

AGENDA

Dressage NZ Planning Forum 2023 Agenda & Remits



Date: Tuesday 18th / Wednesday 19th April 7pm - 9.30 pm **DRESSAGE**

By Zoom: Follow this link

If all agenda items are completed during Session 1 on 18th April, Session 2 on 19th April will be cancelled

Meeting access by will be Pre-Registration and approval only.

- Attendees must be current annual ESNZ members (competitive, official or Life members)
Membership number and expiry date will be required at time of registration
- Members have speaking rights at the meeting. Delegates and Committee members have voting rights
- Registration details and Zoom link

Please register in advance for this meeting no later than 5pm Friday 14th April

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.

Agenda items

1. Financial Reports YTD February 2023 & Annual Starts & – attached. March update presented at meeting which will include the Waikato CDI & the National Championships
2. Draft Budget 2023/24 - yet to be approved DNZ Board. Will be presented at meeting
3. Fees 23/24
4. Dressage Conference & Awards Dinner 2023 Info
5. Draft Calendar 2023/24
6. Remits
7. Discussion Items <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Gold / Silver / Bronze Categories2. Event/Series Qualifications3. Event Fees4. Dressage Tests – 2023/2026 : New three year cycle5. Horse of the Year Show qualifications & Classes6. Nationals Championships qualifications7. National Standards for Protocol Days8. Use of 20 x 40m arenas

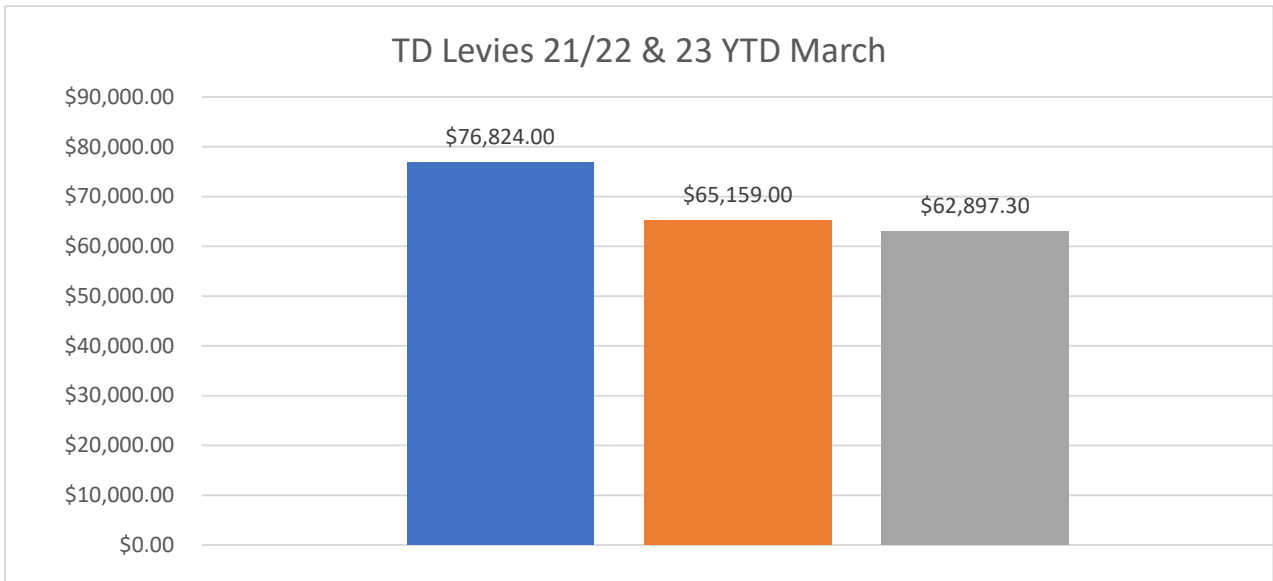
1.FINANCIAL REPORTS

1.	Monthly Summary Report to 28 Feb 2023
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**ESNZ Dressage
Statement of Financial
Performance
for the Year ended 28 February
2023**

