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Saturday 9th July 2022

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Conference & AGM Timetable

Saturday 9th July 2022

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8:00am – 9:00 am	Delegates Arrive – Tea and Coffee
9:00am – 9:15 am	Introduction and Welcome – Show Hunter Chair, Lucy Maley
9:15am – 10:30 am	Remit and General Discussion Items
10:30am – 11:00am	Morning Tea
11:00am – 12:30pm	General Discussion Continues
12:30pm – 1.15pm	LUNCH BREAK
1:15pm – 2:30pm	AGM Begins Confirm Voting Delegates Receive Reports from Executives Remit Voting Confirm Executive Members Area Reports AGM Closed
2:30pm – 3:00pm	Join Jumping for the afternoon Jumping Update General Discussion Items
3:00pm – 3:30pm	Afternoon Tea
3:30pm – 4.30pm	ESNZ Update Award Presentations

Roll call of voting delegates

Area	Delegate
Ashburton	Stephanie Kearney
Auckland	Lynette Jackson
Bay of Plenty	Alice Barrow
Canterbury	Lisa Clark
Central & Southern Hawkes Bay	
Central Districts	Gail Goodwin as Proxy Laura van Velthooven
Gisborne	Kirsty MacLean
Marlborough	
Nelson	Karen Rhind
Northland	Taylor Finlayson
Northern Hawkes Bay	Ashleigh Mitchell
Otago	Pippa Collins
SCNO	Lewis McLellan
Southland	Anna Clearwater
Taihape	Gabrielle Rennie
Taranaki	Holli Marshall
Waikato	Sharyn Goodwin
Wairarapa	Dianna Behrns
Waitemata	Sue Whiddett
Wellington	Gail Goodwin

Executive	
Lucy Maley	Chair
Maria Collins	Member
Tracey Lammas	Member
June Berrington	Member
Jane Dickson	Apologies

Obituaries

Phil Fitzsimon
Lyn Primrose
Jenny Dudding
Shaun Thompson
Joy Cruikshank
Donald Alexander
Helen Liddle
Claire Williams
Dudley Hammond

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ESNZ Show Hunter Annual General Meeting

Saturday 31st July 2021

Chancellor 4, James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor

MEETING OPENED: 1:00pm

1. MEETING ADMINISTRATION

a. Attendance

Lucy Maley	*Chair*
Jane Dickson	*Executive*
Laura Van Velthooven	*Executive*
Maria Collins	*Executive*
Tracey Lammas	*Executive*
Connie Hurst	*Executive*
June Berrington	*Executive*

b. Apologies

Joan Couper	Marilyn Vincent
Kate Ward	Annette Conder
Trudi Duncan	

Moved: Maria Collins
Second: Lisa Clark

c. Roll Call – Delegates

Ashburton:	Rose Thomson
Auckland:	Lynette Jackson
Bay of Plenty:	Vicki Sherratt
Canterbury:	Lisa Clark
Central & Southern Hawkes Bay:	Proxy: Claire Wilson
Central Districts:	Proxy: Laura van Velthooven
Gisborne:	Sandy Richmond
Marlborough:	Jane Fowler
Nelson:	Proxy: Jane Fowler
Northern Hawkes Bay:	Proxy: Sandy Richmon
Northland:	Joanne Thomas
Otago:	Mel Barton
South Canterbury North Otago:	Lewis McLellan
Southland:	Katrine Smith
Taihape:	Proxy: Laura van Velthooven
Taranaki:	Holli Marshall
Waikato:	Sharyn Goodwin
Wairarapa:	Dianna Berhns
Waitemata:	Sue Whiddett
Wellington:	Gail Goodwin

d. Obituaries – *1 minute of silence*

Linzi Jobbit	Ruth Miles	Ross Owers (Rossco)
Helen Smith	Heather Davidson	Heather Truman
Lois Mossman	David Snowden	Lars Morsillo/Anderson

2. MINUTES FROM AGM 2020

a. Approved

Moved: Mel Barton
Second: Sandy Richmond

b. Matters Arising

Nil

3. REPORTS

a. Chair & South Island Co-Ordinator: Lucy Maley – *Report received as read*

b. Jumping – Financials: *Report received as read*

c. North Island Co-ordinator: June Berrington – *Report received as read*

d. Course Designers Report: Marilyn Vincent – *Report Received as read*

e. Sponsorship: Maria Collins - *Report Received as read*

f. Judges' Advisors Report: Marilyn Vincent – *Report Received as read*

g. HOY Report: Marilyn Vincent – *Report Received as read*

h. Judges Officer: Sue Whiddett – *Report Received as read*

i. Area Delegates – *Reports received*

Reports taken as a true and correct record
Moved: Lucy Maley
Second: Lisa Clark

4. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVE

- Lucy Maley

Unanimous

5. CONFIRM APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMITTEE OF ONE DELEGATE TO EACH AREA

Ashburton:	Rose Thomson
Auckland:	Lynette Jackson
Bay of Plenty:	Vicki Sherratt
Canterbury:	Lisa Clark
Central & Southern Hawkes Bay:	Kate Ward
Central Districts:	Laura van Velthooven
Gisborne:	Sandy Richmond
Marlborough:	Jane Fowler
Nelson:	
Northern Hawkes Bay:	Ashleigh Mitchell
Northland:	Joanne Thomas
Otago:	Mel Barton

South Canterbury North Otago:	Lewis McLellan
Southland:	Jade McRae
Taihape:	
Taranaki:	Holli Marshall
Waikato:	Sharyn Goodwin
Wairarapa:	Christine Rowe
Waitemata:	Sue Whiddett
Wellington:	Gail Goodwin

6. **REMITS – DISCUSSION & VOTINGS** *(remits below)*
   a. **Remit 1:** Recognised Divisions – Horses, based on 3.65m (12') stride.
   PASSED: For – 26
   Against – 1

   b. **Remit 2:** 2.7 (currently appears as 5.7) but this needs correcting)
   HOY title classes at HOY will be judged by two judges who shall judge independently.

   PASSED: For – 25
   Against – 2

   c. **Remit 3:** Equipment Allowed List. Allowed Equipment for Show Hunter.
   AMMENDMENT 1: Remove the word snaffle from 'as some snaffle bits have 'poll action' and are not allowed'

   Moved: Sandy Richmond
   Second: Gail Goodwin

   AMMENDMENT 2: The addition of *'a snaffle is a bit where the rein and cheek piece are correctly fitted to the same ring and can move freely'*

   Moved: Sandy Richmond
   Second: Rose Thompson

   AMMENDMENT 3: Remove 'Scoot boots' and add 'Hoof Boot i.e., Scoot boot' <insert picture>

   Moved: Tracey Lammas
   Second: Lewis McLellan

   AMMENDMENT 4: Addition of 'The following are only allowed if a veterinary injury requires protection or at judge's discretion due to ground conditions: Bell boots, hoof bands, fetlock rings.'

   Moved: Sandy Richmond
   Second: Jane Fowler

   AMMENDMENT 5: Addition of belly bands.

