

2026

ANNUAL

VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

AWARD NOMINATION

**Recognising volunteers for
their tireless efforts in the
running and development of
Pony Club**

**Opening Date: 8th July 2026
Closing Date: 30th September 2026**


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■ 2026 Awards Nomination form: **VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR**



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ABOUT THE AWARD

The Pony Club Association of NSW wishes to recognise volunteers whose efforts have significantly assisted in the running and development of Pony Club within their Club and/or Zone. The Volunteer of the Year award is a means of saying thank you for their hard work and commitment whilst aiming to encourage more members to volunteer their time.

AWARD RECEIVED

One member from each zone receives:

- Personalised trophy
- Acknowledgement on the website Honour Roll
- Sponsor Product Donations TBA

ELIGIBLE NOMINEES

To be eligible for considerations nominees must meet the following criteria: -

- Aged 13 years or over.
- Current financial member
- Volunteered for their Club and/or Zone a minimum of 50 hours over a 12 month period.
- Nomination must be submitted on the official form.

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

An initial eligibility assessment will be undertaken to determine that the nominee has met the criteria and that the Nomination Form has been completed correctly and in full. Next, an assessment panel with representatives from the State Office and Executive Committee will assess all eligible nominations. Nominations will be assessed on merit and scored against the following criteria:

1. Nominee demonstrates the attributes of a good volunteer.
2. Nominee provided practical assistance and contributed to the positive growth and development of the Club and/or Zone.

One nominee per zone is selected. In the event that a suitable nominee is not presented within a zone, all unsuccessful nominees will be reassessed, and a nominee selected. Maximum number of awards presented per year is 28.

ASSESSMENT PROCESS

Nominations are presented to a sub-committee of the chief instructors' committee for recommendation to council. Maximum number of awards presented per year is 28.

HOW TO NOMINATE

A member may nominate themselves or be nominated by a current financial member. A completed Nomination Form must then be sent to the state office by 30th September 2026 website upload link

NOTIFICATION

Successful nominees will be announced at the November State Council meeting. Nominees will then be notified in writing and the award sent via post. Successful nominees will also be published; on the Pony Club NSW website Honour Roll, in the December State newsletter.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Enquiries should be directed to the state office on 02 4229 8977 or emailed to marketing@ponyclubnsw.org.au. You can also visit the state website, www.ponyclubnsw.org.au.

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To nominate for the awards please complete all questions.

Full Name :

E-Mail :

Address :

Club :

Zone :

Years in the Club

Have you been a
member for less
than 3 years?

Previous Club

Zone :

Reason for leaving

Has the nominee volunteered for their Club and/or Zone a minimum of 50 hours over a 12 month period? ☐ Yes ☐ No

In what capacity does the nominee volunteer? _____

1. How has the nominee demonstrated the following attributes that make for a good volunteer?
Please include examples where relevant.

(i) Passion:

ii) Commitment:

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(iii) Dependability:

(iv) Willingness to learn, listen and teach:

(v) Flexibility:

(vi) Knowledge:

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2. How has the nominee provided practical assistance and contributed to the positive growth and development of the Club and/or Zone within the following areas? Please include examples where relevant.

(i) Assist with club/zone events:

(ii) Fundraising:

(iii) Ensure safety standards are met:

(iv) Contribution of new ideas:

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(v) Improvement to facilities, management and/or information flow:

(vi) Increased member satisfaction:

DECLARATION

The Nomination Form must be signed by a minimum of one (1) club AND one (1) zone representative who can verify and confirm that all information provided is accurate and correct. In the event that the nominee is a relative of any of the signatories another member of the club/zone committee must sign.

Club President

Signature :

Date :

Club Secretary

Signature :

Date :

Club Instructor

Signature :

Date :

Zone President

Signature :

Date :

Zone Secretary

Signature :

Date :

Zone ZCI

Signature :

Date :