

2015 Eventing Oceania Championship Competition

Applications are currently being sought from Australian-based combinations qualified to compete at CCI3* or above to compete against New Zealand in the Oceania Team Championships at Taupo, NZL 15-17 May 2015. A team of 4 riders and horses plus 2 non-travelling reserves will be selected for this competition. It is not a requirement to hold an MER at CCI3* level, only to be qualified for CCI3*.

Applications are to be submitted the Eventing National Performance Director Prue Barrett (prue.barrett@equestrian.org.au) with copy to Michelle Graham (michelle.graham@equestrian.org.au) in writing by 5pm Friday 6th February 2015. It is not necessary to provide a detailed application, but simply an email naming the rider and horse/s that wishes to be considered.

Once the list of applicants has been finalised, the National Eventing Selectors will then declare a long list of potential team members on the 23rd February, 2015.

A requirement for selection on the Oceania Champs 2015 long list is:-

- a. Attendance at the Eventing National Camp at SIEC on 16-18 February 2015
- b. Submitted 2015 individual training and competition plan to NPD during National Camp
- c. Competing at either the Albury CIC3* or the Brigadoon CIC3* on 3-5 April 2015
- d. Veterinary examinations including a post Competition (Albury CIC3* or the Brigadoon CIC3* on 3-5 April 2015) Veterinary Examination

Exemptions from participation in the Eventing National Camp at SIEC on 16-18 February 2015 may be sought in writing from the NPD.

Following the Albury and Brigadoon CIC3* 3-5 April 2015, the National Eventing Selectors will announce an unranked Trans-Tasman Squad of 6 rider/horse combinations on 15th April. This squad will include 4 team member combinations and 2 non travelling reserve combinations. The 2 reserve combinations will not be ranked and either or both combinations may be required to replace a selected team member(s). This decision will be at the discretion of the NPD in consultation with the National Selectors. Also, a further unranked reserve list will also be announced at this time. Selectors may call any combination(s) from this reserve list into the Australian Oceania Squad if any of the Squad combinations became unavailable.

Australian Oceania Squad members will be required to attend the Oceania Championships pre-competition team camp at SIEC from prior to flying to NZ.

All Trans-Tasman Squad riders will receive the following support:-

- Event entry and stabling for the duration of the camp and competition
- Financial travel assistance to and from the event (return horse flights to NZL and truck transportation to the airport and return)
- Team Uniform

Further detail on what NZL will be providing on arrival in NZL will be confirmed at a later stage once full details are sent through.

All enquiries in regard to the Australian Oceania Team should be directed to Prue Barrett (0418 621 711) and for further information on the Oceania Championships Competition, these enquiries should be directed to Michelle Graham in the National Office on 02 8762 7777.