

RE: FEI Group VIII National Dressage Judges Online Course

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Dear President,

Dear Secretary General,

Dear NF Administrator,

I hope this email finds you well. As a follow up to the Group VIII National Dressage Judges Online Course, I am very happy to share with you that 5 courses were conducted over the course of the year from April to August and achieved the following positive results:

National B-level (Prix St. George)

46 National judges from 8 Group VIII NFs attended the 3 sessions.

National A-level (Grand Prix)

38 National judges from 3 Group VIII NFs attended the 2 sessions.

To this day, 84 National Dressage judges have attended the FEI Group VIII National Dressage Judges Online Course. In addition, we continue to receive inquiries from some judges on when the next session will take place to either allow those judges who didn't have the opportunity to attend these sessions, or from participants wanting to attend the course again as a refresher. After consulting with our Course Directors Mary Seefried and Susie Hoevenaars, we have tentatively allocated 29 November to organize one additional B-Level (Prix St. George) online sessions.

To ensure transparency, please find below the breakdown of the cost of the session(s)

1. Fee per Course Director Per Day = EUR 400 (Same as current FEI fee structure for Course Director)
2. Black Horse One platform and operational cost per session = AUD 900 (EUR 590)

Therefore, for the 29 November session, the cost is as follows:

1. 2 Course Directors x 2 days (one day allocated for preparation and the ensuing report) x EUR 400 = EUR 1,600

2. Black Horse One online platform and operational cost = EUR 590

Total for 29 November Session will be EUR 1,600 + EUR 590 = EUR 2,190

IF 15 participants will attend this session, the cost will be EUR 2,190/15 = EUR 146/ participant

Alternatively, if we are able to have 30 participants, an additional session will be provided in December or January. This in return will reduce the cost per participant because the 1 day preparation day can be omitted for the 2nd session. The cost will consequently be reduced to EUR 120/ participant

Please help us spread the word and please ask your national judges interested in attending the session to contact Sue Hobson once again at brian.suehobson@xtra.co.nz to sign up for this program. Please provide her with their name, NF, and most importantly, their email address. Participation will be on a first-come first-serve basis and payable by individuals via credit card using an online link provided by Black Horse One at a later stage. **The deadline to sign up is 23 October** in order to assess confirm the numbers and to make any last-minute changes if necessary.

Once again, a big thanks to the you the National Federations and our Group VIII Dressage Working Group for your support in this project to enrich the skills of our National Dressage Judges in the region. Nevertheless, this would not have been possible without the strong commitment from Mary Seefried, Susie Hoevenaars, Sue Hobson, and Black Horse One. We will continue to work with FEI and Black Horse One with the goal to implement this course with FEI's Officials Education System.

I'm looking forward to seeing you in Cape Town online or in person this November!

Best regards,

Jack

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Vice President

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