow Manawatu Show Hunter Champs on Facebook.

Entries and cut off for hay close 20th September at 6pm unless stated otherwise on the Facebook page.

MPCSH Championship Rules

- The aim of this event is to encourage Pony Club riders to compete in Show Hunter in a relaxed, fun, friendly and encouraging environment while experiencing a Championship atmosphere.
- A team is made up of 8 club riders. 2x Cat A, 2x Cat B, 2x Cat C and 2x Hacks. All riders must be a financial member of NZPCA and fulfilled the minimum working rally requirement.
- Where a club are unable to field a team of 8, they can apply for draft riders. Where a team cannot field a team of 8 and no draft rider is available a default score of 40 will be allocated.
- Rider and Mount Eligibility: There is no height restrictions on ponies in each category but striding is based on A 10ft, B 10.6ft, C 11ft and Hack 12ft. Hacks must compete in the hack ring. Max jump heights Cat A 60cm, Cat B 70cm, Cat C 80cm and Hack 90cm.
- All Rider ages are taken at the first day of competition. To ride in each Category you must be: Cat A – under 15yrs
Cat B – under 17yrs Cat C under 21yrs Hacks under 25yrs.
- All mounts must be over 4yrs old. No stallions. One mount per rider
- Competition Form: Event Consists of 5 SH rounds including

one equitation run over three days. Day 1 - practice rounds, every pair gets 10mins in the ring with their one coach. Day 2 - 3 rounds, Day 3 - two rounds and prize giving.

Event will be run accordance with the following regulations-

NZPCA Fair Play Charter

NZPCA Code of Conduct

NZPCA General Regulations

NZPCA Health & Safety Programme

ESNZ Show Hunter Rules

- Scoring: Team Event: All 5 rounds contribute to the final team score. Each team may drop their lowest score per round. Final placings will be awarded to the overall top 6 teams.

- Individual competition: All four SH round scores are totalled to gain each individual final score. (Not equitation) Placings are awarded to the top 6 in each round in each category and the top 6 overall in each category.

- Pairs: The scores of both riders from the same team in that category will go towards the pairs combined score. Placings are awarded to the top 6 pairs in each category for each SH round and overall in each category. Equitation is not included in pairs.

- Equitation Competition: Placings are awarded to the top 6 riders in each category.

Ties: in the event of a tie, the head judge will make the call judged on the judges sheets.

Other prizes:

- Pony Breeders- Top scoring pony registered with the pony breeders association

Morgan Horse -Top scoring horse registered with the Morgan Horse Association

McLeay Trophy – Top scoring Manawatu Rider
Philippa Bell Trophy- Overall Highest scoring Pair
The Tawa Trophy- Highest scoring first time rider

- Any riders who wish to bring horses for purposes other than this event must contact the event secretary for booking purposes.

- Drafts: If a club has extra eligible riders who did not make the team then they may be put forward as draft riders. Max 2 drafts per club. They are to be entered with your team entries and listed as a draft as well as being emailed to the secretary by the event close date. Drafts where possible will be allocated teams by the committee at least 24hrs prior to practice rounds. Once allocated they cannot be called back to their team without a vet or medical cert. If a draft rider is not able to be placed in a team, they may compete as an individual and be eligible for individual and equitation awards.