TETRATHALON

Now included as part of the Pony Club Australia's National Competition the Aim of the Pony Club Tetrathlon is to provide participants with a challenging competition requiring sound practical horsemanship and general athletic ability.

The Event consists of four phases; Riding, Running, Swimming and Shooting (laser) and is held over one to four consecutive days

The competition may be run either as Individual or Teams event. Teams will consist of 6 individual competitors; each individual competitor will be awarded an overall score for the competition with top 3 scores to count.

2017 Nationals in Toowoomba, PCA will be running the following classes:

Age Group* as of 1st January	Run #	Swim #	Shoot	Jump Maximum
Seniors 17-25	3000m	200m	Laser pistols	90cm
			10m	
Juniors 13-16	2000m	200m	Laser pistols	85cm
			10m	
Sub-juniors 10-12	1000m	100m	Laser pistols	80cm
			10m	

#Scoring based on participant's result compared to optimum time for their age group All teams mixed genders with a maximum of 3 males per team.

All teams will have the opportunity to practice with laser pistols prior to competition.

A license is not required to use laser pistols in Queensland

The scoring system is similar to the modern Pentathlon method in that competitors score positive points according to the standard of their performance in each phase In the running, swimming and riding phases, competitors having marks deducted according to their performance standard.

In the shooting positive marks are awarded for shots on target.

Ideally each phase should have an equal influence on the final result (except riding should have slightly more weight)