



SOLWAY  
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Solway College  
& Comag Wairarapa  
Inter-school Dressage Day  
2023



## ***Principal's Welcome 2023***

Tēnā koutou katoa,

Nau mai, haere mai ki te Kāreti o Manaia Te Whakataetae-ā-kura Eke Hōiho Rakanga Waewae.

A very warm welcome to the 2023 Solway College Comag Wairarapa Interschool Dressage Event. It is my absolute pleasure on behalf of Solway College, to host all the riders and supporters who have travelled to represent your school in our annual event. This event is an opportunity for riders at all levels from all over the lower North Island to have the opportunity to compete, share experiences, create memories, learn from each other, and of course have fun!

Our annual dressage event is now in its ninth year and has become a regular feature on the equestrian calendar. In 2023 we again have a very large number of competitors entering this competition, so we will once again be operating 6 dressage arenas.

I would like to sincerely thank Comag Wairarapa for their continued support and for once again being our main sponsor for our event. I would also like to thank all of the Gold, Silver and Bronze sponsors for your generosity as we wouldn't be able to run this event without your support. Patronage of our sponsors is much appreciated and you will find them listed throughout this programme, along with our Solway College Equestrian Academy Facebook page. Without the continuing involvement and support of parents and schools, competitions like this could not take place, so a very warm thank you, for your ongoing support.

I would especially like to thank our incredible team of organisers who have put in many hours of their own time to get this event under way.

Best wishes to all competitors. I hope that you all thoroughly enjoy the event and find the competition challenging and rewarding.

Ngā manaakitanga,

Ms Janine Tupaea  
Principal, Solway College

## 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

### **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)

## 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.

## Teams

**Junior Teams** - Primary (School Years 1-6) compete for Junior Trophy

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

**Senior Teams** – College (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.

## 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.

*Nominated Stewards on the day: Buzz King & Millie Green*

## 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 school's responsibility to ensure yards are left tidy and mucked out, a \$30 penalty fee will be applied if yards are left dirty.**

Overnight yarding is available when entering at 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 rider's responsibility to present at the gate for their test.

**Please respect our gate stewards**

**Dogs must be on a lead at all times**

## 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 however 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 will be handed out for a photo opportunity only, then must be handed back to the event secretary.**

**Good luck & Have Fun!**



# Solway A&P Showgrounds

Entry to the Showgrounds will be through the Fleet Street Entrance



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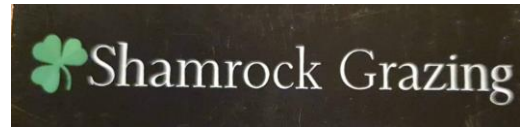
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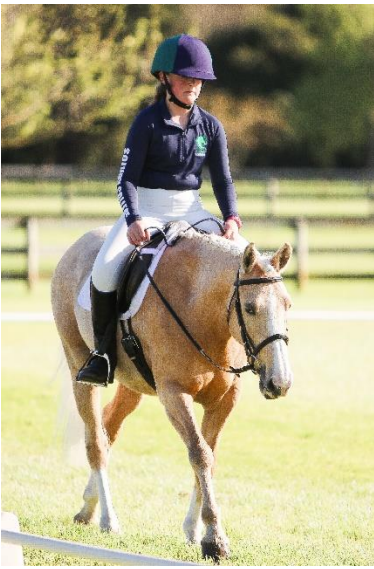
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