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**DRESSAGE
SOUTH AUSTRALIA**

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DRESSAGE SA CHAIR'S REPORT



Equine Finance Solutions 2025 South Australian State Dressage Championships

What a fantastic event held at the Southern Vales Dressage Club grounds, supported by the Dressage Committee with the wonderful crew of the Sub-committee being Sue Brown, Anne Raymond and Ryan Fletcher.

Please ensure to thank all of our sponsors for their wonderful support of this event. Our heartfelt thanks to all of the helpers, Judges, stewards, vet and behind the scene people who made this event such a success.

Congratulations to all of our winners of the wonderful prizes with photos seen in this edition

Australian Dressage Championships

Held at SIEC, Sydney with a small contingency of riders making the long trek and flying the SA Banner with some fabulous results.

Congratulations to the following 4 combinations:

Fiona Smith & Verondina Artomous – 1st CDN GP & 5th GP Freestyle

Fiona Smith & Bluefield Denior – 6th CDIW GP & 6th GP Freestyle

Lorraine Wohling & HV Duke – 21st PSG & 23rd & 18th Advanced

Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI – 20th & 23rd Advanced & 30th & 27th Medium

South Australia was fortunate enough to make a FEI State Team consisting of Fiona Guthrie, Lorraine Wohling and ex-SA rider Phoebe Morley. They all performed very well to take home 2nd place. Not to be outdone, the State EA Team with members of Lorraine Wohling, Ryan Fletcher and Dressage Western Australia Tayla Heath also placed 2nd.

At this year's National presentation, Lorraine Wohling & Steph Hann were bestowed a Gold Medal for her Medium Level achievements with 3 scores of 70% and over with HV Duke & Light My Fire BHI. The scores attained with one coming from a State or National competition and the other 2 from an official EA competition. Well done Lorraine & Steph.

Squad Selection & Activities

Keep an eye open for the Squad applications which will open up in December for the High Performance & Future Squad combinations. Announcement of selected riders to be made in January 2026. This will be advertised on our Facebook page, Website and email.

Stewards Course

A major call out for anyone interested in becoming a Steward. We have low numbers in South Australia and it is vital we have more added to our list. We can not run Official Events without Stewards.

Please reach out to register your interest in person to Jude Sonnefeld or to our email: dressage@equestriansa.com.au

The Victorian Dressage Festival

Being held at Werribee in December and is gearing up to be a great event for the massive amount of SA riders heading over to contest the levels from Preliminary to Grand Prix, Pony, and Young Horse Classes. From last year, we have increased our test rides to seventy-nine tests entered by the SA riders, we wish you all a great and successful time away.

Merry Christmas to all from the Dressage SA Committee

*Cheryl
Hatswell*

DRESSAGE SA CHAIR

EQUINE FINANCE SOLUTIONS



Our dressage fraternity were treated to three sensational days in November, for the 2025 South Australian State Dressage Championships, conducted at the coastal Aldinga grounds of Southern Vales Dressage Club. The club worked incredibly hard to get their grounds looking lovely for the event and we send sincere thanks to their hard-working group! A call out to the amazing Shane Curnow of EquiPro Services who curated the arenas to perfection leading up to the weekend.

The volunteer team were outstanding, with the Score Squad out in full force each day under Di's leadership and thank you Denise Piggott & Elise Spark for their huge office support over the weekend.

Equine Finance Solutions were again our very valued naming rights sponsor for the event and awarded \$500 cash to each Championship winner. Just incredible continued support from this company, and in fact from all of the amazing sponsors who awarded prizes and very generous vouchers for each class!

Included this year was a fund raiser Online Auction, with a large array of prizes that were keenly bid on – thank you to the Victorian AOR group for the inspiration and the advice to set it up! And again, a thank you to our generous sponsors for supporting the auction with prizes.

Five interstate judges joined the local panel, and their comments about the quality of horses and tests were very thrilling to hear for SA dressage. We greatly appreciated the hard work put in by all of our judges Virginia Creed (VIC), Judy Atkinson (TAS), Wendy Barker (WA), Nadine Herbert (WA), and Lee Howell (VIC) who were truly delightful to host. Along with some of our great South Australian judges Barrie Stratton, Liz Duncan, Jody Cavuoto, Helen Whittle, Fiona Heysen, Kristine Hancock, Jo Taylor, Brigitte Drinkwater and Carly Bubner who rounded the panel out.

A lot of PB scores were accomplished and we congratulate the riders on their own personal achievements during the weekend.

Please see the results pages following this article for the FULL RESULTS.



After the success of 2024, the Organising Committee decided to add a new and exciting dimension with the addition of two dining events in a VIP marquee, which was complete with chandeliers, French style furniture and fabulous on site catering by Chief Catering and 10th Element. The Sunday VIP Luncheon was proudly sponsored by Karrawatta Wines – we thank them for helping us create a truly special afternoon. What an atmosphere this created for sponsors, riders and friends during the Freestyles! Plans for 2026 are already in the pipeline, so if you missed out on a seat at the lunches book early next year!

The Freestyle classes were beautiful, with a couple of horses having to deal with hard sideways rain during their test but they soldiered on, and some stunning music and dancing was enjoyed by the crowd!

2025 STATE DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

EQUINE FINANCE SOLUTIONS

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A very tiny committee put together the plan and managed to get this show happening, and it's an honour to bring the event to SA riders. Thank you for all of your messages and calls, it is so rewarding to see it come to life and look like the maps, the endless lists we put together and have riders say it was **"the best ever state champs"**!

Thank you everyone!
**State Championships Organising
Committee for
Dressage South Australia**

Ryan Fletcher
Anne Raymond
Sue Brown
Di Pritchard



2025 STATE DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS



2025 SOUTH AUSTRALIAN
**STATE DRESSAGE
CHAMPIONSHIPS**
OFFICIAL RESULTS



14, 15 & 16 NOVEMBER 2025
SOUTHERN VALES DRESSAGE CLUB GROUNDS



OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

PRELIMINARY 1.2

1	Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	71.607
2	Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	70
3	Shanae Richards & Sanlirra Luxurious	69.732
4	sarah tickner & Poppy Farm Clementine	68.393
5	Maddie Plevey & Total Virtue	67.947
6	Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	67.322
7	Nicole Lewis & Bloomfield Valour	67.233
8	Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	66.964
9	Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	65.625
10	Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	65.536
11	Zara Lally & Trussana B	65.357
12	Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	64.196
13	Chilli Smith & Sheridan Park Gold Star	63.929
14	Sandy Jolly & Karizmah Winchester	63.482
15	Jessie Smith & Fire Storm	62.232
16	Hannah Moores & Totally Coloured	61.875
17	Jessica Allan & Sound Reason	61.34
18	Maddison Collins & MCD Sugar Rush	60.447

PRELIMINARY 1.3

1	Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	73.021
2	Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	71.146
3	Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	71.042
4	Zara Lally & Trussana B	70.938
5	Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	70.834
6	Maddie Plevey & Total Virtue	70.625
7	Shanae Richards & Sanlirra Luxurious	68.229
8	Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	67.708
9	Jessica Allan & Sound Reason	66.979
10	Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	66.771
11	sarah tickner & Poppy Farm Clementine	66.042
12	Hannah Moores & Totally Coloured	65.729
13	Jessie Smith & Fire Storm	65.625
14	Chilli Smith & Sheridan Park Gold Star	65.521
15	Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	64.063
16	Sandy Jolly & Karizmah Winchester	63.542
17	Nicole Lewis & Bloomfield Valour	62.604
18	Maddison Collins & MCD Sugar Rush	56.98

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP	1.2	1.3	TOTAL	1.2	1.3	TOTAL
Maddie Plevey & Total Virtue	35	35	70			
Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	34	33	67	67.322	64.063	131.385
Jessie Smith & Fire Storm	33	34	67	62.232	65.625	127.857

AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP	1.2	1.3	TOTAL
Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	34	35	69
Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	33	34	67
Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	32	32	64
Nicole Lewis & Bloomfield Valour	35	29	64
Jessica Allan & Sound Reason	29	33	62
Hannah Moores & Totally Coloured	30	31	61
Sandy Jolly & Karizmah Winchester	31	30	61

YOUTH	PTS	PTS	PTS
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP	1.2	1.3	TOTAL
Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	35	35	70
Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	33	34	67
Shanae Richards & Sanlirra Luxurious	34	32	66
Zara Lally & Trussana B	32	33	65
Maddison Collins & MCD Sugar Rush	31	31	62

PONY	PTS	PTS	PTS
PRELIMINARY CHAMPIONSHIP	1.2	1.3	TOTAL
Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	35	35	70
sarah tickner & Poppy Farm Clementine	34	34	68
Chilli Smith & Sheridan Park Gold Star	33	33	66

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE PRELIMINARY CHAMPION

PRELIMINARY CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS
	1.2	1.3	TOTAL
Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	34	35	69
Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	35	28	63
Shanae Richards & Sanlirra Luxurious	33	29	62
Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	28	33	61
Maddie Plevey & Total Virtue	31	30	61
Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	27	34	61
Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	26	31	57
sarah tickner & Poppy Farm Clementine	32	25	57
Zara Lally & Trussana B	25	32	57
Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	30	21	51
Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	24	26	50
Nicole Lewis & Bloomfield Valour	29	19	48
Jessica Allan & Sound Reason	19	27	46
Chilli Smith & Sheridan Park Gold Star	23	22	45
Hannah Moores & Totally Coloured	20	24	44
Jessie Smith & Fire Storm	21	23	44
Sandy Jolly & Karizmah Winchester	22	20	42
Maddison Collins & MCD Sugar Rush	18	18	36



OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

NOVICE 2.2		
1	Ria Grivell & Furst Depiction	72.344
2	Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	71.251
3	Judith Sonnefeld & Light My Fire BHI	68.672
4	Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	67.735
5	Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	67.188
6	Benjamin Blows & Springhill Amba	67.188
7	Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	66.875
8	Zara Lally & Trussana B	66.641
9	Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	66.563
10	Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	66.485
11	Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	66.328
12	Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	65.86
13	Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	65.626
14	Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	63.985
15	Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	63.516
16	Phoebe Seneca & PS Constantine	63.281
17	Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	62.813
18	Tash Goodwin & Overstreet	61.719

