

Irish Pony Club

National Minimus Championships

13 June 2026 - Clonshire



Thank you for agreeing to be stewards

1. IMPORTANT NUMBERS : *(in case of emergency)*

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| Phase / XC Stewart | Michael O'Brien | 087 9877077 |
| Safety Officer | Jo Breheny | 087 298 6294 |
| | John Flood | 087 222 8850 |
| Fence Repair | TJ Dillon | 087 453 4581 |
| Doctor / Paramedic | Ambulance | Vet on Call |

2. XC ZONES: *with radios*

Zone Stewards whose job it is to oversee fences in the various zones across the course and deal with issues relating to fences

3. PACKS: *(please make sure you have everything.)*

Everybody marking a fence should now have a pack which contains

XC Scoring Sheet (in duplicate) - please write your fence number, Class ie: Junior / Senior, Girls / Boys and your name and contact mobile number (for queries).

If you have to leave your fence, for any reason, please put in replacements name & contact details

Whistle

Stopwatch

Incident Report form - if there are problems just make a quick report on the incident

Guide to penalties at fences - please look over these & a Pen

4. POSITIONING AT FENCE

Please position yourselves at the fence/obstacle so that you can clearly see both the approach and ride off to allow correct scoring of the competitor / fence.

Especially where there are combinations so you can see all.

- Keep competitors / onlookers away from fences during competition

- Position Vehicles away from run-out areas

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5. FALLER ON COURSE: *(please if you have a faller at your fence let us know over the radio/mobile in IMMEDIATELY- Let us know YOUR Fence number)*

Fallers in Warm-up also to report to Doctor

A.) If rider is NOT hurt and is NOT going to cause a problem for the next rider - THEY MUST WALK their horse home AND TELL them to REPORT to the AMBULANCE when they get back even if they feel OK.

A.) If rider IS hurt/injured and you feel IT IS going to cause a problem for the next rider -

(i) NOTIFY US BY RADIO IMMEDIATELY STATING FENCE NUMBER where the problem is. (and we will come to you asap)

(ii) STOP any ONCOMING riders at the fence and USE YOUR STOPWATCH TO START TIMING how long they are being held and Note their number on your sheets. The Stopwatch will only be STOPPED when the rider is given the instruction to recommence after the COURSE ALL CLEAR is given. At this point record how long the rider has been held up on the sheet and any other comments you may have.

When restarting riders allow them a good presentation to the fence and let them on their way. If there is more than one rider buildup at the fence give them an interval of one minute between recommencing to clear the backlog and note the time restarted against their numbers.

6. BACKLOGS ON COURSE: *(if applicable)*

Where there is a potential build up of competitors at a fence (SLIP RAIL/GATE) or TOO MANY COMPETITORS ON THE COURSE PLEASE NOTIFY the COMMENTATOR /US by RADIO in advance so that the starter can reduce the riders being released to clear the backlog.

People with radios - keep in touch

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7. REFUSAL: *(please as soon as your rider has an issue at the fence.)*

If you rider has a refusal at your fence you must inform them by calling

1st refusal,

2nd refusal,*(if appropriate)*

3rd refusal*(if appropriate)* and then please move on...

Where a rider has a problem at your fence please make a note of it on your sheets noting rider number and also any additional information that may help in relation to future queries that may arise in a dispute. eg : colour of XC gear - boy/girl with spotty shirt. IF there are witnesses to a specific incident that you feel may be useful in a dispute you might get their details in case we need them to verify etc.

Do NOT LET COMPETITORS MUST NOT BE ALLOWED TO JUMP FROM A STANDSTILL

FENCE with drop

Horses may look before dropping but are deemed to have a refusal if they take any step backwards

We are not trying to be too harsh on competitors in Minimus / tetrathlon.

PLEASE FAMILIARISE YOURSELVES WITH THE DIAGRAMS CONTAINED IN YOUR PACK REGARDING JUMPS -CROSSING TRACKS, CIRCLING REFUSALS, ELIMINATIONSetc

ELIMINATION

Competitors who miss/skip a fence - note it down and additional notes that may help identify the rider/situation.

Outside Assistance - Not allowed - Take Note on sheets with details.

Tailgating - slow/hold competitor if you feel it necessary , take note of time stopped, try to avoid backlogs. Report if needed and we may ask starter to hold.

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8. OPTIONS on Fences

Competitors who take options on fences incur penalties as indicated in the IPC Rule book- note on the sheet if rider takes options.

'NOT PRESENTING' - Allowed Circle away from a fence but once they have made their approach they may not circle.- Note the approach

9. APPROACHING STEWARD

Parents/Coaches ARE NOT ENTITLED TO APPROACH / ABUSE ANY STEWARD or engage with them in relation to any competitor. IF THEY DO PLEASE REPORT any issues arising. Pleasantries are allowed. WE ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS AND ARE NOT DESERVING OF ABUSE.

NOTE: Please take Note of any dangerous riding / too Fast / Poor behaviour - as it may help if a problem arises at a future point on the course.

