



# NORTH ISLAND SECONDARY SCHOOLS SHOW HUNTER CARNIVAL 2026

**Sunday 10th May**  
**St Peter's School, Cambridge**  
**1716 Cambridge Road, Cambridge**

**Secondary School Section: Years 9-13**  
**Intermediate School Section: Years 7-8**

**Entries Close: Friday 1st May 2026**  
**Enter Online: [www.evoevents.co.nz](http://www.evoevents.co.nz)**  
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## **Welcome to the North Island Secondary Schools Show Hunter Carnival 2026, hosted St Peter's School Cambridge.**

Please read the general conditions before you enter. It is each competitor's responsibility to know the rules and conditions of the event. Registration with ESNZ/NZPCA is not required. Competitors may enter a maximum of three classes per horse entered.

### **Special Conditions**

This event is governed by the ESNZ General Regulations and the relevant policies and codes and where applicable, discipline sport rules and bylaws. All of these can be accessed via the Equestrian Sports New Zealand Website: [www.nzequestrian.org.nz](http://www.nzequestrian.org.nz)

**Disclaimer of Liability:** Neither the organisers of the event nor ESNZ nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, vehicles, their contents and accessories or any other personal property whatsoever whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any other way.

The Event Organisers may, at their absolute discretion, decline to receive any entry, or return any fee without being required to give any reason or being liable for any compensation. The Event Organisers reserve the right: to cancel any class or event, to divide any class, to alter advertised times, to transfer competitors between sections of competition.

All riders must have an adult on the grounds who is responsible for them. The ratio of riders to adults in each school team must not exceed 4:1 at any time. It is the responsibility of the school to ensure this is adhered to. To assist with running the show all schools will be allocated duties. We will attempt to keep this as fair as possible given the variety in team sizes. Please ensure that you have enough adult supporters to attend to these duties as they may not be able to be scheduled around your competition times.

In the unlikely event cancellation should be required, an email will be sent to all entrants. This will also be posted on the St Peter's Equestrian Facebook page.

All classes will run in draw order.

# Event Programme

| Pony Classes - 11ft Stride |                 |       | Hack Classes - 12ft Stride |                 |       |
|----------------------------|-----------------|-------|----------------------------|-----------------|-------|
| Class 1                    | Pony Hunter     | 50cm  | Class 10                   | Hack Hunter     | 50cm  |
| Class 2                    | Pony Hunter     | 60cm  | Class 11                   | Hack Hunter     | 60cm  |
| Class 3                    | Pony Equitation | 60cm  | Class 12                   | Hack Equitation | 60cm  |
| Class 4                    | Pony Hunter     | 70cm  | Class 13                   | Hack Hunter     | 70cm  |
| Class 5                    | Pony Hunter     | 80cm  | Class 14                   | Hack Hunter     | 80cm  |
| Class 6                    | Pony Equitation | 80cm  | Class 15                   | Hack Equitation | 80cm  |
| Class 7                    | Pony Hunter     | 90cm  | Class 16                   | Hack Hunter     | 90cm  |
| Class 8                    | Pony Equitation | 90cm  | Class 17                   | Hack Equitation | 90cm  |
| Class 9                    | Pony Hunter     | 1.00m | Class 18                   | Hack Hunter     | 1.00m |
|                            |                 |       | Class 19                   | Hack Hunter     | 1.10m |

Riders can enter up to three classes at any height. To gain maximum points, three classes must be entered, and one of these must be an equitation class. Points for overall team championships are taken from two hunter classes and one equitation class.

Equitation classes are judged on the rider's style and ability and not the horse's jumping ability. The round must still be as smooth and seamless as possible. Courses are usually more technical and test the rider's aptitude for adjustment and schooling and self-discipline. This class is judged solely on you, the rider, and your ability to accurately follow course plans and the course designer's instructions.

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# Fees

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| Entry Fee (includes class fee, ground fee, and admin fee) | \$85 per Horse                   |
| EvoEvents Online Booking Fee                              | \$1.65 per Class                 |
| Overnight Yard Fee (Saturday Night)                       | \$20 per Yard                    |
| Overnight Stable Fee (Saturday Night)                     | \$30 per stable - four available |
| Overnight Camping Fee (Saturday Night)                    | \$15 per Vehicle                 |
| Late Entry Fee (2nd-6th May)                              | \$20 per Rider                   |

## Eligibility and Entries

### Eligibility

A student eligible to compete in National and Island secondary school events must:

- Be enrolled as a bona fide (year 7 or above) student at the school of representation and studying at least 80% of a programme that is part of the timetable provided in the school for at least four weeks immediately prior to the event.
- Be under 19 years of age at the first of January in the year of the competition unless specified otherwise for a particular competition.
- Please see the full eligibility guidelines at the following link:
- <https://www.schoolsportnz.org.nz/Sport-1/Events/eligibility-regulations-1>

