



JUMPING AGM & Conference

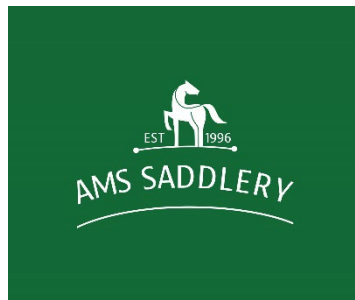
**28 – 29 June 2025
James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor, Wellington**



Julie Davey and LT Holst Freda, winners of the Olympic Cup Horse of the Year 2025



Thank you to our amazing 2024-2025 sponsors!



Friday 27th June 2025

Hall of Fame and 75th Anniversary celebrations – tickets required.

6.30pm Friday 27 June 2025. Banquet Hall at Parliament Buildings,
Molesworth Street, Wellington.

- Celebrating the 75th anniversary of ESNZ.
- Acknowledging this year's award recipients
- Recognising the most recent Hall of Fame inductees.

AWARDS PRESENTATION
Rider of the Year
Horse of the Year – International
Horse of the Year - National
Team of the Year
Youth of the Year
- Dressage
- Eventing
- Jumping
Pilmer Plate Award – ESNZ Lifetime Volunteer/Officials Award
Hall of Fame Inductees

ESNZ JUMPING CONFERENCE 2025 AGENDA
James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor, Wellington.

Saturday 28th June 2025

8:00am – 8.45am	Arrival Coffee & Registrations
9:00am – 10am	ESNZ Central Update (all disciplines combined)
10.00am – 10:30am	MORNING TEA (combined)
10.30am - 11.15am	Workshop
11.15am – 12.15pm	Jumping Remits & Summary of Changes SH moves to SH Conference/AGM
12.15pm – 12.45pm	First of Area Delegates Updates (Ashburton, Auckland, BOP, Canterbury, C&S Hawkes Bay)
12.45pm – 1.30pm	LUNCH BREAK (combined)
1.30pm – 2.00pm	Second of Area Delegates Updates (Central Districts, Gisborne, Marlborough, Nelson, Northland)
2.00pm- 2.45pm	High Performance Update
2.45pm – 3.15pm	Third of Area Delegates Updates (Northern Hawkes Bay, Otago, SCNO, Southland, Taihape)
3.15pm – 3.30pm	AFTERNOON TEA (combined)
3.30pm – 3.45pm	Finance Update
3.45pm - 4.25pm	Fourth of Area Delegates Updates (Taranaki, Waikato, Wairarapa, Waitemata, Wellington) Venue Updates <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Woodhill Sands • Takapoto • NECs
4.25pm	Jumping & Show Hunter Award Presentations SH rejoins Jumping Conference
4.40pm	Conference Ends



ESNZ JUMPING AGM 2025 AGENDA
James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor, Wellington.

Sunday 29th June 2025

9.00am – 9.30am	Jumping Dept Update
9:30am	AGM Meeting Opens Welcome from the Jumping Chair, Penny Tapley
	Present / Apologies Roll Call of Area Voting Delegates
	Obituaries
	Approve Minutes of the ESNZ Jumping AGM, 7th July 2024 Matters Arising
	Annual Accounts and Budget
	Dates Card
	Receive Reports
	Remits – Voting Confirm appointment of Board Members
11.am – 12pm	MEETING CLOSES APPROX.

Jumping AGM 2025: Roll call of voting delegates

Area	Delegate
Ashburton	Annette Scott
Auckland	Tracey Ramsden
Bay of Plenty	
Canterbury	Pip Wylaars
Central & Southern Hawkes Bay	Claire Wilson
Central Districts	Chris Rogers
Gisborne	
Marlborough	Michelle Campbell
Nelson	Linda Cotton
Northland	Heather Deane
Northern Hawkes Bay	Shannon James
Otago	Anne Beattie
SCNO	Sarah Hutton
Southland	Anna Crooks
Taihape	Hannah Gudsell
Taranaki	Nakeysha Dickey
Waikato	
Wairarapa	
Waitemata	Emma Buckingham
Wellington	

ESNZ Jumping Board	
Penny Tapley	Chair
Jenny Booth	
Thomas Gardner	
Paxton Kirkbride	
Sarah Forman	
Paul Croucher	
Rosanna Dickson	
Lisa Clark	Show Hunter Chair



ESNZ Jumping Annual General Meeting

Draft Minutes

Sunday 7 July 2024
Rydges Hotel, AUCKLAND

MEETING OPENED: 9:00am

1. MEETING ADMINISTRATION

a) Attendance

- **Board & Staff - present**

Marilyn Thompson	<i>Jumping Sport Manager</i>
Kirsten Hence	<i>Jumping Sport Administrator</i>
Penny Tapley	<i>Jumping Board Chair</i>
Jenny Booth	<i>Technical</i>
Paul Croucher	<i>Sponsorship</i>
Thomas Gardner	<i>Finance</i>
Sarah Forman	<i>Riders Representative</i>
Paxton Conder	<i>Sponsorship</i>
Lucy Maley	<i>SH Executive</i>

