**AREA 5 PONY CLUB RACE DAY**

**Bangor-on-Dee Racecourse**

**SUNDAY 29th September 2024**

With Special thanks to the Racing Foundation for their very kind support.

VET AND PARAMEDIC IN ATTENDANCE. NO DOGS ON THE RACECOURSE

ENTRIES CLOSE Thursday 19th September 12 Noon

**1st Race 2pm**

*There will be an Introduction to Pony Racing morning from 10am. Entry is free but must be booked via Pony Racing Authority website*

**Race 1. 128 Beginners Race Approx. 4F**

 Beginner Riders Race. Ponies not exceeding 128 cms

**Race 2. 138 Beginners Race Approx. 4F**

 Beginner Riders Race. Ponies not exceeding 138 cms

**Race 3. 148 Beginners Race Approx. 4F**

 Beginner Riders Race. Ponies not exceeding 148 cms

**Race 4. 128 Open Race Approx. 6F**

 For ponies not exceeding 128 cms

**Race 5. 138 Novice Race Approx. 6F**

 Novice Riders Race. Ponies not Exceeding 138cms.

**Race 6. 148 Novice Race Approx. 6F**

 Novice Riders Race. Ponies Not Exceeding 148cms

**Race 7. 138 Intermediate Race Approx. 8F**

 Intermediate Race for ponies not exceeding 138 cms

**Race 8. 148 Intermediate Race Approx. 8F**

 Intermediate Race for ponies not exceeding 148 cms

**Race 9. 138 Open Race Approx. 8F**

 Open 138cm for ponies not exceeding 138cms

 Minimum Weight 7st 10lbs

**Race 10. 148 Open Race Approx. 10F**

 Open 148cm for ponies not exceeding 148cms

 Minimum Weight 9st

Momentos to all riders. Spectators welcome.

Best Turned Out rosettes in each raceRefreshments / light bites available next to paddock.

Compulsory Briefing and Course Walk for All Jockeys to be held on the day.
Races may amalgamate if insufficient entries.
The entry fee for each rider/pony combination is £30.

Entries via www.horse-events.co.uk , closing on Thursday 19th September 12 Noon.
All entries are subject to a non-refundable booking fee which will be stated online on a per class basis.

Any queries to Ruth Hurley: 📧 nwaponyracing@yahoo.co.uk ☎ F

Event Photographer will again be [**Emma Hawes Photography**](https://www.facebook.com/ekhphotography8?__tn__=-UC*F)

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**GUIDE TO RACES –**

**Beginners Races** - For riders who have not taken part in any Pony Racing before, except for Beginners.

▶ Riders who have won one Beginner race or have completed three Beginner Races at a Pony Club Raceday, must step up to the next level.

▶ Ponies are not to have been placed in Open Pony Club or PRA Races the last two years.

▶ No minimum weight.

▶ Combinations taking part in this race must have met the qualification criteria.

**Novice** – For riders who have not been placed 1st in a Pony Club (except Beginners) or a PRA Point-to-Point Pony Race before, or taken part in the PRA Racecourse Series, who must be on a pony who has not won an Open Pony Club or PRA Point-to-Point Pony Race in the last 3 calendar years with another jockey or taken part in any PRA Racecourse Series Race.

▶ No minimum weight.

▶ Combinations taking part in this race must have met the qualification criteria.

**Intermediate** – For **combinations** who may have won a Novice Race before but not won an Intermediate or an Open Pony Club or PRA Point-to-Point Pony or Racecourse Series Race before. No restrictions on ponies.

▶ No Minimum Weight.

▶ Combinations taking part in this race must have met the qualification criteria.

 **Open** – Combinations of riders and ponies who have been placed in a Pony Club or PRA Race Day.

▶ Riders to carry a minimum weight as stated in the race detail.

▶ Combinations taking part in this race must have met the qualification criteria.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU CAREFULLY READ THE FOLLOWING BEFORE ENTERING:**

To take part, children must be Pony Club members and aged 9 or above on the 1st January 2024. Riders can race up until and on the day of their 17th birthday. The combination of pony and rider should have participated in a minimum of 2 PC ridden rallies or a minimum of 1 (passed) PRA/PC Training Day since 1st July 2023 or British Racing School or National Racing College Level 3 Training day (Passed).

All DCs will be contacted to confirm eligibility.

**After entering via Horse Events, you will need to email your pony’s passport pages including the front page, ID pages AND full vaccination records to** **nwaponyracing@yahoo.co.uk****.**

ALL PONIES ATTENDING THE DAY MUST BE AGED 5-20, BE FULLY INOCULATED AGAINST EQUINE INFLUENZA AND HAVE HAD A BOOSTER FOR EQUINE INFLUENZA WITHIN THE LAST 6 MONTHS OF THE RACEDAY AND NOT LESS THAN 6 FULL DAYS BEFORE IT. PONIES WITHOUT VALID VACCINATIONS WILL BE UNABLE TO COMPETE.

Ponies are not required to be vaccinated against EHV.

Member and pony combinations must be still eligible to compete in the race they have entered by close of entries (Thursday 19th September 2024). The parent/guardian making the entry must notify the organisers by email to nwaponyracing@yahoo.co.uk if they need to change races no later than the day entries close. The organisers will move the member to a different race if there is room to do so or they will have to run HC. If in doubt, please enter ‘up’ a grade.

Entries shall close at the time advertised or when races are full. Only entries received via the Official Entry method will be accepted.

PONY CLUB PONY RACING RULES are available to download or purchase from The Pony Club.

Full terms and conditions are available to view on the entry form at www.horse-events.co.uk.

It is the responsibility of the parent/guardian making the entry to ensure that they are compliant. Should a breach of eligibility be proven, the offender will be disqualified. The Judges’ decision is final.

**PLEASE NOTE, entries will only be pending until you have provided copies of your pony’s passport AND your Pony Club District Commissioner or Centre Proprietor have confirmed that the entered pony and jockey combination are qualified to run. A letter from the District Commissioner / Centre Proprietor will also be accepted but must arrive in time.**

The Committee reserves the right to retain a proportion of the entry fee should the day be cancelled or if participants are unable to take part due to Covid Regulations.

Withdrawals made prior to the closing date for entries will be refunded minus an administration charge.

Withdrawals after the closing date will not be refunded except on production of a vet certificate or medical certificate.

If entries are not approved, entry fees will be refunded but not the booking and administration fee.

In the event of abandonment, for whatever reason, a refund of 50% of the entry fee will be given. In such an instance, the refund process will be communicated and must be followed.

The organisers of the event reserve the right to cancel the event or any race, to alter the advertised times, to divide or combine any race and to refuse entry with or without stating a reason.

**Insurance**

The Pony Club ‘Public and Products Liability Insurance’ Policy includes cover for all the official Area Competitions and the Championships. Details of this insurance are available on The Pony Club website. In the event of any accident, loss or damage occurring to a third party or to the property of a third party (including the general public and competitors) no liability should be admitted, and full details should be sent at once to The Pony Club Office.

**Health & Safety**

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.

**Legal Liability**

Save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of this event or The Pony Club nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies, nor the landlord or their tenant, 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. Entries are only accepted on this basis.