

Western Dressage Association of Australia

## Newsletter



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July - September 2023

## Welcome

...a short word

**W0W...**it has been a Western Dressage action packed 3 months! The WDA-AUS National Management Committee is over the moon with the amount of interest shown and obvious growth and support of Western Dressage around Australia. There have been many WDA-AUS approved shows and clinics hosted by our hardworking and inspiring WDA-AUS affiliates, including some prestigious Championship shows and the QLD State Western Dressage show. These events have been well supported by a vast array of competitors from first timers up to our dedicated, experienced high-level Western Dressage competitors. How absolutely wonderful to see!

We have even seen our members compete and SUCCEED Internationally through the WDAA Online International Challenge.

Point awards announced, Club Series National Top Ten Western Dressage horses recognised. You can find all the results and photos throughout this bumper edition of the newsletter. #doweneedamagazineyet?

The WDA-AUS Annual General Meeting is Nomination forms and online meeting details. We urge you to attend and support your National Association.

The National Show is LESS THAN a year away... Please contact us if you can help in any way - through organising/volunteering at the show/sponsoring etc.

There are many shows & clinics scheduled for the rest of 2023 before Christmas is upon us. Take a look at the calendar to find a Western Dressage event near you.

Enjoy the Western Dressage journey with your equine partner - we look forward to seeing you grow and develop a true harmonious connection and achieve all that

#### WE LOVE TO HEAR FROM YOU!

General Inquiries Memberships, Horse Competition Licenses info@westerndressage.com.au <u>or</u>

**Show Secretary Inquiries** Event & Show Program Approvals Lodging of Show Results

Newsletters & Marketing Submit newsletter articles including show dates, ride profiles, good news items, photos, items of interest

<u>Judges Inquiries</u> locations & contact details

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## **Shows & Events**



Western Dressage Calendar of Events

#### **WESTERN DRESSAGE CALENDAR**

#### Queensland

Nov 11-12 FCWDA Clinic Nov 25-26 WDSEQ Show Feb 2024 WDWD Clinic Mar 23-24

NQQHA Show #2 Series Seven

Maryborough Burpengary Dalby Malanda

#### **Western Australia**

Oct 15 Nov 4 Nov 5 Mar 24 WDAWA Series 2 Show #3 WDAWA WA STATE SHOW WDAWA Clinic

WDAWA Series 3 Show #1

Foxwood Farm Foxwood Farm Foxwood Farm Foxwood Farm

#### Victoria -

0ct 29 Nov 4-5 Dec 2

Feb<sub>10</sub>

WDAV Show

WDAV Clinic & Training days

WDAV Show **WDAV TBC** 

Belgrave Sth Ťraralgon Springfield Echo Park, Lara

South Australia

Oct 14-15 SSWPC Vivian Wearing Clinic Hahndorf, SA



**Southern Star Western Performance Club** AGM 5/8/2023

2023-2024

#### **Committee**

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#### **Committee Members**

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## Members Information/Updates

#### Western Dressage Association of Australia







REMINDER: Competitors & Show Secretaries
The most UPDATED versions of the new 2023 WDA-AUS Western
Dressage Tests are on the website with a specific up-to-date
"DATE" printed on each individual test for reference if a test has
been corrected/amended since it has been released.
It is your responsibility to learn the correct test and for
committees to CHECK that Nominate has the correct test
uploaded if using LIVESCORE.

#### 2023-2024 SHOW FEES

Standard Show \$50 Championship Show \$75 State Show \$100 HAVE YOU DONE WELL AT A
WD SHOW RECENTLY?
Send in a photo - if there was
a Professional Photographer
at the event remember to
PURCHASE a photo and then
share with us.

Who wants a PRINTED Copy of the updated 2023 WDA-AUS rulebook?

You can
purchase one
through
WDA-AUS
website for \$16
(inc shipping)
See the order
form on the
website.

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The Western Dressage Association of Australia will be holding its ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING on 16th November 2023 online.

All financial members of the Association are invited to tune in and attend - Keep a look out in your inbox in the coming weeks for the appropriate link and nomination forms.

