



The ACDS Victorian Branch proudly
presents the

2024 Victorian Combined Driving Championships

April 27th & 28th, 2024

ACDS Level 1 CDE

Greenvale Equestrian Centre

115 Section Road, Greenvale, 3059, Victoria



Please note this is a Self-Stewarding Event

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SCHEDULE

Friday April 26th, 2024

3:00 pm First horse inspection –
*Horses must be in open bitted bridles
Times may be allocated*

6:00 pm Competitor briefing & Welcome BBQ
Note: The Organising Committee reserves the right to commence dressage on Friday afternoon depending on the number of entries. Competitors will be advised in advance.

Saturday April 27th, 2024

7:00 am First horse inspection in front of the Ground Jury (by prior arrangement)

8:00 am Closing time for State and Club Teams to be lodged with the Event Secretary

8:30 am Dressage commences

9:00 am Cones commences

6:00 pm Dressage and Cones awards followed by Marathon briefing

6:30 pm Event Dinner – Must be pre-ordered

Sunday April 28th, 2024

9:00 am Marathon commences

3.30 pm Marathon Awards

Note:

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



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OFFICIALS AND JUDGES

Event Director	Peter Lee
Event Secretary	Tracey Tuohy/Leanne Kirby
Event Treasurer	Leanne Kirby
Organising Committee	Peter Harkness, Peter Lee, Tracey Tuohy, Nicole Linic, Bernadette Lewis, Belinda Drury, Leanne Kirby Lorraine Cairns
Technical Delegate	Dot Willcoxson
Course Designer	Peter Harkness
Dressage Judges	Lyn Callaghan (POJ) (NSW) Debra Fuller (VIC) Tracey Gorick (VIC)
Cones Judge	Heather Dunn
Ground Jury	Lyn Callaghan (POJ) Debra Fuller Tracey Gorick (TBC) Heather Dunn
Appeals Committee	TBA
Official Veterinary Steward	Dr Natasha Colla
Scorer	David Armstrong



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CLASSES

- 1 Novice Pony 91cm and ne 124cm
- 2 Novice Pony over 124cm ne 149cm
- 3 Novice Horse over 149cm
- 4 Intermediate Pony 91cm and 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 ne 149cm
- 9 Open Horse over 149cm
- 10 Pony Pairs 91cm ne 149cm*
- 11 Pony Tandem 91cm ne 149cm*
- 12 Horse Pairs over 149cm
- 13 Horse Tandem over 149cm
- 14 Pony Teams 91cm ne 149cm*
- 15 Horse teams over 149cm

*Time allowances apply

DRESSAGE TESTS

Novice	ACDS Novice Test A 2021
Intermediate	ACDS Intermediate test A 2021
Open Single	FEI 3*B HP1 (August 2022)
Open Multiple	FEI 3*A HP4 V1.0
Arena size	100 x 40 (light sand or grass arena)
	<i>Practice arena – light sand or grass</i>

<https://www.australiancarriagedrivingsociety.org/driven-dressage-tests/>



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QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS FOR CHAMPIONSHIP

Please refer to the Rules for Australian Carriage Society Combined Driving Events (effective 15 October 2020) to ensure that you are qualified to compete at this event.

ENTRIES

Entry Fee	\$160 includes camping
Yards	\$10 per horse - <i>for event duration</i>
Horse Fee	\$10 per horse (compulsory) - <i>for event duration</i>
Official Dinner	\$25 per person (child \$15)
Entries Close	Friday April 6 th , 2024

Entries to: ACDS Vic Branch Special Events
BSB 633-000 Acct: 151249935
Use Surname as Reference

HOW TO ENTER

All entries must be made using [Online Entry Form](#)

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

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

- Drivers must be full members of the ACDS.
- Competitors must have qualified to enter the event in accordance with ACDS rules.
- 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
- Grading will be taken as at close of entries
- All horses competing must be ACDS registered.
- Minimum wheel widths apply – wheels will be measured.
- Changes to an entry will not be accepted after the closing date without a veterinarian certificate.
- All Victorian competitors are expected to help out, or provide someone who can help out, with the conduct of the event. A roster will be drawn up. This is in addition to self-stewarding requirements.



