

# 2016 Queensland State Youth Rider Dressage Championships

Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 11th September 2016

QLD State Equestrian Centre,

Cnr Tuckeroo Dr & Beerburum Rd, Caboolture

Entries Close: 12 August 2016 via [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)

**NO LATE ENTRIES ACCEPTED**

*The goal of this event is to create a friendly environment for  
Young Riders to meet, compete and foster a love for Dressage.*

*We look forward to welcoming you.*

Both private and corporate organisations interested in supporting this event are encouraged to enquire.

## Organising Committee:

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## Schedule of Competition

Arena Familiarisation and Sound check available for Freestyle competitors Friday, 9<sup>th</sup> September 2016.

Saturday 10 September 2016		Sunday 11 September 2016	
1	Preliminary Pony Championship 1.2 & 1.3	18	Novice Pony Championship 2.2 & 2.3
2	Preliminary Horse Championship 1.2 & 1.3	19	Novice Horse Championship 2.2 & 2.3
3	Elementary Pony Championships 3.2 & 3.3	20	Medium Pony Championship 4.2 & 4.3
4	Elementary Horse Championships 3.2 & 3.3	21	Medium Horse Championship 4.2 & 4.3
5	Advanced Pony Championship 5.2 & 5.3	22	FEI Intermediate I Horse & Pony 22-25 yrs
6	Advanced Horse Championship 5.2 & 5.3	23	Junior Preparatory Championship C & D (under 10 years of age)
7	EA FEI PSG Horse & Pony 22-25 yrs	24	EA FEI Pony Individual Test 12-16 yrs
8	EA FEI Pony Team Test 12-16 yrs	25	EA FEI Junior Individual Test 14-18 yrs
9	EA FEI Junior Team Test 14-18 yrs	26	OzShotz EA FEI YR Individual Test 16-21 yrs
10	OzShotz EA FEI YR Team Test 16-21 yrs	27	EA FEI U25 Grand Prix 16-25 yrs
11	EA FEI U25 Intermediate II 16-25 yrs	28	FEI Pony Freestyle Test 12-16 yrs
12	Novice Freestyle	29	FEI Junior Freestyle Test 14-18 yrs
13	Elementary Freestyle	30	OzShotz FEI YR Freestyle 16-21 yrs
14	Medium Freestyle	31	FEI U25 Grand Prix Freestyle 16-25 yrs
15	Advanced Freestyle		
16	Intermediate I Freestyle 22-25 yrs		
17	Pas De Deux		

### Entry Fees:

\$120 per FEI Tour level (includes 2 tests & a freestyle)  
 \$80 per Preliminary to Advanced Championship Level  
 \$40 per Junior Preparatory Championship  
 \$40 per Novice to Advanced Freestyle Test  
 \$20 per person/\$40 per combination per Pas De Deux test  
 \$25 Administration Fee per Horse

### State Youth Rider Champions:

Championship rugs will be awarded at the following levels –

- Preliminary Pony, Preliminary
- Novice Pony, Novice
- Elementary Pony, Elementary
- Medium Pony, Medium
- Advanced Pony, Advanced
- FEI Pony Tour (Pony Team / Pony Individual / Pony Freestyle)
- FEI Junior Tour (Junior Team / Junior Individual / Junior Freestyle)
- OzShotz FEI Young Rider Tour (YR Team / YR Individual / YR Freestyle)
- FEI Small Tour (FEI PSG / Intermediate 1 / Intermediate 1 Freestyle)
- FEI U25 Big Tour (U25 Intermediate II / U25 Grand Prix / U25 Grand Prix Freestyle)

Rugs will also be awarded for each EA Freestyle competition (EA Novice to Advanced).

## BBQ

**SATURDAY, 10 SEPTEMBER 2016**

at the end of the day's competition – exact time will be advised in Competitor Information Pack

**Location:** BBQ entry at the Stable/Camping area

**Cost:** \$15 per person

**Includes:** steak, sausages, bread rolls, salads, condiments, dessert, a bottle of water or a can of soft drink

Special dietary requirements catered for.

Book and pay with entries, please specify any dietary requirements

Come along with your whole family and enjoy some socialising and fun mid-competition – also alleviates the need for cooking at your campsite!

