



# ESNZ SHOW HUNTER AGM

Saturday 1st July 2023



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## Conference Welcome & Hall of Fame – tickets required.

Friday 30<sup>th</sup> June 2023

<b>7.00pm</b>	<b>Start / Welcome - canapes will be served</b>
<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>AWARDS PRESENTATION</b>
	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
<b>8.05pm</b>	<b>Break and small plates will be served</b>
8.25pm	Hall of Fame Awards
	ESNZ Special Award
<b>9.00pm</b>	<b>FINISH</b>



## Conference & AGM Timetable

**Saturday 1st July 2023**  
**Rydgges Latimer, Christchurch**

8.15am	Registrations
8:30am	Conference Opening
	Remit and General Discussion Items
10:00am – 10:30am	Morning Tea (combined)
10:30am – 12:15pm	General Discussion Continues
12:15pm – 1.00pm	LUNCH BREAK (combined)
1:00pm – 1:50pm	Guest Speaker – Dr Natalie Waren (combined session)
2:00pm- 3:30pm	Show Hunter AGM Begins Confirm Voting Delegates Receive Reports Remit Voting Confirm Executive Members Area Reports AGM Closed
3:30pm – 3:45pm	Afternoon Tea
3:45pm – 4.30pm	Join Jumping for ESNZ Update Jumping & Show Hunter Award Presentations
4:30pm	Conference Ends



**Professor Natalie (Nat) Waran BSc (Hons), PhD (Cantab)**

Natalie (Nat) is an internationally recognised equine behaviour and welfare scientist. She was Professor of Animal Welfare, International Animal Welfare Centre Director and International Dean at Edinburgh University's Veterinary School, before she moved back to NZ in 2016 to take up the role of Professor of One Welfare and Executive Dean at EIT/Te Pūkenga. Over the past 30+ years, she has researched and published across a range of areas including; horse transport, indicators of equine stress and pain, equine problem behaviour and equine quality of life and welfare assessment. She was a member of the UK research team considering the impact of heat and humidity on event horses, before the Atlanta 1996 Olympics and has provided independent expert welfare advice to a number of equine industries including the UK and HK Jockey Club. Her most recent research funded through the Hong Kong Jockey Club's new Welfare Foundation, and in collaboration with an international team is to develop methods for assessing positive emotion in horses. She has been a trustee for a number of international equine charities such as The Brooke and International Fund for Animal Welfare, and worked closely with others such as World Horse Welfare. A co-founder of the International Society for Equitation Science (ISES), she is now Honorary Fellow and Trustee for the organisation. In 2024 she will chair the local organising committee for the ISES conference to be held in NZ with the theme of 'A Good Life for all Horses'. She is also the Board Chair for Companion Animals New Zealand, the national organisation responsible for the NZ Animal Register – a microchip-based identification and traceability database for all companion animals (including horses) in NZ. As the invited chairperson of the new FEI Equine Ethics and Wellbeing Commission, she has just returned from Switzerland where she presented the FEI Sports Forum with a proposed new 'Good Life' Vision, Charter and 30 Recommendations to ensure equine welfare in sport is prioritised and to maintain equestrian sport's social licence. When at home in Hawkes Bay, Nat enjoys coaching riders, as well as training and riding her own horses.

## Roll call of voting delegates

### Area

Ashburton  
Auckland  
Bay of Plenty  
Canterbury  
Central & Southern Hawkes Bay  
Central Districts  
Gisborne  
Marlborough  
Nelson  
Northland  
Northern Hawkes Bay  
Otago  
SCNO  
Southland  
Taihape  
Taranaki  
Waikato  
Wairarapa  
Waitemata  
Wellington

### Delegate

Rose Thomson  
Lynette Jackson  
Alice Barrow  
Lisa Clark  
Kate Ward  
Laura vanVelthooven  
Kirsty MacLean  
Jane Fowler  
Karen Rhind  
Taylor Finlayson  
Ashleigh Mitchell  
Pippa Collins  
Lewis McLellan  
Katrine Smith  
Gabrielle Rennie  
Geradine Wood  
Sharyn Goodwin  
Diana Berhns  
Sue Whiddett  
Gail Goodwin

### Executive

Lucy Maley  
Maria Collins  
Tracey Lammas  
June Berrington  
Lisa Clark

Chair  
Member  
Member  
Member  
Member





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## DRAFT MINUTES

### ESNZ Show Hunter Annual General Meeting

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2022

Chancellor 5, James Cook Hotel Grand Chancellor

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#### MEETING OPENED: 11:50am

