



A Kiwi Arena Rakes Premier League Event

Dressage Waikato Championships

In association with Harvest Grains

SHOW SCHEDULE

14 & 15 February 2026

(Don't forget practice day 13th February 2026!)

FEATURING



The Zilco Musical Freestyle Finals 2025-26

Fiber Fresh National Equestrian Centre, Rapids Rd TAUPO

CLOSE OF ENTRIES Wednesday 28th January 2026 (Midnight)





Program – Practice Day Friday 13th February 2026

This is a separate event and can be found on evo events - note ALL Accommodation should be made with Premier League Event. Classes are not scored but Feedback will be given ring side.

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award
100	Fri 13th	Preliminary 1A 2023	\$ 15.00	Non scored
200	Fri 13th	Novice 2A 2023	\$ 15.00	Non scored
300	Fri 13th	Elementary 3A 2023	\$ 15.00	Non scored
401	Fri 13th	Medium 4A 2023	\$ 15.00	Non scored
500	Fri 13th	Advanced Medium 5A 2023	\$ 15.00	Non scored
600	Fri 13th	Advanced 6A	\$ 15.00	Non scored
700	Fri 13th	Small - Big Tour Test of Choice	\$ 15.00	Non scored
10	Fri 13th	Para Grade and Test of Choice	\$ 15.00	Non scored

Come and ride through a test.

Please wear tidy attire, no jackets/plaiting necessary.

Long or Short Boots and gaiters & approved yellow tagged helmets must be worn.

All equipment must comply with Dressage NZ rules (i.e no martingales, draw reins or not allowed bits/gadgets etc). Dr Article 420-430

Qualified and listed judges.

Collect your sheet from the judge once you have finished your test and get some pointers on how your test can be improved (from the judges car before you leave the arena.)

Tests will be run between 12 – 3pm (Before Arena Familiarization)

In the event you require overnight accommodation **ONLY** for the practice day please email. You will only need to pay a Ground fee if you are **NOT** entered into the Premier League event.



Program

PRELIMINARY

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award	
105	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1C 2023 Bronze	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
109	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1D 2023 Bronze	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
113	Sunday 15th	Vetpro Super 5 Preliminary 1B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Bronze Preliminary combination.

106	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1C 2023 Silver	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
110	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1D 2023 Silver	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
113	Sunday 15th	Vetpro Super 5 Preliminary 1B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Silver Preliminary combination.

107	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1C 2023 Gold	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
111	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1D 2023 Gold	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
113	Sunday 15th	Vetpro Super 5 Preliminary 1B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Gold Preliminary combination.

108	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1C 2023 Pony	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
112	Saturday 14th	Preliminary 1D 2023 Pony	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
113	Sunday 15th	Vetpro Super 5 Preliminary 1B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Pony Preliminary combination.

NOVICE

205	Saturday 14th	Novice 2C 2023 Bronze	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
209	Saturday 14th	Novice Zilco Musical Freestyle 2023	\$ 30.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
210	Sunday 15th	Matthews Hanoverians Super 5 Novice 2B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Bronze Novice combination.

206	Saturday 14th	Novice 2C 2023 Silver	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
209	Saturday 14th	Novice Zilco Musical Freestyle 2023	\$ 30.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
210	Sunday 15th	Matthews Hanoverians Super 5 Novice 2B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Silver Novice combination.

207	Saturday 14th	Novice 2C 2023 Gold	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
209	Saturday 14th	Novice Zilco Musical Freestyle 2023	\$ 30.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
210	Sunday 15th	Matthews Hanoverians Super 5 Novice 2B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Gold Novice combination.

208	Saturday 14th	Novice 2C 2023 Pony	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
209	Saturday 14th	Novice Zilco Musical Freestyle 2023	\$ 30.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
210	Sunday 15th	Matthews Hanoverians Super 5 Novice 2B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Pony Novice combination.



