



29 April - 02 May 2020

Sydney International Equestrian Centre, Horsley Park

## CDI 3\*, CDI-U25, CDI-Y, CDI-J, CDI-P Qualifying Event for the Tokyo Olympic Games

Australia's Premier International Dressage Event will be held from Wednesday, 29 April to Saturday, 2 May at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre.

A Masterclass/Workshop for Judges, riders and dressage enthusiasts with will be held in conjunction with the event in the Indoor arena of Sunday, 3 May 2020.

The Sydney CDI has wide appeal showcasing Australia's top dressage horse and rider combinations. 2020 is an Olympic year and a strong field will be aiming for a qualifying score in the CDI Grand Prix to be eligible for selection for the Tokyo Olympic Games. The event includes FEI CDI 3\* competitions from Prix St Georges to Grand Prix, a CDI-U25 (for riders aged under 25 at Grand Prix level) and up and coming younger riders will take part in the CDI-Y (riders aged 16 to 21), the CDI-J (Junior riders aged 14-18) and the CDI-P (Pony riders aged 12-16).

To round out the four-day program, the Sydney CDI will include the national (CDN) competitions from Advanced and all FEI levels from Prix St Georges to Grand Prix as well as the Sydney CDI Young Horse Event incorporating the *Kohnke's Own* NSW Young Horse Championships. Jumping competitions will be held on Saturday.

A top line up of FEI accredited judges from around the world will officiate including two members of the Tokyo Olympic Games Judging Panel, FEI 5\* Judges Mrs Janet Foy from the USA and Mrs Francis Verbeek from the Netherlands. Other leading Judges include Mr Christof Umbach (FEI 5\* from Luxembourg), Mrs Sandra (FEI 4\* Argentina), Mrs Sue Hobson (FEI 4\* New Zealand), Mrs Linda Warren-Davey (FEI 4\* from New Zealand), Mr Vittorio Barba (FEI 3\* Philippines), Mr Mura Love (FEI 3\* New Zealand) along with Australia's most respected Judges including FEI 5\* Judges Mrs Mary Seefried, Susan Hoevenaars and Maria Schwennesen.

The event also offers action away from the area, and will again feature a huge trade and shopping village, first class viewing from the Top Spot Marquee for premium ticket holders, merchandise, school educational tours on Thursday and Friday and the Top Deck Café Bar in the indoor arena to catch up with friends, enjoy a coffee or a glass of Wild Oats wine/champagne, and something to eat.

The Saturday evening dinner package includes tickets to the Top Spot Marquee to watch the ever-popular Grand Prix Freestyle. Reserve your tickets early to avoid missing out.

The programme is extensive and **many Volunteers** are needed. Those interested should complete the form on the website -<u>www.sydneycdi.com</u> and send it in as soon as possible or send an email to: <u>admin@dressagensw.com.au</u> or Toni Venhaus (see email below)

General ticket sales go on sale early January. Check the website for details.

For competitors, entries will open early in February and close on 18 March 2020. Qualifications apply.

General enquires please contact Toni Venhaus on 0418 686 781, email: <a href="mailto:toni.venhaus@bigpond.com">toni.venhaus@bigpond.com</a>. Hospitality ticket enquires contact Gail Benson on Tel: 0407 017 066 (between 8am-9pm) or email: <a href="mailto:mgbenson@bigpond.com">mgbenson@bigpond.com</a>

For more information on the event go to: www.sydneycdi.com

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