



# Godolphin

**2016**

## **Interschool Equestrian State Championships Schedule**

**Eventing, Combined Training, Show Horse,  
Vaulting, Dressage, Showjumping**

**Sydney International Equestrian Centre,  
Saxony Road, Horsley Park NSW**

**Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June – Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

### **PROGRAMME**

*Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016 – Eventing Competition*

*Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2016 – Combined Training Competition*

*Friday 24<sup>th</sup> June 2016 - Show Horse Competition, Jumping*

*Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2016 – Vaulting, Dressage and Jumping Competitions*

*Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016 - Dressage and Jumping Competitions*

## GENERAL CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

### Entries

This event is to be run under EA/FEI rules in so far as they are applicable to this event and shall include any other rules as formulated by the Organising Committee. We strongly recommend that all competitors make themselves familiar with their discipline rules. The Organising Committee at its discretion is able to provide addendums to the rules. Where this is done the OC statement is the final ruling and no protests will be allowed.

### Member and Child Protection Policy

EA member Protection Policy, Child Protection Policy and other relevant Codes and Policies relating to the conducting of an equestrian events under EA rules are available on the EA website.

### Codes of Conduct for EA Conducted Equestrian Events

Codes of Conduct for competitors, spectators and volunteers as well as other relevant Codes and Policies relating to the conducting of an equestrian event under EA rules are available on the EA website. At the time of entry you are required to confirm you have read and agree to the Codes of Conduct.

### Discipline Rules

It is the responsibility of all riders supported by team managers, parents/guardians to ensure you understand the rules relating to your chosen class you are entering. Discipline rules are available on the EA website. Where changes have been made by the Organising Committee these changes override the EA rule. It is the OC's discretion to make changes based on horse welfare and safety.

### Social Media

Internet social networks and other forums have proven to be a great way for people to share information, ideas and opinions and keep in touch with family members and friends.

We ask that all interschool riders and families treat their fellow riders, officials, judges and coaches with respect by ensuring the language and comments they use are respectful, treating others, as they would like to be treated.

It has come to the attention of others not only in NSW but also interstate that people have posted disparaging and inappropriate comments and material. It is important to remember that such conduct is absolutely unacceptable and is not in line with Interschool values and EA Codes of Conduct.

Any breaches of the Code of Conduct may lead to disciplinary action.

### Evidence of Capability

The 2016 NSW Interschool Championships highly recommends that riders have participated at an interschool or open event at the level they wish to compete at the State Championships. Riders will need to provide evidence of previous competitions.

### Number of Classes

Riders entering classes MUST bear in mind the welfare of the rider, horse and relevant EA rules for the discipline. **Each rider is only allowed to compete in 4 classes per day, a maximum of two (2) horses per discipline.**

Riders are only allowed to enter 2 consecutive dressage test levels on the same horse, i.e. Prelim/Novice or Novice/Elem. Riders in Jumping classes may enter two consecutive heights on the same horse. i.e. 80/90 or 90/100. Show Horse riders must choose either Show Horse, Show Hunter or Working Hunter. Eventing and Combined Training riders may compete in either discipline but must decide on their preference if they qualify for the Australian Championships in both.

### Competitor Ages

#### Primary

Primary competitors are restricted to students who are currently studying in Year 1-6 and are aged 12 and under as at January 1, 2016. Those riders who are over 12 years of age and are still in Primary School may ask the Organising Committee for special consideration.

#### Intermediate

Intermediate is for riders turning 12 (if in Secondary school), 13 and 14 years of age in the current 2016 year. Intermediate classes will only be offered in Dressage Novice level. School Years 7-9

#### Secondary

Secondary competitors are students who are over 12 years as at January 1, 2016) and are attending secondary schools in Year 7-12. Senior Secondary years are Years 10-12.

### Membership

To be eligible to participate in State and National Championships all athletes must be a current financial Competitive Junior (U 18) member of Equestrian NSW. As an extensive membership check is done prior to the

competition, competitors not complying with the criteria will not be able to compete.

#### **Australian Interschool Championships Qualifications**

Competitors who want to compete at the Australian Interschool Championships must compete at the corresponding level at the NSW State Championships.

Placings at the State Championship do not automatically qualify riders to compete at the Australian Championships. At the Australian Championships, athletes may compete with more than one horse and in multiple disciplines with a recommendation of two classes per horse/rider combination.

