

AMDG Amateur, Pony & Young Rider Championships

Clevedon A&P Showgrounds - 107 Monument Road

25 – 26 April 2026

RIDER NOTES

Conditions: Please ensure you have read and understood all the General Terms and Conditions of the event which can be found in the schedule. (These are the conditions you will have ticked that you have read when entering.) ESNZ members are responsible for the behaviour of any non-members that are associated with their entry e.g. grooms, family members, support team.

Responsibility: It is also the riders, or person responsible, obligation to read and understand the additional conditions for this event as published in these rider notes.

Important Contact Details

For Emergencies: Dial 111

Event Manager	Cassie Freeman	Ph: 028 851 03702
Event Secretary	Tina Bogaard	Ph: 027 478 2658
Technical Delegate	Karen Shields	Ph: 027 497 4288
Chief Steward	Bob Smith	Ph: 027 497 7363
Yarding Manager	Betty Brown	Ph: 027 2447819

Urgent Medical Facility: Counties Care Accident and Medical 8:00am – 10:00pm 7 days.

6-18 O'Shannessey Street, Papakura (opp McDonalds). Ph: (09) 299 9380

Local Vet: Franklin Vets, Pukekohe. Emergency no. Ph: (09) 2382471

Farrier: No farrier onsite. List of contact numbers of local farriers available at the office.

Feed Supply: Pet and Paddock" in Clevedon

<https://clevedonsaddlery.co.nz/collections/horse-feed>

Coming to our grounds: Entry not before 12pm Friday please. Entry off 107 Monument Road, Gate 6. Please ensure the tape gate across the bridge is shut **AT ALL TIMES**.

Check out this link for all information/directions <https://www.amdg.org.nz/coming-to-our-grounds>.

Those camping with trucks may park in front of the yards - please no day trucks or floats by yards. Caution - there will be no tractor on site should the ground become soft!!

Water: No filling of trucks with water at the grounds. Use buckets to fill water from the bathtub tap in front of the yards.

Yarding Manager, Betty Brown Ph: 027 2447819

A yarding list will be posted at the end of the covered yards outside the wash bay.

Horses must wear ID Number at all times when on grounds including when in a stable or yard.

Horses must wear bridle or saddle cloth numbers at all times when being walked, ridden or lunged. Yard map link <https://www.amdg.org.nz/coming-to-our-grounds>.

Yards: Please do not put shavings in yards as they have mulch in them. Additional woodchips will be available if top ups are required – you will need to transfer these yourself so bring wheelbarrow/shovel/bags etc.

We understand with horses that damage can sometimes occur. Please report damage to the Yarding Manager as soon as noted especially if damage may cause horse harm.

Please leave yards clean with no manure or hay in them and clean out urine spots. Yards will be inspected at the end of the show and you may be charged if additional cleaning or repairs are needed.

Allocated yarding only to be used. If you have multiple horses, please keep to allocated yard numbers as allocation for mares has been considered. All horses must have identification on them while yarded including the owner phone number. If you need a yard after you have arrived please contact the office in the first instance to check availability.

Manure bins: Use bins outside yards and make sure the manure does not exceed the height of the side of the bin. Suppliers are unable to transport the bins if this occurs and requires us to remove the excess which is a huge job for us to put right.

No manure to be placed around trees (Council regulations)

Rubbish: Please take home with you. No bins provided to keep rider costs down.

Showers & Toilets: 2 showers & 3 toilets available at the clubrooms. Portaloos at yards.

Additional Council toilets are located at A&P area opposite Pony Club clubrooms.

AMDG clubrooms will be locked between 9pm and 6am for security reasons.

Riders Leaving the Grounds: Any rider who leaves the grounds for ANY amount of time over the weekend must nominate a person to be responsible for their horse(s) in their absence. Form available at office to be completed by both the rider and the new person responsible prior to the rider leaving the grounds. Anyone found to be in breach of this rule will be eliminated from the event.

Event Reception Opening Hours:

The Event Reception is situated in the clubrooms, please address all queries to this area.

Saturday	25th April	7.30am - 5.30pm
Sunday	26th April	7.30am - 5.30pm

Musical Freestyle Digital Media:

Competitors can email .mp3 files to Terry dressagemusicals@gmail.com, share the file using Google Drive, or share a Dropbox link until midnight Wednesday 22 April 2026; otherwise bring a thumb drive (USB stick) with an .mp3 file or other digital audio format. There are only limited breaks between the freestyle classes for your music to be tested, the earlier you provide your music the more time we will have to test it and confirm okay. Any USB sticks not collected after 1 month from the date of the show, will be destroyed.

Please be sure to have your music easily identifiable, preferably by way of a **file name** that has at least the **full name of the horse and rider as entered**. Please also include this information and the class number in the email for digital media or a note with physical media. Even if submitted digitally, competitors are reminded to also bring a copy with them on the day.

If you are submitting music on the day, please **avoid approaching the float if the next rider has presented to the judge** and take care not to interrupt announcements.

Riders – please make sure your signal to the sound operator is clear and look to check if they have seen your hand up and you are not hidden from their view. A quick flash of the hand can be easily missed.

Arena Familiarisation: Friday 5-5.30pm Saturday 7-7.30am

Refer ESNZ Dressage rule is **Article 486.4** regarding identification numbers and wearing of helmet.

Horses may be ridden **around the exterior** of the competition arena unless advised otherwise by the Technical Delegate or Chief Steward.