- **Apologies**

Katja Kershaw (Proxy Sarah Forman)
Jackie Jermyn
Merran Hain

Moved: Nicki Hull

Seconded: Judy Bowen All in Favour

b) Roll Call - Delegates

Annette Scott	<i>Ashburton</i>
Tracey Ramsden	<i>Auckland</i>
Kirsty Croucher (Proxy for Mikayla Herbert)	<i>Bay of Plenty</i>
Blue Clark	<i>Canterbury</i>
Claire Wilson	<i>Central & Southern Hawkes Bay</i>
Chris Rogers	<i>Central Districts</i>
Caroline Coop	<i>Gisborne</i>
Helen Ensor	<i>Marlborough</i>
Linda Cotton	<i>Nelson</i>
Heather Deane	<i>Northland</i>
Dirk Waldin	<i>Northern Hawkes Bay</i>
Mark Whelan	<i>Otago</i>

Lewis McLellan – Proxy for Tim Douglas	SCNO
Anna Crooks	Southland
Hannah Gudsell	Taihape
Nakeysha Dickey	Taranaki
Sooz Brooks	Waikato
Nicki Hull	Wairarapa
Emma Buckingham	Waitemata
Fiona Bentley – (Proxy for Warren Ives)	Wellington

c) Obituaries – 1-minute silence observed

- ❖ Graeme Hart – Northern Hawke’s Bay
- ❖ John Rhodes – Waitemata
- ❖ Allan Hampton – Canterbury
- ❖ Karen White – Southland
- ❖ Brian Clements - Northland
- ❖ Colin Finlayson - Northland
- ❖ Katrina Kelly – SCNO
- ❖ Peter Bennett - Gisborne

2. MINUTES FROM AGM 2023

Moved that these be accepted as a true and accurate record.

Moved: Jenny Booth Second: Paula Mussen All in favour

3. Annual Accounts and Budget

Accepted

Moved: Thomas Gardner Second: Nicki Hull All in favour

4. Reports

a. Jumping Chair

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Penny Tapley Second: Judy Bowen

b. Technical

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Jenny Booth Second: Malcolm McKee

c. FEI

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Jenny Booth Second: Gus Taylor

d. Sponsorship

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Paul Croucher Second: Dirk Waldin

e. Riders' Representative

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Sarah Forman Second: Hannah Gudsell

f. North Island NEC

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Paul Croucher Second: Fiona Bentley

g. South Island NEC

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Gus Taylor Second: Nicki Hull

h. Steward General

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Judy Bowen Second: Kaye Williams

i. Show Hunter Executive

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Lucy Maley Second: Paul Croucher

j. High Performance

Taken as read and approved

Moved: Penny Tapley Second: Judy Bowen

5. BOARD ELECTIONS

The following three nominations were received for the two positions available and are duly appointed for a three year term.

Paul Croucher
Rosanna Dickson
Paula Mussen

Paul Croucher and **Rosanna Dickson** appointed to the Board for a three-year term.

6. REMITS VOTING

a. Remit 1: Article 256 – Coloured Jodphurs

For: 22 Against: 6 Abstain: 0 Passed

b. Remit 2: Annex 11 – General Conditions – Series Prize Money

For: 23 Against: 5 Abstain: 0 Passed

c. Remit 3: Annex 11 – Jumping Series Conditions – Grand Prix Prize Money

For: 17 Against: 11 Abstain: 0 Passed – Supersedes Remit 2

d. Remit 4: Annex 11 – Breeding Series Conditions Withdrawn

e. Remit 5: Annex 11 – Breeding Series Conditions – DNA Verification

Amendment to include DNA

Moved: Nicki Hull

Second: Blue Clark

For: 17

Against: 11

Abstain: 0

Passed

Amendment to Dates

Moved: Nicki Hull Second: Paxton Conder

For: 19

Against: 8

Abstain: 1

Passed

Remit 5 with Amendments

For: 18

Against: 10

Abstain: 0

Passed

7. RULE BOOK UPDATES

Summary of Rule Changes

Accept all rule changes

For: 27

Against: 0

Abstain: 1

Passed

Separate Vote on Sweepstake Rule

For: 13

Against: 14

Abstain: 1

Failed

8. Dates Card Confirmation 2024-2025 Season

Subject to Organising Committees making any changes to series classes being held after rule changes. OC's have until the 21st July to notify ESNZ Jumping of any series class changes. No changes to dates accepted. After this date the Jumping Board will ratify and release the final dates card.

Moved: Fiona Bentley Second: Chris Rogers All in favour

MEETING CLOSED: 10:10am



Remits 1 – 8

2025



Remit 1.

Please refer to the latest Jumping rules at the following link:

[JumpingandShowHunterRules](#)

Article or Annex No#	Page No#:
Current Rule:	<p>C – National Young Horse Jumping Championships</p> <p>Article 45 - First Competition</p> <p>1. Conduct and Table: This first competition will be conducted under Article238.1.1(A1) without a jump-off.</p> <p>2. Obstacles and speed.</p> <p>2.1. Four-Year-Old</p> <p>Maximum obstacles 10</p> <p>Height 0.95-1.10</p> <p>Speed (m/min) 300</p>
Proposed Rule Change:	<p>Article 45 - First Competition</p> <p>1. Conduct and Table: This first competition will be conducted under Article238.1.1(A1) without a jump-off.</p> <p>2. Obstacles and speed.</p> <p>2.1. Four-Year-Old</p> <p>Maximum obstacles 10</p> <p>Height 0.85-1.05</p> <p>Speed (m/min) 300</p>
Rationale:	<p>By the lowering the height it will give the 4 yr olds confidence with the ring 1 atmosphere. Hopefully this will also encourage more riders to enter their 4yrs making for a better competition.</p> <p>Will also bring in line with the height of the Showhunter classes</p>
Area Nominated By:	NHB Showjumping
Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)	Ash Hart
Secunder: (another area group)	Central and Southern Hawkes Bay
Technical Committee Comment	Presented correctly, nothing to add.

