# **Competitor Information**

The Organising Committee and Dressage NSW would like to thank you for your entry and support of the 2024 NSW Regency Floats Dressage Championships.

#### Saturday 31st August - McKinnon's Sport Horses -Fancy Rider's BBQ

Come celebrate the Championships with all your fellow riders, grooms and families...everybody is Welcome! Prawns, Oysters, Steak, Sausages and Salad. It should be a great night!

Bookings are essential for catering numbers. <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CUHVQ">https://www.trybooking.com/CUHVQ</a>

#### Volunteering

Please click on the SignUp link - <a href="https://signup.com/go/gFmqXri">https://signup.com/go/gFmqXri</a>

There are many spots available just to help out for a short time so you should be able to find some way to help out at the Championships!

# **Indoor Event Office**

- Opening Hours
  - Tuesday 3.00pm 5.00pm
  - Wednesday 10.00am 5.00pm
  - Thursday 7.00am 5.30pm
  - Friday 7.00am 5.30pm
  - Saturday 7.00am 5.30pm
  - Sunday 7.00am 4.30pm
- Reminder your cabin keys can be collected from the Stable Manager when you arrive.

# **Horse Arrivals**

- Horse Arrivals: Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> August after 11.00am. SIEC will not accept arrivals before this time.
- Horse arrival times are during day light hours only. Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> August arrival time is 8am to 5.30pm and on competition days, between 6.30am to 6.00pm daily.
- Tuesday Arena 4 and Arena 6 (Indoor Warmup) will be open from 12.00pm to 5.00pm ONLY.
- QLD Riders please advise your movement record numbers to <u>karen@snafflebytes.net</u>

#### Time Draw/Results/Test Papers

- The Event Draw is available on the DNSW webpage
  - https://www.dressagensw.equestrian.org.au/content/2023-nsw-states-competitor-information
- Please contact Karen Lever for scratchings and withdrawals email: karen@snafflebytes.net
- A final revised draw may be necessary the day before 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 evening before the competition.
- The event will use the Nominate scoring system. Test papers will be emailed to competitors as soon as the Ground Jury has signed off on the competition.
- A link to the results will be posted on the event webpage.

#### **Pony Measuring**

- Pony measuring will be available on Friday, Saturday and Sunday between 7am and 7.30am. Cost is \$15 per horse (his will cover the measurer's travel and expenditure) Please bring cash with you to give to the measurer.
- You will need your pony's Registration Papers and your pony must also have a bit in its mouth.
- Measuring form is on the event website which you will need to have filled out and bring with you.
- Ponies without a current height certificate will not be allowed to compete.
- Riders who need to be measured have been notified.

#### **Horse Familiarisation**

- Please refer to the timetable that will be posted on the event webpage.
- The times may be updated if the competition programme changes

#### **Rider Meeting**

There is a NSW Rider's Meeting on Friday 30<sup>th</sup> August – times and location to be advised

#### Withdrawals and Refunds

- Withdrawals (scratchings) and Refunds: No competitor shall 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 10.4). Penalty for non-compliance is a maximum fine of AU\$200, horses withdrawn may be subject to
  a veterinary inspection
- Withdrawal Forms will be available the indoor Event Office
- Scratching/withdrawals before the closing date will be refunded in full minus the Admim fee.
- Entry fees will be refunded for scratching/withdrawals advised after the closing date up to (5) five days prior to the start of the event (e.g. up to and including the 24 April, if a Veterinary or Doctor's certificate is provided within 3 days of the completion of the event. In such cases, 50% of the entry fees will be refunded.
- Entry fees refund for scratchings/withdrawals received (5) five days or later before the start of the event (e.g. from 24 August) will not be refunded.
- Refunds may be considered for withdrawals from competitors travelling long distances who are placed 5th or lower on the reserve list if the OC is notified no later than 19 August 2024.
- Fees for stables/tack/cabins/camp sites will not be refunded for competitors who depart earlier than indicated on the entry form.

