

**Selection process for NSW mounted games team for Nationals (on own horses)**

**(Selection process will be slightly different on years that involve horse swapping)**

The selection process will be done over the course of one day with a riding phase, attendance points and coaches ranking all added together. The scores from the selection day will be added by the officials and the riders with the 5 top scores will be the riders selected in the NSW team with the following 2 places being the reserves. Selection results will be emailed out after all scores are checked and double checked by the officials. The results will not have the rider's final points just the name of the 5 riders selected and the 2 reserves.

All riders must attend the selection day to be eligible to be selected for the NSW team.

**Riding phase** – Riders are to ride through one leg of 15 races (races and legs of race to be decided by NSW coach, it is recommended that these races be from the upcoming national event program) Races to be posted at least 1hr before the start of the selection day.

The riders will all be timed for each race with points being allocated from 15 down to 1 example. 15 points for first place, 14 points for 2<sup>nd</sup> place etc. etc. If you are eliminated in any race you will receive zero points for that race.

After all the games are completed the riders points are then tallied so over 15 races if you won every race you would have a score of 225 and if you lost every race but were not eliminated you would have a score of 15.

Rider may drop their worst two performances.

**Attendance points** – Riders will be marked 1 point for every squad training day that they attend from Feb to June these are 2 day training weekends this would be a total possibility of 10 points.

For example if Mary attended only the Saturday squad training she would receive 1 point but if she was to attend Saturday and Sunday she would receive 2 points if Mary had to go home early on Saturday so could only do half day Saturday but all day Sunday then she would receive 1 ½ points.

**Coaches ranking** -The coach will also have a ranking added into the point score so the rider that the coach ranks as number one will receive 15 points and the rider that is ranked 15<sup>th</sup> will receive 1 point. The coach will rank riders based on ability, horsemanship & sportsmanship throughout the year.

**Horsemanship** – Riders will be ranked on demonstration of horsemanship on the day.

Total point score = 50% Riding points + 15 % Attendance points + 20 % Coaches Ranking + 15 % Horsemanship.