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Welcome to the new endurance year i.e. the year after the AGM!

We have a very full calendar this year so there is plenty of opportunity to get to rides and have a good time.

There are no ride reviews or ride results in this newsletter so there will be plenty in the next.

Remember, if you would like to see your photo (or a photo of a family member or friends) please send them in to the newsletter. If I don't take them myself or receive them from someone else, they don't appear.

If you would like to do a story on your horse or anything else that you think might be of interest to other endurance riders, please send that in too. I'm always looking for interesting articles. So, if you have anything that you would like to contribute, please do so.

Cover: Carol Major at the NSW AGM receiving her awards. Carol was successful not only in the point score results but also achieved a Big Three. Congratulations Carol.



Ed.

# President's Report



The 2010 season is now in full swing and looks like being a great year for endurance riding in NSW. The ride calendar is filling up rapidly with only a few weekends left without a booking.

The NSW AGM held on the 6th of February was well attended by members and the following Presentation and Dinner/dance was enjoyed by everyone. Thank you to all who were involved in the planning of the day and to all those who attended and made it a successful occasion.

This is my first report as incoming State President. I would like to thank Neil Clarkson for his term as president over the past two years. Neil has done a tremendous amount of work during this time and has represented our sport admirably.

I would also like to thank Jeff and Gay Bonham for their contribution to the committee and the sport over many years and wish them every success with the 2010 Tom Quilty preparations. I would also like to thank Wendy Jones for her contribution and hard work over the past

few years on the SMC committee.

Following the AGM we now have a new State Management Committee with some "old hands" as well as quite a few new members who are all keen and enthusiastic. The membership is well represented having committee members from most regions in the state.

We have new Zone delegates from most areas on the committee which, along with the new inter-zone teams competition, should foster and promote each Zone as well as being of substantial benefit to our sport. There will, of course, be some challenges for the committee with some of the priorities being increasing membership and implementing a clear and transparent ride booking and calendar procedure.

We will also be arranging the second Ride Organiser's workshop early this year to follow up on recommendations from the first workshop and to finalise and implement some of the proposals raised then. I encourage as many members as possible to attend this day to have your say. We will advise soon of the time and place for this meeting.

Please, don't forget, that if anyone has any issues regarding our sport, do not hesitate to contact a committee member or attend an SMC meeting. SMC Meetings are open to **ALL** members to attend **ANYTIME**.

Wishing you all a safe and successful Year,

Gary.

## NSW ERA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Meetings are held upstairs at the Arabian Horse Society Building,**

1<sup>st</sup> Floor, 226 George Street, Windsor: Next door to Coles.

Meetings commence at 6:30 sharp.

All are invited to attend.

Next meeting

19<sup>th</sup> March

9<sup>th</sup> April

7<sup>th</sup> May

4 June

# Neil's Post Presidential Report

On the whole it has been a mostly enjoyable last couple of years as your president, and with the odd challenge or 2 to make it interesting.

I would like to thank both the NSWERA SMC and its NSW members for the tremendous support I have received from you guys.

It can become a time consuming position, which together with my other endurance commitments has meant that time has been a little on the short side. I will admit to looking forward to the freedom of time!!

Lastly I would like to welcome Gary to his new portfolio and I am sure he will be a great president for us.

Its all about having fun

**Neil**

## Course Preservation

A series of "open days" are being held at NPWS offices around the Greater Blue Mountains. This is an opportunity to meet your local park rangers and to discuss any issues you might have with parks in your area. If you ride in a National Park near one of these offices but have never had any contact with NPWS staff, I would strongly encourage you to take the time to attend one of these open days.

You need to register your interest in attending by contacting Den Barber on 4784 7309 or by email to [dennis.barber@environment.nsw.gov.au](mailto:dennis.barber@environment.nsw.gov.au)

The sessions are all on Saturdays from 10 am to 12 noon and the locations and times are as listed below.

27 March – Rylstone NPWS Workshop, Tindale St, Rylstone.

29 May – Nattai Area NPWS Office, 99 Menangle St, Picton.

31 July – Singleton Visitor Info Centre, Town Head Park, New England Hwy, Singleton.

25 September – Richmond NPWS Office, Bowman's Cottage, 370 Windsor St, Richmond.

27 November – Kanangra NPWS Area Office, 38 Ross St, Oberon.

**Fiona Meller**

## Ride Calendar

These are portfolios that I have administered in the past and I feel that with my background, I will be able to best serve the membership of NSWERA.

At present the ride calendar is rapidly filling with 30 ride dates already booked. The one ride that I would like to bring to your attention is the 160km ride to be held at Windeyer on Anzac Day. The Windeyer Committee has gone all out to put this ride on as a last chance for NSW riders to Qualify for the Quilty that is to be held at Manilla in June. Please support Windeyer, they are a club that has come to the assistance of NSW riders on a number of occasions.

My aim this year is to tighten up the process by which we book and run rides. To this end the SMC is going to run a Ride Organisers Forum in Bathurst on 22nd May. This will be a wonderful opportunity for ride organisers to have a positive input into the way the sport conducts our business. Please put on your thinking caps, discuss around the campfires how you feel things should happen and bring your positive comments with you.

If anyone wishes to discuss anything with me please either phone or email me and I'll do all that I can to assist you.

**John Howe.**

# NSW ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC.

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## PROFIT AND LOSS STATEMENT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2009

| <b>INCOME</b>             | <b>2009</b>  | <b>2008</b>  |                          |             |             |
|---------------------------|--------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------|-------------|
|                           |              |              | AGM & Presentation       |             |             |
| Sales of Stock            |              |              | Dinner Expenses          | \$3,766.64  | \$3,578.18  |
| Logbooks                  | \$8,960.04   | \$8,038.19   | Trophies & Prizes        | \$3,801.68  | \$4,933.86  |
| Microchips                | \$0.00       | \$777.29     | Other Expenses           | \$656.63    | \$0.00      |
| Merchandising             | \$801.23     | \$885.64     |                          | \$8,224.95  | \$8,512.04  |
| Crayons                   | \$0.00       | \$9.09       | AERA                     |             |             |
| Green/Red Flares          | \$60.00      | \$70.01      | Affiliation Fees         | \$10,076.37 | \$10,734.54 |
| Sports Development Grant  | \$6,500.00   | \$6,500.00   | Meeting Expenses         | \$8,199.92  | \$9,631.05  |
| EI Assistance Grant       | \$0.00       | \$10,000.00  | Log Book Registrations   | \$3,390.00  | \$3,790.00  |
|                           |              |              | End. Horse Registrations | \$770.00    | \$210.00    |
|                           |              |              | Ownership Transfers      | \$127.27    | \$95.46     |
|                           |              |              |                          | \$22,563.56 | \$24,461.05 |
| AERA End Horse Rego Fees  | \$5,900.56   | \$3,974.54   |                          |             |             |
| AERA Ownership Transfers  | \$340.18     | \$200.00     | Bank Charges             | \$202.04    | \$70.49     |
|                           |              |              | Bookkeeping              | \$0.00      | \$93.00     |
| Membership Fees           | \$68,017.19  | \$71,795.44  | Card merchant Fees       | \$529.36    | \$598.97    |
| Day Membership Fees       | \$4,422.69   | \$2,936.35   | Computer Expenses        | \$1,377.60  | \$290.00    |
|                           |              |              | Chief Steward Expenses   | \$174.79    | \$0.00      |
| Ride Fees                 | \$44,870.09  | \$43,656.35  | Database Royalty         | \$4,579.30  | \$587.50    |
| Ride Booking Fees         | \$636.37     | \$1,045.47   | Depreciation             | \$2,440.00  | \$2,066.00  |
|                           |              |              | Freight & Cartage        | \$108.80    | \$0.00      |
| Newsletter Advertising    | \$2,311.82   | \$2,329.55   |                          |             |             |
| Newsletter Subscriptions  | \$4,201.43   | \$0.00       | Insurance                |             |             |
|                           |              |              | Public Liability         | \$21,754.28 | \$25,390.00 |
| Miscellaneous             | \$1,739.48   | \$95.45      | Directors Liability      | \$959.98    | \$1,065.28  |
| Course Preservation Fund  | \$4,636.76   | \$0.00       | Personal Accident        | \$22,673.01 | \$20,184.32 |
| State Ride Buckles        | \$0.00       | \$4,800.00   |                          | \$45,387.27 | \$46,639.60 |
| Dinner Dance Ticket Sales | \$2,899.10   | \$3,785.00   |                          |             |             |
|                           |              |              | IDP Meeting Expenses     | \$0.00      | \$412.08    |
| Interest Received         | \$2,601.15   | \$4,053.39   | Interest Paid            | \$0.00      | \$105.03    |
|                           |              |              | Internet Expenses        | \$888.29    | \$961.59    |
| Total Income              | \$158,898.09 | \$164,951.76 |                          |             |             |
|                           |              |              | International / FEI      |             |             |
| LESS: Cost of Goods Sold  |              |              | Sponsorship - Juniors    | \$3,000.00  | \$0.00      |
| Merchandising             | \$200.65     | \$69.64      | Course Fees - Vets       | \$200.00    | \$0.00      |
| Cost of Clothing          | \$617.69     | \$1,413.03   |                          |             |             |
| Log Books                 | \$3,940.38   | \$7,230.73   | Late Fees                | \$295.48    | \$0.00      |
| Microchips                | \$0.00       | \$184.80     |                          |             |             |
| Total COGS                | \$4,758.72   | \$8,898.20   | Meeting Expenses         |             |             |
|                           |              |              | Room Hire                | \$300.00    | \$272.72    |
| Gross Profit From Trading | \$154,139.37 | \$156,053.56 | Fuel Reimbursements      | \$5,030.76  | \$5,710.00  |
|                           |              |              | Running Expense          | \$726.13    | \$571.09    |
| <b>EXPENSES</b>           |              |              | Minutes Secretary        | \$1,430.00  | \$1,695.00  |
| Audit Fees                | \$1,700.00   | \$1,620.00   | Accommodation            | \$1,438.73  | \$0.00      |
|                           |              |              |                          | \$8,925.62  | \$8,248.81  |



|                        |             |             |                                  |                 |                   |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| Miscellaneous Expenses | \$578.09    | \$406.69    | SMC Member Reimburse-ments       | \$712.96        | \$547.41          |
| Newsletter             |             |             | Seminars Attended                | \$54.54         | \$60.91           |
| Editorial Fee          | \$5,970.00  | \$4,930.00  | Seminars Conducted               | \$253.87        | \$0.00            |
| Printing & Postage     | \$7,710.37  | \$9,947.87  | State Ride                       |                 |                   |
|                        | \$13,680.37 | \$14,877.87 | Sponsorship                      | \$5,000.00      | \$5,000.00        |
| Promotional Expenses   | \$451.82    | \$1,029.76  | Trophies & Prizes                | \$82.05         | \$1,825.50        |
| Printing & Stationery  | \$890.64    | \$0.00      | Vet Fees                         | \$818.18        | \$600.00          |
| Quilty Expenses        |             |             |                                  | \$5,900.23      | \$7,425.50        |
| Sponsorship            | \$454.55    | \$350.00    | Statutory Fees                   | \$35.46         | \$72.00           |
| Teams                  | \$574.31    | \$909.09    | Anti Doping & Medication Control |                 |                   |
| vet Expenses           | \$1,386.95  | \$205.03    | Sample Testing Fees              | \$1,018.17      | \$1,012.90        |
| P Slater Cup           | \$1,520.40  | \$0.00      | EA Memberships                   | \$82.48         | \$0.00            |
|                        | \$3,936.21  | \$1,464.12  | Course Fees                      | \$260.87        | \$0.00            |
| TPR & CS Mship Refunds | \$150.00    | \$150.00    |                                  | \$1,361.52      | \$1,012.90        |
| Repairs & maintenance  | \$47.41     | \$41.79     | Vet Accreditation Expenses       |                 |                   |
| Ride Grants            | \$0.00      | \$500.00    | Venue Hire                       | \$63.64         | \$0.00            |
| Secretarial            |             |             | Meals                            | \$123.37        | \$0.00            |
| Computer               | \$13.62     | \$486.83    | Travel & Accommodation           | \$149.42        | \$0.00            |
| Postage                | \$778.37    | \$461.56    |                                  | \$336.43        | \$0.00            |
| Secretarial Fees       | \$20,000.04 | \$19,618.20 | Trophies & Prizes                | \$131.82        | \$0.00            |
| Stationery             | \$883.47    | \$979.27    | Volunteers Lucky Draws           | \$1,651.28      | \$1,170.00        |
| Telephone              | \$1,260.51  | \$2,389.95  | Total Expenses                   | \$153,705.72    | \$147,360.92      |
|                        | \$22,936.01 | \$23,935.81 |                                  |                 |                   |
|                        |             |             | <b>NET PROFIT</b>                | <b>\$433.65</b> | <b>\$8,692.64</b> |

**Zone One AGM and presentation evening. Below. Denise Trollope and Faith Robinson**





## Zone 1 AGM & Presentation







# New Members

Stephen Austin  
Penelope Whatman  
Vicki Abel  
Jade Hodson  
Georgia Ladmore  
Shantel Nagle  
Annie Sorell  
Matthw Broome

Brooke Colley  
Adam Cosgrove  
Rebecca Fletcher  
Natividad Hermann  
Madalin Hodge  
Ebony Hudson  
India Hutchinson

Lovely ladies– Neroli Mitchell-Cooper and Alison Khihnich with their awards at the recent Zone 2 AGM held in Mudgee.





