



SOUTHERN HIGHLANDS CARRAGE CLUB INC.

ACDS 2026 GRADED DRIVEN DRESSAGE QUALIFIERS

Venue: SHCC Grounds, Quarry Rd., Bundanoon

Date: 27th & 28th JUNE, 2026

On behalf of the **NSW** Branch of the ACDS, **SHCC** 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 9.00am on both days.

Level	Class		Test
Preliminary	1	Single	ACDS Preliminary AA
	2	Multiples	
Novice	3	Single	ACDS Novice BB - 2019
	4	Multiples	
Elementary	5	Single	ACDS Elementary No. 2 - 2021
	6	Multiples	
Intermediate	7	Single	ACDS 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 FEI 3* HP4
	12	Multiples	
Cones	13	Single	The Cones competition will be conducted according to the current 'Rules for ACDS CDE Events' including use of Groom(s). Horses MUST be at least Four (4) years of age.D
	14	Multiples	

ENTRIES CLOSE: Saturday, 20th June, 2026 at 5.00pm

Indemnity – Neither the Australian Carriage Driving Society (ACDS); NSW Branch of the ACDS, SHCC, Wingecarribee Shire Council, the Officials/Organising Committee, or their appointed officials accept any liability for any accident, theft or illness to horses, drivers & grooms, or any person or property whatsoever, in connection with this event.

Officials:

Event Manager: Kirstin Feddersen
Event Secretary: Yvonne Wood - Mobile: 0497 603 424
Dressage Judges: Nola Robertson - Belinda Casper
Cones Judge: TBA
Scorer: TBA

General Information

ENTRY FEE: \$40.00 per day, includes Cones, or \$70.00 for both days.
PRIZES: Ribbons for every Class.

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

Catering: FREE Tea/coffee. Drinks and light refreshments will be available for purchase.

Camping: Powered sites - \$8.00 per night, Non-Powered - \$5.00 per night.

Yards: Yards are FREE.

Dogs: Dogs are allowed but **MUST** be restrained/controlled at ALL times. **No Dogs are permitted in the Arena.** Any dog owner who does not **Abide by these Rules will be asked to leave the Venue.** (Entry Fee will not be refunded).

Weather Policy: If cancellation of the Event is due to extreme weather, all competitors will be informed via SHCC's Facebook page, and via individual's Email. Notice will be given 24 hours prior to the Event. All monies will be refunded.

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Conditions of Entry

1. This event will be conducted according to the Graded Driven Dressage Rule Book and Guidelines of the ACDS 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 per each combination. Grading is taken as at the date of 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 suitable for Equestrian sport worn at this event**, must be securely fastened and conform to ACDS By-law 14.10.
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 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 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, pair or team of ponies and they must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (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.**
No FULLY completed form – NO ENTRY

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Declaration:

Please read carefully before signing the Entry Form:

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.

Competitor's Signature: _____ Date: _____

Parent / Guardian name if competitor is a Junior: _____

Parent / Guardian Signature: _____
(Parent/Guardian must sign if the Driver is a Junior)

PAYMENT:

Please make cheques payable to **Southern Highlands Carriage Club, P.O. Box 862, Bowral, NSW 2578**

OR Direct Deposit to **Southern Highlands Carriage Club**
ANZ – BSB: 012 547
ACC: 482 071 097

Note: This Entry must be accompanied by the fully completed Competitor Details and Declaration Form.

PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS IN THE EVENT A REFUND IS REQUIRED DUE TO WEATHER CONDITIONS.

Account Name:

BSB: ACCOUNT No.....

NOTE: