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RESUME FORM Dressage WA committee

To be returned to the EWA Office by no later than 11.59pm Thursday 30 September 2021

Name:	Heidi Mackinlay (Emery)
Equestrian interest:	Dressage (but also Eventing and Show Jumping)
Previous Board / Committee experience:	Member of Equestrian WA since 1980 (42 years @2022) Committee Member Riverside Riding Club 1996 to 1999 Committee Member Holsteiner Horse Association of Australia Ltd 1997 to 1999 Committee Member Dressage WA 2004 to 2006 EWA High Performance Representative (Dressage) 2010 to 2012 Committee Member Dressage WA (Events and Sponsorship) 2010 to 2012 Committee Member Perth Dressage Club 2016 to 2017 Business Brokers Association of WA Committee member and secretary 2008 to 2013 Advisory Committee (Stamp Duties And Business) Dept. of Treasury and Finance 2010 to 2011
Reason / objectives for interest in representing EWA on the Dressage WA Committee:	To me, it is important that the equestrian population is reminded that 'Dressage' is about training and, as such, it has much to offer riders of all levels and interests. My aim is to assist the development of the sport and its framework in WA via the organisation of activities including competitions, public education and displays with the objective of developing a wider participation and sponsorship base, together with stronger support and opportunities for those with the interest and talent to continue to the highest level of the sport wither as a rider or as official (ie judge, steward etc). I would like to see the State Equestrian Centre continue in its role as a central hub for dressage sport in WA and to expand its role in the future.
Equestrian history:	I have been an active and competitive member of equestrian pursuits since 1978 when my mother purchased my first pony and I became a member of Kelmscott Pony Club. I competed to Royal Show level in Show Horse and to Elementary level in dressage until 1988, when working life too priority, and returned to dressage in 1996 with my first warmblood partner – Northern Hermes. Wonderful horses since then have allowed me to train, ride and compete to FEI level. My husband and I have a boutique stud and stallion station where we stand the imported stallions Sandro Bedo and Skywalker, both of whom are FEI level in their training and are my daily rides. I am currently an EA F level judge.
Life/Business experience:	I moved immediately into the workforce on completing Year 12 at Penrhos College and gained experience in many areas from marketing (Marketforce), the building industry (Pacesetter Homes), food and service (running a café and working in bars) before settling into the legal and finance industry. Commencing 5 year articles legal training via Murdoch University lead to expansion of a commercial and corporate legal practice alongside my husband which saw our firm's reputation solidify as specialists in complex property, conveyancing, business and corporate matters until retirement from full time practice in 2012. I continue to oversee an investment portfolio, provide consultancy services and provide hands on management of the horses and the breeding operations of Hermitage Dressage.
General comments:	I look forward to having the opportunity to work alongside other enthusiastic members of our equestrian and dressage community via the Dressage WA committee and to encourage increased involvement in our sport for the future.

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