There will be **THREE vacancies** open on the National Management Committee. These positions are currently being held by Teresa Russo, Paula Byrne & Julie Sain. These members are also eligible for re-election. If you or someone you know have the TIME, SKILLS, KNOWLEDGE, ABILITY to work as part of a TEAM and DEDICATION to the sport of WESTERN DRESSAGE as a whole in Australia - Please consider a position on the National Management Committee.





### **Member News**

**AUSTRALIA** 

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AQHA End of Year National High Point Awards (Top Ten)

## Western Dressage

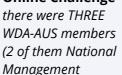
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- 3. One Special Whiz Q-83261
- 4. The Lazy Colonel Q-85691
- 5. Triandibo Insheplayin Q-68946 6. Hot Like A Sunset Q-78213
  - 7. Inscription Q-66854
  - 8. Mondure Mr Mojo Q-81403

Do you ride a registered Quarter Horse?

When you do your show entries please ensure that you supply your AQHA Member # & your Horse's Registration # to the Show Secretary for any WDA-**AUS affiliated Western** Dressage show. All WDA-AUS Affiliates are required to submit all WD results to our partners at AQHA.

#### Western Dressage Association of Australia

**During this year's** Western Dressage **Association of** America's International Western Dressage **Online Challenge** 



Committee members), who entered and competed with Western Dressage competitors from around the WORLD. The Online event has been running ever since Covid rocked the world and it has provided a platform for Western Dressage riders to compete with each other no matter where they live an insightful and very well received event. WDA-AUS encourages all Western Dressage riders to give it a go - it is a very rewarding experience. CONGRATULATIONS to our members who competed. Check out their AMAZING Results!

#### **WDAA Online International Challenge**





#### Gotta Believe & Sharron Rank

Basic Test 1 Amateur THIRD Place (Top Ten) Basic Test 2 Amateur RESERVE CHAMPION (Top Ten) Basic Test 3 Amateur 19th/33

Basic Test 4 Amateur 13th/25

#### Roanies Roc Star & Teresa Russo

Level One Test 3 Amateur RESERVE CHAMPION (Top Ten) Level One Test 3 Open THIRD Place (Top Ten) Level One Test 4 Amateur RESERVE CHAMPION (Top Ten) Level One Test 4 Open FIFTH Place (Top Ten) Top Ten Open Division Award Top Ten Amateur Division Award International Highest Score Award (Australia)



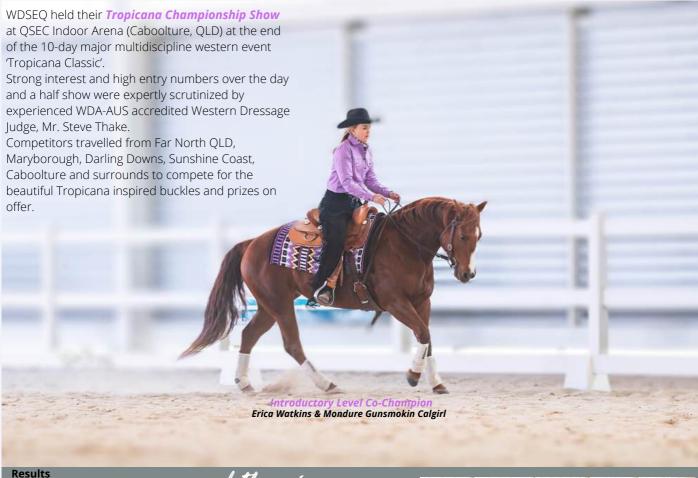
Introductory Test 1 Amateur SIXTH Place (Top Ten) Introductory Test 3 Amateur 27th/46 Breed High Score Award (Australian Stock Horse)







Western Dressage South East
Queensland Tropicana
Championship
Show
Caboolture, QLD



#### Results Introductory Level

### ...and the winners are

Co-Champion Mondure Gunsmokin Calgirl & Erica Watkins

Co-Champion Dukes Cashin Chex & Julie-Anne Howell

Res Champion Desert Super Fancy Girl & Hanna Corica

3rd Surely Zipped & Rebecca Gurski

4th Emugully Grace & Samantha Phillips

#### **Basic Level Non Sanctioned**

Champion Tally S Xplicit Kiss & Chloe Sentance Reserve Champion Surely Zipped & Rebecca Gurski

