

## **Orange Grove Dressage Gala – 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> July 2017**

Proudly Presented by: Orange Grove Adult Riding Club Inc.

The Dressage Gala has finally made a comeback after years of not being run. This used to be one of “IT” Competitions of the year to attend and now it’s back and going to be even bigger in 2018.

We had approx. 70 Entrants and over 140 tests held over the 2 days. There was Official up to Inter 1, Participant and the very popular ARCA (Adult Riding Club Association) this is open to all ARCA affiliated clubs.

We had great support from our Sponsors who donated prizes for every winner. Europa supplied our beautiful Championship Rugs. Lux, Maxi Soy, Pimp my Pony, Northam Chaff & Fodder, Anitone, The Spud Shed, Serpentine Vet, Penrose Park Garlands and the wonderful Zoe Harrison were just to name a few who added to the great prize list.

Zoe Harrison also had an extra Daily Prize for any rider with highest % over 55 years. Tracy Dow (66.25%) and Didy Massey (70.64%) were the lucky entrants who won a great basket full of Zoe’s products.

I have attached a couple of our Championship winners that I was lucky enough to grab a lovely photo of.

1. Tyana Lawless on Bluefields Furstin Revel – Official Advanced Champion
2. Vanessa Dunstan on Foxleigh Scimitar – Official Preliminary Champion
3. Laura Woolford on Vertical – Participant Preliminary & Novice Champion
4. Tegan Sutton on Amberville Rosenstien – Official Medium Champion

Other winners were: Didy Massey on Foxleigh Mr Darcy – Official Novice Champion, Gillian Ingham on Sonic Boom - ARCA Prep Champion, Catie Hart on Irish Tiger – ARCA Preliminary Champion, Jill Claybrook on Classic Conifer – ARCA Novice Champion, Lucinda Spittle on SP Stockmans Run – ARCA Elementary Champion. It was great seeing Hannie Byrne winning the Prix St Georges and Majorie Radford winning the Inter 1. List of all the day’s results are on our Facebook page.

I would also like to thank all the wonderful riders and helpers for being such superstars for filling their helper duties and being so prompt for their classes.

Also, a HUGE thank you to Marian Semones for her help and to all the Judges for their great feedback and support of the Gala weekend. Lastly, Orange Grove ARC Committee have become such a great team to work with and a HUGE thank you to every one of you for your never-ending support, this day could not have been possible without you.

Onwards & upwards for 2018 – Happy Riding, Kaz Hardy – OGARC President