Please return to the Jumping Sport Manager – Marilyn Thompson,
marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz **by 12th May 2025**



Remit 2.

Please refer to the latest Jumping rules at the following link:

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Article or Annex No#	Page No#:
Current Rule:	.2.3. For the Five, Six, Seven and Eight Year Old Breeding Series and the Top Ranking Mare and Leading Jumping Stallion, all horses must have a "DNA Verified Pedigree". A DNA Verified Pedigree is obtained by registering a horse with a Recognised Breed Society or Stud Book using DNA Verification . A copy of the DNA Verified Pedigree is to be supplied to ESNZ.
Proposed Rule Change:	That the series be renamed The Age Series 7 .2.3. For the Five, Six, Seven and Eight Year Old Age Series and the Top Ranking Mare and Leading Jumping Stallion, to be eligible for series points , horses must have been "age verified, (For the avoidance of doubt, I would propose that The National Equine Identification & Traceability registration would serve as cost effective method of verifying an ESNZ Jumping horse's age. This system is to become mandatory for all foals born from the 2025/26 season as part of the national traceability programme) Equines will be uniquely identified with a microchip, a safe and globally recognised identification method
Rationale:	<p>The age series framework provides a valuable guide for how horses are progressing in sport and comparison between young horses within that year cohort. It is important to have a framework that promotes comparison and development of young horses that reflects international established standards.</p> <p>To increase participation and remove barriers to entry for classes that are already dwindling in numbers. We would like it to be all inclusive, permitting all horses with age verification (irrespective of breeding) to have a chance at the titles. We believe the Age series should reflect the best of the horses in the Age group, not just restricted those aligned with a studbook.</p> <p>If a breeders series is still desired then the points obtained by horses registered with stud books could be run using the points from the Age series classes.</p>

	At present with decreasing levels of participation in the current breeders series we feel we should first focus on removing barriers and promoting the correct development of young horses.
Area Nominated By:	Northern Hawkes Bay
Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)	Ashley Hart
Seconder: (another area group)	Central Districts, Chris Rogers

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Remit 3.

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Article or Annex No#	7.2.3	Page No#:	129
Current Rule:	<p>.2.3. For the Five, Six, Seven and Eight Year Old Breeding Series and the Top Ranking Mare and Leading Jumping Stallion, all horses must have a “DNA Verified Pedigree”. A DNA Verified Pedigree is obtained by registering a horse with a Recognised Breed Society or Stud Book using DNA Verification . A copy of the DNA Verified Pedigree is to be supplied to ESNZ.</p>		
Proposed Rule Change:	<p>7 .2.3. For the Five, Six, Seven and Eight Year Old Breeding Series and the Top Ranking Mare and Leading Jumping Stallion, to be eligible for series points, horses must have a “DNA Verified Pedigree”. A DNA Verified Pedigree is obtained by registering a horse with a Recognised Breed Society or Stud Book using DNA Verification . A copy of the DNA Verified Pedigree is to be supplied to ESNZ.</p> <p>Additional - 7.2.6. Horses without DNA verified pedigrees are still eligible to jump in the classes at shows for placings and prize money, as long as they meet the other stipulated requirements for the appropriate Age Breeding series.</p>		
Rationale:	<p>To increase participation and remove barriers to entry for classes that are already struggling at some shows for numbers, horses that meet the previous breeders series requirements before DNA verification was required, will be allowed to participate in the appropriate breeders age group class.</p> <p>There are many examples that would benefit from this rule change, in particular related to the 5yo series.</p> <p>A 5yo that is ESNZ registered, may not have been aimed at the series, but halfway through the season is needing to step up and the ideal class is a 5yo class, built for young horses. The barrier to entry would be needing to pay additional costs to “DNA Verify” the horse when it may only end up jumping a couple of 5yo classes.</p> <p>A 5yo that is only doing three or four shows for experience.</p>		

	<p>An amateur rider who is self producing a home-bred horse that isn't interested in winning a series, but providing quiet schooling rounds for their horse.</p> <p>A breeder who has registered a few 5yos already for the series, but suddenly has another young horse stepping up that they want to take to a show quickly and not want to wait for breeding DNA verification can enter a nice age appropriate class.</p> <p>This remit does not take away at all from the breeders series at all, as these horses will not be eligible for points. Classes on all show schedules will still read for example, "Sponsors Name Six Year old Breeders Series".</p> <p>Most committees have nominated for the 5,6,7yo classes out of status quo, however the reluctance to hold some of these series classes has been expressed by numerous committees as these classes aren't gaining enough entries to make them worth running, especially as most shows like to run series classes ideally in Ring 1, or if need be in Ring 2 at the minimum. This may also encourage some shows that may have dropped the series classes to pick them back up again.</p>
Area Nominated By:	Taihape
Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)	Hannah Gudsell
Secunder: (another area group)	Central Districts
Technical Committee Comments	<p>Difficult to manage a class with some horses gaining series points and some not.</p> <p>Would need to consider two separate classes, and how this is managed by the OC and Ground Jury.</p> <p>Board has a dispensation option available for anyone genuinely unable to verify breeding.</p> <p>Is this intended to include Premier shows and YHS? National and HOY titles?</p>

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marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz **by 12th May 2025**



Remit 4.