#### **Basic Level Sanctioned**

Champion Tally S Xplicit Kiss & Chloe Sentance

Res Champion Dukes Cashin Chex & Julie-Anne Howell

3rd Mondure *Gunsmokin Calgirl & Erica Watkins* 

4th Roanies Roc Star & Teresa Russo

5th Tapt Dancin Dundee & Montana Hamilton

#### **Level One**

Champion Shiney Nu Release & Sue Franks Res Champion RKN Gee Whiz & Debbie Scells 3rd Tapt Dancin Dundee & Montana Hamilton 4th Jaylen Downs Verdict & Susan Croser

5th Koorala Poker Face & Heather Marr

#### Level Two

Champion RKN Gee Whiz & Debbie Scells Res Champion Shiney Nu Release & Sue Franks

#### **Youth Sanctioned**

Champion *Montana Hamilton & Tapt Dancin Dundee* Res Champion *Hanna Corica & Desert Super Fancy Girl* 

#### **Youth Non Sanctioned**

Champion Hanna Corica & Desert Super Fancy Girl









Western Dressage South East
Queensland Tropicana
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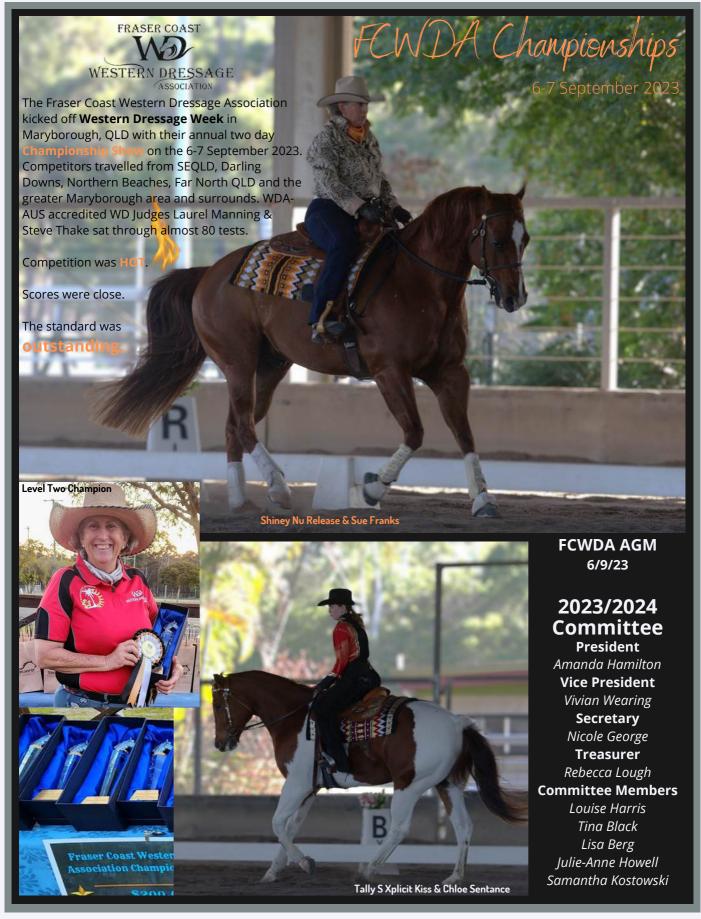




## Fraser Coast Western Dressage Association Championship Show



Maryborough, QLD





## Fraser Coast Western Dressage **Association Championship Show**



Maryborough, QLD

#### Results

#### **Introductory Level (Non Sanctioned)**

Champion Mondure Gunsmokin Calgirl & Erica Watkins Res Champ Yulgilbar Gallivant Oak & Amanda Hamilton 3rd C N Double & Lisa Berg 4th Rosewoods Final Kiss & Carolyn Sentance

**5th** Mahaaro Renegade Girl & Petrea Bates

Basic Level (Sanctioned)
Champion Tally S Xplicit Kiss & Chloe Sentance
Res Champ Koorala Poker Face & Heather Marr
3rd Sheady Centrefold & Kayleen Sutton
4th Rosewoods Final Kiss & Carolyn Sentance
5th Rebesl Law & Samantha Kostowski