NOVICE 2.3		
1	Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	72.429
2	Ria Grivell & Furst Depiction	71.858
3	Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	70.858
4	Judith Sonnefeld & Light My Fire BHI	70.429
5	Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	70
6	Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	69.715
7	Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	69.643
8	Benjamin Blows & Springhill Amba	69.572
9	Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	68.929
10	Zara Lally & Trussana B	68.715
11	Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	67.572
12	Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	66.643
13	Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	66.072
14	Phoebe Seneca & PS Constantine	65.5
15	Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	64.429
16	Tash Goodwin & Overstreet	64.357
17	Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	63.072

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS
NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP	2.2	2.3	TOTAL
Judith Sonnefeld & Light My Fire BHI	35	35	70
Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	34	34	68
Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	33	33	66
Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	31	31	62
Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	30	32	62
Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	29	30	59
Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	32	0	32

YOUTH	PTS	PTS	PTS
NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP	2.2	2.3	TOTAL
Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	35	35	70
Zara Lally & Trussana B	34	33	67
Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	32	34	66
Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	33	32	65
Tash Goodwin & Overstreet	31	31	62

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP	2.2	2.3	TOTAL	2.2	2.3	TOTAL
Ria Grivell & Furst Depiction	35	34	69	72.344	71.858	144.202
Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	34	35	69	71.251	72.429	143.68
Benjamin Blows & Springhill Amba	33	33	66			
Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	32	32	64			
Phoebe Seneca & PS Constantine	31	31	62			

PONY	PTS	PTS	PTS
NOVICE CHAMPIONSHIP	2.2	2.3	TOTAL
Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	35	35	70

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE NOVICE CHAMPION

NOVICE CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
	2.2	2.3	TOTAL	2.2	2.3	TOTAL
Ria Grivell & Furst Depiction	35	34	69	72.344	71.858	144.202
Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	34	35	69	71.251	72.429	143.68
Judith Sonnefeld & Light My Fire BHI	33	32	65			
Keeley Menadue & PS Can Dance	32	33	65			
Lisa Fehrmann & Eagleview Perfect Storm	31	31	62			
Benjamin Blows & Springhill Amba	30	28	58			
Verity Hayman & Acacia Ridge Rio	29	29	58			
Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	27	27	54			
Zara Lally & Trussana B	28	26	54			
Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	23	30	53			
Ellie Digney & Tuxedo cat	26	25	51			
Natasha Cockburn & Wilkara Funomenal	24	23	47			
Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	21	24	45			
Ann Dodd & ROC ON X	22	21	43			
Phoebe Seneca & PS Constantine	20	22	42			
Nicola Bland & Shepherds Hill Ivan	19	19	38			
Tash Goodwin & Overstreet	18	20	38			
Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	25		25			





ELEMENTARY CHAMPIONSHIPS

OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

ELEMENTARY 3.2

1	Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	77
2	Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	70.688
3	Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	70.5
4	Vita Suter & MacArthur To Be Frank	68
5	Jennifer Davenport & Burrowa Welsh Myth	67.75
6	Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	67.5
7	kylie watson & Ibn Ky Tiny Dancer	67.5
8	Tania Edmonds & Cortesano RT	67
9	Christine Frizell & Kenlock Moshulu	66.75
10	Anita Moss & Brechinridge Freedom	66.375
11	Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	66.313
12	Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	66.125
13	Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	65.813
14	Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	65.438
15	Kira Mitchell & Churinga Hidden Secrets	64
16	Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	63.188
17	Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	62.313
18	Micaela Butler & Regent D Andre	61.375

ELEMENTARY 3.3

1	Vita Suter & MacArthur To Be Frank	70.427
2	Christine Frizell & Kenlock Moshulu	69.025
3	Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	68.72
4	Anita Moss & Brechinridge Freedom	68.354
5	kylie watson & Ibn Ky Tiny Dancer	68.049
6	Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	67.439
7	Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	67.012
8	Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	66.707
9	Tania Edmonds & Cortesano RT	65.488
10	Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	65.366
11	Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	64.025
12	Jennifer Davenport & Burrowa Welsh Myth	63.171
13	Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	63.11
14	Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	62.988
15	Kira Mitchell & Churinga Hidden Secrets	62.5
16	Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	62.012
17	Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	58.72
18	Micaela Butler & Regent D Andre	58.415

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
ELEMENTARY CHAMPIONSHIP	3.2	3.3	TOTAL	3.2	3.3	TOTAL
Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	35	33	68	77	67.439	144.439
Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	34	34	68	70.688	68.72	139.408
Vita Suter & MacArthur To Be Frank	32	35	67			
Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	33	32	65			
Tania Edmonds & Cortesano RT	31	31	62			

YOUTH	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
ELEMENTARY CHAMPIONSHIP	3.2	3.3	TOTAL	3.2	3.3	TOTAL
Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	34	35	69	65.813	64.025	129.838
Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	35	34	69	66.313	63.11	129.423
Micaela Butler & Regent D Andre	33	33	66			

AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS
ELEMENTARY CHAMPIONSHIP	3.2	3.3	TOTAL
Christine Frizell & Kenlock Moshulu	35	35	70
Anita Moss & Brechinridge Freedom	34	34	68
Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	32	33	65
Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	33	32	65
Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	31	31	62

PONY	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
ELEMENTARY CHAMPIONSHIP	3.2	3.3	TOTAL	3.2	3.3	TOTAL
kylie watson & Ibn Ky Tiny Dancer	33	35	68	67.5	68.049	135.549
Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	34	34	68	67.5	65.366	132.866
Jennifer Davenport & Burrowa Welsh Myth	35	33	68	67.75	63.171	130.921
Kira Mitchell & Churinga Hidden Secrets	32	32	64			
Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	31	31	62			

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE ELEMENTARY CHAMPION

ELEMENTARY CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
	3.2	3.3	TOTAL	3.2	3.3	TOTAL
Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	34	33	67	70.688	68.72	139.408
Vita Suter & MacArthur To Be Frank	32	35	67	68	70.427	138.427
Cheryl Hatswell & PS Furstenshow	35	30	65			
Christine Frizell & Kenlock Moshulu	27	34	61			
kylie watson & Ibn Ky Tiny Dancer	30	31	61			
Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	33	28	61			
Anita Moss & Brechinridge Freedom	26	32	58			
Jennifer Davenport & Burrowa Welsh Myth	31	24	55			
Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	29	26	55			
Tania Edmonds & Cortesano RT	28	27	55			
Dee-Anne Hunt & Benabella Power N Spunk	22	29	51			
Airlie Wheadon & Willowcroft Warrior	23	25	48			
Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	25	23	48			
Elizabeth Freeman & Danson Virtue	24	22	46			
Kira Mitchell & Churinga Hidden Secrets	21	21	42			
Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	20	20	40			
Samantha Taylor & Kondo Melting Hearts	19	19	38			
Micaela Butler & Regent D Andre	18	18	36			



OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

MEDIUM 4.2		
1	Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	74.392
2	Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	70.811
3	Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	68.446
4	Renee Everest & APH Titanium	66.352
5	Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	66.149
6	Megan Evans & Rock Me	63.987
7	Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	63.716
8	Elizabeth Haggett & Finesse	63.244
9	Judith Pryse & Nawarra Park Excalibur	62.905
10	Kristy de Bruin & Dancing Floretta	62.77
11	Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	62.703
12	Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	62.433
13	Sarah Wilkinson & Don Grace	62.365
14	Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	61.892
15	Wendy Kennedy & Cedar Park Ambition	61.014
16	Chantel Potgieter & Buckwell Park Midas Touch	59.662
17	Jayke Kerr & Danson Don Flower	58.784
18	Maddison Collins & Kyalla Autumn Night	58.108
19	Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	57.365
20	Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	56.892
21	Tara Fuller & Belcam Noblesse Oblige	56.622

MEDIUM 4.3		
1	Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	75.257
2	Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	73.269
3	Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	70.962
4	Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	70.705
5	Elizabeth Haggett & Finesse	70
6	Megan Evans & Rock Me	68.013
7	Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	67.5
8	Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	65.898
9	Renee Everest & APH Titanium	65.641
10	Wendy Kennedy & Cedar Park Ambition	65.449
11	Jayke Kerr & Danson Don Flower	65.321
12	Kristy de Bruin & Dancing Floretta	64.872
13	Sarah Wilkinson & Don Grace	64.68
14	Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	63.782
15	Judith Pryse & Nawarra Park Excalibur	63.013
16	Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	62.18
17	Tara Fuller & Belcam Noblesse Oblige	61.474
18	Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	60.449
19	Maddison Collins & Kyalla Autumn Night	60.321
20	Chantel Potgieter & Buckwell Park Midas Touch	59.359

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
MEDIUM CHAMPIONSHIP	4.2	4.3	TOTAL	4.2	4.3	TOTAL
Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	34	35	69			
Elizabeth Haggett & Finesse	32	34	66	63.244	70	133.244
Megan Evans & Rock Me	33	33	66	63.987	68.013	132
Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	29	32	61			
Kristy de Bruin & Dancing Floretta	31	30	61			
Sarah Wilkinson & Don Grace	30	29	59			
Wendy Kennedy & Cedar Park Ambition	28	31	59			
Chantel Potgieter & Buckwell Park Midas Touch	27	27	54			
Tara Fuller & Belcam Noblesse Oblige	26	28	54			
Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	35	0	35			

YOUTH	PTS	PTS	PTS
MEDIUM CHAMPIONSHIP	4.2	4.3	TOTAL
Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	35	35	70
Maddison Collins & Kyalla Autumn Night	34	34	68

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS
MEDIUM CHAMPIONSHIP	4.2	4.3	TOTAL
Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	35	35	70
Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	34	34	68
Renee Everest & APH Titanium	33	32	65
Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	32	33	65
Jayke Kerr & Danson Don Flower	29	31	60
Judith Pryse & Nawarra Park Excalibur	31	29	60
Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	30	30	60

PONY	PTS	PTS	PTS	%	%	%
MEDIUM CHAMPIONSHIP	4.2	4.3	TOTAL	4.2	4.3	TOTAL
Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	34	35	69	56.892	65.898	122.79
Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	35	34	69	57.365	60.449	117.814

