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JUNIOR EQUESTRIAN DEVELOPMENT SQUAD

INFORMATION PACK

★ 2024 ★



Department of
Local Government, Sport
and Cultural Industries



Maitland Park Junior Equestrian Development Squad



PURPOSE

The Junior Equestrian Development Squad has been created to assist the young riders (under the age of 18) of Western Australia to perform at the top level for their age group and open the pathway to the high-performance squads of WA.

APPLICATION PROCESS:

All Horse/rider combinations will need to complete a form (similar to what has been done before) with their qualifications between 1/1/23 and 1/1/24. Riders must be 17 years of age, or under, as of 1 January 2024. New combinations, new riders or past members who do not meet the qualifications must ride at the assessment but the selectors may request any combination to ride at the assessment day.

All riders will need to send through an approximately 500 word written essay or a two-to-three-minute video answering the below questions.

1. What is yours and your horse's name, and how long have you been together?
2. What is your greatest achievement in your riding career and with greatest achievement with your current horse?
3. What are your goals for the next 12 months and five years? How are you going to achieve these goals?
4. Why will you benefit from the squad?
5. What will you bring to the squad in 2024?

QUALIFICATIONS:

Each rider may choose one or more discipline to use as qualifications. These scores must have been collected no earlier than 1/1/2023. Combination result must come from official EA or Pony Club competitions. New combinations can seek an exemption if required by emailing the squad coordinator at development@equestrianwa.org.au

Dressage

- Two (2) tests which have been judged by an EA accredited judge at Novice obtaining 63% or higher. If tests have two judges, you must use the average score of both judges.
- Two (2) tests which have been judge by an EA accredited judge at Elementary or above obtaining 60% or higher. If tests have two judges, you must use the average score of both judges.
- Riders who use their assessment test as a qualifier must obtain a test in a competition environment of 63% before 30/6/2023.
- A copy of the tests must be submitted with the application.

Show Horse

Athletes who have placed top three in their rider class at events below:

- EWA HOTY
- EWA Autumn Pageant
- EWA Winter Gala
- Adelaide, Brisbane, Sydney, Canberra, Melbourne, and Hobart Royal Shows
- The EA National Championships
- The Perth Royal Show
- EWA Newcomers
- EWA Intermediate

Showjumping:

Two (2) rounds at 80cm and above with 0 penalties

- Rounds and penalties are to be taken from the first round only. This excludes jump-offs.

Eventing:

Two (2) MER at EvA80cm or above

- MER: Dressage; 45 penalties or below, Show Jumping; 16 penalties or below, Cross Country Phases; 0 obstacle penalties and 30 or less time penalties.

IMPORTANT 2024 DATES

DATE	ACTIVITY
24 th January	Assessment Day
24 th & 25 th February	cultural days & ridden camp
2 nd & 3 rd April	Midweek school holiday camp
4 th May	One-Day squad clinic
2 nd & 3 rd July	Midweek school holiday Camp
3 rd August	One-Day Squad clinic INTERSCHOOL NATIONALS (camp) INCLUDED
24 th & 25 th September	Midweek school holiday camp
2 nd & 3 rd November	Compulsory Off-Horse days, volunteering at the Young Horse Championships.
23 rd November	End of Year windup

ASSESSMENT DAY

Each invited rider will ride a dressage test for our two judges. Showjumpers and Eventers may choose to ride a prelim test but are encouraged to ride higher if they can. Dressage riders and show horse riders must ride novice or above. No Prep tests will be allowed.

All tests ridden will be the second test of the set i.e., Prelim 1.2, Novice 2.2, Elementary 3.2 etc.

Riders who jump, will have the option to ride one round at 80cm or above. Riders who do not feel comfortable at this height do not need to ride a round but those who can are encouraged.

Out of all the applications the top 10 will be selected and automatically placed on the squad. We will then invite 15-30 riders (depending on how many apply) to ride at the assessment day.

- Video Applications:
Regional are able to apply to submit a video application of their test and/or jumping round. Applicants must contact the squad coordinator prior to the assessment date. Riders who have an injured horse or are unwell on the assessment date may also supply a video application.

PROPOSED MOUNTED SCHEDULE:

Summer

TIME	RED	YELLOW	BLUE	GREEN	PINK	NAVY
7:30-8:00	Registration					
8:00-9:00	Flatwork 1	Flatwork 2	Rider fitness /mental Health		Horse Management	
9:15-10:15	Rider fitness /mental Health		Horse Management		Cross Country	Show Jumping
10:15-10:45	Morning Tea					
10:45-11:45	Cross Country	Show Jumping	Flatwork 1	Flatwork 2	Rider fitness /mental Health	
11:45-12:45	Lunch					
12:45-1:45	Horse Management		Show Jumping	Cross Country	Flatwork 1	Flatwork 2
2:00-3:00	Unmounted Lecture					

Winter

TIME	RED	YELLOW	BLUE	GREEN	PINK	NAVY
8:30-9:00	Registration					
9:30-10:30	Flatwork 2	Flatwork 1	Show Jumping	Cross Country	Horse Management	
10:45-11:45	Rider fitness /mental Health		Horse Management		Cross Country	Show Jumping
11:45-12:45	Lunch					
1:00-2:00	Unmounted Lecture 1					
2:15-3:15	Horse Management		Flatwork 2	Flatwork 1	Rider fitness /mental Health	
3:30-4:30	Cross Country	Show Jumping	Rider fitness /mental Health		Flatwork 2	Flatwork 1

Riders who attend are expected to attend every lesson throughout the day. These schedules are proposed drafts, these are fluid and will be updated depending on riders. The groups will be of 4 riders with similar abilities and ages. Groups are also fluid and will change depending on who is attending the clinic or their competition season. If we have a group of riders who do not jump, they will either have a cross country 'environment' lesson or second more intense dressage lesson (rather than flatwork). Lesson will also move around depending on temperature and upcoming events (i.e., the older/more experienced rider will have a show jumping lesson over a cross country lesson if state show jumping is close to the clinic). All riders will have a flatwork lesson every clinic.

HORSE MANAGEMENT AND FEES

As seen in the proposed schedules, every rider will have a horse master ship lesson every squad day. These will be based off the Horse Management: Introductory book. These books are included in the fees and is mandatory for all riders to have one. Those who already have one will be offered the level 1 Horse Management.

The fees are set at \$500.00 per rider. These fee's will include access to the total 11 ridden days, 2 unmounted days, an updated/new Horse management book if required, one JEDS uniform shirt and one JEDS Hat. Riders will have the opportunity to purchase separately a second shirt, hat and/or a long-sleeved shirt after being selected onto the squad. All fee's will be paid through nominate before the first clinic.

Riders are only permitted to be on the squad with one horse. Rider and/or guardians may seek permission to bring a second horse by contacting the squad co-ordinator if the selected horse is unable to attend. The replacement or second horse must have qualifications either as a combination or from a previous combination.

COMMITMENT

Riders are expected to attend 90% of all ridden clinics, as well as the compulsory unmounted days throughout the year. Exceptions can be made, riders and/or guardians need to contact the squad co-ordinator prior to the clinic date. Riders may be asked to leave the squad if they are unable to meet these requirements and no refunds will be given.