



BERRY RIDING CLUB

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**INTERSCHOOL
EQUESTRIAN
CHAMPIONSHIP**

**SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER
- MONDAY 2ND OCTOBER**

DRESSAGE | SHOWING | SHOWJUMPING | SPORTING | XC HUNTER

BERRY EQUESTRIAN CENTRE
39 SCHOFIELDS LANE, BERRY

EVENT DETAILS

15th Annual BRC Interschool Equestrian Championships

EVENT ENTRIES:

Open to riders from K-12. Due to the cancellation of last year's event we also offer Yr 13 for the Year 12 Class of 2022.

ENTRIES CLOSE WED 13 SEP 23

ENTER VIA NOMINATE

No other forms of entry will be accepted. Entries are capped to 215 riders. **Entries will close early** if event cap is reached prior to advertised entry closing date. Entries are at the discretion of Berry Riding Club.

VENUE:

BERRY EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

39 Schofields Lane, Berry NSW

Exit off Princes Hwy into Schofields Lane just south of Berry

There is no camping or overnighting of horses at this venue. Camping is available at the nearby Berry Showground.

FEES:

Horse/Rider Combination competing only one day:	\$50
Horse/Rider Combination competing on two days:	\$90
Horse/Rider Combination competing on three days:	\$125
Event Membership per Rider for non BRC members:	\$30
2nd and subsequent riders in one family discount:	\$10
Administration Fee (non-refundable)	\$5
First Aid Levy	\$5
Late Fee for entries received after closing date:	\$30

Refunds will be given up until the closing date and after that time on production of a vet or medical certificate received within 5 days of the start of competition.

Should the total event be cancelled by BRC all monies will be refunded less the administration fee and Nominate fee.



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KEY INFORMATION

15th Annual BRC Interschool Equestrian Championships

IMPORTANT:

- **Care of Riders:** Each school group should be in the charge of an authorised representative of the school (team manager) who may be a parent of a rider. The nominated person should be the sole contact for riders with the office or ground officials.
 - **Competition Disclaimer:** Neither the organisers, nor the owners of the grounds, nor Equestrian Australia accepts any liability for any accidents, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators or any other person or property whatsoever.
 - **Reservation of Right:** The organisers reserve the right to cancel or change any class or event, divide or combine any classes, transfer competitors between sections of a class, to alter the advertised times and to refuse any entry with or without stating the reason.
 - **Insurance:** Ambulance cover is recommended for all riders and attendees at the event.
 - **Wet Weather:** Should inclement weather force the cancellation of the event, the event may be rescheduled. Special arrangements for inclement weather will be posted to the Berry Interschools Facebook page.
 - **Rules:** This event is run under the rules of Equestrian NSW. This is NOT a Pony Club event.
 - **Year 13:** Riders who were in Year 12 in 2022 are invited to participate in Year 13 classes (offered due to cancellation of 2022 BRC Interschools). Riders will compete only for "Year 13" pointscore. Scores will not be considered for overall school pointscore, or overall Secondary Champion rider pointscore.
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RULES

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The competition will be conducted with reference to the EA Policies and Bylaws, and the EA Interschool Rules.

All entrants and their Parents/Guardians shall accept and be bound by these rules.

Participants and their support teams must observe the FEI Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse, and the EA Codes of Conduct. Any rider who does not abide by ENSW and/or his/her School's Code of Conduct may be reported to the Management Committee and may be disqualified from further competition.

Riders, their parents and other connections are expected to treat all officials and fellow competitors with respect and assist where possible in the smooth, happy running of the competition. In the case of failure to show respect, the rider, their parents and other connections will be required to leave the grounds for the remainder of the competition by order of the Organising Committee.

Unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated,

It is the responsibility of each rider to know the rules for competition and disciplines.

All decisions of judges, officials and the committee are final.

A judge or other official may request a rider change divisions in a flatwork or show jumping event where this combination is considered unsuitable for the division in which entered.

A judge may eliminate a rider for the incorrect use of gear in any discipline, including excessive use of whip or spurs.

An unsafe combination, or unsound horse, unsafe gear may be eliminated by a Judge or referred to the Event Committee for review.