#### **Level One**

**Champion** Tally S Xplicit Kiss & Chloe Sentance **Res Champ** Koorala Poker Face & Heather Marr

3rd Rebels Law & Samantha Kostowski 4th Mondure Mr Mojo & Angela Hollis 5th Sheady Centrefold & Kayleen Sutton

**Champion** Shiney Nu Release & Sue Franks

#### **Level Three**

**Champion** Shiney Nu Release & Sue Franks **Res Champ** Too Much Hootch & Louise Harris

#### Youth (Sanctioned)

Champion Hanna Corica & Yulgilbar Galivant Oak

#### Youth (Non Sanctioned)

Champion Amber-Rose Aherne & Larks Starmaker **Res Champ** Hunter Trousdell & Gordon Park Envious

#### \*\*HIGHEST AGGREGATE of the SHOW\*\*

1st ~ Shiney Nu Release & Sue Franks

**2nd** ~ Tally S Xplicit Kiss & Chloe Sentance







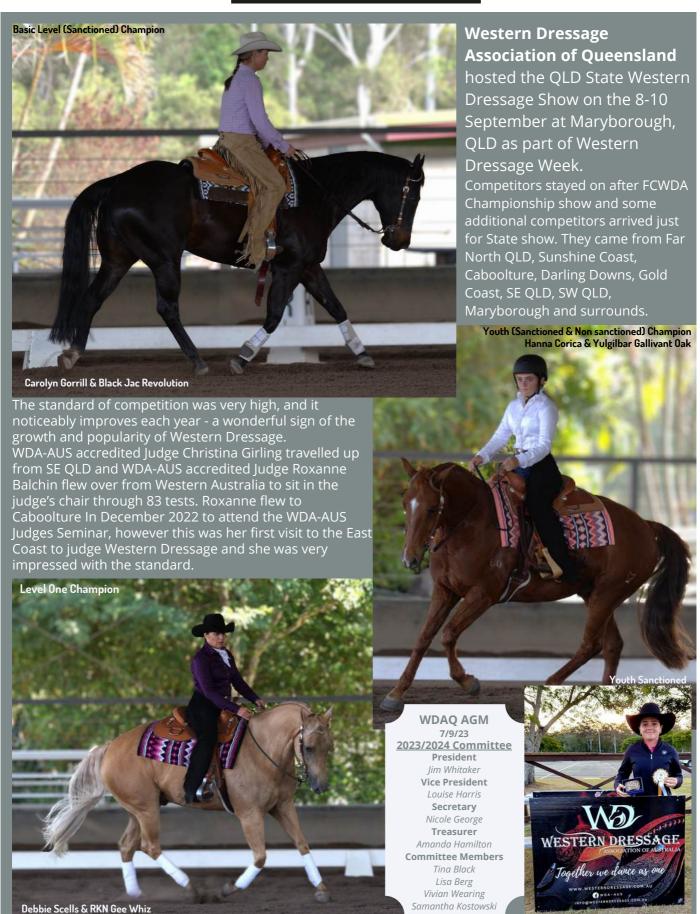




## Western Dressage Association of Queensland STATE SHOW



Maryborough, QLD





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## Western Dressage Association of Queensland STATE SHOW



Maryborough, QLD





## WDAQ Queensland End of Year High Point Awards



Queensland







Fhank You to MARYBOROUGH FITNESS for sponsoring the awards.

#### **Basic Level**

Champion Roanies Roc Star & Teresa Russo
Res Champ Mondure Apache Calboy & Erica Watkins
3rd Koorala Poker Face & Heather Marr
4th Tapt Dancin Dundee & Montana Hamilton
5th The Lazy Colonel & Julie Sain





#### Level One

Champion Roanies Roc Star & Teresa Russo
Res Champ Smart Nu Release & Sue Franksl
3rd Chesalon Shocker & Chloe Lough
=4th Tassawoods Ace & Vivian Wearingi
=4th RKN Gee Whiz & Debbie Scells
=5th Mondure Apache Calboy & Erica Watkins
=5th The Lazy Colonel & Julie Sain

#### Youth

Champion Hanna Corica & One Special Whiz Res Champ Montana Hamilton & Tapt Dancin Dundee 3rd Chloe Lough & Chesalon Shocker 4th Meagan Chatfield & Coco Nioka King



WDAQ awarded the **End Of Year Queensland High Point** Western Dressage Awards during the QLD State Show. A credit to all the western dressage competitors throughout QLD for their dedication to their own Western Dressage journey and for supporting the WDA-AUS affiliated clubs and committees who host Western Dressage events around the State. Well Done!

