

North Island Standardbred Association

Club Rules



Club Objectives

The objects of the Club shall be:

- To encourage and promote the Standardbred horse as a pleasure horse in the North Island. A standardbred is defined as a pure-bred Standardbred, branded or tattooed.
- To encourage and support all members
- To provide social contact between members.
- To promote horsemanship and the proper care and control of their horse.
- To actively promote the Standardbred horse at all equestrian disciplines.

Membership:

- The Club shall consist of an unlimited number of members, whose details shall be recorded by the secretary. These records shall be open for inspection by arrangement with the secretary and authorisation of the individual member.
- All notices posted to the last notified address shall be valid and deemed to have been given on the working day following the day of posting.
- The Club has the right to refuse membership to any persons applying.
- Resignation of membership - Any member(s) may withdraw from The Club on giving or sending a notice of their intention in writing to the secretary. Any member so leaving The Club shall not be entitled to receive back any money they may have paid The Club during their membership, or to have any claim against The Club, but shall have returned any Club property and monies held by them.
- Non-Payment of Subscription - Any member(s) failing to renew their subscription(s) within 8 (eight) weeks of the due date shall be deemed to have resigned. They may, however, be reinstated on payment of any arrears.
- Disciplinary - If a complaint has been received by the committee of The Club and upheld, a member may have their membership terminated.

High Points

- Please refer to the High Points rules for eligibility, points accumulation and all other rules.

Management:

- Save where these Rules otherwise provide, the entire management of The Club and its property, including the election of members, shall be entrusted to the Committee, whose decision shall be final. The Committee shall have the power to arbitrate in cases of dispute between members when asked by

either party to do so, and their decision in such cases shall be final. The Committee shall have the power to deal with any questions relating to the management of The Club not provided for in these Rules that may occur.

Complaints/Disputes:

- A signed copy of any complaint or dispute and any supporting documentation must be lodged with the Secretary no later than 14 (fourteen days) after the incident. All complaints and/or disputes will then be put forward at the next committee meeting and the complainant will receive writing notification of the outcome of the issue no later than 4 (four) weeks following the lodging of the incident.

Annual General Meeting:

- The Annual General Meeting shall be held as soon as possible after the 31st day of May in each year, 14 (fourteen) days' notice of such meeting having been circulated to each financial member.
- Voting at an Annual General Meeting shall be by show of hands, except in the election of Executive Officers and Committee members where a secret ballot shall be held where there are more candidate(s) that position(s) to be filled. Vote counting shall be done by two non-financial members.

Extraordinary General Meeting:

- An Extraordinary General Meeting of the members of The Club shall be called by a resolution of the Committee, or on requisition in writing to the Secretary by any 10 (ten) financial members, whereupon a minimum of 14 (fourteen) days' notice in writing shall be given by the Secretary to all financial members of The Club specifying the objects of the meeting, to which alone discussion shall be confined.

Hosting of N.I.S.A. Run Events

- Any financial member of N.I.S.A may run an event under the N.I.S.A. banner provided they have sought the approval of the Committee prior to any plans or bookings being made.
- All costings and quotes of N.I.S.A. run events must be passed through the N.I.S.A. Committee before any commitments or purchases are made. The Committee has the right to reject any costings or quotes and may provide guidelines on appropriate costings for events. Any costs associated to N.I.S.A. run events that have not been approved by the Committee will be borne by the host.
- The exception to the above rules is the North Island Standardbred Association Championship Show which has its own Executive Show Committee and is a fully sponsored show.

Usage of the North Island Standardbred Association Name

- Any usage of the Club's name is at the approval of the Committee. Any articles, promotions, advertising etc stating the North Island Standardbred Association name or its abbreviation of N.I.S.A. must be passed through the Committee first.

N.I.S.A. Property

- Only financial members may be in position of property owned by N.I.S.A. and must be surrendered to the Club if membership is to cease this includes the return of any High Points trophies should a member not re-join the following year.
- Any property owned by N.I.S.A. including High Points trophies that are returned to the Club damaged or in a less that satisfactory conditions may be at the cost to the holder.

New Rules:

- The Committee may, from time to time as they see fit, add, amend or delete Club rules.
- Any changes to Club rules will be notified to all financial members no later than 7 (seven) days after the change is finalised.