

= NSW Dressage Championships & CDI-W

Thursday, 31 August – Sunday 3 September 2017

Sydney International Equestrian Centre



COMPETITOR INFORMATION

The Organising Committee would like to thank you for your entry and wish you the very best of luck at the 2017 NSW Dressage Championships. Please read through the following important information regarding the event. Details of the "Time Draw" are now available on the Dressage NSW website. A revised draw may be necessary the day before and during each competition to allow for withdrawals. The starting order will not alter and a move up system will apply. **The onus is on the competitor to confirm/check their start times the day before the competition and on the day of the competition.** All changes will be posted on the notice board outside the Rider Info Office and the website will be updated with changes. We will endeavour to keep changes to a minimum.

Arrival of Horses: S.I.E.C. will be open for arrival of horses from **midday Tuesday, 29 August**, in day-time hours only. On other days, please plan your arrival between 8am and 6pm. Exception for day parkers who have an early draw.

Horse Health Bio Security Declaration: It is compulsory on arrival at the venue that all competitors must hand in a "Horse Health Bio Security Declaration" to the Rider Information Desk. The Declaration form is on the website.

<http://www.dressagensw.equestrian.org.au/content/nsw-dressage-championships>

COMPETITION

Withdrawals (Scratchings) and Refunds: Competitors are not permitted to withdraw from a competition within 8 hours of its commencement without the permission of the OC. A written statement must be provided to the Secretary (Refer rule 8.4). Entry fees will not be refunded after the closing date of entries unless a medical or veterinary certificate is produced within 24 hours of the completion of the event. In such cases, 50% of the entry fees will be retained by the O.C. Entry fees will be refunded in full for scratchings before the closing date minus any administration fees.

- In circumstances where the competitor wishes to withdraw from a competition shortly before the starting time for their test (eg. if horse is found to be unsound, rider illness or for safety reasons) then the rider must either:
 - 1) ask a steward to call the Chief Steward or Technical Delegate; or
 - 2) report to the Chief judge in person or send a representative if unable to go in person before withdrawing from that competition.
- For EA level tests, riders who withdraw from the first test of the day will not be allowed to start in the second test.

Veterinary Treatment: Competitors are to pay for any veterinary treatment and supplies provided to their horses/s by Vets during the event.

CDI-W

- **A veterinary examination** on arrival will take place in the stable complex at the opposite end to the main stable entrance on **Thursday, 31 August** between **1.00pm to 3.00pm**. Riders are to present their horses to the Vet and Steward between these times only. Riders must have their **FEI passport** with them to hand to officials at the examination.
- The **Horse Fitness Inspection (Trot-Up) CDI-W horses** will take place in the Indoor Arena from approx **4.15pm on Thursday after the Inter B.**
- Riders aged 21 years and under must wear Protective headgear **during the Fitness Inspection**. Protective Headgear is recommended to be worn by all riders at the Fitness Inspection.

CAN YOU HELP?

Riders, grooms or family members who have some time to help out during the event please let us know.

Gate closers, paper collectors please contact Kathy Shelley ph 0412 768 950

Other offers of help please contact Tracey Lesley, ph Tracey Lesslie 0409 841 089

email: admin@dressagensw.com.au

Nominate link for late bookings for stables, day park/yards, camping, bedding etc:
<https://www.nominate.com.au/equestdn/Event.aspx?event=9721&eventlist=2>

Use of arenas prior the event:

- Arena's 9 & 10 will be available for the duration of the competition **during daylight hours only** (subject to closure during watering and grading).
- Round yards are open for lunging only at any time, horses must not be left unattended in round yards at any time.
- No lunging on arenas or on the grass areas.
- A notice will be placed on the notice board in the Office indicating the arenas allocated for specific warm-up arena on competition days.
- Please use the warm-up arenas as instructed by the stewards to allow for free flow into the competition arenas.

COMPETITORS at all levels please note

Horses are not to leave the stable precinct before daylight or after dark (unless competing in the event)

Arena Familiarisation: A schedule of arena familiarisation will be posted on the website and notice boards at the event.

