Northern Cape Province President Report 2025

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1 Show Venues .

We now has 4 lovely venues in the province. 2 in Kathu, 1 in Kimberley and a new venue in Upington, named Goedehoop. We are looking forward to their first show in March 2026.

2 Development and Coaching

Marianne Conlyn hosted 1 clinic in Kathu during 2025. Well supported by Kathu, Upington and Augraubies riders.

3. Shows

We had a busy show schedule planned for 2025. Unfortunately a couple of shows was cancelled due to a very bad AHS oubreak in our province. Shows only started to get going again in June 2025.

The SA Dressage Challenge was hosted in Kimberley and supported by riders from Northern Cape and Free State. Unfortunately due to the AHS oubreak in the Kathu area, a couple of horses missed the challenge this year. The dressage challenge is the highlight of the year for our riders, as the big distances to attend SA Champs is not possible for most of our riders. Thank you to DressageSA for the hosting of this super show. For next year we will definitely go for a later date as AHS is always a worry from March to May.

For Youth Champs we had some riders who went down to GHS. Our riders did well with some wins and placings. We combined teams with Freestate and our riders did well and the team end up winning. It was really a special show with lots of prizes to be won. Thanks GHS it was a super show.

4. Finances

Not good there is not really enough money to do something with it. We will use some of it towards hosting a special Northern Cape Champs in 2026.

5. Difficulties

Shows are very small (very seldom 30 horses for dressage at a show), therefore SHB's are really struggling. The big distances and accommodation costs for a weekend away show is really high and most of the riders only do their local show.

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