

# PETstock 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

15 - 19 APRIL 2023 WERRIBEE PARK NATIONAL EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

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# **2023 COMPETITION SCHEDULE**

ENTRIES OPEN: WEDNESDAY IST FEBRUARY 2023 7:00PM ENTRIES CLOSE: TUESDAY 28TH FEBRUARY 2023 12:00PM PARTICIPATION PERIOD CLOSES 26TH MARCH 2023

EVENT WEBSITE: WWW.ISVCHAMPS.ORG.AU ENTER ONLINE ONLY: WWW.EVENTSECRETARY.COM.AU/EQUESTRIAN ENTRY ONLY ENQUIRIES TO: OFFICE@EVENTSECRETRAY.COM.AU EVENT ENQUIRIES TO: ISV@EQUESTRIANVICTORIA.COM.AU



# WELCOME TO THE PETSTOCK 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS!

The 2023 competition has some key features:

- ♦ All Equestrian Victoria Interschool competitions are governed under Victoria's Child Safe Legislation and Equestrian Australia's Child Safeguarding Policy. It is expected all competitors, parents, judges, volunteers, and any engaged services to participate under these guidelines.
- ◆ All EA and EV events are subject to the EA Code of Conduct (Code of Conduct). The Code of Conduct can be accessed on the EA website via the following link <a href="http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/Equestrian\_Australia\_Code\_of\_Conduct.pdf">http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/Equestrian\_Australia\_Code\_of\_Conduct.pdf</a>
- It is important that all members understand that the Code of Conduct also covers parents, guardians, and spectators in respect of any activity held or sanctioned by EV or an EA state branch. A key aim of the Code of Conduct is to respect the rights of everyone involved, to abide by all EA rules and requirements, to be fair, considerate, honest and professional in all aspects of the sport.
- ◆ Saturday is our Rider Welcome BBQ. There will be no charge for the riders. Thank you to our wonderful sponsor AE Equestrian and Farming Products.
- The Dog Jump event will be back on the Tuesday. So don't forget to bring that very important member along as well! Remember dogs must be kept on leads and out of horse areas including the indoor.
- ♦ A Movie Night will take place on the Monday night. The choice of movie will be determined closer to the event.
- ◆ All awards including the champion School Team and the Nan Macarthur individual awards will be presented on Wednesday afternoon at the closing presentations. We ideally would love to see as many of you as possible stay for these prestigious awards.
- Please check the dates and timetable for events in the schedule before entering keeping in mind the welfare of both the horse and rider when competing in multiple events on the same day.
- ◆ Participation qualification Each rider/horse combination must have participated at an ISV calendared Interschool event since the 14th April 2022 up to, and including, 26th March 2023. You do not have to have competed in a specific discipline or achieve qualifying scores. Combinations with no participation qualification and an extraordinary reason for this may apply to the ISV Committee by close of entry isv@equestrianvictoria.com.au
- ♦ All riders must be current members of Equestrian Victoria. <u>https://www.vic.equestrian.org.au/become-member</u>
- Please read the General Rules and Conditions before you enter. It is each rider's responsibility to know the discipline rules.
- ♦ An entry confirmation will be communicated with a further email to all entrants just prior to the close of entry. It is vital these details are checked as there will be no changes made (to classes, names, horses etc.) after the close of entries.
- The Committee has aimed to maintain entry costs at 2022 levels.
- Stabling and camping bookings will be made online at the time of entry and will only be available for the duration of the show in a block entry price, i.e. 5 nights. Stables and powered camping are limited and taken in entry order. Stables can only be booked for the horses you are entering and cannot be booked for others. Private arrangements may be made to share stables. Yards and unpowered camping in designated areas will be free.



- The event app may assist in the sharing of stables and powered camp sites. This is up to the entrants to organise and manage.
- ◆ Volunteers are crucial to the running of this event. The option for riders to pay \$50, at time of entry, to eliminate the need for them to volunteer will be offered. This payment will then be used to subsidize the cost of paid volunteers. Events simply cannot run without the assistance of volunteers.
- ♦ The event is aiming, where possible, to allow good surfaces for everybody. Please refer to the classes schedule for details.
- ♦ Gear checking will be conducted by EA stewards throughout the event. EA helmet tagging rules apply to Dressage, Jumping, Combined Training and Sporting Horse. Tagging will be available at the event.
- The 2023 Australian Interschool Championships will be run at WPNEC from 28th September to 2nd October.
- Event Merchandise Unique event merchandise for the PETstock 2023 Equestrian Victoria Interschool State Championships will be available for purchase prior to and during the event. It may be directly purchased by the competitor online via <u>https://www.twentyfourseven.net.au/</u>
- Further details on merchandise opening dates will be communicated in due course.

We are excited to welcome you to the PETstock 2023 Equestrian Victoria Interschool State Championships. We hope you have a great time catching up with friends, enjoying your horses, and representing your school.

#### AMY SLAYTER – Event Director

On behalf of the PETstock 2023 Equestrian Victoria Interschool State Championships committee

> "Equestrian Victoria acknowledges the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples of this nation. We acknowledge the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which we are located and where we conduct our sport. We are committed to a positive future for the Aboriginal Community."





SATURDAY 15 April				SUNDAY 16 APRIL				
JUMPING		SPORTING HORSE		SATURDAY EVENING RIDER WELCOME BBQ	JUMPING DRESSAGE		COMBINED TRAINING	
<ul> <li>Secondary Phase 1</li> <li>Primary Phase 1</li> <li>Primary Phase 2</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Primary Bending</li> <li>Primary Barrel Racing</li> <li>Intermediate Bending</li> <li>Intermediate Barrel Racing</li> <li>Senior Bending</li> <li>Senior Barrel Racing</li> </ul>			<ul> <li>Secondary Phase 2 Primary Phase 3</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>◆ Preparatory 1 &amp; 3</li> <li>◆ Primary Preliminary 2 &amp; 3</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>♦ Secondary CT Dressage</li> <li>♦ Secondary CT Jumping</li> </ul>	
					SUNDAY AFTERNOON DOG JUMP			
	MONDAY 17 APRIL				TUESDAY 18 APRIL			
JUMPING			DRESSAGE (2023 TESTS)		DRESSAGE			
Secondary Phase 3			<ul> <li>Intermediate Preliminary 2 &amp; 3</li> <li>Senior Preliminary 2 &amp; 3</li> </ul>	MONDAY EVENING MOVIE NIGHT	<ul> <li>Primary Novice 2 &amp; 3</li> <li>Intermediate Novice 2 &amp; 3</li> <li>Senior Novice 2 &amp; 3</li> <li>Secondary Medium 2 &amp; 3</li> <li>Secondary PSG</li> </ul>			
		WEDNESD	AY 19 APRIL					
DRESSAGE (2023 TESTS)SHOW HORSE• Secondary Elementary 2 & 3• Primary Show Horse• Secondary Advanced 2 & 3• Primary Show Hunter• Secondary Inter 1• Primary Working Hunter• Intermediate Show Horse• Intermediate Show Hunter• Intermediate Show Hunter• Intermediate Working Hunter• Senior Show Horse• Senior Show Hunter• Senior Show Hunter• Senior Show Hunter• Senior Show Hunter• Senior Working Hunter			WEDNESDAY FINAL PRESENTATION Nan McArthur Individual Award Presentations Team Award Presentations	Timetable may be subject to change. Please be aware when entering classes, entries may be refunded if too many classes are entered in one day				