   Moved: Gail Goodwin
   Second: June Berrington

   AMENDED & PASSED: For – 26
   Against – 1

   d. **Remit 4:** HOY Qualifying Classes
   FAILED: For – 2
   Against – 25

e. **Remit 5:** Recognised Divisions – Horses. Stride Length: For fence heights 90cm and below the stride length is to be based on 3.50m (11'6" stride)
FAILED: For – 2
Against – 25

f. **Remit 6:** Recognised Divisions – Ponies. Category A – Fences maximum 70cm based on 2.9m (9'6" stride)
FAILED: For – 2
Against – 25

g. **Remit 7:** Recognised Divisions – Ponies. Category A+ Pony: Ponies over 120cm up to and including 133cm. Category A- Pony: Ponies 120cm and under.
FAILED: For – 2
Against – 25

h. **Remit 8:** ESNZ Show Hunter High Points.
WITHDRAWN

7. **CONFIRM APPOINTMENT TO THE COMMITTEE OF ONE DELEGATE TO EACH AREA**
Confirmed.

8. **GENERAL BUSINESS / DISCUSSION POINTS**
   a. **Rider age in horse competitions**
   Jumping staff to add age eligibility to Show Hunter rules. Article 255.5: Competitors will be eligible to take part in horse competitions from the beginning of the season in which they reach 12 years – the season being from 1st August until 31st July the following year.

MEETING CLOSED: 2:00pm

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ESNZ Show Hunter Executive Elections 2022

There are four positions available on the ESNZ Show Hunter Executive for 2022 – Maria Collins, June Berrington, Tracey Lammas, and Jane Dickson, all positions available by rotation.

All positions are for two-year terms.

Nominations have been received for:

- Tracey Lammas – Nominated Bay of Plenty (Alice Barrow), NZ SH Exec (Lucy Maley) (Existing Executive Member)
- June Berrington – Nominated Bay of Plenty (Alice Barrow), Waikato (Abby Fawcett) (Existing Executive Member)
- Maria Collins – Nominated Otago (Anne Beattie), SCNO (Tim Douglas) (Existing Executive Member)
- Lisa Clark – Nominated SH Executive (Lucy Maley), Canterbury (Stephen Tuck) (New Nomination – CV attached)

Lisa Clark - CV

I am Office Manager for a large standardbred stud farm in Canterbury and live in Oxford on a lifestyle block.

I have been involved with horses all my life, having ridden and competed earlier on, and have bred horses for a number of years.

I was introduced to Show Hunter around 20 years ago by Dorothy Scott when she was coaching my then 7 year old daughter in her first jumping lessons.

We both become hooked on Show Hunter and Georgia competed extensively in Show Hunter on both ponies and hacks. I firmly believe that Show Hunter has so much to offer to young children, and to young horses as well, giving them valuable skills, which set them up with great foundations for any jumping discipline.

Giving back to a sport that we have enjoyed means I was always actively helping at our local shows. I progressed (as in I got talked into!!) to being a candidate judge and have now been a National judge for a number of years.

I took over the Canterbury Area Show Hunter Co-Ordinators role 8 years ago and organise the running of our three annual shows, plus I am involved with the running of the NZ National SJ and SH Championships. I have also been Canterbury's SH Area Delegate for a number of years.

I am the Canterbury Area Treasurer and the SI Show Jumping Group Treasurer which includes Nationals, and I am actively involved on both committees.

I believe I have a range of knowledge and skills and would be a valuable member of the SH Executive.,

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Annual Reports 2022

Report	Presented by
Show Hunter Chair and SI Coordinator Report	Lucy Maley
North Island Co-ordinator Report	June Berrington
Course Designers Report	Marilyn Vincent
Sponsorship Report	Maria Collins
Judges Advisors Report	Marilyn Vincent
Judges Officer Report	Sue Whiddett
Jumping Manager Report	Marilyn Thompson
Accounts and Financial	

Show Hunter Chair and South Island Co-Ordinator Report
Lucy Maley

June 2022

Covid-19 once again had an impact on the SH season – with many shows cancelled. The Auckland areas were the worst affected since they were in an extended period of lock-down. Allowance was made for this by reducing the number of points required for Horse of the Year but, in the event, Horse of the Year was cancelled again.

We had already decided that we would join with the Jumpers at Series Finals at Glistening Waters but, due to the SF show being moved later than normal, not many of the SH riders attended. Most shows were complete or cancelled some weeks prior to SF so many chose not to attend.

Overall improvements were made to the SH part of the show – including having two rings and a lovely presentation area in the ring rather than being stuck in a corner outside. We appreciate the efforts made by Dianna Behrns in picking up this show for her area and making a great job of it.

The shows that did run during the various phases of lock-down (Jumping and SH) were a credit to the dedication of their organising committees who were determined to go ahead for the sake of their competitors.

SH was once again well supported at Nationals and we were delighted that some NI combinations were able to come and compete. The Nationals Committee did a great job of putting the show together under the red Covid Protection Framework – and we were so disappointed that the weather did not play along and the final day was washed out for both SH and the Jumpers. However, a result for titles was achieved and a hastily put-together presentation marquee area. Usually at that time of year in Canterbury, we are begging for water to be applied to our arenas and those of you who attended last year will remember the water tankers trolling about the place trying to settle the dust.

The SINEC at McLeans Island has been improved with respect to watering and the SH arenas have not missed out. A flick of a switch can now put water on the arenas at any time it is required and we appreciate the efforts of the Island Committee and the Groundsman for these and other amazing improvements.

With respect to Horse of the Year, our convenors of several years - Marilyn Vincent, Karen Potter and Annette Conder – have stepped back from the role and June Berrington will be putting together a team to go forward with this show. Marilyn, Karen and Annette have done an amazing job, along with their team of helpers that they bring along and they will be available to June for help and advice for the next show. Thank you to the team for the amazing job they have done and thank you to June for putting up her hand to take the reins.

Sponsorship has never been so challenging as in these Covid times with many business suffering loss of business and income over the more than two years that “the disease” has been in our midst. Maria Collins continues to do an amazing job finding and looking after Show Hunter sponsors during and after the season. She has managed to keep many of the existing sponsors as well as find at least one new one. Thanks Maria – you are a super star.

We plan a delegates Zoom meeting (after the writing of this report) and we are hoping that this pre-conference meeting will be helpful to delegates – particularly new folk who have taken on the role.

As ever, it is the volunteers that keep our sport running – there are so many of them and we would be paying a far higher price for everything without them. Please remember to be nice to them and to thank anyone who helps.

We have an Executive member stepping down this year – Jane Dickson who has been an Exec member for many years. Thank you Jane for your input and good luck with your competing and that of your daughters.

Thank you to Lisa Clark for putting her name forward for election. You will see from Lisa's CV that she too has a wealth of SH experience and I'm sure she will bring some new energy to the Executive.

I would like to wish all areas all the best for the coming season and I keep my fingers and toes crossed for a less disruptive time ahead – we just want to get out there and compete in the sport that we love.

Lucy Maley
SI SH Co-ordinator
SH NZ Chair

North Island Coordinator Report
June Berrington

The season of Yes we are having a Show or Not.

To run in orange with mandating and masking. To run there was so much preparation and don't forget sanitiser. A huge job for a few and you do know who you are. A huge Thank You for those that helped.

Zoom meetings for us all just seem to be the new normal.

The corflutes got to the shows and we will be doing a stocktake with what we have got from the areas.

Gisborne ran on the grass this year and riders enjoyed a super grass surface and courses.

Waikato had a very wet Taupo show. The hacks grew flippers but the ponies ran on the new outside surface of which held up well.

EBOP and Opotiki just couldn't run like a few others under the mandate conditions, but I think they are all excited about next season.