A first aid centre and/or paramedic will be available on all days at the spectator shed.

Any rider falling from a horse on any day of competition must not re-mount until checked by medical staff and may not be permitted to ride again that day.

It is recommended that all participants hold Ambulance cover, and insurance cover such that provided under an EA membership. Membership of BRC does not provide participants with any form of insurance.



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Rider Attire:

All helmets must be EA Compliant and have a current EA helmet tag. Helmets must be worn and properly fastened at all times whilst mounted.

Boots are to be smooth soled riding boots in either brown or black.

Saturday: Long-sleeved school shirt, school jumper, tie, beige or white jodphurs.

Sunday: School sport polo shirt, sloppy-joe / jumper, beige or white jodphurs.

Monday: Long-sleeved school shirt, school jumper, tie, beige or white jodphurs.

Jackets are not permitted.

Competitors in Cross Country Hunter Jump must wear an EA Compliant back protector. Riders may elect to wear a back protector in any of the other disciplines.

Equipment and Gear:

Saddlecloth in school colours (Year 13 and Homeschool students use white saddle pad). Riders are to display their issued rider number on the near side of the saddlecloth.

No rider may compete with stirrup leathers under the saddle flap or tied to any part of the saddle.

Saddlery and tack is to be in good working order and comply with the relevant EA discipline rule.

Welfare of the horse is paramount

All horses and ponies must be four years of age or older to compete. Horses' ages are assessed from 1 August of the year of birth.

Horses must be ridden at a walk when not in a designated practice or competition area

A horse's sensory hairs must not be clipped and/or shaven or modified in any way.

Illawarra Equine Centre Vets: 02 4448 6488



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PARTICIPATION

Riders may only compete on one horse over the three days. In the case of lameness or injury a substitute horse may be brought in and the team manager should advise the office in writing.

A rider may only ride his or her horse in a **maximum of three rounds** of jumping on any one day.

Only the nominated rider may ride/school the horse at the venue, including for warm up. A horse may only be lunged by someone other than the rider. Failure to abide by this rule will mean disqualification of the horse from the rest of the event.

Led riders both mounted and unmounted must be under the supervision of a responsible adult at all times.

Draws and other information pertaining to this Championship will be posted on the Berry Interschool Facebook page and the Berry Riding Club website and sent to competitors by email.

Competitors must ensure that the email address specified on Nominate is correct, and can be accessed for updates and other communication up to and including the date of competition.

Requests to change section or times in any draw must be submitted in writing to organisers before day of event.

Classes are not announced on the public address system. Riders must remain near their competition ring and be ready to enter when called by a steward.



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No camping is permitted at the Berry Equestrian Centre. Yards & camping facilities can be found at the Berry Showground. Bookings are made by contacting the Berry Showground Manager via email berryshowgroundcamping@gmail.com or mobile 0427 605200. You must advise you are a participant in Interschools.

Any temporary yard erected at Berry Equestrian Centre must be constructed of metal. No rope or tape yards may be used at any time.

The use of bikes is not encouraged. If used, riders **MUST** wear a helmet and must travel at walking pace at all times.

Electronic scooters are not permitted.

Dogs must be on a lead at all times, and under the control of a responsible handler.

Images may be taken by representatives of Berry Riding Club and may be used in promotional material, including social media posts.

Elegant Exposures are the professional photographers for the event. Any images produced by the photographers are not to be screenshot, reproduced or shared unless purchased.

All communication with Berry Riding Club is to be in writing to interschools@berryridingclub.com.

In the words of our late President and mentor
Penny Rose, let's all be
SAFE, FUN AND FAIR



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PROGRAM

SATURDAY 30 SEPTEMBER 2023

Fancy Dress: For Primary Riders ONLY
to be judged mid afternoon. **Costumes to start with W**

NOTE: Riders must choose to compete in **EITHER**
Dressage **OR** Show Hack.

DRESSAGE:

A horse may compete in up to three different tests over TWO consecutive levels. Gloves are to be worn. Riders MUST report at their allotted time as per the draw. The time draw will be displayed on the Berry Interschools FB page and will be emailed to competitors. Total number tests capped at 200.