# **SUMMARY OF FEES**

DRESSAGE Championships Classes	<b>\$80 per level</b> One level includes two dressage tests.
	Riders are permitted to enter two consecutive levels per combination excluding Preparatory.
Secondary PSG	\$40 per Test
Secondary Inter 1	\$40 per Test
COMBINED TRAINING	<b>\$80 per class</b> One class includes a dressage test and jumping round. Riders are only permitted to compete in one class per combination.
JUMPING	<b>\$80 per height class</b> One height class includes 3 jumping phases. Riders are only permitted to enter one height class only per combination.
SHOW HORSE	<b>\$80 per class</b> One class includes 3 phases. Riders are only permitted to compete in one class only per combination. The combination must choose between Show Horse, Show Hunter, or Working Hunter.
SPORTING HORSE	\$20 per class
CAMPING	<b>\$150 for the duration of the event. Limited sites.</b> All campsites allocated will have access to power. Camping is priced as a block charge for the duration of the event. Unpowered camping is free. You must indicate if you are camping.
STABLES	<b>\$330 for the duration of the event.</b> Stables are priced as a block charge for the duration of the event. Pricing includes start up shavings and cleaning fee. Stables will be available as advertised under Arrival Times.
YARDS	<b>Free</b> For competitors not wanting to book stables, yards will be available.
EXTRA BEDDING	<b>\$13.50 per bale</b> Bale of Shavings – to be booked with WPNEC directly.
FACILITY FEE	<b>\$16.00 per horse per day</b> . Daily charge per horse
	Medical – \$25.00 per rider
ADMIN & MEDICAL	<b>Admin – \$50 per rider</b> Once off charge
NON-VOLUNTEERING	<b>\$50 per rider</b> Once off charge per rider for competitors not wishing to volunteer.
WELCOME BBQ	Free Riders to register dinner attendance numbers at time of entry for catering purposes.



# **ORGANISING COMMITTEE**

#### PETSTOCK 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS CONTACTS

Event hosted by Equestrian Victoria P.O. Box 616 Werribee Vic 3030 Ph: 9013 0707

Event Website: isvchamps.org.au

**Event Director** – Amy Slayter CEO Equestrian Victoria Email: <u>isv@equestrianvictoria.com.au</u>

Event Secretary – Jamie Harding Email: <u>isv@equestrianvictoria.com.au</u>

Entry ONLY Enquiries/SCRATCHINGS – Event Secretary Email: <u>office@eventsecretary.com.au</u>

All other event enquiries to be directed to email: isv@equestrianvictoria.com.au Event Technical Delegate – Deb MacNicol

Dressage Coordinator – Moya Jess

**Combined Training Coordinator** – Michelle Heagney

Jumping Coordinator – Paula Binnie

Show Horse Coordinator – Keeley Thomas & Susan Bufton

Sporting Horse Coordinator – Matt Burns

Volunteer Coordinator – Sarah Dyson

Risk Management – EV Office

**Child Safe Officers** – Eliza Harvey & Julia Williams

Presentations & Prizes – Mary-Anne McPherson

Event Administration and Scheduling – Julia Williams (juliaw@toorakc.vic.edu.au)

Social Functions – Fatima Malkoc

Sponsorships & Trade Village – EV Office

Medical Response and First Aid – Race Day Medical



# **GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY**

**ENTRIES** – 2023 entries will be ONLY accepted online via Event Secretary at <u>https://eventsecretary.com.au/</u> Please do not leave entries to the last minute. If it is necessary to cap entries, entries will be accepted in order of date received

**CLOSE OF ENTRIES** – Entries close 12pm Tuesday 28th February 2023. No late entries will be accepted. To be eligible to participate in this event you must be a current EV Competitive member or current member of an EA state branch. You must also satisfy any further membership or registration requirements referred to in the General Conditions of Entry for the event and individual disciplines.

**ORGANISING COMMITTEE** – The Organising Committee may at its absolute discretion, decline to receive any entry or return any fee without being liable for any compensation: General Regulation, Article 116.11. The Organising Committee's decision in relation to any entry for the event shall be final and binding.

**EVENT CANCELLATION, POSTPONEMENT AND REFUND** – **Event Cancellation/Postponement Policy**: EV or the Organising Committee, at its/their absolute discretion, may cancel the event at any time due to force majeure (e.g. threatened or abnormal weather conditions including fire, storm or flood), pandemic restrictions, health or safety concerns or any event beyond their reasonable control. In the event of cancellation, EV or the Organising Committee will notify each entrant (if any) at the earliest possible opportunity. Entrants who have provided an email address and/or mobile phone number with their entry form will be notified by email and/or text message. If the event is cancelled prior to commencement any refund will be determined at the absolute discretion of Equestrian Victoria in consultation with the Organising Committee having regard to its/their direct or fixed costs expenses incurred or payable by reason of the cancellation. Event creditors and suppliers with legitimate claims will be paid prior to any refunds being made to competitors. If the event is cancelled after it has commenced there will be no refund.

**Postponement**: If the event is postponed, prior to commencement or during the event, for whatever reason, any refund will be determined at the absolute discretion of Equestrian Victoria, having regard to the direct or fixed costs for the event. If the event is postponed after it has commenced there will be no refunds.

**REFUND POLICY AND SCRATCHINGS** – Scratchings will only be accepted in writing to office@eventsecretary.com.au

- Withdrawal of entries prior to the close of entries will have a refund of entry fees less a \$50 administration fee.
- ♦ Refunds for scratching after the close of entries will have a 50% refund of entry fees less a \$50 administration fee. This must be accompanied by a veterinary or medical certificate (certificates must be received by 5pm Friday 21st April 2023). Requests for refunds of camping and stabling costs will be at their discretion of the Organising Committee.
- ♦ A substitution can only be made within 3 weeks of close of entry subject to the substituted horse/rider being qualified to compete.
- ◆ Application to substitute a horse must be made to the ISV committee isv@equestrianvictoria.com.au
- There will be no refund of any event fees after the commencement of the event.

**RELEASE AND INDEMNITY** – You acknowledge that horse riding, working with or being around horses can be dangerous. Horses can act in sudden and unpredictable ways, especially if frightened or hurt. Consequently, there is a real risk of damage to property, serious injury or even death. In consideration of acceptance of your entry and participation in the event you agree to release and forever discharge EA, EV, their servants and agents and the Organising Committee and each member thereof from all claims, proceedings or demands for any loss or damage howsoever arising from any accident or incident occurring at the event.

In consideration of acceptance of your entry and participation in the event, you agree to indemnify and keep indemnified EA, EV, their servants and agents and the Organising Committee and each member thereof against all claims, proceedings or demands brought by or on behalf of any participant or competitor named in your entry form for any loss or damage howsoever arising from any accident or incident occurring at the event.

**IMAGE CONSENT** – When you enter this event you will be asked whether you give your consent to EV to copy or reproduce images of the rider you represent or yourself as EV may determine, without acknowledgment of yourself



and without your entitlement to any remuneration or compensation now or in the future. The images may be used by EV in multimedia productions, publications, brochures and on the website to promote a range of initiatives for EV. EV agrees not to use any image that may be deemed adverse, or defamatory to the person entering this event. Any restrictions or special circumstances, in regard to a competitor must be noted on entry, to enable the Organising Committee to inform any official photographers prior to the commencement of competition.

It is imperative to note that you cannot take images and post publicly of other children without explicit consent.

**COVID-19 GUIDELINES/PROTOCOLS** – Any COVID-19 guidelines and protocols applicable at the time of the event will be available on the event website and communicated prior to the event. By entering this event you agree to abide by COVID-19 rules in effect at time of event. All persons attending the event will be expected to familiarise themselves with these rules before attending.

**RIDERS WITH A DISABILITY** – This event is open to all riders from all schools. EA wants to create opportunities for all people with physical or visual impairments to compete and achieve their goals in equestrian sport. PLEASE NOTE: - EA Dressage rules exist whereby exemption cards must be obtained (for Dressage classes only) to enable riders with a disability to compete on equal terms. Please review the rules regarding Dressage Exemptions to understand the requirements which can be found on the EA website. Please also read these in conjunction with the current EA Dressage rules in effect at the time of entering. If you are entering a rider with a physical or visual impairment who requires assistance at the event, we ask this is communicated at time of entry.