	This Actual	Month Budget	Year Actual	to Budget	Date Variance	Full Year Budget
Income						
Annual Start Levies (Discipline)	3,417	5,000	98,970	98,500	470	118,500
Auction Income	0	0	31,673	0	31,673	0
Clinic Registrations	391	0	24,720	35,100	-10,380	35,100
Conference Registrations	0	0	7,961	7,500	461	7,500
Donations	60	0	22,310	0	22,310	0
Downgrading Fees	0	200	1,826	1,400	426	1,655
Entry Fees	33,196	40,000	208,325	193,500	14,825	203,500
Flexi Starts	496	260	3,367	2,480	887	3,000
Fundraising Income	0	0	0	1,000	-1,000	1,000
Grants Received - Other	0	0	69,245	0	69,245	0
Interest Received	203	140	4,155	1,260	2,895	1,680
Other Event Income	0	0	5,861	44,000	-38,139	44,000
Rider Contributions	0	0	456	0	456	0
Sponsorship	997	0	99,209	49,750	49,459	91,100
Sundry Income	0	0	500	0	500	0
Training & Development Levy	6,436	9,500	58,141	68,000	-9,859	82,000
Sales - Dressage Test Books	24	500	4,755	4,500	255	6,000
Sales - Merchandise	0	50	417	450	-33	600
Sales - Rule Books	0	50	0	200	-200	200
Sales - Stationery	71	300	3,523	5,000	-1,477	5,500
	45,291	56,000	645,414	512,640	132,774	601,335
Expenses						
Accident Compensation Levies	0	0	430	485	-55	485
Accommodation & Meals - General	1,682	11,175	28,520	31,525	-3,005	38,000
Accommodation & Meals - Officials	0	0	680	0	680	0
Administration	1,111	2,000	8,822	9,000	-178	15,100
Bank Charges	67	35	971	315	656	420
Catering and Bar Purchases	717	2,000	32,940	26,700	6,240	38,700
Coaching - Specialists	0	3,000	10,000	29,375	-19,375	35,375
Cost of Sales	0	0	971	0	971	0
Depreciation - Plant and Equipment	65	65	585	585	0	780
Donations paid	3,000	0	3,000	0	3,000	0
Fundraising expenses	0	0	13	0	13	0
General Expenses	2,083	3,160	14,556	17,925	-3,369	24,735
Gifts and Gratuities	5,965	5,000	22,791	18,250	4,541	30,500
Grants - Training	0	0	0	4,000	-4,000	4,000
Hireages	0	0	2,055	5,000	-2,945	10,000
IT - Infrastructure	77	25	263	225	38	300
Judges	0	0	3,750	0	3,750	0
Media	0	0	470	0	470	0
Medical	0	3,500	9,164	8,450	714	13,400
Postage	0	165	1,056	1,485	-429	1,980
Printing	186	140	9,212	5,610	3,602	8,530
Prize Money	0	0	9,783	13,000	-3,217	30,000
Prizes - Trophies	1,644	9,000	24,380	21,900	2,480	28,900
Promotion and Publicity	1,672	900	7,048	14,600	-7,552	16,800
Result Processing	0	1,000	2,614	2,800	-186	4,600
Service Fees Paid	0	0	7,983	7,983	0	10,644
Sponsor Servicing	200	0	1,989	1,000	989	3,500
Staff Salaries and Wages	5,845	8,237	72,559	74,133	-1,574	98,844
Stationery	54	200	518	2,000	-1,482	2,600
Stewarding	0	0	5,206	6,000	-794	6,000
Telephone	157	180	2,268	1,620	648	2,160
Travel - General	17,440	2,700	43,400	32,400	11,000	44,400
Travel - International	0	5,000	5,348	5,000	348	20,000
Travel - Mileage	0	1,335	2,902	3,975	-1,073	5,810
Travel - Subsidies	0	900	6,134	4,300	1,834	4,300
Uniforms	918	0	7,297	6,300	997	6,300
Venue & Equipment Hire	17,945	27,000	58,571	79,700	-21,129	103,700
Veterinary	0	0	0	500	-500	500
	60,828	86,717	408,249	436,141	-27,892	611,363
ESNZ Dressage Surplus/(Deficit)	-15,537	-30,717	237,165	76,499	160,666	-10,028

1. Income Summary

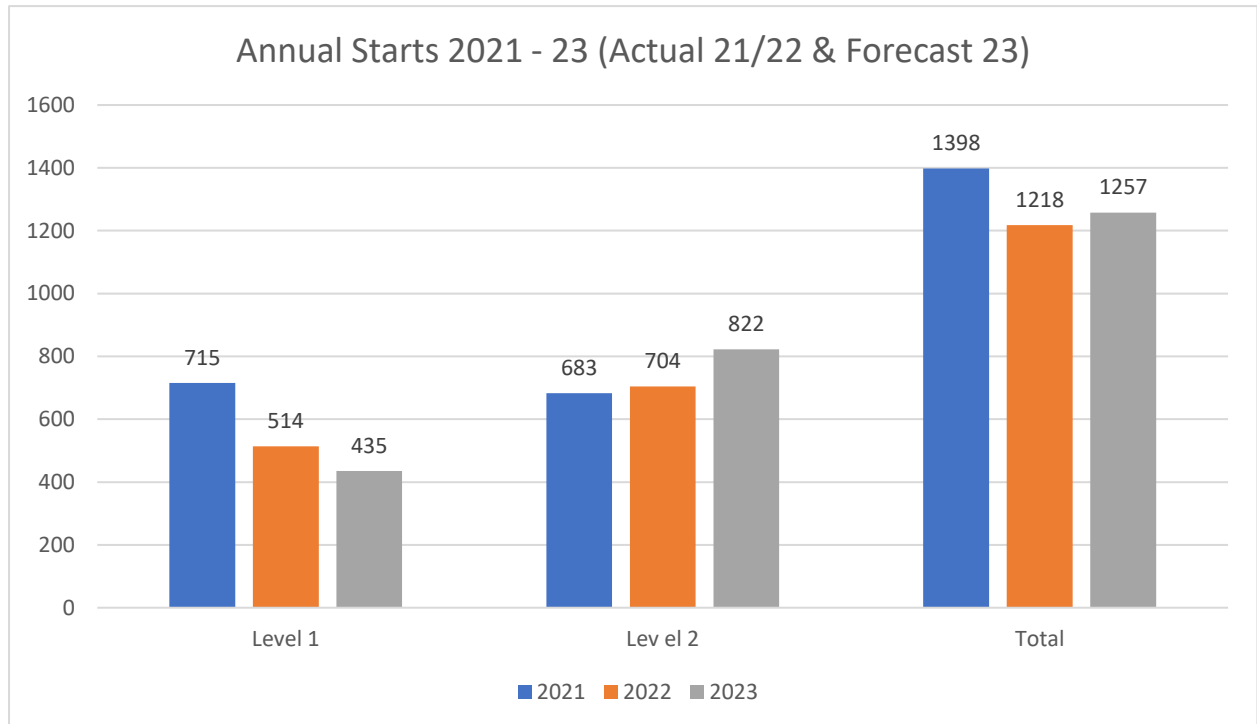


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Annual Start Levies (Discipline)	3,417	5,000	98,970	98,500	470	118,500