Please refer to the latest Jumping rules at the following link:

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Article or Annex No#	Page No#:
Current Rule:	<p>Five-Year-Old Breeding Summer Series Conditions</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Name: The Series will be known as "The Five-Year-Old Breeding Series" 2. Qualification <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 2.1. To qualify for the Five-Year-Old Breeding Series the horse must be five years old based on a 1st August birth date. (See General Conditions 7.2). 2.2. The person responsible for a horse taking part in the Series must be able to produce proof of age from the breeder or a veterinarian. In case of discrepancy, the breeder's information will be definitive. 2.3. The ESNZ identification Papers ("IP") must be completed and duplicate the Breed Society/Studbook IP. Refer Annex 11 Article 7.2.3. To be implemented 1 August 2025. Horses not verified by 1 January 2026 will have points removed. 2.4. Competitors winning prizes must upon the request of the Ground Jury present their horse's IP to the Ground Jury of the competition. If their IP does not include proof of age, Sire, Dam and Sire of Dam ESNZ the prize money will be withheld and forwarded to ESNZ's National Office. This may be uplifted when proof of age and/or breeding is provided to ESNZ. 2.5 No points, prize money or placings will be given to any horse where the person responsible does not provide proof of age and/or breeding records as per paragraphs 2.1.to 2.3 above.
Proposed Rule Change:	<p>Qualification 2.6 Horses with age verification (but without the breeding registration and DNA verification) are able to compete for National Age Titles, ie at Nationals, The Island Championships, The Young Horse Show and the Horse of the Year Show.</p> <p>Horses with unverified breeding but verified age, will be eligible for prizes, prizemoney and trophies, but they will not be eligible for Breeding Series Points</p> <p>(For the avoidance of doubt, the horse's age would be verified by a vet and would correspond to a microchip number, much like the National Equine Identification & Traceability registration.)</p>

Rationale:	<p>1- The ESNZ Jumping Vision, the goals include Inspiring Pathways; identify and remove barriers to participation.</p> <p>Looking at the numbers of 5 year old horses competing, we have seen a noticeable decline in recent years, which goes against the ESNZ Jumping Vision;</p> <p>In 2019/20 season, 63 five year olds competed in the 5 year old series and 32 competed at the Horse of the Year Show.</p> <p>In 2024/25 season, 44 five year olds competed in the 5 year old series and 23 competed at the Horse of the Year Show.</p> <p>This downhill trend reflects that young horses are not finding 'inspiring pathways' to compete. And the new/current rule will infact add greater barriers that will further reduce participation.</p> <p>The administration of DNA and Breed Society records on the ESNZ Jumping database will come at a cost to ESNZ Jumping, with no financial benefit. Will these extra administration costs be passed on to members and result in a rise in registration costs?</p> <p>The proposed rule change will not reverse the decline, but it will infact remove barriers to participation, which is the ESNZ Jumping Vision.</p> <p>2- Annex 11 - Jumping Series Conditions General Conditions</p> <p>1. Goals</p> <p>1.1. <u>Increase the participation in the events involved in the Series described below and in the discipline.</u></p> <p>1.2. <u>Promote the discipline to the media.</u></p> <p>1.3. <u>Promote excellence in equitation and all other technical aspects of the discipline.</u></p> <p>1.4. <u>Provide a competition structure which, by virtue of the rating, assists in the development of younger and/or less experienced riders, encourages the continued participation of older and/or more experienced riders, and also the further development of elite and potentially elite riders.</u></p> <p>With reference to the goals outlined in Annex 11, these goals should apply to ALL horses, without discrimination to those without breeding verification. The new and current rule certainly contradicts with Annex 11; as it will decrease participation and will not provide a structure to assist the development of ALL young horses.</p> <p>Horses of unrecorded breeding should not be discriminated against. If they have the required age verification, then they should be eligible to compete for a National Age title.</p> <p>Looking at the horses that were competitive in the 5 Year old Series in 2019/20, many have progressed up the age series system and are currently competing at Grand Prix level. This proves that NZ horses</p>

are benefitting from the competition structure in place. However, when the new/current rule is implemented, the numbers will continue to decrease in the coming 5 year old classes, and what is even more detrimental- is the predicted pattern will see a further reduction of Grand Prix horses being produced in five years' time.

The proposed rule change will not fix the problem, but it will certainly help to ensure that horses without breeding verification will still be included in the existing framework, that helps to develop and identify the best young horses of their age group. With so few horses on the pathway to reach the upper levels, surely we should be encouraging greater numbers of young horses coming into the sport, rather than restricting it.

3- The TiES Series is intended to provide an opportunity for Thoroughbred horses retiring from racing and to have a second career in equestrian sports.

The new and current rule includes thoroughbreds in the participation of Age title classes, even though they are not purpose bred to showjump. This is a fantastic initiative that gives these horses an opportunity to be included in the development structure provided by ESNZ Jumping.