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## COMMEMORATIVE POLO SHIRTS

Beautiful maroon and white polo shirts, embroidered with the event's logo can be pre-ordered and paid for with your entries.

**Cost:** \$35.00 per shirt

**Sizes:** Adults: S, M, L, XL, 2XL, 3XL, 4XL, 5XL

Kids: 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 14

A great memento of this wonderful event.

## Conditions of Entry

The 2016 QLD Youth Rider Championships will be conducted in accordance with the current edition of EA Dressage Competition Rules effective 1/7/2016 including amendments. Competitors are to be aware of the Rules. The onus is on riders to know the rules under which they compete.

1. **Membership and Horse Registration:** Riders and Horses/Ponies entered in EA/FEI competitions must be current Competitive members of EA. Junior riders entered in preparatory competitions may apply for day membership from Equestrian Queensland. Horses/Ponies do not need to be registered to compete in Junior Preparatory competitions, but will be subjected to an identity check if subjected to random swabbing.
2. **QLD Youth Rider Championships - Age:** This event is open to riders 10 years and up to the end of the year they turn 21 on ponies or riders 12 years and up to the end of the year they turn 21 on horses for EA competitions.
  - Junior preparatory competition, which acts as an introduction to the Young Rider competition, is for riders aged under 10 years of age at the close of entries.
  - FEI Pony Tour competitions are open to riders aged between 12 and 16 years, that is, from the year the rider turns 12 until the end of the calendar year that they reach 16. For riders born in the years 2000 up to and including 2004.
  - FEI Junior Tour competitions are open for riders aged between 14 and 18 years, that is, from the year the rider turns 14 until the end of the calendar year that they reach 18. For riders born in the years 1998 up to and including 2002.
  - FEI Young Rider Tour competitions are open for riders aged between 16 and 21 years, that is, from the year the rider turns 16 until the end of the calendar year that they reach 21. For riders born in the years 1995 up to and including 2000.
  - FEI U25 Big Tour competitions are open for riders aged between 16 and 25 years, that is, from the year the rider turns 16 until the end of the calendar year that they reach 25. For riders born in the years 1991 up to and including 2000.
  - FEI Small Tour competitions are open to riders aged between 22 and 25 years, that is, from the year the rider turns 22 to the end of the calendar year that they reach 25. For riders born in the years 1991 up to and including 1994.

Competition/Level	Rider's Age	Horse/Pony	Comments
EA Prelim/Novice/Elem	10-21 years	Pony	Elementary pony riders aged 12-16 years should enter the FEI Pony competitions
EA Prelim/Novice/Elem	12-21 years	Horse	
EA Medium – Open	10-21 years	Pony for riders 10-21 years Horse for riders 12-21 years	Pony riders aged 12-16 years should enter the FEI Pony competitions
EA Advanced – Open	10-21 years	Pony for riders 10-21 years Horse for riders 12-21 years	
FEI Pony	12-16 years	Pony	EA Elementary level
FEI Junior	14-18 years	Horse	EA Medium/Advanced level
FEI Young Rider	16-21 years	Horse	Prix St Georges level
FEI Small Tour	22-25 years	Horse	
FEI U25 Big Tour	16-25 years	Horse	Horses entered in the Big Tour may not enter other competitions

### 3. Gradings:

- Ponies entering the FEI Pony competitions must have less than 30 points at Medium level.
- Horses entered in FEI Junior competitions must have less than 30 points at Advanced level.
- Other levels as per EA Rules.

4. **Height:** Horses – exceeding 149cm with shoes, 148cm without shoes, Ponies – not exceeding 149cm with shoes.