NOTE: Prep tests are previous EA tests. Links to tests are on Nominate,

PRIMARY AND SECONDARY:

EA Preparatory E (2022)

EA Preliminary 1.2 (2023)

EA Novice 2.2 (2023)

EA Preparatory C (2022)

EA Preliminary 1.3 (2023)

EA Novice 2.3 (2023)

SECONDARY ONLY:

EA Elementary 3.1 (2023)

EA Elementary 3.2 (2023)

SHOW HORSE:

Show riding is run by Divisions. Riders MUST NOT change Division, except where requested by an official or judge to change in the interest of safety or fairness.

Rings start at 9am (Beginner/Led start 10am).

OPEN (Division 1): rider/horse combinations competing regularly at agricultural shows, royal shows and HOTY shows.

INTERMEDIATE (Division 2): rider/horse combinations who compete regularly at agricultural shows and zone pony club gymkhanas but have not competed in similar events at a royal show or HOTY.

NOVICE (Division 3): rider/horse combinations who have not placed regularly at agricultural shows or zone pony club gymkhanas in similar events. Horse must be shown in a single rein bridle.

BEGINNER (Division 4); PRIMARY ONLY. These classes will be conducted at walk/trot (no cantering).

LED RIDER (Division 5): PRIMARY ONLY. For riders still on the lead. These riders must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.



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SHOW HORSE (CONT'D):

Within Divisions, classes will be divided as appropriate into Horse Height classes in which the horse is the primary focus of the judging, and into School Year classes where the rider is the focus.

Classes will be similar in numbers wherever possible. This will be determined after the close of entries. Classes will be published on the BRC Interschools FB page and the website.

Primary and Secondary riders will be judged in separate sections for hack and rider classes where points are given.

HORSE HEIGHT DEFINITIONS:

Small Pony:	under 12.2hh
Large Pony:	12.2hh and under 14hh
Galloway:	14hh and under 15hh
Hack:	15hh and over

CLASSES FOR DIV 1-3 (Open, Intermediate, Novice)

Handler Class:	school year groups, Div 1-3
Hack Class:	horse heights, Div 1-3
Best Presented (under saddle):	horse heights, Div 1-3
Educated Mount:	horse height, Div 1-3
Pleasure Mount	horse height, Div 1-3
Rider:	school year groups, Div 1-3
Bareback Rider:	school year groups, Div 1-3
Consolation Rider:	not placed in earlier classes
Pair of Riders:	riders from within same division

CLASSES FOR DIV 4 (Beginners)

Handler Class
Best Presented Mount & Rider
Best Beginner Mount
Best Hands & Seat
Pair of Beginner Riders
Consolation Rider
Try Canter

CLASSES FOR DIV 5 (Led)

Handler Class (may be assisted)
Best matched rider and leader
Best walking pony
Best Hands & Seat
Pony with best decorated mane in school colours
Try Trot



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SUNDAY 01 OCTOBER 2023

SHOWJUMPING

Riders must be competent at the nominated height. Judges reserve the right to withdraw a combination deemed to be unsafe at the nominated height. Course walk for the first competition of the day will be at 7.30am.

- The height classes will be 45cm, 60cm, 75cm, 90cm and 1.05m.
- **NOTE** 45cm is restricted to primary competitors only. 45cm is only offered in Immediate Jump Off and Special Two Phase competitions.
- Horses may compete in a maximum of three jumping rounds.
- No two rounds may be of the same competition type (ie a rider may only do one round of Immediate Jump Off).
- Rounds may only be across two consecutive jumping heights.

IMMEDIATE JUMP OFF COMPETITION (ARTICLE 245.3 & 238.2.2)

Athletes who have completed their preliminary round without penalties must proceed to the jump-off without leaving the arena. The bell will be rung again to signal the athlete to start the jump-off course. The 45 second countdown applies.

SPECIAL TWO PHASE COMPETITION (ARTICLE 274.2)

Two phases run without interruption with the finishing phase for the first phase being the starting line for the second phase. Athletes penalised in the first phase continue on carrying their penalties from the first round. The second phase only will be timed and penalties accumulated as 1 for every 4 commenced seconds after the time allowed for this round..