**ENTRIES** – All competitors should enter as individuals. A school contact email must be supplied by all entrants to confirm they are endorsed by the school. All riders from the same school are considered to be in that school team. At time of entry all riders must enter the school name in the correct format. The top four individual rider's scores for each school are considered for the team aggregate score. No composite teams are allowed. If a rider has two horses, then each is treated as a separate combination for point scoring and only one may count in the top 4 riders for the school points. When schools do not have a team, riders compete as individuals. School uniform rules apply to individuals as well as teams. Individual riders are able to qualify for the Australian Interschool Championships.

A Receipt of Entry will be communicated. Please check all your entry details on the receipt you receive back from Event Secretary. Errors in names, use of capital letters, email addresses, dates of birth etc. all require considerable time to correct, so please ensure your entries are accurate.

**EVIDENCE OF PARTICIPATION TO ENTER STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS** – The PETstock 2023 Equestrian Victoria Interschool State Championships require the rider/horse combination to have participated in an ISV calendared Interschool event since 15th April 2022 up to and including 26th March 2023. Entries without a participation event or intent to compete within the qualifying period, will be waitlisted. Riders entering with incorrect details may have their entries returned less the \$50 administration fee. All participation events are checked. Combinations with no participation qualification, and an extraordinary reason for this, may apply to the ISV Committee by close of entry (isv@equestrianvictoria.com.au)

**HORSES** – All horses and ponies must be four (4) years of age or over at the time of nomination, based on 1st August birthdate. Stallions are NOT permitted at ANY Interschool Event as per the EA National Interschool rules. A rider may nominate to compete with up to three (3) horses at State Championships. Riders need to be aware this may cause schedule clashes that cannot be resolved. Parents are also reminded to consider child and animal welfare when entering classes. Horses can only compete as one rider and horse combination.

**NUMBER OF CLASSES RIDES MAY ENTER** – Riders entering classes MUST bear in mind the welfare of the rider, horse and the relevant EA rules for the discipline relating to number of starts per day. Riders are only allowed to enter two consecutive Dressage levels on the same horse e.g. Prelim/Novice, Novice/Elem etc. Riders in Show Jumping may only enter one height class per horse. Show Horse riders must choose to compete in one section: Show Horse, Show Hunter or Working Hunter. Combined Training riders may only compete in one class per combination.

**RESTRICTIONS – PREPARATORY DRESSAGE** – Riders in these classes may participate only in Preparatory Dressage, 35cm Combined Training, Sporting Horse, Showing excluding Primary Working Hunter. They may not participate in another dressage level or jumping height on any other combination. Riders in Combined Training 35cm and not Preparatory may compete in SJ45cm and any other applicable Primary class. Riders cannot compete in both Preparatory and Preliminary Dressage. Please note that entries will be checked for compliance



Preparatory tests are for children in primary school, who are beginners and inexperienced riders. There is no age restriction. Please do not enter these classes if the rider:

- ♦ Has ever competed in jumping classes with starting height above 45cm
- ♦ Competes regularly and independently in showing classes
- Placed 1st-6th in Preparatory Dressage or a Showing class at any Interschool State Championship or attained a Championship or Reserve Championship in the VEIS Series in Preparatory

**CLASS DEFINITIONS** – All riders must be enrolled in a registered primary or secondary educational institution. Primary competition is restricted to athletes up to and including Grade/Year 6. Secondary competition is for those students who are in Years 7-12. Intermediate is for athletes in Year 7, 8 and 9. Senior is for those athletes in Year 10, 11 and 12.

Senior and Intermediate divisions offered in Dressage, Show Jumping, Show Horse and Sporting Horse.

**OBJECTIONS AND DISPUTES** – No competitors or parents are to directly approach any judges, stewards, course designers or any other officials or volunteers before, during or after the competition with disputes or complaints. Objections must be made in writing to the Organising Committee within thirty (30) minutes of completion of the class giving rise to the objection. A formal protest requires a deposit of \$200.00 that will be forfeited unless the objection is upheld. All protests must be made through the office to be forwarded to the Ground Jury and the decision of the Jury will be final and no other discussions will be entered into. General questions can be asked through the Event Office in relation to errors in results or in relation to the running of the event. We understand that when there is an objection or protest that this is very stressful time for parents, competitors and officials. Please be patient and respectful during this process.

**COMPETITION ORDER AND SAFETY MEASURES** – In order to ensure that the event runs as close to schedule as possible, we will need the cooperation of all parents and guardians to make sure riders are on time for their classes. Allocated rider times may vary slightly, but the final draw order will not. Stewards and officials are present to help the event run smoothly and on time. For the safety of competitors and spectators, you must obey any directions given by a steward or official.

**FIRST AID** – This event will have onsite at all times whilst competitions are underway, a qualified paramedic and additional qualified first aid personnel relevant to numbers quota on the grounds. Any attendees with severe medical alerts should include details on entry to enable medical personnel to be informed.

**SWABBING/MEDICATION CONTROL** – The use of prohibited substances in participating horses is not tolerated and riders must be aware that swabbing of horses may occur at random and will be conducted at this event. Any competitor requested by an official steward to attend for sample testing must present to the official Veterinary Surgeon as directed. Parents/Guardians are responsible for compliance.

**ALCOHOL** – As this is a sporting event for under age athletes, adults please be mindful of the example you are setting. Any rider under 18 years of age drinking alcohol will be eliminated from the event. It is also an offence to supply alcohol to under age persons and will result in the rider being eliminated.



# **SCORING**

**CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS** – Each phase/test in a class will have 35 points allocated from 1st receiving 35 points down to 35th receiving 1 point. If there are more than 35 riders in a class, they receive no points beyond 35th place.

Championships will be placed 1st to 6th and will be based on the points earned across the phases/tests in a class e.g. Points earned in both Novice Dressage tests are added together to determine the Championship. If you enter Show Jumping and jump in 3 phases you will receive the points for every phase where a rider places 1st to 35th. Championships are awarded only where an athlete has completed all phases of a class without elimination or disqualification.

Equality in class placings will be resolved for places 1st to 6th. If equality cannot be resolved, riders will be awarded equal placing and share points. For example, one rider may be awarded 6th place and receive 30 points, two riders may be awarded 7th place so each will be awarded 28.5 points, then the next placed rider would be awarded 9th and 27 points.

**INDIVIDUAL RIDER AND SCHOOL POINTS' ALLOCATION** – The individual rider points are determined by accumulating only the best 4 scores for each rider. Rider points must be gained in two or more disciplines. If points are gained in four dressage tests, the lowest performance will be dropped from the rider's overall score. The maximum possible points per rider is 140. The Championship points are not included, only phases/tests. The team points are determined by the best 4 individual rider's scores. The maximum possible points a team may score is 560.

# **AWARDS**

#### CLASS AWARDS - All Classes will be placed 1st - 6th

**CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDS** – All Championships will be placed 1st – 6th with the Champion and Reserve Championship prizes. These presentations will conclude at the end of the individual classes being complete. Scoring will be online for all classes, with daily individual overall scores.

#### INDIVIDUAL AWARDS

#### The Nan McArthur Perpetual Trophy

The Nan McArthur Perpetual Trophy will be awarded to the Champion Individual Rider for both Primary and Secondary. The overall individual Primary and Secondary Champion will have points accrued from their best four events only. Rider points must be gained in two or more disciplines. In the case of equality of points, the rider achieving the highest points in the highest levels will be declared champion, i.e. if a Secondary rider wins 2 Prelim tests and 2 x 75cm Jumping events this rider will place lower via the count back than a rider who wins 2 Elementary tests and 2 x 120cm Jumping events.

