

For the Horse Trials Website NSW

Welcome all NSWIS Scholarship holders and ‘user pays’ riders to the New Year, wild wishes, a lot of fun, and in the real world, very hard work. Our first challenge this year is to introduce you to Gilbert Bockmann, who is coming to NSW on 20th February to run a High Performance Squad School – Showjumping for all scholarship holders at the Sydney Showjumping Club, Racecourse Road, Clarendon.

Unfortunately it will not be possible for ‘user pays’ riders to attend mounted but we would be delighted if you could attend as audience. (Charge \$10) to go to SSJC for ground maintenance.

Gillie, as he is affectionately known, is not at this stage a member of the coaching team, but it will be fascinating to watch his coaching techniques both as riders and coaches. NCAS coaches are particularly welcome to watch and of course it will be possible to claim update points as a result of attendance at this clinic. You will see from his biography on www.efanational.com that Gilbert has competed for many years on the International Showjumping Circuit, is listed on the German jumping B Squad and coaches in USA, Italy, Mexico and of course Germany.

There will be groups of three riders allocated to a one and a half hour spot during the day of Tuesday 20th February. It would be great if I could have names of riders asap so that I can fit you in at the most convenient time for you. Heath Ryan, has already nominated.

On Wednesday 21st February the squad school will move into the indoor arena at SIEC for dressage with Craig Barrett and Heath Ryan and the NSWIS want to do medical and physio screenings on that day also. Again I need to know when you can come. You don’t need special clothes for the medical or physio....it is not a FITNESS test...and even if it was you would all pass!

I am hoping that Natalie and Leonie, our great supporters and workers from NSWIS will be available with video both days which will result in you having a dvd of your lessons.

“user pays” ridersif you would like to do both a jumping and a dressage session on Wednesday 21th February at SIEC, please let me know early so that I can organize both instructors and the jumping course to be built. Please nominate in the usual way and I will run a clinic on 21st so long as there are sufficient numbers.....cut off date will be Tuesday 13th of February.....whatever time that night!

Good luck to both Robert Palm and Ryan Wood who are off chasing success OS and very many thanks to all the riders who have supported them by attending and buying at their fund raisers.

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