

INFORMATION FOR SHOW ORGANISERS

FOR EQUESTRIAN SA JUMPING COMPETITIONS

Introduction

The information contained in this document is provided as a guide to help you with the planning and approval of your jumping classes and scheduling of your program.

It will be particularly important if you have been allocated one or more of the following Jumping competitions that comprise our annual State Jumping Awards, Championships and Series events.

- ❖ SA Country Championships
- ❖ Junior Classes:
 - 'Food Processing Equipment Junior – Ruby' Series - First round height 1.10m
 - Foster Cup – First round height 1.15m
- ❖ Open Classes
 - 'Graham Performance Horses Bronze' Series – First round height 1.05m
 - 'EAC Equine Silver' Series – First round height 1.20m
 - 'Dapple EQ Gold' Series – First round height 1.30m
- ❖ Senior Class
 - J R Balharry Memorial Trophy – First round height 1.40m

Other information relating to jumping in South Australia can be obtained by viewing the Equestrian SA website – click **Sports/Jumping**. Alternatively, please contact one of the Jumping SA Committee members who will be happy to assist you.

We wish you every success for your event.

Jumping SA – Role of the Committee

The role of the Equestrian South Australia Jumping Committee (known as Jumping SA) is to manage and promote jumping on behalf of the ESA Board within South Australia.

Through Equestrian SA's website www.sa.equestrian.org.au you can see the names of current committee members and the Jumping SA Committee Role document which describes their responsibility to manage the sport. This can be found at www.sa.equestrian.org.au/jumping/what-is-jumping

From the Jumping SA section, you can also access the Event Dates Calendar, National Jumping Rules, Leaderboards and Squad information.

Scheduling Jumping Events for the Annual Calendar

The Jumping SA committee will conduct an annual meeting (usually in May) inviting representatives from all SA Jumping Clubs. The meeting will allow Jumping Clubs to discuss and negotiate dates for their events for the next 12 months, avoiding any possible clashes with Agricultural Shows and other key events.

The agreed calendar dates must be approved by the Jumping SA committee and cannot be altered without their endorsement.

The Jumping SA committee will provide all jumping clubs with information for their web pages where appropriate.

Approval of Programs

All Jumping event programs are to be presented to the Jumping SA Committee for approval before being published. If applicable, Show Organisers will be advised of any recommended amendments. For full details visit Equestrian SA's website www.sa.equestrian.org.au

click - Sports/Jumping/ForShowOrganisers/ShowProgramApproval

Organising Committees – Judges, Course Designers and Officials

Organising Committees (OC) are reminded to only utilise the services of qualified EA Judges and Course Designers who are accredited to judge and design at the appropriate level of the competitions at your show. They must also be current financial members of EA.

Please remind your officiating Judge and Course Designer to be familiar with the rules and guidelines pertaining to the State Award and Series classes and apply them in addition to their knowledge of the current Australian National Jumping Rules and EA General Regulations.

In accordance with the Equestrian Australia Code of Conduct pertaining to Horse Welfare which states that the welfare of the horse is paramount, OCs are strongly encouraged to engage an EA (or FEI) accredited Steward to monitor the warmup area. **Please note that Stewards are not Gate Marshals.**

OCs should obtain the full name and EA number of both horse and rider via their entry system.

Judges are to record all placegetters with the full name and EA number of both horse and rider. This will help with the correct identification for administration recording responsibilities as required by Equestrian Australia, ESA, and Jumping SA.

In line with EA Jumping Rules Art.238.1 the Judge is responsible for ensuring that the correctly completed scores and results sheets are forwarded to the ESA Office within 14 days of the completion of the Competition. **This includes providing an electronic copy of the [Results Template](#) to reception@equestriansa.com.au within 14 days.**

It is strongly recommended that the Judge retains a copy of the score sheets in case a query be raised after the show.

