

# SMZ EVENT CALENDAR 2026

Dear Clubs, Riders and Families – please find the Current SMZ Event Calendar for promoting our local Zone Pony Club Events. Please feel free to share with your members and other riding friends. We hope that you enjoy being part of the competition in which your Southern Metro Zone clubs have put together for you this year.

Southern Metropolitan Zone runs a zone qualifier series in which each time you enter and ride as an official Pony Club Rider and horse you gain points during the year and are calculated at the end of the year totals (Look out for the light blue coloured highlighted events on the calendar)

SMZ Series Points are collected usually between Series runs from **1<sup>st</sup>January until 17<sup>th</sup> December2026** each year or unless specified by the Zone.

So the more you enter the more points you collect and you gain placing these will tellie up in addition towards the end of year prize! So start getting out representing your club and also enjoying some competitions on offer with your pony club friends now! In addition these qualifiers also assist riders that are able to qualify to ride at state level, so give these clubs that are running qualifying competitions a go and represent you and your horse to compete at a state ran event.

The Event Calendar may change over the year, these will be located on the smz page via <https://sites.google.com/view/southernmetropolitanzone/home> or via the SMZ Facebook page. Look on the Justgo or other online event organisers for more event information and how to book for the events you are interested in.

Color	Legend
	<b>STATE Council meeting- every 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday per month except (Nov – 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday)</b>
Light Green	<b>SMZ Meeting date</b>
Yellow	<b>State event</b>
	<b>Zone Competition (non Qualifier)</b>
	<b>STATE SMZ Qualifier</b>
Orange	<b>STATE club event</b>
Light Green	<b>Freshman's, Clinic or Camp</b>
Orange	<b>Certificate Assessment/or Training days</b>
Light Blue	<b>School Holidays</b>

Date	SMZ Qualifier	Club	Event
1stto 28 <sup>th</sup> January – public school holidays			
3rd January			
4 <sup>th</sup> January			
10 <sup>th</sup> January		Mountain District	Freshman's Showjumping series number 1.
11 <sup>th</sup> January			
17 <sup>th</sup> January		Mountain District	Freshmans Showjumping Day
18 <sup>th</sup> January			
24 <sup>th</sup> January			
25 <sup>th</sup> January			
31st January		Mountain District	Freshmans Showjumping
1 <sup>st</sup> February			
7 <sup>th</sup> February			
14 <sup>th</sup> February			
21 <sup>st</sup> February			
22 <sup>nd</sup> February		Mountain District	Showjumping Competition
28 <sup>th</sup> February		Mentone	Freshman's Practice Training
7 <sup>th</sup> March			
8 <sup>th</sup> March			
14 <sup>th</sup> March			

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15 <sup>th</sup> March			
21sat March			
22nd March			
28 <sup>th</sup> March			
29 <sup>th</sup> March			
3rd April to 19th April term 1 public school holidays.			
4 <sup>th</sup> April			
5 <sup>th</sup> April			
11 <sup>th</sup> April			
12 <sup>th</sup> April			
19 <sup>th</sup> April			
20 <sup>th</sup> April			
25 <sup>th</sup> April – Anzac day			
26 <sup>th</sup> April			
2 <sup>nd</sup> May			
3 <sup>rd</sup> May			
9 <sup>th</sup> May			
10 <sup>th</sup> May			
16 <sup>th</sup> May			
17 <sup>th</sup> May		Mentone	Dress & Showjumping
23rd May			
24 <sup>th</sup> May			
30 <sup>th</sup> May			
31 <sup>st</sup> May			
1 <sup>st</sup> June			
6 <sup>th</sup> June		—	
7 <sup>th</sup> June			
10 <sup>th</sup> June Kings Birthday			
13 <sup>th</sup> June – Thursday			
14 <sup>th</sup> June			
26 <sup>th</sup> June – Thursday			
20 <sup>th</sup> June	State	Championships	Games, Flat & Musical Ride
21st June	State	Championships	Games, Flat & Musical Ride
27 <sup>th</sup> June			
28 <sup>th</sup> June			
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31 <sup>st</sup> October			
1 <sup>st</sup> November			
3 <sup>rd</sup> November – Melb Cup			
7 <sup>th</sup> November – Thursday			
8 <sup>th</sup> November		Mentone	Horse Trials
14 <sup>th</sup> November			
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20 <sup>th</sup> December			
25 <sup>th</sup> December – Christmas			
26 <sup>th</sup> December – Boxing Day			
26 <sup>th</sup> December			
27 <sup>th</sup> December			

Club Administrators Note: SMZ Clubs; you are required to be sent in your event schedule flyer for approval to <mailto:zonerep.smz@gmail.com> & [smzsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:smzsecretary@gmail.com) via email **at least 3-4 months** prior to event (the earlier the better).

This is including **any SMZ** club holding a riding event, Camps, Shows, open riding day and including any competition program changes. Remember to register and add your event, training day, fundraisers, meetings, etc.... to the PCA just go system as an actual event.

If your event is being ran as a **SMZ Qualifier**, a **levy fees of \$5 per rider should be charged for all competitors**, these fees for the total number of riders held at each event are to be sent to Zone Treasurer via cheque or electronic payment just after your event-zone would appreciate a copy the final rider results sent through to [smzsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:smzsecretary@gmail.com)

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This calendar may change during the course of the year and we ask that you check for any updates and to advise the SMZ committee and riders of any changes. *Remember to register your rallies, events, meetings and any training days etc... on the new PCV Just go system*

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