## Zone 2 AGM & Presentation

The Central West Zone 2 held their AGM and Award Presentation at Gulgong Bowling Club on Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2010, with everyone attending having an enjoyable afternoon.

We welcomed the 2010 Committee with John Howe as President, Bruce McLehose as Vice President, Wendy McLehose as Secretary, Dianne Luker - Pointscorer and Neroli Mitchell-Cooper as Publicity Officer. John Howe was also elected as Zone Delegate, but as he has subsequently been elected to the NSWERA State Committee, Roy Barsby has stepped into the role of Zone Delegate.

The members thanked Wendy and Bruce McLehose for their many years of continued dedication given to the Zone.

The AGM was followed by the Award Presentation.

Trophies were awarded to the 2009 pointscore placegetters:

Heavyweight:: 1<sup>st</sup> Alan Caslick  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mark Lindsay  
3<sup>rd</sup> Rod Mitchell

Middleweight: 1<sup>st</sup> Alison Khihnck  
=2<sup>nd</sup> Neroli Mitchell-Cooper  
=2<sup>nd</sup> Tracey Hack

Lightweight: 1<sup>st</sup> Gloria Mills  
2<sup>nd</sup> Linda Logan  
3<sup>rd</sup> Carol Layton

Junior: 1<sup>st</sup> Ben Hudson  
2<sup>nd</sup> Alix Jones  
3<sup>rd</sup> Leanna

Maynard

Kersey Rugs were awarded to One Horse/ One Rider winners in all divisions:

Heavyweight: Mark Lindsay on Kintamani Silver Motif  
Middleweight: Neroli Mitchell-Cooper on Bilbo  
Lightweight: Gloria Mills on Glendos Sabodie  
Junior: Ben Hudson on Mandy

Congratulations to all our 2009 winners

As at 1<sup>st</sup> February 2010 the rides that count towards the Zone 2 Pointscore are as follows:



Tooraweenah 18 April 2010  
Windeyer 160 25 April 2010  
Bendemeer 2 May 2010  
Mudgee 23 May 2010 (date pending)  
Gulgong 13 June 2010  
Freemantle 1 August 2010

The Gulgong ride will also include the 100km Zone 2 Championship Ride

**ALL AERA MEMBERS WHO COMPETE AT THESE AFFILIATED RIDES ARE AUTOMATICALLY INCLUDED IN THE ZONE POINTSCORE.**

If you have enquiries regarding the Central West Zone 2. please contact Wendy McLehose on email: [bruwenic@clearmail.com.au](mailto:bruwenic@clearmail.com.au) or Phone: 6374 2800

*Photos kindly supplied by David Donovan*



**Winners of some of the awards presented at the recent Zone Two AGM held at Mudgee.**





## Inter Zone Competition Rules

- 1/ That each Zone provide only 1 full team of four riders for each and every 80km Endurance ride for 2010
- 2/ Each Zone provides a team to a ride consisting of 4 riders which can be made up of all HWT and/or MWT but a maximum of 1 x LWT and 1 x JNR on the team.
- 3/ The teams do not have to remain static for the year – i.e. riders and horses can change with every ride, just as long the rider is a member of the Zone he/she is representing.
- 4/ Each zone will select their team members from their individual Zone membership using whatever criteria the zone uses to define a Zone member
- 5/ Teams are to be named and nominated prior to the pre ride talk of the event in which they are to compete
- 6/ It is the respective Zone delegates responsibility to furnish the team for his/her Zone.
- 6/ There is no entry fee – Open to all NSWERA riding members that are individual Zone members
- 7/ If a Zone cannot field a team at a ride, then the longest time to complete that event by any rider is applied i.e. 4x the max riding time; or if it can only field 3 riders then it is their times plus the max. riding time for the 4<sup>th</sup> rider, etc.
- 8/ Any non completions will be treated as max riding time.
- 9/ Where all four members complete a deduction of 1 hour per rider will apply
- 10/ Accumulative times are added up through the year and the Zone with the lowest accumulative time wins. Zone delegates are responsible for sending their results to the Inter zone point score Registrar (Garry Weis [gweis@hlbnsw.com.au](mailto:gweis@hlbnsw.com.au) )
- 11/ Results must be submitted within Two weeks of the date of the ride
- 12/ A Trophy will be awarded to the Zone with the least amount of accumulated time at the at of the 2010 season.

# ***Zone one***

## ***your chance to be a member!!!!***

Now is the time to join Zone One. If you join now you will be entitled to our monthly newsletter which will be emailed to you directly through cyber space to arrive on your computer with news about up-coming rides, down-going riders and lots more.

For only \$15 you will also be entitled to \$5 off your entry fee for any Zone One ride which will include the Q60, 100km elevator on the 16<sup>th</sup> May, St. Albans, 100km elevator on the 6<sup>th</sup> June, Putty, 80km ride on the 18<sup>th</sup> July and Shahzada at the end of August.

You will also be able to compete in the pointscore and be able to feel proud in the knowledge that you have contributed to the sponsoring of prizes for our major state rides and also to our AGM and Presentation night which is held in January each year. This is a very friendly evening where we present prizes to those deserving with much praise and accolades. The rest of us spend the time catching up with friends and generally having a good time.

And you would also be able to compete in a Zone One team at any ride. Our first team attempt was 100% successful at the recent Williams River Twilight Ride with Zone members Carol Layton, Garry Wies, Marlee Turnbull and Tomeika Bond covering all four divisions and proudly competing for our Zone One.

You too could experience the same elation and be part of an elite team if you join Zone One Now.

So don't delay.....join today!!!

You can email Garry Weis at [gweis@hlbnsw.com.au](mailto:gweis@hlbnsw.com.au) or telephone Marita on 45 73 1172 and a membership form will be forwarded to you. Just do it, if not for you, think of how good your horse will feel being a part of something special.

## **NEWS FLASH**

Our second Zone One team was also successful at the Cedar Ridge ride on the 28<sup>th</sup> February. Go the ZONE!!!!

# **Bush Capital Training Ride**

40kms, 20 kms, 10 kms

Saturday, March 13, 2010  
Kambah Pony Club Grounds, Hake St Kambah.

**A fun day with your horse!**

**NOTE THESE RIDES ARE ON SATURDAY NOT SUNDAY**

ACT Endurance Riders Association is holding a training ride carnival to suit all riders! Official training ride of 40kms, and social rides of 20 kms and 10 kms.

Entries and pre-ride vetting for all rides will be on Saturday March 13 from 8 am. Vetting for the trainer will close at 12 noon.

All riders must either be 2010 members of the NSW Endurance Riders Association or pay day membership. Day membership is \$10 for training riders, \$5 for social riders.

Entry fees- 40 kms - \$50, 20 kms - \$30 , 10 kms - \$20.

Start Times - 40 kms – 1pm, 20 kms - 1.30 pm, 10kms 2 pm.

The training ride will involve crossing a major road twice. Officials will stop riders until it is safe to cross. There may also be encounters with recreational cyclists. The social rides will have no major road crossings. All rides are quite easy in terms of hills.

All riders must have completed their course by 6.30 pm.

All riders who complete within the required time and whose horses are passed as “fit to continue” by the vets will receive completion prizes.

A special teams event will also be held for teams of four in each ride.

No camping for this ride except with permission of the organisers. No horses on the grounds after 9 am Sunday. No dogs allowed, take your rubbish home.

PLEASE PRENOMINATE TO Fia Hasko-Stewart 02 6282 2051 ah

Or [Blakesheaven@bigpond.com](mailto:Blakesheaven@bigpond.com)



# *Cedar Ridge @ Oberon*

**21<sup>st</sup> March 2010**

## **AERA 80km Endurance Ride, 40km Training Ride + 20km Social Ride**

The ride base is 10 minutes from the town of Oberon by a sealed road, which makes it roughly a 2 hour drive from the Hawkesbury. Bathurst is less than 45 minutes away and it takes about 3 hours to get to the ride base from Canberra. The address is 1304 Beaconsfield Road Oberon; please use the NSWERA website for ride base locator to help you with directions.

If you haven't been to Oberon before, you can expect the ride for the most part to be undulating with scattered hills and will largely traverse State Forest, with some grassy paddocks and dirt roads. The usual dams as well as some additional water points will be added on track.

Entry Fees AERA Rides: 80km Endurance Ride= \$85, 40km Training Ride = \$40, 20km Social Ride =\$20

Pre-ride Vetting for the 80km rides will be on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> March from 1pm through to 4pm. Pre-ride vetting for the Training Ride + Social Ride will be on the Saturday afternoon + early Sunday morning.

Powered sites are available to hire for the weekend for \$20. Please advise if one is required when pre-nominating.

A canteen will be available on the Saturday and Sunday. The town of Oberon is only 10 minutes away which has motels, cafes, supermarket etc.

There are hot showers and flushing toilets + plenty of water for the horses but please bring your own drinking water.

### **Pre-nomination is essential-**

Pre-nominations are to be directed to [prenoms@cedarridgestables.com.au](mailto:prenoms@cedarridgestables.com.au) or 0417 248 172 by no later than 15<sup>th</sup> March 2010.

For further enquiries, please contact [info@cedarridgestables.com.au](mailto:info@cedarridgestables.com.au) or 0417 248 172.

# Kiwarrak ‘

## No Frills’ Ride



**28<sup>th</sup> March 2010**

The base will be the same as usual at 215 Careys Rd Hillville (near Taree). There is a ton of camping room in a big shady paddock with plenty of horse water supplied. Camping is available from Friday to Monday (but no power)

The ride will be run over dirt roads and well maintained, wide fire trails. The terrain is undulating with lots of open going and plenty of water on track. In some places the track may be rocky but the first 5km is quite flat. The 20km riders will have the pleasure of riding to Breakneck look-out with awesome views over the Manning Valley to enjoy.

Vetting will be from 1.00 to 5.00 on Saturday afternoon and social riders arriving on the Sunday morning will be able to vet anytime before 8.30.

The local fire brigade from Tinonee will be running the canteen for us. It will be open from lunch time Saturday until Sunday afternoon. There will be a delicious main meal this year as well as a variety of other selections on the menu to choose from. It is a fund raiser for them, so please support them by using the canteen

Travelling from the south (Sydney), stay on the Pacific Highway until the first Taree exit. Or, if you don't mind travelling 14km on a narrow dirt road, you can turn left off the Pacific Highway at Possum Brush Rd (about 20kms south of Taree) which will take you directly to Careys Rd. Travelling from the north (Kempsey), stay on the Pacific Highway until the second Taree exit. Follow signs for Gloucester onto the Bucketts Way. The base will be sign posted from the Pacific Highway turnoff and the Bucketts Way.

Entry fees are to be confirmed on the day but will not exceed: 80km senior \$85, junior \$60: 40km \$45: 20km \$25 (excl day membership).

Any T.P.R help on the week-end would be appreciated.

If you haven't been to a Kiwarrak ride then you should get into gear and come to a great, warm, friendly, grass roots ride on the 28<sup>th</sup> March. We are less than four hours drive from Sydney on the new and constantly improving Pacific Highway.

Pre-nominations would be very much appreciated. For more information please contact the secretary Abby McMurrich on (02) 6550 6337 or email [abby.mcmurrich@bluemaxx.com.au](mailto:abby.mcmurrich@bluemaxx.com.au)

# ***Tumbarumba***

## **Norm Bradley Memorial Ride**

**3rd & 4th April 2010**

*Looking forward to some more "Magic in the Mountains"?*

The Tumbarumba Endurance Ride will again be held on the Easter weekend. The Ride base will be at the Racecourse on the outskirts of the town.

The main ride, a 100km elevator, will start early Sunday morning. There will be two 40km legs and a 20km. The training ride will start after daylight and riders will have a choice of the 1<sup>st</sup> or 2<sup>nd</sup> leg if they would like a change of scenery from last year. The office should be open from about 11.00am Saturday and pre-ride vetting will start about 1.00pm.

There is plenty of room for camping and a canteen will be operating on Friday evening for those who take advantage of the holiday weekend and come a bit early. A catered meal will be provided on the Saturday night. To help the caterers to provide enough for everyone it would be appreciated if you would pre-nominate on line and advise how many meals you will require for Saturday and Friday nights.

The ride covers a variety of terrain. Riders will encounter misty valleys and forest covered hills with spectacular views around every corner. The going is mostly good on forestry dirt roads with only a few short sections of gravel. There is a creek crossing but it hasn't stopped anyone yet.

New toilets are being constructed and should be ready for the ride. Firewood will be available as nights can be chilly. You may want to bring your own drinking water.

Pre-nominations to; and further information from: Ride Secretary,

Angelina Patterson(02)69485188

email: [marsto@bordnet.com.au](mailto:marsto@bordnet.com.au)

### **RIDE FLARES NOW AVAILABLE**

**The NSW SMC has available for ride committees 12 hour flares (glow sticks) at \$1.00 each.**

**There is a supply of orange and green flares available at cost price.**

**Just contact Jeff Bonham on .6785 2055.**

**Ride organisers are encouraged to use these flares as an alternative to flashing lights on danger spots.**



# ***Kundabung***

**11<sup>th</sup> April 2010**

The Kundabung Macleay Endurance & Pleasure Riders Club Inc is holding the 20<sup>th</sup> Kundabung Endurance Ride on the weekend 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> April 2010.