This award will be presented on the final day of competition at the conclusion of all other presentations. Please plan for this when factoring in your entries and arrival and departure dates. Please note: there will be cumulative results throughout the event.

#### **TEAM AWARDS**

This award will be presented to the best 4 riders from the top 3 school teams on the final day of competition at the conclusion of all other presentations. Please plan for this when factoring in your entries and arrival and departure dates. Please note: there will be cumulative results throughout the event.

#### SPIRIT AWARDS

Throughout the event, prizes will be presented for best Spirit displayed by individual riders or school teams. These will be awarded on factors such as general sportsmanship, interaction with peers, support of teammates, and participation level of volunteering.

Please note: these awards will be judged by Members of the Ground Jury. These awards may be presented each day at the conclusion of all other presentations



**AUSTRALIAN CHAMPIONSHIPS** – The National qualifying events are marked by "National" in the schedule. Riders selected are eligible to represent Victoria at the Australian Championships to be held in Melbourne from Thursday 26th September to Monday 1st October 2023.

The Intermediate SJ80cm and CT2\* 115cm classes have not yet been ratified by the National Interschool Committee, yet to be reformed by EA. The classes must be approved for the Australian Championships in September. More details will be known before the close of entry. If riders enter the above classes and they are not approved at a National level, riders will be offered the options noted in the discipline sections of the schedule.

Please see the detailed Equestrian Victoria Interschool Team Selection Policy.

At the Australian Championships, riders will be limited to competing in 2 classes. They may compete on 2 horses, but the limitation of 2 classes per rider will remain. E.g. One horse in 2 levels of Dressage, or Combined Training and 1 Dressage class, Show Horse and 1 Dressage class, 2 horses in 2 different Show Jumping heights. For the purpose of clarity, Class in the Australian Championship schedule refers to 2 Dressage tests at the same level, 3 phases of Show Horse, 3 Show Jumping competitions at the same height and 1 Combined Training. Rider combinations may only compete in one Horse Trials level. They may compete in one other class on a different mount.

Qualifications are based on the combination of horse and rider, there will be no substitution of the horse or rider in qualified combinations. In the event of qualified or reserve riders being unable to attend the Australian Interschool Equestrian Championships, the remaining places will be filled according to the Team Selection Policy and at the discretion of the Interschool Committee.

**INTERSTATE COMPETITORS** – Competitors from states other than Victoria are eligible to compete in the Equestrian Victoria Interschool State Championships. As this is an interschool event, riders will be representing their schools and therefore will very likely have to qualify in the state jurisdiction of their school.

Parents should ask their schools to confirm if they are very close to the border. It is likely the schools have dealt with these issues before and can provide clarification to parents about their policies on student representation. Interstate competitors will require a letter of permission from their school acknowledging that should an interstate competitor qualify for the Australian Championships, the competitor will represent Victoria at the Australian Interschool Equestrian Championships, and not the state in which they attend school.

**VOLUNTEERS AND HELPERS** – The running of equestrian events relies heavily on volunteers. At the Interschool Championships, volunteers will include numerous parents and other supporters. Abuse by a rider, parent, or associated person that is aimed at any volunteer or official at an EA Interschool event will not be tolerated. Incidents of this nature will result in the immediate elimination of the rider.

Many of our helpers are experienced, others are not. Be sure to ask for assistance if you are unsure of what to do. To keep the event on time, it is crucial for helpers to report to the Volunteer Coordinator 15 minutes before their scheduled duty begins. Helpers who do not perform their designated duty risk the elimination of their corresponding competitor. It is the responsibility of the rider's designated helper to notify the Volunteer Coordinator and find a replacement if they are unable to fulfil their allocated duty.

We would be grateful if you could please advise whether any helpers or volunteers have specific skills or are Veterinarian, Doctor, Farrier etc.

In 2023 the option to pay \$50, per rider, is offered at time of entry if parents do not wish to perform a volunteer job for a minimum of 2.5 hours. This fee will allow us to employ appropriate persons to fill the roles of volunteers. The event uses the Sign-Up App and will request volunteers to select their preferred jobs at convenient times when the draft draw is released.

Those riders that have not paid the volunteer fee or signed-up for a job 5 days prior to the start of the competition will need to pay the \$50 volunteer fee prior to the rider competing. You cannot wait until the event, you need to commit to a job or pay the \$50 fee. If you do not report to the volunteer office, on the day, to confirm your job, the rider's points and prizes, qualifications may be withheld. You will be deemed to be in breach of the Conditions of Entry.

**RIDER NUMBER** – Each horse must wear a bridle or saddle number on each side of bridle or saddle cloth. This must be worn at all times. It is also recommended that all horses also wear numbers on their halters whilst in stables and yards.



Should a horse escape it is an easy identification method for organisers. Competitors are to provide their own number holders. Showing class riders may use a chest number holder.

**GEAR CHECK** – Gear check and correct gear is the responsibility of the rider, however, EA Stewards will also be conducting checks. Discipline rules can be found on the EV or EA website. Judges have the right to eliminate a rider if they compete in the incorrect gear.

**DRESS** – Riders are to wear their approved school equestrian uniform. This may be a school shirt and tie, rat catcher and stock with school jumper, polo top or windcheater, light coloured jodhpurs and smooth-soled, low-heeled boots (refer discipline rules). Gloves are compulsory for Dressage, preferably light coloured. Gaiters and long boots may be worn in all disciplines except Show Horse, where top boots and gaiters may only be worn by competitors 18 years or over.

**HELMETS** – Riders must wear an approved helmet with the chin strap fastened at all times. Protective headgear must conform with one of the current approved safety standards:

- ♦ Current Australian standard AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) provided they are SAI Global marked.
- New Australian standard ARB HS 2012 provided they are SAI Global marked.
- Current American standards ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) provided they are SEI marked, or standard SNELL E2001.
- ♦ Current British standard PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) provided they are BSI Kite marked.
- ♦ Interim European Standard VG1 (01.040: 2014-12) with or without BSI Kitemark.

Riders in Dressage, Jumping, Combined Training and Sporting Horse must have their helmet tagged with a current visible, yellow EA 'helmet tag'. Show Horse classes do not require tagging until July 1st 2023.

**IMPORTANT ETIQUETTE** - Please respect other riders and horses by not yelling, running or interrupting when they are competing or in the stable or warm-up areas. Remember to pass riders left side to left side in warm up arenas. Spectators must enter the indoor arenas quietly or wait until the competitor is finished. Dogs are not permitted in the indoor arenas unless they are part of the competition.

# **VENUE CONDITIONS ADDITIONAL FEES, CAMPING, STABLES AND YARDS**

**ADMINISTRATION FEE AND FACILITY FEE** – A \$25 medical fee and a non-refundable \$50 administration fee will be applied to every rider. The WPNEC facility fee of \$16 per horse is compulsory and will automatically be charged based on days you are onsite at time of entry.

**STABLES** – At the time of entry online via Event Secretary, you need to book your stable. Stables are limited and will only be offered as a FLAT RATE of \$330 for the duration of the competition event days. The stable fee includes:

- ♦ 6 initial bales of shavings value \$81
- ♦ Cleaning Fee value \$35

Competitors may purchase extra bale of shavings for \$13.50 each by contacting WPNEC directly.

There will be no stable/camp site changeovers during the event booked or managed by the Organising Committee. If riders wish to arrange sharing of the stable for the booked period, they will need to make a private arrangement with another rider and manage any changeovers. Schools may see this as an option to share stables.

Organising Committee members who have riders will get priority booking for stables and camping, no other exceptions will be allowed.

**YARDS** – For competitors who do not book stables, yards will be available free of charge for the duration of the competition events days.

- We cannot offer advanced bookings for yards.
- ♦ Yards will be available on a first come, first served basis at the time of the event. Yards must be cleaned on departure.





