

## About Pony Club - Do's and Dont's

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Owning a horse is a great responsibility. The care of this large and complex animal is up to you. On some days feeding, caring, riding and educating a pony is a pleasure. On other days when it is cold, raining and muddy, when you are tired, he has ripped his rugs and smashed his feed bin, when he prefers his paddock

pals to being caught and saddled by you ..... on these days..... it's..... it's character building!

- DO remember to shoe every 6 to 8 weeks, drench every 4 to 6 months and get a tetanus shot done yearly.
- DON'T neglect your paddocks. Emu hunt for tin. glass, wire and plastic bags.
- Check water containers and clean them often.
- DO check rugs for correct fit.
- DON'T forget to clean your tack, including the saddle cloth.
- DO some research on the correct feed for your horse.
- DON'T gallop madly around the Pony Club grounds.
- DO ride off road if possible. If you have to ride along the roadside be sure your horse is traffic sensible. Treat motorists and other road users with courtesy and they will do the same to you.
- DON'T forget to pick out the pony's hooves and groom him before every ride
- DO be a good sport at all times, think of the reputation of the club - bad language tantrums and loutish behaviour will not be tolerated,
- DON'T ride on the illegal trails in the Duffys Forest, Terrey Hills or Ingleside areas.
- DO take care of less experienced riders if you are in a group. Tell the others before you shoot off unexpectedly.
- DON'T go away sad or mad. If Pony Club is not helping you, talk to a committee member about your problem.
- DO involve yourself and the entire family in as many FHPC activities as possible.

DO, DO, DO, DO, DO, enjoy yourself.