



Equizee Pony and Young Rider Top Ten League 2020 - 2021

The Pony & Young Rider Amateur Top Ten League is supported by Equizee to encourage participation by Pony & Young Riders. Awards will be presented annually at area level and nationally the Dressage NZ Awards Dinner. Riders must be C5 or below Have never earned more than 15 Advanced Medium points.

Eligibility

1. Riders must be Child or Full competitive members of ESNZ
2. Participating horses and ponies must be ESNZ registered and have an annual start for dressage.
3. Downgraded horses/ponies are eligible
4. **Riders on Ponies:** Riders in the pony divisions must be 16yrs or under at 1 August 2020.
5. **Riders on Horses:** Riders must turn at least twelve years on or after 1 Jan 2020.
6. Riders who are not eligible to compete in any pony division because they are 16yrs or older as at 1 August 2020 may compete in the young rider/ horse section on a pony.

Conditions

1. The competition runs from 1 August 2020 until 30 April 2021
2. Riders must nominate on Equestrian Entries by 1 December 2020
3. Horses/ponies may be entered for only one National section and may enter any level for which they are eligible under the dressage grading system. eg A pony graded Preliminary at 1 August 2020 may enter Novice but only scores from Novice and above tests will be accrued. If a pony is graded Preliminary at 1 August 2020 but competes in a higher level during the season, the higher-level points will be counted

National Sections

Ponies: Riders 16yrs and under at 1 August 2020

Pony Bronze: Preliminary ponies	Riders CN – C3 at 1 August 2020 (see table below)
Pony Silver: Novice ponies	Riders CN – C4 at 1 August 2020 (see table below)
Pony Gold: Elementary & Medium ponies	Riders CN – C5 at 1 August 2020 (see table below)

Horses: Riders must turn at least 12yrs during 2020, and be 20yrs or under at 1 August 2020

Horse Bronze: Preliminary horses.	Riders CN – C3 at 1 August 2020 (see table below)
Horse Silver: Novice horses.	Riders CN – C4 at 1 August 2020 (see table below)
Horse Gold: Elementary & Medium horses	Riders CN – C5 at 1 August 2020 (see table below)

Special Awards

Top Score Rider North Island 12yrs & under at 1 August 2020

Top Score Rider South Island 12yrs & under at 1 August 2020

Newcomer ESNZ graded Dressage rider. Must have not earned any dressage grading points on any horse or pony prior to 1/4/2020

Rider Categories

Category N	(CN) Newcomers. For riders who have never earned grading points at any Level
Category 1	(C1) For riders who have never earned 15 or more grading points at any level above Preliminary
Category 2	(C2) For riders who have never earned 15 or more grading points at any level above Novice
Category 3	(C3) For riders who have never earned 15 or more grading points at any level above Elementary
Category 4	(C4) For riders who have never earned 15 or more grading points at any level above Medium
Category 5	(C5) For riders who have never earned 15 or more grading points at any level above Advance Medium
Category Am	Any rider C5 or below is a CAm rider. A CAm rider may compete in Amateur competitions at any level not more than two levels below that rider's rider category. e.g a C5 rider may compete in any CAm competition or series at Elementary, Medium and Advanced Medium. A C4 rider may compete in any CAm competition or series at levels Novice, Elementary and Medium

Scoring

1. Maximum of 10 scores to count from Graded events on the official DNZ Calendar
2. Freestyle scores will count
3. In the event of a tie, the combination with the highest average percentage from the top ten scores will be deemed the winner.
4. League Points will be allocated as follows :

Percentage	Points		
	Preliminary-Elementary	Medium-Advanced Medium	Advanced-Grand Prix
Less than 57%	4	5	6
57 - 59.99%	5	6	7
60 - 64.99%	6	7	8
65 - 69.99%	7	8	9
70% plus	8	9	10

Prizes & Presentations

Area Prizes

Rosettes will be awarded to the highest scoring pony and horse in each ESNZ area. A rider's Area is determined by the ESNZ Area Boundaries, and not necessarily the Area Group to which they belong

National Prizes

To be awarded at the Dressage NZ Annual Awards Dinner 2021: Date & Venue TBC

- Section Champions receive presentation Rug, Sash and \$100 sponsors voucher each
- Section Reserve Champion receives a Sash
- Top Score Rider North Island 12yrs & under receives a winners sash
- Top Score Rider South Island 12yrs & under receives a winners sash
- Newcomer ESNZ graded Dressage rider receives a winners sash