#### 1. MEETING ADMINISTRATION

##### a. Attendance

Lucy Maley	<i>Chair</i>
June Berrington	<i>Executive</i>
Maria Collins	<i>Executive</i>
Tracey Lammass	<i>Executive</i>

##### b. Apologies

Jane Dickson (Executive) Proxy to June Berrington  
Jane Fowler  
Sharyn Goodwin  
Laura van Velthooven  
Janet Morgan

**Moved:** Lucy Maley **Second:** Holli Marshall

##### c. Roll Call – Delegates

<i>Ashburton:</i>	Stephanie Kearney
<i>Auckland:</i>	Lynette Jackson
<i>Bay of Plenty:</i>	Alice Barrow
<i>Canterbury:</i>	Lisa Clark
<i>Central &amp; Southern Hawkes Bay:</i>	Ashley Mitchell proxy for Zoe Haylock
<i>Central Districts:</i>	Gail Goodwin proxy for Laura van Velthooven
<i>Gisborne:</i>	Kirsty MacLean
<i>Marlborough:</i>	Lucy Maley proxy for Jane Fowler
<i>Nelson:</i>	Karen Rhind proxy for Janet Morgan
<i>Northern Hawkes Bay:</i>	Ashleigh Mitchell
<i>Northland:</i>	Taylor Finlayson
<i>Otago:</i>	Pippa Collins
<i>South Canterbury North Otago:</i>	Lewis McLellan
<i>Southland:</i>	Anna Clearwater
<i>Taihape:</i>	Gabrielle Rennie
<i>Taranaki:</i>	Holli Marshall
<i>Waikato:</i>	Marilyn Vincent proxy for Sharyn Goodwin
<i>Wairarapa:</i>	Dianna Behrns

Waitemata:  
Wellington:

Sue Whiddett  
Gail Goodwin

**Other attendees:**

Karen Potter  
Marilyn Vincent  
Rose Thomson  
Annette Conder

**d. Obituaries – 1 minute of silence**

Phil Fitzsimon	Lynne Primrose	Jenny Dudding
Shaun Thompson	Joy Cruikshank	Donald Alexander
Helen Liddle	Claire Williams	Dudley Hammond
Jean Letham	Kevin Hurley	

**2. MINUTES FROM AGM 2021**

**a. Approved**

**Moved:** Rose Thomson **Second:** Lucy Maley

**b. Matters Arising**

Remove un-allowed gear list from website.

**3. REPORTS**

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

**b. NI Co-ordinator:** June Berrington-*Report received as read*

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

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

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

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

**g. Jumping Manager** – *Reports received as read*

Reports taken as a true and correct record

**Moved:** Lucy Maley **Second:** Tracey Lammas

**4. ELECTION OF EXECUTIVES**

- Lucy Maley
- Maria Collins
- Tracey Lammas
- June Berrington
- Lisa Clark

No votes required

**5. REMITS – DISCUSSION & VOTINGS**

Remit 1 – Adult riders aged 17 years and older may ride ponies in Introductory classes but will not be eligible for prizes.

**Not seconded so did not move forward to be voted on.**

**6. Area Reports**

Reports taken as a true and correct record.

**Moved:** Lucy Maley **Second:** Tracey Lammas

**7. Accounts and Financial**

Report in draft form taken as a true and accurate record.

**Moved:** Lucy Maley **Second:** Holli Marshsall

**MEETING CLOSED: 12:21pm**



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## **ESNZ Show Hunter Executive Elections 2023**

There is one position available on the ESNZ Show Hunter Executive for 2023 – Lucy Maley’s position of South Island Co-Ordinator is available by rotation.

All positions are for two-year terms.

Nominations have been received for:

- Lucy Maley – Nominated Otago (Maria Collins) Existing Executive Member, Canterbury (Lisa Clark) Existing Executive Member



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## Annual Reports 2023

### Report

Show Hunter Chair and SI Coordinator Report  
North Island Co-ordinator Report  
Course Designers Report  
Sponsorship Report  
Judges Advisors Report  
Judges Officer Report

### Presented by

To Come  
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To Come  
Sue Whiddett

## **Judge's Officer Report Sue Whiddett**

### **Highlights of 2022 – 23 Season**

#### **1. Judges Clinics**

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

Palmerston Nth	20 August 2022
Online via Zoom	28/29 August 2022
Christchurch	3 September 2022

Gail Goodwin facilitated the Palmerston Nth clinic held at the home of Louise Ilton, one of our Pre-Candidate judges. This was attended by two National judges and three Pre-Candidate's who are interested in continuing the pathway to judging.

