

PONY CLUB



West Lancashire County

INTER – BRANCH & CENTRE TEAM SHOW- JUMPING COMPETITION WINTER 2026/27 (Including the Spring Festival PC80, PC 90, PC100 & Open Area competition in Heat 5)

To be held at Myerscough College Equestrian Centre. Open to teams of three or four members, based on the Area show jumping rules 2026/27

The competition in each heat will consist of **TWO ROUNDS** as follows -

THE FIRST ROUND will not be against the clock. For **Heats one, two and three**, it will not be timed. For **Heat 4**, the first round will be timed, based on a speed of 325 metres per minute.

THE SECOND ROUND will be single phase, so there will be NO third round jump off. For **Heats one, two and three**, the first phase (5-7 obstacles) of the second round will not be timed. For **Heats four** the first phase (5-7 obstacles) of the second round will be timed, based on a speed of 325 metres per minute. The second phase of the second round **for ALL Heats** (Apart from 1 A) will be against the clock to decide the placings.

HEAT ONE- Sunday 27th September 2026. Fences will not exceed 40cm in the first phase. Riders must be 10 years and under on 1st January in the current year. This competition will be split into 2 sections.

Section A: Riders on the lead rein. Riders must be on the lead rein throughout the competition. Lead reins must be fastened to the back of the noseband only. All leaders must be age 16 and over and are advised to wear a tagged riding hat and suitable footwear for leading ponies. All fences will be uprights only. For this section **ONLY** the highest placed team and individual will be decided on riders being nearer to an Optimum time, **NOT** against the clock.

Section B: Riders off the lead rein. Some fences will be spreads.

HEAT TWO- Sunday 18th October 2026. Fences will not exceed 50cms in the first phase/round. This competition will be split into 2 sections. **Section A:** Riders under 12 years and under on 1st January in the current year. **Section B:** Riders 13 and over on 1st January in the current year. Section B will run separately to section A – either before or after.

HEAT THREE- Sunday 29th November 2026. Fences will not exceed 60cm in the first phase/round. Riders any age.

HEAT FOUR – Sunday 13th December 2026. Fences will not exceed 70cm in the first round. Riders any age.

HEAT FIVE – 2nd January 2027. Spring Festival Area competition. More details will be available here
<https://pcuk.org/spring-festival/>

RULES FOR THE COMPETITION IN HEATS 1 TO 4

1. Any number of teams may be entered but numbers may be limited if entries are large. In the event of two teams from one Branch or Centre being placed only the highest placed team will be awarded points.
2. Entries must be made **online** by the D.C. or trainer authorised by the D.C and close one week before the competition.
3. Course Walk and Starting times will be posted three days before the competition on Facebook and our website.
4. The whole team will jump in succession
5. If a team is eliminated in the first round, any team member not eliminated will be allowed to jump in the second round. If a team member is eliminated in the first round they may jump again in the second round provided their team has not been eliminated.
6. The DC or authorised trainer will be responsible for the following

- a. Ensuring all hats are tagged **prior** to the day of competition and check the tack and riding gear of all their members. The Hat Rule can be found [here](#).
 - b. Checking that horse and pony vaccinations are correct according to Pony Club rules. See rules [here](#). Spot checks may take place by ourselves or the venue.
 - c. Their own team (s) on site including warming up their team(s)
7. Any requests for reasonable adjustments should be submitted in writing two weeks before the competition, per the pony club policy. Further details [here](#).

Rosettes will be awarded to the first six teams and the first six individuals.

The shield presented by the Musker family will be awarded to the branch that gain most points in all heats.

ENTRY FEE

For all Heats is £28 per rider.

All booking online - [Click Here](#) Any queries to Fiona Lace 07751 380585

W.L.C. members who would like to be in a team may give their name in at any rally or telephone or text Fiona.

Definition of a Single Phase competition

- First phase: 5 to 7 obstacles not against the clock with a time allowed.
- Unless eliminated, the rider continues straight on to the second phase without a bell being rung.
- Second phase: 5 to 7 obstacles which must be higher than the first phase, (maximum 12 obstacles in all).
- Competitors will be placed on total faults from both phases and time in second phase.
- In the team competition, the best 3 rider's scores from each team (total faults from both phases) will be added together to give a team score.
- If there is a tie, the times taken in the second phase for the riders with the 3 best scores, will be added together to decide the result