



## Dressage with Decorum Series Event 2 - 2019



**Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June**

EA & FEI Competitor

&

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Prep, Participant,  
EA Young Horse/Pony,  
Para tests.

**Club Members**

**Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June**

Club Tests, Rider Tests



**We welcome our Guest Judge Helen Whittle (SA)  
EA A Level (Grand Prix) Dressage Judge,  
National Para Dressage Judge & Mentor**

Our events are friendly and enjoyable.  
Good manners and sportsmanship will put you in the running for prizes.

**Location - Camellia Park** – 1 Coast Road, West Swan. **Enquiries:** [swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com](mailto:swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com)

**Entries** will open on Wednesday May 8<sup>th</sup> and will close Monday 27<sup>th</sup> May or *earlier if classes are fully subscribed.*

**Draw** – we will endeavour to have the draw available on or before Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> of June on our **Swan River Dressage website** – [www.swanriverdressage.com](http://www.swanriverdressage.com)

**Entries** – Enter on WA's new British based entry system being administered by WA's own international SJ rider Kate Majors-Borg. **My Riding Life** is the UK's Leading Equestrian Online Entry System. The Australian version is currently in BETA so please let us know if you require any assistance or have any feedback, just text Kate 0416 224 680 for support.

To enter go to <https://www.myridinglife.com.au>



## Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> June – Competitor Tests

**Competitor Pony & Competitor Horse:** 1A 1B | 2A 2B | 3A 3B | 4A 4B | 5A 5B | PSG | Inter I | Inter A | Inter II | GP (Please note - **Competitor** [Official] requires EA Competitive Membership & Licence)

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June – Young Horse/Pony, Preparatory, Participant & Para Tests

**Participant:** 1A 1B | 2A 2B (Please note - **Participant** requires EA Membership)

**Prep:** C & E | **Para Tests:** Grade IV & V

**EA Young Dressage Horse/Pony:** 4 year olds Prelim 1B | 5 year olds Novice 2B | 6 year olds Elem 3B

## Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> June – SRDI Member Tests & SRDI Rider Tests

**Club Member Tests:** EA Tests - Prep C & E | 1A 1B | 2A 2B | 3A 3B | 4A | 5A

**SRDI Rider Tests:** Rider Preliminary | Rider Novice | Rider Elementary (on SRDI Website)

### Entry Fees:

**EA Competitive, Participant, Prep, EA Young Horse/Pony classes & Para Tests**

**\$35 per EA Test or FEI Test**

**DDF Levies:** \$8.00 for one test per horse, \$14.00 for two or more tests per horse

**Ground Fee:** \$10.00 per horse per day

**Administration Fee:** \$5.00 per horse per entry

**Discount:** SRDI club members shall receive a discount of \$10 applied for each test entered (up to three tests for official classes only)

**Helper Fee:** \$10 per Test - each competitor will be charged a non-refundable helper fee for the event. These funds are a contribution to the cost of hiring helpers to run the event.

There are limited event tasks available to riders if they would like to take up paid work for the event. Tasks include test collector, poo retriever, writers, parking attendant or refreshment assistant. Please advise the event organiser [swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com](mailto:swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com) if you would like to assist at the event.

### **SRDI Member & Rider Tests**

\$25 per test

**Ground Fee:** \$10.00 per horse per day

**Administration Fee:** \$5.00 per horse per entry

**Helper Fee:** \$10 per test (**see conditions above**)

### **Rider Tests – SRDI has Rider Test Leaderboards this year!**

The Rider Tests are designed to focus more on the effectiveness of the rider at a given level, without giving extra credit for the horse's paces, impulsion and submission. Flamboyant paces are not being evaluated in these tests, so riders may feel they can be more competitive when their horses have modest paces or are not always cooperative.

#### **Eligibility of the rider**

These Rider Tests are intended principally for amateur owner riders (AORs). Professional riders must compete HC in Rider Tests. Below is the EA definition of an amateur owner rider (AOR):

'An amateur owner rider's principal source of income (<\$500 per annum) must not be obtained from sponsorship, breaking, training, riding or coaching any horse or rider over the last two years.'

[http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/National\\_Adult\\_Amateur\\_Owner\\_Rider\\_Division\\_update\\_after\\_ADC\\_August2016\\_meeting.pdf](http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/National_Adult_Amateur_Owner_Rider_Division_update_after_ADC_August2016_meeting.pdf)

Riders who are not AOR must compete HC if the horse they are entering has a Dressage Competition Licence and has achieved over 60% in any official dressage competition at that level, or at a higher level, in the last 2 years.

