



Central Highlands Pleasure Harness Club  
and Pioneer Country Carriage Drivers present

**ACDS Level 3 CDE**

**Self – Stewarding**

**19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

455 Millwood Road,  
Huntly, Victoria

[Online Entry](#)



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CEPA Farm Supplies  
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Saddleworld Bendigo  
Denzildon Harness Horses  
Gavin Robson

## **Friday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2024**

6.30pm Welcome BBQ Sausage Sizzle  
Competitor Briefing

## **Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October**

9.00am Dressage Commences

9.40am Cones Commence

6.00pm Presentation – Dressage and Cones  
Marathon Briefing to follow

## **Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October**

9.00am Marathon Commences

3.00pm Presentation – Marathon and Overall

Note: This is a provisional timetable and the Organising Committee reserves the right to make changes.

## **Officials and Judges**

Event Director: Prue McKechnie

Event Secretary: Hilary Billett

Technical Delegate: David Potter

Course Designer: Phil Marshall

Dressage Judges: Gwenifer Hack, Deb Fuller

Cones Judge: Heather Dunn

Ground Jury: Gwenifer Hack (POJ), Deb Fuller, Heather Dunn

TPR: Bendigo Equine Hospital

Appeals Committee: Hilary Billett, Cody Marshall, Laurie Jensen

Scorer: Hilary Billett

## Classes

- 1 Novice Pony 91cm and ne 124cm
- 2 Novice Pony over 124cm ne 149cm
- 3 Novice Horse over 149cm
- 4 Intermediate Pony 91cm ne 124cm
- 5 Intermediate Pony over 124cm ne 149cm
- 6 Intermediate Horse over 149cm
- 7 Open Pony 91cm and ne 124cm
- 8 Open Pony over 124cm and ne 149cm
- 9 Open Horse over 149cm
- 10 Pony Pairs 91cm and ne 149cm\*
- 11 Pony Tandem 91cm and ne 149cm\*
- 12 Horse Pairs over 149cm
- 13 Horse Tandem over 149cm
- 14 Pony Teams 91cm and ne 149cm \*
- 15 Horse teams over 149cm
- 16 Introductory Multiple\*
- 17 VSE u 91cm (Marathon - Section B only)
- 18 Jogger

\* Time allowances apply

## Dressage Tests

Novice Pony and Horse, VSE and Jogger	ACDS Novice Test B ACDS Novice Test B
Intermediate Pony and Horse	ACDS Intermediate Test 2
Open Pony and Horse	FEI 3*B HP1
Pony and Horse Pairs	FEI3*A HP4
Pony and Horse Tandem	FEI3*A HP4
Pony and Horse Teams	FEI3*A HP4
Introductory Multiple:	ACDS Novice Test B
Arena Size	100 x 40m Grass Arena Grass Practice Area

Prizes. In addition to sashes and rosettes, sponsors have offered  
Fastest through obstacle- McGoldrick Transport  
Best Dressage - a lesson with international carriage driver and two times WEG  
competitor Gavin Robson.

All enquiries to Prue McKechnie [pmmckechnie@bigpond.com](mailto:pmmckechnie@bigpond.com) or phone 0408166955

## Entries

Entries will be capped at 30 competitors

Entry Fee: \$110 includes camping – No Power

Yards: Limited number at \$5 per horse or BYO Yards

Entries close: Friday 4th October 2024

### [Online Entry](#)

## Payment details

Central Highlands Pleasure Harness Club

BSB 633 000

Account No 136533098

Please use your surname and CDE as the reference

## Conditions of Entry

The event will be judged under the current Rules for Australian Carriage Society Combined Driving Events (effective 15 October 2020, including any published amendments) plus any additional conditions in this schedule including:

- **This event will be self-stewarding. It is a condition of entry that each competitor either stewards themselves or arranges and nominates a steward.**
- Drivers must be full members of the ACDS, junior drivers must adhere to all ACDS and CDE rules for juniors.
- The Organising Committee reserve the right to:
  - Alter the advertised time
  - Refuse entry, with/without stating reason/s
  - Measure any horse or pony
  - Reallocate a competitor to the appropriate class
  - Combine classes
- Grading will be taken as at close of entries
- All horses competing must be ACDS registered.
- Minimum wheel widths apply – wheels may be measured.

