



16 February 2026

Dear Pony Riders, Junior Riders, Parents, and Coaches,

The Eventing KZN Committee would like to outline the team selection process and criteria for the upcoming Youth Championship being held at Shongweni Club in June/July 2026

Selection Period

Team selection performances will be considered during the following periods:

- **Open Level:** August 2025 – May 2026
- **All Other Levels:** August 2025 – 8 June 2026

Riders are encouraged to ensure consistent participation and performance throughout the relevant selection period.

Long List & Expression of Interest

A long list of riders being considered for team selection will be circulated in **April 2026**. At that time, riders will also be required to submit a formal Expression of Interest confirming their availability and commitment to represent KZN if selected.

Team Announcements

- **Open Teams** will be announced at the **end of May 2026**.
- **All Other Teams** will be announced during the week after Ulwazi Show.

Selection Panel

All teams will be selected by the **KZN Eventing Committee**, whose decisions will be final. Members of the committee will recuse themselves in cases where a conflict of interest may occur. Selectors will consider the following (where applicable):

- Consistent performance and results
- Cross-country performance and safety record
- Horse and rider combination consistency
- Overall conduct, sportsmanship, and commitment to the sport

We encourage all riders to plan their competition schedules carefully to ensure adequate exposure during the selection period.

Should you have any queries regarding the selection process, please feel free to contact the committee.

We wish all riders the very best for the upcoming season and look forward to strong participation and competitive performances.

Kind regards,

Douglas Welsh
Eventing KZN President