

EQUESTRIAN WESTERN AUSTRALIA

ANNUAL AWARDS 2024

Hosted by Tim Gossage

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RIDE WITH RESPECT



Our Values, Our Community

As we come together to celebrate our sport, we are reminded of the values that define us. Whether you are competing, coaching, volunteering, officiating, or supporting from the sidelines, you play a vital role in fostering a strong, inclusive, and respectful equestrian community.

Teamwork

We achieve more together, supporting one another in pursuit of our shared passion.

Integrity

We uphold fairness, respect, and sportsmanship in every aspect of our sport.

Inclusion

We welcome and value everyone, embracing diversity and encouraging participation.

As proud ambassadors of Equestrian WA, let's continue to embody these values—both in and out of the arena. Together, we create an environment where every rider, horse, and supporter can thrive.



TEAMWORK

- Collaboration
- Accountability
- Respect



INTEGRITY

- Fair
- Ethical
- Transparent



INCLUSION

- Welcoming
- Equality
- Belonging



EXCELLENCE

- Performance-driven
- Courageous
- Innovative



FUN & ENJOYMENT

Saddle up, lead by example, and enjoy the journey ahead!

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Equestrian WA Annual Awards 2024

Discover the legacy of excellence at Equestrian Western Australia's Annual Awards Night.

For years, this prestigious event has celebrated the dedication and achievements of our equestrian community. From thrilling competitions to heartwarming moments, the Awards Night is a showcase of passion and talent.

Join us as we honour the best in equestrian sports, creating lasting memories and forging connections in the vibrant horse community.



ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

Equestrian Western Australia acknowledges the Whadjuk Nyoongar people as the Traditional Owners of the lands and waters where we meet today, and pay our respect to Elders past and present.



OUR HOST

Tim Gossage

It is with great pleasure to introduce the charismatic and seasoned sports broadcaster, Tim Gossage, as the Master of Ceremonies for tonight's awards program. Tim has not only been a prominent figure in the world of sports journalism but also a captivating host known for his wit and charm. We thank Tim for joining us for yet another year of celebrations.



OUR VENUE

The Ritz-Carlton, Perth

We extend our sincere gratitude to The Ritz-Carlton, Perth, and its exceptional staff for kindly hosting the our Annual Awards Night.

I'm sure you can agree we are truly privileged to celebrate this special evening in such an exquisite venue.

WELCOME

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the prestigious 2024 Equestrian WA Annual Awards Night at The Ritz-Carlton Perth. Tonight, we come together as a community to celebrate the outstanding individuals who have left a lasting impact on our sport over the past year.

These awards are more than just accolades; they are a reflection of the dedication, passion, and commitment demonstrated by athletes, coaches, administrators, owners, club members, event organisers, and volunteers. Their tireless efforts have not only strengthened our sport but have also inspired the next generation of equestrians.

I extend my heartfelt congratulations to all our nominees. Your achievements set a benchmark of excellence, and tonight, we acknowledge and applaud your contributions to equestrian sport in Western Australia.

As we celebrate the successes of the past year, we also look ahead to an exciting 2025 season, filled with new opportunities and challenges that will continue to elevate and grow our sport.

Let us enjoy this special evening together, celebrating our achievements and looking forward to an even brighter future for equestrian sport in WA.

Yours sincerley,

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Anne Wilkins *Chairperson* Equestrian WA





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OUR CATEGORIES

The 2024 Awards showcase various modifications emphasising accomplishments and commitment across all levels of our sport and clubs, events and community.