Entry fees are non-refundable after the event commences. If a horse or driver is unable to attend due to sickness or accident, an application for refund may be considered by the Organising Committee on production of a medical or veterinary certificate. 30% of entry fees will be retained to cover costs. Requests for refund will not be considered after commencement of the event.

<b>Arrival and Departure Date</b>	<b>No arrivals before 12:00noon on Friday 18th October 2024</b> without prior consent of Event Director or Secretary. All competitors must leave the event location by 6pm Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 unless prior arrangements have been made with Event Secretary.
<b>Vet and TPR Checks</b>	All horses/ponies to be presented in open bitted bridles.
<b>Dressage and Dressage Times</b>	Dressage times will be emailed to competitors on Wednesday 16 <sup>th</sup> October. Dressage arena will be open to walk at 3pm on Friday 18 <sup>th</sup> October 2024.
<b>Marathon</b>	The course will be three sections over a maximum distance of 14 kms with five obstacles. The countryside is fairly flat, marathon tracks will consist of well-formed tracks through the forest. Section B of the course will be open for inspection from <i>7am on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October 2024</i> . Competitors will be able to drive motorised vehicles on the formed tracks to the obstacles. It is the responsibility of the competitor to present themselves at the start of section A (or Section B for VSE) 10 minutes before their commencement time.
<b>Cones</b>	The Cones will be driven as a fault competition. The Cones course will be officially open for inspection between 7.00am and 8.30am on Saturday 19 <sup>th</sup> October 2024.
<b>Junior Persons (drivers/grooms/others) on Carriages</b>	Any person on a carriage who is under 18 years of age must wear protective headgear in accordance with ACDS by-laws.
<b>Awards</b>	Sashes awarded to overall placegetters. The organisers take no responsibility for the loss of awards and/or prizes if recipients do not remain for the award ceremony at the conclusion of the event. Fastest through obstacle award. <b>Competitors are expected to be appropriately dressed neat and tidy for awards ceremony.</b>
<b>Catering</b>	There will be a complimentary sausage sizzle on Friday evening.

<b>Camping</b>	There is no power available for camping. Please make your own arrangements. Generators are to be turned off at 9.30pm and only generators with a quiet motor are permitted.
<b>Showers &amp; Toilets</b>	Showers and toilets will be available.
<b>Dogs</b>	Dogs are allowed but must be kept on a leash and controlled at all times. You are required to clean up after your dogs at all times.
<b>Yards</b>	Limited Yards are available
<b>Horse Manure</b>	Is to be placed in designated area.
<b>No Fires</b>	No fires are allowed on the property at any time.
<b>Rubbish</b>	Please take your rubbish home with you.
<b>Helmets</b>	Helmets must be worn on all sections of the marathon and must comply with the ACDS by-law on helmets. If helmets are worn in other parts of the competition, they must comply with the ACDS by-law on helmets
<b>Medical Information Holders</b>	Properly completed medical information holders are compulsory for both drivers and grooms in Victoria and are to be worn and must be clearly visible at all times when on a carriage during the event.

## Volunteers

The organising committee will appreciate any assistance that is available in the form of volunteers, if you are able to assist, please contact:

Prue McKechnie [pmmckechnie@bigpond.com](mailto:pmmckechnie@bigpond.com) 0408166955

***Indemnity:*** Neither the Australian Carriage Driving Society (ACDS); Victorian Branch of the ACDS; Central Highlands Pleasure Harness Club; the Officials/Organising Committee, or their appointed officials accept any liability for any accident, theft or illness to horses, drivers and grooms or any person or property whatsoever, in connection with this event.