### Entries

- All schools should enter their students in teams of up to four members. Year 7 and 8 students are entered as individuals, by entering a separate team with their year 7 and 8 riders. Entries must be completed by the team manager. Please ensure your school and year level are entered in your My Account on EvoEvents. A school contact email must be supplied by all entrants to confirm that they are endorsed by the school.
- If a rider has two or more horses, then each is treated as a separate combination for point scoring.
- If a rider enters three horses, the third horse must be entered in a separate team.
- If schools do not have a full team, names can be submitted to be considered for composite teams (please see composite teams on the next page).
- Entries are online via EvoEvents, and payments made via Bank Account. By entering online, you are making an agreement with the Event Organisers and all fees are due. Entries not fully paid at the time of entry will not be accepted, they will be held until payment is received and then accepted into the event providing they are paid before close of entries and if numbers permit. Late entries will incur a \$20 fee.

### Entry Bank Account:

- St Peter's School Trust Board 03-1568-0452055-25
- Ref: NISH Cup and School Name

### Scratchings

- All scratchings are to be notified immediately via EvoEvents.
- Refunds: riders scratching from the event up to date of close of entries will be entitled to a 100% refund, less EvoEvents Online Booking Fee.
- Riders scratching from the event up to 24 hours before the start of competition will be entitled to an 80% refund, less EvoEvents Online Booking Fee, on presentation of a medical or veterinary certificate. Riders who cannot supply a veterinary or medical certificate will not be entitled to a refund.

## **Teams, Prizes and Points**

### **Teams**

- Teams are to be made up of between three and four riders, in year 9-13, from one school. Each rider can enter three classes.
- Team managers are to email the secretary with their team members and team names.
- Each school may enter one team. Acceptance of a second team and further teams will be decided at the close of entries; this is dependent on rider numbers. The team manager will be notified.
- Year 7 and 8 students compete as individuals in their classes and are not part of secondary school teams.
- Team Dress: School team uniform
- All teams must be available for allocated duties.

### **Composite Teams**

- If a school does not have enough riders to form a team (3 or 4 riders), names can be submitted to be considered for composite teams. Composite teams will be formed by the Event Organisers, in consultation with School Sport New Zealand.

### **Prizes**

- Individual Class Placings: Ribbons 1st - 4th
- NISS Show Hunter Carnival Teams Championship: St Peter's Show Hunter Cup Trophy for the winning team. and ribbons for each rider in the teams placed 1st to 4th

### **Class Placings**

- Individual class ribbons will be awarded for 1st to 4th place in each class.
- Years 7-13 are eligible for individual class ribbons.

### **Points for Team Championship**

- Points are allocated for the first ten individual placings for each class. 1st place = 10 points, through to 10th place = 1 point.
- Points are taken from two hunter classes and one equitation class.
- The team with the highest points, added up from all team members, will be the winner. In the case of a tie, the team with the highest scores out of one hundred in each of their classes will be placed higher. In the case of a further tie, the team who has the rider competing in the highest level class will be the winner.

## General

### Prizegiving

Individual class ribbons will be presented at the conclusion of each class in the ring. Please be mounted and correctly attired and ready to enter the ring at the conclusion of your class.

There will be a prizegiving for the overall team placings at the conclusion of the day, which will be unmounted with riders in correct attire. Please respect the hard work of the Event Organisers and sponsors and be present to collect your team ribbon, trophy and prizes.

### Yards and Parking

Please enter the ground through the bottom entrance, and park in the large grass area. Overnight yards and stables are available - please request these at the time of entry. It will not be possible to provide yards for anyone who has not been booked in. All yards must be left clean of manure and hay. Wheelbarrows and scoops are provided. Skip bins are located by the arena and down at the bottom yards by the barn. No paddocks are available. The bottom yards will be allocated to those needing yards. The top yards are reserved for St Peter's boarding students only.

### Camping

Overnight camping is available on site in your vehicle; please request this at time of entry. If you are staying overnight on Saturday, please arrive after 3pm and before 6pm. If you wish to arrive outside of these times, please notify the event secretary. The camping area is the equestrian area only, the rest of the school is out of bounds.

### Arenas

Riders are not permitted to ride inside or around the arenas from Saturday 3pm. Those arriving on Sunday are welcome to ride in the warm up area, or on the grass.

### Dogs

Dogs are permitted but must always be on a lead and are not allowed near competition areas or yards.

### Facility Rules

- When riders are on their horses, safety approved tagged helmets must be worn, that meet the current ESNZ/NZPCA standards.
- Only competing horses are to be on the grounds.
- We endorse the Change the Rein campaign.
- Please ensure you pick up all manure in the yards and on the arenas. Skip bins for this are on site.

We look forward to you enjoying our Facilities at St Peter's School  
Please be respectful, clean and tidy