#### **Level Three**

Champion Too Much Hootch & Louise Harris Res Champ R U Simplee Awesome & Samantha Lupton



#### **Level Two**

Champion Shiney Nu Release & Sue Franks
Res Champion RKN Gee Whiz & Debbie Scells
3rd Tassawoods Ace & Vivian Wearing
4th Too Much Hootch & Louise Harris



## **Affiliate News** North Queensland Quarter Horse



**Association Oueensland** 



#### Western Dressage Show #1 Series Seven

Results

MPH Lazy On Sunday & Kelli Carbone **Res Champion** 

One Lightning Roan & Paula Byrne Basic Level (Non sanctioned)

Champion

Res Champion

Desert Super Fancy Girl & Hanna Corica Basic Level (Sanctioned)

Champion

Desert Super Fancy Girl & Hanna Corica

Res Champion

eans R Intense & Jane Cross

Level One

**Champion** Roanies Roc Star & Teresa Russo **Res Champion** The Lazy Colonel & Julie Sain

Level Two

**Champion** Roanies Roc Star & Teresa Russo

Youth (Sanctioned)

lanna Corica & Desert Super Fancy Girl **Res Champion** 

Mt Echos Regal Flash

Youth (Non Sanctioned)



Hanna Corica & Desert Super Fancy Girl (WDA-AUS Youth)

The start of the **SEVENTH** Western Dressage series in Far North QLD went off with a BANG. 68 tests booked in! Rather than turn anyone away, the committee made some program adjustments to accommodate all of the interest. Level One and Two tests were run on Friday afternoon (22nd September) as soon as the Judge arrived from the airport and the remainder of the program ran from 7:45am until 5:00pm on Saturday 23rd September. WDA-AUS accredited Judge Vivian Wearing did a magnificent job keeping her focus and trained eye on all competitors. Whilst the weather was mostly fine there was a 'strong wind' warning on Saturday that provided some challenges (The penciller did a great job catching the gazebo as it was about to lift off and never missed a single score or comment on the test paper). There were some new WD competitors having their first go as well as some regular, experienced WD competitors. The club also gained two extra WDA-AUS YOUTH members - so exciting! The flood of interest in our wonderful sport shows how it is GROWING! How wonderful to see it bloom. Most of the competitors staved for

an Wearing on the Sunday rience! The feedback was positive with many riders completely blown away with their own understanding and improvement from

the entire weekend.

Until next time - NQQHA WD Show #2 Series Seven will be held in Malanda 23/24 March.



Hayley Smith & Mt Echos Regal Flash (WDA-AUS Youth)