#### **Entries**

Entries will ONLY be accepted via the online portal. It is important to submit entries as early as possible to avoid missing out in case of entry numbers having to be restricted. Entries will be accepted in order of date received. [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)

**Entries open Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2016 - Entries close 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016. NO late entries or changes will be accepted after this date.**

**Vaulting Entries will open on 8 May 2015 and close on 22 May 2015.**

**Entries cannot be accepted until the school's details and contact person have been input. Choose your school from the drop down list. The Organising Committee will schedule a volunteer time for all parents to assist in classes across the competition.**

Vaulting entries are also via Nominate

#### **Refund Policy**

Withdrawal of entries prior to closing date will receive a refund of class entry fee, stabling fee including bond, camping fee, ground fee less a \$50.00 administration fee.

Any withdrawal of a horse/rider after close of entries for any reason/medical/veterinary grounds or are classed as being unfit to compete, shall be refunded 50% of class entry fees, stabling and camping fees less a \$50.00 administration fee. This will be refunded only if a medical/veterinary certificate is received within 48 hours of the notification.

Class entry, stabling and camping fees will not be refunded after the start of competition – 08:00am on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2016.

#### **Reservation of Right**

The Organising Committee reserves the right:

- To cancel any class or event
- To divide any class
- To transfer competitors between sections of a class
- To alter the advertised times
- To refuse any entry, with or without stating the reason
- To make additional statements with regards to the rules/processes based on horse welfare and safety.

#### **Disclaimer of Liability**

Neither the Organising Committee of any event to which these rules apply nor Equestrian Australia accepts any liability for any accident, damage, injury or illness to horses, athletes, ground, spectators or any other person or property whatsoever.

#### **HENDRA VIRUS STATEMENT**

Equestrian NSW, which is staging the 2016 State Interschool Championships, has a legal obligation under Workplace Health and Safety legislation to provide a safe competition. Welfare of our horses is also the founding principle under FEI and Equestrian Australia rules.

#### **Hendra vaccination will not be a condition of entry for the 2016 State Interschool Championships.**

However, the Organising Committee strongly recommends that horses from following post codes in NSW:

2426, 2427, 2428, 2429, 2430, 2431, 2439, 2440, 2441, 2442, 2443, 2444, 2445, 2446, 2447, 2448, 2449, 2450, 2452, 2453, 2454, 2455, 2456, 2460, 2462, 2463, 2464, 2465, 2466, 2469, 2470, 2471, 2472, 2473, 2474, 2475, 2476, 2477, 2478, 2479, 2480, 2481, 2482, 2483, 2484, 2485, 2486, 2487, 2488, 2489, 2490, 2730, 2890, 2898, 2899

be vaccinated for the Hendra virus or have a successful Hendra exclusion test done within five days before attending the event.

In the unlikely event of a biosecurity incident, the Biosecurity Manager will implement our event biosecurity plan. For non-vaccinated horses or horses without a successful exclusion test, this will mean isolation and full protection protocols for all concerned. This will ensure that all horses can be treated, but the response will depend on the individual circumstances. All costs to do this will be borne by the horse owner/rider. Movement restrictions may be applied, in which case participants will be responsible for the care,

maintenance and cost of their horses and themselves, including bedding, vets and personal needs.

Entries will be accepted on condition that riders/owners agree to:

WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO SEEK COMPENSATION OF ANY TYPE FROM EQUESTRIAN NSW, SYDNEY INTERNATIONAL EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, OR ANY OF THEIR OFFICERS, SERVENTS OR AGENTS FOR ANY LOSS, INJURY OR OTHER DAMAGE ARISING IN ANY WAY WHATSOEVER, DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY FROM THE PRESENCE OF THE HENDRA VIRUS IN ANY HORSE OR PERSON ATTENDING THE EVENT OR FROM ANY PERSON OR ANIMAL CONTRACTING ANY ILLNESS OR DISABILITY, FROM THE HENDRA VIRUS, WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY OR HOWSOEVER OTHERWISE.

#### Dress

Riders must wear their school shirt and tie with school jumper, light coloured jodphurs and smooth soled boots (refer to discipline rules for boots)

Blazers/jackets will not be permitted.

Gloves are compulsory for Dressage classes.

Gaiters and long boots may be worn for all disciplines **except** for Show Horse rider classes where top boots and gaitors can only be worn by competitors 18 years and over.

