

**THE CHESHIRE SHIELD HORSE TRIALS 2021**

**Incorporating the Area 4 and Area 5 qualifying competitions for the Pony Club National and Regional Championships**

**Organised by THE EAST CHESHIRE BRANCH OF THE PONY CLUB**

**To be held at SOMERFORD PARK, CHESHIRE, CW12 4SW**

**Grid Reference SJ 81028 65737**

**On SATURDAY 3RD JULY 2021**

**Pony Club appointed Official Steward Ann Barlow**

**Pony Club appointed Technical Advisor Dave Thompson**

**Area 4 & 5 Representatives and Joint Assistant Official Stewards Robin Bower & Meg Green**

**Entries Open: On publication of Schedule**

**Entries Close: Friday 18th June 2021 (or earlier if classes full)**

**Teams to be confirmed by: Wednesday 23rd June**

**Times will be published on: Wednesday 30th June 2021 at 6 p.m.**

**Course Walking: Friday 2nd July 2021 from 2 p.m. and not before**

**ALL DOGS ON LEADS – RECOVERY FEE £25**

 **Event Contacts**

**Event Organiser:** Geoff Bell Email: dg.bell@outlook.com

**Postal Entries to:** ECBPC, 25 Chelford Road, Somerford, Congleton, CW12 4QD Cheques payable to ECBPC

**Entries Secretary:** Horse- Events - all entry queries to email: info@horse-events.co.uk

Tel: 07962 251696 (not after 7pm please)

**ENTER ONLINE AT**[**www.horse-events.co.uk**](http://www.horse-events.co.uk)

**Classes:**

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| **Class No.** | **Class Name –** For **Pony Club Teams** and **PC and non-PC Individuals** unless otherwise indicated | **Dressage test** |
| **1** | THE NEWCOMERS CHALLENGE CUP EVENT& Area 4 & 5 **PC80** Regional Qualifier – **Individuals only**  | The PC Grassroots Test 2018 |
| **2A** | THE CHESHIRE SHIELD NOVICE EVENT& Area 4 & 5 **PC90** Championship Qualifier | The PC90 Eventing Test 2013 |
| **2B** | **OPEN PC90** – for Pony Club members ineligible for novice event– any horse – **Individuals only** |
| **3** | THE CHESHIRE SHIELD INTERMEDIATE EVENT& Area 4 & 5 **PC100** Championship Qualifier  | The PC100 Eventing Test 2015 |
| **4** | THE CHESHIRE SHIELD INTERMEDIATE PLUS EVENT & Area 4 & 5 **PC100+** Championship Qualifier | The PC110 Eventing Test 2010 |
| **5** | THE CHESHIRE SHIELD OPEN & **PC110** OPEN Championship Qualifier | The PC110 Eventing Test 2010 |

Entry Fee all classes: £85 including non-refundable Booking Fee

Late Entry surcharge: £20

Refundable Bib Deposit: £20 payable on declaration

**ENTRIES:**

All entries should be made online using [www.horse-events.co.uk](http://www.horse-events.co.uk).
This is a single booking form process and entries will not be confirmed without payment.

For **Pony Club entries** you will need your membership number & Branch/Centre name to enter a qualifying class.

**Non-PC entrants** must provide BE or BHS Gold membership number otherwise personal public liability/3rd party insurance certificate to be produced on declaration.

**Team entries** only for Pony Club members - enter your branch name as the team name

**Rider and Horse amendments** can be made online by logging into your Horse Events account under my bookings. Here you can edit your details up until close of entries.

**If you need to cancel an entry or change a class** before the closing date, or have any difficulties entering online, please email: Info@horse-events.co.uk

Tel: 07962 251696 - not after 7pm

All entries are subject to a **non-refundable booking fee** as stated online.

**Substitutions -** After the closing date substitutions may only be made as per PC Eventing Rules 2020.

Please email your changes after the closing date to: info@horse-events.co.uk

The Cheshire Shield Nominated Charity for 2021

**North West Air Ambulance**

**Withdrawals & Refunds (Note: Booking fee will be deducted from all refunds)**

Full refunds will be given up until the closing date of the competition

After the closing date no refunds will be made without a Doctors or Vets certificate produced no later than 48 hours after the event. If produced after this, no refund will be given.