#### **General Information**

- This Event will run under the current dressage rules. <a href="https://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules">https://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules</a>. It is the competitor's responsibility to know the rules of competition.
- Admission is free, please share this around. Spectators are most welcome to attend.
- All competitors can collect their Riders Bags from the event Rider Info Office located at the Event Square in front of the stables from Wednesday afternoon. For those doing day parking don't forget to pick up yours too!
- Reminder: Competition rules/conditions apply once horses arrive at the venue.
- Please ensure you promote our event through your social media #dnswstates2023 and tag event on FB. Also
  tagging the relevant sponsors for your class would be great, these can be found on the draw. Without sponsors
  support events like this would not happen.
- Riders at all levels must have their horse's EA papers available for inspection if requested. Swabbing will take place. Penalty fines will be imposed for those who do not have their horse papers available at the event. If you need to call a vet to attend to your horse while at the event, the Organising Committee MUST be notified.
- GEAR CHECK Under the current EA Dressage rules, it is compulsory for every horse and rider combination to have a gear check for every test they ride. Gear check will take place after each test.
- Lights- there is limited lighting around the grounds, therefore NO RIDING AFTER DARK, with the exception of those competing in the indoor which is finishing late.

#### **Photographers**

- Rodney's Photography For Bookings please email info@Rodneysphotography.com.au
- Simon Scully For Bookings please email info@simonscully.com

#### Catering

- Breakfast, morning and afternoon tea and lunch available from Wednesday
- Catering will be open in the indoor and at the Event Square (opposite rider's retreat)

#### Callers

- No test may be commanded. (EA and FEI Tests)
- Para-Equestrian
  - The official FEI PE Tests must be carried out entirely from memory, and all movements must follow in the order laid down in the test.
  - Except for those riders who may have their tests commanded and/or called as a compensating aid as listed on the FEI PE or EA PE ID Card.

#### Saddlery & Equipment

- Identification (ID) numbers (bridle numbers) Please use your existing bridle number. In the case of a double up of numbers, the OC will allocate one of the combinations with a temporary bridle number for this event. Please note that ID numbers (one on each side) must be displayed on the horse's saddlecloth, bridle and/or halter at all times other than when in the stable. This rule applies to all horses.
- 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. A whip may be carried in all Preliminary, Novice, Elementary, Medium, and Advanced competitions.
- Whips ARE NOT PERMITTED in the FEI Competitions at a State Championship
  - In FEI-level competitions at Australian and any State Championships a rider:
    - circling the arena carrying a whip will incur a technical fault of 0.5% from each judge
    - entering the dressage arena with a whip will incur a technical fault of 0.5% from each judge (this
      is not an error of course)
    - Carrying a whip in a test for more than 3 movements will entail elimination

## **Day Parking**

- Day parking is in P1 Man Arena Truck Park above the main arena ONLY
- Day yards are available in the Main Arena Truck Park. Horses may not be left in day yards overnight.
- Riders bringing horses for arena familiarisation prior to the day of competition are required to book and pay for day parking for that day on the late entry bookings. SIEC charge a fee per horse.

# Dogs

- Dogs must be on leash at all times and please don't bring dangerous or aggressive dogs to the event.
- 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.

#### **Bikes**

- 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, please be aware horses have always right of way.

- The internal roads of SIEC are PUBLIC roads so we are bound by NSW traffic rules and regulations eg. Seat belts to be worn. Neither the Organising Committee nor the EA accepts responsibility for any accident relating to the use of motorised vehicles on the grounds at any time.
- Bikes and other modes of transport are not allowed in the stable area.
- Prams not permitted in stable aisles for safety reasons.
- Bikes are not permitted in the stables.
- The riding of electric powered scooters is illegal on public roads in NSW and not permitted at SIEC.
   PLEASE do not bring your electric scooter.
- If riding a bicycle or non-powered scooter at SIEC helmets are mandatory.
- Golf buggies or similar are permitted only during unloading of gear on arrival or loading of gear on departure.

#### Stabling/Tack Rooms

- Competitors, please place a notice containing the contact details of the person responsible for the horse in the "information pocket" located in front of each stable door in case of emergency.
- The stable allocation will be posted on the website prior to the event.
- Bedding: Any bedding requested during the event must be paid for at the time of ordering, payments for extra bedding using nominate can be shown to Stable Manager for collection
- SMOKING is not permitted in stables or stable aisles.
- Note: A limited number of rakes/shovels and wheelbarrows will be available, but please bring your own feed/water buckets. Bedding ordered with stable bookings will be placed in the stable. A limited supply of bedding will be available to purchase at the venue at \$15.00 per bag of shavings. Bookings will remain open on Nominate. Please advise the feed merchant of your stable number if you are ordering a delivery of feed.
- Lunging Yards in the stable area are for lunging horses only, no horses are to be left unsupervised in the lunge yards at any time.
- EA Stallion Policy applies. If your horse is a stallion, the EA Stallion Identification Card with a green background must be placed on the outside of the stable or yard. Download the card from the EA website.
- All stallions must be stabled.
- Late Bookings for Stabling, shavings etc can be made on nominate