- Competitors who require day parking for arena familiarisation days outside their competition days must do so by booking on Nominate under the event set up for entry adjustments. Please provide a description and date for the parking.

<https://www.nominate.com.au/equestdn/Event.aspx?event=9721&eventlist=2>

Freestyle competitors: A timetable for a sound check of music on the PA system will be posted on the notice board located at the Event Square and Event Office located in the indoor arena. There **will not be a time** set aside for riders to ride their horses during the testing of their freestyle music for all freestyle competitions except for riders in the Grand Prix CDI-W.

Please hand in your music to the Rider Info Office at the Event Square by **Thursday, 9am for Advanced & Medium Tour and 5pm for all other Freestyles. Please have a back-up copy available.**

Times for freestyle music tests:

- **Thursday: Medium Tour 9.30am-10.06am; Advanced 10.06am-11.12am (updated)**
- **Friday: Inter Freestyle from approx. 7.00pm after the presentations**
- **Saturday: GP Freestyle from. 8.00am**
- **Sunday: PE Freestyle from 9.00am**

The time draws for the Intermediate Freestyle, Grand Prix Freestyle and Special are dependent achieving the necessary minimum qualifying scores in the respective competitions.

Notice Boards: Notices will be posted on the windows of the riders' office located in front of the stables near the café outlet and riders retreat.

Accreditation: There will be no accreditation as such for competitors for this event. Admission is free to the venue.

"Championship Show Bag" with a complimentary copy of the programme booklet and other souvenir goodies will be available from the Rider's Information office from Wednesday.

SADDLERY AND EQUIPMENT

Protective Headgear: Approved safety helmet to be worn by all competitors in training and in the practice areas. An approved safety helmet is compulsory for all competitors competing up to and including Advanced level as per EA rules. Competition attire including headwear is allowed in the final warm-up arena.

Riders 22 years and over may wear a top hat in Prix St Georges and above.

CDI-W: Riders who are 22 years and older may wear a top hat instead of Protective Headgear.

Whips & Gear: A reminder that whips that do not comply with current EA Rules (must not exceed 1.2m in entirety for horses and 1.0m for Ponies), will not be allowed in the **warm-up** and **competition** areas.

Whips are not permitted at FEI level at State Championships.

Nosebands and Ear Hoods: Checks will be carried out by stewards to ensure nosebands and ear hoods comply with EA/FEI rules.

Para-Equestrian rules: Whip rules apply at all times when horses are on the venue. Only those compensating aids listed for the rider FEI PE Master List can be used at the event. It is the responsibility of the competitor to ensure that all special equipment/compensating aids are permitted under Para-Equestrian rules, and that any used are noted on the FEI PE Master List. Arena 7 will be set up as a 40x20 arena for grades 1 – 3. A mounting block will be position inside arena 4.

STABLING & CAMPING

Stabling: The stable allocation will be posted on the website. **A late booking fee stables/tack rooms** not booked by the closing date of entries is payable.

All CDI-W horses will be stabled together for security reasons.

Communal Tack rooms will be available in each row for competitors to share. Please leave these tidy and clear out any feed or mess. They must be swept clean when you leave. **There is a \$10 cash deposit** for private tack room keys refundable on departure following pre-departure inspection.

Stable Manager: Peter Rocca is the Stable Manager during the event and will be staying on site from Tuesday. Please contact Peter if you are having transport problems and delayed arrival is expected (see page 4 for phone details).

Note: Please bring your own feed and water bins, shovels, etc as these are not provided at SIEC. Bedding ordered with stable bookings will be placed in the stable. A limited supply of bedding will be available to purchase from the Stable Manager at \$13.00 per bag of shavings – **cash or credit card payment at the Riders Office is required before shavings are delivered.**

Stabling cleaning. As per the conditions of entry, a cleaning fee of **\$75.00** per stable/tack room has been charged to all competitors. This bond will be retained if stables are not left completely empty and clean. All bedding is to be removed and stables swept prior to departure. Stable bonds will be refunded within 10 days of the completion of the competition and will be paid back into the account used to pay entries, via Nominate.

