



# Dressage Central Districts Incorporated

## Kiwi Arena Rakes Premier League Championships

### 3<sup>th</sup> – 4<sup>th</sup> October 2026

### Manfeild Park Stadium, Feilding

Entries Close - Midnight Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2026 at [www.evoevents.co.nz](http://www.evoevents.co.nz)  
All classes will be run outdoors.

All enquiries to the Event Secretary: Jos Gresham [josgresh@gmail.com](mailto:josgresh@gmail.com)

**Responsibility:** It is the rider, or person responsible, obligation to read and understand the conditions for this event as published in this schedule.

### Important Information

The classes listed as ESNZ Competitions will be conducted under the ESNZ General Regulations and the applicable Discipline Rules. FEI Rules will apply for FEI Events.

By submitting an entry, the Competitor or Person Responsible confirms that they agree to be bound by the ESNZ Constitution, the ESNZ General Regulations, the applicable Discipline Rules and all Event conditions set out in the Schedule, for the purposes of their participation in the ESNZ Competition.

ESNZ, Affiliate Groups, Organising Committees and their officers, officials, agents, employees, volunteers and representatives accept no liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness, including to horses, owners, competitors, spectators, volunteers or property, arising out of or connected with this Event, except to the extent that such liability cannot be lawfully excluded.

**No non - ESNZ Competitions are being held at this Event.**

**ESNZ Registration for Graded Classes:** Entries will not be accepted with registration as follows to 5<sup>th</sup> October 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).
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**Rules:** Dressage Central Districts Incorporated Premier League competitions will be run under the ESNZ GR's, VR's & ESNZ Rules for Dressage, Version 1<sup>st</sup> August 2026.

**Official start time:** The official event start time is 12.00 pm Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 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 rules 420-430, prohibited gear is not allowed from the time of arrival at the event.

**Official finish time:** The official finish time will be sixty minutes after the completion of the last class or 60 minutes after the completion of all presentations for the event whichever is the latter.

**Protests & Complaints:** Protests and complaints may be considered by the Ground Jury at an event in accordance with Art 140 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. For complete rules and official documentation required, please refer to <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/rules-regulations/>

**Qualifiers:** Premier League Shows are qualifiers for the Bates National Dressage Championships.

**Dressage NZ Leagues/Series:** Horses/Ponies must have an annual start for Dressage to gain points in any Super 5 League, Zilco Musical Freestyle Series, Prestige Futures Prize, AMS Saddlery Pony, Young Rider & U25 Performance Leagues, or Top 10 League. Riders must register online at EvoEvents prior to 1st December 2026 for inclusion in any Top 10 League, Prestige Dressage Futures Prize, AMS Saddlery Pony, Young Rider & U25 Performance Leagues. Conditions for all series can be found at <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/disciplines/dressage/competition/dressage-series-classes/>

**Tests:** All tests from DNZ Test book version 2023 or FEI Website <https://inside.fei.org/fei/your-role/organisers/dressage/tests>

**Super 5 Tests:** Must be ridden from memory, no caller is permitted

**FEI Tests:** All must be ridden from memory, no caller is permitted



## Stable and Yard Allocations

We using the EvoEvents system where you can choose your own yards, some yards will be reserved, and you will be unable to choose them. We also reserve the right to change your yard allocation where necessary.

1. The OC requests that all riders respect that there is limited covered horse accommodation at the venue. Every effort will be made by the OC to allocate preferred accommodation. In some instances, this may not be possible. Allocations will be made in principle as follows:
  - Yards/stables will be allocated in order of receipted / paid entry from the entry opening day.
  - Competitors who live within 45 minutes of the venue are encouraged to return to their home base, if possible, please assist the covered yards availability for further away competitors.
  - Horses not staying overnight will only be allocated open yards, an upgrade will be done if available.

