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➤ This is an open event run according to [Australian National Working Equitation \(ANWE\) rules](#). Rule book and Dressage tests can be downloaded from: www.anweld.com.au

➤ It is the responsibility of the rider to enter them selves and their horse into the appropriate level for their standard of riding and their horses level of training. During the event - at any time, you may be asked to stop or dismount if a judge or official deems your situation to be unsafe.

GEAR:

➤ Please ensure you have read the rules thoroughly, that you are familiar with acceptable gear and equipment.

➤ You will be required to present mounted for **GEAR CHECK MIN 20 MINUTES PRIOR TO YOUR DRESSAGE** on Saturday.

- **BITS:** as per EA Rules plus ANWE Rules. If your bit is suspected of not being complaint, you will be asked

to dismount, remove your bridle and have your bit checked.

- **BIT THICKNESS:** as per EA Rules, and in the interest of good horsemanship, if your bit is suspected of being too THIN, you will be asked to dismount, remove your bridle and have your bit measured.

- **SPURS:** as per current (recently updated) EA rules

- **NOSEBANDS:** As per EA rules and ANWE rule 7.2.6, and aligned to W.E.N.E.Vs good horsemanship culture, only nosebands as per EA Rules are allowed. ALL NOSEBANDS, including cavesons and those that are fixed in front of the bit MUST comply to the 2 finger rule. If your noseband is suspected of being too TIGHT, you will be asked to dismount to have it measured - and loosen it. If you can not loosen it past the required amount - you will be required to remove it.

- **HELMETS:** if worn are to be current EA standards, (please check the current EA standards as they differ slightly from other Victorian associations) Helmets will not be checked - the onus lies with the rider. If you wear a helmet, you will only be asked if your helmet is compliant. Riders under the age of 18yo must wear a helmet.

MANEABILITY COURSE:

➤ The course map/s will be made available to all competitors **two weeks prior to competition along with scheduled Course walk times.**

➤ ONLY HORSES and RIDERS entered in the competition are to be on grounds and/or riding; the OC encourage you not to bring green/young horses for a look / or kids with ponies not entered to this event.

ORDER OF PHASES:

Due to time restraints, we will run Maneability phase on Saturday following on from dressage, rather than

last to first placing as outlined in ANWE rules.

PRESENTATIONS:

Presentations for each phase will be made at the end of completion on SAT and as soon after on Sunday.

➤ Presentations of sashes and prizes will be made for 1st-3rd placing in each phase for each level / Champion and Reserve Champion in each level / 1-3rd Team Cattle Phase / 1-3rd Individual Cattle.

Supreme Champion overall highest score taken from 4 Phase riders entered into Competitive grades only. (Participation grades are ineligible for Supreme Champion award.)

➤ The OC encourages placegetters to be suitably attired for presentations un mounted and Champions, Res champions and Supreme Champ mounted for awards.

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CAMPING:

➤ Oxley Recreation reserve has showers, toilets and day yards - please book and pay with entries. Camping is available here before, during and after event - however the grounds are booked for Sunday - so no riding on arenas Sunday.

www.oxley.vic.au/oxley-recreation-reserve/

➤ Forges Farm in Oxley is a working cattle farm; camping only by REQUEST for Sunday night onwards. BYO yards.

➤ Competitors are welcome to arrive at Oxley Rec Reserve prior to or Friday afternoon/evening, however there is to **BE NO RIDING IN COMPETITION ARENAS on RISK OF ELIMINATION.**

➤ Preferably don't bring DOGS please. If dogs come they **MUST** be kept on leads at **ALL TIMES** for safety of horses/riders and livestock.

GROUNDS:

➤ Please remove all rubbish and clean up your camp site as directed prior to leaving

➤ Drinking water for horses is available

FOOD & FUEL:

➤ This event is not catered for. A coffee van will be on site mid morning to early arvo both days with some food options.

➤ There will be a catered roast meal Saturday evening at Rec Reserve - please BYO cutlery/crockery and drinks. Meal must be pre booked with entries.

➤ Oxley/ Milawa villages have fuel* (check opening times) (general store, nice restaurants, wineries (home of Brown Brothers) and Milawa pub - less than 10 minutes drive (encourage to make bookings for dinner if you are eating out)

➤ Wangaratta CBD is about 10 minutes drive - all banks / shops /fuel etc.

ACCOMMODATION:

➤ Details on accommodation for Oxley / Milawa area or Wangaratta can be found at:
www.milawagourmet.com.au
www.visitwangeratta.com.au

WEATHER:

➤ This event will go ahead regardless of weather; so please bring weatherproof riding gear in case of rain.

MANEABILITY COURSE:

➤ There will be 2 rings for Maneability/ Speed.

Ring 1 will be sand arena obstacles for INTRO and PRELIMINARY A.

Ring 2 will be for PRELIMINARY B and UP - comprising of a combination of sand arena and natural obstacles out of the arena - which may include things such as shallow water crossing, ditch, log jump etc.

COMMENTARY SHEET:

➤ Please print off and bring along the commentary sheet.

SPEED TO MUSIC :

➤ As a bit of extra fun - If you would like to ride your speed test to chosen music you can supply your song on a USB drive to be played on speaker while you ride your speed test.

- only one song to be saved on USB stick
- Speaker can be used with Blue Tooth to some devices.

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The WENEV committee, OC, members and club friends are looking forward to hosting you and your horse for this event.

We encourage a friendly and supportive club culture and we extend this to everyone attending our competition. We look forward to seeing you soon!