However, why are horses that are bred for stockwork, hunting or polo (following a career change), do not have the same opportunities (as ex-racehorses) in age group jumping classes? These such horses, with their age verified by a vet- should be welcomed into the development system too.

No other jumping title at the Horse of the Year Show requires the horse to have breeding verification, so why is it relevant to 5 year olds?

4- National Age Titles and Breeder's Series are different. Age Title classes offer the opportunity for all horses of the same age to competing against each other, to find the best performed horse of it's age. The Breeder's Series has a focus of identifying the consistent successful horses' breed, breeding and breeders.

Stud Breeders with their own stallion or access to semen will find it easy to verify their young horse's breeding and DNA. However, there is still an opportunity to falsify their age. Surely age verification is most relevant to Age Title classes and Breed DNA verification is most relevant to a Breeder's Series.

For young horses without DNA verification, under the current system, there will be no framework or goals for these horses. Therefore, rescued, rehomed or retired horses (of unknown breeding), will attract fewer buyers and producers (due to the added expense and administration required for DNA verification), resulting in;

- a- Less horses getting a quality start to their jumping career under the development framework of age classes, resulting in less registration income for ESNZ Jumping.

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> b- Less common or crossbred horses being bought and produced under the development framework, that are typically ridden by (or sold to) Junior and Amateur type riders, who make up the highest demographic of jumping riders c- Less 5 year old horses competing, will have a negative impact for event organisers, making these age classes less viable to run. d- Breeders, owners and riders of lesser bred young horses will be discouraged to participate in age classes, so may choose a different direction ie hunting. There is a chance that a young superstar will miss the opportunity to compete and it's potential will never be realised.
Area Nominated By:	Central and Southern Hawkes Bay Jumping Group
Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)	Claire Wilson
Seconder: (another area group)	Northern Hawkes Bay Showjumping Group
Technical Committee Comment	Difficulty in managing which horses get series points and which don't. Also difficult to hold sponsors.

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marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz **by 12th May 2025**



REMIT 5.

Please refer to the latest Jumping rules at the following link:

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Article or Annex No#	Article 200: General?	Page No#:	2
Current Rule:			
Proposed Rule Change:	<p>13. Horses jumping in a class with over \$5,000 total prize money OR a Premier Grand Prix must not leave grounds from first class entered until after their final round of the show.</p>		
Rationale:	<p>The reasoning behind this is that we witnessed numerous horses being removed from the show grounds the day before significant classes last season. This practice undermines the integrity of our sport and raises concerns about horse welfare.</p> <p>We believe it is the responsibility of ESNZ to establish these guidelines, and show organisers must ensure compliance. We understand that this may pose challenges for local participants who may not want to bring their horses to the grounds and keep them there. However, by implementing this proposal, we can significantly reduce any advantages gained by taking horses off-site. It is crucial that we strive to align our practices more closely with the FEI rules.</p> <p>-</p>		
Area Nominated By:	Auckland		
Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)	Sarah Forman		
Secunder: (another area group)	Waitemata		
Technical Committee Comment	<p>Issue is resources: How is this managed? Not enough stewards. Not enough yards at all venues. Local riders would need to stay onsite. How can this be enforced,</p>		

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marilyn@nzquestrian.org.nz by 12th May 2025



Remit 6.

Please refer to the latest Jumping rules at the following link:

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Article or Annex No#	Page No#:
Current Rule:	<p>BY-LAW No 4.4 Updated August 2020</p> <p>Voting at the AGM</p> <p>8.2 Conduct at Meetings</p> <p>At all AGMs and SGMs the following provisions shall apply:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) The Chairperson of ESNZ Jumping shall have a casting vote. (ii) Voting shall be by the Voting Members under Rule 5.b. (iii) Voting on all matters shall be taken by a show of hands of the majority of voting delegates present, unless a motion to take a ballot shall be proposed and carried, or unless the Chairperson decides upon a ballot. <p>The respective section in the by laws</p> <p>5. MEMBERSHIP</p> <p>Members of ESNZ Jumping:</p> <p>The membership of ESNZ Jumping shall comprise of:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) General Members being current financial members of ESNZ; b) Voting Members (must also be General Members) being – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) the duly appointed voting delegates of Jumping Area Committees (one per Area); (ii) members of the Board, except for when voting on the Election of the board (iii)
Proposed Rule Change:	<p>Briefly:</p> <p>Each area maintains one vote</p> <p>That the Show jumping board has one vote as a board, but not a vote for each board member.</p>

