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Our Community

You don't have to ride a horse to be a member of Horowhenua Dressage Group (HDG). Ground crew are always valued members, especially leading up to competitions and practice days.

The word dressage basically translates to education or training and is an Olympic equestrian discipline, possibly best recognised as the first phase in NZ's gold medal sport, Eventing.

HDG, a subgroup of Wellington Dressage, was formed in the late 1980's by a group of local enthusiasts. Most Wednesday evenings they would bring their horses to Ohau Pony Club grounds to participate in friendly, informal competition. This developed into the group hosting four official tournaments a year at Levin Showgrounds or Otaki Racecourse, and a five round fun series at Waikanae Park.



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The group now holds official tournaments at the Levin A&P Grounds in February and September each year, as well as instructional training days and winter practise ribbon days for all rider levels at Waikanae Park.

Members ability and ages are varied, from primary school children to septuagenarians, those who have just learnt to ride independently to those competing at international level.

Not all members are riders. Every judge requires a scribe or writer, this is a job often enjoyed by retired or horse loving non-riders and takes minimal training.

There are always arena's to put up and take down, catering, posting results and various other out of the saddle jobs.

The group sponsors selected riders for training camps run by Dressage NZ, or travelling overseas to qualify for various events, holds member training days and an annual prizegiving.

If you would like to know more go to -
www.horowhenuadressage.com

or visit our facebook page -
Horowhenua Dressage



THE **DANGER** THAT LURKS BELOW

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Please be mindful of the hazard that exists when metal stakes are driven in an area where underground services may exist.

Consider using non metallic stakes, getting power cables located, and keeping temporary fencing and signage inside the boundary.

Putting a plastic cap on the top of the stake is not much help if the danger is lurking below!

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