COMPETITION AGAINST THE CLOCK (ARTICLE 238.2.2)

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



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SPORTING

SPORTING WILL BE SEPARATED INTO TWO TIME SLOTS

Primary competitors: 10:30am - 12:00pm

Secondary competitors: 12.45pm - 2.15pm

Ribbons will be awarded in each of the school year groups. All events will be timed for individual placings for each year. The fastest time for both Primary and Secondary for each competition will also be rewarded with a rosette.

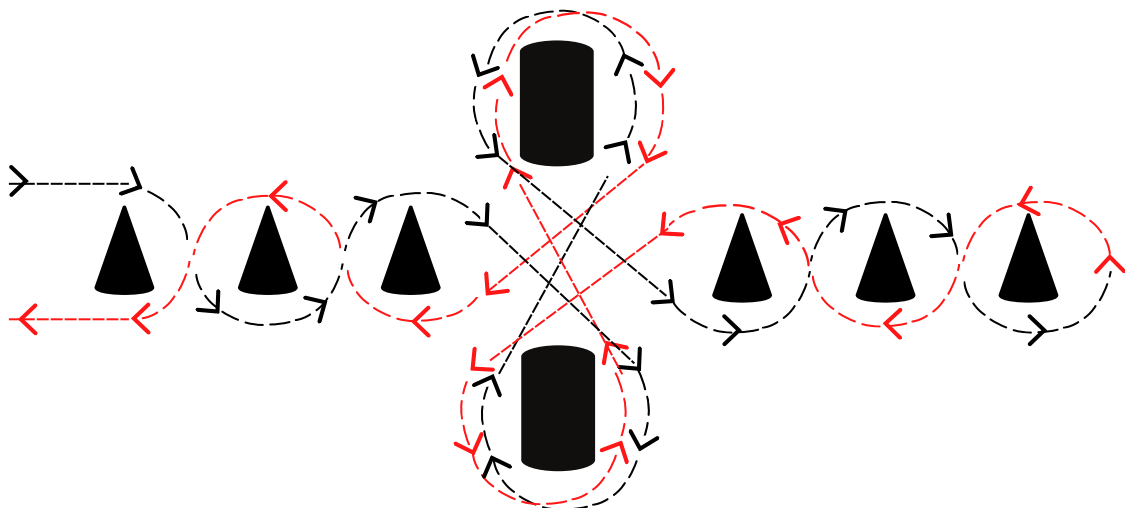
Riders may only attempt each sporting game once. Riders must ride through start and finish lines to avoid elimination.

**BERRY BEND
SCUDAHOE
ONE FLAG RACE**

**BEND BAR AFT
DOUBLE SLALOM
WESTERN BENDING**

BERRY BEND

With the cones on their right, the rider bends around the first three cones, then turns through a figure eight around the drums (going around the top of the drum on the right side first). On leaving the drums, the rider completes the bending pattern on the final three cones, returning in a bending pattern to a figure eight around the drums (left drum first) and finishing with the bending pattern to complete the run,



