



THE PONY CLUB CENTRE MEMBERS LEAGUE COMPETITION

Competition Rules:

Object:

To bring Members together in a competitive but relaxed atmosphere

Open to:

Current Pony Club Centre Members only (children can be encouraged to join on the day).

Location:

In a designated area at each Centre; either indoor or outdoors.

Frequency:

A minimum of three, and a maximum of six competitions may be held in each series, which can last up to six months. Competitors do not have to be mounted on the same horse or pony throughout the series.

Ages:

To be judged in three age groups – for example 6 and under, 7 – 10 years and 11 years and over. Ages to be taken from 1st January, therefore competitors stay in the same group during the calendar year

Format:

Phase 1 – Riding

Phase 2 – Either Jumping or Gymkhana Games

Riding:

A simple test with points given for each movement. All competitors must complete this section. All movements must be attempted and are marked out of 5, judged on how well the movement was performed by the rider.

Scale of Marks for Riding

5	very good	2	sufficient
4	good	3	satisfactory
1	poor	0	not performed

Jumping:

A minimum of 16 poles and 12 stands will be needed to build the course. Competitors choose 3 out of 4 obstacles (4 out of 5 for 11 and over). Each fence has a grade of difficulty (grade in brackets after named fence). Three fences to be jumped. Each fence can only be jumped once.

**Gymkhana:**

- Proprietors may choose 3 out of the list of games (see sample schedule) and vary the games at each competition.
- Competitors are timed individually and the winners to be determined by a points system out of 10 e.g. 1st = 10 marks, 2nd = 9 marks, 3rd = 8 marks etc.
- Mounting from the ground may be assisted where necessary.
- Ponies may be led to the end of the obstacles by an assistant in the stepping stone game.

Method of Judging:

Marks will be given for each phase on each competition day and will be added up to produce the results for that day and for a running total.

Alternatively, points could be accumulated through differing activities – dressage one week, mounted games another, best turned out, show jumping, handy pony, list is endless!

Entry Fees:

At the discretion of the proprietor.

Rosettes:

For each competition day, at the discretion of the proprietor.

Overall accumulator competition - 3 sets of rosettes of 1st to 4th may be claimed by the riding school per year free of charge. Extra sets are charged at £5 per set and can be ordered through Lucy at PCHQ.

Reporting of Results:

Let the Pony Club at Stoneleigh know of the results then they can be included in the newsletter – include any photos too!

Safety:

ALL COMPETITIONS MUST BE ORGANISED TO COMPLY FULLY WITH THE CURRENT HEALTH AND SAFETY REGULATIONS.