

2018 EVENTING & MOUNTED GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS WAIRARAPA 17-21 APRIL 2018

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Wairarapa Wellington Area, NZPCA

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2016 Canterbury Championship A1 winner Aiden Viviers, Wairarapa Wellington Area. Pictured in Horse & Pony with mother, Maria Viviers; coach, Stephen Field and team mates, Jess Viviers and Grace White

Schedule of events

17 April	Games Day 1
18 April	Games Day 2
19 April	Dressage and Non-Champs Show Jumping
20 April	XC Day and non-Champs prizegiving*
21 April	Show Jumping and prizegiving

* held at Clareville complex

Accommodation

We are excited to have you visit our neck of the woods! Solway showgrounds is a super facility for camping on site with plenty of space to call home for the week, but lots of accommodation options are available in Wairarapa for those not wanting to stay on the grounds.

Holiday/getaway options are endless if you want to extend your stay and visit some of the many beaches or winery areas of the Wairarapa valley.

Check out Wairarapanz.com iSite and Destination Wairarapa, or feel free to contact Champs Secretary, Anna Cardno for more information - she'll be happy to help.



Event Partner, Copthorne Hotel & Resort Solway Park is just a stones throw away and offers excellent accommodation and restaurant options.



Wairarapa Wellington Area's Emily Jones (foreground) & Lucy Marshall (back) HOY 2017 Under-12 pairs champions

Your committee

The championships cannot happen without a significant amount of work and we are grateful to our dedicated team of superstars that will be helping to bring this event together.

Chair:
Secretary:
NZPCA liaison:
Treasurer:
Exec Team:
Head of Games:
Riders Rep Eventing:

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Ginni Thurston Anna Cardno Emma Barker Tim White Sandy McPake Binds White Di Maxwell Olivia Hollywood Aiden Viviers Jeremy Thurston

Of course, these people are joined by a whole swag of key convenors, officials and volunteers. Newsletters over the coming months will introduce some of these to you.



If you have any questions about any aspect of the event, please direct them to Champs Secretary, Anna Cardno anna.cardno@xtra. co.nz 027 205 2422

We can't wait to welcome you to our wonderful Wairarapa facilities!





Solway showgrounds

The majority of the week long event will be held at Solway Showgrounds, in the heart of Masterton. All the horses and trucks can be accommodated on site, including both games and eventing teams.

There are adequate bathroom facilities.

It is a very secure site.

There is enough room to run all the dressage classes simultaneously, on arenas that have been specifically prepared for dressage.

There are large areas for warm up.

Show jumping, games and dressage will be run on an excellent grass surface, with the all weather surface available for SJ and dressage if the weather is not playing ball.

There is a large grandstand to accommodate all spectators for the prizegiving.

The showgrounds have extensive grounds for riders to exercise their horses.



Clareville complex

Clareville is just ten minutes away from the Solway Showgrounds and is an easy drive. While de-camping during an event is a bit of a pain, you will see it is all worth it when you get there and see the fabulous tracks. The cross country course runs through extensive grounds. There is the advantage of being able to see a lot of the courses from one spot, close to the start and finish boxes. There is excellent public parking, away from the horses. Day yarding and wash down facilities are available.

Games ponies

Games ponies will be available to loan for riders that need them. To discuss options, please contact our Games Convenor, Olivia Hollywood on 027 843 1993 or by email: olivia.hollywood@hotmail.com

Feed orders

We are expecting to provide you with a full list of feed pricing to be able to pre order hay and feed for delivery on site by our local supplier, PGG Wrightsons. More about this in due course.

Billeting of horses

We will endeavour to provide paddock(s) to be made available for teams travelling long distances, especially those with eventers and games mounts travelling together. Please contact the Secretary.

Safety of Competitors & Non Competitors

Both Masterton and Wairarapa A & P Societies have Health and Safety Plans that must be adhered to. We will be governed by the NZPCA & ESNZ rules governing anti-doping testing. The Horse Manager will be the Committees representative during any testing. Professional services including Medical, Veterinary and Farrier will be available on site. Professional photographers will be working throughout the duration of the event.

Eventing Non Champs Horse Trials

We will be running a horse trials open to the public (all ages, not just NZPCA members) concurrently with the championship. The non-champs will showjump on Day One, after their dressage, and their prizegiving will be held at Clareville following the cross country.

Sneak peak of the week's timetable - mix, mingle & collegial support is encouraged!

Games teams will arrive at Solway from Monday 16th April (or earlier if required).

Eventing teams are expected to arrive on the Tuesday and Wednesday, which are days one and two of the Games Championship. We strongly encourage eventers to be a part of the games experience, to watch riders in this fantastic spectator sport and support the mounted prizegiving on Wednesday afternoon.

We hope that our games competitors will stay on site after their competition ends on Wednesday to share in a combined casual evening meal and celebrate the conclusion of the 2018 Games Championship. Formalities will be kept short in anticipation of dressage in the morning! Thursday is dressage, and non-champs showjumping. Friday is off to Clareville for XC, and non-champs prizegiving - then home to Solway again for a shared dinner. Saturday will end the competition with Showjumping, a BBQ lunch, team photos and prizegiving.