The Ride base will again be located at 473 Smiths Creek Rd Kundabung. Firewood is provided and the canteen will be operating from Friday night to Sunday afternoon.

The track will be similar to previous years with minor changes depending on prevailing conditions. Overall the track is undulating and fairly good underfoot with some rocky sections but utilising good forest trails wherever possible. The track travels through well made forest trails including picturesque rainforest sections plus quiet rural dirt roads. There is no tar.

The training ride will again use the first leg of the 80k ride which includes rainforest sections and numerous creek crossings. There is normally plenty of water on track ( anyone one rode last year will confirm this!) however we will add water points if dry conditions occur.

80klm, 40klm (trainer) & 20klm (social) rides will be conducted. Buckles are awarded for all 80klm completions and there are best conditioned awards in all 4 divisions.

To get to the base, turn west off the Pacific Highway at the Kundabung Motel located between Port Macquarie & Kempsey and follow the markers for approx 6 klm to the base. The highway will be signposted from Friday afternoon.

Please prenominate no later than 4<sup>th</sup> April using the NSWERA website or by contacting:-

**Ride Secretary:** Sonya Ruprecht Ph: 6553 9523

**Club President:** Bob Locke Ph: 65615124

**Email:** bml@bigpond.com

**For general ride enquiries please contact Bob Locke.**

# *Gundagai*

**ANZAC weekend 24-26 APRIL 2010  
100km Elevator Ride & 40km Trainer**

The Gundagai ride is on again after having to cancel last year because of the drought.

The office will open at approx. 11am and pre ride vetting at 1pm on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> April.

The ride on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> April will be a 100km elevator over 3 legs of 40km, 40km & 20km. The first 80km will be the same or similar to 2008 (for those that know the course) and the last 20kms will be a lovely ride following the Murrumbidgee River for 10kms up and back.

Although testing, it is achievable for novice horses that are ridden by thinking riders. For the most part it is good underfoot with some harder sections through the paddocks. It is extremely scenic with some INCREDIBLE views over the Gundagai region and a great privilege to ride through some magnificent grazing country.

With the Tumbarumba ride 3 weeks before, horses will be able to come to Gundagai with a lovely amount of fitness to enjoy the course. How lucky are we to have two such wonderful Snowy Zone Rides as lead ups for the Quilty in June at Manilla!

Because it is a long weekend, Presentations and Fittest Horse judging will take place on Monday morning.

A canteen will operate all weekend from Saturday lunch time to Monday morning for breakfast, with firewood and horse water supplied. It is suggested that you do bring your own drinking water.

All dogs that come are asked to be on leads at all times.

Nominations can be made by 'phone to Rick Owen on 0269 441628.

This is another Snowy Zone ride and well worth making it your ANZAC Day celebration venue.

# Q60

## 100KM Elevator

### 80km completion Event 40km Trainer & 20KM Social

The Q60 100km elevator endurance ride will be held at the Upper Colo Reserve on Sunday 16th May. There will be signs from the Colo Bridge on Putty Road turning you onto Upper Colo Road for a few kms. There will be a sign to turn right down and over the bridge into the Reserve.

The 100km track was altered significantly last year to keep riders off the roads and on the wonderful trails that encompass the Colo valley. Unfortunately, after all the hard work, we had the flood and had to cancel the ride. The three legs are made up of the following distances – 45km, 35kms & 20kms with plenty of water available out on track and exceptional marking to ensure nobody gets lost!!

The 45km 1st leg will leave base on the new access road, over the Upper Colo bridge, right onto Upper Colo Road, left into Comleroy Road and up to the power lines turning left down through Atkinsons property onto Upper Colo Road, over the bridge and right into the Old Ralvon Stud where you will follow the valley floor along for approx 4kms before turning left and heading up towards Putty Road. The track runs through the bush for a while and then turns right and heads back down to the valley floor. After several kilometres, riders will be turned right and climb back up the hill to the power lines, then right down Comleroy, right into Upper Colo Road, left over the bridge and left into the access road to the base.

The 35km 2nd leg will be out of the ride base turning right into Upper Colo Road and left in the access road to the Fire Station and heading up Ward's track and on through the National Park and Gaspers Track coming out into Sams Way where you will turn right and come round left to the water stop on Mountain Lagoon Road and then proceeding down MLR to Comleroy Road and turn left and go down past the church and turning right along Upper Colo Road left over the bridge as before.

The 20km 3rd leg will be out of the base on the access route, over the bridge turning right into Upper Colo Road to a turnaround point and back into base as before.

The 40km Training Ride is ideal for fit young and/or novice horses and will be the same track as the 1st leg of the 100kms with a variation to cut 5kms from the track on the valley floor which will be marked clearly. The 20km Social ride will be the 3rd leg of the 100km ride, being flat and easy going - perfect for anyone wanting to try their hand at Endurance Riding for the first time.

The ride base is located on the beautiful Colo River - with a grassy camping area and access to the sandy beach. Dogs are allowed, but please remember to keep them on a leash at all times. A \$6 Camping Fee is payable to the National Parks ranger.

Vetting will be between 2 and 5pm Saturday and from 7am for the trainer 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 4am Sunday, the 40km Trainer will start at 9am and the Social will start at 10am.

Catering will be provided by Wendy Ward and the local Upper Colo Bush Fire Brigade - all proceeds will benefit the Bush Fire Brigade, so please support them over the weekend.

We've secured some fantastic Sponsorship again this year with prizes to placegetters in the 100km Elevator ride and as well as buckles for completions. There will be completion awards for the trainer and social rides.

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

On behalf of the Zone One Committee, we look forward to seeing you at this year's Q60 ride!!

# Terrific Tenterfield

Endurance Club Inc. proudly presents  
“By the light of the silvery moon”

a Dual Affiliated QERA/NSWERA Ride  
on 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> May 2010



**Girard State Forest beckons: tempting tracks,  
spectacular scenery & a beautiful bush campsite.**

**We are offering a choice of rides: Saturday: 40k Training Ride**

**Sunday: 40k Training Ride or an 80k or a 100k!!!**

***Can you afford to miss this chance? 4 weeks before the Quilty!***

**Venue:** Girard State Forest 42km east of Tenterfield towards Casino  
on the Bruxner Highway # 44. Only 8km west of Drake.

**Facilities:** Shady campsites; hot showers; Catering from Sat lunchtime;  
BYO yards & drinking water; plenty of water for horses.

**Track:** The rides run through Girard Forest & parts of the National  
Trail. Apart from a H'way crossing NO TAR ROADS. All bush  
tracks, undulating to hilly with spectacular scenery to enjoy.

**Costs:** Training ride \$45; 80k \$85 and 100k \$105

*Ride Times & Vetting-in details to be advised. Great completion prizes for all  
& Best Conditioned awards in all divisions. Plus our “Song Contest”:- the most  
songs with “The Moon” mentioned gets a special prize!*

*You may have to sing for your supper too!*

**Pre-nominations are essential:** PLEASE let us know so we can plan ahead.

Late nominations WILL BE CHARGED EXTRA \$\$\$\$ with no exceptions.

**Contacts:** Ride Secretary Philippa Lillyman (02)67375438 [jim-](mailto:jim-pip@activ8.net.au)  
[pip@activ8.net.au](mailto:pip@activ8.net.au)

or the President Caroline Windle (02)67364612 [combe10@bigpond.com](mailto:combe10@bigpond.com)

**“To complete is to win” when Moonstruck in Tenterfield**





## **National Championships- 160km Endurance Ride**

### **Manilla NSW - 24-27 June, 2010**

**[www.manillatomquilty.org.au](http://www.manillatomquilty.org.au)**

2010 sees a big year for Endurance Riding in NSW, with Manilla, in North West New South Wales hosting the Tom Quilty Gold Cup National Championships Endurance Ride. Planning is well under way, and details can be seen on the website at [www.manillatomquilty.org.au](http://www.manillatomquilty.org.au). The website gives details on the committee, the course, the town, the qualifications for both horse and rider, as well as merchandise and sponsorship.

The Tamworth & District Endurance Club are experienced in running 160km endurance rides, having been involved in running numerous State Championships. They will be joined by volunteers from all over Australia, to what is hoped will be a Quilty to remember. Many locals will also be involved and the town of Manilla is looking forward to welcoming all visitors to the town, and showing them some great country hospitality.

The course will be the same as was used for the 2008 NSW State Championships. There will be 5 legs, all returning to the Manilla Showground for vetting. The Hunter River Lancers Army Reserves from Tamworth will be doing a majority of the checkpoints, with locals manning their usual spots on the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> legs.

Entry forms will be available on the website from the 1<sup>st</sup> of January 2010 and entries will be accepted from the 1<sup>st</sup> of March 2010. A late entry fee will apply to all entries received after the 1<sup>st</sup> of May. It is recommended that entries be sent as early as possible to secure the best camping spots! (there are really no bad camping spots though, with the vetting ring being central to all camping sites).

A slideshow presentation has been prepared to send out to all entrants, which gives information and photos of all aspects of the ride. Some fantastic photos have been supplied by Kieron Power for this. Merchandise is available now, and an order form can be downloaded off the website. Order forms will also be sent out with entry information.

Kym and Kim Hagon, renowned for their Shahzada Social Committee, will again be organising some classless acts of fun for the days leading up to the serious stuff. Events will include a Guard Dog Challenge, Dog Races, Quilty Idol and Karaoke. A Wine and Cheese afternoon will be held at the top of Mount Borah, which has a reputation as being the best launching site for Paragliding and Hang-gliding in the world. Manilla has hosted the Australian, NSW, New Zealand and World Championships for both Paragliding and Hang-gliding. The view is really something to be seen.

For any enquiries please contact Jeff or Gay Bonham  
(02) 67852055 or  
[email jgbonham@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jgbonham@bigpond.net.au)



# **Coolamon Endurance Ride**

## **Sunday**

### **25<sup>th</sup> July 2010**

The 2010 Coolamon Endurance Ride will be held over the week-end of 24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> July.

Most endurance riders know that the Coolamon course is slightly undulating to flat. It includes country lanes and private properties over mostly clay soils that are soft underfoot. We have changed the course many times over the years, but we now believe that it as good as possible, especially for novice riders and horses.

The Ride Base will again be at Coolamon Showground. The facilities at the showground include an excellent canteen, 60 permanent yards, plenty of water, ample camping space for rigs of all sizes and flushing toilets.

The Leary family will run the canteen over the week-end, with a hot meal on Saturday night and lots of extras to keep your weight up. Laura Leary won the Akubra hat last year for helping in the canteen, so watch out for her again this year.

We thank Coolamon Trotting Club for cancelling their trials on Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July to allow us exclusive use of the Showground.

Coolamon township offers a wide range of facilities for visitors and is just a kilometre from the Ride Base at the Showground. It features a motel, two hotels, Cobbers Takeaway, Miss Jane's Café, Ajanta, Coolamon Sport and Recreation Club which includes the Chinese Restaurant.

Visitors are invited to wander though our historic business precinct or to visit the historic Up-to-Date Store with its Lamson Change Machine and agricultural machinery display.

We would sincerely like to thank Steel Supplies of Wagga and Bomen for sponsoring the Coolamon Ride over the past twelve years. We would also like to thank our other regular sponsors, Coprice, G J Hulm, Moses Wool, Eminem Arabians, Horseland, South West Stockfeeds and Coolamon Building Supplies.

A big thank to all helpers who assist with activities associated with the ride, especially members of the SES who man the majority of the check points.

The Coolamon Endurance Riding Association was very proud of Mahteea Leary who won the inaugural Ken Jubb Memorial Trophy in 2009. We Coolamonites will be trying hard to keep it in Coolamon, so the challenge is out! Get it if you can, but remember horse welfare first.

We would like to invite you to participate in the 2010 Coolamon Ride and we particularly welcome novices as our course is ideally suited to those horses and riders just starting out in the sport. Pre-nominations will be taken from 1<sup>st</sup> July 2010. Entry

fees for the 2010 Coolamon Ride are: Seniors \$70, Juniors \$50, Trainers \$50, and Social \$20.

For enquiries about the Coolamon Endurance Ride, please contact Mick Leary

Phone: 69 273 427

# **2010 New South Wales State Championship 160kms Ride Woodstock 2nd, 3rd & 4th October**



**Together with an  
80KM NO FRILLS RIDE  
at**

**PRE-NOMINATIONS** COMPULSORY FOR BOTH RIDES. Entry forms can be found on web-site [www.nswera.asn.au](http://www.nswera.asn.au) and go to Calendar and click on the ride or go to [www.lachlanerc.com.au](http://www.lachlanerc.com.au) and click on Nominations.

Ride Secretary – Helen Lindsay, Email [kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com](mailto:kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com) or Tel 0263 429289 mob 0427 429289

**ENTRY FEES**

State Championships - \$300 with a \$50 non-refundable nomination fee to be in by 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2010. A late fee of \$50 will be charged, making a total of \$350.00 for those that nominated after 10<sup>th</sup> September, 2010.

80km No Frills Ride - \$80. A late fee of \$20 will be charged to those who do not nominate. Nominations will close for the 80km ride on 27<sup>th</sup> September.

**WEB SITE**

[www.lachlanerc.com.au](http://www.lachlanerc.com.au) (under construction)

**COURSE**

Five clover leaf legs all returning to the Woodstock Showground. Course will be undulating, travelling through the scenic grazing and cropping country of Woodstock, through paddocks, stock routes and country gravel roads. Tar roads will be kept to a minimum but there will be some. Course descriptions will appear on the website in due course.