	<p>The head of technical committee has one vote That the riders representative has a single vote</p> <p>Proposed wording with tighter definition</p> <p>5. MEMBERSHIP Members of ESNZ Jumping: The membership of ESNZ Jumping shall comprise of:- a) General Members being current financial members of ESNZ; b) Voting Members (must also be General Members) being – (i) the duly appointed voting delegates of Jumping Area Committees (one per Area); (ii) members of the Board, except for when voting on the Election of the board, with one single vote for the board (iii) The riders representative (one vote) (iv) The chair of the technical committee</p>
Rationale:	<p>The current wording of the allocation of the number of votes to the board is ambiguous and can led to misinterpretation.</p> <p>Under the current interpretation of the By Laws the SJ board holds approximately 1/3rd of all votes. This is at odds with most other sporting organisations where the board responds to the decisions made by the members via voting. At present in SJ we have a situation where the board holds a major block of votes and can dramatically influence voting from the floor.</p> <p>This change in voting procedure brings us closer in governance structure to other sporting codes.</p> <p>The addition of the single vote for the chair of the technical committee permits additional governance over implications of proposed rule changes.</p>
Area Nominated By:	Central Districts
Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)	Chris Rogers (Area Delegate)
Seconder: (another area group)	Northern Hawkes Bay
Technical Committee Comment	<p>This is attempting to change a Bylaw which needs 75% of the vote.</p> <p>There are 20 areas whose delegates have 1 vote each. The Board has no less than 8 and may have 2 appointed members = max 10 (this includes the riders rep and SH rep). Plus the Chair has a casting vote which would only be used to break a deadlock so need not be considered.</p>

Under the current rules this board of 10 votes will listen to the discussion and vote independently, not as a block. The members have elected the Board and consider they are voting in the interest of the sport.

The other thing to remember is that the Board is regularly dealing with information that may be confidential to them or affects a sponsor, or they know some changes are coming that cannot be disclosed and this info decides how they vote.

What about the members view. If their 20 votes cannot produce a positive vote then perhaps the rule should not pass. At 50% required for most remits this should be no problem. But at 75% for bylaws and constitution this is another matter and is there to make serious discussion about the remit. If you change the rule what other areas does the change affect.?

As described in the ByLaws - AGM Voting and the process for changing ByLaws.

AGM Voting:

5. Members of ESNZ Jumping:

The membership of ESNZ Jumping shall comprise of:-

- a) General Members being current financial members of ESNZ;
- b) Voting Members (must also be General Members) being –
 - (i) the duly appointed voting delegates of Jumping Area Committees (one per Area);
 - (ii) members of the Board, except for when voting on the Election of the board

6.5 Quorum

The quorum shall consist of not less than two thirds of voting delegates including proxies.

6.6 Those Entitled to Attend

All financial members of ESNZ and members of the ESNZ Board shall be entitled to attend and speak at the AGM.

6.7 Voting

Remits will be passed by simple majority of those permitted to vote. The exception being, remits seeking to alter these By-Laws which will require a 75% majority to pass.

8.2 Conduct at Meetings

At all AGMs and SGMs the following provisions shall apply:

- (i) The Chairperson of ESNZ Jumping shall have a casting vote.

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Remit 7.

Please refer to the latest Jumping rules at the following link:

[JumpingandShowHunterRules](#)

Article or Annex No#	Annex 8 E. Horse of the Year Show Art. 74.2. Area Pony Team Event (Saba Sam Shield) Page No#: 126								
Current Rule:	<div>1. Area Pony Team Event</div> <div>1.1. This competition is for the “Saba Sam Shield”</div> <div>1.2. This competition is organised under Official Teams Competition Article 264 8.2.2 with the following exceptions: - There may be a significant gap between rounds (eg. different days) - The Second round maybe different from the first round</div> <div>1.3. Up to six teams may take part in the second round.</div> <div>1.4. Obstacles, Speed and Height</div> <table><tr><td>Maximum Obstacles</td><td>Height</td><td>Speed (m/min)</td></tr><tr><td>11</td><td>1.15 - 1.25</td><td>350</td></tr></table> <div>1.5. Competitors</div> <div>1.5.1. A competitor may ride up to two ponies in the same team.</div> <div>1.5.2. Ponies and competitors must be eligible for their areas</div> <div>1.6. Participation Area</div> <div>1.6.1. The Team must be entered by the Area Jumping Delegate. If the delegate is unavailable the area must delegate in writing a Chef d'Equipe to make their entries. Only one team per area.</div> <div>1.6.2. If after all teams have made their entries Chef d'Equipe whose teams have only two or three competitors may request competitors from neighboring areas to compete for the depleted teams provided that those competitors have not been asked to compete for their own area.</div>			Maximum Obstacles	Height	Speed (m/min)	11	1.15 - 1.25	350
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Proposed Rule Change:	<div>2 Area Horse Team Event</div> <div>2.1 This competition is for the “Saba Sam Shield”</div> <div>2.2 This competition is organised under Official Teams Competition Article 264 8.2.2 with the following exceptions: - There may be a significant gap between rounds (eg. different days) - The Second round maybe different from the first round</div> <div>2.3 Up to six teams may take part in the second round.</div>								