- Rider of the Year
- Junior Rider of the Year
- Horse of the Year
- OTTWA Horse of the Year
- Club of the Year Metro
- Club of the Year Regional
- Coach of the Year Performance
- Coach of the Year Community Club
- Event of the Year Club
- Event of the Year Special Events
- Official of the Year
- Volunteer of the Year
- Lifetime Service to the Sport
- Breeder of the Year



2023 AWARD WINNERS RECAP

SHARON JARVIS *Rider of the Year*

IMOGEN FREEMAN Junior Rider of the Year

DESPERANZA SANDROS SALUTE MW Horse of the Year

GI WAR MACHINE OTTWA Horse of the Year

SWAN RIVER DRESSAGE INC. *Club of the Year - Metro*

DRYANDRA REGIONAL EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION INC. Club of the Year - Regional

PHILIPPA COLLIER Coach of the Year - Community Club

SONJA JOHNSON Coach of the Year - Performance **JUMPING PROMOTIONS EVENTS WA STATE TITLES** *Event of the Year - Club*

SHOW HORSE WA 50TH ANNIVERSARY HORSE & RIDER OF THE YEAR Event of the Year - Special Event

POLLYANN HUNTINGTON *Official of the Year*

KAREN MCINNES MARJORY STANGER Volunteer of the Year

VALRIE MAYGER *Lifetime Services to the Sport*

YALAMBI FARM STUD - RORY HOVELL Breeder of the Year



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HORSELAND WA & EQUESTRIAN WA VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

With the kind support of Horseland WA, Equestrian WA recognise the countless volunteers who make up a vitally important part of our Equestrian Community with their dedication and support at our clubs, events and throughout our sport.

This monthly award of recognition asks members and our community to nominate a valued volunteer who effortlessly devotes their time back into our sport. Each monthly winner will receive a **Horseland WA \$200 Gift Voucher**. All nominations will be kept on file for a 2 month period.

Stay tuned every last Thursday of the month and help us congratulate our selected Monthly Volunteer award winner

NOMINATE TODAY, SCAN HERE









Maitland Park Junior Equestrian Development Squad (JEDS)

The Maitland Park JEDS Awards celebrate outstanding riders who embody the squad's values. The Citizenship Award honours leadership, teamwork, and sportsmanship, while the Fairest and Best Award recognises dedication and excellence. The Most Improved Award highlights remarkable progress and a strong commitment to learning.

CITIZENSHIP AWARD FINALISTS

Jorja Wareham Meg Fowler Sune Snyman Taylor Palmer

FAIREST & BEST AWARD FINALISTS

DRESSAGE Alivia Coppin Alyssa Scott Chenin Hislop

Jorja Wareham

EVENTING Amy <u>Lethlean</u>

Isabelle Cox

Serena Smith

Siena Stasiw

JUMPING

Amy Lethlean

Isla Bolton

Portia Freeman

Rosie Webster

OFF-HORSE EDUCATION

Krystina Bercene Meg Fowler **Payton Hattingh** Taylor Palmer

MOST IMPROVED AWARD FINALISTS

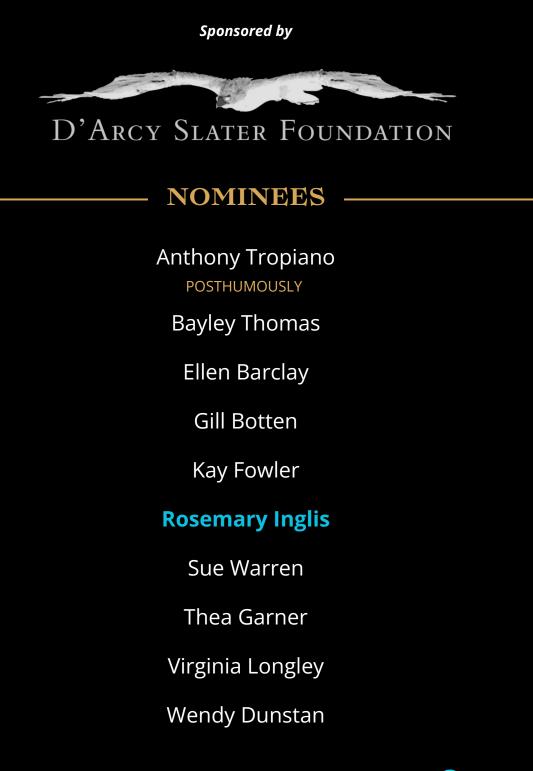
DRESSAGE Imogen Freeman Kate Watkins Lyla Valuri Marni Bercene **EVENTING** Amy Lockhart Caitlin Godfrey **Lana Scully** Payton Hattingh