#### **Stabling Cleaning**

- Stable cleaning. As per the conditions of entry, a cleaning fee/bond of \$150 per stable has been paid with entries. This fee will be not refunded if the stables are not left completely empty and clean. All bedding is to be removed and stables swept prior to departure. Please ensure private and shared tack rooms are also left swept clean prior to departure.
- Stable Cleaning Service available. Some riders have booked Stable Cleaning which will be done my the Stable Manager. If you haven't and want to book in please go to the link on <u>nominate</u>

#### **Produce Deliveries**

Produce & Deliveries: Feed deliveries, Macarthur Stockfeeds will deliver to SIEC most days. Ph: 0459 021 788.
 Leppington Feed Supplies will deliver normally on Tue & Thu, ph 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 on these days and advise Feed Merchant of your stable number.

# **Camping & Cabins**

- Camping and cabin allocation will be posted on the DNSW website.
- Cabin Keys will be available from the Stable Manager
- Changes or additions to camping requests can be made on the Nominate link under 'Late bookings'.
- Vehicles parked in camping area that are not campers may be towed away.
- Please do not block the camping area with your vehicles.
- Large trucks and short stay campers will be allocated camping in the North Camp/car Park or P1
- All camping vehicles must have a power lead, that has been tested and tagged by a certified person, connecting to the power outlets. Please make sure that any leads you have connected to power have a current approved

tag attached to the lead or you may be disconnected from power. Please note SIEC charges us for each lead so if you have multiple leads plugged in you need to pay for each plug.

- Some cabins may have different people checking in and out. Cabins should be vacated by midday.
- A \$50 fee will be charged if your cabin key is lost or not returned to the Stable Manager.
- 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. Please do not block access to camp sites and cabins with vehicles or floats.
- Facilities: We request that competitors take the utmost care in looking after the wonderful facilities provided. SIEC is located within a Regional Park and is environmentally sensitive. Please take pride in this fantastic venue and keep the toilets and amenities block clean.
- Please take care when walking in bush areas as snakes are about. A large goanna and friend are common visitors to the area around the rider retreat and camping areas.
- Competitors who don't comply with the instructions of persons delegated by the OC to manage the camping areas or the venue staff will be re-located in the north camp area. Competitors with a history of not following instructions will be allocated a North Camping area site.

# **Veterinary and Farrier Services**

- Veterinary Services will be available from.
  - REC Specialist Equine Centre (02) 9399 7722 (Opposite SIEC)
  - Agnes Banks Equine Clinic (02) 4588 5200
  - Hawkesbury Vet Clinic (02) 4577 4611
  - Camden Equine Centre (02) 4655 0777
- Farriers: -
  - Josh Robinson 0435 446 562
  - Matt Scott 0420 211 711
  - Rodney Brazzil 0414 599 291

# **Prize Money**

- The Organising Committee reserves the right to review the prize money allocation for competitions, specifically:
  - o Where a competition has fewer than 3 entries, prize money will be paid to 1st only
  - Competitions with 5 entries or fewer, prize money will be paid to 1st & 2nd place only
  - o Competitions with 10 entries and below, prize money to 3rd place Only
- Goods in Kind will replace prize money in some competitions
- Prize money will be credited to competitors within 10 working days after the event via Electronic Funds Transfer.
   Please ensure you enter the correct bank details on the entry

## **FEI Freestyle Competitions**

- Freestyle Music will need to be uploaded using the following link: <a href="https://dnsw.rts-online.com.au/">https://dnsw.rts-online.com.au/</a>
- Freestyle competitors: We will be testing music prior to the event and no times have been set for music testing other than for the Grand Prix Freestyle. If you want to check your music you may enquire at the event office.
- GP Freestyle competitor's music tests will be held in the Indoor arena on Sunday morning from around 6.30am to 7.30am. Riders may note the time they would like on the timetable at the Rider Info Office otherwise they will be allocated in order of the draw.
- Para-Equestrian Music Test Saturday Morning.