The Christchurch clinic was facilitated by Lucy Malley at her property and was attended by four National judges.

Again this season there was a positive response to delivering a clinic via zoom and due to large numbers wishing to join online it was decided to hold two sessions. These were facilitated by Leigh Taylor with the support of other judges Advisors.

Invitations were sent out to those in the South Island who hadn't been able to attend the 'in person' clinic and to Pre-Candidate judges who had either previously attended a clinic or had recently begun the process under mentorship of a National L3 judge. Twenty judges and two Pre-Candidate's joined these sessions.

Our judges clinics provide a forum for open discussion, to clarify queries, and are a valuable opportunity to talk through various scenarios that have arisen through the season.

Following our recent Judges Advisors meeting held Sunday 22 May, dates and venues for this years Judges clinics were discussed. All judges have been notified via email. The clinics will be held in person, in 4 areas.

Whangarei	13 August (venue to be advised)
Cambridge	5th or 6th August (venue to be advised)
Palmerston Nth	19 August - at the home of Louise Ilton, Ashurst
Canterbury	2nd September - at the home of Lucy Maley, Darfield

#### **2. Judges Communications**

At the beginning of the season an email was sent to all judges to clarify the definition of Cavesson nosebands and this was also posted to the NZ Show Hunter Judges Facebook page.

For this new season we are planning to hold Judges Forum’s on a monthly basis, via zoom. This support system will be available to current NZ Show Hunter judges and will provide regular opportunities to table any questions or comments regarding show hunter/ judging for discussion.

### 3. Judges Upgrades 2022– 2023 Season

**National L1**     Jacob Razek     Auckland  
                       Louise Ilton     Central Districts  
                       Kylie Brown     Northern Hawkes Bay

**National L2**     Ashleigh Forde     Northern Hawkes Bay  
                       Kiri Finlayson     Northland

### 4. Building the Judging Pool


We currently have some prospective judges being supported/mentored by National L3 Judges through the Pre-Candidate stage. We all need to be mindful of encouraging anyone interested in becoming a judge to take that step and begin the process.

### Current Judges List Status

Additions and upgrades as outlined.

The current Active Judges List consists of:

- National L2 / National L3 = 46
- National L1 = 10

Area	National L2 & L3	National L1	Upgrades / Additions During 2022– 2023	
<b>Nth Island</b>	32	10	5	
Northland	5		Upgrade to Nat L2	

Waitemata	1	1	
Auckland	7	1	New National L1
Waikato	3	2	
BOP	5	3	
Gisborne	2		
Northern HB	2	1	New National L1 Upgrade to Nat L2
Taranaki	2		
Central Districts	3	1	New National L1
Wairarapa	1		
Wellington	1	1	
<b>Sth Island</b>	14	1	
Nelson	2	1	
Marlborough	2		
Canterbury	7		
Ashburton	2		
Sth Canty / Nth Otago	-		
Otago	1		
Southland	-		





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## Remit 1

Please refer to the latest Show Hunter rules at the following link:

<https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/SH-Rules-2022-Clean-Version.pdf>

Article or Annex No#	H. Equipment for Show Hunter	Page No#:	5
Current Rule:			
Proposed Rule Change:	Rule H - Equipment for Show Hunter 1. Equipment allowed List  Provision to allow the use of Nose Nets "Nose Net permitted but must be discreet and not cover mouth of horse"		
Rationale:	Many horses appear to suffer from allergies which cause discomfort and there is evidence that nose nets can provide relief and can assist with the symptoms of head shaking & irritations. Consideration of this as an animal welfare issue.		
Area Nominated By:	Waikato Show Hunter Group		
Nominator: <i>(Area Chairman/Delegate/Secretary)</i>	Area Delegate: Sharyn Goodwin		
Seconder: <i>(another area group)</i>	Bay of Plenty Showhunter		

