



The Organising Committee and Dressage NSW would like to thank you for your entry and support of the "Nationals". We look forward to welcoming you soon at the wonderful Sydney International Equestrian Centre.

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Dietmar Specht Trophy – for riders under 30 yrs.

If you did not nominate for this trophy, and wish to do so, please notify Toni Venhaus 0418 686 781 or email toni.venhaus@bigpond.com

The winner is chosen from the best two placings of the nominated official combination in official competitions from Elementary to Grand Prix including Freestyles and GPS. Refer page 3 of schedule for details. Your DOB is required. Nominations after 10 October will not be considered as riders have already been sent several reminders. Some riders have nominated two horses – you need to choose one horse only.

Horse Arrival: Tuesday, 14 October from 12pm. Please schedule your arrival after this time. Arrival times on other days see page 3.

Notice for QLD competitors: Riders travelling from QLD are required to complete a Record of Movement Form when travelling and supply the venue with a Record of Movement (ROM) number, as well as the competitor's name and contact information. [Click here for a link to the form.](#)



Website: <https://australiandressagechampionships.com.au>



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COMPETITION

Competitors be aware that **competition conditions/rules apply from the moment horses arrive at the venue.**

We encourage you to read through the important information regarding the Championships. Attached are details of the "Time Draw" and the list of reserves for each competition. Riders placed on the reserve list will be notified of scratchings as they occur. Regular updates will be posted on the web.

A 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 may apply. **The onus is on the competitor to confirm/check their start times the day before the competition.** All changes will be posted on the website. We will endeavour to keep changes to a minimum.

Withdrawals/Scratchings: We suggest that all riders look at the rules for National Championships (from Section 10 page 107 in the current EA Dressage rule book). Pay particular attention to WITHDRAWALS and the penalty for non-compliance.

*Withdrawals/Scratchings: No competitor shall without **permission from the Ground Jury**, withdraw from a competition **within 8 hours before the start of the competition**. A written statement giving reason for withdrawal must be lodged at the Event Office (indoor arena), prior to the commencement of competition. During the competition, from Thursday to Sunday, all competitors who withdraw from a competition must complete a withdrawal form and hand it in to the Event Office. Withdrawal forms will be available from the Riders Info Office (located for this event in the Rider's Retreat).*

- 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 11 October, 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 will not be refunded from 12 October 2025.
- Refer FEI Schedule for CDIW, CDIU25, CDIY. No entry fees will be refunded from 8 October.
- In circumstances where the competitor wishes to withdraw from a competition shortly before the starting time for their test (e.g. if horse is found to be unsound, rider illness or for safety reasons) then the rider should ask a steward to call the Chief Steward or Technical Delegate who will inform the Judges and Organisers. For EA level tests, riders who withdraw from the first test of the day will not be allowed to start in the second test.

Team Entries/Chefs d'Equipe: Team entries must be nominated by 5.00pm on Wednesday, 15 October at the Event Office located in the indoor arena. Reserves may be nominated in case of withdrawals due to veterinary or rider illness.

Use of arenas prior the event: Arena 9 will be open for competitors to use from the opening of the stables on Tue 14th Oct. Arena 4 will be open from Wednesday. Arena 6 will be available for competitors competing indoors from Tuesday afternoon.

Training & Arena Familiarisation: Please refer to the timetable that is posted on the competitor section of the websites or on the Rider Info notice board during the event. Remember, as per the rules, you can ride in the competition arenas before the competition **only at the times designated**. Each competition arena will be allocated a specific warm-up arena. Please use the warm-up arenas as instructed so that our stewards can control the flow into the competition arenas.

Lunging Yards in the stable area are for lunging horses only and are open during daylight hours only. Horses are not to be left unsupervised in the lunge yards at any time.

Freestyle competitors: Information on the format required for freestyle music on page 4 **Riders entered in Freestyles are expected to take part if they qualify in the respective competitions.**

Information and a link to upload your music refer page 5.

Direct website links: Competitor info and documents: [Click here](#) Event timetable overview: [Click here](#)

Presentations: Refer timetable on the website. Most Presentations are unmounted at the end of each day. Mounted presentations for some of the CDI competitions as per the timetable. If you are unable to attend due to other commitments, you need to make your apologies beforehand or ask someone to represent you and/or collect your rosette. Failure to comply will result in forfeiting prize money and prizes.

