

Competing for Western Australia at Pony Club Nationals

From October 1-5 my pony Applewood Classic Deluxe (Carrie) and I competed for Western Australia at pony club nationals. pony club nationals, is where a selection of riders are picked from each state to create a state team. At nationals there are seven different disciplines, I only competed in three, dressage, showman and quiz. My Favorite discipline was showman because I got to lead my pony around the arena for one of the phases. It was quite interesting to meet people from other states, these include Queensland, Victoria, south Australia, and Tasmania. Nationals was held over five days. On the first day I competed in a dressage test and the written phase of the quiz, on Tuesday I completed a dressage test. On Wednesday I did another dressage test and then completed the next two phases of the quiz. Finally on Thursday I did a dressage test, a showman workout (which is basically a mini dressage test) and an in-hand workout (which is where I lead my pony around the arena not riding her). My Favorite part about nationals was meeting new people, making new friends and riding!

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