**PLEASE NOTE: A similar remit has also come from Judge's Advisors**



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## Remit 2

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Article or Annex No#	H. Equipment for Show Hunter	Page No#:	5
Current Rule:	1. Equipment Allowed		
Proposed Rule Change:	To Add:  Nose Nets – To be correctly fitted, discreet and must not cover the horse's mouth.		
Rationale:	Recent research shows that more horses are suffering from head shaking and that a nose net helps to ease the problem. We consider it to be in the interest of the welfare of the horse to allow the use of nose nets.		
Area Nominated By:	Judge's Advisors		
Nominator: <i>(Area Chairman/Delegate/Secretary)</i>	Marilyn Vincent		
Seconder: <i>(another area group)</i>	Joan Couper		

Please return to the Jumping Sport Manager – Marilyn Thompson, [marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz](mailto:marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz) by  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023



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## Remit 3

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Article or Annex No#	B. Age of Rider	Page No#:	5
Current Rule:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Pony Riders<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>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.</li><li>1.2 A pony rider eligible to compete on the 1<sup>st</sup> 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.</li></ol></li></ol>		
Proposed Rule Change:	<p>To Add:</p> <p>1.3 Riders Age for 12 &amp; under Equitation Series. Competitors will be eligible to take part in this series until the end of the season during which they reach the age of 12, the season being from 1<sup>st</sup> August to 31<sup>st</sup> July.</p>		
Rationale:	<p>This is what appears in Annex 1 Show Hunter NZ Hunt Seat Equitation but it needs to also appear in the rules as not everyone reads the Series Conditions.</p>		
Area Nominated By:	Judge's Advisors		
Nominator: <i>(Area Chairman/Delegate/Secretary)</i>	Leigh Taylor		
Seconder: <i>(another area group)</i>	Marilyn Vincent		

Please return to the Jumping Sport Manager – Marilyn Thompson, [marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz](mailto:marilyn@nzequestrian.org.nz) by  
Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> May 2023



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## Area Reports 2023

<b>Report</b>	
8.1	Ashburton To Come
8.2	Auckland Lynette Jackson
8.3	Bay of Plenty Alice Barrow
8.4	Canterbury Lisa Clark
8.5	Central Districts To Come
8.6	Central & Southern Hawkes Bay To Come
8.7	Gisborne Kirsty MacLean
8.8	Marlborough To Come
8.9	Nelson To Come
8.10	Northern Hawkes Bay To Come
8.11	Northland Taylor Finlayson
8.12	Otago To Come
8.13	South Canterbury & North Otago Lewis McLellan
8.14	Southland To Come
8.15	Taihape To Come
8.16	Taranaki Geradine Wood
8.17	Waikato Sharyn Goodwin
8.18	Wairarapa To Come
8.19	Waitemata Sue Whiddett
8.20	Wellington To Come

## Auckland Area Delegates Report

Lynette Jackson

2023

This season Auckland Show Hunter ran the North Island Champs in conjunction with Auckland Jumping in November. We ran the Show Hunter programme one week after the North Island Jumping Championship. The lovely Franklin A&P Showgrounds are not big enough to accommodate both Jumping and Show Hunter, so we elected to run over consecutive weekends.

Unfortunately, both weekends were hit with heavy rain. The Jumping committee did their best to repair the grounds following the jumping weekend with the use of heavy rollers. We were able to provide a good jumping surface on the first day of competition, but a heavy deluge overnight meant our grounds were sodden on the Sunday when the North Island Championship classes were scheduled. Rain throughout the day resulted in further deterioration of the grounds.

We had 104 horse and rider combinations entered, however we did have several competitors elect not to complete on the Sunday.

Our courses were aptly designed by Marilyn Vincent, who had a big task on her hands to position the course on the best jumping surface possible, given the conditions. We extended out the arenas and shifted the lines to better ground when required. Marilyn planned a technically challenging track for the Denise Crispe Memorial Special which was taken out by Rebecca Wylie and Larkspur Trinity.

Our event secretary Karyn Blake was kept very busy collating scores for the Tuakau Pony Club Teams Show Hunter Championship. Tuakau Pony Club #1 team took out the teams competition.

We were very lucky to secure Barfoot & Thompson Rural and Lifestyle Pukekohe as our overall show sponsor. Our committee would like to say a huge 'thank you' our generous sponsors and everyone who chipped in to help the show run smoothly. We would have been lost without Catherine from Site Land Development who was on hand to roll arenas and tow trucks into and out of the grounds. As well as being a valued sponsor, Catherine was there to help set up and do whatever was necessary.