Hawkes Bay did a pop a show of which they got some very new riders first time experience and will all be back, thank you Ashleigh for your extra effort.

With no HOY again this year we had the Series Final at Glistening Waters and the riders had lovely courses by Charelle Marshall, with the hacks and category C ponies been in the main oval was fantastic.

The night presentation wasn't great and maybe needs you all to discuss further.

Thank you to our Judges, Course Designers, Officials and all of you that support our sport for us all to enjoy.

June Berrington

Course Designer Report
Marilyn Vincent

Only one clinic was held during the winter which had a low attendance.

Two online clinics are to be held on 2nd & 4th August and these will give many on the list the opportunity to renew their award date.

Currently there are five Level 2 (National) and twenty-six Level 1 (Candidate) course designers.

For the Course Design pathway document:
nzequestrian.org.nz/wp-content//uploads/CD-Pathway-2.pdf

Sponsorship Report
Maria Collins

Once again, I would like to send a very heartfelt thank you to all our Show Hunter sponsors. We are very lucky to have some loyal people who continue to sponsor our sport year after year. I would like to thank those who have left us and to welcome our new sponsors.

It was great to be able to offer these sponsors the opportunity to attend Series Finals again since HOY was cancelled.

As I said last year it is important that our sponsors get a positive experience from their commitment to sponsor.

Our current sponsors state they have been getting good feedback from riders sending/emailing thank you notes so it's great to hear that we have got that right.
Our sponsors are asking for more exposure at shows so can we please ensure the corflutes are out, that their blurbs are read out a couple of times and if there is a representative on the grounds please invite them over, introduce them to competitors and give them the opportunity to present their ribbons.

I am aware that sometimes there are issues with getting the corflutes to where they need to be so if this happens ensuring the blurbs are read out is even more important.
These people are investing their money in our sport and if we can ensure that these things are done I'm hoping we can make them feel that their money is well spent.

Judges Advisors Report
Marilyn Vincent

At last years AGM the remit that the Judges Advisors put forward to only have a list of allowed gear was accepted and the rule change was made.

This has been less confusing than having a list of 'allowed' and another of 'not allowed'.

The advisors continue to monitor judging and are always aware of working to have consistency in the judging of show hunter.

To find the Judges Pathway document:
www.nzequestrian.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/SH-Judges-Qualification-Upgrading-Sept-2021.pdf

Judge's Officer Report
Sue Whiddett

Highlights of 2021 – 22 Season

1. Judges Clinics

Three judges refresher clinics were planned to be held as follows:

Christchurch	7 August 2021
Taupo NEC	21 August 2021
Waitemata/Dairy Flat	5 September 2021

The Christchurch clinic held at Lucy Maley's property went ahead with nine judges attending.

With Covid19 lockdown effecting the other clinics the decision was made to offer the clinics via Zoom. There was a positive response to delivering the clinics in this form and due to large numbers wishing to join online it was decided to hold two sessions. These were held Saturday 28 August and Sunday 29 August and were facilitated by Leigh Taylor.
Invitations were sent out to those in the South Island who hadn't been able to attend the clinic and to Pre-Candidate judges who had either previously attended a clinic or had recently begun the process under mentorship of a Snr National judge.
Twenty-nine judges joined these sessions.

There was provision for open discussion to clarify queries, and through feedback from judges this was a valuable opportunity to talk through various scenarios that have arisen through the season.

Following our recent Judges Advisors meeting held 26 May, the possibilities for venues and dates for this years clinics were discussed. They are as follows:

20 August Palmerston Nth, venue TBA facilitated by Gail Goodwin
28 August Due to the huge response we had to the online Zoom sessions last year this option is being offered, facilitated by Leigh Taylor. This option will be available to all judges and will support those who have long distances to travel to clinics.
3 September Christchurch, facilitated by Lucy Maley at her property.

All judges, including our list of pre-Candidate's have been notified of the details via email.

2. Judges Communications

A comprehensive newsletter was emailed to all our judges in November 2020 and was also posted to the NZ Show Hunter Judges Facebook page. The purpose of the content of newsletters is to support and assist judges in their judging. This informative newsletter covered a series of questions/answers regarding situations that are encountered when judging, a section on judging lead changes, a list of reminders for judges and updates on new rules and changes to existing rules. There is an open invitation for judges to advise any specific topics relating to judging which they would like covered in future newsletters.

3. Handy Hunter Addition to Judges Manual

An addendum to the Judges Manual was submitted by Jennie Pike in September and was forwarded to all judges. This was also made into a version as a resource for riders and was forwarded to all Area Delegates.

4. Judges Upgrades 2021– 2022 Season

To Candidate L1 June Berrington BOP
Sarah Milne Wellington

5. Building the Judging Pool

Many of our Senior National Judges are providing on-going support to prospective judges. We all need to be mindful of encouraging anyone interested in becoming a judge to take that step and begin the process. We continue to see a number of experienced Show Hunter riders learning alongside experienced judges as Pre-Candidate.

Current Judges List Status

Additions and upgrades as outlined.

The current Active Judges List consists of:

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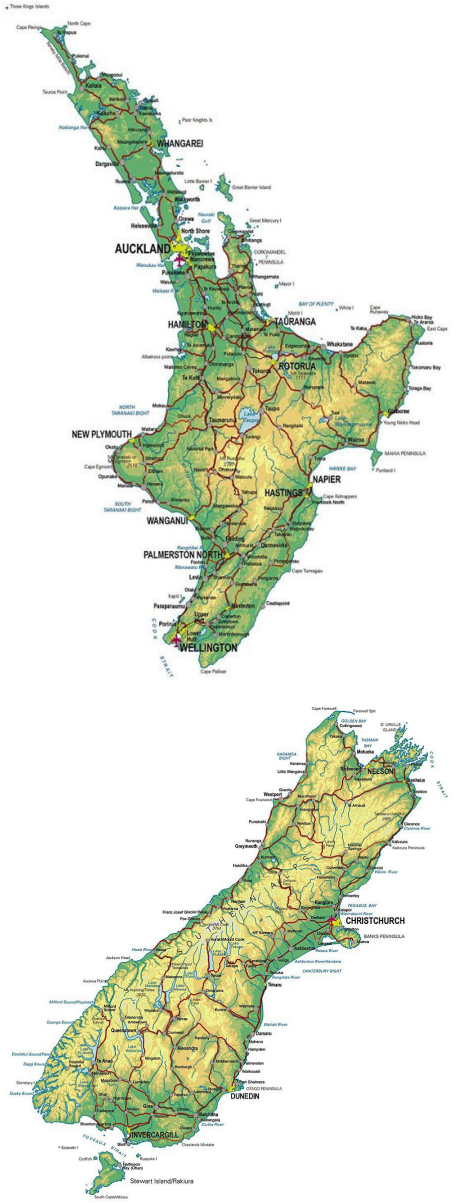
- National / Snr National = 46
- Candidate Judges = 11

Area	National Judges	Candidate Judges	Upgrades / Additions During 2020– 2021
Nth Island	32	10	
Northland	4	2	
Waitemata	1	1	
Auckland	7		
Waikato	3	2	
BOP	6	3	1 New Candidate L1
Gisborne	2		
Northern HB	1	1	
Taranaki	2		
Central Districts	2		
Wairarapa	2		
Wellington	2	1	1 New Candidate L1
Sth Island	14	1	
Nelson	2	1	
Marlborough	2		
Canterbury	6		
Ashburton	3		



Sth Canty / Nth Otago	-			
Otago	1			
Southland	-			

Jumping Manager Report

Marilyn Thompson

This season we applaud all those involved in running events. Creativity and tenacity became words of the day alongside Covid planning, health and safety, Police and Health audits, pop-up shows, capped entries, bubbles and many other unfamiliar terms in our sport. Our season has finished in a better position than we could have hoped for, thanks to all those involved in organising events, our sponsors and our riders who continued to show their support for the extra efforts of all of our volunteers.