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE MEDIUM CHAMPION

MEDIUM CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS
	4.2	4.3	TOTAL
Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	35	35	70
Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	33	33	66
Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	31	34	65
Samantha Dossett & Jazdan Royal Rockstar	29	32	61
Megan Evans & Rock Me	30	30	60
Elizabeth Haggett & Finesse	28	31	59
Renee Everest & APH Titanium	32	27	59
Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	22	29	51
Kristy de Bruin & Dancing Floretta	26	24	50
Judith Pryse & Nawarra Park Excalibur	27	21	48
Natasha Cockburn & Dolcetto	25	22	47
Wendy Kennedy & Cedar Park Ambition	21	26	47
Sarah Wilkinson & Don Grace	23	23	46
Isabelle Finn & Danson Der Von Venus	24	20	44
Jayke Kerr & Danson Don Flower	19	25	44
Pernilla Burghardt & Al Kareeme Pure Silk	16	28	44
Chantel Potgieter & Buckwell Park Midas Touch	20	16	36
Maddison Collins & Kyalla Autumn Night	18	18	36
Ruth Thompson & CP Tristan	17	17	34
Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	34		34
Tara Fuller & Belcam Noblesse Oblige	15	19	34





ADVANCED CHAMPIONSHIPS

OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

ADVANCED 5.2		
1	Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	72.04
2	Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	66.053
3	Julia Weir & Jazdan Daydream	65.855
4	Andrea Whitford & Glen Lomond Song and Dance	65.329
5	Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	65.132
6	Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	63.948
7	Sarah Wyatt & HPS Ganymede Star	60.527
8	Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	55.724

ADVANCED 5.3		
1	Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	71.825
2	Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	66.69
3	Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	65.406
4	Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	65.135
5	Julia Weir & Jazdan Daydream	64.73
6	Andrea Whitford & Glen Lomond Song and Dance	64.663
7	Sarah Wyatt & HPS Ganymede Star	63.581
8	Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	63.109

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS
ADVANCED CHAMPIONSHIP	5.2	5.3	TOTAL
Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	34	35	69
Andrea Whitford & Glen Lomond Song and Dance	35	33	68
Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	33	34	67
Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	32	32	64

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS
ADVANCED CHAMPIONSHIP	5.2	5.3	TOTAL
Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	35	35	70
Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	34	34	68
Julia Weir & Jazdan Daydream	33	33	66
Sarah Wyatt & HPS Ganymede Star	32	32	64

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE ADVANCED CHAMPION

ADVANCED CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS
	5.2	5.3	TOTAL
Ruth Schneeberger & Heathmont Romance	35	35	70
Cheryl Hatswell & Christos	34	33	67
Kellie McCafferty & Fairbanks Usher	31	34	65
Julia Weir & Jazdan Daydream	33	31	64
Andrea Whitford & Glen Lomond Song and Dance	32	30	62
Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI	30	32	62
Sarah Wyatt & HPS Ganymede Star	29	29	58
Kia Naylor & NEP Bugatti	28	28	56



SMALL TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

PRIX ST GEORGES		
1	Lorraine Wohling & HV Duke	66.274
2	Andrea Whitford & Glen Lomond Song and Dance	65.147
3	Julia Weir & Jazdan Daydream	64.118
4	Melissa Boekel & Regal Wolkendance	63.48
5	Dominic Jones & Don Kiko	62.941
6	Cate Rudland & Don Duchovny	62.618
7	Lisa Ashby & New World Divine	61.078
8	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Dornfeld Don Dorito	59.559

INTER I		
1	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Dornfeld Don Dorito	67.353
2	Lorraine Wohling & HV Duke	65.784
3	Melissa Boekel & Regal Wolkendance	64.657
4	Dominic Jones & Don Kiko	62.941
5	Lisa Ashby & New World Divine	62.157
6	Cate Rudland & Don Duchovny	60.931

Lorraine Wohling being presented the Marian Maleki PSG Perpetual Trophy by Erica Taylor



Fiona Guthrie-Smith being presented the South Australian Dressage Association Perpetual Intermediate I Trophy by Erica Taylor



INTER I FREESTYLE		
1	Lorraine Wohling & HV Duke	72.413
2	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Dornfeld Don Dorito	66.931
3	Lisa Ashby & New World Divine	65.456
4	Dominic Jones & Don Kiko	64.206
5	Cate Rudland & Don Duchovny	58.163

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

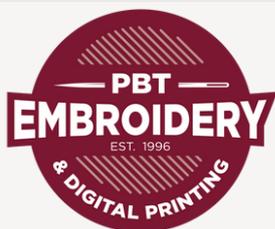
AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS	PTS
SMALL TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	PSG	INTER I	INTER I FS	TOTAL
Lorraine Wohling & HV Duke	35	35	35	105
Lisa Ashby & New World Divine	34	34	34	102

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS	PTS
SMALL TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	PSG	INTER I	INTER I FS	TOTAL
Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Dornfeld Don Dorito	32	35	35	102
Dominic Jones & Don Kiko	34	33	34	101
Cate Rudland & Don Duchovny	33	32	33	98
Melissa Boekel & Regal Wolkendance	35	34		69

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE SMALL TOUR CHAMPION



SMALL TOUR CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS	PTS
	PSG	INTER I	INTER I FS	TOTAL
Lorraine Wohling & HV Duke	35	34	35	104
Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Dornfeld Don Dorito	30	35	33	98
Dominic Jones & Don Kiko	33	32	32	97
Lisa Ashby & New World Divine	31	31	34	96
Cate Rudland & Don Duchovny	32	30	31	93
Melissa Boekel & Regal Wolkendance	34	33		67



MEDIUM TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS

OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

INTER A		
1	Catherine Skinner & Dobria de Jeu	66.814
2	Lyn Jutilane-Maynard & Danson Dolly	62.843
3	Anne Smith & Shadows Tollinski	62.843

INTER B		
1	Catherine Skinner & Dobria de Jeu	62.613
2	Anne Smith & Shadows Tollinski	62.432
3	Lyn Jutilane-Maynard & Danson Dolly	59.775

Catherine Skinner being presented the Erica Taylor Perpetual Intermediate A Trophy by Erica Taylor



Catherine Skinner being presented the Dressage SA Perpetual Intermediate B Trophy



INTER A/B FREESTYLE		
1	Catherine Skinner & Dobria de Jeu	66.981
2	Lyn Jutilane-Maynard & Danson Dolly	61.219

CATEGORY CHAMPIONS

OPEN	PTS	PTS	PTS	PTS
MEDIUM TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	INTER A	INTER B	INTER A/B FS	TOTAL
Lyn Jutilane-Maynard & Danson Dolly	35	35	35	105

AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS	PTS
MEDIUM TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	INTER A	INTER B	INTER A/B FS	TOTAL
Catherine Skinner & Dobria de Jeu	35	35	35	105

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE MEDIUM TOUR CHAMPION



AOR	PTS	PTS	PTS	PTS
MEDIUM TOUR CHAMPIONSHIP	INTER A	INTER B	INTER A/B FS	TOTAL
Catherine Skinner & Dobria de Jeu	35	35	35	105
Lyn Jutilane-Maynard & Danson Dolly	34	34	34	102

OVERALL TEST PLACINGS

GRAND PRIX		
1	Ruth Schneeberger & Miramar Serene	67.935
2	Karen Horsell & Guizo da Ferraria	67.754
3	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Verondina Artomous	64.094
4	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Bluefields denoir	60.616



Ruth Schneeberger and Miramar Serene our 2025 recipients of the Crown Law Memorial GP Trophy

GRAND PRIX FREESTYLE		
1	Karen Horsell & Guizo da Ferraria	70.631
2	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Bluefields denoir	70.038
3	Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Verondina Artomous	67.038

GRAND PRIX SPECIAL		
1	Karen Horsell & Guizo da Ferraria	66.887
2	Ruth Schneeberger & Miramar Serene	65.603

CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS - 2025 STATE BIG TOUR CHAMPION



BIG TOUR CHAMPION OF CHAMPIONS	PTS	PTS	PTS
	GP	GP FS	TOTAL
Karen Horsell & Guizo da Ferraria	34	35	69
Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Verondina Artomous	33	33	66
Fiona Guthrie-Smith & Bluefields denoir	32	34	66
Ruth Schneeberger & Miramar Serene	35		35

2025 PERPETUAL TROPHY RECIPIENTS



Dressage South Australia
Overall EA Amateur Owner Rider Perpetual Trophy
Presented to
Fairbanks Usher & Kellie McCafferty
Accepted on Kellie's behalf by Kia Naylor



Dressage South Australia
Overall FEI Amateur Owner Rider Perpetual Trophy
Presented to
Dobria de Jeu & Catherine Skinner



Dressage South Australia
Overall EA Open Rider Perpetual Trophy
Presented to
Heathmont Romance & Ruth Schneeberger
Accepted on Heathmont Romance's owner, Megan Evans



Jane Brown
Overall FEI Open Rider Perpetual Trophy
Presented to
Guizo da Ferrara & Karen Horsell



Almazaan Stud
Overall Pony Rider Perpetual Trophy
Presented to
Eagleview Perfect Storm & Lisa Fehrmann



Wyebo Skylark Memorial Trophy
Overall SA Youth Champion
Presented to
PS Can Dance & Keeley Menadue

2025 HIGH % AWARDS



SAARABS INC
Highest % Registered Arabian / Arabian Drivative
Presented to
Trussana B
Rider Zara Lally



Brockhurst International
Highest % Pony
Presented to
Eagleview Perfect Storm
Rider Lisa Fehrmann



Jane Brown Highest % Rider Breeder
AND
Olympic Trailers % Open Rider
Presented to
PS Furstenshow & Cheryl Hatswell



Equissage
Highest % Youth Rider
Presented to
Keeley Menadue
& PS Can Dance



EQ Saddlery
Highest % Bred to Race
Presented to
Jessie Smith & Fire Storm
Accepted by Natasha Cockburn