Forecast Level 1 = \$28,370.00

Forecast Level 2+ = \$82,200.00

Total Forecast = \$110,570.00 against budget \$118,500.00 = - \$7,930.00



2 Budget 23/24 To be presented at meeting

3 Fees 23/24

Recommendation to be made at meeting following notification of ESNZ membership fees and horse registration fees which is provisionally estimated to align approx with CPI ? 5%

4 Dressage AGM, Conference, Awards Dinner & Committee Meeting

Notice of Meetings

Rydges Hotel Latimer Square Christchurch Fri 30th June - Sunday 2 July

This will incorporate the ESNZ Welcome & Hall of Fame / ESNZ of the Year Awards Cocktail Party on Friday 30th June

Friday 7pm – 9pm: Separately ticketed ESNZ event at \$30pp. Includes canapes / small plates

Saturday:

9am – 4pm: Dressage AGM & Conference plus combined discipline ESNZ presentation streamed to each room. ESNZ CEO will join the meeting for Q & A time

6.30pm until done: Dressage Awards Dinner

Theme: Paris: Red/Blue

Sunday: Dressage Committee meeting 8.30am – 1pm

Board Vacancies 2023- 2026

- 1. Chair:** Scott McKenna has indicated his intention to step down from the role. Nominations will be called for the remainder of this term (2yrs)
- 2. Training & Development:** Olivia Ballantyne will not seek re- election Three year term
- 3. Marketing & Communications:** Alicia Cameron will not seek re-appointment Three year term

Other Election:

Member of appointment panel

Island Rider Reps (Committee Position)

Ashleigh Kendall will not seek re-election (NI)

Anna Gale will be available for nomination

Nomination Forms will be distributed separately

Notes

Cassie Freeman will be the conference co-ordinator.

A conference & dinner registration form will be available as soon as prices are confirmed.

Accommodation should be booked directly with the hotel via the link and code on the registration form

5 Draft Calendar 23-24

1-Jun-23	1-Jun-23			
4-Jun-23	4-Jun-23	Canterbury Dressage Group	McLeans Island NEC	LE
4-Jun-23	4-Jun-23	Dressage Marlborough Winter Series 2	Marlborough Equestrian Park	LE
		WEC Winter dressage series - day 1	Waikato Equestrian Centre	TR
		Solway Dressage Autumn Ribbon Day #3	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
10-Jun-23	10-Jun-23	Members Only Rally	Tauranga Racecourse	TR
11-Jun-23	11-Jun-23	Auckland Manukau Autumn Series Day 3	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Horowhenua Winter Series	Foxton Racecourse	TR
18-Jun-23	18-Jun-23	Dressage Taranaki TR Day	Inglewood Pony Club (New)	TR
1-Jul-23	1-Jul-23			
2-Jul-23	2-Jul-23	Auckland Manukau TR Day	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	TR
		Canterbury Dressage Group	McLeans Island NEC	LE
		Dressage Marlborough Winter Series 3	Marlborough Equestrian Park	LE
		WEC Winter Dressage series - day 2	Waikato Equestrian Centre	TR
23-Jul-23	23-Jul-23	Auckland Manukau TR Day	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	TR
1-Aug-23	1-Aug-23			month
6-Aug-23	6-Aug-23	Canterbury Dressage Group	McLeans Island NEC	LE
		Dressage Marlborough Winter Series 4	Marlborough Equestrian Park	LE
		WEC Winter Series - Day 3	Waikato Equestrian Centre	TR
12-Aug-23	13-Aug-23	Dressage Rotorua Graded Winter Competition	Taupo NEC	LE
13-Aug-23	13-Aug-23	Northern Hawke's Bay Dressage TR Day	Hawkes Bay A&P Showgrounds	TR
		Dressage Wairarapa Rally	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
20-Aug-23	20-Aug-23	North Canterbury Dressage Spring 23 Day 1	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Tauranga Ribbon Day	Tauranga Racecourse	TR
26-Aug-23	27-Aug-23	Woodhill Sands Spring Festival of Dressage and Show Hunter Day #1	Woodhill Sands	LE
27-Aug-23	27-Aug-23	Auckland Manukau TR Day Non Graded	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	TR
		BOIDG TR day	Kaikohe Showgrounds	TR
		Taupo Dressage Group Ribbon Day	Taupo NEC	TR
		Dressage Wairarapa Spring Series Day 1	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	LE
28-Aug-23	31-Aug-23	ESNZ Secondary Schools		
1-Sep-23	1-Sep-23			month
3-Sep-23	3-Sep-23	Canterbury Dressage Group	McLeans Island NEC	LE
		Central Districts Ribbon Day	Manfeild Park	TR
		Gisborne Dressage Practice Day	Gisborne Showgrounds	TR
		WEC Winter Series - Day 4	Waikato Equestrian Centre	TR
9-Sep-23	10-Sep-23	Dressage Rotorua Spring Spectacular	Taupo NEC	LE
		Woodhill Sands Spring Festival of Dressage & Show Hunter Day #2	Woodhill Sands	LE
10-Sep-23	10-Sep-23	BOIDG TR day	Kaikohe Showgrounds	TR
		Dressage Wairarapa Rally	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
16-Sep-23	16-Sep-23	Dressage Northland	Barge Park Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Northland Tournament	Barge Park Showgrounds	LE
	17-Sep-23	Spring Eyeopener Show	Rough Island Equestrian Park	LE
17-Sep-23	17-Sep-23	Auckland Manukau Spring Series Day 1	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Gisborne Dressage Spring Tournament	Gisborne Showgrounds	LE
		Horowhenua Dressage Group Spring	Foxton Racecourse	LE
		MTDG Practice Day 1	Waihou Showgrounds	TR
		North Canterbury Dressage Spring Day 2	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Tauranga Ribbon Day	Tauranga Racecourse	TR
23-Sep-23	24-Sep-23	Hygain Mitavite Marlborough Spring Event	Marlborough Equestrian Park	LE
		SCNO Dressage Spring Show	Waimate A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Taranaki Spring Spectacular Championships	Egmont A&P Showgrounds	RE
24-Sep-23	24-Sep-23	BOIDG Spring Tournament	Kaikohe Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa Spring Series Day 2	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	LE