Program

Elementary

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award	
301	Saturday 14th	Elementary Zilco Musical Freestyle	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
306	Saturday 14th	Elementary 3C 2023	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
310	Sunday 15th	Animal Therapeutics Super 5 Elementary 3B	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Elementary combination.

301	Saturday 14th	Elementary Zilco Musical Freestyle	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
309	Saturday 14th	Elementary 3C 2023 Pony	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
310	Sunday 15th	Animal Therapeutics Super 5 Elementary 3B	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Pony Elementary combination.

MEDIUM - Note Ponies see YOUTH NATIONAL SERIES FEI Pony tests

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award	
404	Saturday 14th	Medium 4C 2023	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
410	Saturday 14th	Dunstan Horsefeeds Super 5 Medium 4B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
400	Sunday 15th	Medium Zilco Musical Freestyle 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Bronze Medium combination.

Advanced Medium

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award	
504	Saturday 14th	Advanced Medium 5C 2023	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
508	Saturday 14th	Back on Track Super 5 Adv Medium 6B 2023	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH
507	Sunday 15th	Advanced Medium Zilco Musical Freestyle	\$ 35.00	\$50, \$40, \$35	CH

Advanced - Small - Big Tour

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award	
602	Saturday 14th	Advanced Zilco Musical Freestyle 2023	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH
603	Sunday 15th	Equus Veterinary Reproduction & Consultancy Super 5 6b 2023	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH
702	Saturday 14th	Small Tour FEI Inter I Zilco Musical Freestyle	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH
703	Sunday 15th	Custom Logistics Super 5 Intermediate I	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Advanced combination.

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Small Tour combination.

802	Saturday 14th	Medium Tour Inter A/B Zilco Musical Freestyle 2026	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH
803	Sunday 15th	Andrea Raves Medium Tour Super 5 Intermediate B	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Medium Tour combination.

902	Saturday 14th	FEI Grand Prix Zilco Musical Freestyle Superior Rubber Surfaces Big Tour Super 5 FEI	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH
903	Sunday 15th	Grand Prix	\$ 40.00	\$60, \$50, \$45	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Big Tour combination.



Program

PARA EQUESTRIAN

22	Saturday 14th	Para Equestrian Combined Grades FEI Grand Prix Test A	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
25	Saturday 14th	Para Equestrian Combined Grades FEI Grand Prix Test B	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
26	Sunday 15th	Para Equestrian Combined Grades FEI Grand Prix Musical Freestyle	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Para Equestrian combination.

KINGS CHAMBERS - High Performance DNZ - Youth National Series

Class	Date	Test	EF	Award	
41	Saturday 14th	FEI Pony Riders Individual Test	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
42	Sunday 15th	FEI Pony Riders Freestyle to Music	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH

Pony Riders must turn 5 years old during the 2025 and be under 17 years on 1st August 2025

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve YNS Pony combination.

45	Saturday 14th	FEI Juniors Individual Test	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
46	Sunday 15th	FEI Juniors Freestyle to Music	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH

Junior Riders must turn 14 years during 2025 and be 18 years old or under on the 28th February 2026

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve FEI Junior Rider combination.

32	Saturday 14th	FEI Young Riders Individual Test	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
33	Sunday 15th	FEI Young Riders Freestyle to Music	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH

Young Riders must turn 16 during 2025 and be 21 years or under on 28th February 2026

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Adv Medium Gold combination.

61	Saturday 14th	FEI GP Freestyle to Music	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH
62	Sunday 15th	FEI 16-25 Grand Prix Test	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	CH

16-25 GP riders must turn 16 years during 2025 and be 25 years of under before the 31st January 2026

CH = Classes that qualify for the Overall Waikato Championship & Reserve Adv Medium Gold combination.