Equine Alignment
Highest % AOR Rider
Ryan Fletcher & Dreamtime MI



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2025 CLUB TEAMS CHALLENGE



NOVICE TEAM

DRESSAGE CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Lisa Fehrman / Zara Lally / DeeAnne Hunt



*Lisa Ashby as stand in for Ruth Schneeberger

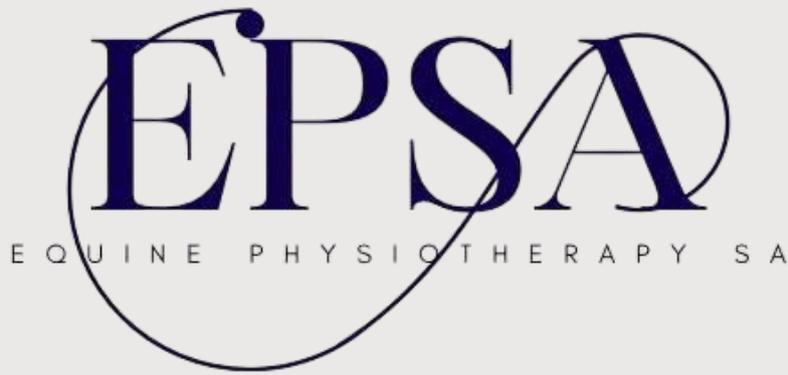
ADVANCED TEAM

DRESSAGE CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Ryan Fletcher / Ruth Schneeberger / Cheryl Hatswell



2025 HARMONY AWARDS



FRIDAY
**DOMONIC JONES
&
DON KIKO**

SATURDAY
**SARAH TICKNER
&
POPPY HILL FARM CLEMENTINE**



SUNDAY
**RIA GRIVELL
&
FURST DEPICTION**

2025 BEST PRESENTED AWARDS



FRIDAY
**RENEE EVEREST
&
APH TITANIUM**

SATURDAY
**MADDISON COLLINS
&
MCD SUGAR RUSH**



SUNDAY
**AIRLIE WHEADON
&
WILLOWCROFT WARRIOR**

SA DRESSAGE JUDGE UPDATE, DSA-JSC.

WELCOME TO SA DRESSAGE JUDGE UPDATE
FOR DECEMBER 2025 & JANUARY 2026



UPCOMING EVENTS:

There is still time to get to the A-B Judges seminar to be held at Werribee in Victoria on Friday 11th December, in conjunction with the Dressage Festival. For more details contact the EVic Office by email info@equestrianvictoria.com.au

The Judges Sub-committee will hold an A-B-C Judges seminar on Sunday 1st March and we are very excited to have FEI 4* judge Maria Schwennesen (Qld) as our educator. As is now usual, we will hold a ZOOM theory session on a weekday evening and the practical will be fac-to-face. The venue is still under consideration and that detail will be available soon. For our A/B/C judges, attendance at both sessions will count as a “Seminar”. The event will be open to judges of all levels and not just restricted to A/B/C, and will count as a “Workshop” for judges at other levels. A great opportunity to see our top horses and riders as they give us insight into the training and execution of movements in C level tests and above.

Further dates and seminars for 2026 are as follows:

Saturday 9 th May	Young Horse	Theory & Practical, Mt George Equestrian Centre.
Sunday 10 th May	E / D	Practical at Mt George. ZOOM Theory TBA.
Saturday 4 th July	F / G	Theory & Practical, Mt George Equestrian Centre.

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations and well done to Chantal Potgieter who has completed all the pre-requisites to become a G level judge. It's great to have another new judge in SA and we look forward to seeing you at events.

RULES REVIEW

There will be some amendments to the Dressage 2026 rules and hopefully we will soon receive the updated rules. EADOC plans to have a PowerPoint ready for any Rule update workshops that will be scheduled for next year.

Mentors and Judge educators please note that EADOC has updated the Shadow Judging remuneration to \$50.00 per candidate (\$30.00 per Sit-In will remain). This change will be included in Annex I, and the shadow judge form will be updated accordingly. The new rate will take effect from January 1st, 2026.

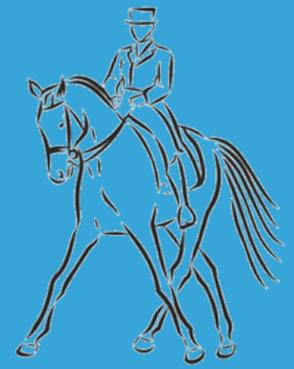
EADOC has had discussions about the freestyle section of the theory exam papers, and they are considering amending a few questions. Additionally, it is recommended that candidates upgrading their qualifications attend a freestyle workshop before their exam to refresh their knowledge. It is hoped that at least two on-line freestyle workshops will be run a year to give candidates and any interested judges some flexibility with dates.

From the JSC

Liz Duncan (Chair), Brigitte Drinkwater, Verity Hayman, Fiona Heysen & Tracy Tillman



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Reach out to us at dressagejudge@equestriansa.com.au for answers to your questions and guidance on how to begin. Alternatively, you can fill out an expression of interest form (details below). We offer support from experienced Judge Educators and Mentors throughout the entire process.

Summary - How to become a Dressage Judge

Equestrian Australia has developed a National Officiating Accreditation Scheme (NOAS) that sets the requirements for becoming a judge.

To become a new judge, applicants must:

- be at least 17 years of age
- be a member of the EA (at least Supporter category)
- complete the G – Level Expression of Interest Form, on page 4 of **[How to Become a Dressage Judge \(G-E\)- Jan 2024.pdf](#)**
- have some experience as a rider, coach, writer/penciller
- attend an EA approved G, F or G/F level seminar
- have completed the relevant sit-ins, and shadow-judged the required number of tests (more detail is in the workbook)
- have successfully completed the current G Level [Open Rule Book Test](#), and
- complete the Australian Institute of Sport (AIS) Community Officiating Principles Online Course **[Essential Skills | Australian Sports Commission](#)**

Useful Links & Resources

[Workbook - How to Become a G-E Level Dressage Judge](#)

[ESA Officials Calendar \(seminars & workshops\)](#)

[EA Dressage Rules and Tests](#)

[EA Dressage Officials](#)

[EA Useful Documents](#)

There is also a (fast track) Accelerated Judges Scheme for FEI riders who have achieved a pre-determined level of performance. Eligible riders may apply for dispensation for some of the requirements. Refer the EA Dressage judge pathway for the requirements.

SA DRESSAGE JUDGE UPDATE, DSA-JSC.

WELCOME TO SA DRESSAGE JUDGE UPDATE
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THE JUDGES VIEW

The 2025 SA Dressage Championships did not disappoint!

It was fabulous to see so many wonderful riders, horses, and a very generous line-up of sponsors. Whilst there was no judge exams held this year, SA judges still took the opportunity to further develop their skills and knowledge through sit-ins, shadow judging, and scribing with one of five visiting interstate judges.

For many riders, the weeks following a major championship involve reading—and re-reading—their test sheets, looking for clarity on where marks were gained or lost. Understanding the “why” behind a score is the key to effective training and long-term progression, and this is exactly where the judging system can become a valuable educational tool rather than just a result.

To help riders interpret their marks with more confidence, we are sharing on following pages the article “Using the Scale of Marks” by Stephen Clarke (UK 5* Judge). This was written by Stephen Clarke to give some indicators as to what each mark means.

We hope this helps riders read their test sheets with greater clarity and understand how judges arrived at the marks awarded.

FEI TESTS FOR PONY, CHILDREN, JUNIOR AND YOUNG RIDERS

FEI tests are available for Children, Youth, Young Riders and Pony and the purpose is to assess skill and harmonious presentation in these younger age groups. These FEI tests can be used at local EA events in the same way as other FEI levels e.g. Grand Prix, without the event being a sanctioned CDI.

Numerous rules are described in Sections 4.5 and 4.8 of the Dressage Rules for running these tests including the judging levels required. It is hoped there will be sufficient interest from riders and Clubs to include the tests in future programs at competition events with FEI level classes.

A “Quick Guide” taken from points within the Dressage Rules is included in this issue of Moving Forward.

Using The Scale of Marks - Stephen Clarke (UK 5* Judge)

The following was written by Stephen Clarke to give some indicators as to what each mark means.

USING THE SCALE OF MARKS

To be a good judge you need a clear picture in your mind of what each mark 'looks like'. This together with saying the corresponding words for a mark, ie fairly bad, sufficient etc, helps one to use the scale consistently.

0-NOT PERFORMED

I have only given a 0 when a horse continued in passage and did no piaffe because the rider knew he would resist. Neither the transitions or the piaffe were performed, but this is very rare. Also once when a horse jogged or passed through the entire walk movements.

Usually there is always a fragment of the movement performed. For example if the horse trotted through a flying change there is still some canter to mark.

1 – VERY BAD & 2 – BAD

These marks are about severe resistance. For example if a horse stops, runs back or naps. Provided the nap is not for more than 20 seconds (when he would be eliminated) then the movement has to be bad or very bad.

3 – FAIRLY BAD

This could be given if there is fairly bad resistance, or a resistance combined with a lack of quality and/or other mistakes. If there is a total lack of quality and mistakes it would also be possible to give a 3 or even a 2.

4 – INSUFFICIENT

The most important thing when giving a 4 is that one thinks of the movement as 'insufficient'. If in the quality area the horse loses the regularity throughout the movement, such as half pass, through stiffness or resistance rather than unsoundness then it is a 4 or even a 3.

Serious mistakes like changing leg in a pirouette, breaking pace, dropping out of canter, jogging through part of a walk movement, not walking in a simple change are examples of when a 4 or even a 3 would be appropriate.

5 – SUFFICIENT

If the horse has achieved the movement it is usual to give a 5. Even if the movement is a somewhat or restricted, earthbound, lacking suppleness impulsion as long as the regularity is clear and the figure is fairly accurate, it can still warrant a 5. The important point is that in your remarks you state clearly why the movement is not 'satisfactory'.

