

Summary of Business ISV Meeting 17th October 2023

Equestrian Australian Interschool Committee Update EAIC – Julia Williams member

- Draft rule changes sent to EA Board-Addition of classes CT 2* and Primary SJ 70cm to nationals. Other changes need national follow-up in 2024.
- Riders must be enrolled in a recognised State or Territory Primary or Secondary school. If they attend TAFE, VCAL subjects they must be linked to a secondary school. Eligible to compete until the year they turn 19 to allow for extended VCE students. Home School Distance Ed etc included.

Agenda items

- ISV calendar and website need updating and additions as they occur. EV office will help with this
- Less competitions especially in Term 4. Clubs and schools do not want to run them. Regional groups and Agricultural shows have been supported to run showing and jumping.
- Concern around participation qualification for States 2024. Riders competing in Horse Trials and on the eventing leader board may use this as participation
- Feedback for Australian Interschool championships was good.
- Survey of Vic Team riders looked at training weekend, team uniform activities etc- positive
- Training weekend supported. Uniforms will be fewer compulsory items- socks, cap, polo, white runners, Ev team saddle pad (not showing). Optional jacket, vest etc

Team Selection policy under review key points to be updated for next meeting

- Discussion re use of dressage % system for team selection. This system will need to remain in 2024 unless EA discipline rule changes re two tests.
- Riders must ride at the higher level if horse is qualified in multiple classes-not supported
- Two jumping levels option. Can not be have offered in State Championships schedule. Would need to be through VEIS. Discussed and not supported
- Decrease reserve selection external to team after close of entries to 2 weeks prior to event, currently 3 weeks.
- Changes to policy may need to be considered when championships are in Queensland due to travel and impact on VCE riders. Team offers of 2 places. Open it up to 3 riders in certain circumstances- travel, classes with low numbers
- Suggestions-correct 45cm CT 65cm CT in line with Eventing levels at National level, remove Secondary 60cm Senior Preliminary Dressage. Any changes must come through EAIC and must be a national decision

Closing ceremony Australian Championships compulsory attendance considered as the final day 2024 had low numbers remaining. Clear process needed for exemptions.

Team Captain Selection process discussed. Need for consideration of applicants' engagement with team.

State Championships scheduling, classes, arenas, timetable. Important to have good judges, proper arena familiarisation. Discussed horse welfare and limiting classes possible to enter.

Tintern Horse Trials will have ISV funding for coaches' course walks. Haileybury College is supporting Tintern in running this important event.