



Solway College Inter-school Dressage Day Event Information 2025

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 - 0B & 0D
- Please - Dressage Tests 0B & 0D 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 - 2A & 2B

All Tests are versions of the official 2023 ESNZ Dressage Tests

Please note that there will be limits on entries

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) competing for Intermediate Trophy

Senior Teams - College/High school (School years 11-13) Competing 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 a minimum of three riders, maximum of 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 in 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 if there are not enough riders from their own to form a 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.

Event secretary - Millie Reisima

Nominated TD on the day: Ian Childs

Nominated Head Ground Dury: Marg Robinson

Back Numbers

All riders will be allocated a back number, which will need to be collected from the Pony Club shed on the day of the event, please ensure back numbers are returned at the completion of the event. There will be a charge for back numbers that are not returned.

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 halters or covers.

Overnight yarding and covered yards are available when entering at an additional cost.

There will be no allocated yarding - please only use the yards you have paid for.

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.

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. If we are running ahead of time we may ask riders to ride their tests earlier, willingness to do so is very much appreciated.

Arena familiarisation will be held on the evening before and morning of the event, details of times will be sent out closer to the event.

Please respect our gate stewards - Dogs must be on leads at all times



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Prizegiving

Prizegiving 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 prizegiving.

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

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

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