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VH SADDLERY STATE DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP

7, 8 & 9 July 2023

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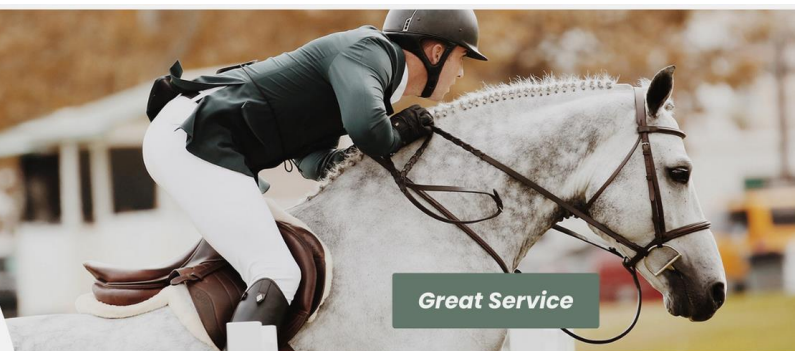
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VH SADDLERY STATE DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP INFORMATION

VENUE: State Equestrian Centre
303 Cathedral Ave, Brigadoon WA 6069

DATE: 7, 8 & 9 July 2023

CLUB ENDORSEMENT DUE: **Monday, 5 June 2023** via email to sports@ponyclubwa.asn.au

ENTRIES CLOSE: **Sunday, 11 June 2023** at 11pm via *Nominate*

FREESTYLE MUSIC: **Sunday, 11 June 2023** at 11pm via the instructions on our website

STATE DRESSAGE COMMITTEE:

Linda Page (<i>Chairperson</i>)	Kate Eiszele (<i>Secretary</i>)	Sharron Coppin (<i>Treasurer</i>)
Kerry Mercer	Nerida Middendorp	Sophie Appleby (<i>Sponsorship</i>)
Jill Kessell	Kaeleigh Brown	Tiarlie Wareham
Kasey Manolini	Angelika Sorensen	

SPORTS ADMINISTRATOR:

Tanya Appleby sports@ponyclubwa.asn.au 08 9296 1500

INFORMATION

- Please refer to the Reference Document for the VH Saddlery State Dressage Championships
- All entries are online via Nominate www.nominate.com.au and are completed by the individual rider. **Entries close on Sunday, 11 June 2023 at 11pm. Riders must have a completed Club Endorsement prior to entering on Nominate to prevent the need to change and adjust entries.**
- Each Club must submit a Dressage Championship Team Spreadsheet & Qualification Declaration. This must be endorsed by the Club President/Secretary and the Chief Coach/Coordinator and emailed to sports@ponyclubwa.asn.au by **Monday, 5 June 2023**.
- Some classes have restricted numbers. Once the class is full, you may request to be added to a waiting list please email sports@ponyclubwa.asn.au.
- Late or incomplete entries will not be accepted.
- The Rally Qualification period is from 11 June 2022 to 11 June 2023.
- The maximum number of tests/classes in a day is 3 per horse/rider combination.
- Plaiting is required at this event. It is optional for the Musical Ride, Formation Ride & Freestyles.
- In the spirit of the sport, if you have nominated on the Pony Club WA Leaderboard you must compete at those levels for the State Dressage Championships. If there are extenuating circumstances, you may apply to the Dressage Committee to change levels.

LEVIES

First Aid Levy	\$15 per Rider per day
State Equestrian Centre Facility Levy (<i>All Competitors</i>)	\$15 per Horse/Pony per day
Equestrian WA Ground Service Fee (<i>Non-EWA Members</i>)	\$20 per Horse/Pony on Saturday & Sunday

- Thank you to EWA for their generosity in sponsoring the 2023 VH Saddlery State Dressage Championship by waiving the EWA Ground Service Fee on Friday.
- The First Aid levy of \$15 per rider assists to cover the costs of having medical crew on duty during the competition. The safety of our riders is a priority.
- Equestrian WA membership details will be checked with EWA. If you provide incorrect details your entry will be suspended until the matter is corrected and any additional fees are paid.
- The State Equestrian Centre Facility Levy & the Equestrian WA Ground Service Fee are collected by us on behalf of EWA.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

[Reference Document for the Pony Club WA State Dressage Championships](#)

[State Competition General Regulations](#)

[Pony Club Australia National Gear Rules](#)

[Pony Club WA Appendixes to support the Pony Club Australia National Rules](#)

RESERVATION OF RIGHT

The State Dressage Committee reserves the right:

- To cancel any class or event.
- To amend placings offered dependant on class numbers.
- To divide any class.
- To transfer competitors between class.
- To alter the advertised times.
- To refuse any entry with a valid explanation.