**CANTEEN**

Available all weekend with a Presentation' Breakfast on Monday following the Best Conditioned Horse Judging. Bookings are essential for the breakfast and tickets can be purchased from the Secretary's tent @ \$10 per head. A complimentary strapper's ticket is included in each entry in the State Championship ride.

**CAMPING**

Toilets and showers at the Showground. Firewood will be provided.

**FACILITIES**

Woodstock Royal Hotel – pub meals – great country pub  
Woodstock General Store – open limited hours for groceries, papers, etc.  
Lachlan Fertilizers, Cowra – feed & produce Tel 0263 424233

Ellis Saddlery, Cowra - Tel 0263 411744  
Cowra Medical Centre -0263 411400  
Cowra Veterinary Centre – 0263 41 3113

The town of Cowra is 22kms from Woodstock; Orange & Bathurst is a 60min drive.



**Members attending the AGM held at Moss Vale in February.**

## **The 13 Month Rule**

Please remember that if your horse does not successfully complete an endurance ride for 13 months, it's status reverts to Novice and you must complete your next ride in novice time. Should you complete a ride outside the novice times— you face disqualification and your points and mileage disallowed.

**Remember—ignorance of this rule is no excuse.**

**NSW ERA Committee**



# National Pointscore for 2009

## Heavyweight Horse

### Points

|                            |       |
|----------------------------|-------|
| Mariba Moontrip (WA)       | 85.5  |
| West Coast Acharon (WA)    | 75    |
| Aloha Naja (NSW)           | 57.5  |
| Julian (VIC)               | 56    |
| Warren Park O.B. One (NSW) | 51.25 |
| Rafyke (QLD)               | 50.5  |
| Garonne Park Walker (NSW)  | 47    |
| Johroy Custom Made (QLD)   | 46.5  |
| Silver Request (VIC)       | 45.5  |
| Chazar Fire N Ice (QLD)    | 45    |

### Distance

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Mariba Moontrip (WA)         | 1132.9 |
| Warren Park O.B. One (NSW)   | 920    |
| West Coast Acharon (WA)      | 893.4  |
| Ashbend Perazzi (NSW)        | 720    |
| Halimas Ibn Rusima (NSW)     | 720    |
| Aloha Naja (NSW)             | 720    |
| Julian (VIC)                 | 706    |
| Kintamani Silver Motif (NSW) | 680    |
| Garonne Park Walker (NSW)    | 640    |
| Anotarj Statistic (NSW)      | 640    |

## Middleweight Horse

### Points

|                              |        |
|------------------------------|--------|
| Malali (QLD)                 | 116    |
| Karabil Yaningi (NSW)        | 103    |
| Poseidon Moon (WA)           | 120.75 |
| Major Luke (NSW)             | 92     |
| Captain's Creek Rupert (QLD) | 98     |
| Eleazar Samuel (WA)          | 87.75  |
| Sasam (QLD)                  | 79     |
| Warabong Challenge (QLD)     | 78.5   |
| Mt Eerwah Siridion (QLD)     | 77.5   |
| Kerribea (TAS)               | 70.5   |

### Distance

|                             |        |
|-----------------------------|--------|
| Major Luke (NSW)            | 1440   |
| Poseidon Moon (WA)          | 1411.9 |
| Captains Creek Rupert (QLD) | 1246   |
| Malali (QLD)                | 1228   |
| Mantuka Lea (WA)            | 1153.4 |
| Warabong Challenge (QLD)    | 1132   |
| Karumba Nazrani (NSW)       | 1120   |
| Eleazar Samuel (WA)         | 1079.3 |
| Tazsh Kamil Lea (WA)        | 1055.9 |
| Noble Navaar Sharzarn (NSW) | 1040   |

## Lightweight Horse

### Points

|                                     |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Omani Mr Sqiggle (NSW)              | 96   |
| Beer Street Bluewitch (TAS)         | 70.5 |
| Crysari (QLD)                       | 63.5 |
| Shakista (NSW)                      | 62.5 |
| Chip Chase Knight (SA)              | 60.5 |
| Cedar Ridge Magnetic (NSW)          | 58.5 |
| Sa'eed (QLD)                        | 57   |
| Hirstglen Conquistador (QLD)        | 58   |
| Malricia Jess (TAS)                 | 51   |
| Allira Park Wings of an Eagle (QLD) | 50.5 |

### Distance

|                                     |      |
|-------------------------------------|------|
| Omani Mr Sqiggle (NSW)              | 1120 |
| Beer Street Bluewitch (TAS)         | 919  |
| Follydown Topaz (NSW)               | 880  |
| Winston (TAS)                       | 880  |
| Blake's Heaven Dubonnet (NSW)       | 862  |
| Crysari (QLD)                       | 824  |
| Shakista (NSW)                      | 800  |
| Chip Chase Knight (SA)              | 763  |
| Blake's Heaven Bombora (NSW)        | 760  |
| Allira Park Wings of an Eagle (QLD) | 725  |
| Ausden Kon Tiki (NSW)               | 720  |
| Pinedene Robbie (NSW)               | 720  |

## Junior Horse

### Points

|                                   |       |
|-----------------------------------|-------|
| Ashwind (QLD)                     | 116.5 |
| Judah of Glendhu (TAS)            | 81.5  |
| Spring Ridge Bungendore (VIC)     | 73.5  |
| Kintamani Jazz Man (NSW)          | 67.25 |
| Blake's Heaven Summer Reign (NSW) | 62.75 |
| Glenwan Sprite (QLD)              | 60.5  |
| Shellal Cattle King Flyte (NSW)   | 60.5  |
| Hirstglen Maybe (QLD)             | 49    |
| Porcelain Doll (QLD)              | 38.75 |
| Googabilla Lodge Starlight (QLD)  | 38.5  |

### Distance

|                                   |      |
|-----------------------------------|------|
| Ashwind (QLD)                     | 1200 |
| Spring Ridge Bungendore (VIC)     | 1004 |
| Shellal Cattle King Flyte (NSW)   | 920  |
| Judah of Glendhu (TAS)            | 880  |
| Blake's Heaven Summer Reign (NSW) | 842  |
| Glenwan Sprite (QLD)              | 810  |
| Kintamani Jazz Man (NSW)          | 720  |
| Hirstglen Maybe (QLD)             | 684  |
| Pancho (TAS)                      | 613  |
| Rahan Mushtar (NSW)               | 480  |
| Porcelain Doll (QLD)              | 480  |

# National Pointscore for 2009

## Heavyweight Rider

### Points

|                        |       |
|------------------------|-------|
| Paul Lengronne (QLD)   | 101.5 |
| Liz Cullum (WA)        | 92.5  |
| Norbert Radny (WA)     | 92    |
| Jarrold Robinson (VIC) | 90.5  |
| Mark Lindsay (NSW)     | 68.5  |
| Brodie Freeman (NSW)   | 67    |
| Stuart Lymbery (NSW)   | 58.5  |
| Rod Mitchell (NSW)     | 58.5  |
| Denise Williams (TAS)  | 58    |
| Greg Garred (QLD)      | 55    |

### Distance

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Paul Lengronne (QLD)   | 1487.6 |
| Allan Caslick (NSW)    | 1340   |
| Jarrold Robinson (VIC) | 1284   |
| Liz Cullam (WA)        | 1222.9 |
| Mark Lindsay (NSW)     | 1200   |
| Norbert Radney (WA)    | 1137.4 |
| Matthew Gadsby (QLD)   | 1043.6 |
| Sue Warren (NSW)       | 1000   |
| Stuart Lymbery (NSW)   | 960    |
| Brodie Freeman (NSW)   | 960    |

## Middleweight Rider

### Points

|                        |        |
|------------------------|--------|
| Marion Lengronne (QLD) | 135.5  |
| Gayle Holmes (QLD)     | 133.5  |
| Frances Overheu (WA)   | 120.75 |
| Maureen Feltham (QLD)  | 116    |
| Garry Bennett (NSW)    | 105    |
| Tracy Haack (NSW)      | 99.75  |
| Brook Sample (QLD)     | 95.25  |
| Heather Johnson (TAS)  | 95     |
| Carol Major (NSW)      | 92     |
| Kristie Taprell (VIC)  | 89.5   |

### Distance

|                          |        |
|--------------------------|--------|
| Tracy Haack (NSW)        | 2060   |
| Kristie Taprell (VIC)    | 2052.8 |
| Marion Lengronne (QLD)   | 1884   |
| Allison Knihinicki (NSW) | 1760   |
| Bridget Nottle (QLD)     | 1719.5 |
| Gayle Holmes (QLD)       | 1650   |
| Carol Major (NSW)        | 1440   |
| Frances Overheu (WA)     | 1411.9 |
| Michelle Chapman (QLD)   | 1378   |
| Anne Simmons (SA)        | 1366.5 |

## Lightweight Rider

### Points

|                         |        |
|-------------------------|--------|
| Angela Hawks (QLD)      | 144.75 |
| Fia Hasko-Stewart (NSW) | 130.5  |
| Kaye Mitchell (TAS)     | 113.25 |
| Carol Layton (NSW)      | 109.25 |
| Sue Todd (NSW)          | 99.5   |
| Cheryl Bullock (SA)     | 94.5   |
| Rebecca Miller (QLD)    | 83     |
| Courtney Freeman (NSW)  | 81.5   |
| Kim Hagon (NSW)         | 67.5   |
| Irene Adams (NSW)       | 67     |

### Distance

|                         |      |
|-------------------------|------|
| Angela Hawks (QLD)      | 2272 |
| Fia Hasko-Stewart (NSW) | 1942 |
| Kaye Mitchell (TAS)     | 1519 |
| Carol Layton (NSW)      | 1440 |
| Sue Todd (NSW)          | 1400 |
| Cheryl Bullock (SA)     | 1207 |
| Courtney Freeman (NSW)  | 1200 |
| Rebecca Miller (QLD)    | 1100 |
| Ann Rouse (TAS)         | 973  |
| Penny Lasdauskas (TAS)  | 960  |

## Junior Rider

### Points

|                           |        |
|---------------------------|--------|
| David Anderson Jnr (QLD)  | 144.5  |
| Talea Hasko-Stewart (NSW) | 115.25 |
| Allix Jones (NSW)         | 109    |
| Shannon Hill (TAS)        | 93.5   |
| Samantha Noble (VIC)      | 92.5   |
| Tarnia Kittel (QLD)       | 73.5   |
| Sophie Counsell (NSW)     | 73.25  |
| Lainie Zischke (QLD)      | 60.5   |
| Jamie Green (QLD)         | 60     |
| Erin Lee Krahnen (QLD)    | 58     |

### Distance

|                           |      |
|---------------------------|------|
| Allix Jones (NSW)         | 1820 |
| David Anderson Jnr (QLD)  | 1782 |
| Talea Hasko-Stewart (NSW) | 1662 |
| Samantha Noble (VIC)      | 1344 |
| Tarnia Kittell (QLD)      | 1100 |
| Shannon Hill (TAS)        | 1040 |
| Jamie Green (QLD)         | 1004 |
| Lainie Zischke (QLD)      | 892  |
| Erin Lee Krahnen (QLD)    | 844  |
| Sophie Counsell (NSW)     | 800  |
| Mia Bodewes (NSW)         | 800  |

## NSW AGM & Presentation



Top: Annette Bailey taking over as Minute Secretary for the last part of the AGM.

Above: Dave Player and Fiona Meller. Fiona receiving her awards at the AGM presentation.





Below: Sue Todd  
receiving her  
awards at the NSW  
AGM.

Right: Gloria Mills  
with her awards at  
the NSW AGM.



## How hard is it to become an endurance riding legend?

Not very, and in fact it's quite possibly compulsory.

First of all, you have to hang around endurance riding a very long time. This is to obscure the facts of your origin. That way, instead of being known as a riding school dropout from Terrey Hills, people will mistake you for a third generation member of a horse breeding dynasty.

You need to have a lot of knowledge, such as:

- Why Peter left Tasmania.
- Who on earth Peter is.
- Where Fleetwing is.
- Why on earth you need to know where Fleetwing is.
- An ability to talk on the complete history of the military saddle, including a short discourse on the McClellan saddle c.1857

Then you have to affect a laconic demeanour. This is done by keeping your hat on and talking with your mouth pretty much closed.

Appearance is important. Hats can be a battered Akubra covered in trail riding club badges. Or whatever happens to be the baseball cap of the moment. Jodhpurs should be well worn and footwear must be dirty. This proves that you're focused.

Any good legend should be always willing to give advice to aspiring endurance riders. This is what my friend well known epic marathon ride legend, Happy Charlie, told me when I asked about his strategy for a successful ride.

*'You've got to know when to hold em.'*

*'Oh yes..'*

*'Know when to fold em...'*

*'Uh huh.'*

*'Know when to walk away..'*

*'Really?'*

*'And know when to run.'*

*'Right.'*

It's also helpful if legends issue profound, though ultimately baffling statements. Here is one:

*'First you think you're a horseman, and then you think you try endurance...'*

Exactly, I'm still trying to get my head around that one. Can someone please explain?

- *What do substance addicts and endurance riders have in common?*
- *Do you have to be fit to be an endurance rider?*
- *Is St Albans the centre of the endurance riding universe?*
- *How many carbon credits does endurance riding have?*

Cathy



Group photo from the AGM.