Program Details

As per National rules, all classes 1m and over need to be referred to in metres (i.e., 1.05m, 1.20m, 1.30m). Under 1m, heights can be advertised as cm (i.e., 90cm).

The Article number under which the class is being run must be stated in the program.

Running Classes Concurrently

Jumping classes can be run concurrently. It is a great way of offering two separate classes within one. You must state in the program which events are run concurrently and that Horse/Rider combinations can only enter in either Class A or B, not both.

As an example, the Food Processing Equipment = Junior Ruby and an Open 1.10m classes could be run concurrently ...

Class 1A. Food Processing Equipment – Junior Ruby Series. Article 238.2.2 1st \$... 2nd \$... 3rd \$... 4th \$...

Entry \$...

Class 1B. Open 1.10m Article 238.2.2 1st \$... 2nd \$... 3rd \$... 4th \$...

Entry \$...

Class 1A and 1B will be run concurrently. Horse/Rider combinations can only enter either A or B, not both.

Split Concurrent Height Competitions

When more than one competition is run within the same height competition, only the competition(s) with the relative restrictions and that meet the point system criteria will count for points. Horses will only be eligible to compete in one competition. To reduce the time required to run these competitions, separate draws are recommended. See Article 283.5 of the National Jumping Rules for more detailed information.

Amateur Classes

We encourage and support the inclusion of Amateur classes. Again, these classes can run concurrently with another class.

See Article 255 Amateur Riders, Juniors and Young Riders of the EA National Jumping Rules for eligibility and course restrictions.

Annual Championship and State Award Classes

Please find below a guide to running the following Championship, State Award classes or Series events:

- SA Country Championships
- J R Balharry Memorial Trophy
- Fosters Cup

As previously mentioned in the 'Organising Committees / Judges and Course Designer' section, please ensure score sheets and results templates are completed with all relevant details and submitted electronically to the ESA Office reception@equestriansa.com.au within 14 days.

To facilitate updating the Leaderboard without delay, where possible, a representative from Jumping SA will obtain these details from the Judge at the show. Alternatively, a photograph of the relevant score sheets can be emailed to jumping@equestriansa.com.au

SA Country Jumping Championships

As a tribute to Henley Exell's contribution to jumping in South Australia, the Henley Exell Cup is awarded to the winner of the SA Senior Country Jumping Championships.

The Jumping SA committee recommends allocation of the SA Country Championships based on the following factors.

1. The Show is conducted at a venue with suitable grounds and facilities.
2. The Show Committee has a history of being capable of conducting a class of this nature.
3. The Show has a history of attracting reasonable entries.
4. The Show would benefit through increased status if conducting this class.

The class must be a minimum of 1.30m. There must be at least 2 vertical fences at 1.35m and 2 spread fences at 1.30m high by 1.50m wide. The first fence and the first fence of the first combination may be 1.25m.

Any Agricultural Show that meets the class requirements (or a Club Show located more than 100kms from the Adelaide CBD that meets the class requirements), may apply to run the SA State Country Championships. Jumping SA may offer the SA Country Jumping Championships to any Agricultural or Club Show that meets the requirements.

If the show has been allocated a round of the J R Balharry Trophy, this class can also be the Country Jumping Championship Class, **BUT** J R Balharry Trophy rules must apply.

The Henley Excell Cup is held at the ESA Office and will be awarded in the name of the winner. Shows holding this event may present a token trophy on the day.

NOTE: A Junior Country Championship class can be run at the same approved show with or without a Foster Cup, BUT Foster Cup rules must apply.

J R Balharry Memorial Trophy

To honour James Balharry's contribution to jumping in SA, the J R Balharry Memorial Trophy is presented to the Owner of the SA registered Horse gaining the most points in the J R Balharry Memorial Trophy classes.

The South Australian rider gaining the most points in classes which count towards the J R Balharry Trophy will be awarded SA Senior Jumping Rider of the Year.