- You may book and pay for shavings prior to your arrival at WPNEC. No straw is to be used.
- Do not block off large sections of the yards making access difficult for later arrivals.

**CAMPING** – Due to the cost of having to bring in generators, only limited power sites will be available. Camping will be charged a \$150 Camping Flat Rate for the duration of the event. This fee covers camping regardless of whether you wish to camp for 1 night or multiple nights. PLEASE NOTE: it will be compulsory to say yes or no to camping at time of entry. Unpowered camping, in designated areas, will be available at this event. Sharing of camp sites should be arranged privately

Other notes relating to camping and stabling:

- ♦ No camp/open fires of any type are permitted
- ♦ Horses must not be exercised during non-daylight hours.
- ♦ All horse must be in yards or stables during non-daylight hours.

#### **ARRIVALS**

**ARRIVAL TIMES** – Camping and stables will be accessible on arrival when the Event Stable Manager will be available. Specified arrival times are as follows and must be adhered to:

- ♦ Friday 14th April 2023: 9am 1pm and 3pm 6pm.
- ♦ Saturday 15th April 2023: 8am 1pm and 3pm 6pm.
- ♦ Arrival times for 17th 19th April will be communicated closer to the event.

Competitors arriving after hours will need to contact the Event Stable Manager prior to arrival. (Contact details to be released closer to the event)

Riders will need to specify arrival and departure dates at the time of entries. Remember only the riders competing may ride the horse from the time of arrival at WPNEC.

**BICYCLES, MOTORISED BIKES AND SCOOTERS** – WPNEC is a facility on public grounds. Parents are responsible to ensure children ride in a safe manner and do not frighten horses or leave bicycles or scooters on the ground where they may be a hazard to people or horses.

- Must not be ridden without a helmet
- Must only be ridden by one person at a time
- ♦ Are not permitted in the stable, horse areas, warm-up arenas
- ♦ Are not permitted after 6:30pm

The main bitumen vehicular access road into WPNEC is classed as a roadway and relevant Vic Roads rules apply. By entering this competition parents/ guardians and competitors are agreeing to abide by these rules. Penalties for non-compliance will be enforced.

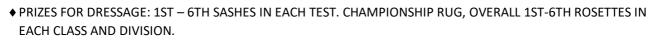


#### 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### **DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP**

#### **SPONSORED BY HYGAIN**

♦ \$80 PER HORSE/PER CLASS \$40 FOR CLASSES D11 AND D12



DRESSAGE					
NO	CLASS	TESTS	STATE	NATIONAL	
D1	Primary Preparatory	Prep 1 & 3 (2023)	Yes	No	
D2	Primary Preliminary	Prelim 1.2 & 1.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D3	Primary Novice	Novice 2.2 & 2.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D4	Intermediate Preliminary	Prelim 1.2 & 1.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D5	Senior Preliminary	Prelim 1.2 & 1.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D6	Intermediate Novice	Novice 2.2 & 2.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D7	Senior Novice	Novice 2.2 & 2.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D8	Secondary Elementary	Elementary 3.2 & 3.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D9	Secondary Medium	Medium 4.2 & 4.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D10	Secondary Advanced	Advanced 5.2 & 5.3 (2023)	Yes	Yes	
D11	Secondary Prix St George	PSG (2009 update 2022)	Yes	Yes	
D12	Secondary Intermediate 1	Inter 1 (2009 update 2022)	Yes	Yes	

#### DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

Dressage will be run in accordance with EA Dressage Competition Rules, obtained from <a href="http://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules">http://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules</a> Dressage tests can be downloaded from <a href="http://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules">http://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules</a> (updated January 2023)

Dressage riders please note:

- Riders are permitted to enter two consecutive levels per horse. Note only the rider's best three Dressage results will be counted for the Nan McArthur Award.
- ◆ Each class will be limited to a maximum of 75 riders based on order of entry and if there are more than 35 entries per class there may be two divisions. A waitlist based on order of entry will be used and places will be offered when withdrawals occur only. Please note, some classes exceeded capacity in 2022.
- Secondary is Year 7-12 inclusive. Intermediate is for riders in Years 7, 8 and 9. Senior is for riders in Year 10, 11 and 12.





- Whips are permitted (not exceeding 1.2m including tassel for horses and 1.0m for ponies)
- ♦ Horses may not compete below their graded level (if an official dressage grading applies) unless H.C. However, horses graded FEI are permitted to compete Advanced if no FEI classes are offered.
- ♦ Horse/rider combinations must have achieved a minimum of 60% or above in Advanced on 2 occasions at official Dressage or VEIS qualifier events prior to entering PSG and Inter 1.
- ♦ Only snaffle bits are permitted, unless competing at Medium or above.
- ◆ Tests cannot be called, except for Preparatory.
- Arena familiarisation will be advised.
- ◆ Preparatory tests please read conditions of entry regarding entry restrictions. Preparatory riders may only enter Combined Training 35cm, Sporting Horse, Show Horse and Show Hunter classes.

#### **SCORING SYSTEM**

Championships will be decided as per the EA Dressage Competition Rules on the following basis:

- Overall Level Championships are to be decided on points system based on the combined results of two tests at each level. The overall Champion and Reserve Champion will gain selection to the Victoria Interschool National Team.
- ◆ Placings and points will be awarded in each test and each division.
- ♦ In each test the first placed horse will receive 35 points, second will receive 34 points, third will receive 33 points and so on down to 35th horse receiving 1 point, if there are more than 35 riders in a class, they receive no points beyond 35th place.
- ♦ If there are more than 35 entries per class, classes may be split into separate divisions. If the timetable permits, to avoid 'ride offs', where there is a need for two divisions, the class will be run over two days. Class points are used to determine Individual and Team Awards.

The first and second place getters of the National qualifying events based on the Championship results, marked by 'National column', are eligible to represent Victoria at the Australian Championships. Placing 3rd and 4th in those events will be the Team reserves. In the case of two divisions, the Champion in each division will be selected. The Reserve Champion will be the Team reserve. There will be no ride-offs as per Dressage maximum test rule.

#### EXEMPTION CARDS AND RIDERS WITH A DISABILITY IN DRESSAGE COMPETITIONS

To assist riders with a disability to compete on equal terms, exemption to the EA Dressage Rules can be considered for riders who:

- ♦ Are members of Equestrian Australia
- ♦ Have a diagnosed disability supported by medical documentation
  - $\circ~$  but who are not eligible for Para-Equestrian classification
  - o would be eligible for Para-Equestrian classification but do not wish to be classified for PE competition

Exemptions may be approved for the use of special equipment or allowances which are considered reasonable and necessary to enable the rider to ride the horse in a dressage test.

Application for Exemption forms are available from EA at <u>https://www.equestrian.org.au/content/exemption-cards-</u> <u>dressage</u>. A copy of the Exemption Card must be provided to the OC at the time of entry and should be carried by the rider throughout the competition.



#### 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### **COMBINED TRAINING CHAMPIONSHIP**

#### SPONSORED BY QA ELECTRICAL



- ♦ \$80 PER HORSE/PER LEVEL
- ◆ PRIZES FOR COMBINED TRAINING: OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP RUG AND ROSETTES 1ST -6TH IN EACH CLASS. WHERE THERE ARE TWO DIVISIONS, PRIZES WILL BE AWARDED IN EACH DIVISION

#### ♦ SURFACES MAY BE A COMBINATION OF SOME SAND AND GRASS

#### **COMBINED TRAINING** No Class Tests State National CT1 Primary 35cm DR Preparatory 1, 35cm Yes No Yes Yes CT2 Primary EvA50 50cm Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 Primary EvA65 65cm Eventing Test B 45&60 2020 Yes Yes CT3 CT4 Primary EvA80 80cm Eventing Test B 80cm 2020 Yes Yes CT5 Yes Yes Secondary EvA65 65cm Eventing Test B 45&60 2020 CT6 Secondary EvA80 80cm Eventing Test B 80cm 2020 Yes Yes CT7 Secondary EvA95 95cm Eventing Test B 95cm 2020 Yes Yes CT8 Secondary 1\* 105cm EA CCN1\* Test B 2020 Yes Yes EA CCN2\* 2019 Yes TBC\* CT9 Secondary 2\* 115cm

\*The CT 2\* class has not yet been ratified by the National Interschool Committee, yet to be reformed by EA. If riders enter CT2\* and it is not approved as a National class, riders will be offered the option of remaining in CT2\* as non-team qualifier, a refund or transfer to CT105cm provided they fulfill entry requirements for this class.

