



## **BY-LAWS**

1. Please be on time to rallies. If you are late, apologise to your Coach and ask to join the group. Weekend rallies start at 10:00 am mounted, twilight rallies at 5:30 pm. Remember, all our Coaches are here without payment.
2. All riding members must wear a NZPCA approved helmet while riding and competing on Club grounds. The club will check and tag all helmets at the beginning of each season.
3. A neat attire must be worn to all working rallies. Club green long sleeved shirt, or white long sleeved blouse in hot weather, and red Club tie (optional). Club badge, jodphurs, boots, jodhpur boots or long black boots. If two-piece boots are worn, they must be of matching leather for competition only. Jewellery must be removed or taped. Suede chaps with Velcro will be acceptable for rallies. Everyone on the grounds, even those not riding, should wear covered footwear for safety reasons.
4. Bad language, unruly behaviour from riders, parents or horses will not be tolerated. Any member can and will be asked to leave. In serious circumstances they may be yellow-carded and suspended. All members will be asked to sign a Fair Play Charter.
5. Please take note of the grounds "Open / Closed" sign. If the grounds are set up for an event, there is no riding permitted under any circumstances. On the day prior to an event there is to be no riding over courses set up, e.g. show-jumps, dressage and cross-country.
6. No horses are to be tied to the pavilion fence.
7. Dogs are not permitted on the grounds on rally or competition days.
8. No smoking is permitted whilst riding, coaching or handling horses.
9. Subs are required to be paid in full by the 3<sup>rd</sup> rally. A payment plan can be arranged with the Treasurer if necessary.
10. Junior members (16 and under) must not ride on the grounds without adult supervision. Parents of junior members must enrol as a Parent of Riding Child/Non Riding Member.

11. Please put rubbish in the bins provided.
12. Please remove all belongings from the yards after use and especially pick up any horse poo and move to the correct area. Please also pick up horse poo from around your float.

All those who ride at Matakana Branch Pony Club are expected to adhere to the above rules. Any rules broken will be dealt with by the Head Coach and the Committee.

## **DISTRICT RULE 42**

Each member must attend a minimum of two District and three Branch working bees per season. Failure to do this will render riders ineligible to sit Certificates or represent District teams and, in the case of Matakana Branch, end of season trophies.

## **OBJECTIVES OF THE NZ PONY CLUBS ASSOCIATION**

1. To encourage the formation of pony clubs in NZ and to regulate the general line of instruction in horsemastership and horsemanship.
2. To subscribe to, become a member of, affiliate with, co-operate with and give donations to any other organisations having aims and objectives similar to those of the Pony Clubs Association.
3. To encourage young people to ride and enjoy all kinds of sport associated with horses and riding. To instil in them proper care of their animals, and to offer them the opportunity of receiving instruction of a higher class and on more orthodox lines than many can obtain individually.
4. To promote and conduct rallies, gymkhanas, competitions and hunter trials for young people.
5. To promote and encourage the NZPC Fair Play Charter to create the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty, thereby cultivating strength of character and self-discipline.