When there is nothing wrong with the quality but there has been a fairly serious mistake it is also usually a 5. For instance if the quality of the rein back is good but there were two steps too many or too few and on

the other hand it is still a 5 if the steps were correctly numbered but the quality was lost as if it is crooked.

When there is a mistake in the number of flying changes or a mistake in one of the changes but they are of a good quality then it is usually a 5. However, remember that it is not automatic to give a 5 for one mistake, as it could be 4 if the quality is not very good and a 6 if the quality is very high.

6 – SATISFACTORY

This covers a multitude of sins. It is normally a 6 when the movement is basically correct but lacking in quality – not supple enough, needing more engagement and balance, or maybe the contact is inconsistent.

Also a 6 can be for a high quality movement with a small mistake or inaccuracy, for example a good quality walk or canter pirouette that is too big. Straightness issues often result in 6s as long as otherwise the quality is good.

7 – FAIRLY GOOD

There is usually nothing to really complain about when I give a 7. Normally everything needs a little more impulsion, suppleness, expression and/or cadence. The basic qualities are clear and show a certain amount of harmony and ease within the movement itself.

8 – GOOD

For an 8 there must be no basic problems. The movement has been properly executed. Maybe there was an extended trot that was worth a 9 but it came down to 8 because the transition was not good enough. Usually it is the secondary part of the movement that stops it being a 9, like that transition or the collected trot along the short side. Or sometimes there could be more brilliance. A 20m working trot circle may be balanced and regular but could do with some more impulsion and elasticity.

9 – VERY GOOD

'Goose bump material' with most of the movement being excellent.

10 – EXCELLENT

For a 10 you cannot imagine that a movement could be done better. It is however something very special to give a 10 and if given too lightly will lose its significance.

USE THE RANGE

Our job as judges is to be fair and clear with the marks as we can. If we see a 'very good' or 'excellent' movement we should be brave enough to reward the competitor. However, if the movement is only worth a 6, then we can only give a 6. The main point is that when a movement is good enough go up to the 9s and even the 10s, and if you see major problems be prepared to go down to the lower marks.

QUICK GUIDE TO FEI TESTS FOR PONY, CHILDREN, JUNIOR AND YOUNG RIDERS

Below is a summary of key points for this group of FEI tests, taken from the EA Dressage Rules 2025. For more details refer to sections 4.5 and 4.8 of the Rules.

Also, see the FEI website

<https://inside.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/dressage/tests>.

Graded Level	EA National Competition Age Group (years)**	Test Equivalence	Eligibility of Horses and Ponies for each level
FEI Pony	8 - 16	EA Elementary	Combinations must have achieved 60% or above on one (1) occasion in Official Elementary or above
FEI Children's	10 - 14	EA Novice	Combinations must have achieved 60% or above on one (1) occasion in Official Novice or above. A horse/pony may be graded at any level (prelim/novice to FEI) to be eligible for this competition.
FEI Junior	14 - 18	EA Medium	Combinations must have achieved 60% or above on one (1) occasion in Official Medium or above
FEI Young Riders	16 - 21	Prix St Georges	Combinations must have achieved 60% or above on two (2) occasions in Official Advanced or above. In the event that these scores are achieved at one event, they must be judged by a different panel of judges

** Note that age groups are different for FEI (CDI) competitions.

There is no upper limit to the grading of the horse/pony. Children/Junior/Young Rider/Pony tests are judged based on the capability and skill of the rider and harmonious presentation of the test.

The purpose of the FEI Children's tests is to give youth riders feedback about the quality of their riding with a focus on the rider's seat, the aids, and precision and effectiveness of the riding. The tests are judged by 3 judges as per the FEI format with one judge at C to give the technical score and two judges sitting together at E or B to give a combined quality score (having discussed and agreed on scores). The judges must be of at least National C level.

The Pony, Junior and Young Rider tests have two judges as for a usual test and they should be of C level and above. Scoring is for the technical aspects of the test by each judge, with the Collective mark having an emphasis on Harmony.

All tests are available on-line at the FEI link within the Dressage Rules:

<https://inside.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/dressage/tests>

For Young Riders, Juniors and Pony Riders there is a set of three tests for each group: Preliminary Competition, Team Competition and Individual Competition. For Children, the set of tests comprises Preliminary A, Preliminary B, Team Competition and Individual Competition. Note updates are now released for 2026.

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The National Para Dressage Champion Grade IV is our own
Kirsty van Loon on "NeroR" and the
Reserve Champion Grade IV also from SA and riding her first
international FEI tests Michele Duthy on "Haluma Park
Siorus".

Heartfelt congratulations to you, your horses and your
grooms.



South Australians can be very proud of our representation
at the Para Nationals in Victoria.
The National Para Dressage Champion Grade IV is our own
Kirsty van Loon on "NeroR" and the
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Michele Duthy & 'Haluma Park Siorus



Kirsty Van Loon & 'NeroR

HIGH PERFORMANCE MEDAL SCHEME

Para Dressage has criteria for medals on the ESA Website, take a look to check your
eligibility!

<https://www.sa.equestrian.org.au/content/dressage-sa-high-performance-medal-scheme>

GOT PARA OR VIRTUS NEWS? SEND IT INTOBEADDEDTO THIS SEGMENT

The Para Equestrian Dressage Festival 2025

Generously held alongside The Adelaide Hills Dressage Club's Spring Festival on October 12th 2025. It was a great day of competition with Michele Duthy on 'Haluma Park Siorus' riding the Grade IV FEI PD Intermediate tests to take out the "Holden Hill Vet Para FEI Champion" rug.

Naomi Zirnsak had a lovely ride on 'Kiahglenn Chorus' to achieve the Grade IV EAPD Preliminary Champion "Coopers Rural and Hardware" rug.

A huge thank you to all of our sponsors!

We were also supported by a long list of volunteers who were only too happy to help with all those jobs essential to running a smooth event. Our Steward for the day was the re-accredited Stuart Platt. His friendly, professional approach was much appreciated and we welcome him back!



Stuart Platt

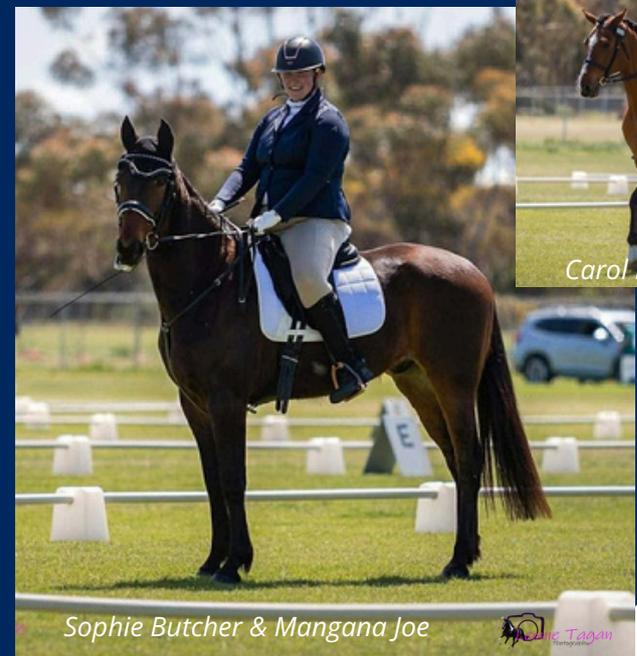
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Naomi Zirnsak & Kiahglenn Chorus



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VIRTUS NEWS



Round 3 of the Virtus Dressage Video Competition

Good luck to athlete Jaydan Pilmore for his entry into Round 3 of the Virtus Dressage Competition. The video competition brings together the world's best riders with an intellectual impairment. They compete in a World Championship from their home environment making this an exciting and efficient way to enter top level competition. We can't wait to share the results!

Visit <https://virtus.sport/sports/equestrian> for more information



Jaydan Pilmore & Teddy

EA HIGH PERFORMANCE SQUADS UPDATED CRITERIA

Highperformancesquadcriteriahas nowbeenpublishedonthe Equestrian Australia website;

<https://www.equestrian.org.au/content/high-performance-talent-id-squads>

Congratulations to interstate athletes Stella Barton, Lisa Martin and Bridget Murphy as our Gold representatives for Para-Equestrian!

<https://www.equestrian.org.au/NationalSquads/HighPerformance>

CONGRATULATIONS!
TO JUDITH SONNEFELD
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PARA DRESSAGE
STEWARDS LEVEL 2



Bridget Murphy



Lisa Martin



Stella Barton

PARA STEWARDS 2026

Reminder clubs will need a Para Steward for every Official Para competition.

Please email PEDC with any issues you may have, and we will work with you to resolve the problem or support your application for exemption.

Exemptions will not be granted unless there are extenuating circumstances.

National Para Email: para@equestrian.org.au

OTHER NEWS...



EQUINE PATHWAYS AUSTRALIA

2025 AWARDS

Equine Pathways Australia recently held their Awards to celebrate the individuals whose dedication, spirit and commitment continue to shape Equine Pathways Australia. SA was well represented and a big congratulations to Kathy Angel, Catherine Viney and 'Mallee Jack' all from SA!



Mallee Jack

THE RUCHED AWARD

This award recognises the Horse within the EPA program which has performed in Clinics / Competitions beyond expectations. The award is in honour of the exceptional "Ruched" campaigned by Luke Eaton. The award is donated by the Eaton family.

Awards Winner: Mallee Jack – SA



Kathy Angel

CIL DARA COSMIC AWARD

This award recognises the person who has made a significant contribution to the EPA program including day to day involvement, clinic days and competition. The award is to acknowledge and reward the person whose efforts behind the scenes show true passion towards athletes and the horses. The award is in honour of the exceptional 'Cil Dara Cosmic' campaigned internationally by Dianne Barnes. The award is donated by the Barnes family.

Awards Winner: Kathy Angel – SA



Catherine Viney

THE EQUINE PATHWAYS AUSTRALIA HP MEDALLIONS

The High-Performance Medallions recognise when EPA riders/officials/grooms/owners/horses are selected onto an Australian Team for World Championships or Paralympic Games.

