

SPRINGSTON PONY



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Rally information

Head coaches report

We have had a muddy last couple of months with things getting very busy and with a couple of competitions in the mix.

We held a forest ride on the second rally in September as the Amberley dressage was on the same day with lots of people involved there.

Thanks to Lucy and Cheryl who helped to run this.

The first October rally needed to be cancelled as we had no coaches available. Everyone is very busy - my suggestion is that we advertise for coaches.

Some coaches don't get back to me by email to say whether they are available or whether they now can't or don't want to do any coaching which is challenging.

I have managed to connect with Shirley Smith after a few weeks of trying - she had been unwell. I now have the necessary form to put people forward for certificates and have so far had one returned.

I will get the rest in hopefully this week and then send cards in for the next exam.

Next rally we have a visitor - Bronwyn Hamilton a barefoot trimmer.

Rally Plan

2018	Second Sunday	Fourth Sunday
November	11 Mini Show	25 WINDSOR CUP TEAMS S J
December	9 Pentathlon Break up	

Rally notification

Please could everyone ensure that you reply to Keryn when she asks if you will be attending a rally. If you don't reply we may not have an instructor for you, and it is unfair on the other riders if the group has extra riders because some people don't respond.

Team events

Springston Trophy

Springston Trophy 2018, held in Oamaru, was a very well run event with a challenging cross country and a total of 40 teams competing from all over the South Island and included 2 North Island teams.

We had two Springston teams with 10 riders (which included one borrowed rider from Kaikoura Pony Club) who conducted themselves very well, supported each other and rode their best.



Our team members were Springston Gold: Niamh Rayne, Natalie Peoples, Katherine Hadler, Sonya Benison, Emily Holder and Gemma Lewis.

Springston Black team (2 age group team): Caitlin Rayne, Caroline Holder, Stella Williams and Hayley Graham from Kaikoura. Team training went well, with 2 dressage lessons, 2 show jumping sessions and one cross country team training so riders were well prepared for the event.



Unfortunately Niamh's horse Smokey who is a very strong performer, had to be withdrawn a week out from the event due to a paddock mishap. We were lucky that Niamh had a replacement horse which was qualified to replace him as we ended up needing his score, however, he was less experienced on a challenging cross country.

At the end of day one of dressage, our Springston Gold team was sitting in 5th place with some impressive scores from some of our riders over both teams. However, cross country proved to be hugely influential for the event, with many riders from all competing teams having stops or being eliminated on a technical and challenging course. Both our teams managed to stay live, unfortunately Natalie was eliminated on the very challenging 105 course, all our intermediates jumped clear, Niamh on her replacement horse had one stop and all our juniors had one stop with Stella having a couple of stops. All the riders show jumped well the following day, with just a couple of rails amongst both teams.

The Springston Gold team ended up 19th and Springston Black 24th out of the 40 teams. Two of our intermediate riders finished on their dressage score – Caitlin on 27.9, just 0.5 points off first place for her class, and Sonya on a score of 32.8.

I was very proud of our riders, especially the juniors who were all first timers to Springston Trophy.

It's a very intense experience for riders with a lot of atmosphere and full on days, and everyone coped extremely well, and so did the parents! Our Coach Shane Maley was very good with all the riders and we are very lucky to have him and Nicola coach our teams. A huge thank you to Springston Pony Club for your support.

Sharon Rayne
Teams Manager



Niamh



Natalie



Katherine



Sonya



Caitlin



Caroline



Emily



Gemma



Stella

Stringer Trophy



Springston Gold

Our Stringer team (Springston Gold) did a great job!

People in our team were:

Xanthe on Mac

Tess on Alberto

Ella on Thomas

Georgia on Bella

All team members worked to their strengths with workmanlike tests from the girls. It was also really good to see big efforts being put in during the show jumping.

While our overall team result wasn't a winner on the day, what WAS really awesome was the way all team members supported each other even when things didn't go quite to plan.

Everyone was very proud of the sportsmanship shown by the team. It was also good to see our team looking out for the other Springston teams to support them also as well as supporting other clubs. Great effort, Springston Gold.

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Springston Brown

Stringer Trophy was held at Rangiora Show grounds on 30th September. Team Springston Brown consisted of Lily Pluck on Grand Illusion, Katie Fitzsimons on Skibbereen Upbeat, Jamiee Adams on Fyffe and Raewyn Adams on Spice it up.