Left to Right. Sue Todd, Marita Rifai, Fiona Mellor Carol Major, Sue Warne, Carol Layton, Keith Nagle, Neil Clarkson, Charlie Gauci, Peter Strickland. Photos by Jo Rifai

## AERA Notices and Rule Changes

New Rule books have been handed out. There is one error that has been picked up. The wording in **RED** has been left out.

Please make the necessary amendments to your rule books.

### **A.E.R.A. VET GATE INTO HOLD**

**That V8.15 is amended to read:**

**Ride time will cease as the horse and rider cross the finish line at the end of the ride. The final veterinary examination will be the same procedure as for the sectional checks, except that there is no re-present and must take place at any time within thirty minutes of finish time**



## NSW Committee meeting report 12/13 December 2009

**Present:** Neil Clarkson, Tom Perkins Snr, Gary Tweedie, Annette Bailey, Patricia Waddell, Tom McCormack, Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley, Gay Bonham, Jeff Bonham, Les Robinson, Glenda Edwards, Wendy Jones

**Apologies.** Marita Rifai

**In attendance:** Helen Rich (minutes), Jacky Barlow (part meeting), Brad Jones, Allix Jones

### **Jackie Barlow – Secretariat/Membership services, Secretariat communications**

Membership: Adult 505, Junior 50, Associate 22, Honorary 3 – total 580. Newsletter members 292.

Trophies ordered – 20 horse heads. Information needed for engraving. Ribbons ordered. JB happy to come to January Meeting to allow for cross over period.

### **Secretariat Interview Criteria –**

Tom Perkins gave run down of Secretariat Assessment form. Trish Waddell to collate the results.

Order of interview – Cheryl Strachan, Deanna Trevena, Debbie Bugden, Carol Layton, Sonya Ruprecht, Jo McMahan.

Each applicant was duly interviewed with an in camera discussion following.

**MOVED**     **the committee, the committee**  
**THAT**       SMC accept the tender of Sonya Ruprecht for the Secretariat position effective 1 January 2010. .

**Carried**     **Unanimous**

**MOVED**     **Gay Bonham, Belinda Hopley**  
**THAT**       the minutes of the meeting of 13 – 14 November 2009 be accepted

**Carried**     **Unanimous**

### **Business Arising from Previous Minutes and Action sheet**

Gay Bonham wrote to the Vet panel of the AERA. The issue of a lame horse will be addressed by the vet panel. Tom McC gave a review of the weigh scales, which he highly recommends.

**MOVED**     **Tom McCormack, Jeff Bonham**  
**THAT**       NSW ERA purchase a set of scales as viewed by Annette Bailey and Tom McCormack.

**Carried**     **Unanimous**

Neil or Tom McC to contact Pay Pal again. Discussion on the swabbing requirements of the AERA. Agreement that KS should raise this with the AERA.

### **Neil Clarkson – President, AERA**

Most of the last AERA meeting was spent on a disciplinary matter. Full AERA report to be given at the January meeting.

Newsletter coming out soon. Website being updated continuously. NC to put a note on the website about the AERA's stand on drugs in sport.

Discussion on vets putting microchips into horses. In NSW you have to be a vet or an accredited implanter. Discussion on the AERA view that only *accredited vets* can insert a microchip. The NSW SMC believes that this is wrong. A vet does not have to be an AERA accredited vet to insert a microchip.

### **Tom Perkins Snr – Vice President**

#### Governance Manual & Procedures Manual

With the first full draft of the Governance Manual to be presented at December SMC meeting the manual is on line for release by the AGM, as promised. Sections of the manual are already being applied with the newly defined position descriptions being used in the tendering for the Secretariat, Minutes Secretary, and Newsletter Editor positions. Development of the Procedures Manual is also progressing and should also meet the targeted completion prior to the next AGM.

**Kerry Spratt – Secretary, AERA, International**  
Email from Anne Jones inviting vets onto the chat line. Gay to take care of this.

At the recent AERA meeting a copy of the proposed national newsletter was handed around. This is to be discussed at the NSW AGM. Discuss this further at the January meeting.

Enquiry from Mark Freeman seeking support on the running of FEI rides. KS wrote in reply to this advising as to the possibility of AERA sponsorship. General discussion on financial support for AERA rides versus FEI rides.

Tom P is prepared to put something together, re FEI Policy in NSW, for the AGM, but he needs input from more experienced people on the committee. Agreement KS and TP to get together to prepare a report on this.

Letter to go to Mark Freeman advising that the SMC will attempt to present something to the next AGM.

**Wendy Jones – Ride Calendar 2010**

Canberra – 14 March. 40/20 Approved

8 August 2010. Run by Megan and Malcolm Matters - Upper Gorindi Endurance Ride. 80/40/20. Qld ride seeking dual affiliation with NSW.

FEI Red Range Upper Murray Challenge. On the FEI calendar, will be a change to the calendar if NSW dual affiliates this. 20 and 21 March 2010. Cedar Ridge doesn't have a problem with the running of this FEI ride. Wendy to contact Mark Freeman for his confirmation.

Wendy to check Kiwarra date.

**Annette Bailey – Promotions (not discussed or tabled but sent by earlier email to the SMC)**

The report was sent via previous email but was not discussed at the December meeting. This report was discussed in January. See the January Meeting Notes elsewhere in this newsletter.

An article has been written for Jan/Feb '10 Newsletter re the supply of arrows and purchase of scales by NSWERA SMC and emailed to Helen Rich (as per November Minutes).

**Meeting closed at 12 midnight.**

**Meeting reopened Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2009 at 9.30am.**

**Present** – Neil Clarkson, Tom Perkins, Tom McCormack, Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley, Jeff Bonham, Gay Bonham, Gary Tweedie; Trish Waddell; Annette Bailey (Minutes); Glenda Edwards

**Secretarial Report (Continued from Friday 11th Dec. '09)**

Freemantle Ride 2/08/09 - Response from Jeff Bonham tabled re weighing incident at the ride. Discussion re the problems of weighing in and whether there was a problem with the scales and whether Member No. 22006's kms should be reinstated.

**MOVED** Kerry Spratt, Trish Waddell  
**THAT** Having considered all the information the conclusion was reached that there is sufficient doubt that the correct weight was ever carried, therefore the disqualification of Member 22006 at the

2009 Freemantle ride will stand.

**Carried** Unanimous

The second issue at the Freemantle ride is the Chief Steward's comments to Member 22006 re her rights to appeal his decision to disqualify her. Considering the available information, based on the balance of probabilities, the SMC is satisfied with the Chief Steward's decision.

**Bendemeer May 2009** –Member No. 22213 non-payment of veterinary fees for medication supplied to the horse ridden by Sally Trigg after being transported in by a rescue float off the course.

**MOVED** Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley  
**THAT** NSWERA pay the outstanding vet account in relation to the horse ridden by Sally Trigg at Bendemeer Ride in May 2009. The account is payable to Nandewar Animal Health Services in the amount of \$226.50.

**Carried** **Tom Perkins, Tom McCormack, Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley, Gary Tweedie; Trish Waddell; Annette Bailey, Glenda Edwards**

**Abstained** Jeff Bonham & Gay Bonham

Kerry Spratt to write to Member No. 22213 advising that the amount of \$226.50 has been paid to NAHS by NSWERA to preserve the relationship of the Association with its volunteers. NSWERA SMC requires reimbursement within 14 days of the date of the letter.

**Tom McCormack – Treasurer, AERA delegate**

See Annexures **to** these minutes for the full financial details.

**MOVED** Tom McCormack, Trish Waddell  
**THAT** the accounts as tabled be paid  
**Carried** Unanimous

Tom McC discussed a table showing the comparison of last three years' operations. For 2010, assuming our membership stayed the same and all things remained constant and including costs of the Quilty, NSWERA could have a minimum operating loss of \$15000 (this does not include the increase in insurance and affiliation costs to AERA).

The cost of Personal Accident insurance has become a substantial cost to the sport. Kerry Spratt would like to have Personal Accident insurance as a discussion item at the NSWERA AGM to get guidance from the membership to

go back to the AERA to discuss the compulsory element of this insurance.

It was agreed that a letter be written to the AERA asking that all States be instructed to survey their members as to the merits of maintaining the Personal Accident insurance, detailing costs to the membership and the pros and cons of the coverage.

Discussion on what the bottom line reserve amount in interest bearing deposits should be for NSWERA.

**MOVED THAT** Tom McCormack, Gay Bonham  
NSWERA maintain a reserve of \$50,000 in IBD at any time.

**Carried** Unanimous

After much discussion it was decided that the best approach would be "user pays" with a modest increase applied across the board to membership fees (except the Junior membership, which remains the same) and an increase to affiliation fees and Newsletter costs.

**MOVED THAT** Tom McCormack, Trish Waddell

Membership fees for 2010 - Individual adult membership fees (not including the newsletter) be \$150.00 incl GST; Individual Junior membership fees (not including the newsletter) be \$110.00 incl GST; Assoc. Membership (including Newsletter) \$35.00 incl GST; Day

Membership for Training Rides be \$10.00; Day Membership for Introductory rides be \$5.00 and Family Membership fees be \$380.00 incl GST

**Carried** Unanimous

**MOVED THAT** Jeff Bonham, Belinda Hopley  
Affiliation Fees for 2010 are – Endurance \$28; Training - \$15; Intro - \$10.

**Carried** Unanimous

**MOVED THAT** Tom McCormack, Belinda Hopley  
The cost of the Newsletter to members be increased to \$25.00 incl GST

**Carried** Unanimous

**ACTION** - Neil to provide the Newsletter with an article detailing the need for membership and affiliation fee increases.

It was agreed that Ride Committees who have already gazetted Ride Fees for 2010 be advised in writing (either by email or letter) by the Secretary that they will have the option to increase these to take into account the increase in affiliation fees.

There being no further business the meeting closed.

## **Attention Chief Stewards Ride Organisers**

Your risk Management Checklists must be completed

And then sent to Kerry Spratt.

Fax (02) 4340 5881.

Email: [kerryspratt@optusnet.com.au](mailto:kerryspratt@optusnet.com.au)

**This requirement is for insurance purposes.**

## **"WINDRADYNE ARABIANS"**

Canowindra NSW

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### **OFFERS FOR SALE**

## **"Windradyne Sterling"**

**S24460**

This quality bred stallion is the combination of two diverse and proven endurance pedigrees.

His grandsire is Wings (Chip Chase Sadaqa) an undeniable champion of endurance. His dam, Hillbrook Desert Silver (out of Razali - also mother of Hillbrook Drifter & grandmother of Crystal Flyer) has many endurance successes to her name, such as Shazada, many 80km's in top 6 and an impressive win of 3hr 18 carrying HWT.

Sterling is a registered purebred Arabian 3yr old stallion, currently 15hh, mouthed, leads/ties up, good to trim & drench. He is a proven breeder and well behaved being paddocked with a mare & foal.

Sterling is bred to succeed and would be a very valuable addition to any endurance breeding program and is ready to show his true value.



***POA. We welcome your enquiries.***



# 2010 Ride Calendar

## March

|    |                     |          |                     |                                  |   |
|----|---------------------|----------|---------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 7  | Zone One Trainer    | 40/20/5  | \$50, \$25, \$15    | Judy Shore<br>9652 1393          | 1 |
| 13 | Canberra            | 40/20    | TBA                 | Fia Hasko-Stewart<br>6282 2051   |   |
| 21 | Cedar Ridge Stables | 80/40    | S\$85, T\$40, S\$20 | Courtney Freeman<br>0417 248 172 | 2 |
| 28 | Kiwarra             | 80/40/20 | TBA                 | Abby McMurrich<br>6550 6337      | 6 |

## April

|        |                            |                    |                     |                                      |   |
|--------|----------------------------|--------------------|---------------------|--------------------------------------|---|
| 2 to 5 | Tumbarumba Norm<br>Bradley | 80/100 elev,<br>40 | S\$70, J\$50, T\$30 | Angelina Patterson<br>(02) 6948 5188 | 4 |
| 11     | Kundabung                  | 80/40/20           | S\$85/T\$45/T\$20   | Sonia Ruprecht<br>0409 539 523       | 6 |
| 18     | Tooraweenah                | 80/40              | S\$70 J\$45 T\$30   | Sonia Bonham<br>6848 5345            |   |
| 25     | Gundagai                   | 100/80/40          | S\$80, J\$60, T\$40 | Rick Owen<br>(02) 6944 1628          | 4 |
| 25     | Windeyer                   | 160                | TBA                 | Mick O'Hare<br>6373 8393             | 2 |

## May

|           |                                     |                      |   |  |     |
|-----------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|---|--|-----|
| 1-2       | Bendemeer                           | 80/40/15             | \$75/\$45/\$40/\$20                     | Gay Bonham<br>(02) 6785 2055   | 2   |
| 9         | The Rock                            | 80/40/20             | TBA                                     | Dave Edgar   | 4   |
| 16        | Q60                                 | 100k<br>Elev /40     | S\$100 J\$80 T\$50<br>- \$10 for prenom | Judy Shore<br>9652 1393  | 1   |
| 15/16     | Red Range Upper<br>Murray Challenge | FEI 90*<br>FEI 120** | \$150 [15th]<br>\$200 [16th]            | Robyn Parnell<br>0418 248 142  | 6   |
| 22        | Ride Organisers<br>forum            | Bathurst             | Tom McCormack<br>(02) 6226 5626         | Email:<br><a href="mailto:tomlou@iinet.net.au">tomlou@iinet.net.au</a>                               |     |
| 29/3<br>0 | Tenterfield                         | 100/80/40            | 100k \$105, 80k \$85 ,<br>T \$45;       | Philippa Lillyman (02)<br>67375438<br><a href="mailto:jimpip@activ8.net.au">jimpip@activ8.net.au</a> | NRZ |
| 30        | Wingello                            | 80/40/10             | S\$85 J\$65 T\$50<br>S\$25              | Rebecca Hayes<br>0412 600 173  |     |

