

Zone One – Q60

Sunday, 11th March 2012

The 2012 Q60 100km elevator endurance ride will be held at the Upper Colo Reserve, Colo on Sunday 11th March 2012. Yes - MARCH!! That will help you have your horse fit for the State Ride at the end of April...The ride base will be as usual at the Upper Colo Reserve, Upper Colo, located approximately 12kms from the Putty Road on the beautiful Colo River - with a grassy camping area and access to the sandy beach, so bring your swimmers as it's a great place to cool off on a hot day.

The three leg course is made up of the following distances – 45km, 35km & 20km, there will be plenty of water available on course and in camp. The exceptional track marking, with 10km markers, lots of arrows and heaps of comfort tape will ensure nobody gets lost!!

Leg One - 45km, will leave base around the road, over the Upper Colo bridge, left onto Upper Colo Road proceeding to a turn around checkpoint on Lower Colo Road approximately 18 kms from base. Then back to the checkpoint at Atkinson's gate where you will be turned in and up Wheeny Creek Valley to another checkpoint at the power lines at Comleroy Road. From there, turning right and down to Upper Colo Road where you turn right and then left to the base via the bridge and tree-lined access route.

Leg Two – 35km, will leave base via the tree-lined access route, turning right onto Upper Colo Rd and left onto Comleroy Road, with a good up-hill run to the check point at the power lines. Continuing along Comleroy Road and turning right onto Mountain Lagoon Road, with a good gradual climb to the top. The Mountain Lagoon checkpoint will have water and refreshments for you and your horse. From there it's right onto Sams Way, left up onto Gaspers Track and then descending Ward's Track to the fire station before turning right onto Upper Colo Road and heading back into base.

Leg Three - 20km, will leave base via the tree-lined access route, over the bridge turning right into Upper Colo Road to a turnaround point and back into base as before.

The 40km Ride is ideal for fit young and/or novice horses and will be the same track as the 2nd leg of the 100km with an additional 2 ½ km out along Mountain Lagoon Road from the checkpoint to a turn-a-round before turning back and left onto Sams Way. The 20km Social ride will be the 3rd leg of the 100km ride, being relatively flat and easy going - perfect for anyone wanting to try their hand at Endurance riding.

Vetting will be from 2pm until 5pm Saturday and from 7am for the 40km ride and social riders on the Sunday. Pre-ride talk will be 6.30 pm around the office and canteen area. The 100km Elevator ride will start at 3am Sunday, the 40km ride will start at 8.00am and the Social will start at 8.30am. Being March it will be necessary to start the rides a little earlier than in past years for the benefit of you and your horse.

Ride Fees: 100Km Elevator \$110.00

40Km Ride - \$60 for Members add \$10 for Non-Member NSWERA Day

Social Ride - \$30 for Members add \$5 for Non-members NSWERA Day Membership

A camping fee of \$6 per person is charged by Council and payable at time of entry. Dogs are allowed, but please remember to keep them on a leash at all times.

The wonderful volunteers from the Upper Colo Fire Brigade will also be providing the canteen goodies on both days, so please support them.

For further information about the ride and/or to [PRENOMINATE](#) before Monday, 5th March or a \$10 late fee will apply, please contact Judy Shore on (02) 9652 1393 or alternatively, email stanshore@bigpond.com

On behalf of the Zone One Committee, we look forward to seeing you at the 2012 Q60.