#### Helmets

All helmets must satisfy the AS standard AS/NZ 3838/EN1384 or ASTNF1163 and must be worn at all times when mounted.

#### Scoring

Each phase/test will have 30 points allocated from 1<sup>st</sup> receiving 30 points down to 30<sup>th</sup> receiving 1 point. If there are more than 30 riders in a class they will receive no points beyond 31<sup>st</sup> place. Ribbons will be awarded from first to sixth place in all phases.

#### Team Managers

Team Managers are the point of contact between riders and any Interschool official. Team Managers are responsible for distributing relevant information to team members. They are also responsible for ensuring that riders are aware of all Codes of Conduct and they must be ready to compete on time.

#### Horses

All horses and ponies must be four(4) years of age or over at time of entry. There is no exception to this ruling as it is a decision made by the OC.

#### Rider Number

Each horse must wear a bridle or saddle cloth number on the left (near) side of the bridle or saddle cloth at all times. When the horse is not competing a number must be attached to the halter. Riders are to provide their own bridle number holder.

#### Gear Check

Gear check is the responsibility of the Team Manager and the rider. Rules relating to gear must be adhered to. If you do not know the answer ensure you ask at the office before you compete. Judges /TD have the right to eliminate a child if they compete in incorrect gear.

#### Protests/Queries

No competitor, parent or team managers are to directly approach any judge, steward, course builder or any other official before, during or after the competition with disputes or complaints.

All queries must be made in writing to the organising committee within 30 minutes of the final results being posted publically. A formal protest requires a deposit of \$200 that will be forfeited unless the protest is upheld.

All objections must be made through the Team manager to the ground Jury and the decision of the ground Jury will be final. No objection will be accepted through parents. General questions can be asked in relation to errors and in relation to running the event. These may be directed to the event office only.

#### Medication Control

The use of prohibited substances in your horse is not tolerated and riders must be aware that Medication Control (Swabbing) of horses may occur at random at this event.

#### Stabling and Camping Fees

- Stable - \$25 per stable per horse per day/night plus \$75 bond per stable (refundable if the stable has been cleaned out). If stables are over-allocated preference will be given to those travelling from outside the Sydney metropolitan area.
- Bedding – Shavings - \$15 per bale (minimum of 5 bales per horse must be purchased)
- Additional bedding may also be purchased.
- Accommodation – Cabins are available for the duration of the event for \$260 (Tues – Sun). Preference will be given to the full booking. Where single nights are available a reserve list will be drawn up.
- Camping Site- \$25 per site per day/night – powered

- Tack rooms will not be available for private use however where possible one stable in each aisle will be allocated for general use.

#### Other Fee

**Day stay fee** - \$20 will be charged (per day) for each horse not stabled on the grounds.

**Horse facility fee** - \$20 per horse for the duration of the competition is applicable to all horses whether stabled or not.

#### Arrival

Competitors/Horses will NOT be allowed to arrive on site prior to **2pm TUESDAY 21 June 2016**.

#### Bicycles and Motorised Bikes and Scooters

Bicycles must not be ridden without a helmet. As the grounds of SIEC are public roads we ask that speed limits and road safety rules are adhered to.

Golf Buggies and other motorised equipment must be conditionally registered to be used at SIEC. Golf buggies will only be permitted on medical grounds and will not be allowed near the arenas at any time during the competition.

#### Dogs

Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times.

#### Alcohol

As this is a sporting event for under age athletes, adults please be mindful of the example you are setting. Any competitor under the age of 18 found drinking will be eliminated from the event.

#### Smoking

The venue – Sydney International Equestrian Centre (SIEC) is a Smoke Free Area (NO SMOKING) ALL THE TIME: No Smoking is allowed in or around the:

- Buildings (rider retreat, cabins, admin building, conference room, west and east towers, judges boxes, event office, machinery shed);

- The stable complex's;
- Indoor arena;
- Event square;
- All arena fields of play;
- Smoking should be 4 meters from a doorway/entries exit from any building.
- Smoke Free Areas during events, clinics and including warm up:
- Main Arena seated area covered and uncovered;
- The two portable grandstands.