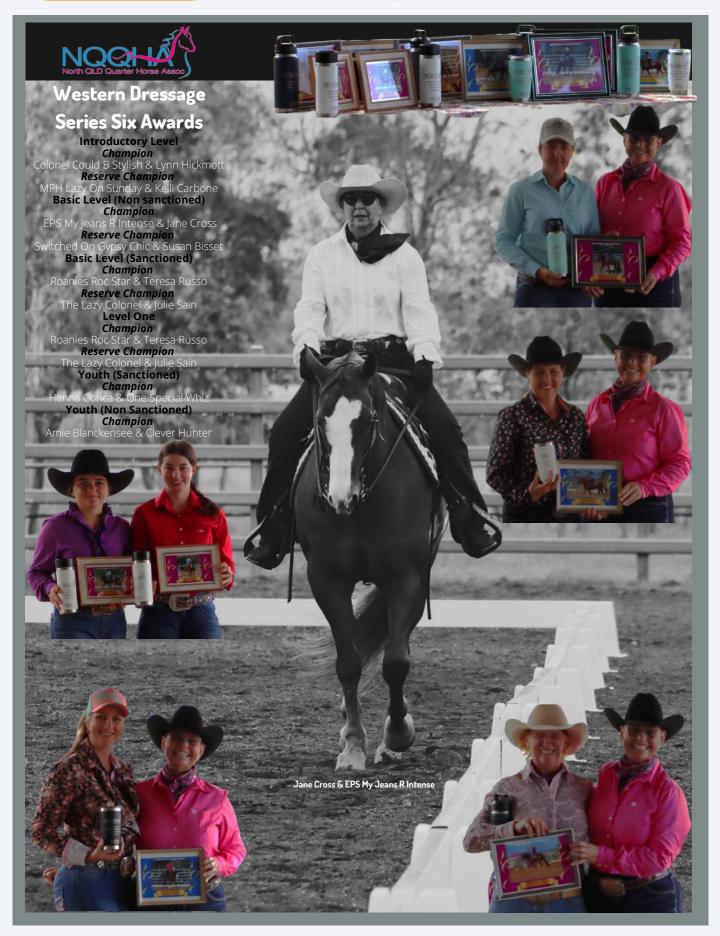
Amie Blanckensee & Clever Hunter (WDA-AUS Youth)



## **Affiliate News** North Queensland Quarter Horse **Association**



Queensland



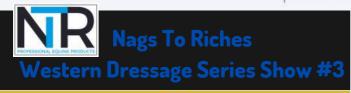


# Affiliate News Western Dressage Association of Western Australia

Western Australia

Charlotte Maney & Inscription

Beth Noble & EEC Its All Good



The Western Dressage Association of Western Australia (WDAWA) held the <u>final</u> show of their NTR Series at Foxwood Farm on July 16th 2023.

We were blessed with a beautiful sunny day although the wind chill factor kept everyone rugged up .. luckily competitors and spectators were able to warm up with delicious, piping hot homemade soup, yummy cakes and muffins and unending hot coffee all supplied free of charge by our wonderful committee! Vanessa Hancox was our judge for the day and commented that she could see some real improvements since the first test of the series and the increased scores were definitely a reflection of that commitment and consistency in training. It was also great to see lots of Quarter Horse and Reining club members riding their tests! The committee worked hard together to share the load of pencilling, marshalling, gear checking, calling and scoring .. it was so wonderful to see everyone pitch in together to pack up the arena ready for presentations. Place-getters were awarded a huge variety of prizes such as sunglasses, personalised halters, product bags from NTR, Hi-Shine Equine and Cavalor, gift vouchers & coupons from Horseland and Ride Proud clothing and many more, along with ribbons and sashes for each Level. It was fabulous to see some new faces at the show and it is always so wonderful to see the improvements in our regular competitors! Series 1 Champions were announced and awarded at this show, and everyone is looking forward to the next Series which is happening





**Affiliate News** Western Dressage Association of Western Australia

Western Australia







Judge: Roxanne Balchin

#### **Results** Introductory Level Champion

Trafalgar Park Pablo & Pam Nelson **Reserve Champion** 

Tanilba Zaarina & Vanessa Crispe Basic Level (Non sanctioned)

Champion

James Bond & Jessica Stevens **Basic Level (Sanctioned)** Champion

EEC Its All Good & Beth Noble **Reserve Champion** 

Mapinduzi Swahili Knight & Monique Dermody **Level Two Champion** Insheplayin & Vicki Parker



Judge: Vanessa Hancox

#### **Results** Introductory Level Champion

Rocs Champagne & Jan Southcott **Reserve Champion** 

Tavilba Zaarina & Vanessa Crispe

#### **Basic Level (Sanctioned)** Champion

EEC Its All Good & Beth Noble **Reserve Champion** NPH Lil Hollywood & Amy Morris

