



Central Highlands Pleasure Harness Club



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GRADED DRIVEN DRESSAGE QUALIFIER

Venue: Huntly Equine Rec Reserve, 455 Millwood Rd, Huntly

Date: Saturday 15th March & Sunday 16th March 2025

On behalf of the **Victorian Branch of the ACDS, Central Highlands Pleasure Harness Club** presents Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers for the 2025 State Graded Driven Dressage Championships.

Entries Via → [On-Line Entry Form](#)

Entries Close: 7th March 2025

Classes:

All Classes will be offered at the Qualifier/s.
Single and Multiple classes will be offered at each Graded Level.

Level	Class		Test
Preliminary	1	Single	ACDS Preliminary Test B 2024
	2	Multiples	
Novice	3	Single	ACDS Novice Test B 2024
	4	Multiples	
Elementary	5	Single	ACDS Elementary Test B 2024
	6	Multiples	
Intermediate	7	Single	ACDS Intermediate Test No 3
	8	Multiples	
Open	9	Single	ACDS Open Test No1
	10	Multiples	
Advanced	11	Single	FEI No 9
	12	Multiple	FEI 3*A HP4
Cones	15	Single	The cones competition is to be conducted according to the current 'Rules for Australian Carriage Driving Society Combined Driving Events', including use of groom(s). Horses MUST be at least four (4) years of age.
	16	Multiples	

Officials:

Event Manager: Katrina Westerhoff Ph: 0448 548 214

Event Secretary: Rachael Laidlaw Ph: 0407 592 613

Dressage Judges: Debra Fuller
Margaret Bowen

Cones Judge: Phil Marshall

Scorer: Central Highlands Pleasure Harness Club

General Information:

Dress/Attire:	Presentation is not scored. Approved safety helmets and body protectors may be worn.
Camping:	Is available – (\$5 per competitor) toilets, showers and clubrooms available for use and MUST be pre-booked (see Entry)
Catering:	No catering available.
Yards:	Yards: Are available. (Fee \$5). Limited number & must be booked in advance. All yards must be left clean of manure.
Dogs:	Dogs are allowed but MUST be restrained/controlled at ALL times. No dogs are permitted on the Main Oval/Arena. Any dog owner that does not abide by these rules will be asked to leave the venue. (Entry money will not be refunded).

Any other Information:

PLEASE NOTE AS THIS IS COUNCIL SPORTING GROUND SMOKING IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED ANYWHERE ON THE GROUNDS

Cancellation of Event: If the event has to be cancelled .All monies will be refunded.

ACDS 2025 GRADED DRIVEN DRESSAGE QUALIFIERS

Conditions of Entry

1. This event will be conducted according to the current ACDS Graded Driven Dressage Rule Book and Guidelines including State variations.
2. All horses/ponies competing at Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers must be ACDS registered. Non-ACDS drivers competing under a One Activity Membership may drive an unregistered horse, however, that horse is not eligible for grading points, qualification for GDD Championships or for any awards at any GDDQ events.
3. At Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers, each horse must compete in two (2) tests, (as listed in the schedule) at the horse's graded level OR one test at their graded level & one test at the level immediately above. Multiples will be graded per each combination. Grading is taken as at the date of close of entries. Drivers should check the ACDS National GDD Grading List to ensure that the horse is entered at its correct level. <https://www.australiancarriagedrivingociety.org>
4. **CDE grading does not apply to horses in this competition.**
5. Subject to Organising Committee approval, competitors may drive more than one combination in the same class.
6. Drivers, passengers and grooms under 18 years **MUST** wear an approved helmet. For all other drivers, grooms, safety helmets and body protectors may be worn.
7. **Any helmets/protective headgear worn at this event**, must conform to ACDS By-law 14.10. and be securely fastened.
8. Official judges must be ACDS members or judges approved by the ACDS. All Competitors **MUST** be members of the ACDS. ACDS One Activity Membership is available at an additional cost of \$30.00 per day for non-members for DRESSAGE TESTS ONLY (No Cones).
9. Singles and Multiples will have separate classes at each level.
10. *Only horses on the entry form are permitted to attend*, unless prior approval has been received from the Organising Committee.
11. Grooms are optional for adult drivers in all Single dressage classes. Pairs and tandems – One (1) groom, Four-in-hand – Two (2) grooms.
12. Junior Drivers – as per the current ACDS By-Law 14.7. Junior drivers aged 6-7 inclusive must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (an experienced driving person) seated alongside at all times and holding a second pair of reins attached to the bit. Junior drivers aged 8-15 years inclusive must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (an experienced driving person) who must be facing forward. Junior Drivers under 18 are not allowed to drive Stallions at ACDS events. Junior Multiple Drivers aged 16-17 years inclusive may drive a tandem or pair or team of ponies and they must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult member (an experienced driving person). A Junior Driver cannot drive a horse multiple (pair, tandem, four in-hand) until they turn 18 years of age.
13. Awards for Graded Driven Dressage Qualifiers are at the discretion of the event organisers.
14. It is the responsibility of each competitor to inspect their vehicle and equipment to ensure that it is safe to proceed with the day's activities. All drivers compete at their own risk.
15. Safety Rules must be adhered to.
16. Competitors are aware of and agree to pay the current excess that applies to any insurance claim, which may arise from their participation in this event.
17. The organisers have the right to alter any advertised times, refuse any entry with or without stating the reason, or re-allocate a horse or pony to the appropriate class.
18. **Parents are responsible for their children at this event.**
19. **RIGHT OF ADMISSION RESERVED.**
20. **Declaration form MUST be completed with the Entry Form.**
21. **Up to date Medical Information Holders must be worn and be clearly visible when on a carriage at all times during an ACDS event in Victoria.**