CHRISTMAS THEMED SUMMER SHOW

DRESSAGE ROTORUA

Sunday December 7th 2025 | Riverdale Showgrounds, Gate 8, Western Road, Ngongotaha, Rotorua

Unregistered Classes			
Class 101	Introductory – 0A	Class 102	Introductory – 0B
Class 103	Preliminary – 1A	Class 104	Preliminary – 1B
Class 105	Novice – 2A	Class 106	Novice – 2B
Class 107	Elementary and above TOC	Class 108	Elementary and above TOC
Registered Classes			
	Graded classes open to all riders. Horses/ponies & riders must be registered for dressage at close of entries		
Class 114	Preliminary – 1A	Class 115	Preliminary – 1B
Class 201	Novice – 2A	Class 202	Novice – 2B
Class 301	Elementary – 3A	Class 302	Elementary – 3B
Class 401	Medium & Above TOC	Class 402	Medium & Above TOC
Class 501	Para Test of Choice – Para GP or Para Novice		

Entry Fees	
All Classes	$18.00 / test
Administration Fee - *non-refundable*	$10.00 / horse (Dressage Rotorua members: $5.00 / horse)
Medic Fee - *compulsory*	$5.00 / rider
Prize Money	All classes will receive rosettes 1st to 4th No prize money
Bridle Number - *charged for non-return of bridle numbers*	$5.00 / horse
Ground Fee	$10.00 / horse
Yards – *will not be allocated*	$10.00 / horse
Stallion Pens	$20.00 / horse
Camping	$10.00 / night / vehicle
Riders must have ESNZ full or introductory membership ($54.30) or pay a Casual Membership fee of $16.30.	

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HEALTH & SAFETY:

1. ESNZ, Dressage NZ, and Dressage Rotorua are committed to ensuring a safe and healthy event for all participants. They provide necessary information, training, and supervision.
2. Competitors and exhibitors must follow relevant legislation and the Health & Safety at Work Act 2015.
3. Competitors and exhibitors are responsible for supervising and controlling their animals. They are liable for any accidents or damage caused by their actions at the event venue.

4. Everyone at the venue, including competitors, staff, and visitors, must adhere to ESNZ, Dressage NZ Rules, and Dressage Rotorua's Health & Safety Policies.
5. Copies of the event's Health & Safety policy are available at the event office.
6. Any incidents or near misses must be reported to the event office, and an incident form must be completed.
7. Any hazards identified should be reported to the event office.
8. Competitors are responsible for their own safety. They must follow safe practices, adhere to event rules, and obey officials' instructions to ensure the safety of others.
9. First Aid on site is available with Kate at 027 2753 627.

ESNZ CONCUSSION POLICY:

This event will be run under the following updated concussion policy as approved by the ESNZ Board 2024.

ALL concussions are now subject to the 21-day stand-down policy from August 2024.

You can find the link for the full policy here

THE EVENT IS RUN UNDER THE CURRENT ESNZ, ESNZ RULES FOR DRESSAGE AND ESNZ RULES FOR PARA EQUESTRIAN

Identification And Fees:

1. ESNZ Registration for Graded Classes: Entries will not be accepted without the following membership, that is current to 11 January 2026
   • Preliminary: Riders must have an ESNZ Introductory, Child or Full Competitive membership.
   • Novice and Above: Riders must have an ESNZ Child or Full Competitive membership.
   • Horse and Ponies: Must have ESNZ Horse/pony registration. May compete on an Annual Dressage Start (purchased on Horse Reg) or use Flexi Start at $5 per Test (payable with entries).
2. ESNZ Registration for Non-Graded Classes: All Riders must be a Child, Full or Introductory ESNZ member current to the 11 January 2026 or pay a Casual membership fee of $16.30 per event.
   Horses and Ponies may be registered or non-registered
3. Horses without ESNZ registration must wear allocated identification numbers on both sides during the show. Return them after competing to avoid a $5 charge for unreturned numbers.
4. All horses must wear ID tags with the name and contact cell phone number of the responsible person when not competing.
5. Please notify Kate on 027 275 3627 to nominate another person responsible if you are leaving the venue.
6. Riders must have ESNZ full or introductory membership ($54.30) or pay a casual membership fee of $16.30.

