



CAMDEN HARNESS CLUB

ACDS 2026 GRADED DRIVEN DRESSAGE QUALIFIERS

Venue: Bicentennial Equestrian Park, Sheathers Lane, Camden.

Date: Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th May 2026

On behalf of the **NSW Branch of the ACDS**, **CAMDEN HARNESS CLUB** presents Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers for the 2026 State Graded Driven Dressage Championships.

Classes:

All Classes will be offered at the Qualifier/s.
Single and Multiple classes will be offered at each Graded Level.
Scheduled to commence at 9am on both days.

Level	Class		Test
Preliminary	1	Single	Preliminary AA
	2	Multiples	
Novice	3	Single	Novice BB 2019
	4	Multiples	
Elementary	5	Single	ACDS Elementary Test No2 2021
	6	Multiples	
Intermediate	7	Single	Intermediate 3B 2014
	8	Multiples	
Open	9	Single	ACDS test A 2021 vers. 2 ACDS open test No. 1
	10	Multiples	
Advanced	11	Single	FEI 3 *B HP1
	12	Multiple	FEI 3* HP4
Cones	15	Single	The cones competition is to be conducted according to the current 'Rules for Australian Carriage Driving Society Combined Driving Events', including use of groom(s). Horses MUST be at least four (4) years of age.
	16	Multiples	

[Press Ctrl and click here to enter](#)

Officials:

Event Manager: Charlotte Hyles Ph: 0412 120 685
Event Secretary: Lou Lyons Ph: 0417 684 508
Dressage Judges: Sue Plath Dot Wilcoxson
Yvonne Wood + TBA
Cones Judge: Carol Fitzpatrick
Scorer: Greg and Alison McDonald

General Information:

ENTRY FEE: \$40 per day, includes cones or \$70 for both days.
PRIZES : Certificates and Prizes for every class.

Dress/Attire: Presentation is not scored. Approved safety helmets and body protectors may be worn.

Catering: **FREE** Tea & Coffee will be available all weekend.
Camden has many coffee and food outlets.

Camping: Is available – power, hot showers etc. and **MUST** be pre-booked
Camping \$24/site/night. Book through the entry form.

Yards: Are available at \$5.20/horse/day. Must be booked in advance through
the entry form, and yards must be left clean of manure. **OR** BYO yard.

Dogs: Dogs are allowed but **MUST** be restrained/controlled at ALL times. No
dogs are permitted in the arenas. Any dog owner who does not abide
by these rules will be asked to leave the venue. (Entry money will not
be refunded.)

Cancellation of Event: If the event is cancelled, all monies will be refunded.

[Press Ctrl and click here to enter](#)

ACDS 2025/6 GRADED DRIVEN DRESSAGE QUALIFIERS

Conditions of Entry

1. This event will be conducted according to the current ACDS Graded Driven Dressage Rule Book and Guidelines, including State variations.
2. All horses/ponies competing at Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers must be ACDS registered. Non-ACDS drivers competing under a One Activity Membership may drive an unregistered horse, however, that horse is not eligible for grading points, qualification for GDD Championships or for any awards at any GDDQ events.
3. At Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers, each horse must compete in two (2) tests (as listed in the schedule) at the horse's graded level OR one test at their graded level & one test at the level immediately above. Multiples will be graded for each combination. Grading is taken as of the date of the close of entries. Drivers should check the ACDS National GDD Grading List to ensure that the horse is entered at its correct level. <https://www.australiancarriagedrivingsociety.org>
4. **CDE grading does not apply to horses in this competition.**
5. Subject to Organising Committee approval, competitors may drive more than one combination in the same class.
6. Drivers, passengers and grooms under 18 years **MUST** wear an approved helmet. For all other drivers, grooms, safety helmets, and body protectors may be worn.
7. **Any helmets/protective headgear worn at this event** must conform to ACDS By-law 14.10. and be securely fastened.
8. Official judges must be ACDS members or judges approved by the ACDS. All Competitors **MUST** be members of the ACDS. ACDS One Activity Membership is available at an additional cost of \$30.00 per day for non-members for DRESSAGE TESTS ONLY (No Cones).
9. Singles and Multiples will have separate classes at each level.
10. *Only horses on the entry form are permitted to attend*, unless prior approval has been received from the Organising Committee.
11. Grooms are optional for adult drivers in all Single dressage classes. Pairs and tandems – One (1) groom, Four-in-hand – Two (2) grooms.
12. Junior Drivers – as per the current ACDS By-Law 14.7. Junior drivers aged 6-7 inclusive must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (an experienced driving person) seated alongside at all times and holding a second pair of reins attached to the bit. Junior drivers aged 8-15 years inclusive must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (an experienced driver) who must be facing forward. Junior Drivers under 18 are not allowed to drive Stallions at ACDS events. Junior Multiple Drivers aged 16-17 years inclusive may drive a tandem or pair or team of ponies, and they must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (an experienced driving person). A Junior Driver cannot drive a horse multiple (pair, tandem, four in-hand) until they turn 18 years of age.
13. Awards for Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers are at the discretion of the event organisers.
14. It is the responsibility of each competitor to inspect their vehicle and equipment to ensure that it is safe to proceed with the day's activities. All drivers compete at their own risk.
15. Safety Rules must be adhered to.
16. Competitors are aware of and agree to pay the current excess that applies to any insurance claim, which may arise from their participation in this event.
17. The organisers have the right to alter any advertised times, refuse any entry with or without stating the reason, or re-allocate a horse or pony to the appropriate class.
18. **Parents are responsible for their children at this event.**
19. **RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED.**
20. **Declaration form MUST be completed with the Entry Form.**

Checklist:-

- Have you filled in the Entry with horse registration and member number?**
- Have you paid and included the receipt number of the payment?**
- Have you signed the declaration on the entry form?**