# 2010 Ride Calendar

## June

|       |                    |                      |     |                                 |   |
|-------|--------------------|----------------------|-----|---------------------------------|---|
| 6     | St Albans          | 85/100 elev<br>40/20 | TBA | Neil Clarkson<br>(02) 9601 5244 | 1 |
| 13    | Gulgong            | Cancelled            |     |                                 | 3 |
| 26/27 | Tom Quilty Manilla | 160                  |     | Gay Bonham<br>(02) 6785 2055    | 6 |

## July

|    |                            |          |                               |                                 |   |
|----|----------------------------|----------|-------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| 18 | Putty                      | 80/40/20 | S\$95 J\$65 T\$54<br>S\$25    | Charlie Gauci<br>(02) 4735 3014 | 1 |
| 25 | Bago Bush Bash<br>Wauchope | 80/40/20 | TBA                           | Robyn Coombs<br>(02) 6585 6761  | 6 |
| 25 | Coolamon                   | 80/40/20 | S\$70, J\$50, T\$50,<br>S\$20 | Michael Leary<br>(02) 6927 3427 | 3 |

## August

|       |                                      |                     |                      |                                |   |
|-------|--------------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| 8     | Freemantle                           | 80/46/20            | S\$85/\$60/\$50/\$30 | Lee Curtis<br>6337 4195        | 2 |
| 8     | Upper Gorindi dual affil<br>with Qld | 80/40/20            | \$85, T\$50 S\$25    | Meghan Matters<br>02 6649 2836 |   |
| 8     | Eurobodalla                          | 80/40/20            | TBA                  |                                |   |
| 23/27 | Shahzada                             | 400/ 2 x 80,<br>120 | TBA                  | Sue Todd<br>6379 7218          | 1 |

## September

|    |                               |          |     |                              |   |
|----|-------------------------------|----------|-----|------------------------------|---|
| 12 | Manilla                       | 80/40/15 | TBA | Gay Bonham<br>(02) 6785 2055 | 1 |
| 19 | National Capital<br>Brookvale | 80/40/20 |     |                              |   |

## October

|       |                             |                      |     |                                  |   |
|-------|-----------------------------|----------------------|-----|----------------------------------|---|
| 2/3   | NSW State Ride<br>Woodstock | 160<br>80 no frills  | TBA | Helen Lindsay<br>6342 9289       | 4 |
| 17    | Harden Light Horse          | 80-120 Elev<br>40/20 | TBA | Kate Smith<br>0411 795 278       | 4 |
| 30/31 | Kiwarrak Cup.               | 100/80/40/20         | TBA | Abby McMurrich<br>(02) 6550 6337 | 6 |

## November

|    |                       |                 |                          |                                  |   |
|----|-----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|----------------------------------|---|
| 7  | Cedar Ridge           | To be confirmed |                          | Courtney Freeman<br>0417 248 172 | 2 |
| 14 | Sassafras South Coast | 80/40/20        | \$80 \$50 T\$40<br>S\$20 | Alan Marshall<br>4422 8818       |   |
| 28 | Cedar Ridge FEI       | 80* / 120**     |                          | Courtney Freeman<br>0417 248 172 | 2 |

## December

|   |                       |                   |                          |                                    |   |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 5 | Blowering Dam Bat-low | 100 Elev<br>40/20 | \$75 \$55 T\$45<br>S\$20 | Lecreasha Kellam<br>(02) 6948 2737 | 4 |
|---|-----------------------|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|---|

Copmanhurst 13-14 March. Dual affiliation with Qld. Contact Nicole Urquart 66473200. rides each day 80kms 40kms 20kms \$90 \$50 \$25

Eldorado 10 and 11 July Dual affiliation Victoria. Contact Tina Hones 03257251976. 120kms, 80kms, 40kms and 20kms.

## Classified

### FOR SALE

Yellow Log Book gelding, registered pure bred Arabian. 11 years old, 15hh. Carried middleweight lady rider. Awarded Fittest Horse twice. \$5,000.  
Phone (02) 6566 9139. Rob on the mid north coast.

### FOR SALE

Endurance breed Reg. Pure Arab gelding. Dam: Bremevale Yolanda Sire: Task. Blue book done 3 x 40 fit ready for 80k. Low heart rates. Hugh potential. Keen attitude, responsive. Trained barefoot / bitless. 14.3 ½ hh bay D.O.B march 2001. \$6500 neg. near Coffs Harbour. Ph. 02 66559396 night.

## Your weight is your responsibility

**The NSW State Management Committee would like to remind riders that it is the riders responsibility to maintain the minimum weight if you chose to ride middleweight or heavyweight at rides. Please remember that you must weigh in pre-ride with the gear you will be riding in (excluding your bridle) and nothing else. Some people may lose weight during a ride, so please ensure you have a couple of kilos up your sleeve so you do not risk disqualification at the end of the ride.**

**NSW Committee**

# ANIMAL FOCUS



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## Notice

**Don't forget to renew your Endurance horse registration!**

**No rego sticker in your log book**

**No ride.**

**NSW ERA Committee**





### Squad News

Welcome all to 2010, this is looking to be just as busy for the Squadees as was 2009.

The main event for world wide Equestrian activities this year will be the World Equestrian Games which will be held at the world famous Kentucky Horse Park from September 26 to 10<sup>th</sup> Oct (or thereabouts) Endurance is the first discipline to perform. The Long List announcement of the Australian Team accompanies this report.

Other activities that the Squad will be looking forward to, from a competition perspective is the return trip to Fauresmith, South Africa, which is the South African Championships, and where some 380 horses and riders are catered for from most Provinces in South Africa. The event is 3 x 80km rides over 3 days. The Australian Squad won the gold medal last year, so this precedence has been set by the our girls who rode there, the weight of responsibility will be on the team of 2010. Expressions of Interest will be called when we receive notification from the South African OC.

The Trans Tasman this year will be at Clare in South Australia, date the 5-7 November. Clare will be the home of the 2011 Tom Quilty and this event together with the finals of the Young Horse Championships will be a good opportunity for all riders to suss the course as well as enjoy spending a few days in the heart of the South Australian wine region

Closer to home for many is the Tom Quilty at Manilla (NSW), There will be a squad camp held at Manilla the Wednesday of Quilty week, this will follow the usual format with very interesting speakers and is aimed at all riders, not just the top level and is available to all endurance riders and their support crews, exact times and venue TBA.

I have had inquiries from other states to have squad camps, this is something we would like to encourage all states to think about, we base our camps mainly on equitation, nutrition for horses and athletes, rider fitness and recoveries, horse fitness and recoveries, encouragement and inclusion of young riders, education of Vets and officials through structured FEI courses and BTW the next FEI course for Vets, officials and Stewards has been approved by the FEI for October 16-18 2010, to be held in Brisbane.

The Young Horse Challenge has kicked off for this year with the first qualifier being run at Fernvale on 5-7 Feb. We had three horses qualify there, the next qualifier is at Oberon Feb 28. Linda Tanian is now managing the Young Horse Series, for all information and forms Linda's contact is [killara@wideband.net.au](mailto:killara@wideband.net.au) phone (03) 5199 2433 mob 0409 415355

The Squad now has its own website [www.thesquad.asn.au](http://www.thesquad.asn.au) check this out for all the up to date information, all FEI ride results, schedules, ride calendar, check put the Young Horse Series qualifying events and the horses who have qualified, plus news and squadees doings, and thanks to Emma Holland for helping to make this, we hope an interesting website.

Barbara Timms  
Squad Manager  
February 2010

# **World Equestrian Games Kentucky 2010**

## **Announcement of the Long List**

The following list of Horses and Riders have been placed on the long list for selection to represent Australia at the World Equestrian Games in Kentucky on September 26-27, 2010.

Please note this list is not in order of preference:

|                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| Kristie Taprell (Vic)   | Kurrajong Concorde                               |
| Penny Toft (Qld)        | Don, Magnum, Bremervale Justice, Zalman          |
| Alexandra Toft (Qld)    | Magnum, Bremervale Justice, Zalman, Tora Karlaya |
| Matthew Sample (Qld)    | Brookleigh Ricardo                               |
| Sasha Laws-King (Qld)   | Bint Shah Dara                                   |
| Melissa Longhurst (Qld) | Pioner Park Navaronne                            |
| Norbert Radny (WA)      | West Coast Acheron                               |

Items of note:

Certificates of Capability (for Endurance) are due to the FEI by 27 July 2010. Official FEI publications serve as a source for the qualification criteria that each athlete and horse must meet in order to compete.

For Endurance, each National Federation may enter a maximum of 5 athletes and 6 horses.

Chris Gates as Chair person of the appointment panel has announced the Selection Committee of three for this World Championship event. They are: Barbara Timms, Dr Anne Barnes, Jan Tyrrell.

Ieva Peters  
Secretary  
AERA International Committee

# NSW Committee meeting report 15 January 2010

## **Report on the NSWERA Committee meeting held 15 January, 2010.**

**Present:** Neil Clarkson, Tom Perkins Snr, Gary Tweedie, Annette Bailey, Tom McCormack, Belinda Hopley, Gay Bonham, Jeff Bonham, Glenda Edwards, Marita Rifai

**Apologies.** Kerry Spratt, Wendy Jones, Sonia Ruprecht

**In attendance:** Helen Rich (minutes), Jacky Barlow (part meeting),

### **Conflicts of Interest**

None declared.

### **Acceptance of previous Minutes**

Discussing Kerry's proposed amendments. All name changes have been made. General comments were not taken into account.

**MOVED Belinda Hopley, Gary Tweedie**

**THAT** the minutes of the meeting of 12 – 13 December 2009 be accepted

**Carried Unanimous**

### **Business Arising from Previous Minutes and Action sheet**

Discussing the FEI policy and the need to put something before the AGM. Tom Perkins said he would draft something but doesn't know enough about the subject to draft it without input from the rest of the committee.

Tom McC obtained a quote for 1,000 arrows with six different templates – worked out at \$1 an arrow. Total cost \$6,000. Tom to email quote to NC and he will see if he can source more local quotes.

Letter previously sent to Mudgee Endurance Riders' Association Inc was tabled and discussed.

Tom Perkins gave a report on the strategic plan. Would like this discussed in the New Year.

Brookvale still needs to send training ride results in.

Governance manual updated. Could be printed in hard copy with a disk provided.

Moved on to the Lucky Draw. Agreement to do this particular draw at the AGM.

### **Committee Reports**

#### **Neil Clarkson – President, AERA**

Welcome to 2010. AGM coming up. Spent a lot of time on the phone over the past few weeks. Newsletter is out. All the AGM details went out in a separate booklet. Website to be updated shortly. All the forms need to be changed to reflect the new address and phone numbers for the Secretariat.

Discussion on who actually updates the web. Tom Perkins says we need a procedure for this. Could Neil put something in writing.

#### **Tom Perkins – Vice President**

Vice President - Ongoing duties for the Vice President now defined in the Governance Manual – Process oversight of management team, coaching and support for team members.

Ongoing management and development of the Governance Manual.

Child Protection officer.

The Governance Manual is now complete and is being preparing for release at AGM. Manual complete with all original and support documents, together with document templates and operating instructions will be copied to disc ready for handover.

Procedures - Motions register up to date to November minutes, will be updated with December and January motions as soon as they are ratified and the file will be copied to disc ready for hand over.

Procedures Manual completed and ready for presentation at January meeting. Manual complete

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with support documents and operating instructions copied to disc ready for hand over.

Google Maps ride bases map and ride separation matrix up to date with ride calendar.

**Secretariat/Membership services - Sonya Ruprecht. Report given by Jacky Barlow–**

**PART 1. MEMBERSHIP NUMBERS**

|              | YTD 2010  | 2009       |
|--------------|-----------|------------|
| ADULT        | 37        | 505        |
| JUNIOR       | 3         | 50         |
| ASSOCIATE    | 1         | 22         |
| HONORARY     | 3         | 3          |
| <b>TOTAL</b> | <b>44</b> | <b>580</b> |
| NEWSLETTER   | 26        | 292        |
| LIFETIME     |           | 2          |

Jacky Barlow read out the new members and gave the report. All trophies have been received. Ribbons still being printed.

Discussion on proxies and how the proxy system works. Proxies go to the Secretariat and they then go to the secretary and someone signs off the names from the membership list. Jacky's NSW ERA phone should now be redirected. Discussion on the Internet connection with @active8. Jacky to contact Active8 – emails are to continue on and be transferred to Sonya.

**MOVED Tom McCormack, Jeff Bonham**

**THAT** the new members be accepted and their names published in the newsletter.

**Carried Unanimous**

**Kerry Spratt – Secretary, AERA, International. Report given by Neil Clarkson**

Letter from John Howe regarding One Horse One Rider trophies and the suggestion of retrospective awards. Tom Perkins said he went through the motions and found a motion reinstating the one horse one rider in 1994. As to when it was originally abolished TP aid could not find any record.