YOUNG HORSE CLASSES

1	Sunday 16th	Young Dressage Horse 4yr old R1	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	
2	Sunday 16th	Young Dressage Horse 5yr old R1	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	
3	Sunday 16th	Young Dressage Horse 6yr old R1	\$ 30.00	Rosettes	





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ADDITIONAL FEES

Administration	includes medical fee	Per Rider	\$ 60.00
Late Fee	per horse - if draw allows		\$ 40.00
Class Change Fee	per entry - after close of entry		\$ 20.00
Ground Fee	per horse covers Friday/Saturday/Sunday		\$ 48.00
Day Yard	per horse per day -		\$ 5.00
Stables	Per horse/for show Friday/Sat night	2 nights	\$ 60.00
Covered Yards	Per horse/for show Friday/Sat night	2 nights	\$ 52.00
Yards	per horse (overnight) Friday/Sat night	2 nights	\$ 24.00
Paddocks	Per horse/for show Friday/Sat night	2 nights	\$ 32.00
Camping	Per vehicle for the show Fri/Sat night	2 nights	\$ 30.00
Powered Sites	Limited - Covers Friday & Saturday night	2 nights	\$ 50.00
Dressage NZ Flexi start	Horse needs to be registered with ESNZ	per test	\$ 5.00
Herdd Bedding	2 bags (delivered to show)		\$ 60.00

Class entry fees include DNZ training and development levies

Riders staying extra nights (arriving before Friday and leaving after Sunday) **MUST** pay extra yarding and ground fees with entries on Evo Events.





Important Information

Responsibility: It is the riders, or person responsible, obligation to read and understand the conditions for this event as published in this schedule. Riders are also to ensure they are familiar with both Dressage Waikato and NEC's Health and Safety Policies, which will be available at the Office to view.

Commitment: Riders are reminded that while your entry is not confirmed and complete until such time as payment is made, submission of an entry is a commitment. Even if the entry is subsequently scratched, fees are payable, and the scratching policy will be used to determine refunds.

Yarding/Camping: Yarding and Camping will be allocated based on the order in which complete and paid for entries are received. Riders are reminded that to ensure a complete entry, all registrations must be current at time of entry and through to the end of the competition, and all fees must be paid. Covered yarding, stabling, and powered camping will be at a premium and will fill quickly. Once all available spaces are taken by confirmed entries, the option to select them will be removed and replaced with a waitlist option.

Payment: Payment to be made by POLi at time of entry. Any funds not received by close of entries may attract late charges to ensure start. Should we close entries early all entrants must have payment received by us within 48 hours of close of entries, otherwise will be waitlisted. Entries not paid will not be included in the draw and may be removed to waitlist if classes are oversubscribed. POLi will be available as method of payment at time of entry and is preferred.

Balloting: It is not our intention to ballot, but classes may need to be restricted if entries become too large. Entries will be accepted in order of receipt and payment, and all entries not able to be confirmed with a start will be waitlisted.

Show cancellation due to unforeseen circumstances:

- a. Cancellation of show before close of entries (on or before midnight 28 January 2026): full refund of all class entry fees and stabling/camping fees. No refund of Admin or Evo Event Fees.
- b. Cancellation notified after close of entries but on or before midnight 11 February 2026: full refund of all stabling/camping fees, 50% refund of class entry fees. No refund of Admin or Evo Event Fees.
- c. Cancellation notified on or after 14 February 2026: refund at discretion of OC.

Event Schedule and Conditions Entry Conditions:

1. Entries close for the Harvest Grains Kiwi Arena Rakes Premier League Waikato Dressage Championships at midnight on 28 January 2026. However, entries may close earlier should entries reach capacity. Individual classes may be restricted in numbers. Waitlists will operate once capacity numbers are reached.
2. Entry is not confirmed as complete until payment is received into our bank account in full for the purposes of allocating yarding and camping.
3. Enter online at www.evoevents.co.nz. Facebook, emailed, or phone entries will not be accepted.
4. Late entries and Changes. Please contact Angela Nobilo, email dressagewaikatofestival@gmail.com. Late entries may be accepted if entries allow or will be placed on waiting list until draw is posted. A late penalty fee of \$40 per horse will apply and proof of payment must be received before entry accepted.
5. Direct Credit account number 03 1563 0419176 00 using name and rider ESNZ Registration number as reference.
6. All outstanding amounts from any previous Dressage Waikato shows must be cleared before entries will be accepted.
7. Draw will be emailed out and available at www.evoevents.co.nz.
8. Horses and ponies are restricted 2 tests per horse on Saturday and 1 test per horse on Sunday. Riders are limited to 4 horses, with a maximum of 4 starts per day Sunday and 6 starts on Saturday.
9. All riders must have current ESNZ registration and horses must have current registration as at time of closing date and during the competition : Entries will not be accepted with registration as follows : • 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).
10. Annual Dressage Starts are required to enter the DNZ Super 5 League Series and the Zilco Musical Freestyle Series. Flexi starts may be used to enter Super 5 and Musical Freestyle classes at this show, however points in the Series will not be counted.
11. Qualifiers: Premier League Shows are qualifiers for the Bates National Dressage Championships. Points can be gained for the Super 5 League, Zilco Musical Freestyle Series, Prestige Futures Prize, Pony and Young Rider Performance Leagues or Top 10 League. Riders must register online at Evo Events prior to 4th January 2026 for inclusion in any Top 10 League, Prestige Dressage Futures Prize, Pony, and Young Rider Performance Leagues.
12. Abuse of horses, officials, volunteers, employees, or other competitors will not be tolerated.



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13. Official start time: The official event start time is 3pm Friday 13th February 2026. This is the start time for the period of jurisdiction for all Equestrian Sport New Zealand (ESNZ) General Regulations and ESNZ Dressage rules. Please note Dressage NZ article 420-430 prohibited gear is not allowed from the time of arrival at the event.
14. Official end time: The official finish time will be sixty minutes after the completion of the last class or sixty minutes after the completion of all presentations for the event – whichever is the latter.
15. The O.C reserves the right to refuse entries, alter or cancel the program/schedule and/or prize money, if necessary, within ESNZ GR's and/or Dressage NZ rules.
16. If entries are insufficient, Preliminary – Novice level Bronze, Silver and/or Gold classes may be combined, although separate Championships will still be offered.
17. Where yarding requests cannot be met, refunds will be made via internet banking after the show.
18. All prize money will be paid out after the show via internet banking and value may be in certificates or goods to the equal or greater value.
19. All horses on the Grounds must be competing unless the Organising Committee gives permission otherwise.
20. Protests and complaints may be considered by the Ground Jury at an event in accordance with Art 137 of the ESNZ General Regulations. As a guideline only, protests must be lodged within 60 minutes of the completion of the completion to which the protest relates, and a complaint within 60 minutes of the completion of the event. The Ground Jury is the sole judge of time in both cases. For complete rules and official documentation required, please refer to <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/rules-regulations/rules-and-regulations/>
21. All tests are from DNZ Test book version 1 2023 or FEI Website. All FEI tests check the FEI website for the current version of the tests.
22. Super 5 and FEI tests must be ridden from memory – no caller is permitted.
23. Equal Placings: In the case of equality in any class, the higher collective marks will determine the higher placing. If the competitors are still equal, then the higher co-efficient marks will determine the placing. If there is still an equality of points, the competitors are given the same placing.

General Conditions

Privacy and Media

Dressage Waikato, Dressage NZ and ESNZ reserve the right to use event photographs for marketing, advertising, and other purposes as they see fit. Competitors and/or participants will receive no remuneration for this. All images remain the property of Dressage Waikato.