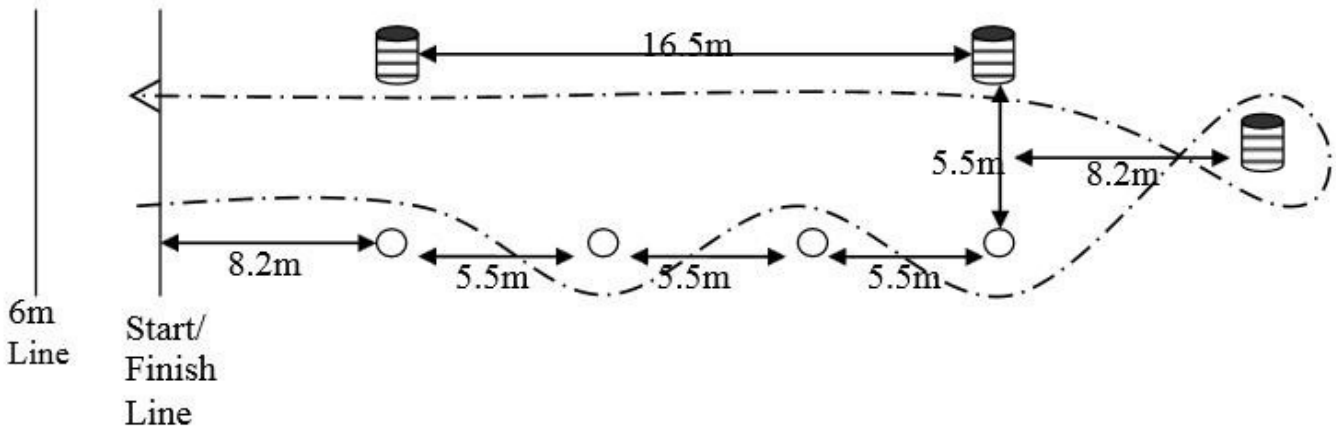
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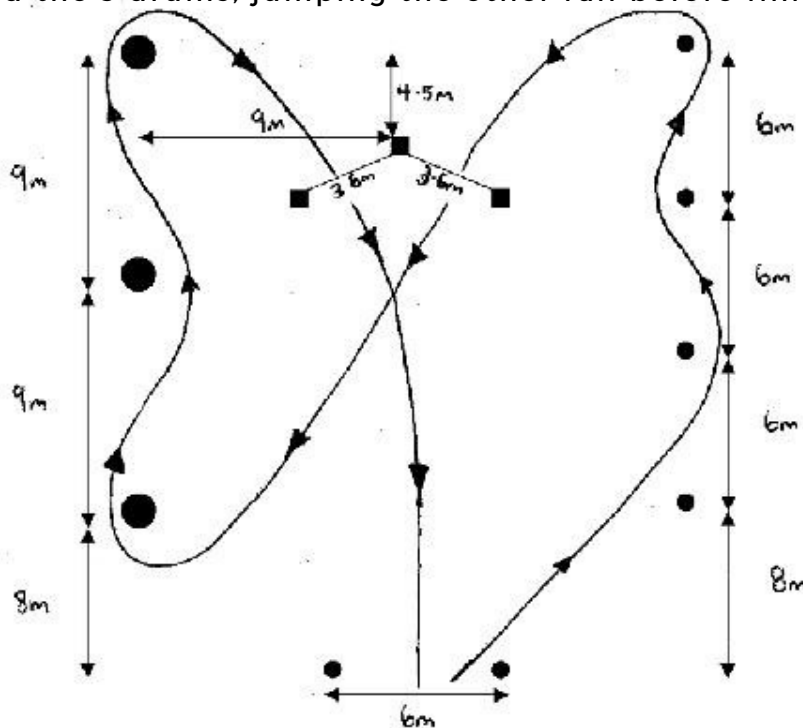
BEND BAR AFT

With the first pole on the right, the rider bends through poles, circles to the right around the barrel at the top of the course. At the next drum, the rider picks up an item, carrying it to the next drum to exchange it for another item, then races to the finish line with the item.



SCUDAHOE

From the start the rider bends through 4 bending poles (first pole on their right), before turning to jump a small rail. With the first drum on their right, the rider then bends around the 3 drums, jumping the other rail before finishing.



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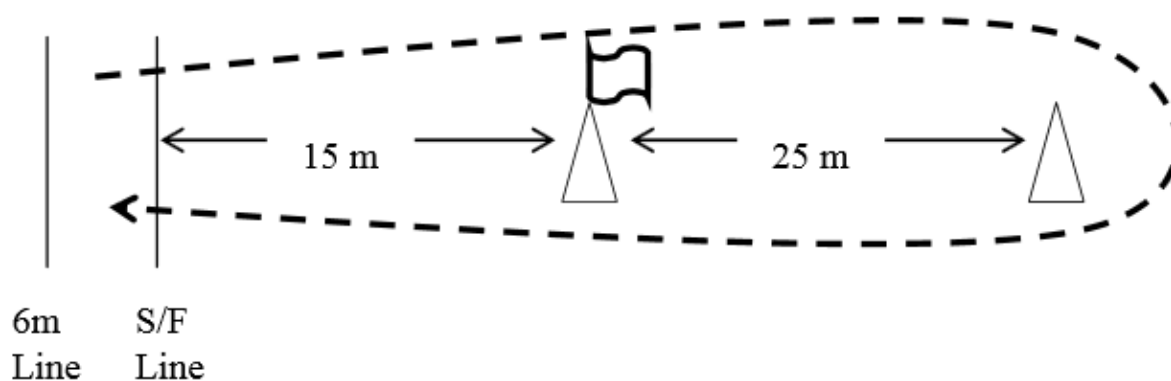
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DOUBLE SLALOM