Event Polo shirts available from the info stand located at the indoor arena



SADDLERY & EQUIPMENT

Reminder: **Competition rules/conditions apply once horses arrive at the venue.**

Horse ID (bridle numbers), please use your existing bridle number. In the case of a double up of numbers, the OC have allocated one of the combinations with a temporary bridle number for this event. Please note that bridle numbers (one on each side) **must be displayed on the horses saddlecloth, bridle and/or halter at all times** other than when in the stable, this rule applies to all horses. Competitors **grazing 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 or have dogs close to the competition arenas when horses are competing.

Protective headgear: As per national rules for EA competitions.

Whips & Gear: For **National Championships**, whips are permitted for levels **up to and including Advanced only**. Riders are permitted to ask the Steward to check their gear prior to competing. However, the compulsory gear check will take place after the completion of each test. Saddlery and gear as per current EA rules.

A reminder - only one ear piece is allowed in training and warm-up. Shokz headsets that go either side of the ear are not permitted, the Shokz ear buds are allowed in one ear only.

STABLES

Stables will be open on Tuesday, 14 October at noon. Due to the many changes we get with stable allocation the allocation will be posted on the website prior to the event. Any questions or enquiries regarding stabling, please contact Cathie Drury-Klein on 0417 224 432.

The stable allocation will be posted on the website at least 10 days prior to the event

- **Horse Arrival times are restricted to daylight hours only between 6.30am to 6.00pm daily.**
- **Late bookings or changes to stable bookings, bedding etc can be made on line on Nominate** via the link below. A late fee applies <https://tinyurl.com/ADCH25>
- Competitors please place a notice containing the contact details of the person responsible for the horse on the front of each stable in case of emergency.
- **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](#).
- **Communal Tack rooms** will be available in each row for competitors to share if sufficient spare stables are available. Please leave these swept and clear out any feed or mess when you leave. Competitors need to provide their own padlock if they wish to lock their private tack room. Share tack rooms may not be locked. It may not be possible to allocate private tack rooms to all. Preference has been given to competitors staying for longer periods.
- **SMOKING is not permitted in stables or stable aisles.** Stable accreditation will be denied to those who do not observe this rule.

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 during the event at the Rider Info Desk in the Retreat at \$20.00 per bag and **must be paid for at the time of ordering. Late orders can be made on Nominate at any time or orders can be made at the Rider Info Desk** in the rider retreat.

No bikes, scooters or prams are permitted in the stables. Golf buggies or similar permitted only during unloading of gear on arrival or loading of gear on departure. Dogs are permitted in the stable complex but must be in full control of the handler at all times (on a leash). Dogs are not to be left in stables nor tied up in stable aisles.

Bedding (shavings): It is a requirement of the venue that only bedding purchased through the event is allowed unless competitors have provided SIEC with a Veterinary certificate and have been granted an exemption. Therefore, all competitors must purchase their bales through the event. To apply for an exemption email: ausdressagechamps@gmail.com **Please note that the minimum number of bales required to fill a stable is 4. Please place order for shavings prior to arrival to avoid unnecessary delay** in getting stables ready for horse arrivals. Placing orders for bedding on the day of arrival creates additional work for the stable manager and venue staff at a very busy time.

Stable cleaning. All bedding is to be removed, and stables swept prior to departure, otherwise the stable bond will not be refunded.

Nick Mougios is the Stable Manager for the event. Nick also provides a service for cleaning stables. If you would like your stable cleaned (at a cost payable to Nick) contact Nick on 0416 138 639.

- **Produce & Deliveries:** Refer page 7 for outlets. Feed deliveries - please advise the feed merchant of your stable number if you are ordering a delivery of feed.



Day parking: Day parking is in the P1 (above the Main outdoor arena). Day yards are available in P1 & North Car Park. Horses may not be left in day yards overnight. All stallions must be stabled.

The riding of electric powered scooters is illegal on public roads in NSW and not permitted at SIEC.

Motorised foot scooters, human transporters (Segway) and skateboards are also not permitted.

Mobility devices used by disabled persons are permitted.

If riding a bicycle or non-powered scooter at SIEC helmets are mandatory.

CAMPING & CABINS

The cabin & camping allocation is on the website. Changes or additions to camping requests can be made on **Nominate** ([here](#)). **Vehicles parked in the camping area that are not campers may be towed away.** Please do not block the camping area with your vehicles.

We have endeavoured to fulfil rider requests as much as possible, however with a large number of competitors it is not possible to accommodate all in the South Camping area. Please display your camping details provided by Nominate when you entered the event **on the windscreen of truck/caravan/float or attach to tent.** Please note we are charged for every vehicle connected to power so if you have two (2) camp vehicles connected and have only booked and paid for one you will be charged for the second outlet.

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.