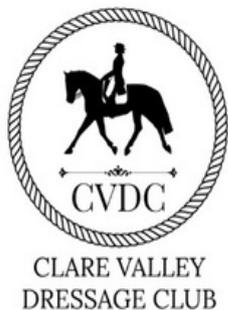
Congratulations Catherine Viney!

RULES FEATURE

Keep up to date with EA National Para Dressage Rules by heading to <https://www.equestrian.org.au/Paraequestrian-rules>.

You can also view a summary of recent changes here;

https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/EA%20PARA%20DRESSAGE%20SUMMARY%20OF%20RULES%20CHANGES%201st%20January%202025_v2_0.pdf



CLARE VALLEY DRESSAGE CLUB



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Kirily Isherwood

Josie Mathews

Amy Ryan

Karen Seneca

Club Calendar 2025-26

7th December Club Champs /

Closed Re-
stricted and Para

11th January Closed Restricted

8th February Closed Restricted

8th March Closed Restricted

12th April Competitive Participant
,CR

10th May Closed Restricted

14th June HOTY Competitive
Participant, CR, PARA, AOR

12th July Closed Restricted



December January 25/26

The past few months have been wonderfully busy for the Clare Valley Dressage Club, with favourable weather helping make both our October and November competitions great successes. Our October event was a smaller day, featuring 14 tests from Preliminary to Novice. We extend our sincere thanks to judge Pippa Mitton, who generously donated her time and expertise. Riders greatly appreciated the thoughtful feedback she provided, giving everyone valuable insights to take forward in their training.

Our November 9th competition saw a larger day of 21 tests, ranging from Preliminary through to Elementary. We were delighted to welcome judge Cheryl Hatswell, whose wealth of experience provided riders with valuable feedback to utilise in their future tests. A special thank-you to Cara and Kylie, who travelled all the way from Victoria, and to Grace, who joined us from Whyalla. There were some truly lovely tests throughout the day, and it was heart-warming—as always—to see our members encouraging and supporting one another.

The final competition of the year on Sunday 7th December is our Dressage Club Championships, which will feature Para classes as well as Closed Restricted classes, making it a highlight of the season.

Each rider will take home a goodie bag made possible by the generosity of our fabulous sponsors, whom we deeply appreciate. Their support also enables us to offer a range of fantastic prizes.

The day will include a kebab lunch, followed by wine, soft drink, and cheese platters during presentations. We are also delighted that Kerry Glass from Mighty Farm will be joining us, giving everyone the chance for a little retail therapy.

Finally, our new membership season will begin on January 1st, with all current members receiving an email and link in mid-December. Alternatively, you can hop on over to Nominate and head to the Clubs section to join. Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and a happy, safe New Year.

Kind regards
Jane Wetherall
Secretary





Clare Valley Dressage



CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS SUNDAY 7TH DECEMBER

Prep Prelim Novice Elementary

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Entries via Nominate

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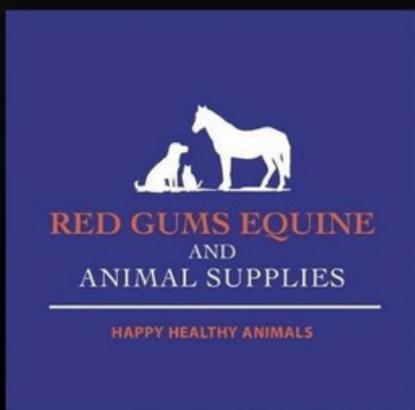
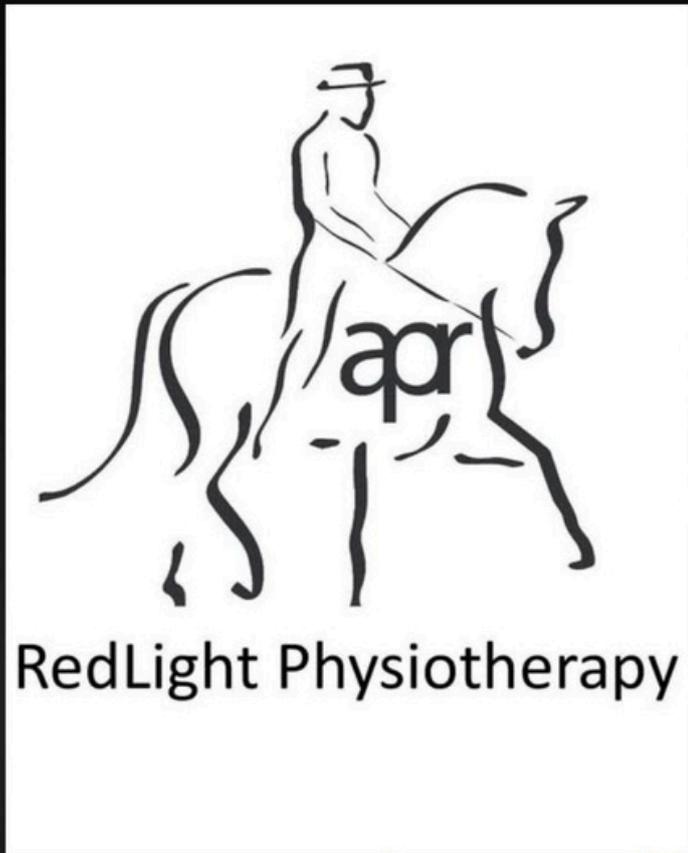
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2026 CVDC MEMBERSHIP

1st January 2026 - 31st December 2026

Member Benefits:

- Discounted competition entries
- Early bird access to clinics
- Free entry into High Point Horse, Pony, and Youth of the Year Competition.
- Requirement for entry into CVDC Club Championship 2026.

· Bimonthly Newsletter

Membership Prices:

- Senior Riding (19 + Years) \$70
- Junior Riding (up to and incl 18 years) \$60
- Concession Riding \$65
- Family (1 Adult and up to 2 children under 18) \$115
 - Non - riding \$25
 - Day membership \$30

Memberships are processed through nominate.com.au
and by

accessing the clubs area. If you are a current member
you will be emailed a renewal in December.

Memberships must be paid prior to riding in 2026.



CVDC warmly welcomes all levels of riders. We aim to encourage and support our rider's achieve their goals in a friendly environment. If you would like to join our club head over to Nominate and enter the Clubs area and look for Clare Valley Dressage Club. We also have a Facebook page "Clare Valley Dressage Club Members and Competitors"

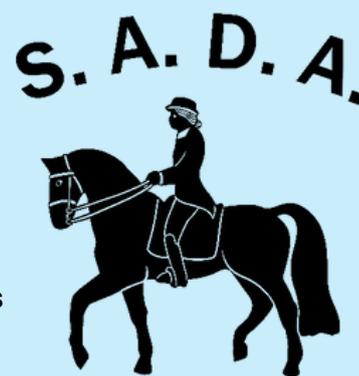
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South Australian Dressage Association Inc.

The South Australian Dressage Association (SADA) was founded by Marian Malecki around 1970 at Waterloo Corner, the is one of the oldest and most well recognized Dressage Clubs in South Australia and was the first Club to run competitions here in SA.

Our membership year runs from January to December with competitions on the first Sunday of every month at Lyrical Acres, 183 Dawkins Rd, Lewiston. Our club caters for riders of all ages and abilities. We have monthly competitions and clinics or activities that cater for young beginners (led and first ridden) through to experienced riders. Entries can be found on www.nominate.com.au



Our SADA Committee

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<https://www.sada-dressage.au>

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We are looking forward to growing our club and hope to see you soon at a SADA event.

SADA AGM and Annual Awards

S. A. D. A.



Hot off the press! SADA held their AGM and Annual Awards on Monday 1st December.

We welcome Brenda Scarfe as our newly nominated President and Courtney O'Leary as our new Secretary. Our other office bearers remain the same with Yvonne Dolman as Vice President, Jayke Kerr as Treasurer and Jenisha Carter is our Draw Secretary.

We thank the outgoing committee members, John and Michelle Hall and Kim Feltus as they have made huge contributions to SADA over the past two years. Thank you so much! We welcome Tracey Woodlands to the Committee and Jodee O'Leary back to the Committee - thank you ladies!



Congratulations to all of our level and high point winners for the year! See photos below of some of our amazing achievers!







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Entries via Nominate: www.nominate.com.au

Late entries now attract a \$20 fee per horse

Draw questions to Cathy (Draw Secretary): 0400 289 481

**Questions on how to enter on Nominate:
Sally (Secretary): 0429 190 653 or pretzel308@gmail.com**

President's Report

Another year has nearly gone!

Here's hoping you have achieved your goals and working towards a good outcome in the New Year.

The Spring Classic in October was a great day, despite the hiccups with internet problems slowing down the results for Presentations.

Thanks to our generous Sponsors, Horseland Mt Barker as our Elite Sponsor and the many others listed on our page, there were wonderful prizes for the many classes. Please support these businesses wherever you can in return for their generosity.

The Grant Application has been lodged for our proposed sand arenas and we should hear very soon if we have been successful. Thanks again to Lorraine Wohling for the many hours she has dedicated to preparing the application. Fingers crossed!!

Our AGM is set for December 9th at the Victoria Hotel in Strathalbyn at 7.30 pm. There are a few vacancies on the Committee and we would love to see some new faces.

The Grounds Management Committee have been saving through levies and Fundraiser events for several years now to build a new toilet/ shower block with disabled facilities.

The present total of approximately \$25,000 has been boosted by another \$7,000 which was promised by Kathy Angel if the Dressage and Showjumping Clubs could supply a number of volunteers to help at the recent Rodeo held at her property. This was a very successful event and we are most grateful to Kathy and those people who made it possible.

The Management Committee and Trustees are very keen to improve the grounds and facilities and to work together with the Constituent Clubs for that benefit.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone.

Wendy Brown

AHDC President

2026 Diary Dates

Entries close at midnight on the Wednesday 11 days before a competition.

Late entries are usually possible until midnight on the Friday 9 days before a competition but will attract a \$20 late fee per horse.

