

Murray Districts Carriage Driving Club
on behalf of the
Australian Carriage Driving Society
presents



ALCOA AUSTRALIAN COMBINED DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

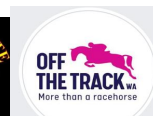
24thth April — 27th April 2026
Bandicoot Road, Dwellingup
WESTERN AUSTRALIA



ENTRIES CLOSE on 24th March 2026

ADMISSION: Right of Entry Reserved

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OFFICIALS & JUDGES

Event Director: Judy Pope
Entry Secretary: Doddy Goile
Assistant Secretary: Tracey Ellis, Kathy Miles
Treasurer: John Carr
Technical Delegate: David Potter (SA)
Course Designer: Athol Purchas (WA)
Veterinary: Vidler Veterinary Services
TPR Steward: Fiona Logan

Dressage Judges:

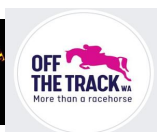
1. Sue Plath (NSW) (POJ)
2. Merryn Bojcun (WA)
3. Vera Sulc (WA)

Cones Judge: John Carr (WA)

Ground Jury: Sue Plath
Merryn Bojcun
John Carr

Appeals Committee: Tracey Ellis, Joan Cureton, Jorgen Nielsen.

Scorer: Noelene Kentish



CLASSES

1. Novice Pony 91cm & ne 124cm
2. Novice Pony over 124cm ne 149cm
3. Novice Horse over 149cm
4. Intermediate Pony 91cm & ne 124cm
5. Intermediate Pony over 124 cm ne 149cm
6. Intermediate Horse over 149cm
7. Open Pony 91cm & ne124cm
8. Open Pony over 124cm ne 149cm
9. Open Horse over 149cm
10. Pony Pair 91cm ne 149cm (*91cm & ne 124cm)
11. Horse Pair over 149cm
12. Pony Tandem 91cm ne 149cm (*91cm & ne 124cm)
13. Horse Tandem over 149cm
14. Pony Team 91cm ne 149cm (*91cm & ne 124cm)
15. Horse Team over 149cm

* time allowances apply

DRESSAGE TESTS— 100 x 40 m arena

Novice	ACDS Novice B 2024
Intermediate	ACDS No.3
Open	ACDS Open No 1 V2.0 (August 2023)
Multiples	<u>FEI 3*A HP 4</u>



Dressage times will be sent prior to the event

<https://www.australiancarriagedrivingsociety.org/driven-dressage-tests/>

Entry Fee (including camping and all fees and levies): \$200.

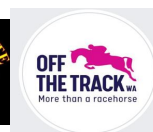
CHAMPIONSHIP ENTRY

Qualification for Championships

To qualify for a National Championship, an Athlete must complete, without elimination, one Level 3 or higher event within the previous three years with a single, if entering as a single, with a pair, if entering as a pair, or with a team/tandem, if entering a team/tandem.

Proof of this qualification must be provided by the competitor to the Organising Committee.

Entry Link- [On Line Entries Only](#)



Applicable rules:

The event will be conducted under the current Rules for ACDS Rules for Combined Driving Events (effective 1st January 2026) plus any additional conditions in this schedule including:

- Drivers must be full driving members of the ACDS
- The Organising Committee reserve the right to:
 - ✓ Alter the advertised time
 - ✓ Refuse entry, with/without stating reason/s
 - ✓ Request to sight height certificate
 - ✓ Reallocate a competitor to the appropriate class
 - ✓ Grading will be taken as at close of entries
- All horses competing must be ACDS registered.
- Minimum wheel widths apply — wheels will be measured.
- All horses must be presented at vet check in an open bitted bridle and have ACDS number attached to bridle.
- Entry fees are non-refundable after closing date. If a horse or driver is unable to attend due to sickness or accident, an application for refund may be considered by the Organising Committee on production of a medical or veterinary certificate. 30% of entry fees will be retained to cover costs. Requests for refund will not be considered after commencement of the event.

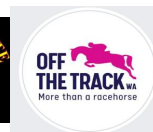
Catering:

- Friday night: Pot Luck. BYO to share
- Saturday night : BYO meat, and salad or sweet to share
- Sunday Night Official Event Dinner: \$45 pp

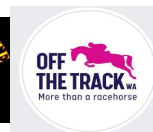
All other is self catering. Tea & Coffee available at the clubhouse. Please bring a cake, slice or biscuits to share for the table.