	<p>2.4 Obstacles, Speed and Height</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="737 98 1399 165"> <tr> <th>Maximum Obstacles</th><th>Height</th><th>Speed (m/min)</th></tr> <tr> <td>11</td><td>1.20 - 1.30</td><td>350</td></tr> </table> <p>2.5 Competitors</p> <p>2.5.1 Competitors will be able to take part from the beginning of the season during which they reach the age of 12 until the end of season during which they reach the age of 18, the season being from 1 August until 31 July.</p> <p>2.5.2 A competitor may ride up to two horses in the same team.</p> <p>2.5.3 Horses and competitors must be eligible for their areas</p> <p>2.6 Participation Area</p> <p>2.6.1 The Team must be entered by the Area Jumping Delegate. If the delegate is unavailable the area must delegate in writing a Chef d'Equipe to make their entries. Only one team per area.</p> <p>2.6.2 If after all teams have made their entries Chef d'Equipe whose teams have only two or three competitors may request competitors from neighboring areas to compete for the depleted teams provided that those competitors have not been asked to compete for their own area.</p>	Maximum Obstacles	Height	Speed (m/min)	11	1.20 - 1.30	350
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<p>Rationale:</p>	<p>The Hansen family have been in discussion with Jumping for some time about how best to provide an Area team competition experience for younger riders. With the number of Grand Prix ponies falling, it has been agreed to change the Saba Sam Team Area Event to a team area event for 12 – 18 year olds on horses.</p>						
<p>Area Nominated By:</p>	<p>Jumping Board</p>						
<p>Nominator: (Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)</p>	<p>Penny Tapley</p>						
<p>Seconder: (another area group)</p>	<p>Taranaki</p>						

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Remit 8.

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Article or Annex No#	Annex 11 - General Conditions	Page No#:	127
Current Rule:	4. Prizes 4.1 Prizes in cash or kind, must be paid out down to sixth place (minimum) for Premier Shows. For Grand Prix shows prizes in cash or kind, must be paid out down to sixth place (minimum) where riders incur less than 12 faults in the first round.		
Proposed Rule Change:	4.1 Prizes in cash or kind, must be paid out down to sixth place (minimum) for Premier Shows. For Grand Prix shows prizes in cash or kind, must be paid out down to sixth place (minimum) where riders incur less than 12 faults in the first round.		
Rationale:	<p>This remit was passed in 2024; however, an unintended consequence has led to confusion for riders and OCs throughout the season and required additional administration time. This remit reverses the change made in 2024.</p> <p>The unintended consequence has been: Any series class run under Art 273 two-round competition, may result in a higher placed rider not receiving PM, while lower placed riders still qualify for prize money. For example:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• a rider incurs 12 penalties in the first round and then goes clear in the second round, they finish with a total of 12 penalties and their time is 61.23.• the next rider incurs 8 penalties in the first round and then incurs 4 penalties in the second round, they also finish with a total 12 and their time is 65.98• the first rider is placed ahead of the second rider as they are faster in the second round but will get no points and no prizemoney.• The second rider is placed behind the first rider as they were slower in the second round but will get points and prize money. <p>To overcome this unfair situation, we have recommended this past season that any two-round competition pays to 6th place. As well as requesting that Show Schedules must state in the conditions one of the following. (either 1 or 2)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. For Series Classes this show will pay prize money to 6th place regardless of the number of penalties in the first round.2. For Series Classes this show will not pay prize money where riders incur 12 faults or more in the first round.		

Area Nominated By:	Technical Committee
Nominator: <i>(Area Chairman / Delegate / Secretary)</i>	Jenny Booth
Secunder: <i>(another area group)</i>	Jumping Board
Technical Committee Comments	See rationale above.

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Minor Jumping Rule Book Amendments 2025

Article 210 - Spread Obstacle – remove (effective 1 August 2025)

1. A spread obstacle is an obstacle which is built in such a manner that it requires an effort both in spread and in height. For all competitions, 18mm ~~(effective 1 August 2025)~~ safety cups must be used as support for the back poles of spread obstacles and in the case of a triple-bar to support the center and back poles of the obstacle. Safety cups must be used when poles are placed over a water jump (Article 211.10) and must also be used in the exercise area.

Article 225.3 – Remove “or they retrieve”.

3. Any help given to a mounted competitor to adjust their saddlery or bridle or to hand them a whip while mounted during the round will incur elimination. To hand a mounted competitor their headgear and/or spectacles during the round is not considered to be unauthorised assistance (Article 241.3.3.20). To hand a mounted competitor, ~~or they retrieve~~, their headgear and/or spectacles during the round is not considered to be unauthorised assistance and no penalty will be applied but the clock will not be stopped.

Art 241 4.4 – typo correction – change “information” to Informing.

“Schooling a Horse in speed Competitions under table A or C, without ~~information~~ **informing** the ~~OC~~ **Organising Committee** in advance.”

Art. 243 - Abuse of Horses - 2.2 (iii) amendment

2.2 Excessive use of the whip

- i. The whip may not be used to vent an Athlete’s temper. Such use is always excessive
- ii. The use of a whip on a Horse’s head is always excessive use
- iii. A Horse should never be hit more than three times ~~in a row~~ **in total, in the competition arena. A horse should never be hit more than three times in total, in the practice arena.**
If a Horse’s skin is broken, it is always considered excessive use of the whip
- iv. The whip is not to be used after Elimination; An Athlete identified as misusing or excessively using the whip will be disqualified and may be fined at the discretion of the Ground Jury.

Art. 257 – Saddlery – 1.3 addition to noseband tightness

1.3 There are no restrictions on bits or nosebands. However, the Ground Jury has the right, based on veterinary advice, to forbid the use of a bit or noseband that may cause injury to the horse. **FEI Vet Regs Art 1044.8 will be adopted from 1 August 2025.**



(FEI Vet Regs Art 1044.8 :

8. The following provisions apply regarding the Noseband Tightness:

The noseband must be adjusted with sufficient laxity, as determined by an FEI approved Measuring Device. The rule applies to all types of nosebands and to both the upper and lower noseband.

