



Wanganui Hunter Derby



Kick off your show weekend with this budget-friendly, stand-alone event celebrating true grassroots competition!

SCHEDULE



Friday 7th November 2025

Wanganui Racecourse – Enter via Anson Street

Start time: 12:00pm

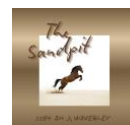
Strictly no horses/vehicles on course until 10am



Contact: wanganuihunterderby@gmail.com

Hunter Derby Rules & Conditions

1. The Derby is judged on Jumping, Manners, Conformation & Type, and Way of Going
2. It is judged in two phases:
 - a. Phase One (Jumping)
 - b. Phase Two (Flat Section)
3. There is no restriction on gear, except that bitless bridles and draw reins (running reins, market harboroughs) are forbidden. Boots may be worn for jumping but are not permitted in Phase Two
4. Whips must not to exceed 75cm
5. No gear changes are permitted between phases except for boots being removed before Phase Two
6. The course will include a water jump/Liverpool; there is no time limit, to be run at hunting pace
7. Any horse/pony eliminated in Phase One will not continue to Phase Two. A fall is automatic elimination
8. Marking:
 - a. Jumping 100, Style & Manners 20, Manners & Way of Going 15, Conformation & Type 15 = Total 150
 - b. Penalties: Knock Down 10, First Refusal 15, Second Refusal 20, Third Refusal = Elimination
 - c. Tie Breaker: Manners Mark, then Conformation Mark
9. The Judge's decision is final



Event Information

- This event is an independent competition and is not run under the ESNZ or RAS umbrella
- As such, all competitors, owners, handlers and supporters participate/attend entirely at their own risk. No medic/ambulance will be on site for this event, only first aiders. The Wanganui Hunter Derby accepts no responsibility or liability for any accident, injury, illness, loss, or damage to any person, horse, or property, however caused, before, during, or after the event
- Entries are via Evo Events with payments using Poli. Contact the secretary for other arrangements.
- Entries close Tuesday 4th Nov 2025
- Late entries will be accepted, subject to space, and will incur a 50% surcharge on the normal entry fee
- All classes will run in draw order
- Late entries, scratchings, and class changes must be submitted via Evo Events by 7:00pm Thursday 6th Nov 2025
- Refunds:
 - 75% will be refunded if notified via Evo Events by 7:00pm Tues 4th Nov 2025
 - Refunds from this time until 7.00pm Thurs 6th Nov 2025 will incur a 50% deduction
 - No refunds will be issued after 7.00pm Thurs 6th Nov 2025
- Late entries ride first in draw classes
- Gates will open at 10am for competitors. Strictly no horses/vehicles onsite prior to this time
- Yarding is not available for the Hunter Derby event. However, participants staying on for the Wanganui A&P Show may book stabling/yarding through their A&P Show entry
- Prize money will be paid in cash on the day
- Prize money and prizes not issued in the ring must be collected from the secretary's office asap
- Parking: The clearways allow for competitor/spectator/emergency and staff access. All designated clearways marked by cones or signs are to be kept free of parked vehicles during the running of the show
- Dogs are welcome but must be on a lead at all times. There will be a \$50 fine for any dog that is not on a lead. No dogs are to be taken near the stables or yarding area
- All hay and manure must be raked up and dumped in designated locations or taken offsite
- Any updates will be posted on the Wanganui Hunter Derby Facebook page
- General queries to Wanganui Hunter Derby secretary at wanganuihunterderby@gmail.com



Classes, Fees and Prize Money

Class No.	Class	Entry Fee	Prize Money and Prizes
	Administration Fee Per Horse	\$5	
100	Horse Introductory 70 cm	\$10	Ribbons only
101	The Sandpit Waverley Horse 80–90 cm	\$15	\$50 / \$30 / \$20 (plus a voucher)
102	The Pryde's Horse Championship 1.00–1.10 m	\$20	\$130 & rug & feed / \$100 & feed / \$50
200	Pony Introductory 60 cm	\$10	Ribbons only
201	The Sandpit Waverley Pony 70–80 cm	\$12	\$40 / \$30 / \$20 (plus a voucher)
202	The Pryde's Pony Championship 85–95 cm	\$18	\$75 & rug & feed / \$50 & feed / \$30

