

Media Policy Gidgegannup CNC event

1. INTRODUCTION

This policy is a guide for competitors, the public and photographers at the Gidgegannup CNC. As per our licence with the City of Swan Gidgegannup Horse & Pony Club (GH&PC) has exclusive use of the Gidgegannup Equestrian Centre for the duration of the Gidgegannup CNC. This entitles GH&PC to impose “restrictions on access to media’ during the event and to direct any person leave the event if required.

2. AIM

This policy and guidelines are provided in the interest of balancing the wellbeing of competitors and officials with the needs of media and photographers.

This policy aims to provide:

- Protection of Gidgegannup CNC participants, particularly children
- Clarifying the status of amateur and professional photographers at the Gidgegannup CNC
- Providing general information for spectators and other members of the public.

3. PHOTOGRAPHY IN PUBLIC PLACES

3.1 The Law (Taken form the Australian Sports Commission Guidelines)

In Australia there is no law restricting photography of people (including Children) in public spaces as long as the images are not considered :

- Indecent (such as up the skirt of down blouse photography taken covertly in change rooms, toilets or other invasions of privacy).
- Being used for voyeurism or made for the purpose of observing and visually recording the other persons genital region
- Protected by a court order(e.g. child custody or witness protection)

Consensual photos of a child (including one’s own child) also contravene criminal laws if the child is photographed in a proactive or sexual manner.

Where an event is held on private, of public owned facilities, the owners (or that temporary control through a permit) are able to restrict or ban photography.

There is nothing, however, to prevent a person form photographing outside the property or boundary unless it is done for indecent or improper purposes.

4. PHOTOGRAPHY AT THE GIDGEGANNUP CNC EVENT

4.1 Guidelines for Amateur Photographers (Parents & Friends)

- Photographs or videos of people/horses can be taken by parents or friends of the people they are photographing, for their personal use.
- These photos or videos should not be posted on social media sites without the permission of the person/s being photographed and should not depict any images that are detrimental to the event or the sport of eventing. Any such material will be removed at the request of the organising committee.

4.2 Guidelines for professional photographers at The Gidgegannup CNC event

Media who are currently or have been providing their product for gain or promotion are

considered Professional. If there is any uncertainty regarding the status please contact the Event Director.

Only GH&PC accredited photographers' will be allowed to take photographs at the Gidgegannup CNC. These accredited photographers will:

- Produce a current Working with Children Card (or PCAWA Photographers Card) to the organising committee prior to the event
- Produce a current certificate of currency prior to the event
- Be listed on the PCAWA accredited photographers list.
- Agree to the organising committees rights to use Media taken at the event for promotional and sponsorship purposes
- Agree to post a representative sample of every rider from all the Media taken at the event, within 3 weeks of the event and presentation photos as soon as practically possible.
- Media should not depict any images that are detrimental to the event or the sport of eventing. Any such material will be removed at the request of the organising committee

Whilst at the event professional photographers must:

- wear high-vis vests at all times
- comply with the direction of officials
- endeavour to cover as many competitors/phases/classes as possible

Gidgegannup Horse & Pony Club reserves the right to use appoint any number of accredited photographers, this may be one or any number.

5. USE OF IMAGES BY GH&PC

Competitors are advised that during the course of the event they may be photographed or filmed by appointed GH&PC media. It is a condition of entry at this event that competitors consent to use of any photos or film containing their image by GH&PC for their use.

Persons and their connections contravening this policy may be removed from the grounds and refused future access.

All queries should be directed to the Event Director