#### COMBINED TRAINING CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

The Combined Training will run in accordance with the Current EA National Eventing Rules <u>https://www.equestrian.org.au/Eventing-rules</u>, and offers dressage and jumping phases only. Note there has been changes to heights in CT 45cm is now 50cm and 60cm is now 65cm as per Eventing rules updated 1st January 2022.

- Riders are only permitted to compete in one class per horse. The same horse and rider combination must complete both phases of the competition. Elimination from one phase involves elimination from the class.
- Each class will be limited to a maximum of 75 riders based on order of entry and if there are more than 40 entries per class there will be two divisions. A waitlist based on order of entry will be used and places will be offered when withdrawals occur only. Please note, some classes exceeded capacity in 2022.
- ♦ Active Eventing riders with 2 or more class MER'S as a combination in the previous 12 months from the date of start of competition cannot enter Combined Training at a level lower than they received those MER's as a combination. A Minimum Eligibility Requirement is achieved by completing a competition within minimum parameters according to Eventing rules.



- National Eventing Rules require all riders competing in the Combined Training wear a properly fastened Protective Headgear that is tagged with a current visible EA 'helmet tag'.
- ♦ No whip is allowed in the dressage phase, however whips of no more than 75cm not weighted are allowed in the jumping phase.
- ♦ Primary 35cm please read special Conditions of Entry.

#### **SCORING SYSTEM**

- As Combined Training runs under Horse Trials rules, riders are placed based on the number of penalties they incur over the 2 phases. The rider with the least penalties when penalties from the dressage and jumping phases are added will be the winner. Dressage penalties are calculated by subtracting the average percentage from 100. The result is always rounded to one decimal point. Jumping penalties are calculated in the normal manner as per Jumping.
- ♦ In the case of equal scores for placings in a class, the rider with the best dressage score (least penalties) will be the higher placed. If equality still exists, the closest to the optimum time (under the time set) in the jumping element will be the higher placed. If there is still a tie, then the placings will be shared and the subsequent place not awarded.
- ♦ In each class the first placed horse will receive 35 points, second will receive 34 points, third will receive 33 points and so on down to 35th horse receiving 1 point. If there are more than 35 riders in a class, they receive no points beyond 35th place. These points are used to determine Individual and Team Awards.

The first to fourth place getters of the National qualifying events marked by 'National column' are eligible to represent Victoria at the Australian Championships. Where there is one division of the class placing 5th and 6th in those events will be the team reserves. In the event that a class has 2 divisions, the riders placed 1st and 2nd in each division will be selected and riders placed 3rd in each division will be the reserves.



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#### 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIP

#### SPONSORED BY MARCUS OLDHAM COLLEGE

- ♦ \$80 PER HORSE (INCLUDES THREE JUMPING PHASES)
- ♦ PRIZES FOR JUMPING: 1ST 6TH SASHES IN EACH PHASE AND DIVISION. OVERALL CHAMPIONSHIP RUG AND 1ST-6TH ROSETTES IN EACH CLASS.
- ♦ ALL SURFACES WILL BE ON FIBRE OR SAND.

JUMPING						
No	Class	Tests	State	National		
SJ1	Primary 45cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	No		
SJ2	Primary 60cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	No		
SJ3	Primary 80cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
SJ4	Primary 90cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
SJ5	Secondary 65cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	No		
SJ6	Intermediate 80cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	TBC*		
SJ7	Senior 80cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	No		
SJ8	Intermediate 90cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
S19	Senior 90cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
SJ10	Intermediate 100cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
SJ11	Senior 100cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
SJ12	Secondary 110cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		
SJ13	Secondary 120cm	Phase 1-238 2.1, Phase 2-274.2, Phase 3-238 2.2	Yes	Yes		

\*The Intermediate SJ80cm class has not yet been ratified by the National Interschool Committee, yet to be reformed by EA. If riders enter Intermediate SJ80cm and it is not approved as a National class, riders will be offered the option of remaining in SJ80cm as a non-team qualifier, a refund or transfer to SJ90cm.

#### JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

All Jumping will be run in accordance with current EA Rules updated 1st January 2023 in the EA Jumping Competition Rules, obtained from <u>https://www.equestrian.org.au/jumping-rules</u>

- Each class will be limited to a maximum number of riders based on order of entry and if there are more than 40 entries per class there will be two divisions. A waitlist based on order of entry will be used and places will be offered when withdrawals occur. Please note, some classes exceeded capacity in 2022.
- ◆ Placings and points will be awarded in each division. There will be one overall Championship at each class with placings 1st to 6th





- ♦ All Jumping will be run under the current FEI Jumping Rules and National Jumping Rules. These can be obtained from the <u>EV website</u> and it is the responsibility of riders to know the rules.
- Riders must ride in the order of the draw and must not hold up proceedings on the day. Classes may run ahead of time.
- Riders are only permitted to compete in one height class per horse (i.e. a rider may not compete in the 80cm class and the 90cm class on the same horse).
- ◆ Riders cannot compete in any Jumping class if they wish to compete in Preparatory Dressage.
- ◆ After the start of competition if riders wish to change height classes, this must be notified by 7am prior to class commencement, the rider will then compete HC in subsequent classes and be ineligible for points or placing.
- Walking the Course: Course plans will be posted at the entry gate. The course will be opened for walking 20 minutes prior to class start time. Riders are to listen for announcements that their class is running to schedule, early or late and present when required.
- ◆ The Champion and Reserve Champion in the National qualifying events marked by 'National column' are selected to represent Victoria at the Australian Championships. Placing 3rd and 4th in those events will be the team reserves.

#### **JUMPING CLASSES**

#### PHASE 1 - 238 2.1 - ONE ROUND AGAINST THE CLOCK UNDER TABLE A

Athletes with equality of Penalties for any place are placed in accordance with the time taken to complete the round. In the event of equality of Penalties and time for first place, there may be a jump-off over a shortened course over obstacles, which may be increased in height and/or spread in accordance with the provisions of the Schedule

#### PHASE 2 – 274 2 – SPECIAL TWO-PHASE COMPETITION UNDER TABLE A

- This Competition comprises two phases run without interruption, each at an identical or different speed, the finishing line for the first phase being identical with the starting line for the second phase.
- The first phase is a course of five to seven obstacles with or without combinations. The total number of obstacles in both phases is a minimum of 11 and maximum of 13 obstacles. The second phase may include one combination.
- ♦ Athletes completing the first phase may continue in the second phase.
- The second phase finishes after crossing its finishing line.
- This Competition must be judged in accordance with the following formula:

First Phase	Second Phase	Placing
Table A Not against the clock Minimum 5 – Maximum 7 obstacles	Table A Against the clock Remaining obstacles (total of minimum 11 and maximum 13 obstacles in both phases)	According to the aggregate penalties in both phases (faults on obstacles and penalties for exceeding the time allowed in both phases) and, if necessary, according to the time of the 2nd phase.

#### PHASE 3 - 238 2.2 - ONE ROUND WITH JUMP OFF UNDER TABLE A

This is a competition against the clock, but in the event of equality of penalties for first place, there will be one jumpoff against the clock. Other athletes are placed according to their penalties and time in the first round.