Music Check timetable and Music upload

We will be testing music prior to the event and no times have been set for music replay and or freestyle practice other than for the CDIW Grand Prix Freestyle held in the Indoor on Saturday morning.

CDIW Grand Prix riders may select the time they would like to ride/listen to their music at Rider Info Desk by **Friday 3.00pm**, otherwise, riders/horses will be allocated a time in alpha horse order.

IMPORTANT: All Freestyle music must be uploaded to the website on the link below – no later than 11.45pm 13 October 2025 so that it can be checked, filed and prepared for the event.

<https://eqnsw.rts-online.com.au/>

Supported music file formats for upload are MP3, WMA, WAV, AVI or M4A.

To help us keep track of your music you need to name your music file in the following format: "Rider Name" _ "Bridle number" _ "Class"

(Example: JohnSmith_3665_Novice.mp3)

You will receive a confirmation email with a summary of your details and music after you submit this entry.

If you don't receive an email, check your Junk-Mail/Spam folder.

Dressage Riders Meeting

Held after the Presentations and the Rider Welcome on Thursday. The meeting is scheduled to start at 6.00pm in the Equestrian Hub in the indoor arena. Contact Deon Stokes if you would like to add an agenda item.

Email Deon: info@stokessporthorses.com.au



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GENERAL INFORMATION

SIEC is located just off the **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 turn right into Saxony Road. There is a toll on the M7, which you can pay within 48 hours.

Note: there is a lot of roadways around the Horsley Park area of the M7 so allow some extra time.

Toll number: 13 86 55

Arrival at SIEC: Competitors arriving at the venue for the first time with horses in tow will be admitted to the grounds.

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.

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. Please take pride in this fantastic venue and keep the toilets and amenities block clean. **Dogs must be on a leash at all times.**

Please take care when walking in bush areas as snakes and ticks are about. A large goanna and friends are common visitors to the area around the rider retreat and camping areas.

Riders Retreat: Located in front of the stable complex the Riders Retreat is 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.

Accreditation/Tickets: This event is not ticketed, and entry is free. Competitor wrist bands will be issued to riders, grooms and owners for easy identification of participants

From Wednesday, the Riders Info Desk will be open on the Event Square office. Each rider will receive a memento, and a complimentary copy of the programme booklet.

Catering: The catering outlet located on the Event Square in front of the stables will be open from Wednesday. Breakfast will be available from Wednesday. The café located in the indoor will be available from Thursday.

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. No bikes allowed in the stable complex.**

Golf buggies: If you have a buggy or similar please note **NO** buggies in the stables (unless authorised by the stable warden for off loading of gear). Please take care when driving through the venue, and horses have right of way.

Presentations: Will take place mainly at the end of the day in the Nationals Hub in the Indoor unless otherwise advised.

Please join us for "**Happy Hour** – glass of wine and finger food" during presentations on Friday supported by **Jenquine**.

- Children are welcome at the Happy Hours but **NO children please on the podium at the presentation ceremonies**. The Presentation timetable is on the event website. If changes are necessary, the schedule will be updated.
- We invite non-riding owners to be present at the prize giving ceremonies. We request that riders tell their owners of this arrangement. This is one form of acknowledgement and involvement that we can provide to owners who support our sport.
- **Prize Money** will be credited to the nominated bank account provided on the entry within 10-14 days of the event.

Please note there is no ATM at the venue.

The Rider info Desk and the Event office are cash free and any purchases for bedding must be via done credit card or bank account withdrawal or riders can pay for shavings on Nominate. An EFTPOS machine is available for payments at the Rider Info Desk and event office.

RIDERS PLEASE note, we have a lot of judges doing exams at this event and you may find more cars than usual on some arenas. Filming may take place during some competitions for educational purposes. If you have objections/concerns please contact Amy McGregor – email: [click here](#)



Information specific to the CDIW, CDIU25 & CDIY

Arrival Inspection: Horse arrival inspections will take place where possible when horses arrive at the venue. Otherwise on Thursday morning the Vets will be in waiting in the middle of the stable complex (near the tree). Riders are to present their horses to the Vets. All horses must be checked before 12pm. Have your papers with you, your phone with the FEI HorseApp for temperature checking and a thermometer for taking horse's temperature and no rugs or bandages on the horse.

The Fitness Inspection (Trot-up) is scheduled from 3.00pm in the Indoor Arena. A timetable is published on the website.

FEI Horse Health Requirements

ALL Horses competing in the CDI Events must fulfil the Horse Health Requirements via the FEI HorseApp. Competitors, grooms and owners all need to be aware of the Horse Health Requirements. All the information on the requirements can be **found here**.

