

Championships and Careers

Thoroughbred Industry Careers Partner with Pony Club Australia

When 300 of the best young riders from right across Australia gather for the Pony Club Australia National Championships in Sydney in October, they will have the added bonus of career information for those wanting to continue their equine interests.

Thanks to Thoroughbred Industry Careers (TIC) signing as the Championship naming rights sponsor, riders and visitors will have an ideal opportunity to talk with the experts and learn about the extensive array of careers available to them.

“We are delighted to have Thoroughbred Industry Careers come on board,” CEO of Pony Club Australia Dr Catherine Ainsworth said. “Their cadetship program is a perfect pathway for young people to get into the world-leading Australian thoroughbred racing and breeding industry. The program allows them to see all the career possibilities on offer.

“The partnership is a natural fit. Involvement in Pony Club teaches children riding and horse management skills that are valued in the thoroughbred industry and many of our graduates have gone on to establish rewarding careers doing what they love,” Dr Ainsworth said.

“This is a really important partnership for us and we’re very grateful for the support.”

TIC Chief Executive Lindy Maurice says the Pony Club organisation continues to have the most significant impact on introducing young Australians to a life with horses.

“Pony Club Australia's National Championships is an event that we’re particularly proud to support. Whether it be riders like Edwina Tops-Alexander, Shane Rose or Hugh Bowman who are at the top in their discipline, or the majority of the Thoroughbred Industry’s workforce, you can bet that they all started their life with horses at Pony Club,” Ms Maurice said.

“We want to let all those currently involved in Pony Club know just how varied and exciting the job opportunities are and that TIC can help guide them.”

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Board Member of TIC and Managing Director of Godolphin Australia Vin Cox says he sees the impact of Pony Club Australia every day.

“There’s barely a staff member at Godolphin that hasn’t been part of Pony Club and I know those experiences have helped shape their love of horses, their work ethic and ability to be part of our team,” Mr Cox said.

“The industry’s arms are wide open and ready to welcome the next generation of horse lovers looking to turn their passion into a career.”

The 2019 Pony Club Australia National Championships will be held at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre from October 7-13.

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