After completing a big revamp of our jumps last season our committee were keen to get our gear back under cover to keep everything protected. We were very pleased to secure a couple of bays in the storage shed at the A&P grounds.

## Bay of Plenty Area Delegates Report

Alice Barrow

2023

This year has seen a number of up's and down's for the committee with the likes of Angela and Joan stepping away from the committee and the sad passing of John Couper.

The new officers and the committee have done an amazing job to step up to take over and run such great shows.

We received great support by riders from around the upper north island at our Training Day and Schooling Show held in conjunction with Waikato Show Hunter Committee at the NEC in July and welcomed a number of new riders and parents who are venturing into Show Hunter.

The Spring Championship Show held on 22 & 23 October 2022 was well supported and attracted high entries across all five of the categories which the show has on offer. Along with the committee hosting a meet and greet pizza night which was enjoyed by the riders and supporters the weather also played ball and the atmosphere was very enjoyable.

With the unfortunate weather we had to cancel the Summer Show which also had reasonably high entries however the tough decision was made to cancel the show with the input from the Rotorua District Council and the effects of the quickly rising Ngongotaha Steam.

We are proud to have sponsored the Bay of Plenty and Waikato Show Hunter Groups under 12 Equitation Series and a huge congratulations to Lucy Oliver for winning the series. The committee has approved the continued sponsorship of the series for the 2023-24 season.

Overall the committee did a fantastic job running the two shows which did go ahead and I wish to thank them all for the endless hours and effort they put in to make it possible and we thank the riders from around the country who travelled to support us.

## Canterbury Area Delegates Report

Lisa Clark

2023

The Canterbury Jumping group were once again run three successful days over the season, including Xmas Cracker which has double series classes and is always a very popular show with riders.

Entries were on a par with the previous season, with our Canterbury Series run over our three shows all well supported. The Tavern Harewood Young Horse Series with its super prize money is becoming popular and it is lovely to see such nice young horses getting such a good start in the show hunter ring.

Our combined Ashburton and Canterbury Series this year was for the Cat A Ponies and was also well supported. We have been working with our close neighbours to encourage riders to attend both area group's shows for a large number of years now.

It was sad to see HOY not run yet again, and we feel for the organisers. We also send our thoughts to all those affected by Cyclone Gabrielle – it was hard to see the devastation and we can only imagine how harrowing it has been for everyone that have been affected in some way.

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

With support from the Show Jumping committee, we have new jump trailers planned for this season to replace our rather tired ones.

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!

## Gisborne Area Delegates Report

Kirsty MacLean

2023

The 2022/2023 season was another successful but at times challenging for the Gisborne Area. We are a small but dedicated committee and are very well supported by our local volunteers and sponsors. Caroline Coop has done a fantastic job in her first year as chairperson.

Our area is responsible for the running of two shows, we organise the show jumping and show hunter at the Poverty Bay A&P and then our main show in January the Larsen Sawmilling Championships. Like many areas this year the weather added an extra level of frustration and work, particularly at the A&P show. After the first day of jumping the decision was made to move the show jumping. Ring 1 was moved to the indoor arena and ring 2 to one of the other paddocks on the show grounds. We were incredibly lucky to have such amazing people packing up two arenas of jumps and moving them and rebuilding. Thank you to all involved in particular the course builders Kevin Hansen and Edward Bullock. This year would be one of the first we haven't had to irrigate before our January show, despite small entries there was some great jumping and it was nice to welcome the Australian Young Rider team back to NZ. The Gisborne area are very fortunate to have great assistance from local sponsors, officials and volunteers that make our shows run so well. We have fabulous grounds and yarding that are well maintained by our volunteers.

Leading up to the season we managed to run 2 training days, down from our usual 4 or 5 due to the wet conditions. These days offer a chance to jump a show jumping and/or show hunter course in a low-pressure environment. They don't require a huge number of resources and are a good money earner. To participate in the training days riders must be members of the Gisborne Area Equestrian and they must commit to helping for half a day at both shows. Members can also hire our practice arenas where we have a course of jumps set up. This has been a fantastic initiative and has given us a huge database of names to call upon as volunteers.

We had many quality applicants for the star spotter scholarship this year, Bre Collier was our lucky winner. Bre has been out and about with her pony and is always smiling. It has been very rewarding to see not only Bre but her wider whanau get involved with the Equestrian community. They are always there volunteering, always friendly and smiling, it's a pleasure to see.