## Event Conditions

1. **Amendments:** The organising committee reserves the right to refuse entries, cancel the event, alter the programme/schedule and/or prize money within the ESNZ and DNZ Rules.
2. **Presentation of Prizes and Prize Money:** See DNZ Rule article 456.
  - a. 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.
  - b. The organising committee reserves the right to substitute prize money with goods of equal value.
  - c. Prize money will be paid by electronic transfer within 3 weeks of the completion of the event.
  - d. Prize Giving: Unmounted - Champions & Reserves, Super 5 League and Zilco Musical Freestyles, Bronze Awards, Pony, Masters, Young Rider, Highest % and Best DCD Member. All other classes collect from reception.
  - e. Prize money will only be paid out on scores of 57% and above.
  - f. The OC reserves the right to amend/limit the number of prizes or prize money if less than eight starters in any class. Up to 3 starters, 1st only; 4-5 starters 1st & 2nd; 6-8 starters 1st – 3rd; 9 or more 1st - 4th, and/or pay prize money which is less than the entry fee for 1st - 4th place winners.
  - g. The OC reserves the right to adjust the advertised Prize Money.
3. **Draw:** If required, a revised draw and/or start times for the following day's competition will be available by 7.30 pm each evening on EvoEvents and the notice board. It is the rider's responsibility to check any new times posted.
4. All outstanding amounts from any previous Dressage NZ Event must be paid before entries will be confirmed.
5. **Stabling Refunds:** Where stabling requests cannot be met, refunds will be made after the show

6. **Equal Placings:** In the case of equality in any qualifying 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 placings. If there is still an equality of points, the competitors are given the same placing.
7. **Hats:** ESNZ tagged approved riding hats must be worn at all times, at all levels, during the competition.
8. **Non-Competing Horses:** All horses and ponies on the grounds after the official start time must be entered at the event unless the organising committee gives permission otherwise.
9. **Media:** Dressage Central Districts Incorporated, Dressage NZ and ESNZ reserve the right to use event photographs, for marketing, publicity, advertising, funding applications as they see fit. Competitors and/or participants will receive no remuneration for this. All images remain the property of Dressage Central Districts Incorporated.
10. **Music:** All riders must upload their music to EvoEvents by e music for their freestyle by Sunday 27th September 2026. A wav. file is the preferred format (best quality) however an mp3 file is also acceptable.

#### Procedure on EVOEVENTS

- a) Once you have entered the show go to My Entries.
- b) Click the 'Animals' button.
- c) Select the horse you want to load the music to and scroll down to Music Freestyle
- d) Enter a Track Name for the music and enter additional info.
- e) Select the file to upload from your own computer.
- f) Press the 'Upload Music button.



11. Stallions must comply with ESNZ Article 133 and must be housed in a stable at all times.

#### 12. Liability:

- a) Competitors and spectators attending this event do so at their own risk.
- b) Manfeild Park, Dressage NZ or Dressage Central Districts Incorporated nor any representative of these bodies, accepts any liability for any loss, damage, injury or illness to horse/pony/rider, spectators, land, vehicles or any personal property whether caused by their negligence or breach of contract in any way whatsoever.
- c) Manfeild Park, Dressage NZ or Dressage Central Districts Incorporated shall not be liable for the safety of any goods/equipment or the loss of, or damage to such, brought in/stored at the venue, during the event.

#### 13. Health & Safety:

- a) Dressage NZ and Dressage Central Districts Incorporated are 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.
- b) Competitors must comply with the appropriate Legislation and Health & Safety at Work Act 2015.
- c) Each Competitor and/or exhibitor must always supervise and control their animals and shall be liable for any hazard created, accident, illness or damage caused by the action of themselves at the venue of the Event
- d) All competitors and associated staff/visitors to the venue must abide by the ESNZ/Dressage NZ Rules, the Dressage Central Districts Incorporated and Manfeild Park Health & Safety Policy's
- e) Copies of the event Health & Safety policy can be found at the event office.
- f) Any incident or near miss must be reported to event office and an incident form completed.
- g) Any hazards identified must be reported to event office.
- h) 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 a risk by their actions.

#### 14. ESNZ Concussion Policy:

- a) This event will be run under the ESNZ Concussion Policy Guidelines.  
<https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/safety/concussion/>
- b) Dressage NZ policy requires all riders to report to Medical Officer or Steward following a fall.
- c) Medical clearance must be obtained before remounting or leaving the grounds.

## 15. ESNZ Drug & Alcohol Policy

ESNZ reserve the right to drug or alcohol test any participant at the event under the ESNZ Drug & Alcohol Policy. This link will access the policy and frequently asked question.