Additional smoking guidelines; a smoker cannot smoke in spectator areas and should be asked to move from that area if the cigarette smoke is affecting other non-smokers. E.g. If a smoker is standing on the fence of the hacking area and there are other people and children within breathing distance of the smoke they should be asked to move away from that area;

e.g. If a smoker is on the cross country course with other people who are smoking and the smoke is not affecting other spectators or competitors, they can stay in that location and smoke. Electronic Cigarettes are to be treated the same as cigars, cigarettes and pipes etc.

#### Image Consent

By entering this event you give your consent to Equestrian NSW to copy or reproduce images of yourself, competitor as NSW may determine, without acknowledgement of yourself and without your entitlement to any remuneration or compensation now or in the future. The images may be used by NSW in multimedia productions, publications, brochures and on the website to promote a range of initiatives.

#### Liability

Riders and/or owners whose entries have been accepted will undertake to indemnify the Organising Committee against all claims, losses, suits and damages made against or suffered by the Organising body by reason of any negligent act or omission on the part of any rider, trainer or attendant whilst attending riding or otherwise handling a horse, and agrees that act or omission on the part of such rider or attendant found in any action against the organising body to be negligent shall be deemed to have been negligent for the purpose of any claim under this indemnity.

#### Prize Giving

Prizes will be available after results have been posted. Champion awards will not be presented on the day of competition but recipients will be invited to the Equestrian NSW Annual Awards night. Two awards per discipline will be awarded in Primary and Secondary divisions only.

#### Schedule/Classes

This schedule is subject to change due to class size and scheduling. Some classes may be split into Division A and Division B. The schedule indicates days of competition only. Timed draws will be provided. Classes will start at 8:00am in order to finish before dark.

#### Rider Etiquette

Please remember to respect other riders and horses by not yelling, running or interrupting when they are competing or in the stable/warm up areas. Remember

to pass riders left side to left side in warm up and exercise arenas.

#### Horse Welfare

The welfare of the horse is paramount. Instances of cruelty or mistreatment should be reported to the Organising Committee immediately.

Unsoundness – Judges are required to satisfy themselves regarding soundness of all horses and therefore have the authority to stop an unsound horse during competition. At other time a horse that is stopped or reported by an official who considers it to be unsound must attend the Veterinary Surgeon as directed.

#### Event Merchandise

Event merchandise will be available for purchase. More information available via separate link.

#### Off The Track Awards

Godolphin our Naming Rights Sponsor are also the sponsor of the Best Performed Retired Racehorse in the disciplines of Combined Training, Dressage, Eventing, Show Horse and Jumping. The winners will receive an

embroidered rug and rosette. In the case of equality of points in a discipline the horse achieving the highest points in the highest level class will be declared the winner.

Horses must be nominated at time of entry and entrants must provide the horses racing name, trainer and prize money if known.

#### 2016 Equestrian NSW Interschool Contacts

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## VAULTING

### Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June 2016

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June - morning - Individual Classes

Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> June - afternoon - Pas de Deux Classes /Team Classes

Individual Cost per class: \$40.00	Pas de Deux Cost per class: \$20.00 per person	Squads Cost per class: \$15.00 per person
Open	Canter (Intermediate)	Compulsories - Preliminary
Advanced	Walk A	Compulsories - Novice
Intermediate	Walk B	Freestyle - Preliminary
Novice		Freestyle – Intermediate
Pre-Novice		
Preliminary		
Preparatory		

#### Entries

- All Competitors are to make their payments to Equestrian NSW via the Nominate website [www.nominate.com](http://www.nominate.com)
- Entries will open on 8 May 2015 and close on 22 May 2015.
- Competitors will need to already be a member of ENSW in order to complete their entry. This payment may also be completed by the team manager. A Vaulting administration fee of \$3.00 per competitor.
- If event is oversubscribed the o/c deserves the right to restrict entries in order of receipt

The National Vaulting Rules are available on the Equestrian NSW website – [www.nsw.equestrian.org.au](http://www.nsw.equestrian.org.au). It is the competitor's responsibility to know and adhere to these rules.

#### Conditions:

- All Individual, Pas de Deux and Squad classes will be run over **one** round.
- Competitors may only enter one Individual, one Pas de Deux and one Squad.
- Pas de Deux and Squads should be made up of school partners where possible.

#### Individuals:

- Preparatory is a Newcomers Class and has separate performance requirements, see details following.
- All other grades are to be performed as per the current Australian Vaulting Rules.