Dogs are permitted in the stables **but must be on a lead and supervised at all times. PLEASE do not tie dogs in the aisles or leave them unattended.**

Produce & Deliveries: Feed deliveries will be made in the afternoon of **Tuesday, 29 August** from Leppington Feed Supplies, 02 9606 5427, Fax: 02 9606 5736 (orders must be pre-paid). Macarthur Stockfeeds will deliver to SIEC any day. Ph: 02 4646 1785 **To ensure delivery, please tel/fax your order in time for the delivery on these days and advise Feed Merchant of your stable number.**

Camping/Cabins: We have endeavoured to fulfil rider requests as much as possible. It may not be possible to fit all the larger trucks in the South camping area. Preference has been given to competitors staying for longer periods.

Cabin keys: A **\$10 deposit** for cabin keys is payable and refunded on return of the key. Cabin keys can be collected from the Rider Information Office

Please note SIEC charges for every power lead connected to power so if you have more than one lead connected to a power outlet and have only booked and paid for one you will be charged for additional outlets.

Day Parking/Yards: Day parking: Day parking is in P7 and North Camping Area and above the main outdoor area (P1). Day yards are available in the North Camp Park. Horses may not be left in day yards overnight. Stallions must be supervised at all times and ideally stabled or secured in trucks or floats.

Car Parking: Car parking is available on site. Please follow instructions from the Centre Management staff regarding where to park your vehicles. Floats/trucks/cars can be parked along the roadway opposite the cabins. Vehicles are not allowed in the competition and training areas.

Bridle numbers: Riders are responsible for providing bridle numbers for their horses. Bridle numbers must be worn **whenever a horse is out of the stable**, eg when grazing or training. We suggest owners have two sets of numbers on hand, one for head collar and the other for competition.

Competitors **grazing their horses** must take extreme care and have horses in full control of the handler. If grazing horses appear to be upsetting competing horses or horses under saddle they will be asked to return to the stable enclosure. **Please do not graze or lead horses close to the competition arenas when horses are competing.**

Arrival at SIEC: Access to the SIEC is via Saxony Rd. Saxony Rd is approximately 1km south (towards Elizabeth Drive) of the Horsley Drive intersection on Wallgrove Rd. There is a roundabout on Wallgrove Rd at Saxony Rd. Once on Saxony Rd there is another roundabout approximately 800m east into the entrance of SIEC. Once inside the SIEC follow the new access road along past the indoor arena and on to the stables. Proceed to horse unloading area in front of the stable block. After unloading horses, tack and feed, please move your vehicle without delay either to the assigned camping location or to the car/float parking area.

SIEC is located just off the new **M7 motorway**. Coming from the north you take the Horsley Park exit, turn right into Wallgrove Road. Coming from the South, you take the Elizabeth Drive exit; go straight ahead at the traffic lights along Wallgrove Road, then into Saxony Road. There is a toll on the M7, which you can pay within 48 hours.

Toll number: 13 86 55

GENERAL INFORMATION

Facilities: We request that competitors take the utmost care in looking after the wonderful facilities that are being provided. SIEC is located within a Regional Park and is environmentally sensitive. Dogs must be on a leash at all times. Please take care when walking in bush areas as **snakes** are about.

Riders Retreat: Located in front of the stable complex the Riders Retreat is a fabulous facility available to competitors. If you are camping on the grounds or staying in cabins, you are welcome to use the facilities at any time. Facilities include, cook top and oven, microwave, fridge, television & video equipment. We do ask that you keep the area clean and tidy.

Catering facilities are available from the Event Square located opposite the Riders Retreat. Catering (including breakfast) will be available during the day from Wednesday through to the end of the event.

NSW Riders Meeting will be held in the Indoor on **Thursday, 31 August after the Presentations and Happy Hour/Rider Welcome at around 6.30pm**. All riders are welcome and encouraged to attend. Agenda items to be sent to Lizzie Wilson-Fellows em: wilsonfellows@gmail.com or ph 0414 606 656.

