



SCHEDULE AND ENTRY

Freestyle Dressage to Music

In conjunction with 2024 NSW Graded Driven Dressage Championships on Saturday 12th October 2024

Venue: Hawkesbury Showground – Racecourse Road, Clarendon NSW
Event Date: Sunday 13th October 2024

*Hawkesbury Carriage Driving Club and Hunter Horse Driving Society present
 “Freestyle Dressage to Music”.*

Definitions:

Single: ONE individual pony or horse driven by an individual driver

Multiple: ONE Pair, Tandem or Team of ponies or horses being driven by an individual driver.

Pas De Deux (Dance for two): TWO individual drivers in the arena at the same time being judged as group (driving either single pony/horse or multiples of ponies/horses), usually but not always, driving a mirror image test.

Classes

Level	Class		Test
Single	1	Single Pony or Horse	Freestyle to Music
Multiple	2	Multiple of Ponies or Horses	
Pas De Deux (Dance for two)	3	Group of Single Ponies or Horses	
	4	Group of Multiples of Ponies or Horse	
Cones	5	Pony ne 11h	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).
	6	Pony over 11hh ne 14hh	
	7	Horse over 14hh	
	8	Pony or Horse Pair	
	18	Pony or Horse Tandem	

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All entries will be via the online entry form link:

<https://www.cognitofrms.com/HCDC1/EntryFormDressageToMusicSunday13thOct2024>

Entry and Fees: **Single or Multiple (classes 1 & 2) - \$60.00 per entry**
 Pas De Deux (classes 3 & 4) - \$30.00 per driver per entry

Includes 1 dressage tests and 1 timed cone course.

Entries Close: 9pm Sunday 6th October 2024

Officials:

Event Manager Ally Fraser

Event Secretary: Kim Schumacher 0433 777 763

Dressage Judges: Cheryl Dowling VIC (Advanced)
 Dot Wilcoxson NSW (Advanced)

Cones Judge: Tom Dowling VIC

Scorer: Shannon Toomey and Kim Schumacher

General Information

Dress/Attire: ***BEST PRESENTED AWARD will be given.*** A whip, gloves, hat or helmet and jacket are compulsory, and a more formal attire is expected. Approved safety helmets and body protectors may be worn.

Champion: There will be a Champion and Reserve Champion.

Awards: Sashes or Rosettes will be awarded to 1st thru 3rd place or higher, if warranted, in each Class. Champion and Reserve Champion Sashes or Rosettes will be awarded at each level.

Catering: KD's Coffee & Treats Van will be onsite all weekend with hot and cold beverages, snacks and light meals.

Camping: Camping is available – power/showers etc. and **MUST** be pre-booked. Please contact Hawkesbury Show Society directly via the attached camping and stabling form
Camping - \$25.00 per night
Stabling \$25.00 per day (6pm to 5pm day of booking).

Dogs: **Dogs are Not permitted** at this venue unless a trained assistance dog. Any dog owner that does not abide by these rules will be asked to leave the venue. (Entry

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Conditions of Entry

1. This event will be conducted according to the current ACDS Graded Driven Dressage Rule Book and Guidelines dated 1 January 2023 (**1 January, 2023 Version 3.0**) including State variations.
2. All competitors **MUST** be members of the ACDS. All judges must be selected from the ACDS judge's list, one of which must be an Advanced Judge. (Refer 12.2.2 page 20).
3. Singles and Multiples will have separate classes.
4. Subject to Organizing Committee approval, competitors may drive more than one combination in the same class.
5. **Awards:** Sashes/Rosettes will be awarded for each class and will have a Champion and Reserve Champion for both Single and Multiples. The Champion in each level is the horse with the highest score. Awards will be given to third (3rd) place (more if class entry numbers warrant) at each level.
6. **BEST PRESENTED AWARD** will be given. More formal attire is expected for this event. Drivers and Grooms under 18 **MUST** wear an approved helmet. Safety helmets and body protectors may be worn.
7. Grooms are optional for Adult Drivers in Single driven dressage classes. Pairs and tandems – one (1) groom, four-in-hand – two (2) grooms.
8. Junior Drivers – as per the current ACDS By-Laws. 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 driving person) 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.
9. Safety Rules must be adhered to.
10. Helmets are not compulsory in Graded Driven Dressage, other than for Drivers/Grooms under the age of 18. Helmets must comply with the current ACDS By-Law. For all other drivers, grooms, safety helmets and body protectors may be worn.
11. 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 and grooms compete at their own risk.
12. 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.

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13. 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.
14. Only horses on the entry form are permitted to attend, unless prior approval has been received from the Organising Committee.
15. **No fully completed forms NO ENTRY.**
16. **Parents are responsible for their children at this event.**
17. **RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED.**
18. Use of copyrighted music with appropriate licenses is entirely at the risk of the competitor. Attached documents outlines laws in Australia regarding the use of copyrighted music for performances.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION DECLARATION:

Please read carefully:

Any person causing a claim to be made against the ACDS Insurance Policy is personally liable for the excess amount in full as determined by the Insurance Policy at the time of the incident. I/We agree to abide by and adhere to the rules and the by-laws of the Australian Carriage Driving Society and all conditions of entry as stated in the Event Schedule incorporating the relevant State variations. All Competitors and Grooms compete at their own risk; neither the ACDS nor their appointed officials accept any liability for any accident, theft, illness or damage to horses, drivers, grooms or any person whatsoever. All competitors, by entering this event, agree to be bound by this regulation.

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