

COLLIER TROPHY
Rules and Conditions of Entry
(Updated 2026)

Collier Trophy is a Teams One Day Event competition.

It was started by the Springston Pony Club and initially was for branches from the Christchurch Club. Later it was extended to all branches/clubs of Canterbury Area. In 2019 it was agreed that branches of Christchurch Pony Club would host the event in rotation.

Guardians:

Springston Pony Club has appointed three Guardians to ensure Collier Trophy remains the competition intended by the original sponsor and to provide support to the Organising Committees.

Guardians may be replaced at the discretion of the Springston Club Committee. Any change will be immediately notified to Canterbury Region Pony Club

The current Guardians are:

- Sharon Mehlhopt melwood@xtra.co.nz
- Christine Lewis Christine.Lewis999@gmail.com
- Shirley Smith 1311shirelysmith@gmail.com

Running of the Event:

1. From 2026 the event will be organised under Canterbury Region Pony Club by the Canterbury Clubs who sit on the South side of the Waimakariri River on a rotational basis with Springston Pony Club being the annual convenors. The Guardians will work with Canterbury Region Pony Club to ensure this is distributed fairly.
2. The venue should be central and agreed to by the host/s and the Guardians (2017).
3. The number of teams to participate will be determined by the hosting club, in conjunction with the Technical Delegate for the event
4. This event is open to all Canterbury Region Pony Clubs. Clubs may enter multiple teams, however, should there be an excess of teams those clubs with multiple teams will enter a ballot for the second and subsequent teams until the maximum number is reached.

5. The competition will be held on the last Sunday in the month of May, or at an alternative date agreed to by the Guardians.

Rules:

1. This is a Teams Eventing Competition of three phases – Dressage, Cross-Country and Show Jumping, (Cross-Country and Show Jumping may not be in order). The competition is open to all Canterbury Region Pony Clubs. The Event is run under current ESNZ and NZPCA Eventing Rules except for those specified below.

2. The age of the competitors is at 1st August (August 2025)

3. That the Classes and Jump Heights will be as follows:

Class 1	16 years and under	NZPCA 80cm
Class 2	14 years and under	NZPCA 65cm
Class 3	12 years and under	NZPCA 65cm

(Refer to ESNZ/NZPCA Eventing Rules Annex 2 Short Format 2019)

- Class 1 will jump a maximum height of 80cm for Cross-Country and Show Jumping.
 - Class 2 and Class 3 will jump a maximum height of 65cm for Cross-Country and Show Jumping.
 - Cross-Country speeds to be no more than 375 metres per minute for Class 1 and 300 metres per minute for Class 2 and Class 3 in keeping with the standard of the competition.
4. Time faults are applicable to all classes.
 5. Dressage tests for all classes shall be one of the NZPCA Junior Riding Tests. Test may be called.
 6. The Cross-Country Course must be built to comply with ESNZ/NZPCA Rules for 65cm to A1 as outlined in Annex 2 ESNZ Eventing Rules. It is requested that the jumps for Class 3 be of less difficulty than those for Class 2.
 7. Pony Club colours to be worn in all 3 phases.
 8. Entries must be submitted on the Official Entry Form.
 9. Team Composition: Clubs will be allowed to combine with other clubs to make a team in accordance with the philosophy of the competition.

Eligibility:

- i. The eligibility of the riders for entry will be in accordance with the provisions of the NZPCA General Regulations 15.4 – Rally Attendance for Examinations and Competitions.
- ii. Dispensation from these rules will be at the discretion of the Canterbury Regional Chairperson in liaison with the Collier Guardians to ensure the safety of the rider and mount. (Amended 2026)

- iii. Combinations that have completed live at Springston Trophy in any year are not eligible to participate in Collier Trophy.
 - iv. Any combination which has competed at 95cm level or higher is not eligible.
 - v. Riders may ride in an older age group but not a younger age group.
10. **Dressage:** Whips are forbidden as per Article 655.2 of ESNZ Eventing Rules. Spurs are allowed.
 11. **Lending/Borrowing Riders:** Branches/Clubs may supply/borrow riders to/from another branch/club to make a team. This should be done through the Event Secretary listed on the Collier Trophy Rider Supply Form. Teams seeking riders should email details to the Event Secretary.
 12. **Eliminated Riders:** Riders eliminated on the Cross-Country **may not** continue.
 13. **Protests:** Protests must be submitted in writing within 30 minutes of results being posted and accompanied by a \$30:00 fee which will be returned if the protest is upheld.
 14. **Concussion:** NZPCA Concussion Rule is applicable at this event.
 15. **Team Responsibilities:** Each team entered is required to supply two fence judges/helpers whose names and contact details must be included with the entry. It is the responsibility of each team manager to ensure that the fence judges are on time for the Judges Briefing and helpers report on time. No team may be entered without two fence judges/helpers per team.
 16. Any club providing false information on an entry form risks elimination.
 17. Competitors must provide their own **Back Number Holders**.
 18. The team manager's signature on the entry form verifies they have read and understood the Rules and Conditions of Entry of Collier Trophy, and verify that all combinations entered are eligible.
 19. Late entries will not be accepted.
 20. The NZPCA Code of Conduct including the Yellow Card is applicable to all in attendance at this Event.

Please ensure entries include the name, phone number and email of the team manager, so we can contact them with the Dressage Start Time and any changes.

Springston Pony Club is to retain control of these rules and any amendments to these rules shall be made through them.

These conditions are set down and current from March 2026.