Refunds where due after the closing date are subject to an admin fee of £20

In the event of abandonment 50% of the entry fee will be refunded.

**Prizes & Prize Giving:**

Presentation Ceremonies may not be held due to Covid risks, but rosettes, prizes and dressage tests may be collected 1 hour after publication of results.

Cheshire Shield trophies will be awarded to the highest placed single branch Area 5 Team in each Class. Area trophies will be awarded as appropriate. Rosettes to 6th place (Teams and Individuals) and for Best Dressage in each section.

Craddock rosettes to PC riders with double clears without time penalties in Classes 3, 4 & 5.

**Eligibility:**

Please refer to Rule 33 of the 2020 Eventing Rule Book plus Additional Eligibility for 2021. All rules are available at - <https://pcuk.org/officials/rulebooks/>

**ENTRY CONDITIONS:**

1. To be run in accordance with **Pony Club Eventing Rules** (PCER) **2020 as amended**
2. **All PC entries** will be checked against the Pony Club member database to confirm current membership.
3. **All non-Pony Club competitors** must hold current public liability (3rd party) insurance.
4. **Vaccination Certificates & Passports** must be available for inspection & produced on official request – see PCER23.
5. **All Team entries** must be supported by a named XC fence judging team of at least two people in order to be accepted. Failure to comply will result in elimination of team.
6. No rider may compete on **more than one horse** in any one class except at the absolute discretion of the organisers or to enable a Pony Club Qualifying Team to be entered.
7. In the event of entries being oversubscribed, a **waiting list** will operate. **Precedence will be given to PC members**.
8. All entries will be subject to a **non-refundable** **Booking Fee**
9. **Late entries** MAY be accepted at the sole discretion of the Organisers and are subject to a Late Entry Charge of £20.
10. All competitors **must declare** to the Event secretary on site before commencing any phase of the competition, collect XC bib and number and pay £20 refundable deposit.
11. **Hats** must comply with the current Pony Club/BE/BHS minimum standards and be tagged prior to commencing any phase of the competition. Long hair to be netted.
12. No **electronic devices** to be carried whilst competing except for stop watches at PC90/100/100+/110
13. Approved standard **body protectors** must be worn for the cross-country phase. Air vests, if worn, must be in addition to a body protector & fully deflated or removed if triggered. Competitors wearing a Woof Wear Body Cage EXO must inform the secretary on declaring and deposit a key with XC medics where appropriate.
14. **Dressage - whips** are NOT allowed in PC 100/100+ & PC 110 and **gloves** must be worn by all competitors.
15. At all levels on the cross-country course, 3 refusals at a single fence or 4 refusals in total means **elimination**.
16. In all phases, a fall of horse and/or rider means **elimination.**
17. At PC 90/100/100+/110 competitors incurring **more than 24 show jumping penalties** will not be allowed to go XC. At PC80 this may be permitted at the discretion of the Official Steward. For the avoidance of doubt, **“Elimination” incurs more than 24 penalties.**
18. **Any query** about a competitor’s score must be made only at the secretary’s office. No approach may be made to the judge, timekeeper, fence judge or any other official. Only District Commissioners or their appointed representatives are entitled to lodge **objections**. They must be made in writing to the secretary’s office, addressed to the Official Steward and accompanied by a deposit of £50. Objections must be made within half an hour (i) of the relevant incident or (ii) after the scores are published or (iii) no later than 1 hour after dressage score sheets are released. The Official Steward will give her decision which shall be final.
19. **Photographic Rights** – competitors and their parents/guardians are deemed to have given permission for any photographic and/or film or TV footage taken of persons or horses/ponies taking part in Pony Club events to be used and published in any media whatsoever for editorial purposes, press information or advertising by or on behalf of the Pony Club and/or Official Sponsors of the Pony Club.

**LEGAL LIABILITY:**

LEGAL LIABILITY Save for death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the Organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the Organisers of any event to which these rules apply, nor the Pony Club, nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies, accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any other person or property whatsoever, whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract or in any other way whatsoever

**HEALTH, SAFETY & WELFARE:**

The Organisers of this Event have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the Organisers and all the Officials and Stewards.