We were all a bit disorganised after some drama getting to our parking, which was done in Alphabetical order, so we were right at the back!! Luckily the dressage was running 20 mins late so all our team members made it and we had time to do some warming up next to the hedge which is right next to the dressage arenas with the shingle road on the other side. Our clever ploy didn't work as planned as just before our team entered their arenas a car came along the shingle road so dust wafted through the hedge and gave Katie and Raewyn's ponies quite a fright (their arenas were next to the hedge). Each rider was riding the same test and no one had a course error so that was great!



The team quickly tied ponies up, then off to walk the Showjumping. There was one boogie fence with butterflies decorating it, so the girls planned to ride past it as they entered the ring ;)

We had 3 clear rounds in the showjumping which was a great effort and kept the team alive. Springston Brown finished up 15th overall.

Springston Yellow

Gemma (24 & under, 75cm) Sam
Sonya (16 & under, 65cm) Jazz
Toby (14 & under, 65cm) Rigby
Renee (12 & under, 45cm) Mochachino



Christchurch Games

Springston Gold



Gemma, Sonya, Tess and Lily

Games!

On Sunday we went to the Christchurch Pony Club games competition at the Canterbury showgrounds.

The games we did were: Speed Weavers, HulaHoop, Association Race, 2 Flag and Sock & Bucket.

I was paired with Katie and the pairs we rode against were Courtney and Daniel and MacKenzie and her partner.

Springston Pony Club also had two teams entered in the teams section. Renee, Ella, Georgia and James were in one team. Lily, Tess, Gemma and Sonya were in the other team. The teams games were similar, but they also did Sword Lancers and Windsor Castle.

Pairs - Courtney and Daniel placed 3rd, MacKenzie and her partner placed 2nd, Katie and I got 1st.

Teams - Renee, Ella, Georgia & James placed 5th. Lily, Tess, Gemma & Sonya placed 3rd.

It was a great day and we had so much fun. I think our ponies had fun too.

By Meg Pluck

Managers report for Springston Yellow.

The Christchurch team games competition was held at Canterbury Park as part of the Equidays weekend. Springston put in two U14 teams and two assisted pairs.

The Springston Yellow team was made up of Renee, Georgia, Ella and James. We played six team games

- Association
- Socks and buckets
- Hula hoop
- Windsor Castle
- Sword
- 2-flag

We had a good practice the week before to sort out team orders and practice all the games.

The day of the competition was a lovely warm day and all the riders played the games really well with the ponies all getting on well and the riders really supporting each other. As one rider said at the end "Games is so much fun - it's the best".



Assisted pairs

Equidays is always a popular place for all of us horse mad people, so what better idea than playing mounted games there.



and when one person had a problem the other stepped up.

Very proud of both of our pairs with Katie and Meg winning convincingly. Daniel and Courts came in in third place which is a huge achievement as Courts was still just coming off led rein this time last year and correct me if I'm wrong Daniel would have only been slightly before her.

They were encouraging to each other and showed great sportsmanship, they were also a great help at setting up gear for the other riders before them. Well done Springston, fantastic effort.

Springston had three teams entered, which later became two teams and two sets of assisted pairs a change which happened the night before the comp!

I was very impressed that the pairs made up of Katie and Meg and also Daniel and Courtney, put in a big effort to learn the new games the morning of the comp. Everyone practised well with their pairs and remembered to talk to each other and have fun! The best bit was the working together



Team Competitions 2018

The following list of events for which teams are selected. Dates may be subject to change.
Games teams

- Zone Games – Feb/March 2019 – Entries usually close mid-late January so riders need to have required rallies by end of 2018. Team selection January.

Show Jumping

- Windsor team Show Jumping (25 November 2018). Team selection approx. 5th November.
- South Island Show Jumping Champs (Tairei, January 2019). Team selection end of November.



Upcoming events PC events

(These are from the Canterbury Pony Club website, I take no responsibility for their accuracy.)

<http://www.sporty.co.nz/canterburyareapc/2018-Area-Calendars-Google/Printable-Summary-Diary-2018>

Sunday 28 October Amberley SJ Rally Day
Sunday 04 November Oxford SJ
Saturday 10 November Ellesmere show
Sunday 11 November Rally Day
Sunday 25 November Windsor Trophy SJ Rally Day
Saturday 01 December Bangor Show
Sunday 09 December Rally day

Other news

China trip

Congratulations to Katherine who has been selected as part of a two rider NZPCA team to represent NZ in China next month. She will spend a week in China competing against teams from other countries. They will compete on borrowed horses in show jumping competitions and will also compete in mounted games.

Trophies

It is the time of year that we need the trophies awarded last year to be returned so they can be engraved to be presented at the end of this year.