**MOVED Tom Perkins, Glenda Edwards**

**THAT** a letter be written to John Howe thanking him for his idea on the One Horse One Rider awards but the decision has been made that it is not feasible to award trophies retrospectively

**Carried Unanimous**

More discussion held on the Mudgee ride date.

Letter regarding Red Range ride date tabled. This is an FEI ride. One star and two star.

**MOVED Belinda Hopley, Marita Rifai**

**THAT** Red Range be allocated a ride date of 16 May 2010.

**Carried Unanimous**

Eurobodalla – asked for 8<sup>th</sup> August. 80/40/20. Approved.

Lee Curtis still to be advised of the two leg 40 klm.

Gundagai – 100 k elevator. Increase in distance approved, requires changing in the ride calendar.

Heaven 'n Horses – Wendy to follow this up with Cheryl to see if this ride is still on.

Letter from Courtney Freeman re assistance for FEI rides. This was forwarded to AERA.

**Tom McCormack – Treasurer, AERA**

Financial schedules attached to the back of this document.

**MOVED Tom McCormack, Jeff Bonham**

**THAT** That the reports be accepted and the invoices as tabled be paid.

**Carried Unanimous**

**Glenda Edwards - EWS**

Teams event was won by the Barbie Dolls. No EWS letters sent.

**Jeff Bonham - Horse welfare**

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## Lucky Draw Winners



**\$200 fuel voucher**  
**Adam Beard.**

### **Akubra hats**

**Pat Bourke,  
Pat Dickinson,  
Mary Lou Locke,  
Kevin Trotter,  
Bob Howden.**



## ***Zone Competition Notice***

The NSWERA is starting a NSW Zone Competition.

Each Zone provides a team for a particular ride consisting of four riders which can be made up of all HWT and/or MWT but a maximum of 1 x LWT and 1 x JNR on the team.

Accumulative times are added up throughout the year and the Zone with the lowest accumulative time – wins the event.

The basis of this competition is **“FUN”** and to promote Zone strength and involvement.

So be a part of your Zone. Contact your Zone delegate and represent your Zone. No experience necessary!

To find out who your Zone Delegate is, see the Committee Details in the back of this newsletter.



**Marita Rifai receiving her awards at the NSW AGM in Moss Vale.**

## Notice

Due to the resignation of Annette Bailey there is now a casual vacancy on the NSW Management Committee. The SMC is seeking expressions of interest from people who may be interested in joining the SMC for an initial period of 12 months.

If you are interested, please send a brief resume setting out your experience in the sport and advising what you think you could offer the Association. People who are willing to give up their time and work for the benefit of the sport would be warmly welcomed. You must be able to attend committee meetings on a regular basis, usually once a month with meetings being held in Windsor.

If you think you have something to offer the sport you can either contact the secretary Kerry Spratt direct or post a written application to Post Office Box 6627, Chatham NSW 2430

If more than one application is received a ballot will be held. Applications will close on 7 April 2010.

The NSW Committee

## Notice

The NSW State Management Committee is seeking expressions of interest from people who would be willing to be part of the independent disciplinary panel (the IDP).

The IDP is made up of ordinary members of the Association who may be called up to investigate matters associated with disputes involving other members. Your name would be added to a list of names of interested people. When issues arise, the Committee will select by ballot, the names of 3 people from that list to deal with a matter.

If you are interested, please contact the secretary Kerry Spratt whose details appear in the back of this magazine.

The NSW Committee

No report

#### **Annette Bailey - Promotions**

AB said she had the same report as the last meeting as it was not discussed then. The report has been duplicated below.

Have completed the Database for 2009 Day Members up to and including the Woodstock ride.

There are nearly 300 entries which give name, address and rides attended. Family members have been grouped together to save doubling up. AB wants to send out membership form, abbreviated calendar and getting started notes. Would like the funds to finance this.

**MOVED**      **Annette Bailey, Jeff Bonham**

**THAT**      Annette Bailey be reimbursed for postage and expenses with regard to sending out membership applications, getting started notes to those day members who have previously supplied their names and addresses up to a total amount of \$600.

**Carried**      **Unanimous**

This database is ready for someone to take over and maintain (suggested the Secretariat).

I have written a form letter to use with this database to send out Getting Started Notes, an abbreviated Ride Calendar and Membership Forms. Would also like to send out an old newsletter with each and send this package out with the new membership forms as early into the New Year as possible.

I require the following –

300 x Membership Forms (when fees are set for 2010)

300 x abbreviated calendars (Gay Bonham has written for Insurance needs)

More Getting Started Notes (will notify the numbers required)

Funds to purchase envelopes and stamps for postage

Post Ride Survey –

Have posted a request on the endurance chatline asking for response to the survey format. Have had one reply to date which was very positive and wanting it to continue.

#### **Wendy Jones – Ride calendar**

Report given previously.

#### **Gay Bonham - Insurance**

A list of approved rides has been sent to the insurance company. Neil gave thanks to Jeff and Gay for their time on the committee.

#### **Gary Tweedie – Horse welfare**

Windeyer ride report. One horse treated. It was a hard ride due to drought. Mary Locke was a probationary chief steward and she is now a full accredited chief steward. The conduct of member 23482 was discussed. Agree to refer this matter to an IDP committee.

Discussion on the need for more people to be available for future IDP panels. The number is currently five but it could be more. Ballot took place.

**MOVED**      **Tom McCormack, Jeff Bonham**

**THAT**      the matter concerning the behaviour of member no. 23482 (which took place at the Windeyer Zone Two championship ride), be referred to the IDP

**Carried**      **Unanimous**

Belinda Hopley made the suggestion that we ask at the AGM, each year, for members who may be interested to be on an IDP panel.

#### **Fiona Meller – Course Preservation**

No report.

#### **Marita Rifai**

Zone one AGM tomorrow night. Also put in a notice of motion to the AGM regarding Zone boundaries.

General discussions on Zones took place with particular reference to Zone Two and Zone One.

Thanks given to Marita for her contribution to the committee.

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Rowena Robinson receiving her Big Three at the NSW AGM.

**AERA notice**  
**Rider Responsibility**

**The AERA advises that it is the rider's responsibility to ensure that they and their horse do not pose a risk to the safety and welfare to other horses and riders by ensuring that a horse is ridden in appropriate gear and under control at all times**

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**Patricia Waddell**

No report.

**Belinda Hopley**

Annette Bailey gave the Zone AGM Report. Zone is very strong. Members of the new committee are:

President Louise McCormack

Vice President - Stewart Lymbery

Secretary - Annette Bailey

Treasurer - Anne Lymbery

Zone Delegate - Belinda Hopley

Memberships and Promotions - Angelina Patterson

Sponsorship - Ava Pellezari

**New Business**

**December Helper Lucky Draw**

Hold over until the AGM because we do not have the names of chief stewards and TPRs for the last few rides.

**AERA Report from November meeting**

Tom McCormack and Neil gave a brief update but the report was given at the last meeting.

**Outstanding ride organisers' forum items and date**

Tom McCormack went through available dates. Agreement to try for Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> March. Suggest it be held at Bathurst – same venue as before. Tom McCormack to take care of arranging this. Issues: ride calendar, provision of vests for the vets and TPRs, possibly given to Chief Stewards. Suggestion that on the ride booking form you could put 'preferred vetting team' or preferred 'chief steward' etc.

**AGM – select Master of Ceremonies and DJ, need for meeting before AGM**

Annette is to confirm the numbers for dinner. Discussion on the costs of a DJ and the menu.

**Promotions Ideas**

Remove from the agenda. Done.

**Ride booking procedure**

Preferred head vet, preferred chief steward – include on the ride booking form. Need to discuss further

**Zone boundaries**

Remove from the agenda as this is to go before the AGM.

**1986 Colo Classic**

**MOVED  
THAT**

**Belinda Hopley, Jeff Bonham**

the request for State Ride buckles for the 1986 Colo Classic is denied. It is not feasible to award trophies retrospectively.

**Carried**

**Unanimous**

**Ride Reports**

Neil is to be chief steward at Williams River. Should be a great course and as it will be a twilight ride, you will be able to see the lights on Stockton Beach.

Agreement to make the State ride an agenda item for future meetings.

Letter of thanks to go to Stuart and April for the use of their home for the last Saturday meeting.

**Quilty report**

All going well. Sponsorship coming in.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.45pm

**Next meeting dates 6 February 2010.**

# NSW AGM Minutes

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the New South Wales Endurance Riders Association Inc. held at the Moss Vale Services Club, Argyle St Moss Vale on Saturday, 6 February 2010, commencing at 1.30 pm

**Present:** Neil Clarkson (Chairman), Tom Perkins Snr, Tom McCormack, Gary Tweedie, Glenda Edwards, Annette Bailey, Marita Rafai, Kerry Spratt, Annette Bailey, Belinda Hopley, John Howe

**In attendance:**

Kerry Spratt, Peter Cooper, Neroli Cooper Mitchell, Charles Gauci, John Howe, Roy Barsby, Deanna Trevena, Helen Rich, Karen Rhodes, Rachel Benad, Kevin Sayer, Tony Warren, Sue Warren, Jennifer Rogers, Keith Nagle, Fiona Meller, Anne Lymbery, Stuart Lymbery, Renee Edwards, Peter Grelck, Sharon Oliver, Glenda Edwards, Marita Rifai, Joe Rifai (non member), Garry Weis, Jochen Letsch (visitor), Dave Player, Gary Tweedie, Louise McCormack, Tom McCormack, Andrew Bailey, Annette Bailey, Tom Perkins, Roz Edmunds, Belinda Hopley, Steven Roberts, Sonya Ruprecht, Dianne Cameron, Robin Gossip, Neil Clarkson, Kayte Barnard, Frances Derschow, Mary Hollingsworth, Mark Cameron, Peter Strickland, Michael Knihinicki, Gary Bennett, Gordon Smith, Sue Todd, Alison Knihinicki, Shelly Ison, Peter Norman, Carol Layton, Rebecca Hayes, Robert Howden, Faith Robinson, Fia Hasko Stewart, Charlie Gauci, Cathy Banwell, Angelina Patterson, Bindi Reinhold and Rhonda Hanson. [60 members]

**Apologies:** Ray Rhodes, Debbie Bugden and Gary Pevy, Dodi Sinfield, Ian Dreghorne, Denise Trollope, Brad and Wendy Jones, Daphne Phillips, Jeff and Gay Bonham, Patricia Waddell

Proxies recorded numbered 43.

The minutes of the AGM held 8 February 2009 had been previously published in the New South Wales Endurance Newsletter.

**MOVED THAT** Louise McCormack, Mark Cameron. the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 8 February 2009 be accepted.

**CARRIED** Unanimous

**MOVED THAT** Fiona Meller, Karen Rhodes Ron and Val Males, Lyn and Adrian Bailey, Searle Johnson be confirmed

as honorary members of the NSW ERA

**Carried Unanimous**  
**President – Neil Clarkson**

Thanks to the State SMC for all their hard work. Thanks to Jeff and Gay Bonham and Wendy Jones who have retired from the NSW committee. Also I would like to thank Jacky Barlow for her hard work over the past two years and welcome to Sonya Ruprecht who has recently taken over the NSW Secretariat. Thanks also to all ride organisers and ride committees and volunteers. Without them we would have no sport.

This year is a big year. We have the Quilty in Manilla and we are expecting a good turn out. Hopefully you will all be aiming to go to the NSW Quilty. The State Ride is at Woodstock this year.

I have enjoyed my time as president. It's been interesting and I have learnt lots of new skills. It has been a lot of fun helping people out. This is my last term as president. Now is the time for me to get back to riding.

Thanks to Helen Rich for the newsletter and Linda Henley for doing the cover each time. Ride organisers are asked to check their ride details on the website. Please check your details as soon as they go up and if something is wrong, please let us know sooner rather than later.

Thanks to Lyn Burns for updating the website. It is updated approximately every 2 weeks. Input is always welcome. If you would like to see something on the web, please let us know.

**Treasurer – Tom McCormack**

I am pleased to present the Audited Financial Accounts for the Association for 2009.

The Operating Profit for 2009 is \$434 compared to the Operating Profit for 2008 of \$8692 being a decline of \$8258.

A summary of the major variances between 2009 and 2008 is listed below which highlights the major movements over \$1.0k. I suggest there is no cause for concern given our current Term Deposit base of \$73k. I also advise that the SMC passed a motion this year requiring the Association to maintain a minimum Reserve of \$50k at all times. Graph showing where the money has gone was produced to the meeting.

See the P&L statement elsewhere in this newsletter for full details of the financial report.

Movements greater than \$1k between 2009 and 2008 are;

#### 2010 Forecast

I suggest that in 2010 the Association will operate at a loss of \$10.0k - \$15.0k but I am not concerned as the causes for the loss (given below) are items of one-off expenditure.

The loss will be driven by;

NSW hosting the 2010 Tom Quilty which the NSWERA has already sponsored for \$10k. This level of sponsorship will not occur until NSW again hosts the Tom Quilty some years in the future.

The SMC has agreed on a program of targeted expenditure to assist our ride organizers by providing a full set of course arrows to all ride committees in 2010 at no cost to the ride committee. The budgeted/quoted cost for these arrows is \$5k. In addition the SMC has purchased a set of scales for \$750 and if prove successful intend to purchase such scales for each zone costing \$3750.