# **COMPETITION FEI Intermediate Freestyle to Music**

A score of 60% in the qualifying Intermediate I competition is required to be eligible to start in the Intermediate Freestyle competition. Competitions will be limited depending on time constraints. The 15 highest ranked Open Riders, 5 highest ranked AOR Riders and 3 highest ranked Pony Riders will be allocated a start providing they have met the qualifying score of 60%. If AOR and Pony numbers are lower these spaces will be filled with the next highest-ranking combinations from competitions 43-44.

#### **COMPETITION FEI Medium Tour Freestyle to Music**

A score of 60% in the qualifying FEI Intermediate A or B competition is required to be eligible to start in the Freestyle competition. Competitions will be limited depending on time constraints. Max 10 horses/ponies will be accepted. Nominations from horses and ponies will be accepted.

#### **COMPETITION FEI Grand Prix Special**

The Grand Prix Special is limited to the best 15 combinations entered that gain at least 60% in the Grand Prix. Participation is not compulsory for combinations that qualify, and entry fees will be refunded to the combinations that enter and do not qualify. This competition may be cancelled if less than 3 entries are received.

### **COMPETITION FEI Grand Prix Freestyle**

The Grand Prix Freestyle is limited to the best 15 combinations entered that gain at least 60% in the Grand Prix. Participation is not compulsory for combinations that qualify, and entry fees will be refunded to the combinations that enter and do not qualify.

#### **COMPETITION FEI Para-Equestrian Freestyle**

Entry to the Freestyle will be based on the combined average score in the A & B competitions. A score of 60% or higher is required. Only one horse per rider allowed.

#### **Arrival at SIEC**

Arrival at Sydney International Equestrian Centre (S.I.E.C.) Access to 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 at the exit and then turn left 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

Please note there is not an ATM at the venue.

Sydney International Equestrian Centre
To access the conditions of entry to the SIEC click the link below
<a href="https://equestriancentre.nsw.gov.au/findyourwayaround/conditionsofentry">https://equestriancentre.nsw.gov.au/findyourwayaround/conditionsofentry</a>

A Codes of Conduct https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/Equestrian Australia Code of Conduct.pdf

# FEI CODE OF CONDUCT FOR THE WELFARE OF THE HORSE

The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) requires 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.

- 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 competitors 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 those involved in equestrian sport to attain the highest possible levels of education in their areas of expertise relevant to the care and management of the competition horse.

#### Contact telephone numbers and information

Event Director:	Karen Lever Mob: 0405 384 201 email: <u>karen@snafflebytes.net</u>
Event support	Jo Gunn, ph 0414 416 362 email: honsecretary@dressagensw.com.au
Event Office and Volunteers	Leanne Bell 0404 829 083
Scratchings/Time Draw:	Karen Lever 0405 384 201 email: karen@snafflebytes.net
Technical Delegate	Toni Venhaus 0418 686 781
Stable Manager	Nick Mougios 0416 138 639 – on site from 11am Tuesday 27 <sup>th</sup> August
Chief Steward	Lynda Bruce 0411 206 929
Cabin/Camping enquiries:	Karen Lever Mob: 0405 384 201 email: <u>karen@snafflebytes.net</u>
Vet On Call:	Randwick Equine- 02 9399 7722 (Opposite SIEC)
Farrier/s:	Josh Robinson 0435 446 562, Rodney Brazzil 0414 599 291, Brett Hudson 0412 113 365 Matt Scott 0424 826 881
Feed Supplies:	Leppington Feed Supplies, 02 9606 5427, Fax: 02 9606 5736 (orders must be prepaid. <b>To ensure delivery, please tel/fax your order</b> in <b>time</b> for the <b>delivery and advise your stable</b> #. Macarthur Stockfeeds <b>0459 021 788</b> (will deliver most days)
S.I.E.C.	o2 8883 6900. Direct line to the Event Office (during event only) 02 8883 6918
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: <a href="https://www.equestrian-centre.com.au">www.equestrian-centre.com.au</a>
Medical	Fairfield District Hospital, Address: Polding Street (cnr Prairie Vale Road), Prairewood, Tel : (02) 9616 8111
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
Shopping Centers	IGA Supermarket 8-12 Horsley Rd, Horsley Park Stocklands Shopping Centre , Polding St, Wetherill Park Westfield Liverpool Macquarie St, Liverpool

#### **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 roundabout)
   Great Deli at Horsley Park shopping Cathie
- 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.