



**MELWOOD EQUESTRIAN**  
**SOUTH ISLAND YOUNG EVENT HORSE CHAMPIONSHIP**



**WESTFIELD STUD**  
**SOUTH ISLAND YOUNG EVENT PONY CHAMPIONSHIPS**

DUNSTAN FIBER FRESH NEC - CHRISTCHURCH

*Friday 14th April 2023*

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**Online Entries:** [www.evoevents.co.nz](http://www.evoevents.co.nz) **Entries Close:** 7th April 2023

**Classes:**

<b>1</b> - Westfield Stud 4 and 5 year old Young Event Pony	<b>Entry Fee:</b> \$65 <b>Ground Fee:</b> \$22
<b>2</b> - Melwood Equestrian 4 year old Young Event Horse	<b>Entry Fee:</b> \$65 <b>Ground Fee:</b> \$22
<b>3</b> - Melwood Equestrian 5 year old Young Event Horse	<b>Entry Fee:</b> \$65 <b>Ground Fee:</b> \$22

**Format:** There are four tests: Dressage, Jumping/Cross Country, Gallop, and Conformation.

- *Dressage test:* Worth 30% of the total mark. To be judged on paces, trainability, athleticism
- *Jumping/XC:* Worth 40% of the total mark. To be judged on style, ability, and athleticism
- *Gallop:* Worth 15% of the total mark. To be judged on suitability for cross country.
- *Conformation:* Worth 15% of the total mark. To be judged on type and correct conformation that would constitute longevity.

**Eligibility:**

- Horses can compete on ESNZ Casual Equine Registration (\$5).
- Riders can compete on ESNZ Introductory or Casual Membership (\$15.88) if not Full ESNZ Members.
- Horses need to be 4 years old or 5 years old on the 1st of August. Riders need to provide proof of age for National or Island Young Horse events (Breed registry or similar).
- Horses must be 15hh or over.
- Ponies must be UNDER 15hh.

**Rider:** Horse must be ridden by the same rider in all tests.

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**Dressage:** As per ESNZ Eventing dressage. Snaffle bridle compulsory. No whips. No boots on horses.

**Jumping:** As per ESNZ Eventing Cross Country Boots: Must comply with Young Horse Boot rule. 104

**Dress:** As per ESNZ Eventing Rules for each test, however, a body protector must be worn for the jumping/cross country. Jumping attire may be worn for the Dressage if there is little time between each test. Since cross country jumps are in the jumping section a Body Protector must be worn during the jumping test. For the dressage, test dress is as ESNZ Eventing test however if there is little time between, dress may be as for jumping.

## **Explanatory Notes**

*In the dressage phase, unlike a normal dressage test, we are not assessing the state of training, and marks are not given for individual movements. Therefore the judge may stand wherever they will get the best view. Three correct, elastic, and regular paces through a swinging back are what we are looking for. The judge will have to weigh up the influence of the rider; a good rider may present a well-balanced, smooth test from perhaps a moderate, unscopey horse / pony, while a novice rider may even hinder a good horse / pony from showing its true worth. It is the horse's / pony's and not the rider's real potential that we are looking for. Likewise, in the jumping section a weak horse / pony may rattle three or four fences but jump clear while a good one might have a fence down, through inexperience, and then show an improved useful technique. It is the latter we are interested in.*

### **Dressage Test (60x20 Arena):**

Test to be ridden from memory

A Enter at Working Trot

X Halt. Salute and proceed at Working

Trot C Track left

A Working Trot 20-metre circle

FXH Change Rein. Show some lengthened strides

H Working Trot

MBF Show some lengthened strides

F Working Trot

Between A & K Working canter

E Circle 20 metres

E-M Working Canter

MXK Change Rein At X Working Trot

Between A&F Working Canter

B Circle 20 metres

M Working Trot

CHX Medium Walk

X Long rein

A Leave Arena at Walk



## **Prizes**

- The champion over the two classes horse classes will receive a dress rug, special sash & products from Melwood Equestrian and place getters will also receive sashes & products from Melwood Equestrian.
- A special sash for best placed 4 & 5 year old.
- A special sash for the highest Placed Mare.
- A special sash for the best performed Thoroughbred proudly sponsored by New Zealand Thoroughbred Racing.
- The champion pony will receive a dress rug and sash from Westfield Stud and places getters will also receive sashes.