With the bending poles to their right, the rider heads to the far end pole, turns and weaves through 2 sets of poles and back to the finish line. The poles are set 6m apart on both sides. A diagram of the Double Slalom will be displayed on the scoreboard.

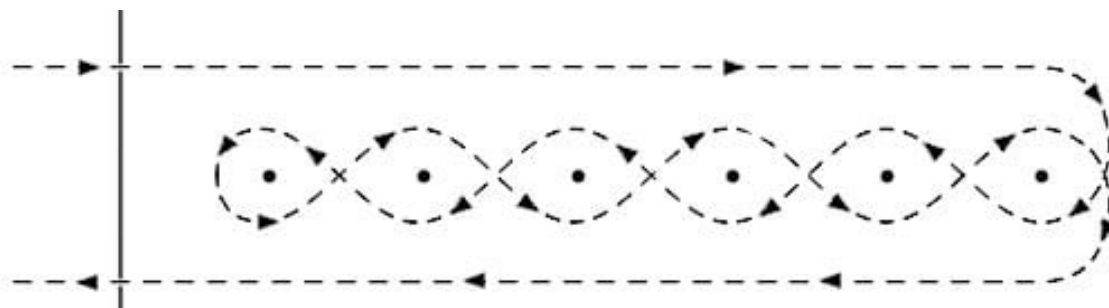
ONE FLAG RACE

The riders will start with a flag in their hand and ride to the first cone and place the flag in it. They then ride around the marker at the end of the arena, and pick up the flag from the cone on the way back to the finish line. If a rider drops a flag they can dismount, but must place the flag in the road cone from the mounted position.



WESTERN BENDING

Rider rides straight up on left hand side of poles, turns round the end pole, and bends back through poles, rounds the first pole bending back to the end pole, around the end pole and straight back to the finish line.



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CROSS COUNTRY HUNTER JUMP COMPETITION

Riders may only compete in one round of Cross Country Hunter Jump. This event is not for beginners. Horses are expected to be able to jump their nominated height competently and at speed. A draw will be published on our website and the Berry Interschools Facebook page.

This class is judged on the rider and the horse as a hunter. It is marked with points in a manner similar to Jumping Equitation. All tack and clothing is to be neat and workmanlike. Decorations, bright colours and artificial aids are not appropriate. Severe bits and aids may be penalized but should be used only if required for safety reasons. EA tagged helmet and EA compliant back protector must be worn. Riders will be required to ride a simple workout on the flat then, without stopping, proceed in a more forward canter and jump 8 fences, consisting of solid x/country fences across undulating terrain. The course will have no combinations. The two judges will mark concurrently:

Rider on the flat – judged on the rider's ability to ride in rhythm on the flat at various gaits, at an appropriate speed with the correct use of 2-and 3-point seats.

Rider over fences – judged on the rider's ability to negotiate fences at an appropriate safe speed, in rhythm and in the control when hunting or riding cross country.

Hunter on the flat – judged on the horse, which should be obedient and easy to handle, work at a relaxed trot through to a gallop in hand with complete control.

Hunter over fences – judged on the horse's ability to negotiate a course of fences in the most pleasurable, smoothest and eye-pleasing manner.

PRIMARY RIDERS: 60/65cm or 75/80cm

SECONDARY RIDERS: 60/65cm or 75/80cm



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FLATWORK INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

Horses must be ridden in a snaffle bit.

