

National Capital Equestrian Club

Sunday 4 December 2022 - Notice to Riders

- To be able to run these events we rely on rider's support with fulfilling some duties such as set-up (Saturday 3 December 10am), gear check (30 min slots) and pack up (Sunday 4 December from 2.30pm). **Please ensure that you 'sign-up' via this link [Sign-up System](#).** Failure to do so by **9pm Thursday 1 December** will result in the committee assigning you an unfilled duty. Thank you very much for your cooperation with this.
- **As this is an in-house Club Xmas event, please no plaiting or jackets. Xmas shirts or polo shirts are strongly encouraged. When dressing up your horse please ensure SAFETY first, and no bells or decorations that may unsettle other horses. For the purpose of dressing up in Xmas spirit, boots or bandages may be worn in the tests. Tagged helmets, approved footwear and gloves are essential.**
- The gates to Equestrian Park Event area will open at **8:00am** on Sunday 4 December 2022.
- All 5 arenas will be in use {SEE MAP ON PAGE 3}. **The event area** includes everything to the right of the double gates
- **Scratchings** – If you are unable to attend, please **TEXT** your name, your horses name, and the test you are scratching from to **Jacqui Knobel 0457 747 057**
- Refunds (50% of the entry fees only & not including the admin fee) will be provided on the presentation of a medical/veterinarian certificate within 48 hours of the event to nceevents@gmail.com
- **The yards near the arenas will be RESERVED for Judges and Committee only.**
- **Please make sure that if parking within the area through the double gates, all floats need to be parked left of the double gates and no vehicles except for officials are allowed to the right of the double gates.**
- **Please observe the rules of the Warm-Up arena – See page 2 for rules and warmup arena etiquette.**
- **ONLY HORSES THAT ARE ENTERED IN THIS EVENT ARE ALLOWED IN THE WARM-UP ARENAS & EVENT AREAS.**
- **NO dogs allowed at all** in the event area (right of the double gates). Elsewhere all dogs **must** be on leads at all times.
- **Coffee N Snack Shack will be in attendance for all your coffee and food needs! Menus are attached.**
- **[Govern Images](#) are our official photographers for the day, please say hello and smile 😊**
- Classes are run in accordance with the **current EA rules**; please make sure that your equipment will pass the gear check & that you are aware of the rules.
- **Gear check will commence at 9:00am.** You must attend the gear check prior to presenting to your Judge.
- **Warm-Up Area will open 8:15am. Lunging is only permitted in the Cotter plots.**
- Callers are **permitted** in all tests except FEI tests.
- Interim results will be available on the day under current events at: <https://www.nominate.com.au/Scoreboard/results/> or through using the app.
- The Equestrian Park Manager requests that **all riders and attendees** please ensure that the front gates of Equestrian Park are closed once you have moved through them.
- For all classes that had 6 or more riders entered, the AOR and OPEN are separated into their own categories.
- **Please make sure you put all of your rubbish in the bin or take it with you!**
- Ribbons to 6th place and prizes to 3rd place in each category will be available at the cottage no earlier than 30mins post last rider in that test

Queries to: nceevents@gmail.com

Rules for Warm-Up Arenas

To maximise safety in warm-up arenas, NCEC has introduced the following rules and we are asking all riders to please respect these so that everyone has an opportunity to maximise their own warm-up:

1. You may enter the warmup area at a **maximum of 45 minutes** prior to your scheduled test time.
2. The warm- up area is divided into 4 arenas to be utilised as follows, for this competition **this rule is in place until lunchtime (12:40pm):**
 - (a) **Elementary and above** – the last arena at the back (closest to the creek)
 - (b) **Prep to Novice** – the first 3 arenas (closest to the entry gate).

Etiquette

The Etiquette for riding safely in restricted areas, such as warm-up arenas, is set out below and should be observed – at this Event, there may be up to 20 horse/rider combinations utilising the 4 arenas at the same time.

F.10.2 Etiquette for the warm-up arena

As there are many horses warming up in a restricted area it is important that all riders have knowledge of the etiquette required in group riding. This ensures safe riding and achieves harmony in busy areas.

- a) safety is paramount and a collision should be avoided at all times
- b) before entering the warm-up area make sure the gateway and immediate track are clear
- c) riders should pass left shoulder to left shoulder when on the outside track
- d) when not on the outside track, e.g. on a diagonal line, riders should give way to horses on their left
- e) the more progressive gait has priority on the track (e.g. horses trotting should give way to horses cantering)
- f) a halt should not be on the track
- g) walking should not be on the track and does not have right of way
- h) trot has priority over walk
- i) canter has priority over trot
- j) lateral work has priority over all paces
- k) when circling, anticipate your return to the track so as to not stop the flow of other riders
- l) mounting, dismounting and gear adjustment should be done off the track
- m) consideration should be given to behaviour of other horses in the arena that may upset your horse
- n) it may be necessary to leave the area if your horse is upsetting others
- o) if a horse is upsetting the majority, an official should be sought with a view to requesting that horse's removal for safety's sake
- p) be aware of stallions wearing green stallion discs

https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/CLEAN_NATIONAL_DRESSAGE_RULES_1_JULY_2022%20updated%2019082022.pdf (p169)

Equestrian Park Event Map