**Level Two Champion** 

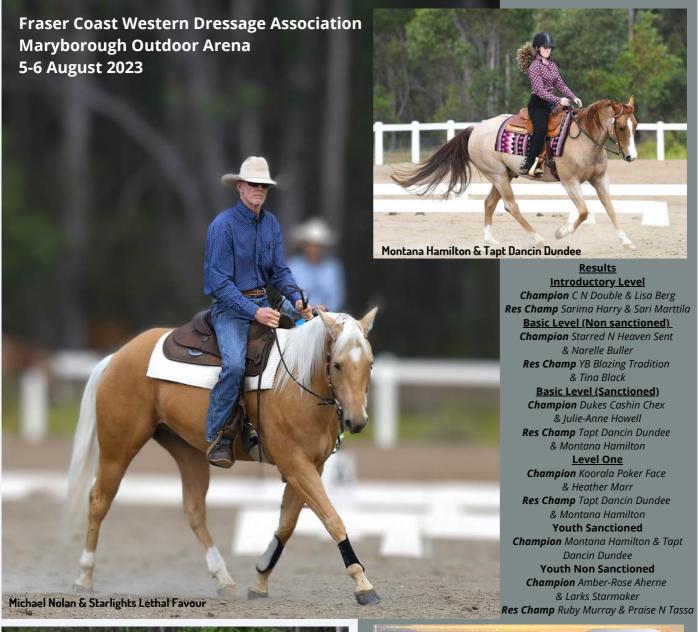
Insheplayin & Vicki Parker



# Affiliate News Fraser Coast Western Dressage Association

WESTERN DRESSAGE
ASSOCIATION

**Queensland** 







**Branch** 



WESTERN DRESSAGE ASSOCIATION OF AUSTRALIA

## Affiliate News Western Downs Western Dressage

Western Dressage Association of Australia

Dalby, Queensland

Western Downs Western
Dressage Branch held a show at
the Dalby Undercover Arena on
23-24 September.

WDA-AUS accredited Judge, Mrs Lyn Roberton travelled over from Linville to judge the 2-day event. There were lots of new faces as well as some regular Western Dressage competitors attend. Interest has steadily grown in this area recently as the club offers more clinics and shows throughout the year. This show followed on from the Steve Thake WD Protocol Clinic that was held at Dalby on 26-27 August.



#### **Results**

#### **Introductory Level**

**Champion** C N Double & Lisa Berg **Res Champ** Mickey & Ros Coaker

#### **Basic Level (Non sanctioned)**

**Champion** GMS Cowboys Sweetheart & Kathleen Murphy

#### **Basic Level (Sanctioned)**

**Champion** Mondure Gunsmokin Calgirl & Erica Watkins

Res Champ C N Double & Lisa Berg









## **Affiliate News**

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#### **Western Dressage Association of**

Victoria has been very busy over the last 3 months. They hosted WD clinics with Meagan Harrison in Tynong in July and in Springfield in August, strategically held right before their July and August WD shows. They held a standard show including some Come & Try classes at Eagleview at Belgrave South (VIC) in July and then another standard show with Come & Try classes at Springfield Equestrian Park in August. Both shows were well supported and shows there is definite interest in Western Dressage in Victoria which is wonderful to see.

WDAV also held their Annual General Meeting on 21 September.

WDAV Show 23 July

#### Results Introductory Level

**Champion** Sir Isaac Newton & Gina Zammit

Res Champ Moka & Anne Melinger

## **Champion** Hot Like A Suprise

**Champion** Hot Like A Sunrise & Jenelle Harper

#### **Basic Level (Sanctioned)**

**Champion** Delightfull Mr H & Colette Apted

**Res Champ** Struttin Crazy Bout Ya & Rachel Downie

WDAV Show 27 August

#### Results Introductory Level

**Champion** Sir Isaac Newton

& Gina Zammit **Res Champ** BNT Royal Blue
& Kaitlyn Costa

#### **Basic Level (Non sanctioned)**

**Champion** Hodgson Park Telopea & Michelle Higgins

#### **Basic Level (Sanctioned)**

Champion Sir Isaac Newton & Gina Zammit Res Champ Delightfull Mr H & Colette Apted







#### WDAV AGM

21/9/2023

#### 2023-2024 Committee President

Meagan Harrison

Secretary

Rachel O'Dowd

Treasurer

Gina Zammit

#### **Committee Members**

Colette Apted Many Smith Mishel Reynolds







# Affiliate News Western Dressage Clinics

**Australia** 

