



Pony Club Branch/Centre Bulletin - July 2019

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THE PONY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS 2019

Volunteers Needed for The Pony Club Championships

There are now just seven weeks to go until the 2019 Pony Club Championships at Cholmondeley Castle in Cheshire, taking place from 16th to 20th August.

In this special 90th Anniversary year for The Pony Club why not celebrate your connection to this very special charity by becoming a Volunteer for the Championships?

With such a wide variety of horses, ponies and young people represented at the Championships, this is unsurprisingly the biggest week in our calendar.

To ensure the smooth running of the event, we need between 160 and 200 voluntary positions to be filled every day, so we really need your help!

By clicking the button below, you can register your interest to volunteer at the Championships:

[Register as a Volunteer](#)

From 5pm on Monday 1st July you will also be able to indicate the hours/days you are available, as well as indicate the types of role you would like to volunteer for. Accommodation information will also be available on the page.

The roles include:

- Buggy driving
- Dressage writers and stewards
- Dressage sheet collecting
- Scoring and scoreboard update
- Tack checking
- Stewarding the collecting ring
- Fence Judges
- Catering: preparation and serving (Food Hygiene certificates would be beneficial)

Please find this year's timetable available to download below:

Championships Timetable

We are very grateful to those who have already signed up, and to those who have offered to cover their own fuel and accommodation costs. For those who would like some support with the cost of fuel, fuel can be claimed at 25p per mile and a contribution made by The Pony Club towards accommodation if required.

If your situation or availability changes please email area12@pcuk.org ASAP and please also notify us of any dietary or mobility requirements.



Have you checked out our fantastic 90th Anniversary range?

Clothing and Accessories

In celebration of our 90th Anniversary, we are delighted to be offering a beautifully designed selection of commemorative clothing created by our Partners, Harry Hall. The full range is now available on The Pony Club Shop powered by Harry Hall. Shop the range by clicking below:

[View the 90th Anniversary Range](#)

Visit our [Facebook page](#) for a competition in partnership with Harry Hall to win a Pony Club kit bundle to enjoy using over the summer holidays.

The 90th Book

We have been enjoying all the stories, memories and anecdotes that Members have sent us in response to our request for contributions to the 90th Anniversary book. Thank you so much for sharing these with us. Our only regret is that we can't use them all, but how wonderful that we could, in theory, create several books from all your contributions! The Pony Club means so much to us all.

To pre-order your copy please click the button below:

[Pre-order the 90th Book](#)



Take part in Ride around the World Day

Make sure you have the 3rd of August in your diary to take part in 'Ride Around The World Day'. This is a unique opportunity for you to share your connection with The Pony Club whatever your age.

Members old and new are getting together all around the world, whether it is at a competition, camp, hacks or picnic with friends. We would love everyone to share their stories on the day via social media channels with the hashtag **#PonyClubWorldRide**.

There is even music kindly provided by Andrew Lloyd Webber, husband of our President, Lady Lloyd Webber for those who wish to use it as the soundtrack to their videos from the day. Download the file by clicking the button below:

[Download the 90th Anniversary Soundtrack](#)



Latest Sports Updates

Flu Vaccinations

With cases of equine influenza continuing to be reported, Members are reminded that it is essential to have their horse's flu vaccinations up to date **before** attending any Pony Club activity. If a horse has not been vaccinated appropriately, it may not attend a Pony Club event to protect the health of the other Members' horses and those of the hosting venue.

The seven-day clearance period, between having the vaccination and attending an event, continues to apply (see point 7 of the vaccination rule on page 30-31 of the Health and Safety rulebook).

If it has been more than six months since your horse has been vaccinated, then the British Equestrian Federation recommendation is to consult your vet. Find out more by clicking below:

[Latest BEF guidance on Flu Vaccinations](#)

Young Volunteers

Calling all YELA candidates and Pony Club volunteers! The Young Equestrian Leaders Award is the British Equestrian Federation (BEF) youth volunteering award, and it's open to all young people aged 13 to 25 years old who volunteer with BEF Member bodies like The Pony Club. To find out more and register just click below:

[Register for the YELA scheme](#)

Centre Equitation Competition

Find out more about this competition which takes place at The Pony Club Championships for Pony Club Centres by clicking below:

[Centre Equitation Competition Info](#)