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5. **Stallions:** Stallions are welcome to compete at this event however they must be kept under control by a competent person at all times when either ridden or led. Stallions must be led with a bit or chain in addition to their head collar. Stallions may not be tied to the outside of a truck or trailer but must be stabled or housed in a truck/trailer. Any stallion not considered to be in control by the Organising Committee (OC) will be withdrawn from the event. Stallion owners must display their green discs visibly at all times to help everyone to identify them. Refer to Annex L of the rule book for more details. Competitors please make yourselves familiar with the Stallion Safe Practices Guidelines found here:  
[www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/FEA\\_Stallion\\_Safe\\_Practices\\_Guidelines\\_Jan%25202011\\_V2.pdf](http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/FEA_Stallion_Safe_Practices_Guidelines_Jan%25202011_V2.pdf)
6. All riders and handlers are reminded that any horse can be dangerous so please give all horses and ponies enough room to pass safely whether you are leading or riding. Please be considerate of all riders and handlers and follow the rules of the arena whilst working horses; that is if you are walking stay towards the middle track in the arena, if you need to stop or check your gear move to the middle of the arena or leave the arena; pass riders coming in the opposite direction left shoulder to left shoulder. If you pass a rider in the same direction allow at least 5 m width. Please look around you at all times and try to be aware of others riding or walking past. Many people unintentionally frighten or distract horses by going too close or by moving too quickly; it is everyone's role to ensure the safety of others.
7. **PE Riders:** Particular care needs to be taken where PE Riders and horses are mingling with able bodied riders and horses.
8. **Eligibility:** The qualifying period is the 12 months preceding the closing date of entries. i.e. 12.08.2015 to 12.08.2016. Please note performance/s must have been gained in **Official EA competitions (including Participant events), Interschool performances will be accepted where judges meet the Competitive Class requirements.** The following percentages will be used to ballot entries in the event of oversubscription:
  - **Preliminary:** one performance of at least **60%**
  - **Novice:** one performance of at least **60%**
  - **Elementary:** one performance of at least **58%**
  - **Medium/Advanced/FEI Small Tour:** one performance of at least **55%**
  - **FEI Pony Tour:** one performance of at least **58%** at FEI Pony or Elementary
  - **FEI Junior Tour:** one performance of at least **58%** at FEI Junior or Medium
  - **FEI Young Rider Tour:** one performance of at least **58%** at FEI YR, Advanced or FEI Small Tour
  - **U25 Big Tour:** one performance of at least **58%** at FEI Medium Tour or FEI Big Tour
  - **Junior Prep C & D:** no qualifications required, entries balloted according to time entered (first in, best dressed)
  - **Pas De Deux:** no qualifications required, entries balloted according to time entered (first in, best dressed)
  - **Freestyles:** no qualifications required, entries balloted according to time entered (first in, best dressed)
9. All riders must submit their horse's best three performances in Official, Participant or Interschool competitions at the appropriate level, between 25.08.2015 to 12.08.2016. See above regarding the minimum performance requirement.
10. Horses or ponies may compete in **two (2) consecutive** levels E.g. Preliminary/Novice; Medium/Advanced. They may compete in **three (3) tests only** per day, which may include a freestyle test.
11. **Ranking** (balloting) will be based on the average of the highest percentage of three tests at the particular level, in the 12 months preceding the close of entries. **Riders who submit 3 performances (only one of which may be HC) will be considered ahead of those who submit two performances over those who submit one performance.** If Balloting occurs, preference will be given first to those who have submitted Official EA scores, then Interschool scores, then Participant scores.
12. The number of horses per rider per competitions may be limited if the competition is oversubscribed.
13. **Draw:** Competitions are limited to 35 competitors. The OC reserves the right to rank horses if necessary. A revised draw may be necessary the day before the competition to allow for withdrawals/scratchings. **The onus is on the competitor to confirm/check their start times the day before the competition.** If a competition is oversubscribed, a reserve list will be established.
14. Competitors are not permitted to ride HC at this event.
15. FEI tests can be downloaded at <http://www.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/dressage/tests>
16. **Saddlery and Equipment** As per current EA Dressage Rules 2016 including amendments. Note: EA levels up to and including Advanced whips must not exceed 1.2m in its entirety. Pony riders may only use a whip of 100 cms. A whip is not permitted in the FEI competitions.