**Exemptions will be considered** - If a rider does not wish to ride their horse HC, they should apply in writing to the SRDI Committee at least a week before entries close to be granted an exemption so they can ride competitively. Applications setting out reasons for a request for an exemption will be considered on a case-by-case basis. An example could be - an inexperienced rider has purchased a horse with a Licence that has achieved over 60% in an official dressage competition at that level, or at a higher level, in the last 2 years by a professional rider.

Applications should be sent to [swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com](mailto:swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com)

## Conditions of entry – approved by the Technical Delegate

1. **Entries** will close at 9.00pm on the date listed above ***or earlier if classes are full.***
2. **Conditions of entry** - by forwarding an entry to **My Riding Life**, the rider acknowledges acceptance & understanding of the Conditions of Entry for this event.
3. **Disclaimer of liability** – by attending, riders & other attendees acknowledge acceptance & understanding that they participate in this event at their own risk.
4. **Rules** - these events will be conducted in accordance with the current EA National Dressage Rules & EA General Regulations.
5. **Levels** - a horse or pony can enter no more than 2 consecutive EA levels & compete in a maximum of 3 EA tests per day. (FEI horses can enter no more than 2 tests per day)
6. **One horse, one rider** - no horse may compete with 2 riders.
7. **Provisional Draw** - the Organising Committee (OC) will endeavour to post this on or before the Tuesday prior to the event on SRDI's Website [www.swanriverdressage.com](http://www.swanriverdressage.com)
8. **Final Draw** – there will be one Final Draw. The Organising Committee (OC) will endeavour to post on the Thursday prior to the event on SRDI's Website [www.swanriverdressage.com](http://www.swanriverdressage.com)
9. **Rights of OCs** – 'OCs have the right to cancel any class or event, to divide any class, to alter advertised times, to refuse any entry, to transfer Athletes between sections of a class, to alter or amend the schedule as the OC sees fit' (Article 109, Section 4 in the EA General Regulations).  
**Authority to determine eligibility of horse and/or rider for competition** – 'EA or an affiliated organisation conducting dressage competitions on behalf of EA affiliated clubs shall be empowered to refuse any entry, with or without stating reasons. They shall be the sole judges of the eligibility of any horse or rider to compete in any particular level and may transfer any entry of any such horse or rider to any lower or higher-ranking level' (Article 4.1 in the current EA Dressage Rule Book).
10. **'First come best served'** - entries will be on a 'first come best served' basis. Once classes fill, if they wish to enter, competitors must complete the **Waiting List Form** on the SRDI website.
11. **Late entries** – competitors who wish to be accepted for a late entry must email a completed SRDI **Waiting List Form** to [swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com](mailto:swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com) . The OC will endeavour to accommodate entries on the Waiting List. Late entry applicants will be contacted & invoiced ***if*** an appropriate space becomes available before publication of the draw. SRDI reserves the right to impose conditions, for example restricting the number of late entry tests a competitor is accepted for at any SRDI event. SRDI will be the sole judge of late entry competitors' eligibility for any

special prizes. **Late entry payment** – competitors who have their wait listed entries accepted must pay the full entry fees & transmit proof of payment at least 24 hours prior to the commencement of the event. Payment must be to –

Commonwealth Bank

BSB: 066 115

Account Number: 1063 4524

Account Name: Swan River Dressage Inc

Reference: (your name)