Event Details:

7. **ENTRIES CLOSE:** Sunday 1st December 2025.
   Entries received after this date will automatically incur a late entry fee. Enter online at www.evoevents.co.nz
8. Entries will not be accepted without full payment of entry & other fees. Incorrect entries may be returned. A late entry fee will be applied to entries where full payment is not received by close of entries ($20/horse).
9. Each rider must enter separately – i.e. do not enter several horses under one rider name if others will be riding them.
10. Entries will be accepted in order of receipt (with payment confirmed) and are limited to 30 per class. For late entry requests please contact the Event Secretary (rotoruadressageentries@gmail.com). Late entries may be wait-listed.
11. Please pay by PoliPay (preferred) or contact the event secretary for internet banking details. Entries are not valid until full payment of all fees is received.
12. Maximum of 3 tests per horse/pony. Maximum of 6 tests per rider. Maximum of 2 horses/class/rider. Ponies may compete against horses in all classes. One rider per horse/pony.

13. Draws are available on www.evoevents.co.nz.
14. Riders must wear helmets with a yellow tag. Those without the tag will not be allowed to ride.
15. Riders must have ESNZ full or introductory membership ($54.30) or pay a casual membership fee of $16.30.

Weather and Refunds:

16. If the show is postponed due to weather, notifications will be sent via email or text and posted on Dressage Rotorua's Facebook page.
17. Withdrawals and refund requests must be made promptly:
    i. Full refund of all charges excluding Administration Fee and Online Fees for withdrawals before December 1st 2025 (close of entries).
    ii. For withdrawals after December 1st to midnight on December 5th 2025, 80% of Entry Fees (excluding Administration Fee, Online Entry Fees, and Late Entry Fees) will be refunded without requiring a vet or doctor's certificate.
    iii. From September 5th to midnight on September 7th, stabling and camping fees will be fully refunded.
18. If a doctor or vet certificate is provided within 7 days of the event, 50% of Entry Fees (excluding Administration Fee, Online Entry Fees, and Late Entry Fees) will be refunded. If the certificate is for a horse, only that horse's fees will be refunded; for a rider, all horses' fees will be refunded.

Liability and Protests:

19. Dressage Rotorua assumes no liability for accidents or injuries.
20. Protests require a $50.00 fee and are handled according to Art 137 of the ESNZ General Regulations. The fee is refunded if the protest is upheld.

Event Regulations:

21. Health & Safety rules include allocating yards for all horses; tying horses to trucks or floats is not permitted.
22. Yards must be left clean and tidy; failure to do so may result in a $100.00 cleaning fee.
23. Classes may be combined or cancelled if there are insufficient entries.

Additional Rules:

24. Dogs must be kept on leashes at all times and are restricted to the truck park area.
25. Direct inquiries to rotoruadressageentries@gmail.com; avoid using private messaging of committee members except as a last resort.

General Information:

26. The event follows ESNZ rules for Dressage 2024 and ESNZ rules for Para Equestrian 2022.
27. Riders are responsible for knowing and complying with all rules and conditions

Christmas Rally Rules

All decorations must be Christmas themed.

Riders in Graded classes must adhere to all DNZ rules but may have tinsel decoration on browbands and nosebands only – it must not touch the horses face.
Saddle blankets can likewise be adorned with tinsel / decoration also.

All riders must have approved footwear and helmets – however these may be cover and decorated in the unregistered classes

Unregistered riders may also decorate their horses' manes and tails and bodies – please use animal friendly products

No decoration may interfere with the horse's bit or intrude into the horse's mouth, regardless of being registered or unregistered.

Fancy dress – bring it on ladies – dress up to the 9's but helmets and boots are compulsory – saddles are not (for the brave) but bridles must be used.
Also, no decorations in the horse's mouth.

There is also a best-dressed adult officials prize for the judges, office staff and any adult supporter's silly enough to dress up as Christmas Elves, Christmas Fairies, Grinches, Mother Clauses or anything else Christmassy.

We will also have a best dressed junior supporter or rider prize for anyone under 16 – so bring those supporters along. Again it has to be Christmas themed.

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