Warm Up Arena: There is limited warm up space available. You will only be permitted to warm up on the surface 30 mins before your test time. The arenas will be marshalled. Please use the grass area if you need extra space.

Etiquette: Let's use common sense so that all can be safe and enjoy the show!

- Please pass left to left, i.e. pass another rider with them on your left hand side.
- Please look where you are going and not down at the ground.
- If you see a rider having a problem, please don't move into their space!
- Coaches, riders & support team - For safety reasons you must stand at the edge of the warm up arena.

Unauthorised / Outside Assistance: ARTICLE 451.18.2

Excerpt from Rule Change that you need to be aware of....

Any intentional outside intervention is considered assistance to a rider or horse and is penalised by elimination. This includes but is not limited to: Assistance by voice, signs, earphone and/or electronic communication devices

iv. Any assistance to get the horse into the dressage arena or the area directly around the arena including being led by another horse around the arena is considered outside assistance

Please help keep arenas poo free, if you have a moment when finished competing, feel free to pick up a pile or two!

Jackets are optional for this event: Please refer to ESNZ **Article 415.4** for appropriate attire.

Lunging: Permitted on grass area only eastern side of arena 1 down by the cross country jumps.

EvoEvents: Please make sure you have completed any announcer notes and that you have completed your truck/float and next of kin details on EvoEvents. Check all contact details are current.

Draw for Sunday: Draw may be re-worked on Saturday night to eliminate scratching spacings. Times will be on EvoEvents by 9pm Saturday. Most will **not** have changed - if unsure, check on EvoEvents for your time and arena which will be correct.

Saturday evening function:

Free BBQ and 'All Things Dressage Quiz' will be happening from 4.30pm at the clubrooms. Get your team together (or simply come and we will add you to a team) for some fun and laughter - winning team gets a prize!!

Prize giving:

- There will be a formal UNMOUNTED prize giving on Sunday afternoon for Championship winners and Musical Freestyle first place getters (anticipated timing 2pm and 5.30pm).
- Riders who win Champion or Reserve Champion must be present at prize giving to receive their awards. Failure to attend will result in forfeiture of the award unless approved by OC.
- Rosettes for all other classes can be collected from the office during office hours.

On Site Catering: Frankie's coffee truck and Thai Royal will be onsite on both days. Reminder the Clevedon Market will not be open on Sunday due to ANZAC.

Clubrooms Kitchen: Hours 10 - 3.30pm daily. Selling cold drinks and bottled water. Cash only.

Camping & Parking:

1. Parking and camping areas may be defined. Some areas will be restricted to on site camping/parking only.
2. Day competitors must park in designated day parking areas.
3. Please be tidy and place all poo in the large skip or take home with you.
4. Please do not dump any waste / grey water.
5. Please be considerate to others around you and minimise noise after 10pm.

Dogs:

1. Dogs must be kept in the parking area at all times.
2. No dogs are allowed in any stable or yarding areas, warm up, competition areas or buildings
3. The dog must be on a lead at all times.
4. The owner of the dog will be responsible for the cost of any damage/harm caused by the dog at the competition.
5. These rules will be enforced by event elimination of the rider associated to the offending dog.

Official Start Time:

1. **Official start time:** The official event start time is 12 noon Friday 24 April 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 rule 477 prohibited gear is not allowed from the time of arrival at the event.
2. **Official finish time:** The official finish time will be 60 minutes after the completion of the last class or 60 minutes after the completion of all presentations for the event whichever is later

Protests & Complaints: Protests and complaints may be considered by the Ground Jury at an event in accordance with Article 137 of the ESNZ General Regulations. As a guideline only, protests must be lodged within 60 minutes of the completion of the competition 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.

\$50 protest and complaints fees are referred to in the flow charts on pages 30 and 31 of the pdf ESNZ General Regs Version 1.0 Build 33 ([nzequestrian.org.nz](https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz)). For complete rules and official documentation required, please refer to <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/rules-regulations/>

Sponsors & 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 listed below) or in person during the show. 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.

Brett Kendall & Rosemary Carter - Preliminary Championships - rosemary-anne@carter-kendall.com

Vivant Equi - Novice Championships - <https://vivantequi.co.nz/>

HorseFit - Elementary Championships - <https://www.horsefit.co.nz/>

Homes by Nest - all Musical Freestyle classes - <https://www.homesbynest.nz/>

Professional Services:

1. Equine Therapists and Treatment

- a. Any equine therapists or practitioners who are not veterinarians and intend to provide therapeutic treatment to equines in any capacity at this event in a private or commercial basis must notify the Organising Committee of any treatment prior to the event.
- b. All practitioners must also comply with the Conditions applicable to this event set out in the Schedule of classes.
- c. Riders who own their equipment (eg Equissage, Cyclossage or similar) are only permitted to treat their own horses with these systems at the event.
- d. Any practitioner receiving financial or other gain from providing therapies at the event will be required to pay a trade exhibitor fee at the discretion of the Organising Committee.

2. Other Professionals including freelance grooms and photographers

- a. Any other professional intending on providing services at this event must obtain prior agreement from the Organising Committee – this excludes professionals Dressage Coaches assisting in the warmup of competitors and grooms that are in part or full time employment of a competitor.

We wish you every success and a safe enjoyable show

Any questions contact Event Secretary Tina Bogaard - amdgsportmanager@gmail.com