



**EQUESTRIAN SPORTS
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Demo & Dabble Event North Island 2024

16 & 17 November – 2024

**Waikato Equestrian Centre
1340 Pukete Road, Pukete, Hamilton 3200**

Entries Open: 4 October 2024

Entries Close: 8 November 2024

Enter Online: www.evoevents.co.nz

Secretary Email: admin@horses.net.nz

Provisional Timetable -

Saturday 16 November	Demo ring – Dressage
	Demo ring – Eventing
	Saddle & Canter Dressage – pick your test 0-2
	Beyond the Bit – Eventing 65cm + 80cm
	Evening function – BBQ

Sunday 17 November	Demo ring - Jumping
	Demo ring – CTR / Endurance
	Nztack Show Jumping 65cm + 80cm
	Equissage NZ CTR style trail ride

Welcome to the North Island Demo & Dabble event 2024 brought to you by Equestrian Sports New Zealand in partnership with Waikato Equestrian Centre.

Demo & Dabble is a non-competitive event designed to meet the needs of recreational riders who would like the opportunity to enjoy a low pressure, multi-disciplinary event.

The schedule has been designed to allow riders to participate in 1,2 or all 4 disciplines with the option to attend one or both days.

There are style prizes and spot prizes up for grabs thanks to our fabulous sponsors listed below – these will be selected by judges in collaboration with the ambassadors and awarded for horsemanship + sportsmanship.

Our thanks to our wonderful sponsors – without you we could not run these events for our riding community :

Saddle & Canter

Nztack

Beyond the Bit

Equissage NZ

Ecohorse

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How it will work:

Our friendly and experienced ambassadors in each discipline will present and demonstrate around :

- Discipline concepts
- Aims
- Basic Rules
- Do's and don'ts to help you get started
- How to enjoy your selected discipline – top tips

Dabble:

- You give it a go.
- Get feedback.
- Give it a go again (if time allows)

Who are the Ambassadors

Dressage:

- Nicky Hallen
- Alyssa Harrison

Show Jumping:

- Ian Bain
- Rosanna Dickson

Eventing:

- Stephanie Vervoort
- Kyle Calder

CTR:

- Daryl Owen
- Ruth Dawber

Want to find out more about our ambassadors? Pop over to the Demo & Dabble Facebook Event on ESNZ Facebook page for lots of information, updates and fun.

Cost:

\$40 per horse per discipline (includes admin and medical)

\$12.00 per horse per day yard (if required)

\$25.00 per horse per overnight yard (including facility fee)

\$16.30 per rider ESNZ membership (if required)

Questions / queries about the event? Reach out!

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Starting out?

Our introductory membership gives you annual multi-disciplinary access for only \$54.30 incl GST.

What you get

- Dressage**
Non Graded
all levels
- Jumping & Show Hunter**
Introductory
Ponies up to 80cm
Horses up to 90cm
- Eventing**
Arena & Express
Eventing
CCN 65cm
- Para**
Non Graded
all levels
- Endurance**
Endurance & CTR
0-39km

One riding membership with access to all 5 disciplines at introductory levels

*competition fees still apply

www.nzequestrian.org.nz

Starting Out – thinking of riding at 3 or more introductory level events in one year? You might like to consider an Introductory Membership (as described above) for \$54.30 per annum.

Find out more on our website under – members – get involved, or use the link below :

<https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/esnz/membershipregistration/membershipregistration-information/>

Links to dressage tests...

<https://www.nzequestrian.org.nz/disciplines/dressage/resources/dressage-tests/>

Some information about the disciplines for first timers...more can be found on ESNZ website

What is Dressage?

The ultimate of dressage goal is correct training, so many different types of horses are able to participate and achieve. Achievement in dressage competition is measured by the correct execution of the requirements of the test at each level. Competitive dressage in New Zealand involves ten progressive levels incorporating multiple tests within each level, including the crowd-pleasing Musical Freestyles. There are also tests

for young horses (4,5,6,7 yrs), and Prix Caprilli (incorporates small jumps). FEI tests used at international events world wide, are published by the [Federation Equestre Internationale](#)

Competitions occur in internationally sized arenas (40m x 20m or 60m x 20m) with all rules for national competitions, apparel and equipment being regulated by ESNZ Dressage.

