



NZGCA AWARDS

NZGCA runs annual competitions for versatility, pleasure, youth and harness Gypsy Cob. These are outlined below and we encourage members to enter!

We are also introducing a new award series this year (2019/20) - the Lifetime Achievement Awards. The intention of the lifetime achievement award is to recognize performance in any ridden discipline including showing, dressage, jumping, stock and station, cowboy challenge, working equitation, games, harness, teams' competitions, throughout the horse's lifetime, Points are awarded based on the performance awards template. Owners may complete and submit their horses' annual performance results as currently set out for the annual Performance Competition (see below) and NZGCA will keep a running total of each horse's points earned throughout each season. Alternatively, owners may submit a portfolio of their horse's results (all must have supporting verification). We will require owners to be honest in their record keeping.

Once points are earned the following will be issued:

- 100 points – Bronze Medal
- 200 points – Silver Medal
- 300 points – Gold Medal
- 500 points – Diamond Status

Points earned by any registered horse during its lifetime can be brought forward so that all points earned by any individual horse will count despite these awards commencing this season. NZGCA feel this is an exciting step forward and is a wonderful way to encourage and reward those who continue to perform with their horses over the years. This is not competitive with other horses, and allows points to accumulate over the horse's lifetime and move with the horse should the horse be sold.

Annual Awards

1. Versatility Competition

This covers all range of things, hacking, trekking, beach rides, western, driving, games, stock & station, RDA, jumping, eventing, dressage, and any other discipline you can think of!!

We are looking for the all round versatile purebred or partbred Gypsy Cob! This is a great opportunity for you all to show what you get up to with your Cobs and great for those who don't necessarily want to show at all. Entrants are required to submit photos and a short paragraph telling us why your Cob deserves to be the Versatility Cob of the Year.

A sash will be awarded to the South Island Versatility Cob and the North Island Versatility Cob and the **Westfield Stud Trophy** awarded to the overall Versatility Cob.

2. Pleasure Competition

This section is purely for the Purebred or Part bred Gypsy Cob that provides their owner with complete and utter pleasure. It doesn't matter whether your Cob is ridden, driven, unbroken, whatever!! Entrants are required to submit photos and a short paragraph telling us why your Cob deserves to be the Pleasure Cob of the Year. A sash will be awarded for the South Island Pleasure Cob and the North Island Pleasure Cob and the **Hallmark Stud Trophy** will be awarded to the overall Pleasure Cob.

3. Youth Competition

This award is offered to any youth (16yrs & Under as at 1 August 2019). This is to encourage children to become actively involved with Purebred or Part bred Cobs, in any discipline, whether it be competitive or purely pleasure. What will be required is for a brief biography and photos of you and your Cob telling us why you deserve to be the Youth of the Year. This will be judged by an independent person. The winning youth will be awarded a sash and the **Swanhaven Stud Trophy**.

4. Harness Competition

This is for Purebred and Part bred Gypsy Cobs and covers competitive and pleasure driving. What is required is for a brief biography and photos of your Cob telling us why your Cob should be the Harness Cob of the Year. The winner will receive a sash and the **NZGCA Harness Trophy**.

5. John Brodie Service Award

This trophy is awarded annually to an individual in recognition of that person's outstanding contribution towards the development and growth of the Association. Nominations must be in by 30th April 2020 and must be accompanied by a brief reason as to why this person should be recognized by this award.

Entries for these awards close at the end of the season and more information will be advised closer to the time

6. High Points

The in-hand and ridden high points competitions will run again this season. Points from the top three shows attended will be tallied. In the event of a tie, points from the 4th show will be counted, 5th show and so on until there is a clear winner. Points will be awarded in conformation, paced and mannered classes: 1st=3 points, 2nd=2 points, 3rd=1 point, Champion=2 points, Reserve Champion=1 point.

In-hand sections will again be

- Purebred adult (4 yrs and over),
- Purebred Youngstock (3yrs and under),
- Part bred adult (4 yrs and over),
- Part bred Youngstock (3yrs and under),

The ***Gallifray Bella Rosa Memorial Trophy*** will be awarded to the highest scoring individual horse in the In-Hand section.

Ridden sections will be Purebred ridden and Part bred ridden

NZGCA will keep track of the points for both these competitions

7. Performance Competitions

This covers all horses competing in any ridden discipline: showing, dressage, jumping, eventing, stock and station, cowboy challenge, games etc., from the 1 April 2019 to the 31st March 2020. Owners will be required to keep a written record of their horse's performance showing date of competition, name of event, name of class, placing in class and number of competitors in the class. Points will be awarded as per the table below. We require owners to be honest in their record keeping with most results now being available on line should we need to do any spot checks.

The Performance Purebred Cob of the year wins a sash and the ***Twin Springs Gypsy Cobs Trophy*** and the performance Part bred Cob of the year wins a sash and the ***Westfield Stud Trophy***.

**PERFORMANCE PUREBRED / PARTBRED GYPSY COB OF THE YEAR
and LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Points system

Points Score System						
No. in event	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th	6th
1-4	3	2	1	-	-	-
5-6	4	3	2	1	-	-
7-8	5	4	3	2	1	-
9-10	6	5	4	3	2	1
11-15	7	6	5	4	3	2
16-20	8	7	6	5	4	3
Over 20	9	8	7	6	5	4
Supreme Champion-3, Champion-2, Reserve Champion-1, Winning team- 2, Runner Up team-1						