Health and Safety

Dressage Waikato is committed to providing and maintaining a safe and healthy event for all participants, and to providing the information, training and supervision needed to achieve this. All competitors and visitors to the venue must abide by the Dressage Waikato/Dressage NZ, ESNZ and National Equestrian Centre Health and Safety Policies and the Health and Safety at Work Act 2015. Copies of the event Health and Safety policy can be found at the event office. Any incident or near miss must be reported to event office and incident form completed. Any hazards identified must be reported to Event Office or the National Equestrian Centre Office. Competitors will be responsible for their safety at all times and must observe safe practices and following event rules and officials' instructions at all times, ensuring that others are not put at risk by their actions. All Stallions must comply with ESNZ Article 133.

Presentation of Prizes and Prize Money

See DNZ Rule article 456. All riders must attend advertised presentations. The organising committee reserves the right to withhold prize monies or prizes/trophies should a placegetter not attend an advertised prize giving. The organising committee reserves the right to substitute prize money with goods of equal value.





Prize Givings

Unmounted: Champions and Reserves Gold, Silver and Bronze Divisions, Super 5 League and Zilco Musical Freestyles, Pony, Masters, Young Rider. If 6 or less riders in a class, prize money will be paid out as a sweepstake whilst adhering to article Art 481 of the Dressage NZ Rules. Zilco Musical Freestyle series awards TBA

Para Equestrian

(PE) Refer to General Conditions for the event plus for Para Classes please note: This event is run under ESNZ Para-Equestrian Rules, ESNZ General Rules and Regulations and ESNZ Dressage Rules where applicable. All riders must be current full financial members of ESNZ at time of entry, and current until at least 15 Feb 2026. All horses must have ESNZ registration and a dressage annual start (or pay \$5 per test Flexi start) at time of entry and current until at least 15 February 2026. All PE riders must have a current FEI or ESNZ ID card, a copy of which must be carried at all times while riding. ESNZ, Dressage NZ and ESNZ Para-Equestrian rules apply from time of arrival where applicable. All tests are the current versions that are on the ESNZ or FEI Website. All Riders are to always display the Official Orange Para Badge on each side of their saddle cloth while schooling, hacking or competing as well as the horse's ESNZ registration number on both sides of the bridle or saddle cloth. A horse may not be shared by different riders between PE and able-bodied classes. A horse may be shared by riders of different grades in PE classes as per Article 166. While every effort will be made to accommodate riders wishing to compete in both PE and AB classes and to accommodate PE riders with more than one horse, the smooth running of the event is paramount, and should there be excessive entries or timetabling issues, then riders may be asked to nominate which horse/discipline they want to compete in. No more than two tests per day per horse/rider combination can be entered.

Competition Draw

Draw will be available by email and at www.evoevents.co.nz If required, a revised draw and/or start times for the following day's competition will be available at 6.30pm each evening on the results board. The OC reserves the right to alter the programme to ensure the smooth running of the event. It is the rider's responsibility to check any new times posted.

Music: Riders must email their music to dressagemusicals@gmail.com before Monday 9th February 2026. Please provide your name, your horse's registered name AND registered number, class number and level. Music format must be wav or mp3.

Competition Arena Use and Familiarisation All competition arenas are closed at all times, except when opened for Familiarisation. Familiarisation times will be notified in Rider Notices sent out by email before the show. A designated warm up area is open during daylight hours and is only for the use of horse/ponies entered in this competition.

486.4 Arena Familiarisation Any person leading a horse in an arena familiarisation, must be wearing a correctly fitted, current ESNZ approved tagged helmet. All horses being led must be wearing a bridle with a permitted bit, (a new market lead may replace the reins for this purpose) and with two bridle numbers one on either side of horse.. **ARTICLE 429 - HORSE AND PONY IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS**

Veterinarians, Equine Therapists and Treatment : Only Veterinarians and FEI Permitted Equine Therapists (PET) are permitted to provide restricted Therapies in the field for which they are trained at the Event. These must be notified to the OC prior to treatment and if necessary, permission given for the equine to continue.