#### 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### SHOW HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP



#### SPONSORED BY CARIBU

- ♦ \$80 PER HORSE (INCLUDES THREE PHASES FOR SHOW HORSE, SHOW HUNTER AND WORKING HUNTER)
- ♦ PRIZES FOR SHOW HORSE: SASHES 1ST 6TH IN EACH PHASE. CHAMPIONSHIP RUG AND OVERALL 1ST-6TH ROSETTES IN EACH CLASS

#### ♦ ALL SURFACES WILL BE ON GRASS.

SHOW HORSE						
No	Class	Tests	State	National		
SH1	Show Horse Primary	Led, Rider Class and Ridden	Yes	Yes		
SH2	Show Hunter Primary	Led, Rider Class and Ridden	Yes	Yes		
SH3	Working Hunter Primary	Led, Rider Class and Ridden and 45cm jumping	Yes	Yes		
SH4	Show Horse Intermediate	Led, Rider Class and Ridden	Yes	Yes		
SH5	Show Hunter Intermediate	Led, Rider Class and Ridden	Yes	Yes		
SH6	Working Hunter Intermediate	Led, Rider Class and Ridden and 55cm jumping	Yes	Yes		
SH7	Show Horse Senior	Led, Rider Class and Ridden	Yes	Yes		
SH8	Show Hunter Senior	Led, Rider Class and Ridden	Yes	Yes		
SH9	Working Hunter Senior	Led, Rider Class and Ridden and 65cm jumping	Yes	Yes		

#### SHOW HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

The Show Horse Classes run under current Interschool Show Horse Rules 2021: https://www.equestrian.org.au/interschool

Riders must complete all three phases in the class on the same horse.

- Each class will have a timed draw and all riders will complete an individual workout.
- Sashes will be awarded for Led, Rider and Ridden classes and overall Championship (combined score across three phases).
- The rider and horse/pony combination may compete in one class only. They must choose between Show Horse, Show Hunter or Working Hunter.
- ♦ Preparatory dressage riders cannot compete in Primary Working Hunter



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#### SHOW HORSE CLASS

Will comprise of three separate phases:

Phase 1 – In hand

Phase 2 – Rider Class (judging the rider, not Smartest on Parade or Turnout)

Phase 3 – Ridden workout (judging the horse as a Show Horse)

#### SHOW HUNTER CLASS

Will comprise of three separate phases:

Phase 1-In hand

Phase 2 – Rider Class (judging the rider, not Smartest on Parade or Turnout)

Phase 3 – Ridden workout (judging the horse as a Show Hunter)

#### WORKING HUNTER CLASS

Phase 1 – In hand

Phase 2 – Rider Class (judging the rider, not Smartest on Parade or Turnout)

Phase 3 – Jumping & workout (judging the horse as a Working Hunter) Primary 45cm, Intermediate 55cm, Senior 65cm

#### SCORING SYSTEM FOR INDIVIDUAL AND TEAM SCORES FOR SHOW HORSE

Each phase will be scored based on a points system. The riders will then be ranked based on the scores within each phase. The total points earned across the three phases will determine the Championship Ranking. Each phase points will count towards individual and team scores. The Championship points are not included in allocated points

The first to fourth place getters in the Championship for the National qualifying events marked by 'National column' are selected to represent Victoria at the Australian Championships. Placing 5th and 6th in those events will be the team reserves.



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#### 2023 EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INTERSCHOOL STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

#### SPORTING HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP

#### SPONSORED BY SPORTING HORSE AUSTRALIA

- ◆ \$20 PER EVENT (I.E. \$20 BENDING RACE, \$20 BARREL RACE)
- ♦ PRIZES FOR SPORTING HORSE: SASHES 1ST –6TH IN EACH CLASS. ROSETTES 1ST -6TH IN EACH CHAMPIONSHIP (OVERALL BENDING AND BARREL)

#### ♦ ALL SURFACES WILL BE ON GRASS

Sporting Horse					
No	Class	Tests	State	National	
SP1.1	Primary Prep-Year 3	Bending Race	Yes	No	
SP1.2	Primary Prep-Year 3	Barrel Race	Yes	No	
SP2.1	Primary Year 4-6	Bending Race	Yes	No	
SP2.2	Primary Year 4-6	Barrel Race	Yes	No	
SP3.1	Intermediate Year 7-9	Bending Race	Yes	No	
SP3.2	Intermediate Year 7-9	Barrel Race	Yes	No	
SP4.1	Senior Year 10-12	Bending Race	Yes	No	
SP4.2	Senior Year 10-12	Barrel Race	Yes	No	

#### SPORTING HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP RULES

The Sporting Horse Classes run under current Sporting Horse Rules except for the points system and uniform which are detailed below. <u>https://sportinghorseaustralia.org/rules/</u>

To be eligible for the Championship, riders must compete in both events for their level – Bending and Barrel Race.

- Each class will have an allocated time and all riders will complete individual runs for placings.
- The top 6 times in each class will determine the 1st 6th overall class placings
- ♦ All competitors will receive championship points based on their finishing time in their class. Should 2 competitors be tied on time, their place points will be added together and divided by 2.
- The Championship (total points earned over both events) will determine the overall Championship ranking or riders.

#### **SPORTING HORSE GEAR RULES**

- ♦ All riders must wear tagged approved safety helmets as per in the Event General Conditions
- Standard dummy spurs not exceeding 20mm are permitted as the event does not include foot running. Taped spurs are not permitted.
- ♦ Whips are permitted but only if used in conjunction with the general rule below
- A shorter rein length is advised and must be carried over the horses' neck at all times.

There will be a quick briefing before the start of each event per year level and a check to make sure reins are safe.





#### **GENERAL RULES**

- ♦ If a competitor does not make sufficient effort to stand his/her horse at the start line and continually tries to jump the start, the judge may give two warnings then disqualify that competitor.
- ◆ The judge's decision is final.
- The starting of events must be left to the discretion of the judge or Official Starter, recalling the individual or field if they consider it necessary.
- ♦ A competitor who causes interference during an event will be disqualified and, if disqualified, shall not be permitted to start in a re-run.
- If in the course of an event a competitor is interfered with or is penalized by faulty equipment and that competitor
  has been sufficiently handicapped, the judge shall decide whether to rerun that individual, heat, or final as the case
  may be.
- Any competitor that is found to deliberately hit, tap or strike the horse to any part of its body with race equipment, i.e. flag pole, will be disqualified from the event.
- ♦ Use of whips: all riders will only be permitted to make contact with their whip twice per length of the course. i.e.: Bending race twice on the way to the end stick and twice on the way to the start finish line. Any rider that is found to breach this rule will be disqualified from the event and banned from using their whip for the remainder of the day.

#### **BENDING RACE RULES**

- Horses saddled, competitors mounted and standing at the starting line or changeover end, opposite their line of bending poles on the right-hand side of the drum.
- ♦ At the starting signal, competitor commences bending between the first (1st) and second (2nd) poles. Upon reaching the end pole, turn on the right (offside) rein and bend back the course, crossing the finish line with the drum on the left.
- The rider responsible for knocking over a pole, must return to the point where the pole was knocked over, replace the pole, and then continue the course.
- ♦ In the event of a rider knocking over more than one pole, they must replace the poles, then continue the course.
- ♦ A pole will only be considered down if it is touching the ground at the completion of the race.
- ♦ Riders will not receive a time if the following occurs:
- Not correcting any error of course e.g. for not correcting a knocked down pole, for missing bending poles and not rectifying before crossing finish line.
- ◆ Touching a pole with hand/hands (e.g. when not correcting a knocked down pole).



