



# TGCA Dressage League



This programme aims to recognise the most successful Part and full bred Traditional gypsy cob dressage partnerships throughout the country by converting dressage scores into a points league, culminating in a double point available at TOYS.

To provide an equal opportunity for all members, the riding club/show centre you attend does not have to be affiliated to the TGCA, just send a copy of your score sheets to Kerri Skelton by email or post following the events to have your points recorded.

Only the Top Ten Scores will be used to calculate your points.

This is a great opportunity to showcase your Traditional cob's dressage ability and to be in with a chance of winning at the national championship at the 'Traditional of the Year Show'.

A separate Champion and reserve will be awarded for the Intro, Preliminary and Novice Levels for both juniors and seniors.

## **Age Categories**

there are two age categories:

- Juniors (Under 18 as of 1st January in current year)
- Seniors

## **Membership**

All riders (and owners) must be paid-up members of the TGCA and horse registered with the TGCA.

## **Eligibility to compete**

a) TGCA Dressage League will run as an unaffiliated competition but will be run according to BD rules and regulations including horse welfare and any veterinary regulations.

b) Riders can choose which level they ride at, providing that as a combination they are eligible for the section at Introductory, Preliminary or Novice respectively in accordance with the table (page 3) which shows levels horses and rider may compete in.

c) Horses and ponies of any height are eligible for all levels/team categories but must be 4 years old or over.

d) Points will be allocated to tests sheets, these are awarded according to the percentage gained in the test to the same scale as attached.

e) A rider can compete in any unaffiliated or affiliated competition and use these test sheets to gain points

## **Qualifying Period**

Tests sheets from Competitions between **5<sup>th</sup> August 2018 to/including 1<sup>st</sup> August (TOYS) 2019.**

There is no limit on the number of tests that can be submitted but only the top 10 scores will earn points towards the league.



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## The National Finals (TOYS)

The Top 10 finalists (at time of TOYS pre- entry closing date) will be invited to a presentation which will take place at 'Traditional of the Year Show' between 1<sup>st</sup> August – 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2019.

Any tests completed at TOYS will earn double points for the league finalists.

In the event of a tie of points, the average percentage of a combination's counting scores will determine placings.

If a rider is unable to attend the final, the place will be allocated to the next rider at the final.

If combinations qualify at multiple levels, they may only compete in two consecutive levels at the finals and must ride in the two highest levels qualified for; e.g. a combination that qualifies at Introductory, Preliminary and Novice would have to compete in the final at Preliminary and Novice.

## **Dressage tests**

All tests will be run in long or short arenas. Organisers can choose any test from the list of BD tests. At least one test from each level will be held.

## **Saddlery and Dress**

a) BD rules will apply with regards to saddlery and horse equipment (including spurs). Numnahs/saddle cloths may be of any colour.

b) Head wear **MUST** be worn in accordance with BD rules.

c) Jackets are compulsory.

d) Footwear needs to be safe (i.e. a small heel and clearance each side of the stirrup) and may be long or short boots, with or without gaiters. Breeches/Jodhpurs must be White, Beige or Canary.

e) Horses may be plaited; however, it is not compulsory, and may not be decorated other than via permitted tack.

f) Boots and bandages are not permitted during the test, in accordance with BD rules.

g) Commanders and whips will be allowed at all levels and in the National Finals.

<b>Points Conversion Chart</b>		
	Show	Online
<b>Score</b>	<b>Points</b>	
<50%	2	1
51 - 55.99%	3	1.5
56 - 60.99%	4	2
61 - 65.99%	5	2.5
66 - 70.99%	6	3
71 - 75.99%	7	3.5
76 - 80.99%	8	4
81 - 85.99%	9	4.5
86 - 100%	10	5



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## Eligibility Chart

Level	A rider is eligible unless they -	A horse is eligible unless they-
<b>Intro</b>	Have won more than 15 points at BD novice level or any points at BD Elementary in the last 5 years	Have competed at BD prelim level
	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music championship at Prelim level (This does not include associated championships)	
<b>Prelim</b>	Have won more than 15 points at BD Elementary level or any points at BD Medium in the last 5 years	Have competed at BD Novice level
	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music at Novice level (This does not include associated championships)	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music championship at Prelim level (This does not include associated championships)
<b>Novice</b>	Have won more than 15 points at BD Medium level or any points at BD Advanced Medium in the last 5 years	Have competed at BD Elementary level
	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music championship at Elementary level (This does not include associated championships)	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music championship at Novice level (This does not include associated championships)
<b>*Elementary</b>	Have won more than 15 points at BD Advanced Medium level or any points at BD PSG in the last 5 years	Have competed at BD Medium level
	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music championship at Medium level (This does not include associated championships)	Have competed at a BD Petplan/Winter/National/Music championship at Elementary level (This does not include associated championships)

\*Elementary championship will only go ahead if there are 10 or more entries into the league

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