# DNSW JUDGE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMME 2015-16

Dressage NSW with financial support from Equestrian NSW is proud to launch a judge scholarship program for dressage judges across NSW. The purpose of the scholarship is to provide various degrees of financial support to judges with the aim of the program to both grow the total number of dressage judges across all levels in NSW, and more importantly, provide assistance to for people who are looking for opportunities to move up through the grades and in particular to advance to EA B, A level and to gain FEI Accreditation.

#### The aims and objectives of the scholarship

- 1. To assist current A level NSW judges progress towards achieving FEI Accreditation, Dressage and Para-Equestrian (B level for PE);
- 2. To appoint more National A and B level judges by supporting current C level judges particularly in regional areas;
- 3. To provide a pathway to encourage judges, especially younger judges, to progress through the levels.

#### **Applications**

Financial assistance will be considered on merit by way of an application from candidates. The application form can be found attached at the end.

#### **Guidelines for Applicants:**

- Consideration will be given to judges who have shown a commitment to developing their dressage judging.
- For candidates applying for FEI Accreditation support judges must already be A-Level to be
  considered and must be prepared to travel overseas to attend an FEI Dressage Course as part of
  their overall Accreditation. For FEI Para-Equestrian Accreditation, candidates must be established
  at Prix St Georges level to be considered.
- For A B Level Judge upgrade, candidates must be at least C-Level to be considered. Judges who intend to seek FEI accreditation in the future may be given priority depending on funding available.
- All candidates seeking financial support must be prepared to travel interstate to FEI sanctioned events (CDIs) and other major National events such as State and National Championships.

### Other important information

Assistance may include but is not limited to, coverage of expenses incurred when attending seminars, exams and gaining practical experience in the course of gaining the pre-requisite qualifications. Expenses may include travel, accommodation and other approved expenditure.

To assist candidates throughout the process, the DNSW Judges Committee will provide mentoring and other support such as assistance for fast tracking.

- A mentor program will be established to assist committed judges in regional areas by taking the training to the Clubs in the form of a mentor or Judge Educator to conduct exams and promote the upgrading process.
- Area Delegates will assist with identifying those judges of talent and commitment in their areas.

There is no cap on the amount of funding that may be granted per scholarship, however, there is an overall annual limit on the pool of funds available for judges support. Given the aim of the scholarship is to assist as many judges as possible in the upgrading process, expenses for writers and other administration costs will not be considered at this point in time.

Each application will be considered on merit however it may not be possible to support each and every application due to the limit of funds available.

Applications will be considered in order of receipt (and funds paid on completion of the event unless otherwise agreed).

Successful candidates will be asked to provide a report to DNSW on the activities undertaken with scholarship funds and keep the DNSW Judges Committee up to date on their progress.

To apply for a Scholarship, please complete the attached application form on the next page and return to Dressage NSW.

## **Application Form – DNSW Judge Scholarship 2015-16**

Application Date:	
Name:	
D.O.B:	Current Level:
Tel:	E-mail:
Address:	
Your objective in applying for a scholarship (i.e.	upgrade to FEI 3* status)
Details on your progression to date in upgrading	g to the next level:
Educational Courses you have attended in the la	ast two years:
A plan of how you believe DNSW and related be mentoring opportunities):	odies (ADJC) can assist you in upgrading to the next level (i.e.
Please provide details outlining your plan and schedule for reaccreditation activities, including Seminars/Courses, dates and location.	

Amount of Funding requested	\$	
Details on what the funding will be used for (e.g. Course fees, travel, accommodation etc). A budget breakdown would be beneficial.		
Have you applied for any other funding/grants through Equestrian Australia or other organisations? If yes please provide details.		
Bank details: BSB:	Account no:	
Name of Account:		

\* Attach a note if a space does not allow for all details.

Return this Form to: Dressage NSW, PO Box 372, RICHMOND, NSW, 2753

E-MAIL: <a href="mailto:dnsw.admin@dressagensw.com.au">dnsw.admin@dressagensw.com.au</a>