HELPER DUTIES

- Helper duties are via the online platform SignUp. All riders will be emailed a list of the helper duties and a link to the SignUp page for them to select their own helper job. All helpers must be over the age of 16 years and capable of performing the duty selected. Riders are required to supply 1 helper per horse/rider combination.
- Clubs will be asked to provide the name and contact details of a Club Liaison Member to be a point of contact for the helper jobs for their Club during the event. If a rider scratches after the close of entries, they are still responsible to provide a helper on the day, or co-ordinate with their club to cover the helper duty.

FREESTYLE MUSIC SUBMISSION

Music must be submitted in MP3 format. An instruction video on how to upload your music is on the Dressage page of our [website](#). Music must be submitted no later than **11pm, Sunday, 11 June 2023**.

STATE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE INFORMATION

- Trade Stands and Food Vendors will be located on the President's Lawn during the event.
- Equestrian WA are currently reviewing the Stable Booking process. Once EWA finalise the booking process, we will advise riders via our newsletter and Facebook page. In the meantime, riders entering the Championships will be asked their intentions for Stable and Camping bookings via the online entry system.
- The State Equestrian Centre encourages people to secure their personal belongings.
- Yards are available free of charge at Swan Valley Fields.
- Horses not booked in stables are not to be tied up in the stable area at any time.
- All waste in stables and yards at the SEC and Swan Valley Fields must be removed before leaving.

PONY CLUB WA – NO DOG POLICY

This is a Pony Club WA event, and the policy of **NO DOGS** will be strictly adhered to. Failure to abide by this policy may result in the elimination of rider(s). Assistance animals approved by the Department of Local Government; Sport & Cultural Industries are exempt from this rule. Persons with an Assistance Animal may be requested to provide their approval documentation.

WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK

A WWC Check is required by a person if they engage in certain or unpaid work with children, described as child-related work under the WWC Act. Volunteers engaged in helper duties at the VH Saddlery State Championships where the usual duties involve, or are likely to involve, contact with a child, such as Team Manager, Gear Checking, Marshalling will be required to have a current WWCC unless a parent exemption applies. A Parent exemption applies if you are volunteering and have a child under the age of 18 actively involved in the event you are volunteering.

SWABBING

- Pony Club WA adheres to a policy of random swabbing at our State competitions.

BURSARIES

- Formation Ride
- Stuart Harkness
- Plunkett
- Wanda Nelson Trophy

The State Dressage Committee is dedicated to the development and participation of riders in their sport.

This year the Pony Club WA State Dressage Committee will be providing 4 Bursaries to the VH Saddlery State Dressage Championship. Each of the above team events will have the opportunity to win a \$500 Bursary for their club where funds will go towards an accredited Dressage Instructor to conduct a clinic for the development of all club members.

Please note if awarded to a Composite team, the Bursary will be awarded to the club with the higher number of riders and the other rider (s) are to be invited to attend. There is no splitting of funds.

COMPOSITE TEAMS

Clubs who wish to apply to form a composite Nadine Merewether team and/or a Pas de Deux Elementary team must submit a request endorsed by the Club Chief Coach of each rider.

Video footage must be submitted for consideration by the Dressage Committee.

For clubs that have a limited number of Elementary and above riders, and as a trial for this year's VH Saddlery State Dressage Championship, riders will have the opportunity to apply to the State Dressage Committee to make a combination with a rider from another club to form a composite pair. These riders, upon application must address the following criteria to be considered for an approved composite team.

Riders wishing to apply for a composite team must not have the option to create a pair within their own club before applying for a composite team.

When applying for a composite the club coach of each combination must sign off, and approve, the pair being submitted. Video footage of the two combinations riding together must be supplied showing the following movements:

- The combinations riding side by side at walk and trot
- The combinations crossing paths right rein to left rein at canter at either C or A (short side of the arena)
- The combinations crossing on a short diagonal at trot

After viewing the video footage, the State Dressage Committee will then decide as to whether the combination is approved as a pair and the applicants will be notified as soon as practical.