Tailgaiting / Riding in pairs 'not allowed' - if a problem / observation take note

ANY QUERIES TO BE ADDRESSED TO THE CHIEF STEWARD (ME) and passed along !!

10 SCORE SHEETS

*Will be what's Apped collected during the competition - please make sure all sheets are fully completed with YOUR DETAILS /Sheet Numbers/ Fence number/ Riders details - **JF will brief***

11. WALKIE TALKIES

Set Channel 1 on all - please keep talk to necessary course related information. / updates of interest to commentator.

IF YOU NEED TO be relieved from your fence - Radio In and we will try to sort it out!

12 Lunch PACKS

We will be sending out refreshments/packs to stewards during the day.

ANY QUESTIONS

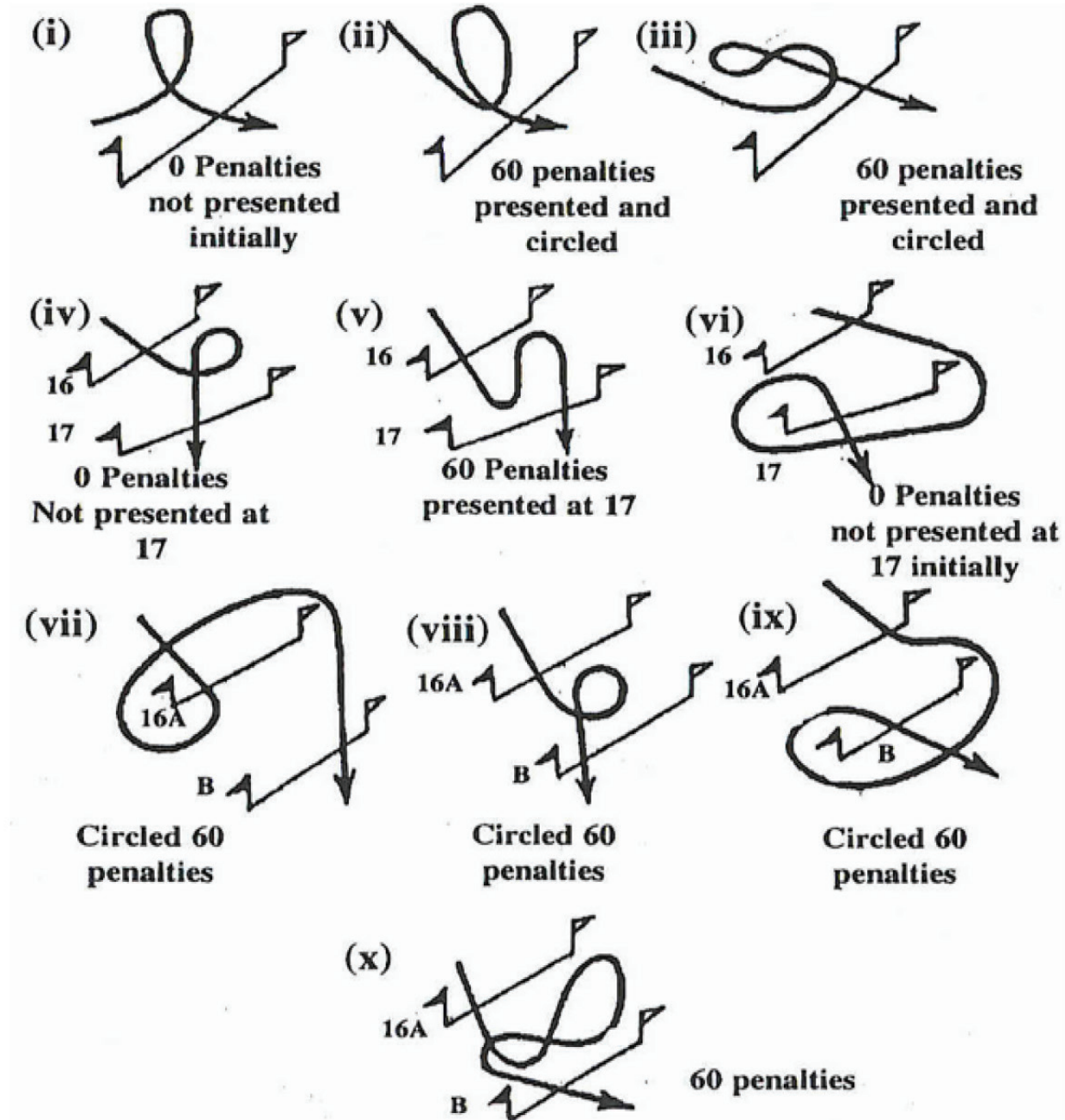
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THANK YOU