PROVISIONAL PROGRAM

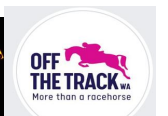
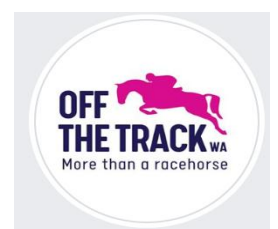
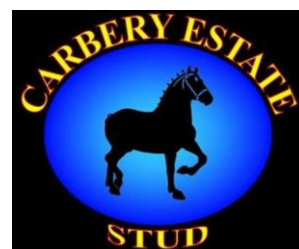
Friday 24 th April	
2.00 pm	Marathon course open for inspection.
6.30 pm	BYO share Meal at clubhouse



Saturday 25 th April	
8.00am	Close of Team entries
8.00 am	First Veterinary inspection.
9.00 am	Anzac memorial
11.30 am	Dressage
6.30 pm	Competitor briefing / Presentation of Dressage Awards
7.00 pm	Evening Meal BYO BBQ at clubhouse
Sunday 26 th April	
8.00 am	Marathon Stewards Briefing
9.30 am	Marathon
Approx 2 pm	Sausage Sizzle and thank you to marathon volunteers.
3pm	Cones course open unofficially
6.30 pm	Event Dinner at Dwellingup Hall Presentation of Marathon Awards
Monday 27 th April	
7.00 am-9.30 am	Cones Course officially open for walking
10.00 am	Cones Competition — Horse Inspection in Harness 30 minutes before individual start times.
2.00 pm (approx.)	Presentation of Cones and Overall Awards

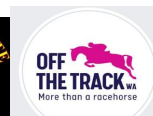


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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Entries	All entries will be on line only and must agree to all terms and conditions.
Arrival and Departure Date	No arrival at grounds prior to 23 rd April without prior arrangement with the event secretary. Departure by 28 th April.
Water	Murray Club have very limited water. Please wash horses prior to coming to the grounds. Horse wash down must be done with a bucket and sponge.
Electricity	Murray club relies on a generator for power. No power is available for personal use. The generator will be turned on for power to the clubhouse each evening and morning.
Vet Checks	All horses must be presented at vet check in an open, bitted bridle and have competitor number attached to bridle . Competitors/ handlers must be appropriately dressed.
Dressage	There will be a practice area available.
Marathon	The course will be 3 sections with a maximum distance of 18 kms, and up to 8 obstacles. The course is set within a bushland setting with the possibility of encountering native wildlife and cyclists. Section A and Transfer will not be open to motorised vehicles. Section B of the course will be open for inspection from 2pm on Friday 24 th April. Competitors will be able to drive motorised vehicles on Section B, subject to weather conditions. Section B is not to be inspected before 6 am or after 6pm. It is highly recommended that horses be shod or wearing hoof boots.
Stewarding	It is a condition of entry that you must nominate a steward helper for the event as well as be available to assist wherever possible. Nominated persons will be contacted to discuss duty allocation. Please advise of any further helpers available for the volunteer duty list.
Cones	The Cones will be driven as a fault competition. Course may contain a bridge and/or water. Cones course will be officially open for inspection between 7.00am- 9.30 am Monday 27th April. Competitors must be appropriately attired for the official course inspection.
Junior Persons (drivers /grooms/others) on Carriages	Any person on a carriage who is under 18 years of age must wear protective headgear in accordance with ACDS by-laws. Grooms for drivers under 16 must be an experienced driving ACDS member.
Team Competition	State Teams to be made up of two or three members from the one state. Club Teams to be made up of two or three members from the one club. The winning team is determined by adding together the scores of the two Athletes in each team with the lowest penalties in each Competition. Only the scores of those Team Members who have completed all three Competitions can be counted towards the final team scores. If there is an equality of scores on completion of the three Competitions, the Athlete with the least number of penalties in Marathon will be classified above the others. If there is still an equality of points, the scores in Dressage will be the deciding factor. Nominate 8am Saturday 25th April.



