

DARWIN DRESSAGE CLUB

2021 Sponsor Series Policy



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1. Purpose of Policy

The purpose of this policy is to outline the procedure for the 2021 Darwin Dressage Club (DDC) Sponsor Series.

2. Terms and Conditions of the 2021 Sponsor Series

2.1. Applicable Events

The Sponsor Series will run during the 2021 DDC season incorporating the following events:

- 24 January – Australia Day
- 20 March
- 25 April
- 16 May
- 13 June
- 5 September – DDC Club Championships

*please note dates may be subject to change, at the committee's discretion.

2.2. Applicable Competition Levels

The following levels of competition are included in the series:

Level	Sponsor
Preliminary	Darwin Equestrian Academy
Novice	Adrian Phillips Shoeing Services
Elementary	The Stockfeedshop.com
Medium	Sustainable Power Services
Advanced	Paulette Tolley
*FEI	Darwin Dressage Club

*please note these levels of competition may not be offered at all events.

2.3. Determining Highest Percentages Per Competition Level

The test percentages will be calculated by the following method:

- when judged by one or more judges the percentage considered is the combination of all the judges scores and not one of the judge's individual test percentages.

- test percentages will not be combined to determine an average percentage across the number of tests ridden.

The intent is to reward the top three (3) percentages per competition level, regardless of the:

- number of tests a combination has ridden
- division the combination has competed in i.e. Closed Restricted, Official Competitive, age or open, pony or horse

2.4. Allocation of Prizes

The following prize's will be awarded at the applicable events for each competition level (when offered):

Place	Value
1 st Highest %	Prize to the value of \$20.00
2 nd Highest %	Prize to the value of \$15.00
3 rd Highest %	Prize to the value of \$10.00

Prize's will be awarded to all competitors regardless of their DDC membership status.

Prize's will be awarded to each competition level during the prize giving ceremony at the completion of the event. Prize's must be collected and signed for on the day, otherwise forfeited.

2.4.1. Competitions judge virtually

In the event a competition is judged virtually, and the results are not available on the day, prizes for the competition level will be held over until a date advised by the committee.

2.5. Tie Placing on the Day of the Event

To determine the outcome of a tie placing on the day of the event, the following method will be used:

- First tie position. The marks allocated to the collective scores per tests paper will be accumulated to determine the highest average.
- Second tie position. The committee will determine the outcome of the tie.

2.6. Eligibility for Series Champion

To be eligible for a 'Series Champion' you **must** be a financial member of DDC. Equestrian Northern Territory (ENT) only members, or Day Members will not be eligible for the Series Champion.

ONLY financial DDC members are eligible to compete at the DDC Championships. Day membership is not offered.

The Series Champion will be awarded for each competition level. The Champion will be awarded a trophy rug. There will be one (1) champion per competition level.

2.7. Presentation of the Series Champion Rug

The committee will determine if the rug is awarded during the 2021 DDC Club Championship Prize Giving Ceremony or at the 2021 end of year awards event.

2.8. Series Leaderboard

A progressive series leaderboard will be conducted for each competition level. The overall competition level champion will be determined by the series leaderboard and will be published on the DDC website.

Please note: The DDC Club Champions and the DDC Hi-Point Leaderboard are two (2) separate awards, and each have their own separate policies.

Leaderboard Points

The sponsor series leaderboard will attract the following points:

Place	Value
1 st Highest %	3 Points
2 nd Highest %	2 Points
3 rd Highest %	1 Point

2.9. Tie Placing on the Overall Series Champion

To determine the outcome of a tie placing for the overall series champion, the following method will be used:

- First tie position. The final top three (3) highest percentages per combination tied for the competition level will be accumulated to determine the highest average percentage.
- Second tie position. The marks allocated to the collective scores per tests paper will be accumulated to determine the highest average.
- Third tie position. The committee will determine the outcome of the tie.