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17. Approved hard hats must be worn at all times when training, warming up or competing at this event. Current safety approved headgear, AS/NZS 3838, EN 1384 (European) ASTM F1163 (US). FEI Competitions – top hats can be worn by riders 18 years and over, although approved hard hats are strongly encouraged for all riders.
18. **Spurs - Ponies** – Pony riders may only wear spurs that are no longer than 4.0cm. Refer to rule 2.5.
19. **Bridle numbers (2)** (Identification number) must be worn at all times when the horse is outside its stable. Please ensure you have two sets of numbers, one on the horse's bridle or saddlecloth for competition and **one on the halter when taking the horse out of the stable for walking/hosing down etc.** Please include your allocated bridle number on the entry form. In the case of duplication of numbers, the OC will allocate a temporary # for this event only.
20. **Entry Forms** must be correctly and fully completed. Any mistakes or incomplete information will result in the entry form not being accepted and returned for correction. **Late entries, faxed entries and phone entries will not be accepted.** Be sure to enter on your entry form your three best performances at each level entered.
21. **Scratching's, Withdrawals and Refunds: These must be notified to the OC at least 24 hours before the actual day of competition to [leesa\\_murray@optusnet.com.au](mailto:leesa_murray@optusnet.com.au) or text to 0402 033 716.** Entry fees will not be refunded after the closing date of entries unless the rider has notified the OC as above and a medical or veterinary certificate is produced within 24 hours of the completion of the event. In such cases, 50% of the entry fees will be retained by the O.C. Entry fees will be refunded in full for scratching's before the closing date and for riders on the reserve list who are not offered a start in a competition. The administration fee will **not be refunded.**
22. **Medication Control:** if approached by the Official Veterinary Surgeon or Official from the OC, the competitor must allow samples to be taken from their horse/pony for drug testing. Random swabbing will take place.
23. **Indemnity:** Riders and/or owners whose entries have been accepted, undertake to indemnify the Committee against all claims, losses, suits and damages made against or suffered by the Committee by reason of any negligent act or omission on the part of any riders, trainers or attendants whilst they are attending, riding or otherwise handling a horse and agree that any act or omission on the part of such riders or attendants found in any action against the Committee to be negligent, shall be deemed to have been negligent for the purpose of any claim under this indemnity. Riders are required to acknowledge the Declaration form included on Nominate. Failure to agree to this condition will result in non-acceptance of the nomination.

### General Information

1. **No Callers:** as this is a Championship event **NO callers** are allowed. An exception will be made for the Junior (under 10 years) competitions.
2. **Dogs** – Dogs are permitted in QSEC camping grounds provided they are kept on a lead (maximum length of 1 metre) and under control at all times. Dogs must be kept away from horse activities including the Main Arena and shower/toilet/laundry facilities. Any person not adhering to this guideline will be asked to leave the grounds immediately and no refund given. Please ensure that dog droppings are disposed of using the bags provided.
3. **Presentations:** will take place **at the end of the day or at the completion of each competition** (depending on the daily schedule). A presentation schedule will be posted on the notice board at the scoring area at the start of the Championships. It is compulsory for all placegetters to be present at prize giving. Rosettes & prizes will only be awarded to riders who attend presentations.
4. **Stabling:** Tying up of horses to floats and trucks at the stabling and camping area of QSEC is not permitted. For safety reasons, we recommend that competitors book a stable for their horses. All Stallions and horses staying overnight must be stabled. Stabling and Camping must be booked through the QSEC Stabling section of the [Nominate.com.au](http://Nominate.com.au) website. Stables will be pre-filled with 4 wheelbarrow loads of shavings as part of the stabling fee. Extra shavings can be ordered at the time of booking. **Competitors** are responsible for paying for any damages incurred to stables during the event – **minimum fee \$200.00 or as determined by QSEC.** **Stable Enquiries:** Please direct stable enquires to Event Director, Leesa Murray – [leesa\\_murray@optusnet.com.au](mailto:leesa_murray@optusnet.com.au), 0402 033 716.
5. **Day parking:** available at Barr oval parking area. Day yards can be booked, but may not be used overnight.
6. **Arrival of Horses:** QSEC will be open for arrival of horses from Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September. **No arrivals before this time without prior consent of the OC.** Please note the approx. time of arrival of horses on the entry form if on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September.
7. On departure, please remove all bedding and manure from the stable and dispose of the waste into the manure bays provided. Please do not place any foreign material in the manure bays. Ensure that the stable is closed and bolted. The stable will be inspected prior to your departure and your bond will be refunded by QSEC if the stable is left in a satisfactory condition i.e. completely clear of all bedding and manure.