CATERING

On Saturday night, our traditional Spit Roast will be provided by Neales Spit Roast Company. Bookings for the dinner must be made with your entry.

On Friday night, there will be a welcome BBQ (Free) kindly organized by Mornington Peninsula Pleasure Harness Club.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Arrival and Departure Date

No arrivals before Thursday April 25th, 2024 without prior consent of Event Director or Secretary. All competitors must leave the event location by Monday April 29th, 2024

Entry Fees

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.

Safety

The reserve and neighbouring areas including the Woodlands Historic Park are home to a large kangaroo population. For that reason, MO's, the dressage arena and cones course are not to be walked before 7am and after 6.00pm.

Self-Stewarding

This is a Self-Stewarding Event. If you drive in the morning you will be required to steward in the afternoon. If you drive in the afternoon, you will be required to steward in the morning. Any competitor who wishes to drive twice must supply a steward for the entire day. A competitor who is unable to steward must provide a replacement steward.

Vet Checks

All horses/ponies to be presented in open bitted bridles. Competitors/handlers must be neatly dressed. Competitors/handlers must display their competitor number at the vet check, either on bridle or carried/worn by handler.

Dressage and Dressage Times

Provisional dressage times will be available after 5 pm on 24 April, 2024. Dressage arena will be open to walk at 5pm on Friday April 26th, 2024 and also prior to the commencement of dressage on Saturday morning.

Marathon

The course will be three sections over a maximum distance of 18 kms with up to eight obstacles, some of which may be water. The countryside is undulating with mainly un-made roads. Section B of the course will be open for inspection from **12pm (Midday) on Friday April 26th, 2024. Section A and the Transfer Section are closed** to motorised vehicles but are open to walking or riding on a pushbike. Competitors will be able to drive motorised vehicles to the obstacles only on Section B subject to weather conditions. Obstacles are within close proximity to the clubrooms and camping area. Road laws for Victoria apply. It is the responsibility of the competitor to present themselves at the start of section A 10 minutes before their commencement time.

Cones

The Cones will be driven as a fault competition. The Course may contain a bridge and/or water. The Cones course will be officially open for inspection between 7.00am and 8.30am on Saturday April 27th, 2024.

Awards

Sashes/Rosettes awarded to overall place-getters. Ribbons awarded to place-getters in each competition. Perpetual trophies awarded. 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.

Competitors and presenters are expected to be appropriately dressed (dressage attire) for awards ceremony.

Camping

There are no powered sites. Please make your own arrangements. Generators are to be turned off at 9.30pm and only generators with a quiet motor are allowable. Showers and toilets will be available in the pavilion.

Accommodation

For those not intending to camp, there are several motels within a 10-minute radius. Please make your own arrangements. It is your responsibility to ensure any horses left on the grounds if you stay off-site are properly attended to.

Dogs

Dogs are allowed but must be kept on a leash at all times. You are required to clean up after your dogs at all times.

Yards

Yards are available – cost \$10 per horse for the event. First in first served. There are approximately 80 yards available.

No Fires

No fires are allowed on the reserve at any time.

Rubbish

Rubbish bins will be available for rubbish

Local Shops

Greenvale Shopping Centre is a 5-minute drive.

Horses/ponies tied to floats/trucks

All competitors need to be mindful of horse welfare and not have horses tied to truck/floats for extended periods of time.

Helmets

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. Any person on a carriage who is under 18 years of age must wear protective headgear in accordance with ACDS by-laws.

Riding on Bicycles on the Reserve

Any person, regardless of age, on a bicycle must wear a properly secured helmet at all times.

Medical Information Holders

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.

Melbourne Airport

For those that wish to visit, Melbourne Tullamarine Airport is 10 minutes from Greenvale Equestrian Reserve.

Tourist Activities/Information

City of Melbourne is about a 20-minute drive.

The adjacent Woodlands Historic Park is the home of Living Legends. A visit will enable you to rub shoulders with a number of Melbourne Cup winners. There is also the old homestead where afternoon tea is served. For those aeroplane enthusiasts, you can sit on the veranda and watch the planes take-off and land.