Points will be allocated from 1 January to 31 December each year. The classes to count towards this trophy (and the Leading Senior Rider) will be published via the Jumping SA Show Calendar.

Where an equality of placing occurs, the points allocated to those placings will be added together and divided by the number of competitors sharing those placings. Fractions of 0.5 or more will be rounded up, fractions less than 0.5 will be rounded down.

Entries of any competitor who meets ESA membership obligations must be accepted for a class which carries points towards the J R Balharry Memorial Trophy.

The competition must be the main class of the event, held between 11am-3pm. The Jumping SA Committee may give permission to OCs to run outside of these times should it be necessary, e.g., should an OC wish to hold the competition indoors in the evening.

Must be judged under Table A; Article 238.2.2, or 273.3.3.1

The first round height to be 1.40m. The class height must be published in the schedule.

First obstacle and part 'A' of the combination/s may be 5cm lower.

If the above requirements are not met for any reason other than weather/ground conditions the competition results will not count towards the yearly total.

Should the J R Balharry Memorial Trophy Class be held indoors the recommended first round height is 1.35m.

Placings must be awarded to 5th place. Points are awarded to 5th place.

Foster Cup

Donated many years ago by Laurie Foster in memory of his wife Ruth Foster, for her contribution to jumping in SA. The Foster Cup is presented to the Owner of the SA registered Horse ridden by a junior competitor, gaining the most points in the Foster Cup classes.

The South Australian rider gaining the most points in classes which count towards the Foster Cup will be awarded SA Junior Jumping Rider of the Year.

Points will be allocated from 1 January to 31 December each year. The classes to count towards this Cup (and the Leading Junior Rider) will be published via the Jumping SA Show Calendar.

Where an equality of placing occurs, the points allocated to those placings will be added together and divided by the number of competitors sharing those placings. Fractions of 0.5 or more will be rounded up, fractions less than 0.5 will be rounded down.

Entries of any Junior competitor who meets ESA membership requirements must be accepted for a class which carries points towards the Foster Cup.

The competition must be held between 11am-3pm. The Jumping SA Committee may give permission to OCs to run outside of these times should it be necessary, e.g., should an OC wish to hold the competition indoors in the evening

Judged under Table A, Article 238.2.2, or 273.3.3.1

First round height to be 1.15m. First round height must be published in the show schedule.

First obstacle and part 'A' of the combination/s may be 5cm lower.

If the above requirements are not met for any reason other than weather/ground conditions the competition results will not count towards the yearly total.

Placings must be awarded to 5th place. Points are awarded to 5th place.

Where a Foster Cup class is conducted indoors the first round recommended height is at least 1.10m.

SA State Jumping - Annual Series Events

In 2026, Jumping SA will be conducting four circuit competitions for horses registered in South Australia:

1. 'Food Processing Equipment' Junior Ruby Series – First round height 1.10m.
2. 'Graham Performance Horses' Bronze Series – First round height 1.05m.
3. 'EAC Equine' Silver Series – First round height 1.20m.
4. 'Dapple EQ' Gold Series – First round height 1.30m

Horses may be entered in any Open Series during 2026. For the avoidance of any doubt any horse/rider combination may compete any open Series, but they will be only eligible for the points of the Series for which they nominated. A combination participating in the Junior Ruby Series would be ineligible to gain points for an Open Series.

The event must recognise the support of "The Sponsor" in their program as described, and over the public-address system on the day. The shows that have been allocated the Jumping SA Series classes ('Food Processing Equipment' Ruby; Graham Performance Horses Bronze; EAC Equine Silver; Dapple EQ Gold) will be published on the ESA/Jumping SA web page at the beginning of each competition year.

Jumping SA will contribute \$600 (+ GST if applicable) to the shows approved to conduct these four classes and will pay on receipt of an appropriate invoice. Shows approved to run partial Series classes will be entitled to pro-rata contribution of \$150 per class (+ GST is applicable).