<https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/rules-regulations/rules-and-regulations/>

## Entry Conditions

1. Entries Close Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> September 2026 - [www.evoevents.co.nz](http://www.evoevents.co.nz)
2. Payment must be made with entries or entries not accepted.
3. Payment can only be made at time of entry through POLI (internet banking. If your bank doesn't support POLI, or you are having problems paying, you can pay by bank direct credit to Account no 01-0625-0018702-00 using rider name as reference.
4. NO Postal, fax, emailed or phone entries accepted.
5. **Maximum** of two starts per day per horse/pony. **Maximum** of 6 tests per day per rider
6. Late entries may be accepted at the discretion of the Event Secretary but will incur a \$20 per horse fee which will not be eligible for a refund.
7. Class numbers will be limited to 30 and entries will be accepted in order of receipt of payment of entry fees. Where classes are oversubscribed, preference will be given to riders entering the tests required to contest a level championship, with others being waitlisted. Riders will be advised if they are waitlisted.
8. Draw will be available at [www.evoevents.co.nz](http://www.evoevents.co.nz)



## Entry & Event Fees

**Rider Event Levy (Non-refundable)** - \$20 per rider

**Horse Ground Levy** - \$10 per horse

**Horse Accommodation Fees**

**Arrival Friday or Saturday to departure Sunday**

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|-------------------------|---------|
| Stables                 | \$46.00 |
| Covered/Uncovered Yards | \$34.50 |

**Camping Fees – per night**

|               |         |
|---------------|---------|
| With power    | \$34.50 |
| Without power | \$23    |

## Championship Eligibility Points –

### Preliminary to Grand Prix & Pony Preliminary to Elementary

1. Combinations are eligible for one level of Championship only and must compete in all qualifying classes.
2. Championship points are allocated 20 for 1st, to 1 for 20<sup>th</sup>. Points will not be awarded on scores less than 57%.
3. Champions and Reserves: The horse with the highest aggregate allocated points from specified classes will be the Championship winner. In the event of a tie, the combination with the highest place in the Super 5 class is the winner.

## Other Awards

### Bronze Preliminary to Elementary

1. Combinations are eligible for one level only and must compete in all qualifying classes.
2. Championships points are allocated 20 for 1st, to 1 for 20<sup>th</sup>. Points will not be awarded on scores less than 57%.
3. Rosettes for 1<sup>st</sup> to 4<sup>th</sup>: The horse with the highest aggregate allocated points from specified classes will be the winner. In the event of a tie, the combination with the highest place in the Super 5 class is the winner.

### Age Group Award Eligibility

Champion Rosette will only be awarded.

1. **Combinations are eligible for one Age Group Award only and must compete in all qualifying classes.**
2. **Champion Junior Rider:** For riders on a horse from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach 12 until they reach the age of 16. Riders who turn 16 on or after 1<sup>st</sup> August may continue competing as a Junior until the 31<sup>st</sup> July in the following calendar year.
3. **Champion Young Rider:** For Riders on a Horse or Pony from the beginning of the calendar year in which they reach the age of 16 years until they reach the age of 21. Riders who turn 21 on or after 1<sup>st</sup> August may compete as a Young Rider until the 31<sup>st</sup> July in the following calendar year.
4. **Champion Pony Rider 13 – 16 years:** For riders on a pony until they reach the age of 17 years. Riders who turn 17 on or after 1<sup>st</sup> August may compete until 31<sup>st</sup> July in the following calendar year.
5. **Champion Pony Rider 12 years and Under:** For riders on a Pony until they reach the age of 13 years. Riders who turn 13 on or after 1<sup>st</sup> August may compete until 31<sup>st</sup> July in the following calendar year.
6. **Champion Masters:** Open to riders on horse or pony. Riders must be aged 50 years or over as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2026.

### Special Awards

1. **Best DCD Member:** For horse and rider combination gaining the most points in Preliminary and Novice. In the event of a tie, the horse contesting the highest level will be the winner.
2. **Highest %:** Awarded to the rider that achieves the highest % in any championship Class.

### Open Pony Award

1. Open to any pony regardless of level ridden or rider's age.
2. Awarded to the Pony that achieves the highest accumulated % over the 3 championship rounds.