JUMPING Amelia Chester Caitlin Godfrey Portia Freeman Rosie Webster **OFF-HORSE EDUCATION**

Jorja Wareham Isabella Main Lateesha Coppin **Ryleigh Conway**

LIFETIME SERVICE TO THE SPORT

The Lifetime Service to the Sport Award acknowledges a sustained and significant commitment, applauding individuals who have played a pivotal role in shaping the equestrian landscape. Their enduring passion and dedication serve as an inspiration to others, embodying the spirit of community, sportsmanship, and excellence that define the equestrian world. This award not only honours the recipients for their past achievements but also serves as a beacon for future generations, encouraging a legacy of service, leadership, and love for the equestrian sport.



VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Volunteer of the Year Award is a distinguished accolade that pays tribute to individuals who exemplify selfless dedication and contribute their time and skills to enriching equestrian sports in Western Australia. This prestigious award acknowledges the invaluable efforts of those who go above and beyond in their volunteer roles, leaving a lasting positive impact at the Club, Regional, and State levels.

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NOMINEES

Amy O'Neill Bayley Thomas Bryce Crook **Debra King** Elissa Forbes Emma Crofts Jacqui Moon Jade Edwards Kelly DeJonge Kelly Thomas Malcolm Kentish Marianne Rothfuss Peter McLachlan Roxie Sinclair Sara Roth Sarah Johnson Siobhan Bejr Terri Crook Terrina Fairbrother Tessa Sharman Vickey Logan

COACH OF THE YEAR - PERFORMANCE -

The Equestrian WA Coach of the Year - Performance Award celebrates coaches whose dedication and expertise have left an indelible mark on both human and equine athletes. Acknowledging significant contributions to individual or team success in senior or junior competitions at state, national, and/or international levels, this accolade highlights their pivotal role in achieving outstanding results. Beyond the arena, recipients also stand out for their contributions to the wider coaching community through mentoring and other impactful efforts, showcasing a commitment to advancing the sport as a whole.

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NOMINEES

Alison Rowland

Bayley Thomas

Les Bunning JUMPING

Liesl Wilding dressage

Liz Tollarzo dressage

Majorie Radford

PARA-EQUESTRIAN

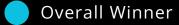
Nellandra Henry

Philippa Collier

Roz Tippett dressage

Sonja Johnson EVENTING

Stephanie Spencer DRESSAGE



COACH OF THE YEAR - COMMUNITY CLUB -

The Equestrian WA Coach of the Year - Community Club Award honours coaches whose dedication and skill have profoundly impacted both human and equine athletes, fostering development at Clubs throughout WA. Recognising their vital contributions to rider development at the grassroots level, this award celebrates their commitment to nurturing talent within 'club-land.' Beyond their immediate impact, recipients also showcase a commitment to the wider coaching community through mentoring and other significant contributions, embodying the spirit of community and growth in equestrian sports.

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NOMINEES

Anna Latto

Denise Barker

Don Hawkins

Krystal Wang

Rebecca Thomas

CLUB OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Club of the Year Award celebrates an affiliated club's exceptional community engagement across multiple levels. Recognising outstanding contributions to the sport of Equestrian in WA, from grassroots development through programs and coaching to high-level performance, the award encompasses club governance, strategic partnerships, profile building, events, culture, and financial sustainability. A testament to excellence, this accolade signifies a club's comprehensive commitment to advancing equestrian sports, embodying the values of inclusivity, performance, and strong community ties.

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METRO NOMINEES

Gidgegannup Dressage Club Inc.

Oakford Vaulting Team

Perth ShowJumping League Inc.

Swan Valley Equestrian Club Inc.

Western Australian Dressage Young Riders Assoc.

Youth Eventing Squad WA Inc.

