






Members of the Equestrian Australia Dressage Committee 2019 – 2020 incl

						
	Prue Spurrett - Chair	Virginia Creed	Liz Owens	Gill Botten	Julie Jones	Maree Tomkinson – Riders Rep
Training & Education	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Retired, married, lives in Forster NSW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor of Music Performance Grad Dip Education Grad Dip Public Relations VIT registration 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> B Sci Ag (Hons) Employed full time Symbio Laboratories as Manager Agriculture Division 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor of Education. Masters of Education Certificate of Equine Management 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Bachelor's and Master's degree in Biological Sciences Doctorate in Cell Biology Freelance professional Medical Writer Certified Medical Publication Professional 	
"Sport Governance" Skills & Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> President of Dressage NSW – 2005 to 2015 Event Director for the NSW Dressage Championships 2003, 2006, 2008 NSW Dressage Selector (3x terms) FEI 4*Eventing International Judging experiences – NZ, Thailand, UK, Ireland - Retired 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current member EADC Founding member of the Victorian DJEP National Dressage Selector 1999 - 2013 Founding Chair of the Victorian Interschool Equestrian Network Wrote the study design for the VCE/VET Equine Industry Course Member of the exam setting panel VCAA for Equine Industry course 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Current member EADC Current member EADC Equipment committee Past member of DWA, DQ Past member Barastoc HOTA committee Chef d'Equipe dressage WEG 2014 Riders representative to ADC for 8 years Past president Westernport DC Past Board member McIntyre Centre RDA 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Previous Chair DWA & member for several terms Vice Chair & member of DJTF for several terms Co-wrote BEATS training Scheme for YR & administered & taught for ten years for EWA Currently sponsoring & coaching Maitland park Rising Stars for EWA Examiner for WACE Year 12 Equine Studies WA State Squad dressage selector 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Executive Committee Member of Dressage NSW (2017-present) Dressage NSW Judge Subcommittee member (2007-present) New Judge (G-level) Coordinator for Dressage NSW (2007-2019) Founding & Executive Committee Member of Sydney Dressage Club Inc (2012-2017) Life Member of Sydney Dressage Club Inc 	
Sport Knowledge & Involvement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10 years on Ku-ring-gai Council Sports Advisory Committee (for Equestrian Sport) Loan Horse Owner Sydney 2000 Paralympics (team Japan) On OC for Sydney CDI (16 yrs) NOAS C level Dressage Judge NOAS Judge Mentor NOAS Young Horse Judge FEI4* Eventing Judge An amateur owner rider, club life member, long term volunteer, active official & event organiser 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained & ridden several horses to Grand Prix Currently training students to FEI level FEI 3* dressage judge NOAS Young Horse Judge NOAS Judge Educator NOAS Judge Mentor NCAS Level 3 Dressage specialist coach NCAS Level 2 General Coach NCAS Coach Educator 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained and ridden to Grand Prix Member of Olympic Athlete programme prior to 200 games Currently campaigning horse at Medium Tour EA B level judge Lapsed NCAS Level 1 coach BHSAI accredited NOAS Judge Mentor Para judge Prior member of OC for Brisbane CDI Consulting nutritionist to Australian Equestrian team from 1986 to 1992 Seconded to feed supplier Beijing Olympics 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained & competed several horses to Advanced dressage NCAS Level 1 General Coach & SSTA Member of Working Party NCAS. Currently member of State Coaching Committee. "A" Level dressage judge Judge Educator & Mentor 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Trained and competed to FEI level; current AOR dressage competitor in NSW C-level dressage & Mentor Judge Para Equestrian & Young Horse judge Amateur warmblood horse breeder since 2007 Involved with judge education, particularly programs for new judge accreditation Assist with organising dressage competitions at club level Volunteer Writer Coordinator for State and National Dressage Championships 2013 EA NSW Dressage Volunteer of the Year 	

Business & Related Skills & Experience	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Senior Client Service executive roles at Macquarie & Australian Banks • 30 +years experience in Sports Management at Club & SDA level • Board Member Equestrian NSW • I'm hoping I bring a track record of successful sports administration, good communication skills & goodwill & humour to the Committee 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Head of Performing Arts at Ivanhoe Grammar School • Producing major events & musical productions • As Curriculum Leader, develops curriculum & assessment models • Presents regularly at seminars & workshops in Australia & overseas • Coaches several riders who are currently competing at FEI level • Coordinates the IGS Equestrian Program 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30+ years as senior level manager in stockfeed and AgVet industries across Australia • Business Manager Ridley Agriproducts for 8 years • Prior Board member of an RDA • Member RIRDC Equine Research committee • Current member stockfeed committee for Standards Australia • Adjunct lecturer UQ veterinary studies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Teacher Perth College. Now Relief & part- time • Manager/owner & Coach, Maitland Park Equestrian Centre • Lecturer Equine Studies Midland TAFE • Teacher at Marr Mooditj training 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Research Scientist for pharmaceutical and biotechnology industry for 25 years • Professional Medical Writer for 15 years (5 years as a freelancer with my own business) • Invited speaker at national and international conferences for Medical Writing professionals • Management and training skills for junior scientists and professional medical writers • Mentoring new dressage judges and assisting with judge education in NSW 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
Other Relevant Information	It's vital our clubs & membership are uppermost in mind in decisions making. I also have a fundamental belief in Australian Dressage – across all levels, across the country	I am passionate about the ongoing development of dressage in Australia as well as overseas. This includes the ongoing development & training of judges as well as coaches, officials & riders from “grass roots” through to high performance” level	Having Australia wide experience of our sport at both amateur and high performance level as an official and competitor, I hope to be able to represent the interests of professional and amateur riders alike while also recognising the invaluable contribution of our volunteers	I am keen to see the triangle of Official, rider & trainer develop to help riders reach their goals. I am interested in helping Young Riders develop their skills & promote dressage in Australia	My key aim is to assist in enhancing the quality of dressage in Australia through improvements in the training of our officials & coaches. I also hope to assist in developing better communication strategies between riders & officials to allow for the mutually respectful exchange of knowledge and ideas.	
Current Term	to 31/12/21	to 31/12/20	to 31/12/20	to 31/12/20	to 31/12/21	to 31/12/20