

Dressage Queensland and how we work with Clubs...

Dressage Queensland is a volunteer sports committee (just like the club committees) who is responsible for administering the Sport of Dressage in Queensland. It is worth noting that Clubs are affiliated with Equestrian Queensland, not Dressage Queensland. Equestrian Queensland had a Club Liaison Officer until very recently – the position is currently vacant. However, Dressage Queensland has a dedicated Club & Calendar Liaison on the committee, who is responsible for administering the Dressage Calendar and working with Clubs to improve and oversee Dressage in Queensland.

Communication should be two-way between Dressage Queensland and Clubs. As Dressage Queensland communicates with Clubs via email it is imperative that Clubs ensure that Dressage Queensland's Club & Calendar Liaison has the correct email address for correspondence. If a club has not received any communication from Dressage Queensland, then they are responsible for contacting Dressage Queensland to seek clarification. A large percentage of Clubs are not responding to Dressage Queensland requests – the point being that not receiving a reply does not indicate to us that the club has not received the communication. Members can find all Dressage Queensland Committee contacts on the Dressage Queensland Website, however, for Clubs all communication should be sent to the Club & Calendar Liaison representative on dqclubliaison@gmail.com

The following is a list of the services Dressage Queensland currently provides for Clubs:

- Club & Calendar Liaison position on the Dressage Queensland committee
- Scoring workshops
- Procedures manual for running dressage events in Queensland
- Calendar management:
 - o Too many events on the same day will cause judge availability issues
 - o There are always going to be disappointed Clubs when they are told “no” to a date request
- Judge Education (free)
- Steward Education (free)
- Advice and support to Clubs when event issues arise.

The following is a list of initiatives Dressage Queensland instigated:

- Adult Amateur Owner Rider Series:
 - o Dressage Queensland introduced “Division 2” which morphed into AAOR in 2012 to encourage more adult amateur riders to compete.
 - o Dressage Queensland provides rosettes for all AAOR competitions at all 1* and 2* events.
 - All 1* and 2* results count towards the AAOR series encouraging AAOR competitors to compete at these events, which is of benefit to the Clubs.
- Novice Club Team Challenge at the Brisbane CDI
 - o Opportunity for Clubs to win a \$5,000 saddle just by having members participate
 - o The Novice competitions are Participant specifically for club members
- Young Rider rosettes are provided for all 1* and 2* events to encourage young riders to participate, which is of benefit to the Clubs.

Should the club have questions or concerns please do not hesitate to contact:

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