30-Sep-23	1-Oct-23	Canterbury Dressage Championship	McLeans Island NEC	PL
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1-Oct-23	1-Oct-23			month
		Dressage Northland Tournament	Barge Park Showgrounds	LE
7-Oct-23	8-Oct-23	Central Districts PL Show	Manfeild Park	PL
		Otago Dressage Spring LE Tournament	Otago Taieri A&P Showgrounds	LE
8-Oct-23	8-Oct-23	Dressage @ Poverty Bay A&P Show	Gisborne Showgrounds	LE
	9-Oct-23	Waitemata Spring Day 1	Woodhill Sands	LE
14-Oct-23	15-Oct-23	Central Otago dressage spring tournament	Cromwell Racecourse	LE
15-Oct-23	15-Oct-23	Auckland Manukau Spring Series Day 2	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
		CHB Spring Tournament	Waipukurau Show Grounds	LE
		MTDG Practice Day 2	Waihou Showgrounds	TR
		Dressage Northland Tournament	Barge Park Showgrounds	LE
		DW Spring Show 2023	Waikato Equestrian Centre	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa Rally	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
21-Oct-23	21-Oct-23	North Canterbury Dressage Spring 23 Day 3	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
	22-Oct-23	Syncroflex Syncroflex DM Championship	Marlborough Equestrian Park	PL
	23-Oct-23	BOP PL Regional Show	Taupo NEC	PL
28-Oct-23	29-Oct-23	Nelson Dressage PL Show	Rough Island Equestrian Park	PL
		Dressage Southland Spring Tournament	Gore A&P Showgrounds	LE
29-Oct-23	29-Oct-23	Tauranga Summer Show Day 1	Tauranga Racecourse	LE
1-Nov-23	1-Nov-23			month
3-Nov-23	4-Nov-23	FEI Dressage World Challenge	McLeans Island NEC	NAT
5-Nov-23	5-Nov-23	Canterbury Dressage Group	McLeans Island NEC	LE
		CHB A&P Show (TBC)	Waipukurau Show Grounds	LE
		Gisborne Dressage Champs Practice Day	Gisborne Showgrounds	TR
11-Nov-23	12-Nov-23	Northern Hawke's Bay Dressage Championship	Hawkes Bay A&P Showgrounds	PL
		Dressage Otago Championship Show	Otago Taieri A&P Showgrounds	PL
12-Nov-23	12-Nov-23	MTDG Practice Day 3	Waihou Showgrounds	TR
		Taupo Dressage Group	Taupo NEC	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa Rally	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
12-Nov-23	12-Nov-23	Dressage Waitemata Spring Day 2	Woodhill Sands	LE
15-Nov-23	17-Nov-23	NZ Agricultural Show	Canterbury Agricultural Park	LE
18-Nov-23	18-Nov-23	Bay of Islands Dressage Group Championship T	Kaikohe Showgrounds	LE
	19-Nov-23	Gisborne Dressage Championship Show	Gisborne Showgrounds	PL
		SCNO Dressage PL Show	Waimate A&P Showgrounds	PL
19-Nov-23	19-Nov-23	Auckland Manukau Spring Series Day 3	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
		North Canterbury Dressage Summer Day 1	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
26-Nov-23	26-Nov-23	Warkworth Day 1	Warkworth A&P Showgrounds	LE
1-Dec-23	1-Dec-23			
2-Dec-23	3-Dec-23	Dressage Southland PL Show	Gore A&P Showgrounds	PL
9-Dec-23	10-Dec-23	MTDG Summer 2 Day Tournament	Waihou Showgrounds	LE
		SHB Dressage PL Show	Dannevirke A&P Showgrounds	PL
		Dressage Waitemata PL Show	Woodhill Sands	PL
10-Dec-23	10-Dec-23	Canterbury Xmas Dressage Day	McLeans Island NEC	LE
16-Dec-23	17-Dec-23	Auckland Manukau Rider Development Camp	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	TR
		Taihape Christmas Championships	Taihape A&P Showgrounds	PL
17-Dec-23	17-Dec-23	North Canterbury Dressage Summer Day 2	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa Rally	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
		Warkworth Day 2	Warkworth A&P Showgrounds	LE