The detailed protocol for measuring the tightness of noseband(s) is provided for in the (Discipline specific) Noseband Tightness Measuring Protocol(s).

Excessively tightened noseband(s), as determined by an FEI approved Measuring Device, shall incur the following consequences:

Pre-Competition: The Horse and the Athlete combination is not allowed to start unless the noseband is re-adjusted to allow enough laxity.

During the Competition: The Horse and Athlete combination is eliminated from the Competition in question and the Athlete is issued with a Yellow Warning Card.)

Reins must be attached to the bit(s) with a headpiece or directly to the bridle. A maximum of two pairs of reins may be used. If two pairs of reins are used, one pair must be attached to the bit or directly to the bridle. Gags and Hackamores are allowed.

Art 259 – Officials – amendment any National Jumping Series show requires 2 stewards.

6.1. A Chief Steward must always be appointed for NZ and Island Championships, Premier events, Young Horse Jumping Championships and the HOY show from the list of National FEI Stewards. Any show running National Jumping Series classes must have a National Level 3 or above Steward **plus at least one assistant steward.**

Annex 8 Article 9 - Eligibility of Horses amendment to align with new Breeding Summer Series Conditions

Article 9 - Eligibility of Horses

1. Where applicable horses may compete on a Casual Levy in non title classes at National and Island Champs, all horses competing at HOY and in National and Island Championship and title classes are required to be currently registered with ESNZ with its identification page correctly filled in (GR's Article 128) and validated by ESNZ.
2. ~~The breeding page of the identification papers should have at least the sire, dam and sire of the dam entered. The breeding age group championships will specify extra information needed for those competitions.~~

Annex 11 Requirements will apply to all Breeding Summer Series Conditions.

Annex 8 Art 14 1- minor correction

*The President of the Ground Jury and at least one other member must be ~~official national judges~~
National Level 3 judges or F.E.I. listed Judges.*

Annex 8 E (Horse of the Year Show)

Article 74

5. Lady Rider of the Year clarification of only one horse allowed

ADD:

5.5 Only one horse per rider.

7. Jumping Horse of the Year clarification competitors may ride more than one horse.

7.3.2 Competitors may ~~ride no more than two horses.~~ ride more than one horse. ~~The Organising Committee may restrict the number of horses to one.~~

Annex 9 – Tongue Ties – Refer 257.1.5 – incorrect reference – ~~change to 257 2.7~~

Annex 9 - Hind boots remove ~~“2020/21onwards”~~

Annex 11 Five-Year-Old Breeding Series Art 4.4

Remove:

~~4.4. Prior to Jan 1, a “liverpool” that preferably holds water is to be included as an optional jump to be jumped after the first or second round of the course (maximum of three attempts only). After Jan 1, where possible, the liverpool with a small vertical must be included within the course.~~

Rationale:

(A considerable amount of shows now include Liverpools from a very low level and more often than not, we are taking out the Liverpool from a previous class that might have only been 90cm. The 5 yr olds most likely have had opportunities to jump them multiple times. We think the rule has run it's course.)

Annex 12 - Pathway for Jumping Stewards (page 168) – typo “lease” change to least

ESNZ Jumping Stewards Maintenance Courses will be held annually over one day for all levels. The course will cover rule updates, various stewarding revision, any upgrade exams and other criteria.

A Maintenance Course must be attended at ~~lease~~ **least** once every three years or if not needed an online seminar yearly.

Annex 13 Job Specifications

Page 185 – update to Stewards Job Descriptions

ADD: NATIONAL LEVEL 1 STEWARD.

1. National level 1 Steward will act as an assistant only - under the direction of National Level 2 or above Steward, and work with some supervision. This enables them to fully understand the role Stewards have at ESNZ sanctioned events. Once they have gained experience, decide this is a role they wish to pursue and fulfilled all the requirements, they progress to National Level 2.

Amend:

~~Assistant~~ **National Level 2** Stewards

1. ~~National Level 1 Stewards (or above) on the ESNZ list can act as Assistant Steward at all National events.~~
 - **Able to work alone and be Chief Steward at low-level shows that do not include ESNZ Series Classes or FEI classes.**
 - **Able to work as a member of Stewarding Team at all events with exception of FEI classes.**
2. Under the authority of the Chief Steward and must report any irregularities to the Chief Steward as they happen.
3. Be well informed of their duties along with relevant rules and regulations.
4. Be a team player and have good communication skills.

For separate discussion

Art. 257 – Saddlery – 1.5 amendment to use of draw reins

1.5 Draw reins (running reins, including market harboroughs) ~~are forbidden in the competition arena except during prize giving ceremonies and march past parades.~~ **cannot be used for jumping in the competition or practice arena at anytime / anywhere on the showgrounds. Draw reins can only be used on the flat and in presentations.**



ESNZ Jumping Board Elections 2025

There are two positions available on the ESNZ Jumping Board for 2025 – Penny Tapley and Thomas Gardner both retire by rotation.

Both positions are for three-year terms.

Nominations have been received for:

- Penny Tapley – Existing Board Member. Nominated by Canterbury Area, Seconded Auckland Area.
- Sarah Forman – Existing Riders Rep (and Board Member), completing the term of Riders Rep in 2025. Now nominated for Board Member. Nominated by Northland Area. Seconded Taihape Area.

No vote required.