This season had 57 show cancellations compared to 11 last season, however we repeatedly saw how quicky a small group of dedicated people could stand up a show and host hundreds of horses.

Planning is well underway for Technical Seminars which will be held in-person around the country, and organising committee workshops which will be held on zoom.

Our Star Spotters programme has again been a big hit and saw several areas inundated with great prospects. A special thank you to Brigit Kirk from NZPH for backing this for the past three seasons.

Many of you will have met Kirsten Hence our Jumping administrator who joined in November, and if you have not please say hi at conference. We are looking forward to a great year ahead and will see many of you over the coming months. Kirsten and I are available to assist you at anytime and welcome your queries.

THE SEASON 2021 - 2022

- 141 shows were carded this season, including pop-up shows replacing cancelled shoes.
- 57 cancelled or postponed shows (some of which became new popup shows)
- 84 shows ran, compared to 103 during 2020-2021 which was much less affected by Covid restrictions.
- 19,422 horses competed at shows throughout the season a decrease of 5,838 on the 2020-2021 season which had been an increase of 352 on the 2019-2020 season.
- Casual Equine starts 1,888 (1,942 previous season) and Casual Rider starts 657 (819 previous season) have both decreased this season.

Overall, most show numbers were down a little or similar to last season. Shows with >300 horses were:

17 Sep 21	19 Sep 21	Feilding I A and P Spring Show	328
02 Oct 21	03 Oct 21	SCNO Spring has Sprung Show	342
09 Oct 21	10 Oct 21	Wellington Horowhenua (Foxton)	384
24 Oct 21	25 Oct 21	Wairarapa Area Showjumping	332
24 Oct 21	25 Oct 21	Canterbury Showjumping Labour Weekend Carnival	560
13 Nov 21	14 Nov 21	Whanganui A&P Show	311
20 Nov 21	21 Nov 21	Taranaki Area GP Show (new) replaced Egmont A&P	310
20 Nov 21	21 Nov 21	Ashburton Area Championship Show	454
26 Nov 21	28 Nov 21	Central Districts	452
03 Dec 21	04 Dec 21	Feilding CSI-W	434
03 Dec 21	05 Dec 21	Christmas Cracker - (McLeans Island)	503
04 Dec 21	05 Dec 21	Northland Grand Prix Show	325
10 Dec 21	12 Dec 21	National Young Horse Jumping Champs- Hawkes Bay	392
07 Jan 22	09 Jan 22	Central & Southern HB Show Jumping	411
14 Jan 22	16 Jan 22	Waitemata SJ Festival	344

14 Jan 22	16 Jan 22	Ashburton Area	394
22 Jan 22	23 Jan 22	Canterbury Championships	490
28 Jan 22	30 Jan 22	Taranaki Area Jumping show	388
28 Jan 22	30 Jan 22	SCNO Area Show	376
10 Feb 22	14 Feb 22	National Showjumping & Show Hunter Championships	490
18 Feb 22	20 Feb 22	Feilding IA&P Showjumping	503
26 Feb 22	27 Feb 22	Wairarapa Area Showjumping	322
19 Mar 22	20 Mar 22	NHB Pop Up Show	424
27 Mar 21	28 Mar 21	Waitemata Show Jumping	309
01 Apr 22	03 Apr 22	Central Districts Nth Island Champs	403
09 Apr 21	11 Apr 21	Glistening Waters ESNZ Series Final Jumping Championships	397

Annual Equine Discipline Registrations

Annual discipline starts for horses and ponies were both down, as expected in a disrupted year.

Year	2020	2021	2022
Horses	2226	2032	**1888**
Ponies	939	925	**666**

SERIES 2021-2022

There were exciting and close finishes in many of the Series this season, following the reduction in scores to count towards the final result. This made for great competition up until the final hour, keeping scorers and media staff on their toes. Despite the travel restrictions and cancelled shows, the Series were strongly supported.

JUMPING SERIES

Numbers in Series competitions shown below are based on **those placed in a series.**

Participation numbers are expected to be higher, particularly in AM and PA where there have been large classes.

There were five World Cup rounds and four CSI1* events.

	2021	2022
5yr	67	**66**
6yr	57	**52**
7yr	30	**40**
JR	88	**84**
YR	59	**56**
T	23	**16**
AM	132	**112**
PA	114	**100**
HGP	64	**54**
PL	18	**17**
WC	14	**14**
PGP	50	**39**

Leading Stallion 2 (1 in 2021)

Leading Mare 22 (25 in 2021)

8 YO Series 4 (17 in 2021)

SHOW HUNTER SERIES

Numbers in Series competitions shown below are based on **those placed in a series.**

	2021	**2022**
Open HP	80	**82**
Junior HP	67	**61**
Amateur HP	84	**72**
Junior EQ	40	**36**
Open EQ	65	**57**
Cat A	51	**39**
Cat B	71	**62**
Cat C	78	**68**
Pony Rider Eq	83	**57**
12 & under Eq	66	**67**

SPONSORSHIP

We have been privileged to have most of our regular sponsors as well as some new sponsors on board for 2021-2022 season. A huge thanks to our sponsors listed below, for their enthusiasm, coming to shows to present prizes, and positive feedback about correspondence from riders. You are stars of our sport!

NZPH sponsored the Star Spotters scholarship programme for a third year, and this programme continues to deliver beyond all expectations bringing new riders into contact with mentors and assisting them to have fun.

JUMPING	
World Cup/PL	Merco / POLi Payments
Horse Grand Prix	EvoEvents
Pony Grand Prix	Country TV
Young Rider	FMG
7-year-old Breeding Series	Matthews Hanoverians
6-year-old Breeding Series	Ultramox
5-year-old Breeding Series	East Coast Performance Horses
Junior Rider	Mainland Coachwork
Amateur Rider	Dunstan Horsefeeds
Pro Am	Harrison Lane
Tertiary Series	Main Events
Leading stallion	Equibreed
Leading Mare	Equibreed

GRASSROOTS PROJECT	
Star Spotters	NZPH
PERFORMANCE PROGRAMME	
Talent Development	Waikato Equestrian Vet Centre
SHOW HUNTER	
Open High points	NRM
Junior High Points	Sport Horse (formerly Gyro Plastics)
Amateur High Points	Carousel Equestrian
Junior Equitation	ESNZ
Pony Equitation	ESNZ
12 & under Equitation	BOP and Waikato Show Hunter Groups
Open equitation	Petticoat Lane Performance Horses
Cat A	Hokonui Sport Horses
Cat B	Fiber Fresh
Cat C	Aniwell

Discussions are still underway for 2022-23 season, and to date most of our current sponsors have already committed to continuing their support for our sport. We are so privileged to have these relationships and your acknowledgement of our sponsors plays a big part in this.

JUMPING INCOME AND FINANCIALS

At the time of writing this report the year end financials are not available. These will be presented separately prior to the AGM.

THANKS

Thank you to everyone involved in our sport!