1-Jan-24	1-Jan-24			month
7-Jan-24	7-Jan-24	Dressage Wairarapa	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
13-Jan-24	14-Jan-24	Nelson Dressage Championship Show	Rough Island Equestrian Park	LE
		Dressage Taranaki PL Championships	Egmont A&P Showgrounds	PL
14-Jan-24	14-Jan-24	Dressage Waitemata Summer Day 1	Woodhill Sands	LE
19-Jan-24	21-Jan-24	Auckland Manukau PL Championships	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	PL
20-Jan-24	21-Jan-24	WEC 2-day Summer Dressage Bonanza	Waikato Equestrian Centre	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa Championship Show	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	PL
21-Jan-24	21-Jan-24	EBOP Annual Show	Te Teko Racecourse	LE
		North Canterbury Dressage Summer Day 3	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
26-Jan-24	27-Jan-24	U25 Youth Festival	Taupo NEC	NAT/RE
27-Jan-24	27-Jan-24	Rotorua Anniversary Day Show	Rotorua A&P Showgrounds	LE
	28-Jan-24	Ashburton Dressage Championships	Not Listed	PL
28-Jan-24	28-Jan-24	Warkworth Day 3	Warkworth A&P Showgrounds	LE
1-Feb-24	1-Feb-24			month
4-Feb-24	4-Feb-24	Horowhenua Dressage Group Summer T	Foxton Racecourse	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
10-Feb-24	11-Feb-24	Dressage Northland	Barge Park Showgrounds	PL
		SCNO Dressage Summer Championship Show	Waimate A&P Showgrounds	LE
11-Feb-24	11-Feb-24	Tauranga Summer Show Day 2	Tauranga Racecourse	LE
16-Feb-24	18-Feb-24	DW Festival 2024 (TBC)	Waikato Equestrian Centre	PL
17-Feb-24	18-Feb-24	Dressage Otago Summer Tournament	Otago Taieri A&P Showgrounds	LE
18-Feb-24	18-Feb-24	Auckland Manukau Autumn Series Day 1	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
18-Feb-24	18-Feb-24	Gisborne Dressage Summer Tournament	Gisborne Showgrounds	LE
		North Canterbury Dressage Autumn Day 1	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Waitemata Summer Day 2	Woodhill Sands	LE
24-Feb-24	25-Feb-24	Dressage Southland Feb Tournament	Gore A&P Showgrounds	LE
25-Feb-24	25-Feb-24	Warkworth Day 4	Warkworth A&P Showgrounds	LE
1-Mar-24	1-Mar-24			month
2-Mar-24	2-Mar-24	WEC Autumn Dressage Day	Waikato Equestrian Centre	LE
5-Mar-24	10-Mar-24	Horse of the Year	Hawkes Bay A&P Showgrounds	NAT
10-Mar-24	10-Feb-24	Dressage Wairarapa	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	TR
16-Mar-24	17-Mar-24	Dressage Otago Autumn LE Tournament	Otago Taieri A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Waitemata 2-Day Champs	Woodhill Sands	LE
17-Mar-24	17-Mar-24	BOIDG Autumn Tournament	Kaikohe Showgrounds	LE
		Gisborne Dressage Autumn Tournament	Gisborne Showgrounds	LE
		North Canterbury Dressage Autumn 2	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
21-Mar-24	23-Mar-24	Bates NAT Championships	Taupo NEC	NAT
23-Mar-24	24-Mar-24	Dressage Southland Autumn Tournament	Gore A&P Showgrounds	LE
31-Mar-24	31-Mar-24	Auckland Manukau Spring Series Day 2	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Warkworth Day 5	Warkworth A&P Showgrounds	LE

1-Apr-24	1-Apr-24			month
6-Apr-24	6-Apr-24	Nelson Dressage April TR Day	Rough Island Equestrian Park	TR
	7-Apr-24	Central Otago Dressage Autumn	Cromwell Racecourse	LE
		MTDG Autumn 2 Day Tournament	Waihou Showgrounds	LE
7-Apr-24	7-Apr-24	Northern Hawke's Bay Dressage Autumn Series 2024 Day 1	Hawkes Bay A&P Showgrounds	LE
13-Apr-24	14-Apr-24	Dressage Northland	Barge Park Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Rotorua Wendy Richards Memorial Show	Taupo NEC	LE
14-Apr-24	14-Apr-24	Gisborne Dressage Practice Day	Gisborne Showgrounds	TR
		Dressage Waitemata Autumn Day 2	Woodhill Sands	LE
21-Apr-24	21-Apr-24	North Canterbury Dressage Autumn 3	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Taranaki Anzac Tournament	Waitara Pony Club (New)	LE
		Dressage Waikato Autumn Show 2024	Waikato Equestrian Centre	LE
27-Apr-24	28-Apr-24	Auckland Manukau Amateur/YR/Pony Champs	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
28-Apr-24	28-Apr-24	Nelson Dressage Winter Dressage 1	Rough Island Equestrian Park	LE
		Northern Hawke's Bay Autumn Series 2	Hawkes Bay A&P Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Wairarapa	Solway Showgrounds Masterton	LE
1-May-24	1-May-24			month
5-May-24	5-May-24	Gisborne Dressage Practice Day	Gisborne Showgrounds	TR
12-May-24	12-May-24	Horowhenua Dressage Group Winter Series Day 1	Foxton Racecourse	TR
		Dressage Northland	Barge Park Showgrounds	LE
		Dressage Waitemata Winter Show	Woodhill Sands	LE
19-May-24	19-May-24	Auckland Manukau Autumn Series Day 3	Clevedon A&P Showgrounds	LE
		North Canterbury Dressage Hav'A'Go Day	Rangiora A&P Showgrounds	TR
		Northern Hawke's Bay Dressage Autumn Series 2024 Day 3	Hawkes Bay A&P Showgrounds	LE
26-May-24	26-May-24	Nelson Dressage Winter Series 2	Rough Island Equestrian Park	LE
1-Jun-24	1-Jun-24			month
2-Jun-24	2-Jun-24	WEC Winter Dressage Series 2024 - day 1	Waikato Equestrian Centre	TR
9-Jun-24	9-Jun-24	Horowhenua Dressage Group Winter Series Day 2	Foxton Racecourse	TR
30-Jun-24	30-Jun-24	Nelson Dressage Winter Series 3	Rough Island Equestrian Park	LE
7-Jul-24	7-Jul-24	WEC Winter Dressage series - day 2	Waikato Equestrian Centre	TR
28-Jul-24	28-Jul-24	Nelson Dressage Winter Series 4	Rough Island Equestrian Park	LE