REGIONAL NOMINEES

Henty Riding Club

EVENT OF THE YEAR - CLUB -

The Equestrian WA Event of the Year - Club Award acknowledges an EWA-sanctioned event by an affiliated club that stands out for its exceptional standard of excellence, surpassing others in the equestrian realm. Whether hosting local, regional, state, national, or international competitors, the award highlights the event's distinction in delivering a remarkable experience and achieving a level of excellence that sets it apart as an exemplary showcase within the equestrian community.



NOMINEES

ARCA Spring Dressage Challenge

Perth Dressage Club June Competition

Perth Showjumping League

De Rosa's Highway Motors Swan River Horse Trials CCN-S 2024

2024 Hygain Patron Cup Festival of Showjumping

Wooroloo International 3 Day Event 2024

Yalambi Jumping Classic

EVENT OF THE YEAR - SPECIAL EVENT -

The Equestrian WA Event of the Year - Special Events Award acknowledges excellence in an EWA sanctioned event organised by an EWA committee, affiliated sport, or commercial affiliate. Reserved for events surpassing standards, whether local, regional, state, national, or international, it recognises outstanding achievement in organisation and execution, setting a benchmark for excellence in the diverse landscape of equestrian competitions.

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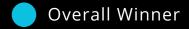
NOMINEES

All Ways Caravans Para Showcase

2024 Cavallo Equestrian WA State Dressage Championships

Equestrian WA Interschool State Championships

Yalambi WA State Jumping Championships



OFFICIAL OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Official of the Year Award celebrates an EA accredited official exemplifying excellence in officiating, setting themselves apart through exceptional conduct and professionalism. Recognising their significant contributions to the sport of officials in WA, including development efforts, this award highlights achievements across various competition levels. Serving as an ambassador, the recipient aligns with Equestrian WA values, showcasing dedication and proficiency in fostering fair and exemplary competition.

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NOMINEES

Abbie White

Chris Edwards

Don Smailes

Elaine Greene

Gill Botten

James Meyer

Jenni Bowman

Jenny Brett

Lisa Baker

Penny Dodd

Peter Madigan

BREEDER OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Breeder of the Year Award honours individuals whose dedication to breeding horses of the highest quality has significantly impacted equestrian success, with exceptional achievements at State, National, or International levels. This award celebrates a breeder's positive and encouraging attitude, inspiring and guiding both horses and riders, thereby contributing to the overall progression and spirit of equestrian sports.

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NOMINEES

Cimeron Pony Stud Helen & Anna Duffy

Jakoma Equestrian Park (JEP) Jennifer Franceschi

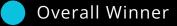
Kentaur Australia Performance Horses Lucy Galovicova

> Kings Town Welsh Cobs Paige & Lauren King

Penny Hill Park Warmblood Stud Michelle James

Sovereign Performance Horses Georgie Siciliano

> Yalambi Farm Stud Rory Hovell



OFF THE TRACK WA HORSE OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Horse of the Year Award, in collaboration with Off the Track WA, celebrates exceptional performances by Off the Track horses in domestic and international competitions. Recognising the outstanding contributions of these horses during the defined period, the award highlights their achievements and showcases the versatility and excellence of retired racehorses in equestrian pursuits.

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NOMINEES

Allwest

Race Name: All West

Azarax Race Name: Distribute

Gl War Machine

Race Name: Out of Line

GSH Azugo Race Name: Azugo

Imposing Race Name: Sunsupernatural

Lyndam Park Reach the Stars

Race Name: Lazerscan

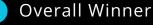
Moet Race Name: Lyrical Discourse

Petite E'Toile Race Name: Lascia Star

SV Supermaxi Race Name: Super Maxi

Tamblyn Park Jackpot Race Name: Tabannan

The Diamond Thief Race Name: Lost East Estees



Runners Winner

HORSE OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Horse of the Year Award celebrates equine excellence, honouring a horse that has delivered exceptional performances in both domestic and international competitions. This award recognises outstanding achievements at all levels, from local to international events, highlighting the horse's remarkable contributions to the sport during the defined period.