#### **BARREL RACE RULES**

- ♦ Horses saddled, competitors mounted back from the starting line.
- Competitor's time commences immediately the rider passes through the start flags (flying start) and finishes immediately as the rider passes through the finish flags.
- Competitors may go to the right or left barrel first but must make one right hand turn and two left hand turns, or one left hand turn and two right hand turns.
- The two timers will commence timing as the horse's nose crosses the start and ceases when the horse's nose crosses the finish.
- ♦ If there is a discrepancy in the two times, an average must be taken, i.e. add the two together and divide by 2
- ♦ A five (5) second penalty will be added to the competitors' time for each barrel knocked down.
- ♦ Riders will not receive a time if the following occurs
- For an incorrect course.
- ♦ For touching the barrel with a hand/hands.
- ♦ For not passing through the start and finish flags



# **EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA SPECIAL CONDITIONS**

This Equestrian Victoria (EV) event is governed by the Equestrian Australia (EA) General Regulations, applicable EA Sports Rules and all relevant EA Codes, Policies, Bylaws, Rules and Regulations. The EA Sports rules (i.e. the National Rules for each EA sport or discipline) and regulations may be accessed on the EA website "Discipline Rules & Regulations" page via the following link <u>http://www.equestrian.org.au/rules</u>

The EA Codes, Policies etc. may be accessed on the EA website "Policies & Bylaws" page via the following link <a href="http://www.equestrian.org.au/policies">http://www.equestrian.org.au/policies</a>

**EA CODE OF CONDUCT** – All EA and EV events are subject to the EA Code of Conduct. The Code of Conduct can be accessed on the EA website.

**EA COMPLAINTS, DISPUTES AND DISCIPLINE POLICY** – The Complaints, Disputes and Discipline Policy has been designed to ensure sport integrity related complaints are dealt with efficiently and effectively and that all involved in Equestrian have confidence that prohibited conduct will be managed via the most appropriate resolution and discipline mechanism. The Equestrian Australia Child Safeguarding Policy can be read in full by clicking on the link EA Complaints, Disputes and Discipline Policy – commencement date 17th December 2021

**EA CHILD SAFEGUARDING POLICY** – Equestrian Australia and all our Equestrian Organisations have a zero-tolerance approach to child abuse and neglect in any form. Equestrian Australia is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of Children in Equestrian by providing a safe and inclusive environment and by ensuring that everyone involved in Equestrian is educated and informed of their responsibilities to protect and look after Children. All Children have the right to feel safe and protected from all forms of abuse, harm, and neglect. Children have the right to take part in sport in a safe, positive, and enjoyable environment. Equestrian Australia aims to create and maintain an inclusive, child-safe environment that is understood, endorsed, implemented, and adhered to by everyone involved in Equestrian. The Equestrian Australia Child Safeguarding Policy can be read in full via the following link <a href="http://www.equestrian.org.au/policies">http://www.equestrian.org.au/policies</a>

**EA MEMBER PROTECTION POLICY** – Equestrian Australia is committed to ensuring that everyone involved with Equestrian is treated with respect and dignity and is protected from abuse, bullying, harassment, sexual misconduct, unlawful discrimination, victimisation, and vilification. The Equestrian Australia Member Protection Policy can be read in full by clicking on the link EA Member Protection Policy – commencement date 17th December 2021

**SOCIAL MEDIA** – The EA Social Media Policy purpose is to provide persons bound by this policy with guidance on the best way to engage in social media to maximise value and minimise risk. EA encourages all persons bound by this policy to use social media within the parameters outlined in this policy to ensure that the reputations of EA, and its athletes, coaches, officials, employees, volunteers and stakeholders are protected. The <u>Equestrian Australia Social Media Policy</u> can be read in full on the EA website.

Please note, this policy should be read in conjunction with the EA Member Protection Policy and EA Code of Conduct.

**HORSE WELFARE** – Equestrian Australia (EA) subscribes to the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the horse and strongly endorses the notion that at all times the welfare of the horse must be paramount, please familiarise yourself with this policy. <u>https://www.equestrian.org.au/horse-welfare</u>

Risk Management – This event is run by Equestrian Victoria at Werribee Park Equestrian Centre both the organisers and the venue have comprehensive risk management policies which can be found on the event website at <u>www.isvchamps.org.au</u>

Entrants and their parents/guardians must familiarize themselves with the provisions of the EA documents referred to above and ensure that they comply with them. By submitting an entry for the event, riders and their parents/guardians agree to comply with and be bound by the provisions of the EA documents, these Special Conditions and the Conditions of Entry.

If there is any conflict in the interpretation between the provisions of the General Regulations and any of the EA documents, these Special Conditions or the Conditions of Entry, the Special Conditions will take precedence.





# WPNEC COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT RULES

- Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre Committee of Management considers it a privilege that you are allowed to bring your dog to this venue. We insist you keep your dog under effective control and on a leash at all times.
- ♦ Approved Safety Helmets must be worn at all times when riding.
- ♦ Cross Country obstacles must not be jumped/used unless a non-riding level one NCAS coach is present.
- ♦ Riding of horses bareback is prohibited.
- ♦ Riding of rugged and/or unbridled horses is prohibited.
- ♦ Any person may lead a maximum of two horses while mounted.
- ♦ Stallions must at all times be in the control of a person aged eighteen years or more. NOTE STALLIONS ARE NOT PERMITTED AT INTERSCHOOL EVENTS.
- ♦ Horses are not permitted within/upon the quadrangle (between the barn & Indoor 1).
- ♦ Horses are not permitted near pedestrian doorways.
- ◆ Straw bedding is not permitted on the venue, wood shaving type bedding is accepted only.
- Bicycles are not permitted in the Indoor Arenas or any stable block. Approved helmets must be worn at all times.
- Bicycles are not permitted near doors designated as public entrances or exits.
- Motor Cyclist (electric bikes and scooters included) riders must wear approved safety helmets and hold the appropriate licence.
- ♦ Speed limits must be adhered to at all times, the speed limit at WPNEC is 10km p/h.
- Power leads must not be on the ground or over roadways.
- Construction of portable/tape yards is prohibited.
- ♦ Alcohol must not be consumed in the Indoor Arenas, unless purchased from the licensed bar located in Indoor Arena No 1.
- ♦ Please observe all signs at the venue.
- Horses must be tied in a safe manner. Horses must not be tied to unattached floats, wheelie bins etc.
- No infrastructure to be erected on WPNEC Grounds without written approval by management prior to event.
- Entry and Exit doors to Indoors Arenas are not be obstructed at any time.
- Every event to book at WPNEC must provide their own first aid officials.
- ♦ Report any incidents, damages or safety concerns to WPNEC management immediately.
- ◆ Please call WPNEC Management should you require any assistance with ANY Issue.
- Users who do not comply with these guidelines may be refused future use of WPNEC.



### ACCOMMODATION

We cannot book accommodation for you. The following is recommended HOTELS / MOTELS

- ♦ HOLIDAY INN 22 Synnot Street, Werribee. Phone: 03 87313031
- ♦ QUEST SANCTUARY LAKES 9 Greg Norman Drive, Point Cook VIC 3030 Tel: +61 3 9394 2100
- ◆ QUEST WERRIBEE 69 Synnot Street, Werribee VIC 3030 Tel: +61 3 8744 6000
- ◆ THE MANSION HOTEL & SPA- K Road, Werribee VIC 3030Tel: +61 3 9731 4000
- ♦ WERRIBEE PARK MOTOR INN 112 Duncans Road, Werribee VIC 3030 Tel: +9741 7222
- ♦ WERRIBEE MOTEL AND APARTMENTS 6 Tower Road, Werribee VIC 3030Tel: +61 3 9741 9944

#### **CARAVAN HIRE**

- + Eastern Caravan Hire Ph. 0400 679 744
- ◆ Caravan for Hire Ph: 03 5250 5132 or
- ◆ Bay City Caravans Ph: 03 5250 2595