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# SYDNEY'S WEEKEND OF EQUESTRIAN WORLD CUPS

7-9 May 2010

Including the HSBC FEI World Cup™ Eventing Qualifier  
& Greater Sydney World Cup Jumping Qualifier

## Bareback Jumping for Big Prize Money

Jumping with a saddle can be hard enough but for some the real challenge is jumping bareback.

As part of the Saturday evening entertainment at the Weekend of World Cups show jumpers and eventers, young and old, will compete against each other in a bareback high jump for a \$1000 prize pool.

A special award will also be presented by Musto to the best fancy dress costume of the evening.

The competition will begin at a height of 1.10m and progress until there is just one winner who will be crowned the Sydney Weekend of World Cups Bareback Champion!

Sydney International Eventing would like to thank David Cameron, Hamish Cargill, Chris Burton and Terramar Farm for providing the prize money for the event.

Bareback entries are open to any Equestrian Australia member and can be taken on either Friday or Saturday at the show jumping office in the Indoor Arena. Riders wishing to compete do not have to be entered in other classes at the Weekend of World Cups and may arrive on Saturday for the bareback extravaganza. The entry fee is just \$20

Spectators are encouraged to attend the event on Saturday for a full program of action beginning with the 3 Star World Cup Cross Country at 10:30, followed by the 1.30m and 1.40m Indoor Show Jumping at 3pm and culminating with the Bareback High Jump and dinner.

For more information go to [www.sydneyeventing.org](http://www.sydneyeventing.org) or call 0418 216 364.

Tickets can be purchased at the gate each day: adults \$15; children \$5; family of four \$30.



## Event Overview

Eventing Entries: 300 horses and 215 riders

Jumping Entries: 95 horses and 53 riders

Young Horse Entries: 62

Riders from: Australia (ACT – 7, WA - 4, SA - 2, VIC - 9, NSW - 174, QLD - 13), New Zealand (3), Japan (1), India (1), and Finland (1)

## What's on at the Weekend of World Cups 7 - 9 May 2010

### Friday 7 May – Dressage & Young Eventing Horse Classes from (9 am to 9 pm)

The highlight for Friday will be the World Cup Eventing Dressage starting at 4.30 pm in the indoor arena supported by dog agility and freestyle dressage demonstrations

### Saturday 8 May – Cross Country, Jumping and Young Event Horse Classes (9am – 8pm)

The highlights for Saturday are the World Cup Eventing Cross Country starting at 10.00 am, the 1.3m and 1.4m show jumping in the indoor arena starting at 3pm concluding with a special Bareback Show Jumping competition in the evening.

### Sunday 9 May - Show Jumping (8am – 4.30 pm).

The highlights for Sunday are the World Cup Eventing Jumping starting at 12.00 noon followed by the World Cup Jumping Qualifier, comprising two exciting rounds.

## The three phases of Eventing explained

The Olympic sport of Eventing (also known as Horse Trials) is the equestrian triathlon where the three phases of dressage, cross country and show jumping are completed by the same horse/rider combination. Eventing is a discipline at which Australia has excelled with numerous Olympic Medals. It is also one of the few sports where men and women compete on equal terms and the genuine amateur can compete against a World or Olympic Champion.

The HSBC FEI World Cup™ Eventing is a linked series which aims to unite all corners of the international Eventing community. It is organised annually as a series of three-star level CIC qualifiers. It began in August 2002 and the first Australian leg of the series was held in Sydney in 2009. The series is supported by HSBC. The HSBC FEI World Cup™ Eventing Series includes 12 events in 10 countries across three continents

**Dressage** The first test is Dressage, which comprises a set sequence of compulsory movements in an arena 20m wide and 60m long. At World Cup level the test is judged by three international judges who are looking for balance, rhythm, suppleness and most importantly, obedience of the horse and its' harmony with the rider.

**Cross Country** consists of the challenge of a course of more than 35 natural obstacles over approximately 4km in length that has to be jumped inside an optimum time. This phase is filled with thrills and spills.

**Show Jumping** is the final phase of the competition consisting of one round of jumping with a maximum time allowed, and the objective is to jump all the fences clear inside the time.

## Other attractions at the Weekend of World Cups in Sydney

- Young Event Horse Classes & Young Jumping Horse Classes sponsored by Gwiahir Stud and ESP
- Dog Agility Demonstrations (Friday evening)
- Freestyle Dressage Demonstrations (Friday evening)
- Bareback Show Jumping Competition (Saturday evening)
- Shopping Village (open Friday, Saturday and Sunday)

A full event timetable can be found on [www.sydneyeventing.org](http://www.sydneyeventing.org)

## Next Event

- Sydney International Three Day Event 26-29 August 2010

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