Bicycles: If you have a bicycle at home, we suggest you bring it along as the distance from the stables to arenas is significant. S.I.E.C. management requests that helmets be worn. The roads are designated “public roads” and normal road rules apply. Horses always have right of way- please take care. Bicycles left in inappropriate or dangerous places will be removed without question. **Bikes are not permitted in the stable area.**

Wheelchairs and Scooters: As this event is running para-equestrian competitions, there will be wheelchairs and scooters in and around the horse areas, could all riders please be aware as some horses may not be used to seeing them and please take caution when moving “Slowly” around the venue.

Mobility Hire – Astley Mobility Tel 9673 2212. Please contact Scott Whittaker

Golf carts: Please take care when driving through the venue and remember that horses have right of way. All golf carts or similar must be registered.

Test papers: On completion of the competitions, competitors will be able to collect their test sheets from the Rider Info Office.

Presentations: A schedule will be posted on the notice board at the Rider Office and the main Event Office in the Indoor Arena. Riders are requested to be neatly attired for the presentations. Presentations will be unmounted and will take place at “The States Meeting Area” on the mezzanine level at the C end of the Indoor.

Prize Money will be paid within 10 working days of the competition and will be paid to bank accounts provided on the entry form or in some cases credited to the credit account paid for the entry. Competitors who are entitled to prize money for more than one competition will receive one payment covering all prize money.

In some cases, prize money has been replaced with goods in kind to the value of the prize money noted in the schedule.

We look forward to seeing you soon and best of luck at the Championships.

Presentations, Happy Hour & Rider Welcome– supported by **Centennial Vineyards** from 5.00pm **Thursday, 31 August** Indoor Arena. Riders, grooms, owners invited. Finger food and wine provided.

The NSW Riders meeting will follow from approx. 6.30pm

Happy Hour & Presentations from approx. 5.00pm in the Indoor arena on Friday & Saturday supported by **Tallymore Equestrian & Warmblood Stud** and Centennial Vineyards

Saturday Night Fun Dressage Hobby Horse with a Stick

All are invited to join us on after the Equestrian NSW Grand Prix Freestyle presentations in the indoor arena at the States Meeting place at the C end of the Arena. The Indoor will be open to anyone group or individuals who want to have a go at “Dressage Hobby Horse with a Stick”. No need to plait or dress up.

The bar will be open and catering available.

Come along and join in on the fun meet the riders, judges and sponsors and bring your friends.

Entry is free.

Handy telephone numbers and information:

