

Devon and Somerset Winter League Information

League Dates:

25th October 2026

22nd November 2026

13th December 2026

17th January 2027

21st February 2027 (Double points, you must enter this competition to qualify for the League).

Notes on the League:

Rosettes for each class and competition.

All heats will be straight finals.

Combinations must be the same to be considered for the league.

The final competition has double points. To be considered for the league you must enter this competition (21st February).

There will be sashes and prizes for the League winners in each category.

League enquiries to Kat Cooksley 07494 744696 or devonsomerset@pcuk.org

The organisers reserve the right to combine classes if necessary.

Suitability

Please note this venue is not suitable for rangy equines who need a lot of room to stop, or for equines who compete at very high speeds.

All riders must remember to turn right if they need to and to keep off the back wall.

Please read the attachments and bring your completed declaration form on the day.

Light Refreshments:

Light refreshments will be available to buy.

Novice Pairs

Suitable for those on or off the lead rein. The rider must handle all the equipment, they might need help mounting or to steady their pony at times. The Rider cannot compete in any other age group.

Under 12 Pairs

Riders to be aged 11 and under on the 1 Jan 2026

Under 15 Pairs

Riders to be aged 14 and under on the 1 Jan 2026

Open Pairs

Riders to be aged 18 and under on the 1 Jan 2026

Races:

For the **first two** competitions the races will be as follows (not necessarily in this order)

Novice

Bending, sack, 2 mug, stepping stones, 2 flag, bottle swap, sweetie race.

Under 12

Bending, sack, 2 mug, stepping stones, 2 flag, bottle swap, ball swap, run and ride

Under 15 and Open

Bending, sack, 2 mug, stepping stones, 2 flag, bottle swap, ball swap, run and ride, 5 mug (pairs version with 3 mugs)

First Aid:

There will be qualified first aiders on site from within the Devon & Somerset Pony Club

The nearest hospital is Musgrove Park

Address: Parkfield Drive, Taunton, Somerset, TA1 5DA

Phone: [01823 333444](tel:01823 333444)

Hours: Open 24 hours a day, 7 days a week

Vets:

The nearest equine vets are Western Counties Equine Hospital Ltd, Culmstock, Cullompton, Devon, EX15 3LA

Telephone 01884 841100

Entries

Entry Fee £40 per pair. All entries via Entrymaster. Classes may be combined if insufficient entries. The competition will be run under the Pony Club Games Rules 2026 and will move to Pony Club Games Rules 2027 when published.

By entering you agree to the Photographic Rights, Health & Safety and the Legal Liability Statements below.

Any enquiries to devonsomerset@pcuk.org

Photographic Rights – by entering this competition, competitors and their guardians give permission for any photographic and/or film or TV footage taken of persons taking part in this event to be used and published in any media whatsoever for editorial purposes, press information or advertising by or on behalf of The Pony Club and/or official sponsors of The Pony Club.

Health & Safety - Organisers of this event have taken reasonable precautions to ensure the health and safety of everyone present. For these measures to be effective, everyone must take all reasonable precautions to avoid and prevent accidents occurring and must obey the instructions of the organisers and all the officials and stewards.

Legal Liability - Save for the death or personal injury caused by the negligence of the organisers, or anyone for whom they are in law responsible, neither the organisers of this event or The Pony Club nor any agent, employee or representative of these bodies, nor the landlord or his tenant, accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators, land, cars, their contents and accessories, or any other person or property whatsoever. Entries are only accepted on this basis.