### Age Group Championship Points

For Pony Riders 12 & Under, Pony Riders 13-16 Years, Junior Riders, Young Riders & Masters

In the event of a tie, the horse contesting the highest level will be the winner. If there is a further tie, the combination with the highest average % in two qualifiers will be the winner.

| Percentage    | Points                 |                        |                     |
|---------------|------------------------|------------------------|---------------------|
|               | Preliminary-Elementary | Medium-Advanced Medium | Advanced-Grand Prix |
| Less than 57% | 4                      | 5                      | 6                   |
| 57 – 59.99%   | 5                      | 6                      | 7                   |
| 60 – 64.999%  | 6                      | 7                      | 8                   |
| 65 to 69.999% | 7                      | 8                      | 9                   |
| 70% plus      | 8                      | 9                      | 10                  |

### Event Reception Opening Hours

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

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|----------|-------------------------|--------------------------------------------------|
| Friday   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> October | 4:30pm – 6.30pm                                  |
| Saturday | 3 <sup>rd</sup> October | 7.30am – until ½ hour after last class finished. |
| Sunday   | 4 <sup>th</sup> October | 7.30am – until 1/2 hour after prizegiving.       |



## Important Contact Details

### For Emergencies Dial 111

24 Hour Medical - Ruahine Medical Centre, 16 Kimbolton Road, Feilding. Phone 06 323 6910.

Local Vet – Equivets NZ 06 3222 333. Totally Vets 06 3236161. After hours 0274 407 098

**Farrier – John Devery 027 240 6671**

Feed Supply – Bunnythorpe Feeds, 119c Dixons Line, RD11, Palmerston North. Tel: 06 329 2960

– Farmlands Feilding, 115 South Street, Feilding. Tel: 06 323 0500

Event Manager – **Sonja Klos, 027 464 4260**

Event Secretary - Stable Manager - Jos Gresham, 027 322 1717

## Competition Arena Use & Familiarisation

1. All Competition Arenas are closed at all times except as stated below.
2. These times may be amended please check times in rider notes provided with the draw.
3. Arena familiarisation is not intended to be used as a schooling session.
4. Riders need to be considerate of other riders wishing to familiarise their horses.
5. Lunging is not permitted on any part of all-weather surface.
6. Horses may be hand walked or ridden at walking pace around the exterior of the competition arena unless advised otherwise by the Technical Delegate.
7. Any person leading a horse in an arena familiarisation, must be wearing a correctly fitting yellow tagged helmet. All horses being lead must be wearing a bridle with a permitted bit, and with two bridle numbers. A newmarket lead may replace the reins for this purpose.
8. Familiarisation Times – Times will be confirmed in Riders Notes  
Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 5:00 – 6:00pm  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 7:00 – 7:15am



## 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 will be listed on the event programme) 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.

## Horse Identification, Venue, Stabling, Accommodation Conditions

1. Horse/Pony ID Numbers (DR Art 429): Approved Horse/Pony official identification numbers must be worn on both sides of the horse/pony at all times during warm up and competition, and when being ridden or led in arena familiarization. ID Tag with Horse Name, Rider phone contact must be worn in or out of the stable/yard at all other times.
2. All yards and stables are to be left properly mucked out. If not a fee of \$50 will be charged.
3. Temporary yarding must comply with ESNZ rules.
4. Stallions must comply with ESNZ Article 133 and must be housed in a stable at all times.
5. Please keep wash down bays clean at all times.
6. Moving horses to unallocated yards or stables is prohibited without the permission of the Stable Manager.
7. Please use the bins/skips provided for horse waste not rubbish.
8. Truck entry by Kawakawa Road Gate 2 only. Please keep the gate shut
9. No smoking or vaping in any buildings or stable areas.
10. Damage to Manfeild Park facilities to be reported to the Manfeild Office or DCD Event Office.

## **Dogs**

1. Dogs must be kept in the truck park at all times and on a lead at all times.
2. No dogs are allowed in any stable or yarding areas, warm up, competition areas or buildings
3. Dogs may be exercised on the Manfeild Park Oval which is a designated dog exercise area.
4. The owner of the dog will be responsible for the cost of any damage/harm caused by the dog at the competition.

## **Camping & Power Sites**

1. Parking and camping areas may be defined. Some areas will be restricted to on-site camping/parking only.
2. Trucks and Campervans requesting power must have a valid electrical certificate and under no circumstances will allow other vehicles to connect to their vehicle via extension cords.
3. Please be tidy and use green wheelie bins for all rubbish – no animal waste in green bins.
4. Waste and grey water tanks must only be emptied in designated wastewater dumps.

