

ATHERTON TABLELANDS & DISTRICT DRESSAGE & EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION INCORPORATED (ATDDEA)

NEWSLETTER

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ATDDEA Championships 13th & 14th August

The organizing committee has been working hard to ensure that this year's championship event is even bigger and better than before. A special thanks to Vivienne Kennett who has worked tirelessly to achieve an incredible number of sponsors for this year's event.

The Programme should now have reached you via email. As always, it is available on the ATDDEA website along with the Entry Form and the Championship Conditions of Entry. The Dangerous Activity Waiver is also available on the site and the new Horse Health Biosecurity form which <u>MUST</u> accompany your entry form. (<u>http://atddea.webs.com</u>). Entries close on the <u>29th</u> July so be sure to forward your nominations in time as there will be no late entries accepted.

Please make sure you read the Conditions of Entry carefully as there are a few conditions specific to the Championships.

To conform with Biosecurity rulings and the club insurance obligations, if you intend to stable or bring a companion horse to the event with your competition horse you must forward a Horse Health form and notify the Draw Secretary of the horse's details prior to the closing date on the 29th July. Unless a horse is entered into the draw or listed as a companion horse it will not be allowed entry to the area rented by the club for the event.

Checklist for Competitors

There have been many EA/FEI rule changes in the past twelve months. The club endeavors to keep you up to date with these changes but it is ultimately your responsibility to ensure that you comply with new rulings which are there to ensure fair play.

You can find the Dressage rule book on the EA website

Please ensure that you are familiar with the equipment you may/may not use during warm-up and competition. As the club runs <u>all</u> competitions under the EA rulings (whether it be official or Associate) failure to comply <u>will</u> result in elimination!

If in doubt please ask the coordinator or a member of the organizing committee for clarification. We are all there to help.

A Special Friday Workshop at the Championships – Free to all Members

On the Friday prior to the competition **August 12th** our visiting Judge, Lesley Sullivan (who is the Chair of the DQ judges committee) will be holding a *judges workshop*. This is not just for current and aspiring judges but is also <u>open to all</u> <u>members and participants at the weekend</u>. Valuable feedback on how the judges view your tests is available. This is a fantastic opportunity and will be a huge benefit to riders of all ages and abilities. There is no charge for this event!

Update on 2011 events

Calendar and programmes will be available online http://atddea.webs.com

Unfortunately our September Ron Paterson clinic has been cancelled due to Ron's accreditation commitments.

Ron Paterson will be with us again on the 4th, 5th and 6th of November.

On the 24-26th June the club hosted our first Steffi Stevens clinic. After positive feedback from participants and following a request for a further visit – we are in discussions with Steffi to arrange a further clinic later this year on 30th September to the 2nd October?

If you are interested in attending future clinics with either of our visiting EA instructors please email the club clinic coordinator Angela Sausman angela@oceaneasy.net for details.

Kim Weston and Marcela Adkins are also on hand locally to assist with training. You can contact them directly to arrange your private lesson. Kim can be contacted on 0432600214 or email <u>kimilla@hotmail.com</u> Marcela can be contacted on 0439839068 or email <u>dazmarhorses@bigpond.com</u>

August 13 th & 14 th	Official and Associate Dressage	Kerribee Park, Mareeba	
	Competition ATDDEA		
	Championships		
	Coordinated by <u>all</u> members		
	All participants to assist		
September 3 rd &	Kerribee Park, Mareeba		
4^{th}	Coordinated by Cairns members		
	All participants to assist		
October 8 th & 9 th	Club Competition ATDDEA	Outside Arenas	
	Coordinated by	Kerribee Park Mareeba	
	Malanda/Yungaburra members		
	All participants to assist		

Safety

Over a number of events this season (clinics and competition) a number of safety matters have been brought to the committee's attention after the event.

We would like to remind ALL members to be vigilant where safety matters are concerned. If you see anything that threatens the safety of participants or horses at ATDDEA events please notify the coordinator or a committee member as soon as possible so that appropriate action can be taken in a timely manner. Thank you.

First Aid

A reminder that the club carries First Aid for riders but it is the riders/owners responsibility to carry adequate medical supplies for their horse. The first aid kit is kept in the canteen area during competitions; there is an incident book kept with it. Any incident that requires first aid or the use of the kit must be recorded in the incident book.

There are a number of members who are trained in first aid as well as all riding instructors; a list will in future be posted on the notice board at competitions.

That's all for now – see you at the champs!

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