12. **Caution Cards** – SRDI events are ‘Goodwill’ events. SRDI appreciates the valuable contribution volunteers & officials make to our sport. It supports the mantra: ‘Respect volunteers & officials’. Where a participant or supporter breaches the EA Code of Conduct, Caution Cards will be issued & details noted.
13. **Breaches of EA Code of Conduct** - any rider, groom or spectator who breaches any EA Code of Conduct either at or in relation to a SRDI dressage event (this includes social media) may be refused entry, along with their connections, to SRDI dressage events (EA General Regulations).
14. **Enquiries about SRDI draws, schedules etc** – please direct enquiries to SRDI Event Secretary [swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com](mailto:swanriverdressageevents@gmail.com)
15. **Enquiries at the event - enquiries must be directed to personnel in the office at the event, NOT** OC members who are preparing to compete or who are warming down or otherwise attending to a horse’s needs.
16. **Scoring** – any query regarding scoring must be referred to a SRDI representative. Under no circumstances are competitors or their connections to approach scorers directly.
17. **Protests** – any issues must be lodged in writing during the event as per the EA General Regulations, Article 163.
18. **Please read the Schedule** before sending the OC a message. Most members of the OC have very busy lives. Owing to the volume of communication the OC has received in the last days before & after events, the OC cannot guarantee that they will respond to enquiries which are in fact covered in the Schedule. The Schedule is available on the SRDI Website [www.swanriverdressage.com](http://www.swanriverdressage.com)
19. **SRDI Member Leaderboard** – to be eligible, horses or ponies must be owned or ridden by a member of SRDI. Points will only accrue from the date the owner or rider becomes a member of SRDI. A horse or pony’s highest percentage in a category at each event in the Dressage with Decorum Series will be accrued in the Leaderboard scores. The winner of each category will be the horse or pony with the highest aggregate within each category. Prizes will be awarded at the end of the Series Final in October. For full details, see the SRDI Website.
20. **Ponies** - on the day, the rider must be able to provide a current, valid EA Height Certificate showing they do not exceed 149cm with shoes, 148cm without shoes if asked.
21. **EA stallion rules** - the current EA stallion rules must be followed
22. **Alterations** - the program may be altered subject to the organisers’ discretion.
23. **Helper Fee** - each competitor will be charged a helper fee of \$10 for each test entered. These funds will be used to hire staff to help at the event. Competitors may apply to the OC for one of these jobs at [treasurersrdinc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurersrdinc@gmail.com) . You will be advised prior to the event if you have been selected. Payment is \$15 per hour in half day shifts. Tasks will include: writing for judges (must have experience), parking marshal, gear check/marshal, test sheet collection, canteen work, poo picking.
24. Each rider will be charged a Helper Fee, payable on entry. Limited positions helping for payment will be available. Helpers are to be over 15 years of age. Helpers must report to the office before their allocated duty to sign in, and at the completion of the duty to collect their payment fee.
25. **Timing** - *subtle* adjustments to timing of a class may occur such as a consequence of a scratching, a multiple horse rider clash or an unwell judge. Any change will be posted on the SRDI website &

will be emailed to competitors. It is the competitor's responsibility to provide a correct email address for notification of any change to the draw.

26. **Saddlery, clothing & equipment** - it is the competitor's responsibility to comply with the EA rules.
27. **Swabbing** - may take place.
28. **Withdrawals and refunds** - if a rider finds that he/she must withdraw from a class, and wants to claim a refund, the rider must complete the Application for Refund for a Withdrawal on the SRDI website and email it to [treasurersrdinc@gmail.com](mailto:treasurersrdinc@gmail.com) . 'Entry fees will be refunded in full for withdrawals before the closing date of entries. Entry fees will not be refunded after the closing date of entries unless a medical or veterinary certificate is produced within 24 hours of the completion of the event. In such cases, 50% of all fees paid to the club will be refunded. The refund will not include fees paid to the website hosting the event entry or the financial organisation handling fee payments.
29. **Arena familiarisation** – may be held prior to the first test commencing, & may be held during a lunch break. More details will be supplied on the draw.
30. **Riding or handling horses at SRDI events** – horses must be entered in a competition on the day to be eligible to be ridden or handled at SRDI events. Exceptions may be allowed if written permission is obtained from the OC.
31. **Postponement, alteration of start times owing to hot weather, or cancellation of events** – although it is unlikely, under certain circumstances it may be deemed necessary to postpone or cancel part of, or all of, one or more events on a day or days for reasons of health & safety (eg extreme weather or a bio-security issue). On such occasions, to defray costs, the OC may choose not to refund entry fees. Insuring against postponement or cancellation is expensive, & SRDI do not believe they can justify charging higher entry fees to cover insurance against such remote possibilities. Examples of situations where postponement or cancellation could occur would be extreme weather forecasts by the Bureau of Meteorology such as gale force winds or lightning, heavy rain that results in flooding of the arena and other facility areas or an outbreak of disease such as Equine Influenza or Hendra Virus. The decision to alter start times, postpone or cancel would be taken by the OC in consultation with the Technical Delegate &/or President of the Ground Jury. It is the competitor who enters responsibility to check if start times have been altered in the case of hot or inclement weather.
32. **Riders &/or owners whose entries have been accepted**, undertake to indemnify the OC against all claims, losses, suits, and damages made against or suffered by the OC 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 and facility owners to be negligent, shall be deemed to have been negligent for the purpose of any claim under this indemnity. By attending, riders & other attendees acknowledge acceptance & understanding that they participate in this event at their own risk. Neither SRDI, nor the facility owners, nor their appointed officials accept any liability for any accident, theft or illness to horses, riders, grooms or any person or property whatsoever.
33. **Float yards** – may only be erected with the permission of the OC owing to limited parking space for floats & trucks during this event. Some stables & permanent yards are available by arrangement with Camellia Park. Competitors are advised by the facility owners to make sure horses are fully supervised at all times when yarded or tied to a float.
34. **Lungeing** - may only be carried out in the yard designated for lungeing at the event. The lungeing of a rider mounted in the saddle is not permitted anywhere at an event (EA Rule)
35. **Dogs** – no dogs please.
36. **Catering** – food and drinks will be available for purchase at the event.