



Solway College Inter-school Dressage Day Event Information 2024

Class Levels

Beginner/Intro

- Lead rein, learner/green riders (Riding for the overall Junior Rider Prize. Riders in this class are not eligible for the overall individual championship trophy, but points do count for team trophies)
- Tests - OB & OD
- Please note - OB & OD tests have been split into two age categories for individual test placings - year 8 and under & year 9 and over

Preliminary

- For riders with some dressage experience
- Tests - 1A & 1B

Preliminary/Novice/Elementary

- For more experienced dressage riders
- Tests - 1C, 2A & 3A (Choose either 1C & 2A or 2A & 3A)

All Tests are versions of the official 2023 ESNZ Dressage Tests

Classes are based on ability rather than age

Riders to adhere to the Fair Play Charter and enter the correct level for their ability. If you are competing regularly at dressage, please do not enter at a level below what you would normally compete at. Organisers reserve the right to refuse entries or move combinations to another level if deemed necessary. The organisers have the right to limit class numbers and split classes.

Lead rein riders must notify judges that they will be competing on the lead. No canter on the lead rein.

Beginner riders may opt out of canter movements in tests, however please advise the judge prior to beginning the test. Marking will reflect that the movement was not cantered.



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Teams

Junior Teams - Primary (School years 1-6) competing for Junior Trophy

Intermediate Teams - Intermediate/College (School years 7-10) compete for Intermediate Trophy

Senior Teams - College/High school (School years 11-13) Compete for Senior Trophy

Note - If a team has a mix of two categories, (Junior/Intermediate, Intermediate/Senior or Junior/Senior) they will compete in the higher category for the team competition.

Teams consist of three or four riders. Each rider rides two tests, the three riders with the most points counting towards the overall team score. Riders may ride more than one horse in a team (subject to any restrictions on overall numbers) but riders cannot share horses.

Riders on a team compete in the class appropriate to their individual ability level.

Teams can be mixed abilities.

Individual Riders

Riders may compete as individuals. Individual riders from different schools are welcome to create a composite team, provided organisers are advised in advance.



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General Rules

This event will be run under ESNZ Rules.

Please refer to the ESNZ Dressage Rulebook for more information.

All tests may be called.

Scratchings - All scratchings logged prior to entries closing will receive a 100% refund, excluding the Main-Events online entry fee.

Any scratchings after entries close, will receive a 50% refund excluding the Main-Events online entry fee, however a Veterinary or Doctor's Certificate must be provided.

Nominated Stewards on the day: Buzz King & Millie Reisima

Grounds, Yarding and Arenas

Parking - Please park with consideration to the ground conditions. If wet, parking may be restricted to designated areas.

Yarding - all horses/ponies must be yarded. No tying horses to trucks or floats. An open day yard is included in the entry fee. Yarded horses must have ID tags on halter or cover.

It is the schools responsibility to ensure yards are left tidy and mucked out, a \$30 penalty fee per yard will be applied if yards are left dirty.

Overnight yarding is available when entering at an additional cost.

Arena entry & Warm-up - Entry to arenas will be through a manned gate. To keep order, prevent chaos and give everyone an equal opportunity, the gate stewards will restrict entry to a few riders at a time. It is the riders responsibility to be present at the gate for their test on time.

Arena familiarisation will be held on Tuesday the 24th of September 4.30-5.30pm, and Wednesday the 25th September, 7-8am.

**Please respect our gate stewards
Dogs must be on a lead at all times**



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Prize Giving

Prize giving will be conducted unmounted outside the Pony Club shed at the conclusion of the competition and scoring.

We appreciate that everyone wants to leave as soon as possible but collating scores and calculating points does take time.

Our senior riders will be organising some novelty games whilst we wait for prize giving.

If you need to leave prior to prize giving and would like ribbons/tests sent out, please let us know. Product prizes are forfeited if winners do not attend prize giving.

Any help packing away the dressage arenas prior to Prize Giving is much appreciated.

Trophies must be signed for at Prize giving by a parent or caregiver. Parent and school details must be provided, and Trophies must be returned prior to next year's event!