Event Director	Toni Venhaus 0418 686 781 em: toni.venhaus@bigpond.com
Organising contacts	Tracey Lesslie 0409 841 089, Sue Bryce 0411 250 433 or Helen Lawson 0421 054 567
Event Secretary & Scratchings	Karen Lever 0405 384 201 em: dnsw.clarendonsec@equestrian.org.au
Stable Manager	Peter Rocca - 0439 598 833 on site Tuesday from noon
Stable/camp enquiries	Karen Lever 0405 384 201
Technical Delegate	Mary Seefried 0408 010 536
FEI Steward	Cathie Drury Klein 0417 224 432
Stewards	Bruce McVey 0414 252 515, Lynda Bruce 0411 206 929, Trevor Klein 0418 413 486,
Para-Equestrian	Sue Cunningham 0419 203 346
Official Vets	FEI Vet Delegate – Dr Derek Major 0428 249 119 FEI Treating Vet: Dr Andrew Argyle 0429 465 973
Veterinarians	Randwick Equine Centre - 02 9399 7722; Agnes Banks Vet Clinic - 02 4588 5200; Wollondilly Equine 02 4653 7322; Southern Highlands Equine Centre 02 4861 7983
Farriers	Josh Robinson 0435 446 562, Matt Scott 0424 826 881, Brett Hudson 0412 113 365
Volunteer contacts	Kathy Shelley 0412 768 950, Sue Bryce 0411 250 433, Tracey Lesslie 0409 841 089
Feed Supplies	Leppington Feed Supplies, 02 9606 5427, Fax: 02 9606 5736 (orders must be pre-paid. To ensure delivery, please tel/fax your order in time for the delivery and advise your stable number. Macarthur Stockfeeds 02 4655 3567 (will deliver most days)
S.I.E.C.	02 8883 6900. Direct line to the Event Office (during event only) 02 8883 6918
Medical	Fairfield District Hospital, Address: Polding Street (cnr Prairie Vale Road), Prairewood, Tel : (02) 9616 8111
M7 Toll	Tel: 13 86 55 (48 hours to pay) For point to point directions on how to get to SIEC, check the web site: www.equestrian-centre.com.au
Laundry facilities	Liverpool Laundromat – Coin op. 345 Macquarie St, Liverpool Tel: 02 9822 4583 Liverpool Easy Wash Laundry Cnr Hume Hwy & Goulburn Sts, Warwick Farm Tel: 9822 8585 Fairfield Coin op Laundry: 46 Hamilton Road, Fairfield Tel: 02 9727 4494
Eating out	Il Patio Restaurant , Cnr Horsley Drive & Wallgrove Rd (opposite SIEC) 02 9620 2166 Rosetti's Italian Restaurant , 27/1042 The Horsley Drive, Wetherill Park Market Town, ph 02 9756 5560 (they will deliver pizza, \$20 approx min order) Candelori's Ristorante & Bar , 685 The Horsley Drv, Smithfield. Ph 02 9729 1155 (licensed) Royal Cricketers Arms : 385 Reservoir Rd Prospect NSW 2148 ph: 02 9622 6498 (lovely old pub with great steaks). Take the M4 going towards city, and take Blacktown exit and then turn right, passing under the freeway) Cafés and Pizza place at Horsley Park shopping centre (turn left at the round about) Great Deli at Horsley Park shopping centre Alpha Hotel at Eastern Creek , Bars and restaurant 02 8889 7700 Atura Hotel , Prospect 02 9421 1000 Novatel Rooty Hill , restaurants and access to eateries in the RSL. We recommend that if you want to dine at the Michins Restaurant that you book ph. 02 9832 3888 Mercure, Liverpool has several restaurants in the hotel. If you like Vietnamese food, head to Cabramatta.
Eating in	Breakfast available at the stables café from Wednesday morning from 7.30 and café
Photos	Amy Sue Alston 0439 042 204 E. asphotodesign3@gmail.com
Accommodation	We recommend the Mercure Hotel, Hoxton Park Rd, Liverpool (easy access from M7, 10 mins from SIEC) Ph: 02 8777 0600 e-mail: hotel@mercuresydneyliverpool.com.au . Mention Dressage NSW for a special corporate rate. Other options can be found in the Championships schedule

Would you like your photo taken? Contact Amy Sue Alston to arrange - **0439 042 204** E. asphotodesign3@gmail.com

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To access the conditions of entry to the SIEC click the link below

<https://equestriancentre.nsw.gov.au/findyourwayaround/conditionsofentry>

EA Codes of Conduct

<http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/EA%20Member%20Protection%20policy%202014.pdf>

FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) expects all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI's Code of Conduct and to acknowledge and accept that at all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.

1. At all stages during the preparation and training of competition horses, welfare must take precedence over all other demands. This includes good horse management, training methods, farriery and tack, and transportation.
2. Horses and athletes must be fit, competent and in good health before they are allowed to compete. This encompasses medication use, surgical procedures that threaten welfare or safety, pregnancy in mares and the misuse of aids.
3. Events must not prejudice horse welfare. This involves paying careful attention to the competition areas, ground surfaces, weather conditions, stabling, site safety and fitness of the horse for onward travel after the event.
4. Every effort must be made to ensure that horses receive proper attention after they have competed and that they are treated humanely when their competition careers are over. This covers proper veterinary care, competition injuries, euthanasia and retirement.
5. The FEI urges all involved with the sport to attain the highest levels of education in their areas of expertise.

A full copy of this Code can be obtained from the Fédération Equestre Internationale, Chemin de la Joliette 8, CH-1006 Lausanne, Switzerland. Telephone: +41 21 310 47 47. The Code is available in English. The Code is also available on the FEI's website: www.fei.org.