3. REMITS & DISCUSSION ITEMS

Remit 1: Breeches

Submitted by: Andrea Fuehrer / Waitemata DG Delegate

Seconded by: Christine Latch / Waitemata DG Member

Amend CURRENT RULE/ARTICLE NUMBER: DRESS 479

Jodhpurs Breeches to be allowed being dark colours (black, brown, or grey)

RATIONALE:

Allows entry into sport without purchasing specific competition wear, more comfortable for riders.

More inclusive and flattering for those not comfortable in white due to body shape;

More confidence for riders competing whilst menstruating. Not transparent when wet/riding in the rain.

As per the USEF Dressage Rules : 1.4 Breeches and Jodhpurs.

White, light or dark colored breeches or jodhpurs are permitted in competition.

Bright colors or patterns are not permitted.

Contrast piping is allowed.

Passed / Failed

Remits 2,3 & 3A: Neck Straps

Submitted by: Andrea Fuehrer/Waitemata DG Delegate . **Seconded by:** Christine Latch / Waitemata DG Member

Amend CURRENT RULE/ARTICLE NUMBER: 477 – Saddlery 8.1.2

2: REMIT: Neck Strap allowed to be used in test above Novice (Level 2)

RATIONALE: Horses at higher levels can still be nervous. A neck strap would be a safety measure for riders who choose to ride with it.

Passed / Failed

3: REMIT: Submitted by: Stuart Bishell & Rachel McCallum (Technical Committee)

Current wording - Neck straps are approved as a safety device for riders use at competitions at Introductory, Preliminary & Novice (Levels 0, 1 & 2). A neck strap is a single plain strap fitted in one loop around the horse's neck.

New wording: Neck straps are approved as a safety device for all levels in Nationals classes. A neck strap is a single plain strap fitted in one loop around the horse's neck, can only be used for safety purposes, cannot be used to stabilise the rider.

RATIONALE:

Horses of any level can have moments of resistance or spooking, and easier for judges, riders, officials to remember if it's allowed at all levels.

3A : REMIT: Submitted by: Belle Clarke & Lynley Price on behalf of Taupo Dressage Group.

CURRENT RULE/ARTICLE NUMBER: CURRENT RULE/ARTICLE NUMBER: 477 – Saddlery 8.1.2

Amend For safety purpose only, neck straps to be allowed at all levels

Passed / Failed

Remit 4: Penalty re Boots

Submitted by: Betty Brown / AMDG Delegate

Seconded by: Fiora Au / AMDG Chair

ARTICLE NUMBER: 477 5.1

5.1: **Clarify** where it says any kind of boots are, under penalty of elimination, strictly forbidden. We have altered the rule to -2 points not elimination.

Passed / Failed

Remits 5 & 6 : Fly Masks

Submitted by: Betty Brown / AMDG Delegate

Seconded by: Fiora Au / AMDG Chair

5: Remit: Art 477 5.4

Fly masks are forbidden in competition but may be used when training and in warm-up. Elimination if used in competition.

5.4: Add fly masks are permitted when training or warming up.




Submitted by: Stuart Bishell & Rachel McCallum (Technical Committee)

6 Remit: Art 477 5.4

Fly/sun face masks: fly/sun face masks are forbidden in the Competition arena but may be allowed in warmup and training arenas. Masks cannot be attached to the bridle in any way.

More horses are becoming sun sensitive

Note: FEI rules permit at the discretion of the Chief Steward & President of the Ground Jury

Current FEI Rule / Tack Guideline		
Fly Mask		<p>Fly masks are forbidden in the Competition arena but may be allowed in warmup and training arenas at the discretion of the Chief Steward and President of the Ground Jury</p> <p>Dressage rules art 434.7 Para Dressage rules Art. 8431.4.6</p> <p>Dressage </p> <p>Para Dressage </p>

Passed / Failed

Remits 7: Ear Hoods

Submitted by: Stuart Bishell & Rachel McCallum (Technical Committee)

Amend: CURRENT RULE/ARTICLE NUMBER: Article 477.3.6

REMIT:

Current wording - Ear hoods are permitted for all Events and may also provide noise reduction. However, ear hoods must not cover the Horse's eyes. The ear hoods should be discreet in colour and design.

