## NZCCA Adult Scholarship 2025-26

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The New Zealand Cowboy Challenge Association is keen to encourage progression in our sport. To assist with this, we have introduced an Adult Scholarship in 2025 to support Rookie competitor/s over a season.

For the 2025-26 season, a maximum of \$500 will be provided towards horsemanship coaching/mentoring that will assist with competing in a Cowboy Challenge and entry fees for Points Approved Cowboy Challenges. This will be allocated to one or two competitors.

Applications must be received by NZCCA no later than **5 pm**, **Sunday 19th October 2025** on the form below.

## Criteria:

- 1. Applicant to be a Rookie at the time of application.
- 2. The Rookie rider/horse combination in their first or second season.
- 3. The rider must not have been an Intermediate rider previously on any horse.
- 4. Commitment to compete in a <u>minimum</u> of four Points Approved Cowboy Challenges in the 2025-2026 season (1 May to 31 April) in Rookie division.
- 5. Recipient/s must become a member of NZCCA (if not already).
- 6. Reports on progress are to be submitted to NZCCA Council halfway through and at the end of the season (these will be sent on to any sponsor).
- 7. Any horsemanship coach/mentor used must be approved in advance by NZCCA.
- 8. If for any reason the recipient is unable to compete in at least four Challenges, they must advise NZCCA at the earliest opportunity explaining why. Some or all of the Scholarship funding may be withheld.

Note that funding will be provided by reimbursement upon provision of receipt or paid directly on your behalf.

- All applications will be considered by the NZCCA Council (or subgroup of). The decision made will be final.
   All applicants will be contacted as soon as possible after the closing date. Unsuccessful applicants may request feedback on their application if they wish.
- NZCCA reserves the right to <u>not</u> award the scholarship.

## **Application for NZCCA Adult Scholarship 2025-26**

Please forward application to <a href="mailto:nzccassn@gmail.com">nzccassn@gmail.com</a> to be received no later than **5pm on Sun 19th October 2025**.

The applicant must complete this themselves.

Name	
Address	
Email	
Phone	

Tell us about your experience with Cowboy Challenge	
What is your goal this season and how do you hope to achieve this?	
What is your aim and long-term goal within Cowboy Cowboy?	
Horsemanship – Tell us about your strengths and weaknesses	
Your partnership with your horse, what do you do outside of Cowboy Challenge?	
How would you spend the scholarship funds if you were the successful recipient?  Please include a recent short video clip of you riding your pony/horse – upload this to YouTube and provide the	 ne
link here:	
Signed (applicant): Date:	-