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**New Zealand Friesian Horse Society Inc**

**High Points Awards**

**Closing date for submissions: Wednesday 30th April 2026**

We would like to encourage all members to get out to various events or just out and about with their Friesians, and to enter the NZFHS HPA (High Point Award) competition. This is a free competition open to all NZFHS members. Help us to grow these awards by entering your horse!

The HPA runs each year from **1st April to 31st March**. These awards are designed to recognise owners for every discipline, as well as for riding just for fun! We all want to promote the Friesian horse breed. There is a variety of categories in the HPA competition to suit everyone:

* Dressage
* Driving
* Showing (ln-hand, Ridden and Driven)
* Pleasure Outing, Competitive Trail Riding (CTR) and Working Equitation (WE)
* Demonstration and Display

**Six** best results of outings, shows or competitions per calendar year are valid for each category, and each result qualifies for only one category allocation of points (i.e. you cannot nominate one outing as both a ridden dressage test and a demonstration).

An electronic scorecard can be downloaded from the NZFHS Inc website: <https://nzfhs.co.nz/>

**Explanation of Rules:**

1. **Showing** classes include **ln-hand**, **Ridden** and **Driven** classes. For showing classes, score cards have to be signed by an Official or Secretary of the show for points to be awarded. Evidence from an official show website showing horse's placings will also be accepted.
2. **Pleasure Outing** points are awarded on photo or app evidence of a pleasure ride with at least one other rider (eg. a hunt, beach ride of two+ horses, riding or driving club outing or event, etc). If riding alone, an app that tracks the ride (hours, kms) must be used as proof of outing.
3. For points to be awarded for **Competitive Trail Riding** and **Working Equitation** outings or classes, score cards have to be signed by an Official or Secretary of the event.
4. **Demonstration** and **Display** points will be awarded on evidence of an article or photograph, which shows the horse taking part in the event (eg. Santa parade, horse expo, driven or ridden demonstration, Equifest night show, etc).
5. **Dressage** points are awarded based on the percentages earned by the horse on the dressage test sheet. Test sheets must be supplied with the completed HPA scorecard. Horses competing at FEI level will receive *double points* on their score percentages.
6. Roll of Merit points will be calculated and added each year to the horse’s lifetime achievements in their various disciplines. Awards are: ROM, Bronze, Silver, Gold & Platinum.

**How the Awards’ Points are Calculated:**

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| **Open Classes** | |
| Attendance\* | 2 points |
| First place | 6 points |
| Second place | 5 points |
| Third place | 4 points |
| Fourth place | 3 points |
| Fifth place | 2 points |
| Sixth place | 1 point |

\*Each horse will get 2 attendance points regardless of what place they receive in the class.

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| **Purebred Friesian Classes** | |
| Attendance\*\* | 1 point |
| First place | 3 points |
| Second place | 2 points |
| Third place | 1 points |

\*\*Each horse will get 1 attendance point regardless of what place they receive in the class.

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| **Open and Purebred Classes** | | |
| Supreme Champion | | 4 points |
| Reserve Champion | | 3 points |
| National Championships | | Triple points |
| State Championships / Royal Shows | | Double points |
| Agricultural Shows / Local Shows | | Single points |
| Pleasure Outing / CTR / WE | | 5 points |
| Demonstration / Display | | 5 points |
| Dressage | 60-61.99% | 1 point |
| 62-63.99% | 2 points |
| 64-65.99% | 3 points |
| 66-67.99% | 4 points |
| 68-69.99% | 5 points |
| 70-71.99% | 6 points |
| 72% and over | 7 points |
| FEI level | Double points |

**HPA Categories and Sponsored Trophies:**

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***DRESSAGE Sponsored by The Hungry Horse Café***

***DRIVING Sponsored by Glenrose Friesians***

***SHOWING Sponsored by the NZFHS Inc.***

***PLEASURE/CTR/WE Sponsored by Willowdale Ranch***

***DEMO/DISPLAY Sponsored by the NZFHS Inc.***

***FRIESIAN SPORTHORSE X Sponsored by Limbrook Friesians***

**Submissions:**

Please note that scorecards **must** be completed along with all associated paperwork/requirements, and lodged to **Linda Gowdy** at:

**web@nzfhs.co.nz**

by

**Wednesday 30th April 2026**

Any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

**We would love for you to support these awards!**

**They are for you and your Friesian horse.**