11 January - Competitive, Participant, Young Horse, Closed Unrestricted, Para, Practice Arenas Tests: Prep 1, Prep 2, Prep 3, Prelim to Advanced 1s and 2s	11 July - Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA
8 February - Closed Unrestricted Dressage, Combined Training, Interschool, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA	9 August - Competitive, Participant, Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA
8 March - Competitive, Participant, Closed Unrestricted, Interschool, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA	13 September - Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA
*** Saturday 11 April - Protocol Day, Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas TBC *** Sunday 12 April - Competitive, Participant, Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA	11 October - Competitive, Participant, Closed Unrestricted, FEI, Young Horse. Practice Arenas TBC. Tests: TBA
3 May - Closed Restricted Club Champs (AHDC Club Members only) + Closed Unrestricted classes (non-AHDC members), Practice Arenas Membership Conditions will apply Tests: TBA	8 November - Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA
8 June - Competitive, Participant, Closed Unrestricted, FEI, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA	13 December - Competitive, Participant, Closed Unrestricted, Practice Arenas Tests: TBA

Our membership year starts on 20 December each year (the dates have been altered a little to allow members to join and enter our January comp, as the closing date for our January competitions is too close to 1 January each year). Half price membership is available from 20 June each year.

See the Membership page of our website for more information and the joining process via Nominate: www.ahdc.net.au/membership.html

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Presidents Report

Welcome to you all for our last newsletter for the year, who would be thinking December already, especially with the cooler weather we are having, hope everyone is managing to get some hay stocked up, there seems to be plenty around in the south east.

November we were lucky enough again to get Jason Dins to our region, and what a full on 3 days he had, lots of learning and great riding by all who attended. The weather was amazing again at the beautiful grounds of the Naracoorte Polocrosse Club. How lucky we are.

Saturday was our Christmas BBQ dinner, a great night with a very entertaining Kris Kringle... full report on this weekend below.

Judges are almost all organized for our Country Classic which is being held on the 28th and 29th March. This is also a HOTY show as well, so lock it in your diaries, sponsorship is well under way too with MC Equine coming on board this year as a major sponsor... have a look at their website some amazing products at very good prices.

Lucindale show is on the calendar for the 28th February, and 1st March another one for the diaries, and official competition, please support the local shows.

I hope you all have a safe and Merry Christmas and you can get lots of riding in ... 😊

Best Wishes

Ann Dodd



Mid South East Dressage Club



MSEDC ROUND UP

Spring has been a busy time for the Mid South East Dressage Club members with clinics and competitions.

On the competition front - October many riders headed to Dimboola. Saturday was a fabulous day but unfortunately Sunday was a washout. Thank you to the Wimmera Equestrian Club for a great weekend, always a very welcoming group of people.

In November, two members of our committee attended the SA State Championships, where Ann Dodd (President) and Roc OnX (Dusty) received the Preliminary Reserve Champion AOR award.

Best wishes to our members competing at the Victorian Dressage Festival in December.

We held a very successful 2-day clinic in September with Angela Donaldson. We are indeed fortunate that Angela has moved to Naracoorte and our members have easier access to her fabulous coaching on a regular basis.

In November we held a 3-day clinic with the 2025 Victorian Dressage Coach of the Year, Jason Dins. It was wonderful to watch all horses and riders progress over the days. The clinic was held at the beautiful Naracoorte Polocrosse Grounds. It is always interesting to sit in on everyone else's lessons and hear a very consistent message, whether it be for the Off the track TB, the young horses starting out or the Prix St Georges horse.



Saturday night was a fabulous end to the year BBQ, with a hilarious KK giving and pinching. We also presented the Club's Annual Awards:

President's Award: June Whitehead

Di Green Memorial Award: Tiffany Bennett

Pumpkin Patch Award (Junior who contributes to the Club): Lucinda Bennett

Wood Duck Award: Kate Dennis (do not always follow GPS)





Southern Vales Dressage Club



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**Exciting few
months coming up
at SVDC**

DECEMBER



bounce
rubber arena surface

- Grounds open day
Saturday 13th of
December
- Sunday 21st of December
2025 Closed Restricted
Club Championship.
- Tests available:
Prep 1, Prep 2: 1.1, 1.3
2.1, 2.3: 3.1, 3.3: 4.1, 4.3: 5.1,
5.3
Prep-Psg
Freestyle



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JANUARY

- Grounds open day
Saturday 10th of January
- 18th of January 2026
competition-
Competitive/part/CR/
FEI/YH

To enter for any SVDC competitions, please visit the Nominate website below. If you're unsure on how to enter, don't hesitate to contact Nominate on (07) 3118 9555 or nominate@nomiate.com.au
<https://www.nominate.com.au>

NOMINATE

Sunday 18th January Tests

Comp/Cr - Prep 1, Prep 2: 1.2, 1.3
2.2, 2.3: 3.2, 3.3: 4.2, 4.3: 5.2, 5.3
FEI/YH

Part - Prep 1, Prep 2: 1.2, 1.3
2.2, 2.3

EA Member - \$40 per test
SVDC Member - \$30 per test
\$7.50 Arena Levy, \$7.50 Admin Levy

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Committee Members



DRESSAGE CLUB OF SA



DRESSAGE CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Hi Everyone!

The last show of our competition year didn't exactly end as we had planned, with the lightning storms in the hills necessitating the early end to the tests on Sunday.

Such a shame to spend the last day with the beautiful Cromwell Park as the home of DCSA after the past two years, on a less than celebratory note. However, the weather is definitely one thing we cannot control and we were very grateful to have the support and experience of our Victorian judges Sue Chandler and Veronica Steward, along with EA Steward Jo Taylor, monitoring the changing weather warnings and helping us make decisions. Thank you all very much, and we certainly appreciated the cooperation of the riders sheltering in the indoor during the storm until it was safe to travel home.

To Andy & Mandy Cogan, the owners of Cromwell Park goes a huge vote of appreciation for allowing us to host our shows there. It enabled us to raise our profile to a whole new level of show presentation, and everyone thoroughly enjoyed competing there. Enjoy your world travelling!

Huge appreciation to our major sponsor in 2025 Birdrise Farmstay Boarding – safe, experienced and caring holiday boarding for your canines!

THANK YOU, Jane, for everything that you have helped our club to achieve this year

We were also very fortunate to have HI FORM sponsorship in September, along with the lunchtime seminar – well attended and very much appreciated!

We were so incredibly proud to see so many of our members star at the recent 2025 South Australian State Dressage Championships sponsored by Equine Finance Solutions!

Special CONGRATULATIONS to the winners representing DCSA of both categories of the 4CYTE Teams Challenge for the second year!

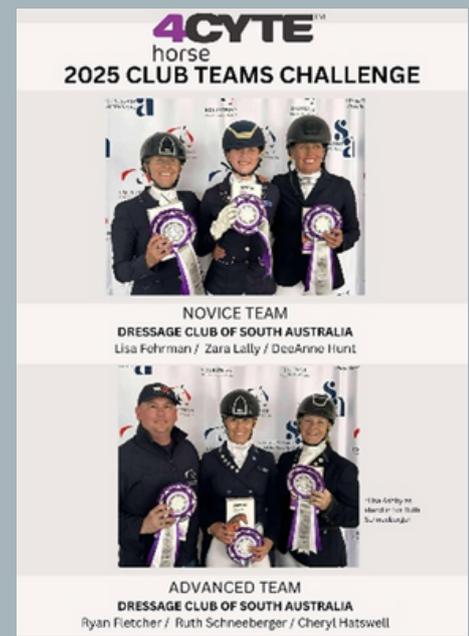
The Club Leaderboard winners will be presented with their awards at the first DCSA show in 2026 as always, and we have beautiful prizes to have as keepsakes of your hard & consistent work in 2025!

From the first show in 2026, DCSA will have a new headquarters. As you know our team are very good at Plan B's, so as soon as details of final arrangements are confirmed, we will announce our plans. Horse & rider safety and good surfaces are as always, our number one priority, so rest assured that will be the case for 2026 and beyond. It is likely there will be very slight adjustments to the calendar for us so watch this space!

Our DCSA Team would like to take this opportunity to wish each and every dressage rider and enthusiast a safe, festive and wonderful Christmas season, may your glasses be full and your hearts be happy with family & friends.



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See you all in 2026!
Anne Raymond – President

20 CLUB CHAMPION LEADERBOARDS
25 FINAL STANDINGS



CONGRATULATION TO OUR 2025 LEADERBOARD WINNERS

PRESENTATIONS WILL OCCUR OUT OUR FIRST SHOW FOR 2026 PLEASE STAY TUNED!

FEI			Senior Elementary, Medium & Advanced (AOR & Open)			PONY					
1	Ruth Schneeberger	Miramar Serene	23	1	Cheryl Hatswell	Christos	41	1	Jennifer Davenport	Burrowa Welsh Myth	50
2	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Verondina Artomous	18	2	DeeAnne Hunt	Benabella Power n Spunk	30	2	Carly Digney	There and back again	30
3	Catherine Skinner	Dobria de Jeu	12	2	Ruth Schneeberger	Heathmont Romance	30	3	Ruth Thompson	CP Tristan	28
4	Tianna Jenke	Lord Bentley	10	4	Samantha Dossett	Jazdan Royal Rockstar	22	4	Lisa Fehrmann	Eagleview Perfect Storm	24
5	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Dornfeld Don Dorito	9	5	Julia Weir	Jazdan Daydream	20	5	Sarah Price	Adelle Musician	9
6	Marlene Hunt	Fabuloso F	7	6	Sarah Wilkinson	Don Grace	14	6	Sarah Price	Burren-Dah Aurora	4
7	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Bluefields Denoir	6	7	Kirsty Van Loon	Nero R	12	YOUTH			
8	Julia Weir	Jazdan Daydream	4	=8	Elizabeth Freeman	Danson Virtue	11	=1	Airlie Wheadon	Willowcroft Warrior	50
9	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Levade This	3	=8	Renee Everest	APH Titanium	11	=1	Ellie Digney	Tuxedo cat	50
Senior Prelim & Novice (AOR & Open)				10	Wendy Kennedy	Cedar Park Ambition	9	3	Keeley Menadue	PS Can Dance	34
1	Melissa Boekel	Jazdan Fursten-Magik	41	=11	Lisa Fehrmann	Perfect Dancer BHI	7	=4	Keeley Menadue	PS Chimes	12
=2	Natasha Cockburn	Wilkara Funomenal	20	=11	Vita Suter	MacArthur To Be Frank	7	=4	Shanae Richards	Sanlirra luxurious	12
=2	Vita Suter	MacArthur To Be Frank	20	13	Natasha Cockburn	Dolcetto	6	6	Sarah Price	Benabella Power n Spur	11
4	Verity Hayman	Acacia Ridge Rio	18	=14	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Verondina Artomous	5	7	Jessica McCleave	Kadon Park Victorious	10
5	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Verodina Bluejay	12	=14	Ryan Fletcher	Dreamtime MI	5	8	Micaela Butler	Regent D Andre	8
=6	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Dornfeld Seekrit	8	16	Fiona Guthrie-Smith	Dornfeld Don Dorito	4	CR			
=6	Kirsty Van Loon	Nero R	8	17	Verity Hayman	Acacia Ridge Rio	1	=1	Ava Fox	Lucky Nuts	12
8	Samantha Marold	Bloomfield Marleena	6					=1	Meg Oliver	My hearts memory	12