In both Flatwork competitions, competitors will be given a mark for Attitude and Conduct. True showmen behave with dignity in the ring and understand that they are on show at every moment. Competitors begin each phase with a maximum for attitude and conduct. By simply behaving in a respectful and cooperative manner, all competitors should retain their maximum of 10 marks.

Riders competing in Cross Country Hunter Jump Competition may present for the Flatwork classes in their jump tack.

Handler/Hack and Show Hunter workouts must be completed within the designated Ring times. It is the responsibility of the rider to ensure they attend the correct ring during the allocated times.

HANDLER/HACK INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

Competitors will present the horse in hand under saddle. Riders must ride in to the ring, dismount and proceed to the judge to commence the In Hand presentation. Immediately following the In Hand Presentation, competitors will mount and proceed with the individual ridden workout.

Competitors will be marked on horse handling, rider's position, aids and ability to present the horse, as well as on the horse's way of going.

Workouts and ring times will be provided to competitors prior to the competition.

SHOW HUNTER INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

Competitors will be required to execute a set workout which will include a small jump and a hand gallop.

Competitors will be marked on presentation, rider's position, aids and execution of the workout.

Workouts and ring times will be provided to competitors prior to the competition.



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SHOWJUMPING (excluded from Pointscore)

FAULT & OUT COMPETITION ARTICLE 266

Riders are limited to one round of Fault & Out.

This competition takes place against the clock over a course without any combination obstacles. The round finishes at the first fault committed (obstacle knocked down, any disobedience, fall etc) or when the rider has jumped the last obstacle at which point the time is taken. Points are awarded with 2 points for an obstacle jumped correctly and 1 point for an obstacle knocked down. The winner of the competition is the athlete who obtains the greatest number of points. In the event of equality, the rider with the fastest time will be declared the winner. In the event of equality of points and time for first place only, there will be a Fault-and-Out jump-off over a limited number of obstacles. Note that when an obstacle is knocked down or when the fixed time is reached, the bell is rung. The rider must then jump the next obstacle, but no points are given for this.

RESCUE RELAY SHOWJUMPING

This fun competition will be run while the pointscore is being finalised and doesn't feed into the pointscores. It involves a pair of riders completing a course twice in the quickest time possible. The heights of the jumps will be set between 65cm and 80cm. Throughout the course a rider may take over from the other rider however if a rider has a penalty the other rider must jump the next obstacle.

ENTRIES TAKEN ON DAY OF COMPETITION.

To our Officials, Stewards, Pencillers, Course designers,
Judges, Scorers and Volunteers, a huge

THANK YOU!



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AWARDS

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CHAMPION SCHOOLS

Primary Champion School proudly sponsored by Regal Riding School

Secondary Champion School proudly sponsored by Sheds n Homes Nowra

All riders representing the winning school will receive a commemorative sash.

CHAMPION RIDERS

Champion Primary Rider
and

Champion Secondary Rider
proudly sponsored by Waldie & Co

SCHOOL YEAR CHAMPIONS & RESERVES

School Year Champions proudly sponsored by Bishops

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ROSETTES FOR BEST PERFORMANCES IN INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS

First Place in each Dressage Test
Proudly sponsored by **Bishops**

First Place in each Showjumping Class
Proudly sponsored by **Sheds n Homes Nowra**

First Place in each X-Country Hunter Class
Proudly sponsored by **LiveWire Orthodontics**

First place in each Flatwork Class
Proudly sponsored by **Independent Steel Company**

Fastest time by a Primary & Secondary Rider in each Sporting Event
Proudly sponsored by **Luke Musson Farrier**

Judges' Encouragement Award for each Preparatory Dressage Rider

Judges' Encouragement Award for each rider in the Beginner and Led Ring

All entrants in Fancy Dress
Proudly sponsored by **Ausprint Ribbons**

Winners of the Rescue Relay
Proudly sponsored by **Ausprint Ribbons**

RIBBONS FOR INDIVIDUAL COMPETITION

Dressage proudly sponsored by **Bishops**

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SAT 5 - MON 7 OCT 2024