The volunteers without whom we would not be able to run this sport, the dedicated area and show secretaries, delegates, judges, stewards, technical officials, course designers and all the people behind the scenes. Your countless hours of involvement make our sport happen and we are proud to work alongside you.

Thank you to our Media people who have provided guidance and support, while doing a great job keeping everyone informed.

To our wonderful sponsors –thank you for the past season and we look forward to working with you in 2022-2023.

Finally, thank you to the unsung heros - my admin team of Holly and Kirsten, the ESNZ team and the Jumping Board and Committees.

Jumping Sport Manager, Marilyn Thompson

Annual Report: Accounts & Financial

The financial report will be provided as soon as final accounts are available from ESNZ Central Finance Department

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Remit Submission Form

Please refer to the latest Show Hunter rules at the following link:
https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/Clean-V14-Build-328-SH-Rules.pdf

Article or Annex No#	B.5	Page No#:	4
Current Rule:	B. Age of Rider 5. Adult Riders aged 17 years and older may ride ponies at Introductory events but will not be eligible for prizes.		
Proposed Rule Change:	Adult riders aged 17 years and older may ride ponies in Introductory classes but will not be eligible for prizes.		
Rationale:	To all riders over 17 years old to enter and ride ponies (148cm and under) in introductory pony classes as a non-competitive entry. Riders would pay an entry fee, however would not be competing for a prize. These combinations would be excluded from any championship or series classes. To provide a more professional pathway to create well-schooled safe performance ponies entering the Show Hunter ring. T aid and increase the supply of quality performance ponies for riders under 17. A pony that has competed at a show with an adult is not allowed to compete subsequently for prizes in the same arena with a child rider on the same day. Pros: Very few children are producing ponies into equestrian sport. There is currently no pathway provision for developing ponies into our sport. Without suitable ponies being produced, there will be a shortage of ponies – the "tools of our trade". I believe this is already the case with young riders prematurely exiting the sport. Other sports can immediately manufacture/import more bikes, tennis rackets, balls, etc to		

	meet the demand. However, good ponies take 6-8 years to breed, raise and produce for competition. A 5 or 6 year old pony may only require a season competing with an experienced small adult to prepare him for 6 or 7 future child riders. On the flip side, due to rider inexperience, a good pony can have a couple of poor outings and never compete again. There is plenty of luck and very little good management involved when navigating a pony's pathway through the ring. ESNZ are compelled by the FEI rules to place emphasis on increasing education in training – this includes ponies. Annex 1 – Code of Conduct – Welfare of the Horse 6. Emphasis should be placed on increasing education in training and equestrian practices and promoting scientific studies in equine health. Shows will benefit from entry fees to contribute toward prize money. Cons: Unfair advantage: an adult rider ay opt to ride a pony in a preceding class to give a child rider the advantage in a later class. This has been addressed in the British Show Jumping Hors Concours rules (Chapter 1, Article 200 General Item 11. There is no provision for Hors Concours in ESNZ jumping classes). 6. A horse or pony that has competed in affiliated competitions "Hors Concours" or on a 'Ticket to Ride' is not allowed to compete subsequently for prizes in the same arena on the same day. Addition: A pony that has competed at a show with an adult is not allowed to compete subsequently for prizes in the same arena with a child rider on the same day. This positive move to allow over 17 year old riders to ride ponies (148cm and under) Introductory classes as non-competitive entries will benefit our sport. Ponies will receive a more professional education and be better prepared for their under 17 child riders.
Area Nominated By:	Otago
Nominator: *(Area Chairman/Delegate/ Secretary)*	Charlotte Young (Show Hunter Executive)
Seconder: *(another area group)*	

SUMMARY OF RULE CHANGES 2022

The Show Hunter Executive propose the following change be copied from the Show Jumping Rule Book into the Show Hunter Rule Book:

Show Hunter Rule:

B. Age of Rider
Show Season Calendar year runs from 1st August to 31st July.
1. Pony Riders
1.1. Competitors may take part in competitions and points series for pony riders until the end of the Show Season Calendar year that they reach the age of 17.
1.2. A pony rider eligible to compete on the 1st day of an event may continue to compete at that event as a pony rider if they turn 17 during the event. At the conclusion of that show refer to Rule B 1 regarding date of show for further eligibility as pony rider.
2. Amateur Riders
Amateur competitors may take part in Amateur Show Hunter competitions and points series from the first day of the season during which they turn 22. Competitors **may not** take part in Junior Show Hunter competitions and points series at the same time.
Refer to Rule E2.
3. Junior Riders
Junior competitors may take part in Junior Show Hunter competitions and points series until the end of the show season calendar year that they reach the age of 21. Competitors **may not** take part in Amateur Show Hunter competitions and points series at the same time.
Refer to Rule E3.
4. Introductory Events
Rider's may compete on a equine in recognised or Introductory (unrecognised) competitions, providing that other qualifying criteria are met for those restricted divisions or classes.
5. Adult Riders
Adult riders aged 17 years and older may ride ponies at Introductory events **but** will not be eligible for prizes.

Show Jumping Rule to be added:

Article 255 - Young, Junior, Pony & Children

5. Competitors will be eligible to take part in horse competitions from the beginning of the season in which they reach 12 years – the season being from 1st August until 31st July the following year.

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Area Reports 2022

	Report	
8.1	Ashburton	Not Received
8.2	Auckland	Lynette Jackson
8.3	Bay of Plenty	Alice Barrow
8.4	Canterbury	Lisa Clark
8.5	Central Districts	Laura van Velthooven
8.6	Central & Southern Hawkes Bay	Not Received
8.7	Gisborne	Sandy Richmond
8.8	Marlborough	Not Received
8.9	Nelson	Not Received
8.10	Northern Hawkes Bay	Ashleigh Mitchell
8.11	Northland	Not Received
8.12	Otago	Melissa Barton
8.13	South Canterbury & North Otago	Not Received
8.14	Southland	Anna Clearwater
8.15	Taihape	Not Received
8.16	Taranaki	Not Received
8.17	Waikato	Sharyn Goodwin
8.18	Wairarapa	Dianna Behrns
8.19	Waitemata	Sue Whiddett
8.20	Wellington	Not Received

Auckland Area Delegates Report
Lynette Jackson

Auckland Show Hunter ran one show this year. The committee elected to postpone this show from our usual date in November due to Auckland being in the Red Covid-19 Protection Framework. We took a punt and rescheduled for 8th and 9th January 2022. We were extremely lucky with this decision as we were able to run our show in the very small window where Auckland moved to the Orange Covid-19 Protection Framework.

With many show cancellations leading up to our show, riders were itching to get out and compete, so we had a very pleasing number of entries. 83 combinations competed over the 2 days of the show at the beautiful Pukekohe A&P showgrounds where we ran 2 days of High Points and Equitation. There were many highlights during the show with some high quality jumping. Macey Gill won the Denise Crispe Memorial Hack class and Madison Cutfield, who is a hard working junior member on our committee, won the Denise Crispe Memorial Pony class.

In the months leading up to the show our small committee achieved a mammoth task of revamping our jumps. We consolidated 3 trailers of jumps down to 2. We water-blasted, scrubbed, repaired, and painted 2 full sets jumps. The committee dedicated many hours to this, in particular, our president Karyn Blake who did the majority of the painting. We sold 1 of our jump trailers to a local riding club along with a couple of older sets of jump fill.