Points are awarded individually to each Member's horse/pony and rider combination placing in official (EA) or Unofficial (CR) tests at the Dressage Club of SA (DCSA) shows in 2025

The **best 12 tests** for each combination will be counted for the Leaderboard final

A **minimum of two** DCSA shows must be attended for points to count

Points will not be back dated.

One rider may enter the same award on multiple horses or may enter different horses for different awards but cannot nominate the same horse for multiple awards.

THE SIX CATEGORIES FOR DCSA CLUB CHAMPIONS

- Youth
- Senior Prelim & Novice (AOR & Open)
- Senior Elementary, Medium & Advanced (AOR & Open)
- FEI
- Pony
- CR

Categories must be correctly nominated on the entry form & checked by the competitor prior to the show via the official published draw. Categories will not be changed on the day of the show, & points will be allocated as per the results.

Youth rider age is from the beginning of the calendar year in which the rider turns ten years for horses and eight years for ponies to the end of the calendar year in which the rider turns 21. This is a combined group based on current EA Rules for Juniors and Young-Riders.

To qualify as an Amateur Owner Rider (AOR), riders must declare that they meet the criteria as set out in the National Dressage Rules.4.6.1. It is the AOR's responsibility to ensure they have made it clear on their entries that they are entering as an AOR and to ensure that the draw clearly states they are competing as an AOR - this cannot be backdated. If the rider is not listed on the draw an AOR combination, they cannot accrue points for that specific competition. The onus is on the rider to make it clear prior to the competition.

CR (Closed Restricted) is for Member entries only. To gain Leaderboard points in the CR category, the rider and horse are to be unofficial.

Points are awarded for placings as per the tables below for the tests at each DCSA competition.

First Place	Second Place	Third Place	Fourth Place	Fifth Place	Sixth Place
6	5	4	3	2	1

If there is equality in points accrued at the completion of the calendar year, the next best-placed tests will be used to determine a winner. If there is still equality, then all will be announced as winners.

DCSA reserves the right to review if and when needed, and the DCSA decision is final.

2026 CRITERIA WILL BE RELEASED EARLY IN THE NEW YEAR!



2025 CALENDAR

	Results from this event count towards SA Squad selection and HOTY
	HOTY Jackpot points - Results from this event count towards SA Squad selection and HOTY
	Results from this event count towards Para HOTY
	Competitions that are running FEI tests
	Competitions that are running Thorough Care SA Dressage Series
	Young Horse

*HOTY events (Exc Para HOTY) must include: Competitive - FEI Open, AOR, Pony & Youth - 2 tests @ each level

DECEMBER	CLUB / COMPETITION							COMPETITION TYPE	VENUE
7	South Australian Dressage Association							CR	Lyrical Acres - Lewiston
TBC	Victorian Dressage Festival - Werribee							Competitive / FEI / YH / AOR	Interstate Competition
7	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Arena hire and training day (TBC)	MCDC Grounds
7	Clare Valley Dressage Club							Club Champs - CR / Para	Clare Showgrounds
13	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Club Champs	MCDC Grounds
14	Adelaide Hills Dressage Club							Competitive / Participation / CR	Strathalbyn Polo Grounds
14	South Eastern Dressage Association							CR	Mt Gambier
21	Southern Vales Dressage Club							Club Champs - CR	SVDC Grounds - Aldinga



2026 CALENDAR

	Results from this event count towards SA Squad selection and HOTY
	HOTY Jackpot points - Results from this event count towards SA Squad selection and HOTY
	Results from this event count towards Para HOTY
	Competitions that are running FEI tests
	Competitions that are running Thorough Care SA Dressage Series
	Young Horse

*HOTY events (Exc Para HOTY) must include: Competitive - FEI Open, AOR, Pony & Youth - 2 tests @ each level

JANUARY	CLUB / COMPETITION							COMPETITION TYPE	VENUE
3									
4	South Australian Dressage Association							CR	Lyrical Acres - Lewiston
10	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Arena hire and training day	MCDC Grounds
11	Adelaide Hills Dressage Club							Competitive/Part/CR/YH/Para	Strathalbyn Polo Grounds
11	Clare Valley Dressage Club							CR	Clare Showgrounds
17	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							CR	MCDC Grounds
18	South Eastern Dressage Association							CR	Mt Gambier
18	Southern Vales Dressage Club							FEI/Competitive/Participation /CR/YH	SVDC Grounds
**	Boneo Summer Classic							Competitive / FEI / YH	Interstate Competition
24	Mid South East Dressage Club							CR - Twilight competition	Naracoorte Showgrounds
FEBRUARY	CLUB / COMPETITION							COMPETITION TYPE	VENUE
	ESA Awards Night							Awards	TBC
1	South Australian Dressage Association							CR	Lyrical Acres - Lewiston
8	Adelaide Hills Dressage Club							Combined Training / Interschool	Strathalbyn Polo Grounds
8	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Arena hire and training day	MCDC Grounds
8	Clare Valley Dressage Club							CR	Clare Showgrounds
14	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Competitive / CR	MCDC Grounds
15	South Eastern Dressage Association							CR	Mt Gambier
15	Southern Vales Dressage Club							CR	SVDC Grounds - Aldinga
21&22	Dressage Club of South Australia							Competitive / FEI / YH / CR	Cromwell - Verdun
28 Feb & 1 March	Mid South East Dressage Club							Lucindale Show / MSED Series Round 1	Lucindale
	Dressage by the Sea-Willinga Park NSW							CDI - 4*	Interstate Competition
28	Dressage SA - Dressage Spectacular							YH Finals, Para, EA and FEI Freestyles	Cromwell - Verdun
MARCH	CLUB / COMPETITION							COMPETITION TYPE	VENUE
	Tasmanian State Champs							Competitive / FEI	Interstate Competition
28 Feb & 1 March	Mid South East Dressage Club							Lucindale Show/MSED Series Round 1	Lucindale
1	South Australian Dressage Association							CR	Lyrical Acres - Lewiston
	Boneo Autumn Dressage Championships								Interstate Competition
7	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Competitive / FEI / CR / YH	MCDC Grounds
8	Adelaide Hills Dressage Club							Competitive / CR / Participant / Interschool /	Strathalbyn Polo Grounds
8	Clare Valley Dressage Club							CR	Clare Showgrounds
7&8	Mid South East Dressage Club							Training Weekend	Hynam Polox grounds
7&8	Mid South East Dressage Club							Training Weekend	Hynam Polox grounds
15	Southern Vales Dressage Club							Competitive / CR / FEI / Para / CR / AOR	SVDC Grounds - Aldinga
15	Southern Flinders Dressage Club							Come and try / training day	Murray Town
19-21	Dressage & Jumping with the Stars							Australia YR Championships, CDI-W	Interstate Competition
22	South Eastern Dressage Association							CR - Round 2 Autumn Series	TBC
21	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Arena hire and training day	MCDC Grounds
22	Southern Flinders Dressage Club							CR / Combined training	Murray Town
28 & 29	Mid South East Dressage Club							Country Classic Round 2 Autumn Series	Naracoorte Showgrounds
APRIL	CLUB / COMPETITION							COMPETITION TYPE	VENUE
4&5	South Australian Dressage Association							Competitive / CR / FEI	Lyrical Acres - Lewiston
5	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							Arena hire and training day	MCDC Grounds
11	Southern Flinders Dressage Club							Competitive / Participant / CR	Murray Town
	Boneo							Open Dressage Spectacular	Interstate Competition
11	Mt Crawford Dressage Club							CR	MCDC Grounds
12	Adelaide Hills Dressage Club							Competitive/ Participant / CR	Strathalbyn Polo Grounds
12	Clare Valley Dressage Club							Competitive / Participant / CR	Clare Showgrounds
12	South Eastern Dressage Association							CR - Round 3 Autumn Series	TBC
16-19	Adelaide Equestrian Festival							3DE	Rymil Park
19	Southern Vales Dressage Club							Competitive / Part / CR / FEI	SVDC Grounds - Aldinga
25&26	Dressage Club of South Australia							Competitive / FEI / CR / Para	Cromwell - Verdun
26	Mid South East Dressage Club							CR Round 3 Autumn Series	Naracoorte Showgrounds
MAY	CLUB / COMPETITION							COMPETITION TYPE	VENUE
	Sydney CDI							CDI - 3*	Interstate Competition
3	Eyre Peninsula Dressage Club							Prep, Official Prelim/Novice TBC	Kimba Pony Club
3	Adelaide Hills Dressage Club							CR Club Champs	Strathalbyn Polo Grounds
2&3	South Australian Dressage Association							CR / Bred to Race / Para / Competitive	Lyrical Acres - Lewiston
7 to 10	Boneo							Comp / FEI / CPEDI	Boneo Park - Victoria