## **Vehicles & Access**

1. Access to venue for all trucks and floats will be via Kawakawa Rd, Gate 2.
2. Speed limit for all vehicles 15 kph.
3. Motorbikes must not be used after 8.30 pm and must be used in accordance with normal road rules.
4. Persons under 16yrs may not use motorbikes.
5. Approved safety helmets must be worn when riding motorbikes at all times.
6. Bicycle helmets must be worn in accordance with NZ road rules.
7. Joy riding on any part of the grounds at any time will not be tolerated

## **Professional Services**

### **1. Equine Therapists and Treatment**

- a) Equine therapists or practitioners who are not veterinarians and intend to provide therapeutic treatment to equines at the event must register their attendance with the Organising Committee / FEI Vet Delegate prior to any treatment to the event.
- b) Only permitted Equine Therapist are permitted to carry out restricted therapies, must be appropriately qualified in the field they are offering services and should be able to provide verification to OC/stewards if requested.
- c) Athletes, Persons responsible and their support team (other persons responsible) are permitted to carry out non-restricted therapies with their own their equipment (e.g. Equissage, Cyclossage or similar) if and are only permitted to treat their own horses with these systems and carry out other non-restricted at the event.

### **2. Other Professionals / Traders**

- a) Any other party wishing to provide services or trade of any kind at this event must obtain prior agreement from the Organising Committee and may be required to pay a fee. This excludes professional Dressage Coaches assisting in the warmup of competitors and grooms that are in part or full-time employment of a competitor.

## **Links to ESNZ/DNZ Rules and DNZ Series Conditions**

**ESNZ Rules & Regulations** <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/rules-regulations/rules-and-regulations/>

**ESNZ Concussion Policy** <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/safety/concussion/>

**Dressage NZ Rules** <https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/rules-regulations/dressage-rules/>

## **Links to DNZ Series Conditions and National Competitions**

**Zilco Musical Freestyle, Super 5 League all Dressage Top 10 Leagues**

<https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/disciplines/dressage/competition/dressage-series-classes/>

## Para Equestrian (PE)

*Refer to General Conditions for the event plus for Para Classes please note:*

1. This event is run under ESNZ Para-Equestrian Rules, ESNZ General Rules and Regulations and ESNZ Dressage Rules where applicable.
2. All riders must be current full financial members of ESNZ at time of entry, and current until at least 5<sup>th</sup> October 2026.
3. All horses must have ESNZ registration at time of entry and current until at least 5<sup>th</sup> October 2026. May compete on an Annual Dressage Start (purchased on Horse Reg) or use Flexi Start at \$5 per Test (payable with entries).
4. All PE riders must have a current FEI or ESNZ ID card, a copy of which must be carried at all times while riding.
5. ESNZ, Dressage NZ & ESNZ Para-Equestrian rules apply from time of arrival where applicable.
6. All tests are the current versions that are on the ESNZ or FEI Website.
7. 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.
8. A horse may not be shared by different riders between PE and able-bodied classes.
9. A horse may be shared by riders of different grades in PE classes as per Article 166.
10. 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.
11. There will be one overall Champion. The rider who achieves the highest combined percentages in any grade, over all tests will be the Para-Equestrian Champion.

## Withdrawals and Refunds

**Requests for refunds will only be accepted if:**

Scratchings are to be made via EvoEvents NZ and must be followed by an email stating rider name and horse's name/s to josgresh@gmail.com.

**Final date for refund applications – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2026.**

**Conditions of withdrawal from the event before close of entries**

- Full refund of all charges excluding Rider Event Levy and Online Fees

**Notification of withdrawal received on or before Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2026**

- Stabling and camping fees will be 100% refunded in all cases.
- 80% of Entry Fees (excluding Rider Event Levy, Online Entry Fee and Late Entry Fees) will be refunded. No doctor or vet certificate required.

**Notification of withdrawal received on or before Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2026**

- Stabling and camping fees will be 100% refunded in all cases.
- 50% of Entry Fees (excluding Rider Event Levy, Online Entry Fee and Late Entry Fees) will be refunded.
- Special applications for refunds can be presented to the OC for consideration.

