

RDAQ State Championships

Held at Arundel Park RDA on the 6th and 7th of June, the annual statewide competition attracted a large number of riders in all disciplines. Well done to all the riders, coaches, helpers, and organizers that made the event a success! (My apologies for not having the full results in this newsletter, I have recorded the winners from my memory and I hope they are all correct, I am still waiting for RDAQ to send me the results for publishing.)

Classified Section Dressage Results

Grade 1b Champion: Susan Seipel on Menora Wildfire, McIntyre RDA.

Grade 2A Champion: Ingird Bayly on Ace of Diamonds, Samford RDA.

Grade 3A Champion: Melanie Petley on Riverdowns Dark Secret, Everglades RDA.

Grade 3B Champion: Vanessa Morton on Jessie James, Arundel Park RDA.

Grade 4B Champion: Chantal Simpson on Hearts desire, Everglades RDA.

Unclassified Section Dressage Results

Grade 5A Champion: Belinda Clark on Star, Everglades RDA.

Grade 5C Champion: Alex Baker on McLeod, McIntyre RDA.

Para-Equestrian Dressage Nationals

The first event run by Equestrian Australia for Para-equestrian riders will be held on the 1st-3rd of October at the Orana Dressage Club in Dubbo. Tentative schedule includes venue opening on Monday 28th of September for competitors arrival, horse inspection and rider meeting on Wednesday, and an evening function on Thursday to launch the Para-equestrian program. Further details including eligibility of riders will be advised soon with entry forms.

RDA National Dressage Championships

RDA has announced that the 2009 National Dressage Championships will be conducted through the submission of videos by contestants. No travel or accommodation is required, and riders can compete from their local RDA centre. The reason given for this approach is the current financial climate. It is hoped that the video competition will engage a wider audience than ever before. Details of the competition and tests will be provided shortly at: www.rda.org.au.

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Kind Regards

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