Reducing our gear trailers will help to lower our storage and insurance costs. This is a key challenge for us going forward, with ever increasing costs, we need to seek every avenue to remain viable.

Local Pony Clubs are acknowledging the benefit of show hunter to their riders. Pointways Pony Club in Alfriston ran their annual winter series show hunter events with excellent entries – literally running from dawn until dusk. Papatoetoe Pony Club are very keen to start hosting regular show hunter events with an ESNZ event carded for February next season.

We are extremely grateful to our sponsors for their generous support. Sponsorship is a key contributor to the success of our show.

Bay of Plenty Area Delegates Report
Alice Barrow

2022

Another Season has come and gone, and another season struck with Covid-19.

Bay of plenty Show Hunter group ran both our shows. Our October show was a hard one as Hamilton and Auckland were in lock down. We couldn't get the numbers, but none the less the people that came loved it and they were so pleased we ran a show to get them out of their home arenas.

Unfortunately the show did run at a loss but we knew it would. We made it up with an amazing January show with big numbers. At this time HOY was still undecided if it was to go ahead. It was well supported and everyone had a great time. We were able to pick up a 2nd day of Series classes as Te Teko and Opoitki didn't run.

We also continue to run a Winter Show Hunter weekend alongside Waikato Show Hunter group in Taupo, which is a great weekend for a play and to be able to ask for help and ask questions. Also we will continue to run our “Under 12 Equitation Series” with Waikato Show Hunter group.

Big news came but it was not a surprise to us all that Horse of the Year was a no go for another year, which was a shame for everyone that worked hard to go.

We had some great news within our group one of our long time committee member Michaela welcomed a baby boy. We are looking forward to running some great shows in 2022-2023 season.

Canterbury Area Delegates Report
Lisa Clark

The Canterbury Jumping group were once again very lucky that Covid-19 did not impact any of our three shows this season, although Covid did mean a few extra hoops to jump through to actually hold them.

We again had record entries at Labour Weekend and continued good entries at our other two shows. We suspect this may be in part due to the cancellation of the local A&P Shows again due to Covid.

An increase sponsorship support meant we were able to continue to offer some very good Canterbury Series for hacks and ponies, including our series for Young Horses offering prize money of $1000 to the winner thanks to our wonderful sponsors Tavern Harewood.

Our combined Ashburton and Canterbury Series for the Hack 1m class was also well supported and it is nice to continue to work with our close neighbours to encourage riders to attend both area group's shows.

Canterbury (and South Island) riders continue to perform well in the SH Nationals Series and we congratulate our riders on their successes.

With support from the Show Jumping committee, we have a new set of rails for the pony ring and are looking at purchasing another set of new fill this season, with new jump trailers also on the table going forward which is exciting.

The pony show hunter ring has had its surface upgraded to Treadlite by NEC and this was appreciated by riders. The amazing new irrigation system was up and working for our shows, and it is certainly a much easier way to irrigate our rings, rather than the old way of dragging in and out irrigators by hand.

Unfortunately we did find at the NZ National SJ & SH Championships in February, that Mother Nature had provided rather too much irrigation of her own, and it was a very sad decision made by officials to cancel the final day of competition due to excessive rain and flooding!! This was disappointing given the work that went into the show, and the excellent numbers we had entered, including a large contingent from the North Island. However, as they say in jumping, look up and ride forward, and the committee did!! A resolution was quickly found on a way to award the titles, an impressive inside presentation ceremony was quickly setup, and plans are already under way for the 2023 Championships!

Show hunter in Canterbury is run by a committed and passionate group of ladies who are proud to have once again run three successful shows alongside our supportive jumping group, and to also provide 4 days of show hunter at the NZ Nationals SJ & SH Championships.

We are a great team!

Central Districts Area Delegates Report
Laura van Velthooven

Another year has rolled around as we all navigated the changing Covid-19 rules and levels.

Shows in Central Districts attracted good numbers and we are lucky to have good surfaces at Foxton, Feilding, and Wanganui.

Central Districts Group hosted the North Island Championships in early April this year. This change in the calendar was a good decision as Covid restrictions had eased, and we also had perfect weather for it. We were lucky that Marilyn Vincent and Joan Couper came for a weekend at the beach to judge and course design. We received great feedback from riders, with lots of covers and prizes up for grabs. We thank our generous local sponsors - Cartown, Kyrewood Park, Fanny Adams, EquivetsNZ, LoveRacing and FourFlax to name just a few, as well as the national series sponsors.

We congratulate a number of our local riders who followed the National High Points series with some great results at Series Finals in Masterton.

Over the next few months, we see lots of winter training days popping up. This is great to see as they provide an opportunity for riders give it a go and a friendly introduction to the sport. We look forward to the season ahead.

Gisborne Area Delegates Report
Sandy Richmond

We were very lucky in our area that Covid did not wreck a number of events, like it did around the country.

We were able to hold our the Poverty Bay A&P Show, Gisborne Pony Club Sports, the Waerenga-O-Kuri Sports and Larsen's Equestrian Championships.
While our numbers were down at these events – we ran safely and had great competition.
Many thanks to our Judges Robyn McIldowie – GPC Sports and Poverty Bay A&P and Sue Whiddett who judged at Larsen's.

Our near neighbours in Northern Hawkes Bay (Wairoa) were not so lucky and downgraded a Pony Club competition to a Ribbon Day and both the Wairoa A&P and NHB Jumping Show were cancelled.

Once again the local Show Hunter Series were held, with less events counting with the cancellation of Wairoa Events.

Winners:
Open Horse: French Made and Shelly Watts
Open Pony: Buffalo Man and Molly McEwan
LP Introductory Horse: Tamara and Claudia Porter
I would like to thank our series sponsors, E.J. Gordon Livestock and the Harris Family once again your ongoing support was mush appreciated.
I would also like to thank all of our local sponsors, without your support we would struggle to run events in our district.

This is my last delegates report, I am stepping down and I am pleased to announce that Kirsty MacLean is stepping into the role and I am without doubt that she will do an amazing job. I am not moving away from our committee or Show Hunter and will still be judging and course building.

Kirsty is well known around shows as her daughter Ella Rouse and Ruby Tunes had a great time with the Category B National Show Hunter Series.

I would like to thank our local committee, we are a great bunch who work well together.

Many thanks to Delegates, Executive and Jumping Sport Managers and ESNZ Staff that I have worked with and made lots of friends with over the years.
I will miss my annual trip to National Office this year.

Northern Hawkes Bay Area Delegates Report
Ashleigh Mitchell

Unfortunately, we once again experienced disruption to the start of our season with Combined sports, Pukahu (Early September) and Hawkes Bay A & P (October) all being cancelled. Leading to our first show of the season being National young horse show on the 10-12 December. We successfully ran national series and age championships for hacks and despite the weather on the Sunday was well supported and really allowed our young horses to shine.

Congratulation to our age group champions:

4-Year-old – Meersbrooke Slice of Ice Ridden by Laura Pratt

5-Year-old – Centarosa Ridden by Charlotte Conder

6-Year-old – Matai Serendipity Ridden by Mikayla Herbert

7-Year-old – Kiwi Strike Ridden by Lucy Olphert

A keen small group planned and put into action a pop up show the weekend following NYHS however, entries and ground conditions meant the show was cancelled.