Add to current wording:

Ear hoods may not be attached to the noseband.

RATIONALE: To bring in line with FEI rules.

Passed / Failed

Remits 8: Whips

Submitted by: Stuart Bishell & Rachel McCallum (Technical Committee)

Addition: CURRENT RULE/ ARTICLE NUMBER : Article 478.1.3

Add: New wording -

For use of whips in Young Dressage Horses classes refer to Annex 7 clause 4

RATIONALE: Clarification

Passed / Failed

Remit 9: Dressage Rules for Administration ESNZ By Law 17

Submitted by: Dressage NZ Board from Meeting 9 November 22

Moved: Suzanne Inglis / **Seconded:** Olivia Ballantyne **CARRIED**

That there be no time limit for Finance Officer on Board owing to the on hands and very specific skill set required.

Note: The current by-law permits two x three year terms only

Passed / Failed

Remits 10,11,12 : Gold/Silver/Bronze

Submitted by: Betty Brown / AMDG Delegate

Seconded by: Chris Beach / Member

REMIT 9: Replace Gold, Silver, Bronze with Rider Categories for Amateur Pro Am and Open Competitions

PRELIMINARY-CN to C2

NOVICE-CN to C3

ELEMENTARY-CN to C4

MEDIUM-CN to C5

ADVANCED MEDIUM-CN TO C6

ADVANCED-CN to C7

PRO AM for FEI levels-first season at small, middle or big tour

RATIONALE: Riders do not have to move out of their comfort zone and are able to compete with their peers. This system worked for many years and is not confusing for riders or OC's, is less of a cost for shows to run and encourages riders to have a go at a higher level.

Passed / Failed

REMIT 10 : Gold/Silver/Bronze Categories

Submitted by: Anna Gale / SI Riders Rep

Seconded by: Laura Hayes / Otago Delegate

Remove 'in the past 4 years' from the silver criteria and make 'at any time'

RATIONALE: Gold/Silver/Bronze

To prevent riders who have more experience, especially those who have ridden at FEI level, from competing in the silver category.

An FEI rider is deemed not amateur or inexperienced, they have ridden to a high level so are experienced enough to ride open on any level horse.

A rider that has ridden FEI level must compete in Gold or Open section regardless of if they are riding a Young Horse or not.

Passed / Failed

REMIT 11: Gold/Silver/Bronze Categories

Submitted by: Pip Forsyth / Marlborough Area Delegate

Seconded by: Amanda Scott-Bates / Marlborough Treasurer

That the GSB system be discontinued and that the Amateur system be used

Rationale:

That the GSB system is too complicated and administering the additional costs for organising committees running events is becoming expensive and cumbersome

Passed / Failed

Discussion Items

Topic 1: Gold Silver Bronze Classification

Submitted by: Betty Brown / AMDG Delegate

Seconded by: Fiora Au / AMDG Chair

The purpose as I understand of this system was to remove the "amateur" rider categories which was based on the level a rider had EVER competed at to use the system based in the UK.

This new system is burdensome for organisers and confusing for competitors in my opinion. Riders have to move up the divisions as they are successful based on percentages earned. They end up not "amateurs" competing against their peers but open riders who may have competed at international level, thus removing the purpose

that the old system based on rider levels had. Having 3 divisions at events has shown our country is not able to support this with many shows having to combine Gold and Silver or so few in a division that riders are becoming winners with low scores. This makes the competitions more participation, increases cost to OC's, increases the work load on OC's, EE not putting riders in correct categories, confusion at prize givings and increased times of prize givings, and riders never sure what they have won or placed in. With many shows using different judges for the different categories this makes this not a true level playing field.

If we want to increase participation and reward our "amateur" riders, then the previous system based on rider categories is a system that worked. Riders had a choice if they wanted to compete in the open category for titles or "amateur" and compete against their peers with no pressure to move up to open.

All should be judged by the same judges so riders can see how they truly compare overall. No time limit on a rider category or when a rider moves from ponies to horses.

My suggestion to run classes is as follows;

Preliminary-CN to C2

Novice-CN to C3

Elementary-CN to C4

Medium-CN to C5

Advanced Medium-CN to C6

Elementary-CN to C4

Medium-CN to C5

Advanced Medium-CN to C6

Advanced-CN to C7

Pro Am for the FEI levels-first season at small, middle or big tour

Shows could offer at any level a prize for 1st time at a level

AMDG at our local events in previous years gave a rug to a CN rider who won the CN class run at Preliminary level. They could only win this once. New riders to dressage loved the opportunity to win a rug! This could even be made open to riders of your groups to increase membership.

Whether you call it "amateur"(for the love of it) or Restricted or Silver and Gold we need to look at how to improve this system to make it encouraging for riders, easier for OC's and cost effective. Whatever system we use areas need to have the autonomy to run events how they see fit to encourage their riders to attend and keep numbers up. When all is said and done for these big events to survive(especially with their big costs) that they get as many entries as possible. National events must follow a clear, easy format that is fair for every rider who chooses to enter.

Topic 1: Gold Silver Bronze Classification

Submitted by: Andrea Fuehrer / Waitemata DG Delegate

Seconded by: Christine Latch / Waitemata DG Member

The system as is not working well. It is difficult to determine which section a rider/horse combination belongs in. If this system stays, there needs to be an easy way to look-up relevant information for riders themselves and officials.