What is Jumping? (Show Jumping)

Jumping is a test of the horse and rider under various conditions over a course of obstacles, involving many turns and changes of direction. The aim is to jump cleanly over a set course within an allocated time. If a competitor makes certain faults such as knocking down an obstacle, refusing to jump or exceeding the time allowed, penalties are incurred. Competitors can only have a limited number of disobediences (see penalties & faults for an explanation of disobediences) before they are eliminated. The winner is the competitor who incurs the least number of penalties, completes the course in the fastest time or gains the highest number of points, depending on the type of competition. Jumping is a test intended to demonstrate a competitor's horsemanship and their horse's freedom, energy, skill and obedience in jumping.

What is Show Hunter?

It is the technical art of jumping, where, in addition to leaving the rails up, the horse must demonstrate a superior natural jumping style along with a level of training that makes him a balanced ride.

Jumping a Show Hunter course demands the skill and discipline to ride a predetermined number of strides between related fences and maintain an even rhythm throughout the round. It develops the relationship between horse and rider and is a breeding ground for our potential stars of the future.

Show Hunter has increased in popularity over the years and appeals to a wide-ranging audience, from the very young competitors to those in their 60's and 70's.

It has twenty regional areas throughout New Zealand from Southland to the far North of the North Island, all running multiple competitive events, making this a truly grassroots level sport that delivers that all important National exposure.

What is Eventing?

Eventing originally evolved from the training of cavalry horses. It is rather like the pentathlon in that it combines different disciplines in one competition and is run on a cumulative penalty basis. The competitor with least penalties at the end is the winner. The ultimate form of Eventing competition is CCI-L (Three Day Event) when each test takes place on a different day. The first test is Dressage, which comprises a set sequence of compulsory movements in an arena 20 metres wide and 40 metres long (60 metres at higher levels of competition). The test is judged by two or more judges who are looking for balance, rhythm and suppleness and most importantly, obedience of the horse and its harmony with the rider.

Day two consists of the challenge of the Cross Country, where a course of natural obstacles must be jumped – inside an optimum time – being over the time, stopping at obstacles or rider/horse falls also incur penalties.

On the final day, there is the show-jumping test consisting of one round of jumping with a maximum time allowed, and the objective is to jump all the fences clear inside the time. The fences are not as high as top level show-jumping but are quite substantial for horses which are not specialists at show-jumping. Fences knocked down and refusals incur penalties as does exceeding the time allowed.

The sport also has CCN-S (one day event) with all three tests on one day. These events can be run over two days to accommodate a large number of competitors.

What is CTR? (Competitive Trail Riding)

After you have vetted and tacked up, head over to the start line just before your pre-allocated time. You will generally ride out in pairs at five minute intervals. Hand your day vet card or logbook to the starter. You must be mounted to cross the start and finish lines.

In CTR, the goal is to complete the marked course as close to the optimum time as possible. One penalty point will be added to your score for every minute over the optimum time, and two penalty points for every minute under time. You are not allowed to weave, zig zag, or halt to waste time and your horse must keep moving forward at all times unless they need a toilet stop, drink, or tack adjustment. You may dismount on course, but must be mounted from the control area, which is generally a few hundred metres from the finish line.

When you cross the finish line, you will be asked to dismount and your horses' heartrate will be taken immediately. Collect your day vet card or logbook (If it isn't at the finish line then it will be given to you when you go to the vet ring.) You then have up to 30 minutes to untack, cool your horse down, and then present to the vet with your vet card where the horses heart rate (HR) will be taken again and you will have to trot them up to check for lameness. If your horse's heartrate is over 64 BPM, or you are late to the vet ring you will be eliminated.

Your across the line HR, final HR, and time penalties will be added together, with the lowest score winning.