Every year our group runs a show jumping and show hunter series across our two shows, local sports days and Wairoa A&P and Jumping show. These series are hotly contested, the jumping series is generously sponsored by McCannics – Thank you very much to the McCann family. This year Holly Rider came first, second and third with her horses Halo, Evo and Cheerio. In the Ponies Georgie Coop was first and second with her ponies Little MacIntosh and Barney Rubble and Sam Brooks was third with the Tontonator.



## Northland Area Delegates Report

Taylor Finlayson

2023

This season has not been easy for us as a committee as we had two of our main committee members leave us mid way though the season putting a lot of stress on our already very small team. We were lucky enough to gain a couple of members that have done it all before to get us through the rest of the season.

Our season started at the beginning of October with our Spring Show which we were lucky to hold on grass but sadly that was our only show held in 2022, the other two shows were held in January and April. We sadly couldn't run Show Hunter at the GP Show this season because the grounds were too wet and then we had to postpone our December show due to the grounds being too wet to jump on. Other than that we still managed to run two 2-day shows and one 1 day show around the weather.

Our entries were low through out the season especially at our April show due to weather conditions and riders not being able to make it over the brynderwyns after Cyclone Gabrielle cut Northland off from the rest of the country. We have purchased a new gear trailer making all our lives easier for setting up and packing up our two rings.

We are looking forward to running three shows again next season with our first being held at the beginning of October and then we will be holding our first of the Series classes at our GP show on the 21/22 October and our final show will be held on the 20/21 January.

Thank you

## SCNO Area Delegates Report

Lewis McLellan

2023

I'm pleased to present the following report for Show Hunter for the 2022/2023 season.

It was great to run our three shows without interruption and restrictions.

Thanks to Lisa Clark and Jennie Pike for judging at these events.

We are very lucky with our series sponsors and also to our local sponsors for supporting the high points series - Equine Veterinary Services and Glenardon Sporthorses. Thank you for your support.

Special mention to our committee and volunteers that help me run the Show Hunter, it is much appreciated. Entries remain steady and riders appear to be enjoying our grounds and courses.

Hopefully we can continue to deliver great Show Hunter events in our area and encourage more riders to participate in this section.

Going forward I'm hopeful we will have a new local judge, Kate Fraser that will be available in addition to our other judges that support us.

After a few years our gear is needing some maintenance and will be looking to get a working bee underway in conjunction with a training day. Many hands make light work so hopefully people can be available to give the gear a clean, paint and general maintenance.

I would like to move adoption of my report.

## Taranaki Area Delegates Report Geradine Wood

2023

The Taranaki Area successfully ran 4 days of series points over 3 shows, for the 2022-23 season, despite this being another challenging season for the running of equestrian events. These shows were all part of the regions' local A&P shows, namely Waverley, Egmont and Stratford.

Waverley Show held it's 100<sup>th</sup> show. The show hunter riders were privileged to ride in the main oval. Former Olympic show jumping rider, Harvey Wilson, always considered this surface to be one of the best in New Zealand. The competitors really enjoyed jumping on such a surface and classes were well supported.

Egmont A&P had a change of format and ran an equestrian only show in November, which allowed show hunter to be run at this time with the help of TEJ committee and members. Two days of series classes were offered and with efficient organisation both horse and pony classes were run through one ring on each day. The available area although small was still workable. There are plans to improve another area of the grounds, with the possibility of show hunter being held there in the future. Very positive feedback was received from this show and it was really lovely to have June Berrington, our North Island co-ordinator from the executive, competing at this show and supporting the organisers.

Despite heavy rain in the week leading up to its show, Stratford Show organisers worked hard to successfully run the show hunter classes for both horses and ponies. High points classes were run for the first time at this show and even attracted competitors from Cambridge to compete.

Holli Marshall, Taranaki's Area Delegate, was course builder for all three shows. Holli also organised and ran her popular Winter Show Hunter 3 Show series, which is always well supported and enjoyed. Holli puts a lot of effort into the running of this series. Covid prevented

the annual show hunter winter training clinic from happening but it is already scheduled for July of this year.

Thanks to all the officials, sponsors and volunteers who helped make this a very successful season for show hunters, along with our supportive jumping group. Looking forward to the season ahead.