In the current system the percentage used to determine Bronze riders is 63% in all levels with a count of 11 scores. This might be suitable for the lower levels but doesn't work well for the higher levels where riders seem to generally achieve lower percentages and ride fewer tests resulting in more riders staying in Bronze for a long time.

There may be merit in looking into the systems used in other equestrian disciplines (e.g. show jumping) to evaluate if a different system would suit the NZ equestrian community better.

TOPIC 2 : Event/Series Qualifications

Submitted by: Andrea Fuehrer / Waitemata DG Delegate

Seconded by: Christine Latch / Waitemata DG Member

Alignment between required percentages to qualify for Nationals and Hoy as well as percentages used in Gold Silver Bronze Classification

TOPIC 3 : Event Fees:

Proposal for Setting a Baseline Fee Structure for all DNZ Local/Regional Competitions

Submitted by: Anna Gale / SI Riders Rep

Seconded by: Laura Hayes / Otago Delegate

Proposal: That there be a baseline fee structure proposed that controls some fixed costs such as 'entry fees, admin fees and a day rate vs. event rate for stabling etc (1 or the other)'. Levies are already fixed, as are all EE fees. Stabling, yard, ground fees are at the discretion of each area due to varying ground hire and stabling charges not in the control of area groups.

Rationale: To help prevent costs spiralling out of control and give transparency of where fees are going.

TOPIC 4 : Levels of Tests

Levels of Tests: Report and recommendations from a meeting held 6/4/23 re possible tests levels revisions / aligning nomenclature with Australia, noting that NZL has signed up for a further three-year cycle of the USDF tests which have some changes (not extensive) from the 2019 version. A new test book will be produced and new test pads. It is not permissible under the terms of our contract with USDF to continue to use 2019 version

** The working group of riders, judges & coaches recommends that the current levels 1-9 and the naming of the grades be retained with a review of some of the movements in Level 1 and 4 to facilitate more precise judging to be undertaken by 1st May

TOPIC 5 : Horse of the Year Show 2024 qualifications & Classes offered

Member input invited

TOPIC 6 : National Championships Qualification 2024

For the two previous events there have been no qualifications. If classes were oversubscribed a wait list was implemented. This seemed to work well and resulted in a very inclusive event for all members

Member input invited

TOPIC 7 : National Rules / Standards re protocol days with Judges

The current rules are not clear on this re judges & potential conflict

The most important factor is perceived fairness and how protocol days are viewed in relation to the current **Rule 440.4**

Member input invited

TOPIC 8 : USE OF 40 X 20M ARENAS

I am writing to you on behalf of our children and young riders starting out in dressage competition.

I am originally from Germany and hold a "Pferdewirt Schwerpunkt Reiten" formally known as "Bereiter". I used to train with Ulla Salzgeber, a prolific rider at the highest level, who taught excellent arena craft. I have been coaching on 4 continents, from grassroots to international competitors for about 30 years. This included 3 years at Clevedon Pony Club as head coach. I used to be a national judge in South Africa and New Zealand. I am now pursuing a degree in Applied Counselling since I have spent many years in the Equine Assisted Growth and Learning field, working with all ages and stages, mainly with children at risk.

Last weekend during my working bee hours at Papatoetoe Pony Club, I walked past a distressed boy and his mum, about to go into the arena to ride a test. The arena was set to 20 x 40 m and the boy did not know how to ride a 20 m circle at E since he had always practiced in a 20 x 60 arena. I offered to help and explained to the boy and mum how he can divide the arena up to find the correct line. I placed myself a few meters away from the arena at the "circle marker", and dad stood for the second one. These markers were painted as black dots on the wall of the indoor arenas in Germany to assist riders with their arena craft. The boy did a beautiful job and he came second, much to his delight.

After that, I found a test book in the clubhouse to show the mum a diagram of the test in a 20 x 40 arena. To my surprise, the diagrams were all in 20 x 60 m arenas. I went home and looked in the old test books, but nothing.

Due to the developmental stage of their brain, it is impossible for children to see the line of a circle. This is compounded by the movement of the horse where their position in relation to the markers constantly shifts. Many adults struggle with this in the early stages too. I have spent months with a now-successful NZ Grand Prix rider, teaching her to ride a correct circle. I have experienced that a visual aid is vital for the rider to learn how to place themselves in the arena. Often I drew a circle or serpentine in the sand with the arena shape around it, walked it, and used cones. Not every kid is that fortunate and parents are out of their depth to help them, resulting in unnecessary tension - there goes the "Losgelassenheit".

The organizer of the show told me that they need to allocate twice the time for children on ponies to ride in a 20 x 60 m arena, therefore they prefer to host tests for them in the smaller arena. This I believe is more child friendly anyway.

I believe it is important for all involved to nurture and support our children and young riders who enter into the dressage sport - pun intended. Therefore I suggest including diagrams for the tests that are offered in a 20 x 40 m arena. Also encouraging the organizers to set up the 20 x 40 m arena with the "circle markers" would be a positive step for the riders.

At Ulla Salzgeber we had a small indoor arena only and this gave us all an appreciation for the two different sizes. During my time there we still had competition tests up to medium dressage in a small arena. I believe this assisted us to shift the horse's balance to the hindleg very well. Therefore I believe it is important to keep the tests in a small arena going. I am adding this since the discussion about the arena size came up with some officials who were not keen on using the small area. They are not sitting on a 12-hand pony.

Kind Regards,

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