Rider Declaration

By entering, riders acknowledge and accept that equestrian sports carry inherent risk. Riders compete at their own risk and agree to comply with all event rules and officials' directions. The organisers, landowners, and officials accept no liability for any injury, loss, or damage to people, animals, or property. Horses must be sound, fit, and suitably presented for competition. Riders consent to receiving medical treatment in the event of illness or injuries suffered during or immediately after the Event

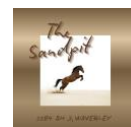
Health & Safety Policy

The **Wanganui Hunter Derby** is dedicated to running a safe, well-managed, and enjoyable event for everyone involved — riders, officials, volunteers, and spectators alike.

- Every reasonable measure will be taken to protect people, horses, and property throughout the event. In particular, we aim to:
 - Maintain a safe venue, sound equipment, and appropriate materials
 - Identify and manage risks using the principles of **eliminate, isolate, or minimise**
 - Promote safe procedures and good practice across all areas of the event
 - Meet all obligations under New Zealand health and safety laws, regulations, and recognised codes of practice

Although the organisers will oversee health and safety planning and coordination, **everyone on site shares responsibility** for ensuring the safety of themselves and others.

Competitors must act with care, follow official instructions, and ride with consideration for their own wellbeing and that of their horse



General Safety Guidelines

- Riders must wear yellow tagged safety helmets and suitable footwear whenever mounted
- Horses are to be handled and ridden in a calm and responsible manner
- Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times and are not permitted near yards and stable
- Smoking/vaping is prohibited near stables, yards, and arenas
- Children must remain under adult supervision
- The emergency assembly point is located at the Anson St gate
- **First Aiders** will be in attendance; however, **no on-site medical professionals or ambulances** are provided

Unsafe conduct or disregard for the directions of event officials may result in removal from the venue

Accidents and Medical Checks

- If a rider experiences a fall — whether in the competition ring, practice arena, or anywhere on the grounds — safety takes priority over competition.
 - **Stop and assess immediately.** The fall must be promptly reported to the nearest event official or first aider
 - **Medical assessment required.** The rider must be checked by the event's first aider before remounting or taking part in any further competition
 - **When to withdraw:**
 - If a rider shows any signs of concussion, dizziness, confusion, or physical injury, they **must withdraw** from all further competition for the day.
 - If there is any uncertainty about the rider's condition, they should err on the side of caution and **withdraw until cleared by a medical professional.**
 - Event officials may also **direct a withdrawal** where they consider it unsafe for the rider to continue.
 - **Horse welfare.**
 - The **rider is responsible** for assessing the condition of their horse after a fall. If the horse appears lame, distressed, or injured in any way, the rider must **withdraw immediately** and, if necessary, **contact a veterinarian** to assess the horse before any further work or transport.
- Rider and horse safety always come before competition results.
- If a first aider cannot be located, please **call 021 479 126** for further instructions

By submitting an entry, every competitor confirms they have read, understood, and accepted

this Schedule and Health & Safety Policy, and agree to comply with its requirements at all times



Our Generous Sponsors and Volunteers

The **Wanganui Hunter Derby** extends its heartfelt thanks to all those who have supported this event — our generous **sponsors** and our dedicated **volunteers**.

Your time, commitment, and generosity make it possible to deliver a safe, enjoyable, and well-organised competition for riders and spectators alike.

We sincerely appreciate the contribution of the local businesses listed below and those individuals who provide prizes, products, and services, as well as the many volunteers who assist with course setup, judging, marshalling, and event coordination.

We encourage all participants to take a moment to **thank our sponsors** and volunteers, and where possible, to **support them by choosing their products and services in the future**.

Your ongoing support helps ensure the continued success of the Wanganui Hunter Derby — thank you for being part of it.

