Dressage Limpopo: Provincial President's Annual Report (2025/2026)

To: The National Committee of Dressage South Africa
Re: Submission for the National Annual General Meeting

1. Executive Summary and Governance
The 2025/2026 season has been a period of revitalisation for Dressage Limpopo. Following a challenging era where the discipline faced potential dormancy within the province, we are pleased to report a steady and sustainable recovery. The Provincial Annual General Meeting was successfully convened on February 3, 2026, resulting in the election of a dedicated committee committed to the discipline's longevity.

The Provincial Council for 2026 is as follows:

President: Beverly Jackman
Vice President: Candice Pierce
Riders' Representative, Transformation, Development & Social Media: Lyandi van der Merwe
Treasurer (Co-opted): Paula Coetzee
Team Selection & Convenor (Co-opted): Pippa Moolman

2. Membership and Participation Trends
We are encouraged by a consistent increase in membership registrations. A pivotal factor in this growth has been the strategic alignment of Graded Dressage classes with SANESA events. This synergy has provided professional coaches with the opportunity to compete alongside their students, maximising participation and reducing the logistical barriers for vast traveling that the province faces.

3. Infrastructure and Venues
Dressage Limpopo extends its sincere gratitude to our primary venues for their unwavering commitment to the discipline. Currently, the province is serviced by two premier facilities hosting graded shows:
The Ranch Equestrian Centre (Polokwane)
Equine House (Hoedspruit)

Furthermore, we are optimistic about the expansion of our show calendar, as a third venue in Tzaneen is currently in the preparatory stages to host a graded event toward the final quarter of the year.

4. Development and Technical Training
Education remains the cornerstone of our growth strategy. We have maintained a focus on technical development through a series of clinics conducted by **Wendy Moller**. These clinics are designed to foster a collaborative environment between coaches and riders, ensuring a unified standard of excellence.

In an effort to broaden our reach, we have actively invited participants from other equestrian disciplines to attend these clinics. This cross-disciplinary approach has successfully stimulated interest in dressage, resulting in a notable influx of riders entering recreational classes to gain experience in the discipline.

5. High Performance and Inter-Provincial Representation
The committee remains dedicated to supporting the athletes who represented Limpopo at the South African Championships last season. Our focus is on providing the necessary framework for these riders to advance through the grades.

Looking ahead to the 2026 SA Championships:
We have begun receiving submissions of EOI's for both Youth and Adult categories.
Freestyle Team: In a historic milestone for the province, we are actively working toward sending our first-ever Freestyle Team to represent Limpopo at the National Championships.

6. Closing Remarks
While the restoration of dressage in Limpopo has been an arduous journey, the current committee stands united in its mission to ensure the discipline thrives. We are committed to a "slow and steady" growth model that prioritises the integrity of the sport and the education of its members.

We would like to extend our deepest appreciation to Dressage South Africa for their continued guidance, administrative support, and shared commitment to the growth of the sport in our province.

Respectfully submitted,



Beverly Jackman
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Dressage Limpopo