



NORTH OTAGO PONY CLUB 'FIRST START' 2026

PROGRAMME



Sunday 9th August 2026 – 50cm/40cm

Venue: NOPC Grounds, 1 Pukeuri – Oamaru Road, Oamaru

Event Convenor: Sharne Paton

Event Secretary: Jodi Leckie: nopc.ODE26@gmail.com

Technical Delegate: Maureen Chamberlain

Class:	Dressage Test:
Class 1: NZPCA 'First Start' Level 3 - 50cm	NZPCA Riding Test BG5 2018
Class 2: NZPCA 'First Start' Level 2 - 40cm	NZPCA Riding Test BG3 2018

Gates open at 8am, office opens at 8:30am

Dressage starts 9am

XC and SJ courses available for walking from 8am

Rules of entry:

1. This competition is run under NZPCA First Start™ An Introduction to Competitive Riding Regulations August 2021 - <https://www.nzpca.org/events/first-start-1>
2. NZPCA approved and tagged safety helmet & back protectors must be worn.
3. Back numbers will be supplied. You may bring your own back number holder if you wish, but you will be responsible for printing your own number.
4. Programme will be available on EvoEvents on the Thursday prior to the event. Please print a copy. Copies will not be available on the day.
5. Gear Check is compulsory for all phases.
6. Pony Club uniform is acceptable. Long sleeves are encouraged on XC. Long hair must be tied up, preferably in a hairnet. Back numbers must be clearly visible
7. ALL RIDERS RIDE AT THEIR OWN RISK. North Otago Pony Club accepts no responsibility for injury, loss or damage to property, horse or pony, rider, or spectator.
8. No dogs permitted on the grounds. You will be asked to leave.
9. Committee reserves the right to alter the schedule or combine classes.
10. The Committee reserves the right to remove any horse or pony it considers to be dangerous.
11. Riders may have their dressage tests commanded.
12. Riders eliminated on the XC course must not continue and must walk back. Three stops at one jump, or four stops over the course is elimination, do not carry on!
13. It is compulsory to be checked by the First Aid following a fall anywhere on the grounds.
14. Please take any rubbish, including horse manure and hay, with you when you leave the event.
15. Concussion: any rider who has suffered a concussion in the 21 days prior to this event may not compete.
16. Elimination – a competitor may be eliminated at any stage of the competition by the ground jury for:
 - a) Dangerous Riding,
 - b) in their opinion the horse is sick, lame or exhausted,
 - c) for misuse of the whip or the ill treatment of the horse,
 - d) for interfering with another competitor,
 - e) for any other unseemly behaviour.
17. The event will be held wet or fine. In the unlikely event of a cancellation, for example, due to extreme weather conditions or a natural disaster, all riders will be notified via email and a notification will be posted on NOPC Facebook page.

Timetable

Sunday, 9 August 2026

Arena 1 – Dressage, Judge: Sonji Armstrong

9:00 am start	Class: 2 NZPCA Level 2 up to 40cm.
Classes follow on	Class: 1A NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. A (13 & Under)
Back Number Order	Class: 1B NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. B (Over 13)

Ring 1 - Show Jumping, Judge: Johnny Lavendar

11:30 am start (approx.)	Class: 2 NZPCA Level 2 up to 40cm.
Classes follow on	Class: 1A NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. A (13 & Under)
Back Number Order	Class: 1B NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. B (Over 13)

Track 1 – Cross Country, Judge: William Phiskie

1 pm start (approx.)	Class: 2 NZPCA Level 2 up to 40cm.
Classes follow on	Class: 1A NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. A (13 & Under)
Back Number Order	Class: 1B NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. B (Over 13)

Dressage Start Times - Please note dressage is in back number order and start times are indicative only.

Class: 2 NZPCA Level 2 up to 40cm.

BN	Horse	Rider
9:00 1	Springleigh Cover Girl	Blake Saulala
9:05 2	Oreo	Prue Leckie
9:10 3	Jubilee Tommy Ray	Sophia Hopkinson
9:15 4	Alistair	Mila Mckay
9:20 5	Poppy	Lucy Dunnett
9:25 6	Jubilee Firefly	Stella Warden
9:30 7	Drummer Boy	Bella Mackenzie
9:35 8	Maxwellton Secret Squirrel	Blake Saulala

Class: 1A NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. A (13 & Under)

BN	Horse	Rider
9:50 10	Joe	Claudia Studholme
9:55 11	Okawa Bandit	Hazel Wills
10:00 12	Tigger	Robyn Brar
10:05 13	Prickles	Mylee McMaster-Wright
10:10 14	Floki	Pippa Greenwood
10:15 15	Ruby	Rosie Johnson
10:20 16	Tommy	Briar Johnson
10:25 17	Grand Illusion	Pyper Swete

Class: 1B NZPCA Level 3 up to 50cm. B (Over 13)

BN	Horse	Rider
10:30 18	Iam Tongi	Jane Paton-Smith
10:35 19	Milo	Macee Mcdonald
10:40 20	Colour Me In	Manon Tartonne
10:50 22	Blackriver Olympia	Kirstie Meager
10:55 23	Wild Rover	Zara Wilson
11:00 24	Sweet Corvette	Hanna Stalker
11:05 25	GS Moon Dancer	Sophie Cooper
11:10 26	Tallyho Contessa	Ruby Cameron
11:15 27	DSE Gotta Prevail	Samantha Smith
11:20 28	Tellyawhat	Jane Paton-Smith