

Camden Harness Club

Oz-Trec 2024

Hi Everyone,

It's nearly Oz-Trec time and we thought we would just touch base and explain a few things before the event.

STAGE ONE:

Please present at your allocated time at the "Pre-Drive Check Point". Here you will be assessed for safety, harness check, flouro anything you can think of, as well as halter, lead rope, bribes for stewards, more flouro before commencing Stage 2.

STAGE TWO:

Move to the "Cross Country Course Start". Here you will be given directions of when to begin the approx.. 3km course and your start time will be recorded. There will be "ideal times" posted on the BBQ area wall and you have points deducted for time over and time under. You have a minute either side of the "ideal time" before penalties are imposed. Please remember that these deductions are very generous. It's not a race around this section but more of a chance to get a feel of how far your equine moves at a trot and is great practice for anyone who does, or is thinking, of competing in a CDE at some stage. Present to the "Timekeeper" to get your course finish time recorded.

1 km will be marked on the course. The final 500m will be marked and the final 300m must be walked only. No stopping, deviating or trotting. This will result in penalties.

STAGE THREE:

Move onto the "Activities Section". This section is not timed but there is a limit of TWO attempts before you will be asked, by the Scorer, to move on to the next activity. This help prevent a backlog of drivers behind you and helps with the safe, smooth running of the event.

You will find attached the set of diagrams of each "Activity" you will encounter around the course so please take the opportunity to familiarise yourself with each one.

There will be a printout of how they are scored on display but please remember, they are broken down into sections and for most you will receive points just to trying. THERE IS NO ELIMINATION. If you find something that you need to bypass, don't be discouraged as you are still in the competition.

There will be a call out at the end of the of the day for helpers. It would be greatly appreciated if we could have some helpers to pack up the gear.

Just a reminder:

Flouro and more flouro is encouraged but is optional. There will be a prize for the most "flouro bling" that you can manage.

Bribes – it's a tradition that drivers present the wonderful volunteers with "Bribes" as you go along i.e. lollies, chocolates, home baked biscuits, etc. Again, this is purely optional but a wonderful way to say thank you to those who run the event.

Lunch is provided as is tea and coffee throughout the day.

Any questions, please feel free to email Lou Lyons at camdenharnessclub@gmail.com or Danni Katon at dp.katon@gmail.com