Our final annual fixture on our calendar is Wairoa show on 13-15 January and unfortunately followed suit to our earlier fixtures and was cancelled. However, the NHB group added the NHB Jumping championships to the calendar which ran on the 19-20 of March. This included two full days of high points and equitation for both ponies and hacks.

Despite all the challenges and ever-changing environment, we successfully managed to run 2 shows within the area. I would like to say thank you to the local jumping group for the continued support and backing that enable our sport to continue, the local parents who have stepped up and helped and to the riders who show up and support our shows.

Otago Area Delegates Report
Melissa Barton

Covid continued to disrupt best laid plans for the year with our October show having to be cancelled. On the plus side it did mean that we managed to book our judge for the upcoming show of the new 2022 – 2023 season well in advance and it wouldn't have been fun running show hunter rings on such muddy ground. It also gave us another year to prepare for hosting the South Islands with the decision to postpone them until 2023.

We were extremely pleased with the large entries in the horse section at our January show. Continuing with last year's trend of lots of new adult riders participating in show hunter and enjoying themselves. The pony ring also had good entries and both rings ran incredibly smoothly which could be attributed to two things. Firstly, riders and supporters all pitched in and helped with set up, running the rings on the day and the pack down of the rings. Secondly, enlisting the invaluable skills and knowledge of Course Builder Marilyn Vincent as well as judge Lisa Clark meant both could share their experience and knowledge with show hunter riders and supporters.

We wish to acknowledge all the riders, parents, supporters who helped with the running of the show hunter ring in what has been a turbulent year. There are too many to mention by name individually, but we could not run show hunter without their continued support. Many riders helped to pick up rails and or stayed behind to pack away jumps at the end of the day.

Additionally, with such great support shown for show hunter rounds at our Otago Show jumping outdoor practice days, we will be likely to continue this year, we will be looking to repeat these for the 2022/2023 season

Once again, we are in the process of planning for our upcoming shows this season, especially the South Island Championships which will be a fantastic opportunity for our local and regional riders to attend!

Our jumps and fill have been revamped in time for the South Islands, and the new gear looked fantastic especially when titillated with native flora. Lindsay Carruthers made a fantastic job of making new fill for our ring.

Finally, I am stepping down as show hunter delegate and Pippa Collins a highly successful competitor with a wealth of knowledge will be taking over this role. Pippa will be a great ambassador and asset for show hunter in Otago.

Warmest regards

Melissa Barton

Southland Area Delegates Report
Katrine Smith

Due to covid we only managed to host one weekend at the festival show in December 2021 with two days of high points. The pony classes were well supported and enough in the hack classes for some strong competition. We welcomed our judge and course designer Rose Thomson from Ashburton and it was a pleasure to host Rose who was very positive and gave lots of feedback to the riders. Thank you, Rose.

Unfortunately, we had to cancel our February show due to a covid outbreak in our local community.

Our focus for next season is to encourage more entries, updating our gear when able and look at ways in enhancing the high points series to add more interest and competition.

Thank you to the national and local sponsors who supported show hunter this season.

Waikato Area Delegates Report
Sharyn Goodwin

Another challenging equestrian and competition season for everyone with the covid restrictions coming into force at various stages throughout the year.

Appreciation to all Show Hunter committee members who did their best to run events under a range of Covid levels and traffic light settings.

Thankfully it appears we are moving toward some form of normal and it is good to see an increase in equestrian events being held across all disciplines around the country.

Past WSHG Events
Regrettably our October 2021 shows was cancelled, along with many other events being forced to do the same.

Our Summer show on 12-13 February was held in atrocious weather conditions and certainly the word
"summer" didn't feature that weekend!

Just when we thought the Covid protocols would be the biggest hurdle, they paled in comparison to what cyclone Dovi dished out that weekend. Competitors and our committee certainly appreciated being able to utilise the NEC indoor arena for the prizegiving at least.

Utmost gratitude to everyone else who pulled together to make the event a success, especially given a number of our key committee members were away on pre-planned trips in the South Island that weekend.

A special congratulations and acknowledgement of the challenges of that event were recognised with Brett Dixon and Pierce Lette being awarded ESNZ Volunteers of the month in April.

This was also Brett's first show as chief course designer and he did an amazing job of building the course under such appalling weather conditions. On top of that, both Brett and Pierce also were also undertaking fatherly duties with their families.

Upcoming WSHG Events
We will be holding our annual winter training series at Taupo NEC on 30-31 July. This event always proves popular and we often get competitors attending this event as their first introduction to show hunter so it is a valuable way to encourage more riders to this discipline.
Our Spring show is scheduled for 15-16 October and our Summer show 11-12 February 2023.

Regional Show Hunter Events
Good to see a few more show hunter events being run in our region with the Waikato Equestrian Centre holding a winter training series each month from May to August.
Showfields Diamond Lodge near Hampton Downs are also running an indoor winter show hunter series over the same period.

WSHG Committee Update

We are excited and proud to have our Chairperson Paxton Conder take over the role from Claire Wilson as Jumping Riders Rep. Paxton has been our Chairperson for the past 4 years and although we are sorry to lose her we know she will do a great job to represent us on the National board.

Wairarapa Area Delegates Report
Dianna Behrns

The 2021/22 season was a tough one for everyone. Again covid meant we faced a whole new set of challenges both as riders and committees but we managed to run all our shows in the Wairarapa area without being impacted too greatly.

For my first season as Show Hunter delegate, being a part of the Wairarapa Jumping Group team and the 10 shows that we put on, meant for a busy season in our area. These included 2 practice days, 5 winter series days, Labour Weekend show, February show and Series Finals at Glistening Waters. 5 out of the 10 shows had show hunter rings.

Were we burnt out? - of course!

Are we excited about the 2022/23 season? - Absolutely!

The two winter series days that focused on Show Hunter helped local riders get ready for the season and were very well received with great feed-back. We had fabulous local sponsorship for our winter series which meant great prizes and there was a general hum of excitement from riders about the upcoming season.

Our Labour Weekend show had good numbers and the weekend ran smoothly with ponies on Sunday and horses on Monday. Gail Goodwin judged and Christine Rowe course designed. Thank you to you both.

Rain prior to our February show meant that the ground was not too hard, which at that time of year it typically is in the Wairarapa. Again we had good numbers and a fantastic couple of days of Show Hunter and once again we had the experienced eyes of Gail judging and Christine course designing.

Glistening Waters in April marked the end of the Show Hunter season and we were privileged to host the Series Finals. What a team we have and I feel so lucky to be a part of such an amazing group of people who came together with tireless hard work and amazing support to produce what I can only describe as WOW!!

Running two rings over two days, I couldn't have done this so well without the support of our team and throughout the show our wonderful judges Holli Marshall, Katja Kershaw and Joan Couper, our course designer, Charelle Marshall and her very supportive husband Pierce and the fabulous support crew, June Berrington and Tracey Lammas, who all went above and beyond. Thank you so much to you all for helping to keep my feet on the ground.

Our gate stewards and those that helped with course changes and picking up poles, these shows cannot run without you and we appreciate you giving up your time to help.

Thank you to BOP SH group for bringing down fill for the jumps and an abundance of flowers. The rings looked spectacular and the course rode beautifully.

The rugs, garlands and ribbons were divine and it was just magical seeing the series class winners and place getters do their well deserved victory laps in the Presidents Oval. What a sight!

A special thank you to our amazing sponsors, we are always so grateful to have the generosity of our sponsors so we can produce shows that give our riders a reason to get up in the dark and feel proud to be a part of our sport.