The App requires all competitors to complete certain requirements in the lead up and during the event.

Start taking your horse's temperature at least 3 days prior to the arrival at the venue. Temperatures must be taken and recorded on the App twice daily

Competitors with horses competing in national competitions that are stabled with CDI horses, must also record and keep a log of these horse's temperatures. The log must be available for viewing by FEI Vets

You can download the App from the App Store or Google Play – [click here](#)

- FEI registration: All horses and riders taking part in the CDI competitions must be registered on the FEI database. If your registration and papers are not in order you will not be entered into the FEI system and therefore not able to start at the event.
- CDI competitors need to be aware that ALL Vets and attending horses in the CDI competitions must hold an FEI Recognition Card, Equine Therapists & Supportive therapies: The FEI Veterinarian Delegate must approve all types of supportive therapies.

FEI WELFARE OF THE HORSE - CODE OF CONDUCT

1. The Fédération Equestre Internationale (FEI) expects all those involved in international equestrian sport to adhere to the FEI's Code of Conduct and to always acknowledge and accept that the welfare of the horse must be paramount and must never be subordinated to competitive or commercial influences.
2. 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.
3. 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.
4. 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.
5. 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.

The FEI urges all involved with the sport to attain the highest levels of education in their areas of expertise.

Please refer to the FEI Dressage Rules and FEI General Regulations for full details.

- **EA Codes of Conduct:** [Click here for details](#)

***** WRITERS NEEDED *****

**We are short of writers for judges on all days and especially on Sunday. If you can help please contact Jo.
Em: jo.gunn@me.com or ph 0414 416 362**

Please share this message with your friends and family members.



Handy telephone numbers and information:

Event Director	Toni Venhaus 0418 686 781
Technical Delegate	Deborah MacNicol 0411 855 187
FEI Chief Steward	Deborah MacNicol 0411 855 187
Ground Jury President	Marie Schwennesen 0427 903 070
FEI Vet Delegate	Dr Derek Major 0428 249 119
FEI Treating vet	Dr Marnie Treseder 0430 224 182
Scratchings	Toni Venhaus (details above), or Karen Lever – em: karen@snafflebytes.com.au or leave message 0405 384 201
Rider Info & stabling, camping	Cathie Drury Klein 0417 224 432
DNSW President	Karma Wilson 0478 070 176
DNSW Hon Sec & Writers	Jo Gunn 0414 416 362
DNSW Admin Secretary	Mary Houghton 0409 841 089
Presentations	Mandy Jones 0415 224 977
Stable Manager	Nick Mougios, Tuesday from noon 0416 138 639
Vets:	Agnes Banks EC - 02 4588 5200; Randwick Equine (opposite venue) 02 9399 7722 Camden Equine Clinic 02 4655 0777, after hours – 0412 462 588 (only monitored outside of office hours) Wollondilly Equine Clinic - 02 4659 7322, Hawkesbury Equine - 02 4577 4611
Farrier/s:	Josh Robinson 0435 446 562, Rodney Brazzil 0414 599 291, Brett Hudson 0412 113 365; Matt Scott 0424 826 881;
Feed Supplies:	Bringelly Stockfeeds 0429 206 372, Camden Rossmore Stockfeeds 02 9606 7477, Mamre Produce 02 9606 4614, Sydney Equestrian supplies 02 4579 9265
S.I.E.C.	02 8883 6900
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	Rosetti's Italian Restaurant, 27/1042 The Horsley Drive, Wetherill Park Market Town, Tel. 02 9756 5560 (they will deliver pizza, \$20 approx min order) Candelori's Ristorante & Bar, 685 The Horsley Drv, Smithfield. Tel. 02 9729 1155 (licensed) Royal Cricketers Arms: 385 Reservoir Rd Prospect NSW 2148 Tel. 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 shops (turn left at the roundabout), IGA & Deli at Horsley Park shops Alpha Hotel at Eastern Creek, Bars and restaurant Tel. 02 8889 7700 Atura Hotel, Prospect Tel.02 9421 1000 Novatel Rooty Hill, restaurants and access to eateries in the RSL. Mercure, Liverpool has several restaurants in the hotel and adjoining Catholic Club.
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 or on the website

Official Photographers

Rodney's Photography email - info@Rodneysphotography.com.au
 Amy-Sue Alston email: asphotodesign3@gmail.com ph 0439 042 204
 Other Accredited photographers: Simon Scully – 0413 159 195



Scoresheets online after the competition

National Competitions

Scoresheets online



Available right after
the class:

equestrian-hub.com

Equestrian Hub



Questions?

support@blackhorse-one.com

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