Permitted Equine Therapists may be considered as Support Personnel and may be regarded as additional Persons Responsible. Any other practitioners /therapists providing non-restricted equine therapies should be able to provide proof of qualification from a suitably recognised organisation or body to the OC.

Practitioners attending the event offering therapeutic equine treatments to competitors horses may be required to pay a trade fee at the discretion of the OC. Riders who own their non restricted equipment (e.g., Equissage, Cyclossage or similar) are only permitted to treat their own horses with these systems at the event. Refer to FEI Vet Regs 2026 for full details.

Other Professionals; Any other professional intending to provide services at this event must obtain prior agreement from the Organising Committee – this does not include Dressage Coaches assisting in the warmup of Competitors and grooms that are in part- or full-time employment of a competitor.





Venue (Fiber Fresh National Equestrian Centre) Rules

Competitors and spectators attending this event do so at their own risk. No Smoking or vaping in any buildings or in yard/stable areas. Fine and/or elimination may result. Any damage to the National Equestrian Centre facilities must be reported immediately to the Event Office. Riding Helmets must comply with ESNZ General Regulations Article 151 All Horses/ponies on grounds must have an allocated yard/ stable/ paddock. All people onsite at NEC are expected to act safely at all times. This will ensure their own welfare and that of their fellow employees/volunteers or contractors. It will also assist in providing a safe environment for public visitors to the Fiber Fresh National Equestrian Centre venue.

Dogs Dogs must be kept in the truck park and be on a lead at all times. No dogs are allowed in any stable or yarding area, warmup, competition areas or buildings. Dogs may be exercised on the cross-country course only. Failure to comply will result in an instant \$50 fine and the dog owner's elimination from the competition.

Vehicles and Motorbikes and Push Bikes (including e-bikes and scooters) Speed limit for all vehicles is 10kph. Must be kept away from all arenas, warm up arenas, office and scoreboards. Motorbikes may not be used after 8.30pm and must be used in accordance with normal road rules. Helmets must be worn on all motorbikes. Appropriate licenses are to be carried when riding motorbikes. Any failure to adhere to rules will result in fines and elimination.

Horse Identification and Accommodation All horses/ponies must wear ID tags or bridle numbers at all times. ESNZ numbers must be shown on both sides of the horse when ridden, whether arena familiarisation, schooling or competing. When not competing it is compulsory that horses/ponies are identified with ID tags that also include the person responsible name and a contact number. If the Person responsible leaves the venue, an alternative person responsible must be nominated (and informed), notified to the Event Office, and their contact details attached to the horse's halter. Moving to, or keeping horses in, unallocated yards/paddocks without authorisation is prohibited and may result in elimination. All yards/stables to be left properly mucked out, or a \$50 fine may be imposed.

Sponsors and Volunteers

We ask that all competitors spend some time to thank our sponsors and volunteers that support Dressage in NZ, either in writing (Sponsors contact details will be listed on the event programme) or in person during the show, make sure to tag your sponsor if thanking them on Social Media. Volunteer thanks can be directed to the Event Office or Event Manager. Without the generous support we receive from these individuals and businesses, the cost to competitors would be considerably increased.

NATIONAL SPONSOR CONTACT DETAILS:

Premier League	Kiwi Arena Rake	sales@showjumps.co.nz
Musical Freestyle Series	Zilco NZ	robert@zilco.co.nz
Super 5 Preliminary	Vetpro	tina@vetpro.co.nz
Super 5 Novice	Matthews Hanoverians	PWJMATTHEWS@xtra.co.nz
Super 5 Elementary	Animal Therapeutics	carly@animaltherapeutics.com.au
Super 5 Medium	Dunstan Horse Feeds	Gretel@dunstan.co.nz
Super 5 Advanced Medium	Back on Track	Colin_Louisson@hotmail.com
Super 5 Advanced	Equus Veterinary	Lucy@equusveterinary.co.nz
Super 5 Small Tour	Custom Logistic Services	matthew@customlogistic.com
Super 5 Medium Tour	AR Dressage	tetch@xtra.co.nz
Super 5 Grand Prix	Superior Rubber Surfaces	gandmpaterson@xtra.co.nz
Youth National Series	Kings Chambers	am@kingschambers.co.nz