## Waikato Area Delegates Report

Sharyn Goodwin

2023

After the cancellation of HOY in 2021 and 2022 I don't think any of us anticipated we would see this show cancelled yet again in 2023.

With the Auckland flooding in January, to then have the devastation of Cyclone Gabrielle in Hawkes Bay in February was something no one had expected to endure, and the cancellation of HOY paled in comparison to the loss and suffering so many communities in the Hawkes Bay and Auckland endured during that time.

It certainly put a perspective on what really matters and showed the strength of people power, not only in the equestrian fraternity but across the country with the generosity and support offered with so many fund raising events. There will be another HOY but for many people in the Hawkes Bay and Auckland region their losses can never be replaced.

### **Past WSHG Events**

The BOP and WSHG sponsored 12 & under equitation series is still proving popular, being taken out this year by Lucy Oliver from the Kapiti Coast and the Posh Ribbon Pony is a fantastic addition as part of the prize for this series.

We were incredibly lucky with the weather for our Summer show on 11-12 February as many equestrian events didn't fare so well prior to and after our event with the continued atrocious weather. It was a great weekend with good attendance numbers.

### **Upcoming WSHG Events**

We will be holding our annual winter training series in conjunction with the BOP SH group at Taupo NEC on 29-30 July. It is great to share this event and spread the organising and support across both groups. We are again very grateful to the generosity of Canter for Cancer for providing rugs for the accumulator classes we run at this show.

Our Spring show is scheduled for 28-29 October 2023 and our Summer show 8-9 February 2024.

### **Regional Show Hunter Events**

Diamond Lodge at Showfields ran a 3 day series throughout April so it was encouraging to have Sam and Jeremy Whale continuing to support SH in our region. The Waikato Equestrian Centre are also running 4 winter series days again from May through to August.

## Waitemata Area Delegates Report

### Sue Whiddett

A season of challenges!

Having worked through the issues thrown up by the previous season 2021/2022, which was disrupted by Covid restrictions, the 2022/23 season also set us challenges due to the Auckland floods and Cyclone Gabrielle. Our hard-working committee remained positive, working together to re-organise our February show at short notice.

#### Season

#### Highlights

#### Winter Series

#### 2022

We ran a successful winter series, sponsored by Lani Allard Real Estate, which saw many newcomers entered over the three series days.

#### Summer Series 2022/23

Our 5/6 November show saw our Category A classes well supported and our Rising Star classes (for horses not jumping over 90cm over the show) also continued to be popular with good entries.

We ran a Teams Challenge with a maximum 3 riders per team, made up of at least one pony and one horse, giving some flexibility for the make-up of each team.

Fibre Fresh feed vouchers were awarded to members of the winning team.

Our February 2023 show, scheduled for 18/19th was held on 4/5 March. This was down to local damage - SH16 was closed in places post the cyclone and our venue, Woodhill Sands also had a fairly extensive clean up due to trees down, debris, and sand being swept away. Entries were lower than we had anticipated, possibly due to HOY having to be cancelled and the extreme weather event which impacted many of our local riders. ESNZ announced that points gained at this show would be qualifying points for HOY 2024 which was fantastic.

Again our Rising Star classes 85-90cm attracted the greatest number of entries.

The four Introductory Horse classes followed Saturday's Open classes and proved a popular series over the two shows with the winner receiving a lovely rug sponsored by Burger King.

Our application to Four Winds Foundation was successful and this grant covered the costs of providing a medic for both of our summer shows.

We were fortunate to receive a good level of sponsorship \$7,900- for our summer shows which we are so grateful for. We would like to thank Lani Allard Real Estate, Chris Fougere Orthopaedics, Burger King, Giltrap Group, G J Gardner

Homes, Withers & Co - Chartered Accountants, West Auckland Engine Reconditioners and Fibre Fresh for their continued support.

### **Winter Series 2023**

Our upcoming Winter Series which starts on June 18th, is again being sponsored by Lani Allard Real Estate. We greatly appreciate Lani's ongoing support enabling us to offer beautiful garlands and rugs for the series winners. Our goal with this series is to encourage newcomers to our discipline. We are introducing a new X Bar class and combining this with the lowest two heights, we have created a new Low Hunter division with its own series prizes. We are also focusing on Equitation and to incentivise riders to give it a go, we are awarding one new rider to Eq (drawn from those who enter an Equitation class) their classes for the day free of charge.

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