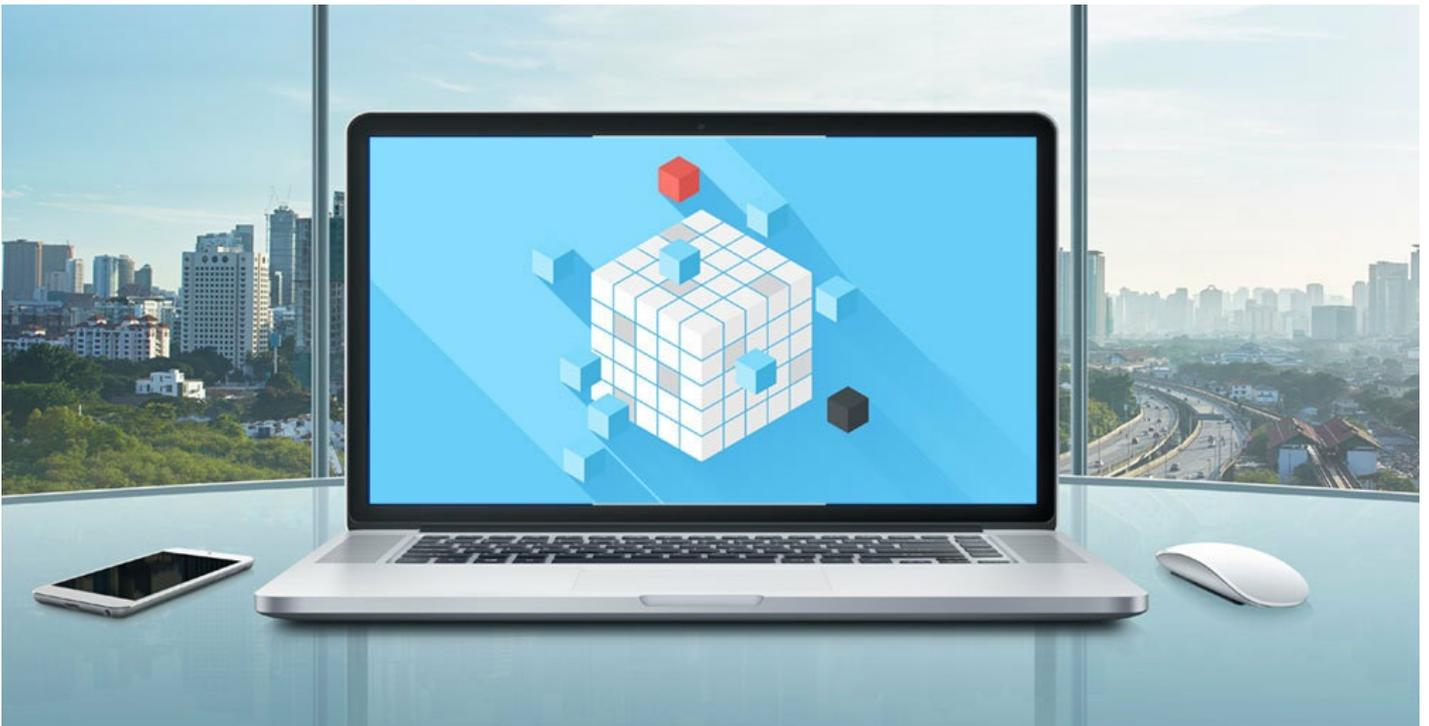
Training Vouchers available at BSPS Gold Cup

In collaboration with the British Show Pony Society, we are able to offer a training voucher for £100 to the highest placed Pony Club Member in each of the three height sections of the BSPS Gold Cup at Burghley Horse Trials. This has been generously sponsored by Mrs Sheila Clifford. Further details of this competition and how to qualify can be found on the BSPS website.

Dressage

Please note that the version of the Open Dressage Test 2019 in the Dressage Rule Book is incorrect. All other versions on the website and through Harry Hall are correct.

All Dressage and Eventing tests can be downloaded here on the **Pony Club website**. Score sheets can be purchased from the Pony Club shop through bit.ly/PCUKShop_HarryHall



Project Pelham enters Data Cleanse stage

The project is progressing well, and we are about to start writing the testing scenarios for the first major phase (Membership) which will be received from the developers in the next month.

We are very excited to be able to tell you that according to current planning we will be able to start the implementation phase in October this year, when we will migrate Branches in a phased manner over 6-7 weeks. More details will follow in due course on exactly how this will be done.

In the meantime, we are starting to prepare the Unity data for transfer into the new system, and we need help from you all! Over the next month, individual reports will be sent to all Branches requesting that they check the data that is stored in Unity for Members, parents/guardians and Coaches.

The main focus of this is not the accuracy of each field (that is up to all of you) but to remove the duplicate entries that are present in Unity. There will be clear guidance given on how to use the reports, and you will only be asked to check the records that we believe are an issue, not every Member in your Branch. We are checking both active and archived Members.

To find out more info on the Pelham project click the button below:

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