Championships Champion and Reserve of each grade Bronze/Silver/Gold (Preliminary – Novice), Open (Elementary– Big Tour), Pony (Preliminary-Medium) Youth National Series classes and Para (Grades I-V) are all decided on points system based on all Saturday & Sunday classes. Combinations are eligible for one level of Championship only, based on classes entered and Rider Level. Championship Points

1. Championship points are allocated 20 points for 1st place, to 1 point for 20th place. All riders will earn points based on placings.
2. Champions and Reserves: The horse with the highest aggregate allocated points from specified classes will be the Championship winner.
3. In the event of a tie, the combination with the higher placing in the Super 5 test will be the winner.
4. If there is still a tie, the combination with the highest average percentage is the winner.

Special Awards

Love Racing – Best performed Thoroughbred – Rug

Gypsy Cob Award – Awarded to the highest placed Gypsy Cob at this event.

Young Riders Award Eligibility Young Rider Award:

Open to riders on horse or pony. Rider must be 20 years or under as at 31 July 2026. 3 classes per level eligible for points (Preliminary-Advanced Medium classes only).

Masters Award Eligibility Masters Award:

Open to all riders over the age of 50 years old at the start date of the show. 3 classes per level eligible for points (Preliminary-Advanced Medium classes only) Special Award points (Young Rider and Masters) are allocated as below. In the event of a tie, combination with the highest average % will be the winner. If there is a further tie, the horse contesting the highest level will be the winner.

- PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU DATE OF BIRTH IS UP TO DATE ON EVO EVENTS

Championship points allocation for special awards:

Percentage	Levels 1-3	Levels 4-5	Levels 6-9
Less than 57%	4	5	6
57-59.99%	5	6	7
60-64.999%	6	7	8
65-69.999%	7	8	9
70% plus	8	9	10



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Withdrawal / Scratching : Standard policy for refunds Scratchings are to be made via Evo Events and may be followed up by an email containing doctor or vet certification or if you require a discretionary refund (as below).

Refunds will be paid as follows (by internet banking after the show):

Notification of withdrawal received online close of entries (on or before Midnight 28 January 2026): full refund of all class entry fees and stabling/camping fees. No refund of Admin or Evo Event Fees. No vet/doctors certificate required.

Notification of withdrawal received online after close of entries but on or before midnight 14 February 2026:

WITH VET OR DR CERTIFICATE:

full refund of all stabling/camping fees, 50% refund of class entry fees. No refund of Admin or Evo Event Fees. If vet certificate provided, only the horse to which the certificate applies will receive a refund. If doctors certificate provided all horses for that rider will be refunded. Competitors unable to provide a vet or doctors certificate will receive no ground fee or class fees refund.

WITHOUT VET OR DOCTOR CERTIFICATE:

Without Vet or Doctor certificate will receive a refund of yarding and camping fees only.

Other applications for refunds will only be at the discretion of the OC and if a refund is approved will be at a maximum of 80% per horse.

Please make sure you have made contact with us if you want to make a refund application that needs consideration by the OC. These should be emailed to : dressagewaikatofestival@gmail.com Closing date for all discretionary refund applications – 22nd February 2026.

To help keep entry fees as affordable as possible, we rely on riders pitching in to support the smooth running of the show. We have a wide range of essential jobs throughout the day — from dressage writing and assisting with running sheets to the ever-important manure patrol — so there's truly a role to suit every skill set.

Every bit of help makes a difference, and when everyone contributes, we can keep costs down while delivering a well-run and enjoyable event for all.

Bribes and Baubles for good helpers!