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NOMINEES

EVENTING

DRESSAGE

BML Silhouette BML Symphony Byalee Breathless

Desperanza

Idol

DRESSAGE PONY

Kingsfield Nobleman NEP Cadillac Primrose Park Red Fox **Rosalie WE**

PARA-EQUESTRIAN

BML Jack Sparrow Don Dancier Kendall Park Odyssey Lord Larmarque

VAULTING Mackerson

Azarax Don Jamee ESB Irish Tribute GI Caramba GI War Machine GSH Azugo Legal Chase Parkiarrup Showtime Sandros Salute MW SV Supermaxi **The Diamond Thief**

WHF Frequency

JUMPING

Espionage

Kareenyas Gypsy Belle Kentaur Airborne Loreen Luisianna E Oaks Zena YPH Picasso

SHOW HORSE UNDER 14 HH

Aryline Platinum Edition Cimeron I Candy Cimeron Maserati Kirralea Centrefold Kolbeach Rendition Leeara Park Xutopia

Mallawa Park Hashtag

Roseden Chorister

SHOW HORSE OVER 14 HH

Cimeron King of Pop

Kingsfield Nobleman Lexyce Burlesque Mississippi Bella Petite E'Toile Simanda Park Indiano Tikallara Illusion

Discipline WinnerOverall Winner

JUNIOR RIDER OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Junior Rider of the Year Award acknowledges a rising athlete's exceptional performances in domestic and international competitions during the defined period. Celebrating outstanding achievements at all levels, the award honours the recipient's significant talent, dedication, and commitment. These young riders also serve as ambassadors for the sport, embodying the spirit of equestrian excellence and sportsmanship.

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NOMINEES

DRESSAGE

Alyssa Scott Chenin Hislop Ella McCrum Jorja Wareham Sarah Inglis

INTERSCHOOL

Ella McCrum Erica Bell Josie Day

Marni Bercene

Ruby Rae

EVENTING

Charlee Morton-Sharp

Ella McCrum Ellie Gough Evie James

Ruby Rae

SHOW HORSE

Ava Bowles Kadance Langley Lily Hennessy **Leshae Itztein** Madeleine Cooke

JUMPING

Allira Bond Charlee Morton-Sharp Charli Brajkovich Layla Diamantis Ruby Rae Zenniah Albonetti

VAULTING Yindi Falconbridge

Discipline WinnerOverall Winner

RIDER OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian WA Rider of the Year Award celebrates athletes achieving exceptional performances in domestic and international competitions. Acknowledging outstanding displays at all levels, from local to international events, recipients embody significant talent, dedication, and commitment. Serving as ambassadors for the sport, they contribute to its growth and inspire others with their remarkable achievements during the defined period.

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NOMINEES

DRESSAGE

Alinta Veenvliet Kjersti Grov Roz Tippett Stephanie Spencer William Matthew

SHOW HORSE

Alison Lokan Anna Duffy Bronte Adams Carmen Sampson Cherie Pastor Julie Sabine Lauren King Shannae Grantham

EVENTING

Deon Stokes Emily Gray Isobel Stevens-Menzie Izzy McLachlan Katherine Joyce **Kenya Wilson**

> Mia Mercuri Riley Lyall Sonja Johnson William Baxter

> VAULTING Matilda Yates

JUMPING

Bridget Kelly Chad Donovan

Leon Carrol Richard Dabner Rosie Oliver Saachi Travers Stephanie Tucker

PARA-EQUESTRIAN Chelsea De Jonge

Danielle Loizou-Lake Sharon Jarvis Suzin Wells

Discipline WinnerOverall Winner



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EWA ANNUAL AWARDS SELECTION PANEL

Enormous gratitude to the Equestrian WA Annual Awards Selection Panel for their unwavering dedication and time invested in this process. Comprised of representatives from each discipline, your commitment to showcasing excellence in sport has been instrumental. Thank you for your invaluable contribution to our equestrian community's recognition and celebration.



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