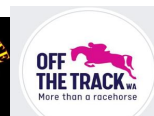
Awards	Rosettes awarded to placegetters (1 st —3 rd) in each competition and overall 1 st —3 rd place. Trophies will be awarded. The organisers take no responsibility for the loss of awards and/or prizes if recipients do not remain for the award ceremony (at the conclusion of the event). Competitors are expected to be appropriately dressed for awards ceremony.
Shirts	Official National CDE shirts will be available for purchase. Please order on the separate shirt order form . Only shirt orders received before 10 th March can be assured of requested size.
Catering SEE SEPARATE CATERING FORM	BYO. Self Catering. Pot Luck Dinner Friday evening. Evening BYO BBQ meal on Saturday. Event dinner on Sunday evening at the Dwellingup Hall. Bookings must be made with your entry or on the event dinner order form . BYO Drinks. No late bookings can be accepted. Tickets must be presented for the event dinner.
Camping	There are no powered sites. Generators are to be turned off at 9.30pm and only generators with a quiet motor are permitted. Beware of falling branches/ trees. Camping will be allocated. Please advise any preferences.
Showers & Toilets	Short personal showers are available when the generator is on or alternatively off site at the Dwellingup Tails and Visitor Information Centre facilities, in Dwellingup. Toilets are available at the Murray Club grounds.
Accommodation	For those not intending to camp, there are plenty of motels/Airbnb establishments within 10km radius. Please make your own arrangements.
Dogs	Dogs are allowed but must be kept on a leash at all times. No dogs in Club rooms at all or near competition or warm up areas. Please clean up after your dogs.
Yards	Yards will be available. Yards will be allocated on first entry basis.
Local Shops	Dwellingup has a small corner store and service station. There is a large shopping centre in Pinjarra 23km away. Dwellingup has coffee shops, cafes and a hotel. Dwellingup is extremely busy throughout long weekend periods.
Helmets	Helmets must be worn on all sections of the marathon and must comply with the ACDS by-law on helmets. If helmets are worn in other parts of the competition, they must comply with the ACDS by-law on helmets
Kangaroos / Wildlife	Dwellingup grounds has many types of wildlife throughout all sections of the marathon.
Hikers / Bike Riders	Dwellingup is very busy with mountain bike riders and hikers. Please be aware when driving your car or horse that bikers and / or hikers may be on the trails.

Murray Districts Carriage Driving Club and ACDS sincerely acknowledges the support and sponsorship from:

- Alcoa
- McKenzie transport
- Riviera Floats
- Duncan Equine
- Bear All Contracting
- Horseland Kelmscott
- Ovarit Jumps
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- Keysbrook Produce
- Off the Track

Please support our sponsors wherever possible and a thankyou would be appreciated.

With thanks to ACDS and ACDS WA for supporting this event.



Catering & Event Dinner Booking Form

Please note there will be no canteen. Self catering.

Tea and coffee will be available all weekend.

Please bring cakes, biscuits, slices, for the share table

Friday evening meal: Pot luck dinner. Bring something to share.

Saturday evening meal BBQ bring your own and a salad or sweet to share.

Sunday Event Dinner \$45 per person at Dwellingup Community Hall

Bookings essential for Sunday evening meal — tickets will be issued in Competitor Packs.

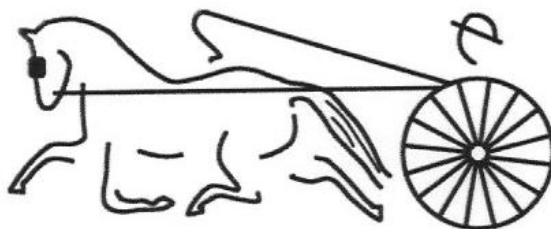
Club BBQs will be available for use all weekend.

Sunday Event Dinner Catering Order (if not included with an on line entry)		
Name	No. of people	COST @ \$45 pp
	TOTAL	

PLEASE ADVISE OF ANY SPECIAL DIETARY REQUIREMENTS WITH YOUR ORDER

Please use this form if not included in an event entry form. Payment with Entry or with this form to
MDCDC West Pac: BSB **736-176** Account number **070610**

Please include reference "your name Dinner". Email payment receipt with this form to eventsmdcdc@gmail.com



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