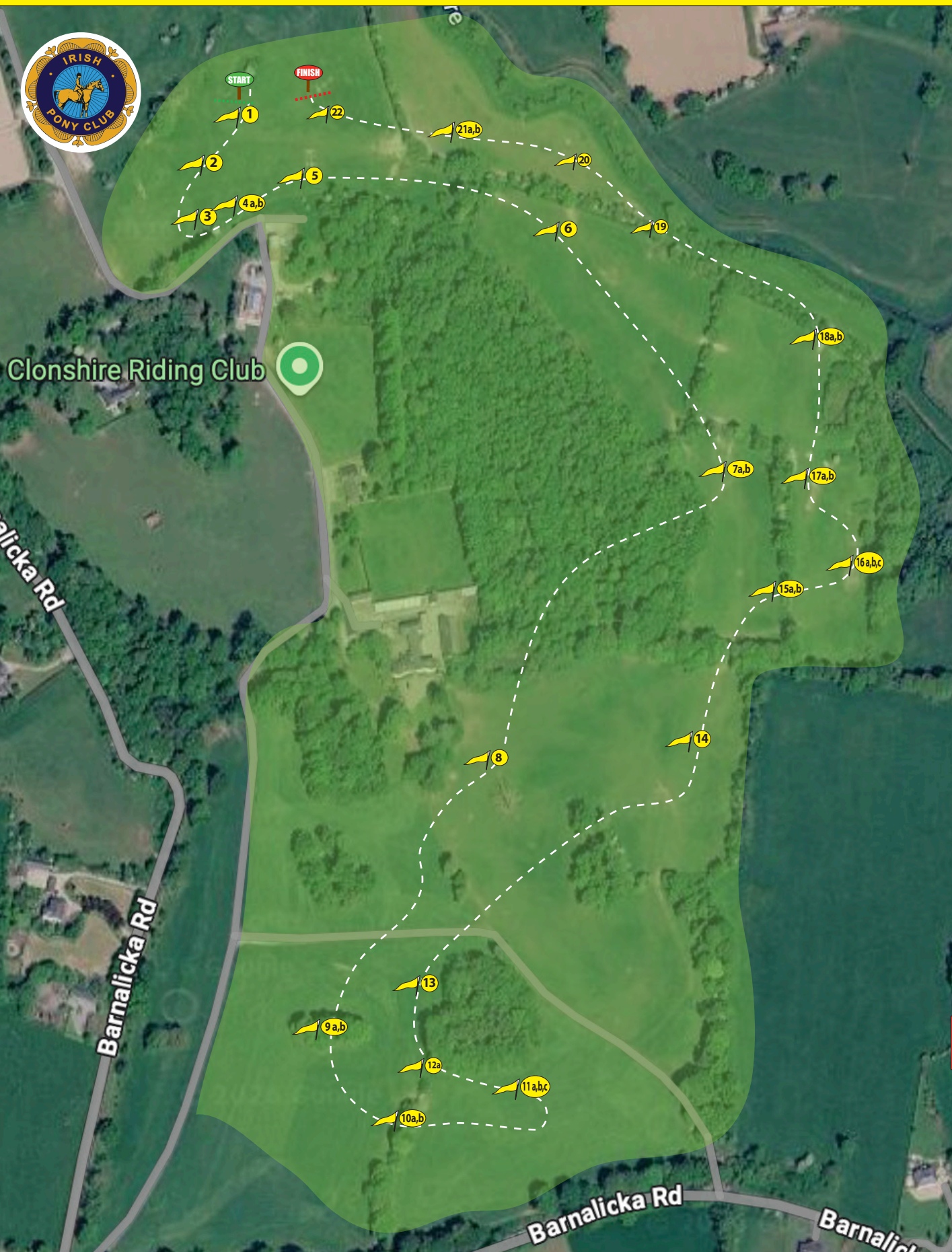
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Thank You for Volunteering to be a Fence Steward

Examples of refusals, run-outs and circles;



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- 1 Welcome Clonshire Pole
- 2 Pig's Back 0
- 3 Wall 0
- 4 The Counties Wall A,B 0
- 5 Purcell's Hill 0
- 6 Hay Feeder 0
- 7 Nuena Offset A,B 0
- 8 DEFENDER GATE
- 9 Power's Combo A,B 0
- 10 Moreton Morell Step Up A,B 0
- 11 Ivan's Island A,B, C 0
- 12 TJ Dillon's Leap 0
- 13 DEFENDERS SLIP RAIL
- 14 Golden Vale Birch 0
- 15 County Limerick Wall A,B 0
- 16 Duloherly's Triple Splash 0
- 17 Punchestown Mound A,B 0
- 18 Floodies Splash A,B 0
- 19 Dan Foley's Ditch 0
- 20 Haycart 0
- 21 Eamon's drop A,B 0
- 22 Clonshire WELCOME HOME !!

PLEASE

Course Builder : TJ Dillon

We are holding the XC phase in Clonshire Equestrian Centre and we would ask **ALL COMPETITORS AND PARTICIPANTS** to respect their property and **KEEP OUT** of Farmyard areas / buildings **AT ALL TIMES**

ALL COMPETITORS ARE ADVISED TO WALK THE COURSE IN ADVANCE OF COMPETITION.

OPTIONAL FENCES 0 'O' Option available at fence.

COURSE MAP: Course may be subject to change following final course safety inspection.