

Labour Weekend Mini ODE & Practice XC & SJ Saturday & Sunday

25th & 26th October 2025





The Woodhill Sands Story

Woodhill Sands is a story of collaboration across the equestrian community, to ensure a lasting place for equestrian sports competition and training in the Auckland Region. Woodhill Sands Equestrian Centre is a community led development purchased by the sport through The Woodhill Sands Trust, in October 2017 to secure ongoing access to this wonderful venue.

The equestrian community undertook extensive fundraising, collecting funds for the required deposit, allowing the Trust to complete the purchase. This occurred in October 2017 with a 20-year mortgage from ASB Bank with support from Auckland Council as guarantor.

Woodhill Sands is now owned by the sport and all the riders that come from far and wide to train and compete at the facility

Woodhill Sands Trust and other groups from across the riding community hold events throughout the year catering for all levels across all the different areas of our sport.

Woodhill Sands is the only venue with a 100% natural, all-weather surface (sand based). This provides a wonderful solution for a riding surfaces to enable year round competition and training activity. Indeed, participation extends for a full 12 months across multiple disciplines most weekends. Elsewhere, winter competition on this scale is very limited due to unsuitable ground conditions. As a result, Woodhill Sands is a key venue for horse riders to train and compete all year round.

The Team at Woodhill Sands are excited about the future and look forward to sharing it with riders, supporters and spectators for many years to come.

We hope to see you soon!

EVENT HEALTH & SAFETY POLICY

Woodhill Sands is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy event for all staff and visitors and to provide the information, training and supervision needed to achieve this and meet all requirements of the Health & Safety at Work Act 2015

We will take all practicable steps by;

- Providing a safe event, safe equipment and proper materials
- Identifying and monitoring risks and using the risk management hierarchy of controls; eliminate, substitute, isolation, restriction, engineering, administration, and personal protective equipment (PPE).
- Insist upon establishment of safe methods and best practices
- Comply with all H&S legislation, regulations and codes of practice

We will take responsibility for health and safety procedures, however, ALL PEOPLE ON THIS SITE need to be aware of their responsibilities and comply with the Event's Health and Safety Policy.

COMPETITORS will be responsible for themselves at ALL times by observing safe practices and rules/instructions relating to their competition.

Every person involved in Woodhill Sands events is encouraged to play a vital and responsible role in maintaining a safe and healthy event through:

- Being involved in the event health and safety system
- Following correct procedures
- Safe and proper use of equipment
- Wearing protective clothing and equipment as and when required
- Reporting any pain or discomfort as soon as possible
- Ensuring all accidents and incidents are reported
- Help new workers, trainees and visitors to understand the right safety procedures and why they exist
- Informing the office immediately of any health and safety concerns
- Keeping the event facilities tidy to minimise the risk of any trips and falls

Woodhill Sands is a dog free venue—please leave your dogs at home.

Please report any damage or irresponsible behaviour to the office.

Please report any accidents or injuries to the office. The event medic MUST check all rider falls that occur anywhere at the venue.

For any information or concerns around Health and Safety please come to the Venue Office or call the Woodhill Sands Event Manager 027 4972637

Mini ODE

Labour Weekend



Sunday 26th October 2025

SUNDAY

2	Yellow 50 - Rider 13 & Under	\$35.00
3	Yellow 50 - Rider 14 & Over	\$35.00
4	1.05m Dressage & Jumping	\$30.00
5	1.10 - 1.15m Dressage & Jumping	\$30.00
6	1.15 - 1.20m Dressage & Jumping	\$30.00
7	Green 65 Riders 16 & Under	\$35.00
8	Green 65 Riders 17 & Over	\$35.00
9	Blue 80 Riders 16 & Under	\$35.00
10	Blue 80 Riders 17 & Over	\$35.00
11	Red 95 Riders 16 & Under	\$35.00
12	Red 95 Riders 17 & Over	\$35.00
13	Black 95 plus*	\$35.00
	Ages taken as of 28/10/25	

Additional Fees

Ground Fee	\$18.00	Per horse
Admin	\$12.50	Per horse
Medic Fee	\$15.00	Per rider
Development Levy	\$10.00	Per horse
Day Yard	\$10.00	Day use only
Overnight Yard	\$15	Overnight
Covered Yard	\$25.00	Day Use only
CY Overnight	\$30.00	Overnight
Camping	\$25	Per Vehicle
If entering both weekend events, please book your yards in the first show.		

Entries should be made on
www.evoevents.co.nz by close of entry.
 Close of entry Wednesday prior to each day

All riders who fall off onsite (in competition or not) must be checked by medics and fill out an incident report. Medic can be found at the medic station by the office



DRESS CODE: Plaiting & Jackets Optional. All riders must wear Back protectors, they are compulsory for any cross country jumping. A new minimum standard for Body Protectors (BETA EN13158 2009 or 2018 Level 3 or ASTM F1937) introduced 1 August 2020. All helmets must have Yellow ESNZ/NZPCA safety standard tag.

DRESSAGE PHASE: Draw for Dressage will be available on Evo Events and emailed directly to riders by Friday 3pm prior to the event. Whips & Callers allowed for the Dressage Test. All Dressage tests are available from the Woodhill Sands website www.woodhillsands.co.nz

CROSS COUNTRY/SJ PHASE: No jumping phase is timed. All Classes will run in blackboard order, Each class will be given a set time to jump. Yellow 50 course will be a blend of show jumps and natural fences - x bar jumps, logs etc. and will amount to approx. 10 fences in total. Other Mini ODE levels will have a SJ course of approx. 10 efforts and between 9—13 efforts cross country.

Black 95 plus will be the Woodhill Sands Pre Novice Dressage test, 105cm SJ and 95 XC.

SCRATCHING/REFUNDS:

- Before Tuesday before event – full refund (excl online & admin fees)
- Tuesday to 9am Friday before event – 75% refund of all fees (excl online & admin fees) on presentation of vet or medical certificate before Thursday following event.
- Scratchings from 9am Friday – NO refund.



Dogs are not allowed at Woodhill Sands events.



Practice XC & SJ

Saturday 25th October 2025

These fun training days are a great chance to get your horse jumping cross country and show jumps, There is usually one fully set Show Jumping course that you can adjust heights according to your experience level and practice rounds or a few jumps, plus a variety of cross country fences, which may include banks, ditches, corners, mobiles, skinnies and water etc. Room may be limited depending on weather, however with almost 3 acres of sand arenas we are guaranteed to run.

Riders are required to wear back protectors and provide emergency contacts if riding alone.

We strongly recommend having a friend, instructor or family member with

you when you jump, however we will have a staff member on hand at all times when you are jumping.

Fences open for jumping will be flagged. Just like in a normal competition situation we ask that you keep the red flag on your right hand side when jumping any fences, this will keep the track around the jumps flowing and avoid head on collisions.

We ask that all riders show courtesy to others riding in the same practice session (we try to limit the sessions to four riders per half hour) to give everyone space.

Time slots open from 9am.

9am - 12pm Jumps set 60 - 80cm

12pm - 1.30pm Jumps set 80 - 1.00m

1.30pm - 2.30pm - Open heights at riders discretion.

Course closes at 3.30pm so course can be set the next day for the Mini ODE.

**** JUST WANT TO DO THE 50cm course** We have slots for this too at the reduced cost of \$30 (if booking these slots you cannot jump the 65 - 95cm cross country or SJ courses).

Bookings are required - spaces are limited.

TO BOOK A TIME GO TO: www.evoevents.co.nz

Cost is \$50.00 plus online fees (set fee includes Ground fee, Admin fee, Development levy and Medic fees)



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