Thank you and congratulations to all the riders, ponies and horses. It's been a tough season and it was awesome to see riders from all round the country come together at Glistening Waters.

As we look towards next season, Wairarapa are almost underway with our winter series days which will include one Show Hunter day.

Waitemata Area Delegates Report
Sue Whiddett

Despite the added issues due to Covid restrictions, our hard-working committee remained positive, taking these challenges in their stride throughout the season.

We ran a successful winter series, sponsored by Lani Allard Real Estate, which saw many newcomers over the three series days. Through feedback from riders we added a second warm up round at 70cm for Ponies and 80cm for Hacks.
A clinic with Stephie Joustra was held during the July school holidays and we sponsored two riders to attend, selected from a list of applicants.

Our 6/7 November show was pushed out to 18/19 December 2021 and we were very fortunate to secure this date with Woodhill Sands.
We had 84 riders/ 124 horses and ponies competing (591 rounds) For many riders this was their first opportunity to compete due to lockdown restrictions effecting our area.
Our 19/20 February 2022 show, had 94 riders/ 123 horses and ponies competing (650 rounds). We were able to run our Open Horse ring on the wonderful grass arena at Woodhill Sands and the pony ring was also run on grass at the back of the venue.
Our Rising Star classes 85-90cm continue to be well supported being our largest classes. The four Intro Horse classes followed Saturday's Open classes and proved a popular series over the two shows. The addition of Judges Choice Turnout prizes for each category sponsored by Hygain, was hotly contested and saw many of our riders and mounts turned out to an extremely high standard. Hygain also sponsored the Classic classes held at this show with bags of feed.

Our application to Four Winds Foundation was successful and this grant largely covered costs for the medic and ribbons & rosettes for our February show.

We had a total of $9,650- worth of sponsorship for our two summer shows which we are so grateful for considering the on-going financial impact of Covid on many of our local businesses. We would like to thank Lani Allard Real Estate, Chris Fougere Orthopaedics, Burger King, MacDonald Lewis Law, Giltrap Group, G J Gardner Homes, North Auckland Caravans, Cricklewood Horse Coaches Ltd, Withers & Co Chartered Accountants, West Auckland Engine Reconditioners, River Valley Equestrian, Willowbrook Farm Equestrian, Back to Back Chiropractic and Dan Brown Farriers for their support.

Our upcoming Winter Series is being sponsored by Lani Allard Real Estate, with the Equitation classes being sponsored by Chris Fougere Orthopaedics. We greatly appreciate their ongoing support and this will enable us to offer some lovely prizes for the series winners and placegetters.

Our Show Hunter Waitemata Facebook page is regularly updated promoting our sponsors featuring individual profiles. It is a great platform for sharing information regarding events, notification of results and presentation photographs.

Our committee are looking forward to seeing many new riders and combinations out during our 3 Winter Series days and we are preparing for another great season ahead.

Ashburton Area Delegates Report
Rose Thompson

This will be my final Annual Report for Show Hunter. Steph Kearney is going to take over the Delegate's position. Steph will be the perfect replacement. Her first love is hunting but has become an integral part of our team and is very keen to get into course designing. So, I wish her the best – she is joining a pretty cool group of show hunter enthusiasts!

I have lost count how many reports I have written. We have come a long way since we started the Ashburton Area. Show Hunter didn't really feature until the area was well and truly up and running and everything was lumped in together. Jumping was just jumping, combined with eventing and dressage. Gradually we went our own ways and show hunter fell into step with show jumping. We used to borrow gear from Canterbury and any group that had plain jumping equipment- Tinwald Pony Club. When we bought our first set of gear from Allan Hampton, we thought we were made! It was great big heavy jump ends with 14-foot poles. As all the "helpers" were women, we bought our second lot of gear from Allan when an area in the North Island cancelled their order. It was wonderful – lovely and light – easy for us girls to handle!

Over the years, Show Hunter has had a wonderful succession of helpers – people who have freely and willingly given of their time – two of whom I wish to remember – Archie (Tony) Archibald and Adrienne Cromie. These people were with me from the beginning and were true Show Hunter supporters with their time and sponsorships. I would love to sit here and type up all the names of people who have made being part of the Ashburton Show Hunter group so much fun, but it would take me hours. We have up lifted arenas in the pouring rain and rebuilt them again on the JAB grounds. We tried the rugby grounds outside the ring as an alternative for ponies. But so many slipped and fell over that we canned that. One Saturday morning we had a swarm of bees take up home on one of our jumps and had to wait while the bee man was able to entice them away. There have been lots of little incidences along the way which have all helped to build our Show Hunter group into one of the best, if not the best, in the South Island.

The 21-22 season was very successful. Our competition days went without a hitch. Once again, our Introductory ring for horses was most successful. Excellent class numbers lead to great competition. And again, our pony classes

were small. This did not mean the quality of pony/rider is slipping. Quite the opposite in fact. We do suffer from only being able to run one day of horses and one day of ponies per competition days. If we could organise a second ring and a second set of jumps we would be able to encourage more pony competitors. This could be happening sooner than we think.

The highlight for me this year has been watching Kim Bird realise her dreams and competing in the States. I can well remember Kim as a little girl competing in Category A. How long ago now that seems. I hope that the grounding she got riding the perfect show hunter round has helped her to become the accomplished rider she is today. I kind of feel quite proud telling people she started in the show hunter ring!!!! And it certainly helps the little Category A's of today to watch and learn from such a role model, and dream – just as Kim did.

Steph, along with Jenny Waddell and Carmel Burgess, with myself in the background, have agreed to step in to take the leadership role. It's time for new blood and new views. I am sure Steph will get the support from this committee that I always received. Support is the one thing that has held this area together. Whilst there are plenty of differing opinions on different aspects of jumping, we have always worked together to produce a highly successful area.

Thank you all for the good times. I am not resigning – just retiring from the Convenor's position! Good luck Steph – I am sure you will enjoy your time working with this great team.

Taranaki Area Delegates Report
Holli Marshall

We all know that this season has been tough. Taranaki Equestrian Jumping took on running a “pop up” show in place of the Egmont A&P which kept the sport going in Taranaki.

Unfortunately other A&P shows cancelled meaning show hunter didn’t have the same presence it usually does in Taranaki with both Wavery & Stratford cancelling.

A decision was made to run 2 days of show hunter at the November Taranaki Show rather than the January show. The classes were well supported and this will continue for the 2022/2023 season. We will then assess if we continue to run in January or in November.

There is a great bunch of supporters of Show Hunter in Taranaki. This is evident with good numbers participating in the Winter Show Hunter Series, finishing with the last of 3 schooling days on 3rd July. These days have provided a great platform to further Show Hunter in the Region and to kindly produce young horses over winter with a professionally designed course and judge.

This season Egmont A & P will run with 2 days of HP classes.

We’re excited that Stratford will be having HP classes this year.

Waverley will be celebrating its’ 100th A & P show and will be having SH.

We are working on forming a new SH committee so the running, organising & fundraising does not fall to only 1 or 2 people. We look forward to picking up some keen ESNZ members.

The success of show hunter in Taranaki and around New Zealand could not happen without the volunteers we have, accordingly I want to acknowledge our cohesive committee and great group of volunteers and officials we have in the sport. A special mention also needs to go to our sponsors and the ESNZ Series Sponsors for keeping the sport going.

Looking forward to the 2022-2023 season!