To receive payment, invoices must be submitted no later than 30 days after the event.

Method for determining the points allocation for Series Open Classes.

To be eligible for Series points, a horse **must be officially nominated for the 2026 Series**.

Points will only be awarded to **nominated horses that place in the class**.

This means:

- Horses that have **not nominated** are **not eligible** to receive Series points.
- Nominated horses that **do not place in the top 5 in the class** will **not receive points**.
- Only nominated horses that finish within the official class placings (top 5) will be awarded points.

Points Allocation

Points are awarded to nominated horses based on their placing within the class:

- **5 points** – Highest placed nominated horse
- **4 points** – Second highest placed nominated horse
- **3 points** – Third highest placed nominated horse
- **2 points** – Fourth highest placed nominated horse
- **1 point** – Fifth highest placed nominated horse

If fewer than five nominated horses place in the class, only those nominated horses that place will receive points.

Scenario 1 – Simple class, the first five place getters are all eligible for Series points

Horse	Dash	Magic	Jasper	Rebel	Scout
Class placing	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th
Series points awarded	5	4	3	2	1

Scenario 2 – If some horses in the top placings are not nominated, points "roll down" to the nominated horses who placed:

Horse	Dusty	Sunshine	Dash	Chief	Magic	Jasper	Rebel	Scout	Gypsy	Star
Class placing	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th
Series points awarded	Ineligible	Ineligible	5	Ineligible	4	0	0	0	0	0

Junior – Ruby Series

The Food Processing Equipment – Junior Ruby Series is open to any junior rider/horse combination where the horse is registered in South Australia.

Class description must include “**Food Processing Equipment Junior – Ruby Series**”.

- a. Organisers may add any additional sponsors name to the class description.
- b. Class must be judged under Table A, Article 238.2.2, or 273.3.3.1
First round height to be 1.10m. (First obstacle and part ‘A’ of the combination/s may be 5cm lower).
- c. If the above requirements are not met for any reason other than weather/ground conditions the competition results will not count towards the yearly total.

Ribbons and Prize Money to be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th.

Points awarded to eligible horses: 1st - 5 points, 2nd - 4 points, 3rd - 3 points, 4th - 2 points, 5th - 1 point

Open Series classes

The Open Series classes must not be combined with any other competition at the event unless approved by the Jumping SA Committee.

The Open Series classes are open to any rider/horse combination where the horse is registered in South Australia.

A rider/horse combination may enter any Open Series competition but can only be eligible for points in one Series during the year.

Class description must include ‘*Sponsor name* -’ Series and all specific rules listed below:

- d. Organisers may add any additional sponsor name to the class description.
- e. Class must be judged under Table A; Article 238.2.2 or 273.3.3.1
- f. First round height will be at the height specified for each Series class. (First obstacle and part ‘A’ of the combination/s may be 5cm lower).
- g. If the above requirements are not met for any reason other than weather/ground conditions the competition results will not count towards the yearly total.
- h. Ribbons and Prize Money to be awarded to 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th.

Points awarded to eligible horses: 1st - 5 points, 2nd - 4 points, 3rd - 3 points, 4th - 2 points, 5th - 1 point

Overall, Junior, and Open Series Winners

At the completion of the Series Classes for the year, the registered Owner of the Leading Horse with the most points for the series in each Series section will receive the following prize at the Annual Awards Night:

‘Food Processing Equipment – Junior Ruby’ Series: Presentation rug.

‘Graham Performance Horses Bronze’ Series: Presentation rug.

‘EAC Equine Silver’ Series: Presentation rug.

‘Dapple EQ Gold’ Series: Presentation rug.

In case of equality of points for any Series class the award for that class will be duplicated.

The shows that have been allocated ESA Series classes (Junior – Ruby; Bronze; Silver and Gold Series) will be published on the ESA Jumping web page in December of the preceding year.