If you have a trophy please could you return it to a committee member, to Christine's house (by arrangement 021 793 999), or to Pony Club **no later than 11th November**.

Please note that the trophies need to be beautifully clean and shiny. It is not OK for them to be returned uncleaned as someone else then needs to clean them because they cannot be presented uncleaned.

Help needed please

As you will know, we had to cancel a recent rally due to not having enough coaches. This is not something we like to do, and don't want to have to do again. **BUT - we need your help!!!!**

We have a list of coaches that we regularly use for rallies. Some of these are parents and some are external coaches. And well as this we bring in specialist coaches, eg saddle fitting, farrier etc. However not all of our coaches can make it all the time, most either ride and compete themselves, or have children who do.

So please can you help by either suggesting coaches who will come along to coach at our rallies (we do make a contribution to petrol and travel costs) and / or we need help from parents to step up and help coach at rallies. Even if it is running some fun games for the younger kids, that would be a great help.

The Canterbury Area Pony Club runs regular courses for coaches and has a lot of resources for coaches online. You could buddy up with one of our coaches at the next rally and see what they do.

We can't have good quality coaching with small groups of riders without your help. If you think you may be able to help, please let Keryn or Christine know.

We know that parents like to watch their own kids ride - so if everyone could help out a couple of times a year it means that it is not always the same parents coaching

THANK YOU

FAQ






I want to replace my helmet, what are the standards they need to meet?

Do you need a new helmet? If it has been dropped or the rider has fallen and hit their head, the helmet may be damaged, even if you cannot see the damage. You will need to replace it. Or it may no longer fit as the riders head may have grown or changed shape, or it may just be old (helmets should be replaced every 3-5 years).

If you want to compete, ride at Pony Club or many other venues, you need a regulation helmet (details below)

Remember that fit of the helmet is really important, it should fit snugly and not move on the riders head.

Your Saddlery shop should be able to help you.

Helmet Standard	Safety Mark	Allowed at the following activities:
PAS 015:1998 or 2011 with BSI Kitemark		All Activities
VG1 with BSI Kitemark		All Activities
Snell E2001 with the official Snell label and number		All Activities
ASTM-F1163 2004a with the SEI mark		All Activities
AS/NZS 3838 1998, 2003 or 2006		All Activities

Health and Safety

We are all responsible for Health and Safety.

There is a hazard register on the clubroom door. Please make yourself familiar with this and contact a committee member with any suggestions.

A fall register needs to be filled in for ALL falls (even if the rider lands on their feet and pops straight back on). There is a more detailed form if medical or veterinary treatment is required.

Team Gear

Please could team Managers Liaise with Jo, the team gear person, and sign out and in all team gear used for team events.

Saddlery shops

If you are buying gear at any of the local saddlery shops, please tell them that you are from Springston Pony Club. At the end of the year they donate vouchers to us relating to the amount our members spend. We use these for the end of year Christmas party, prizes etc.

Use of grounds

Springston Pony Club members are welcome to use the grounds free of charge. The combination code is sent to members, please do NOT share this. Non-members need to pay for each visit (even if they come with you!). Bookings are available with Katie Meyer, ph 027 538 7277.

Please ensure that all horse manure is picked up from the arenas and the grounds before you leave. There is a wheelbarrow and rake available, so there are no excuses.

Please also ensure all show jumping rails are picked up off the ground. Even if you didn't drop them please pick them up so we can keep them in good condition for as long as we can.

Please keep an eye out for "happenings" at the grounds, if you see something which shouldn't be happening, please let a committee member know ASAP.

Note we do not have any "casual riding members", any casual riders (non-members) need to pay \$10 per horse/pony each time they come.

Results and photos

Please let me know what you have been up to and any results/photos you have (pauline_jarvis@hotmail.com). If you don't send me the results, I can't put them in! Please also send a photo of you having fun with your pony!

Ellesmere SJ
Georgia and Taffy
60cm 4th
70cm 5th



Ellesmere SJ
Gemma and Sam
1st 80cm
2nd 90cm
1st 1.0m



Birthdays

HAPPY BIRTHDAY IN SEPTEMBER

Courtney
Katie
Georgia
Caitlin
Sienna



Classifieds

Please let me know if you have anything for sale (pauline_jarvis@hotmail.com)

Horsefloat for Sale

Double horsefloat. Older model, 80's, tidy. Sound wooden floor. Recent brakes overhaul. New bolts, bushes and idler arms to suspension. Good tyres. Fibre glass roof has small crack - could be repaired. New rubber matting on floor. Head divider. Tows well. \$4500 ono. Phone Bruce 027 2747292