8. **Please Note: Charges for stable hire at QSEC apply to use of stables per day or part thereof. E.g. From midnight to midnight.** If you arrive before midnight on one day and leave at 6am the following day this is classed as 2 days. Please take this into account when booking stables.
9. **Bedding** (shavings) is provided. More shavings can be ordered from Feedmania, 54 Beerburum Rd, Caboolture – 07 5495 1961. If ordered by 11am, delivery will occur the same afternoon.
10. **Fodder:** Petstock Feed Supplies Lot 2/4 Strathvale Court Caboolture Tel: 07 5495 3222; and Feedmania 54 Beerburum St Caboolture 07 5495 1961. Orders must be placed the day before delivery is required and all orders must be pre-paid. Please notify Feed Merchant of your stable number for deliveries.
11. **SMOKING is not permitted in the stables!** Only vehicles used by Stable Warden, venue staff and powered mobility for riders with a disability such as electric wheelchairs and powered scooters are allowed. Prams, bicycles, scooters and golf buggies are not permitted in the stable area. Children must be supervised at all times.
12. **Camping facilities:** These are available on the grounds. All sites are powered. There are good shower and toilet facilities with hot and cold water for males and females. Bookings via the QSEC Stabling section of the Nominate.com.au website.
13. **Accommodation:** Motel accommodation is available in nearby Caboolture; google 'Motels Caboolture' to find out more.
14. **Catering facilities** - will be available on the grounds from Saturday morning. Breakfast, morning and afternoon tea and lunch.
15. **Warming-up/ exercising:** All riders must wear an approved safety helmet while mounted with the chin strap secured. *You are reminded that only the rider entered in the Championships is permitted to ride the horse.* A groom may ride the horse at a walk on a long rein only. All horses must be saddled and be ridden in a bridle during any mounted exercise or competition warm-up. Please do not ride in the camping area. Note: all horses must wear their bridle number (one on each side of the horse) when out of the stable. Outdoor arenas will be available for use prior to the competition. More information will be contained in the entry information which will be sent to riders. Competitors will have access to competition arenas for familiarisation.
16. **Lunging:** Lunging is only permitted in the lunge rings at Barr Oval and the stable block, under no circumstances are horses to be lunged in any other area.
17. **Dress & headgear:** As per current rules, Section 2: Approved hard hats (with the chin strap secured) must be worn at all times when training, warming up or competing at this event. Current safety approved headgear, AS/NZS 3838, EN 1384 (European) ASTN F1163. FEI Competitions – top hats can be worn by riders 18 years and over, however ALL riders are strongly encouraged to wear approved hard hats for all levels of competition.
18. **Champion/Reserve:** Champion and Reserve for each level will be determined by using EA Dressage rule 3.19 in which first place horses are awarded 30 points (not including the Freestyle class at that level), second placed horses awarded 29 points and so on. In the event of a tie, the Champion will be the horse with the highest aggregate percentage at that level. In the event of a further tie, the horse with the highest percentage in the higher competition at that level will be deemed Champion.

**Volunteers: Please note that all riders will be given jobs to do during the event, which will include, writing/pencilling, gear checking, and test sheet collecting. There will be a job list available online before the event. You will need to make sure that you are aware of your jobs before the event; jobs will be allocated around rider's times in the draw.**

### Conditions for Freestyle & Pas De Deux competitions

19. **Freestyles:** Only the movements up to and included in the current tests at the level being ridden may be shown. There are certain movements that are compulsory for each level of Freestyle. Please check the EA rule book (Section 6) for these movements. Time Allowed – please refer to specific freestyle test sheets.
20. **Pas De Deux:** Costume dress is required, however riding boots and approved safety helmet must be worn. Time Limit is 4.5 minutes from halt – halt. Competitors must ride at the level of the most inexperienced rider; i.e. if one rider is competing Medium and the other in Novice then the combination would compete at Novice level.
21. **Music** must be supplied on CD with any relevant instructions attached in writing. **Please clearly mark competition e.g. Novice etc, horse and rider name on the CD along with any special instructions.**
22. **Equality of scores:** If two competitors receive the same final score, the one with the highest marks for artistic presentation is the leader.

**Risk Warning and Disclaimer**

1. Horse riding is a dangerous activity and can result in serious injury (including death) and loss.
2. All persons who ride, or tend, a horse on these grounds do so entirely at their own risk.
3. Neither the Equestrian Australia, Dressage Qld, nor the Organising Committee or any member thereof, accepts any liability for any personal injury (including death) suffered by any person from or relating to any incident involving a horse and whether or not caused or contributed by the negligent act, error or omission of the Council, the Committee or a member thereof.