#### Pas de Deux:

- Walk A is for those combinations previously scoring 6.0 or higher
- Walk B is for those combinations previously scoring up to 6.0
- New combinations are encouraged to start in the level best suited to their ability

#### Squads:

- Compulsories & Freestyle as per the descriptions in the Vaulting Rules.
- Entries may have 2 reserves outlined on the Competitor/Horse Allocation form on Nominate
- Reserves if being used must be advised prior to the start of the event.

## Preparatory Individual at the Interschool State Championships

### Information Provided for Participants:

To encourage riders from other disciplines we modified the rules for the Preparatory Individual and Preparatory Team Class and provided the participants with a *FAQ page*, *Pictures of the moves*, and the following general information.

- For these classes the horse should be lunged on approximately a 15m circle and may be lead from the outside with a lead-rope.
- The lunger is required to have Associate Lunger Accreditation – see below for further information
- The horse can be lunged in either direction.
- Participants should wear form-fitting clothing and soft soled shoes.
- The use of helmets is optional.
- These classes will be run in addition to the vaulting competition run under the Australian Vaulting Rules.
- Participants may enter both the Individual and Team classes.
- Teams are encouraged to be from the same school, although mixed teams are allowed.
- The classes offered are:
  - Preparatory Individual (one person)
  - Preparatory Teams (4 – 8 people)

### Rules for the Classes:

#### Preparatory Individual Class

The Preparatory Individual class is designed specifically for 'newcomers' to the discipline of vaulting. Each person has up to one minute to perform a routine. Routines are performed at the walk. Routines are performed to music and must include five specified moves. Photos of the moves are provided below.

A score of up to 10 points is awarded. One point is awarded for the successful demonstration of each of the following moves:

- Star
- Kneel on the back facing forwards releasing the grips
- Flag
- Backward facing seat releasing the grips
- Seat on the neck releasing the grips

Up to 5 points are awarded for performance.

Performance includes:

- Harmony with the horse
- Presentation
- Execution

#### Music

Music should be submitted two weeks prior to the event and details will be forwarded after entries are received. If no music is submitted, music will be provided for you. Any music is allowed provided there is no obscene language.



### Demonstration of Moves

#### Star



#### Kneel on the back facing forwards releasing the grips



#### Flag



#### Backward facing seat releasing the grips



#### Seat on the neck releasing the grips



### Assistance

For assistance with coaching or horses and equipment please contact Kerrie Stapleton on mobile: 0407 949 826 or via email: [kerrie.stapleton@bigpond.com](mailto:kerrie.stapleton@bigpond.com) Kerrie is an EA Vaulting Coach who can assist with initial enquiries and can put you in touch with your nearest vaulting club for further assistance.

## Frequently Asked Questions

### *What gear do I need?*

In order to vault you need a vaulting roller, padding, a lunge rein, bridle and whip. This equipment is described below and the NSW vaulting community has a range of equipment including rollers which are available to borrow on a short term basis. Please contact Kerrie Stapleton (details above) if you would like to borrow equipment.

### Vaulting Roller

A vaulting roller or surcingle is the most specialised piece of vaulting equipment. The roller fits around the horses and provides handles for the athlete to hold on to.

Many riding schools have a vaulting roller amongst their equipment and may be able to lend you equipment to use for training and competition. Vaulting rollers can also be purchased from your local saddlery. This may be a good option if you are looking to incorporate vaulting into your other equestrian activities.

### Padding

Padding is required for the neck, wither and back of the horse. This protects the horse from discomfort. The padding usually comes in two parts, a back pad which is large enough to cover the horse's neck and back (usually down to the flank) and a foam pad which reaches around the horse's girth and goes underneath the roller.

The back pad is usually made from thick but flexible foam which is covered in material. A large saddle cloth is a good substitute for this vaulting event as the movements are designed to minimise the impact on the horse. Extra foam, such as an off-cut from a foam supply business can provide additional protection for your horse. Athletes should always be encouraged to be gentle on the horse.

### *How do I obtain Associate Lunge Accreditation?*

Purchase the Associate Lunge Workbook from Equestrian Australia. Link to [Resource Order Form](#). Order Code C120. An EA Coach Educator is required to assist with completion of your workbook.

EA Fact Sheet with full information available at

<http://www.equestrian.org.au/site/equestrian/national/downloads/2005/vaulting/EA%20Vaulting%20Lungeing%20Accreditation%20Final.pdf>