



Equestrian Australia Dressage Committee - UPDATE

Meeting held Thursday 20th June

Below is a summary of proceedings at the recent EADC meeting:

MEETING DISCUSSION

Riders Certificates:

Discussion on a Rider Certificate scheme reviewed a proposal as a way to engage riders. Initial funding, a strong marketing program and coach / club buy-in would be essential for it to succeed.

Aims:

- To encourage and increase rider awareness of the rules and what is required at the level they are competing.
- To acknowledge and reward riders' achievements and scores at their level, not necessarily based on winning ribbons or moving through the levels.

Benefits

- Provide recognition for achievement within the level and thereby an incentive to compete for grass roots riders and recognition for accomplished riders as well.
- Provide extra value in EA membership and dressage competitions.
- Provide riders with recognition of personal achievements
- Improve rider's awareness of the dressage rules
- Encourage rider's attendance at judges' seminars and thereby enhance their understanding of the requirements of dressage at their level.
- Provide vital funding for dressage nationally that can be reinvested in developing the sport.
- Dressage exposure as proud riders post their certificate achievements on social media