

Strategic Plan

2021-2023



Foreword

Goolwa District Pony Club Incorporated was founded in 1980 and has a storied history of producing quality equestrian riders. While generally a smaller Pony Club, Goolwa prides itself on grounding riders with solid foundations which can propel them into any discipline they chose. GDPC is a proud member of the Pony Club Association of South Australia and Pony Club Australia.

Pony Club has three founding objectives:

1. To encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sport connected with horses and riding.
2. To provide instruction in riding and horsemastership and to instil in members the proper care of their animals.
3. To promote the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty, thereby cultivating strength of character and self-discipline.

The small but dedicated Goolwa District Pony Club (GDPC) committee aims to continue providing these objectives for another 40 years and beyond. This Strategic Plan will form a rolling stepping-stone vision for how GDPC will fulfil our objectives and what future direction our members wish us to drive this great Club in.

Yours sincerely,

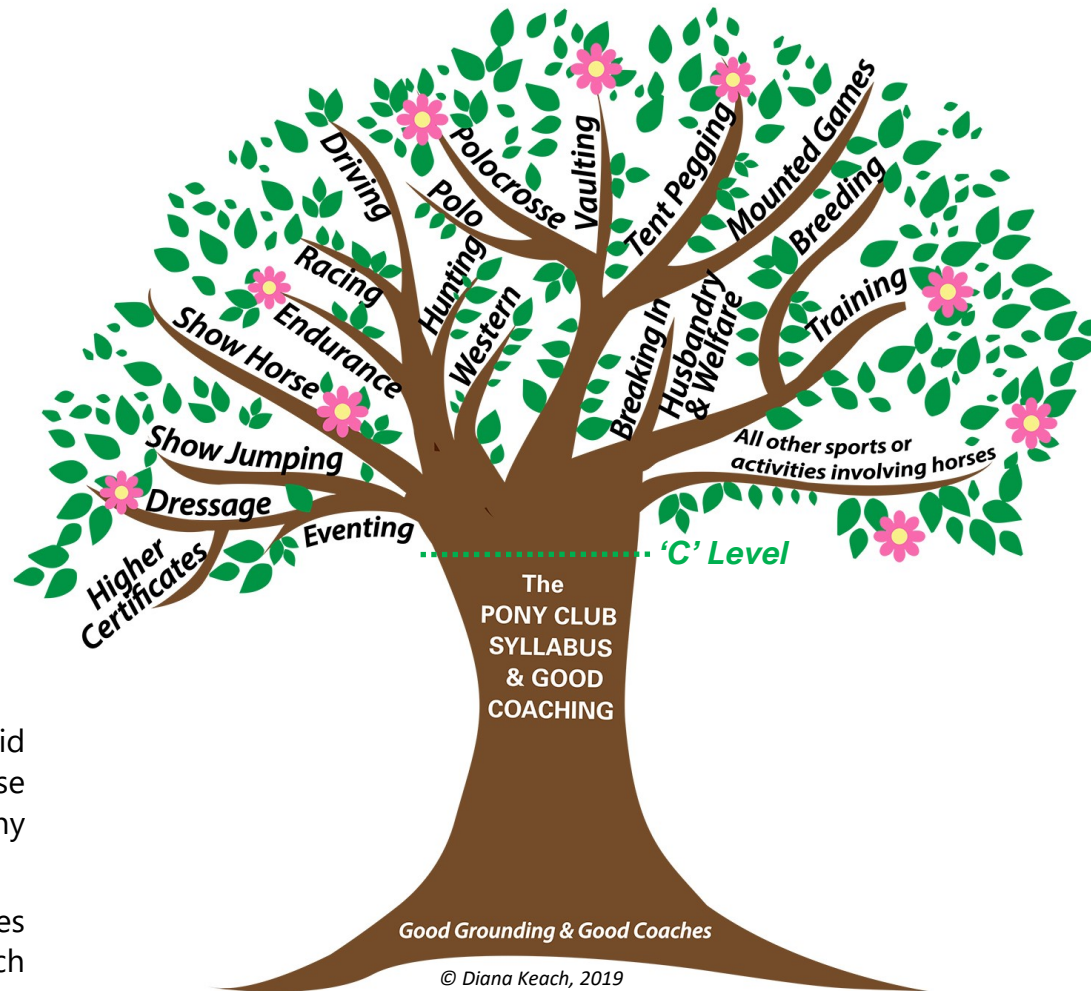


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Pony Club 'Tree'



The Pony Club 'tree' demonstrates the solid foundation that our organisation gives to horse riders, which allows them to branch out into any equestrian discipline.

With well trained coaches, well structured rallies & content, and a vision of advancement for each and every member, we can help to grow our riders into their goals.

VISION

All can enjoy every level of equestrianism

MISSION

Provide riders with the skills & guidance to achieve their goals



Strategic Priorities

Competition Exposure

- Increase member participation at both Pony Club & external equestrian events

Rider Aspirations

- Consider individual rider aspirations and help them reach their goals

Horsemastership

- Focus on horse care theory and work towards more certificates and achievement patches

Multi-Use Grounds

- Develop the grounds into multi-use facility with access for more Clubs



Strategic Priorities

Objectives	Key Activities	Measure of Success
Provide guidance for riders beginning to explore set disciplines	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Create a form for C riders & above to determine their areas of interest • Provide guidance to those riders on how & where they can achieve those goals within & outside the Club • Monitor riders involvement & improvement in their chosen discipline 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Half-year and end-of-year reviews with coaches to gauge riders direction
Assist riders to attend Zone, and if suitable State, events	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coaches to identify riders suitability for Zone events • Club to provide information for riders to select & attend Zone events (i.e. dates, locations, gear requirements, etc.) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Attendance and potential placings at Zone events • Zone Helper badge achievement
Structure rider Certificate development to ensure all members are progressing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assign riders to their appropriate Certificate level for the calendar year • Ensure riders have their Certificate workbooks for the year • Ensure riders know where to find the Syllabus of Instruction 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riders attaining Certificate levels • Younger riders, or riders between levels, attaining achievement patches



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Improve horsemastership instruction at rally level	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Include specific, separate lessons on horse care • Run supplementary horse care sessions for riders working towards Certificate levels • Ensure riders are cognisant of horse welfare and how they can achieve it 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riders suitably prepared for horse care assessment with their Certificates • Riders demonstrating care of their horses at all times, noticeably before their own needs • Attainment of appropriate horse care achievement patches or awards
Minor grounds improvements	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work towards refencing & replanting the boundaries • Continue maintenance on shedding & toilets • Fundraising for improvements 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Aim for one boundary fence per year • Aim for guttering & rainwater collection of shedding • Net positive income per financial year
Clubroom replacement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Continue researching potential grant(s) funding for new Clubrooms 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Achieve budgeted funding and break-ground on the project
Seek other Club involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Work with council & community groups to identify other Clubs/groups who might benefit from using our grounds 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New Club(s) utilising our space



Review Periods

CONSTITUTION

May 2022

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October 2021



MORE INFORMATION

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