Applications and video footage must be received prior to the close of entries for consideration.

COVID-19 EVENT GUIDELINES & REFUND POLICY

Government guidelines concerning Covid-19 restrictions and precautions will be followed at all times. If you are having flu like symptoms and are unsure if you have Covid-19 please do not attend the event.

A refund may be granted if you:

- test positive for Covid-19 and must isolate.
- are a close contact of someone with Covid-19 and must isolate.
- are showing symptoms.
- are isolating while awaiting PCR test results.
- are the carer of someone in isolation.

Members requesting a refund should provide supporting evidence to sports@ponyclubwa.asn.au such as a medical certificate, PCR test result, photo of RAT result, text or email from Health Authorities, or other evidence confirming Covid-19 or need to isolate.

Refunds must be requested within 7 days of the event.

Refunds may be subject to a \$10 administration fee.

WARM UP ARENA ETIQUETTE

As there are many horses warming up in restricted areas it is important that all riders have knowledge of the etiquette required in a group situation. This ensures safe riding & achieves harmony in busy areas.

- Safety is paramount & a collision should always be avoided.
 - Before entering the warm-up area, make sure the gateway & immediate track is clear.
 - Riders should pass left shoulder to left shoulder when on the track.
 - When not on the outside track, e.g., on a diagonal line, riders should give way to horses on their left.
 - The more progressive gait has priority on the track.
 - Halt should not be on the track.
 - Walk should not be on the track & does not have right of way.
 - Trot has priority over walk.
 - Canter has priority over trot.
 - Lateral work has priority over all paces.
 - When circling, anticipate your return to the track to not stop the flow of other riders.
 - Mounting, dismounting & gear adjustment should be done off the track.
 - Consideration should be given to behaviour of other horses in the arena that may upset your horse.
 - It may be necessary if your horse is upsetting others to leave the area.
 - If a horse is upsetting the majority, an Official should be sought with a view to requesting that horse's removal for safety's sake.
 - Horses are to be lunged in the designated lunging arena & the handler must wear an approved safety helmet, gloves, and footwear.
 - Lower-level riders should not disturb the warm-up of higher-level riders.
 - Coaches/Parents/Pedestrians must stay out of the warm-up areas to avoid injury.
 - Coaching whilst in the warm-up arena must be from the sideline and must not disrupt other riders.
- The use of headsets is acceptable, but they must be removed prior to gear check.



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CLASSES & PROPOSED SCHEDULE

For all classes the rider age is taken as at 1 January 2023.

FRIDAY

Approximate start time 9:00am

INDOOR & OUTDOOR ARENAS				
Class #	Class Details	Riders Per Club	Pony Club WA Dressage Reference Document Page #	Entry Fee per Rider
1	Preliminary Freestyle (12 – 13 years)	Max 2 riders per club	15	\$35
2	Preliminary Freestyle (14 - 16 years)	Max 2 riders per club	15	\$35
3	Novice Freestyle (14 - 16 years)	Max 2 riders per club	16	\$35
4	Novice Freestyle (17 - 24 years)	Max 2 riders per club	16	\$35
5	Elementary Freestyle (8 - 16 years)	No limit per club	16	\$35
6	Elementary Freestyle (17 - 24 years)	No limit per club	16	\$35
7	Medium Freestyle (8 – 24 years)	No limit per club	17	\$35
8	Advanced Freestyle (8 – 24 years)	No limit per club	17	\$35
9	M'Liss Henry Prix Caprilli Team Trophy – Club Pairs	Max 2 Teams per club	12	\$35
10	Wanda Nelson (Club Pairs – 14.2 hands & under)	Max 2 Teams per club	11	\$35
11	Stuart Harkness (Club Pairs – over 14.2 hands)	Max 2 Teams per club	11	\$35
	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice & Elementary	Max 2 Teams per Zone	7	
12	Zone Teams Challenge – Elementary 3.3		7	\$35
12	Zone Teams Challenge – Elementary 3.3		7	\$35
12	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice 2.3		7	\$35
12	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice 2.3		7	\$35
	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice	Max 2 Teams per Zone	7	
13	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice 2.3		7	\$35
13	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice 2.3		7	\$35
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13	Zone Teams Challenge – Novice 2.3		7	\$35



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SATURDAY

Approximate start time 7:00am

INDOOR & OUTDOOR ARENAS				
Class #	Class Details	Riders Per Club	Pony Club WA Dressage Reference Document Page #	Entry Fee per Rider
	Plunkett Trophy – Club Team of 4	Max 2 Teams per club	8	Total of \$35*
14	Plunkett: Rider 11 years & under (Preliminary 1.2)	Max 2 Teams per club	8	\$35
	Preliminary 1.2 Test (11 years & under) *Leaderboard Test		18	
15	Plunkett: Rider 12 – 13 years (Preliminary 1.3)	Max 2 Teams per club	8	\$35
	Preliminary 1.3 Test (12 – 13 years) *Leaderboard Test		18	
16	Plunkett: Rider 14 – 16 years (Novice 2.2)	Max 2 Teams per club	8	\$35
	Novice 2.2 Test (14 – 16 years) *Leaderboard Test		18	
17	Plunkett: Rider 17 – 24 years (Novice 2.3)	Max 2 Teams per club	8	\$35
	Novice 2.3 Test (17 – 24 years) *Leaderboard Test		18	
18	Preliminary Freestyle (11 years & under)	Max 2 riders per club	15	\$35
19	Novice Freestyle (8 – 13 years)	Max 2 riders per club	16	\$35
	Zoe Harrison Trophy – Club Team of 3 or 4 riders	Max 2 Teams per club	9	
20	Harrison: Advanced 5.2		9	\$35
21	Harrison: Medium 4.2		9	\$35
22	Harrison: Elementary 3.3		9	\$35
23	Harrison: Novice 2.3		9	\$35
24	Pas de Deux Elementary		13	\$35
25	Medium 4.2 Test (8 – 24 years)		19	\$35
26	Gingamurrah Team of 4 (Riders 13 years & under)	Max 2 Teams per club	10	\$35
27	Kanandah Team of 4 (Riders 14 – 24 years)	Max 2 Teams per club	10	\$35
28	Oakover Terena Musical Ride	1 Team per club	14	\$10
29	Formation Ride	1 Team per club	15	\$10



CLASSES & PROPOSED SCHEDULE *(continued)*

SUNDAY

Approximate start time 8:00am

INDOOR & OUTDOOR ARENAS				
Class #	Class Details	Riders Per Club	Pony Club WA Dressage Reference Document Page #	Entry Fee per Rider
30	Preliminary 1.3 Test (14 – 16 years)		18	\$35
31	Preliminary 1.3 Test (17 – 24 years)		18	\$35
32	Preliminary Freestyle (17 - 24 years)	Max 2 riders per club	15	\$35
33	Novice 2.2 Test (8 – 13 years)		18	\$35
34	Elementary 3.3 Test (8 – 16 years)		18	\$35
35	Elementary 3.3 Test (17 – 24 years)		18	\$35
36	Advanced 5.2 Test (8 – 24 years)		19	\$35
37	Prix St Georges Test (8 – 24 years)		19	\$35
38	Nadine Merewether Elementary Pairs	Max 2 Teams per club	12	\$35
39	Pas de Deux Ponies (14.2 hands & under)	Max 2 Teams per club	13	\$35
40	Pas de Deux Horses (over 14.2 hands)	Max 2 Teams per club	13	\$35
<i>Individual Non-Championship Classes</i>				
41	Preparatory 2023 EA Prep 2 Test (11 years & under) (Non-Championship: No qualifications required)		20	\$35
42	Prix Caprilli Preparatory (Non-Championship: No qualifications required)		20	\$35
43	Prix Caprilli Individual (Non-Championship: No qualifications required)		20	\$35

*** Note - Riders nominating for classes 14 -17:** These classes will be the test used if you are selected to represent your Club in a Plunkett Team. Your Club will nominate their Plunkett team members via the submission of the *Team Spreadsheet & Qualification Declaration*. Awards and Prizes are distributed as per previous years. The maximum number of entrants for these classes will be 40 competitors per class. If more than 35 entries per class, we will run Heat A and Heat B separately with the same Judge and in the same arena. In this instance, Ribbons to 6th place will be awarded to each Heat. Overall placings will be the two Heats combined and the scores ranked from highest to lowest.



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