The SMC is yet to consider the purchasing of Vet Vests, TPR Vests and Rider bibs which I intend to recommend to the Committee in 2010.

#### Other

I have attended 3 AERA meetings as a NSWERA delegate. The last meeting was almost entirely consumed by a Disciplinary Hearing and the resultant deliberations which was extremely disappointing. Subsequently very little on the agenda was able to be addressed. At the Divisional level, issues relating to the naming of horses and disputes involving logbooks and horse ownership appear to be on the increase. I will be encouraging our SMC to place both issues on the National Agenda for debate.

I would like to think that the long awaited National Database will be ready for roll-out at the start of 2011 and your AERA delegates will do everything possible to ensure this happens.

**Tom McCormack**

**MOVED THAT** Tom McCormack, John Howe the financial reports as presented be accepted

**Carried** Unanimous

**Tom Perkins – Vice President, procedures**

Ride bases map and ride separation matrix are

both up to date with ride calendar.

The Ride bases map has now been visited over 36,600 times in 18 months indicating usage. Some ride organisers not yet availing themselves of the system's full capabilities.

There is a slide presentation but will hold this over for the Ride Organiser's forum.

Ongoing duties for the Vice President now defined in the Governance Manual –

- Process oversight of management team, coaching and support for team members.
- Ongoing management and development of the Governance Manual.
- Child Protection officer.

The **Governance Manual** is now complete and ready for presentation at the AGM. Manual Master File complete with all original and support documents, together with document templates and operating instructions has been copied to disc ready for handover.

**Motions register** up to date to December 2009 minutes, and copied to disc ready for hand over.

**Procedures Manual** completed and ready for presentation at AGM. Manual Master File complete with support documents and operating instructions have been copied to disc ready for hand over.

(Slide Presentation – Tour through Governance Manual to Procedures Manual)

Tom asked the meeting to endorse in principle the acceptance of both manuals as a way to manage our systems and documents. Approval was duly given by show of hands.

**Kerry Spratt – Secretary, Governance, IDP, Grants, International, AERA**

Asked for a vote of thanks to Tom Perkins Snr for his work on the procedures manual.

Firstly, I'd like to say a sincere thank you to all my fellow committee members, its been great working with you. Neil has contributed more in his role as President than anyone could expect. I'd hate to think how many hours that would be, most of it is behind the scenes and I know that endurance riding in NSW and Australia is much better as a result of Neil's contribution. Thank you Neil. We also have Jeff, Gay and Wendy who are not on the committee next year, and I want to thank them for their great contributions and dedication. We'll miss you!

Fiona has done a fantastic job with our course preservation issues again this year. If it wasn't for Fiona's dedication with submissions, committees and networking our access to many



areas could easily be in jeopardy.

Again this year your AERA delegates have continued this year to try and represent the views and wishes of the NSW membership, and help manage our sport at national level. Please keep in touch with your committee and let us know what you think, and what you might be concerned about. One significant issue this year is the adoption of the Equestrian Australia Anti-doping policy for human athletes and the EA Anti Doping and Medication Control policy for horses. Please contact a committee member if you have any concerns over that. If you have any concerns over human medications, there is a website which lists the status of hundreds of substances. Please check there. Its [www.asada.gov.au/substances](http://www.asada.gov.au/substances). Both these policies are available on the EA website [www.equestrian.org.au](http://www.equestrian.org.au).

An issue of great concern to the AERA is horses competing under names other than their registered names. There is currently an amnesty whereby people can have their horse's record altered to its registered name without any penalty. Please ensure that you take advantage of this chance to correct the records, if you have such a horse. It would be much appreciated.

An exciting development is the creation of an Endurance Sports Committee with Equestrian Australia. This will replace the AERA International Sub Committee. The AERA has developed a preferred model, similar to the Carriage Driving, Dressage and Vaulting Committees. We believe this model is being accepted by the EA Board this weekend. The preferred model is a skills based committee comprising 5 members, selected for their experience and skills, who are voting members of both an AERA division and EA. Nominations would be called from the memberships by both organisations. The Committee will probably meet twice a year, with all costs associated with the meetings met by EA. Sports Committees have a 4 year term starting after each World Equestrian Games, so in our case there will be an interim committee for 12 months.

On the international scene, the major events this year were the World Championship for Young Riders held in Hungary, where our team did us proud. Congratulations to Allix Jones and Blake Freeman, and your support crews. The Fauresmith Cup was held in South Africa, our Aussie team winning Team Gold. Congratulations to Jennifer Gilbertson, Mette Sutton and Tammi Parnell and the crew.

Graeme Gilbertson did a great job as Team Manager in South Africa and Trish Annetts has done a wonderful job as Chef D'Equipe all year. The Aussies also won the Trans Tasman event held in New Zealand.

Please give some serious thought to becoming involved in the Australian Endurance Squad, at any level you wish. Aspiring international rider, horse, groom, official or crew. We always need more people involved and it can truly lead to some great experiences.

The international scene includes FEI events held in Australia too of course. We had 3 FEI rides in NSW in 2009, and hosted a round of training courses for people interested in becoming FEI Officials or even just finding out more about the FEI rules. The Southern Stars Young Horse Challenge is an exciting concept that started in 2009 and will run again in 2010. This is a series of Australian FEI rides for horses between the ages of 6 and 8. The winner this year was Castlebar Moonlight ridden by Linda Tanian. Please contact me for more details if you are interested.

Most people are aware that we have an Independent Disciplinary Panel, which can be called on to investigate and determine any disciplinary matters. Thank you sincerely to our IDP members, they have had a few issues to deal with this year unfortunately, and have done a great job. The IDP is made up from the random selection of 3 people from a list of people who have made themselves available. Please consider putting your name forward. You hopefully won't be called on, but it's essential for your Association to have people willing to take on that role.

One other issue I'd like to mention is our obligation in the area of Child Protection. Legislation requires us to provide an environment which is safe for our junior members. We have a child protection policy is available to all members. The legislation applies to situations where our volunteers and other representatives are working on our behalf, and have unsupervised contact with children. We must manage the way in which these people interact with children and young people at our events. We strongly suggest that ride volunteers such as checkpoint officials and rescue float drivers who may be in unsupervised contact with children, should be in pairs. They will then not be in a situation of being unsupervised. Please contact the Committee if you have any questions about our child

protection obligations.

Lastly, again in 2009 we have benefited from a Sports Development Grant of \$6500 from the NSW Department of Arts, Sport and Recreation. These funds provide a very useful boost to our income and allow us to do some things we may not be able to do otherwise. Please remember to acknowledge the Department in your ride paperwork, promotional material and anywhere else you can.

I hope everyone has a safe and successful year in 2010, thank you for attending the meeting today. **Kerry Spratt**

The issue of logbooks recording the registered names of horses was emphasised. It is a requirement of the rules that all breed society registered horses must compete using their registered name. Please take advantage of the logbook amnesty if need be. Please advise any other members you know of who are not at the meeting today, and who have horses competing under other names, that they should do the same. Again, the members co operation would be greatly appreciated.

**Gay Bonham –& Jeff Bonham – joint report.**

Written report received previously and read to the meeting by Gary Tweedie.

We would like to tend our apologies for not being here today. As we are not seeking re-election to the NSW SMC, we thought our time would be better spent continuing our very intensive planning for our Quilty in June. We need to focus on this big job and want to have plenty of time to enjoy it along the way.

We have enjoyed our time on the NSW Committee and hope somewhere along the line we have made a bit of difference to the sport especially in relation to our support for the grass roots membership.

We would particularly like to thank Neil for being our president for the last few years. This was a very difficult thing for Neil to do as he is normally a behind the scenes person and he took the role on as well as all the other portfolios which for him has been a very heavy workload. Thank you Neil.

We feel we are leaving the members in good hands and wish the new committee all the best.

**Glenda Edwards – Early Warning System, Merchandising**

This year I have only had to send out eight EWS letters. These were mainly courtesy letters to let people know how many points they were up

to. I believe this has worked well as no one went much over 40 points, therefore, no second letters needed to be sent. Thank you all for looking after your horses. I would like to thank Jacky Barlow for all her help this last year with the EWS and wish her all the best. I would also like to say welcome to Sonya.

With merchandise this year we again supplied the Quilty teams with a uniform of caps shirt and vest or jacket. This was supplied for four teams of four also vests for the 2009 teams winners.

To Gay and Jeff Bonham, thank you for all that you have done over the past 10 years. That's lot of unpaid time off work, just to get to the meetings. Thanks once again and good luck with the Quilty.

**Annette Bailey – Promotions Report**

If membership growth was the only performance indicator for the Promotions portfolio, then this year could be deemed a failure with a net loss of 29 members to December 2009, compared to the 2008 figures. There are many contributing factors – economic, social, external but I do believe that we are our own best promoters, ie if every member actively recruited one rider to the sport, our membership would automatically double.

However, it has been a busy year on committee. Through 2009, I distributed Getting Started packages to ride committees and equine riding clubs. I attended the Canberra Equine X expo, where over 100 information packs were given out. I have also written articles for magazines including the EA Magazine and Arabian Endurance Magazine promoting endurance riding in NSW.

A job long outstanding has been the collating of Day Membership details onto a data base and I've made a start by entering all of 2009 (over 300 entries). The information is being used to send out an information package to all these people, with the hope that even 10% may join the association. The long term benefit of the data base will be its continuation by the Secretariat and its use for future promotional activities.

Another facet to my portfolio has been the managing of the trial Post Ride Survey, which in essence is not the first survey format undertaken by NSWERA, but certainly the most technologically enhanced. This survey closed with the 2<sup>nd</sup> Windeyer ride in November. (Survey Results and Comparisons produced) As you can see, the overall result shows a total

response of 14.24% of total entries. Some may say this is a very good result, as most surveys expect no more than a 10% return rate.

I will say that of the 406 responses, not one was rude or demeaning in any way. All were constructive in their criticism and as a ride organiser, I found it very beneficial in terms of our own ride at Woodstock, at least.

Though not a huge amount of work, it does require the time of a committee member to enter the data which is received by the Secretariat. I have requested feedback from Ride Committees and Riders, but to date have only received a couple of replies and one was within the context of the survey itself. It is difficult, therefore to make any judgment on its acceptance or otherwise based on this response. However, being a conservative optimist, I believe most were happy enough and didn't feel the need to respond (ie no news is good news!).

It will be up to the new 2010 SMC to decide whether to continue with the Ride Survey format or not.

Concepts I would like to see the SMC expand on for 2010 and beyond which will help grow our sport are-

Growth and support of the Zone system in our State. It is regionally where local promotions can take place, rides committees encouraged and members supported. Having Zone Delegates now as voting members of the SMC should encourage Zones to be strong, but so far this has not been fully utilized or managed correctly by all the Zones or the SMC.

On a "macro" level, reduction of new rules into our sport and the restructuring of our sport generally to help and encourage new membership, including a more beneficial inclusion of the FEI system in NSW. With strong NSWERA representation at AERA level, hopefully this can happen.

Increased level of information on the NSWERA website so that in 2010 it becomes completely interactive with membership services, such as being able to complete and pay for memberships and logbooks, order clothing & merchandise; membership forums, etc. The website is a huge promotional tool that is very much under utilized at present.

Continued development of the Day Membership promotions to keep this portion of riders in touch with endurance.

I wish you all a happy and safe 2010, and get out and promote endurance riding.

**Annette Bailey**

AB said that the 'ride survey form' was a lot of work and she asked the meeting for feedback on the ride survey form. All the feedback from the meeting was very positive with the general consensus that they would like it to continue. Show of hands was very positive.

**Gary Tweedie – Horse Welfare, Chief Stewards, TPRs**

In 2009 several TPR courses were held and we have 24 new Provisional TRP's. Three Members completed the application and examination process and are now Provisional Chief Stewards. One Provisional Chief Steward completed the three provisional rides and is now a full Chief Steward.

In 2009 six horses were drug tested and all tested negative. Drug testing was down in number due the changes in Equestrian Australia's drug testing procedure. Four NSW members attended a two day EA drug testing course sponsored by NSW ERA. This course accredited them in the new drug testing procedures and protocol.

**Gary Tweedie.**  
**Belinda Hopley – Zone 3 - Zone Liaison**

The Snowy Zone has done well this year running six rides. Unfortunately, due to the drought, Batlow cancelled as did Gundagai. We welcomed back Brookvale. Harden did a great job running the Zone 2 Champs. The Zone has eight rides booked for this year with Woodstock putting on the State Ride.

I think it's important for Zones to have a Zone representative on the NSW committee as it enables the membership effective liaison with the SMC. This then allows the SMC to effectively represent us at AERA level. Zone One has a revitalised and enthusiastic committee and is asking for a boundary change to maintain strength their Zone and our sport.

**Fiona Meller – Course Preservation**

Course preservation is much easier today than it was 10 years ago. In his report, Tom McCormack mentioned the course preservation fund. Fiona explained how it was then and how it is now. Things have turned around quite dramatically. The NPWS used to view horse riders as the enemy. This is no longer the case. They are now by and large seeing the extreme green as the enemy. Horse riders are now the group who is much easier to get along with. This in part is due to horse riders being on the

National Parks Community Advisory Committees. Fiona is on the Blue Mountains committee and we have a number of other horse riders around the state including Rebecca Hayes on the South Coast committee – this is changing the whole attitude of the less extreme element. There will always be extremists. The more moderate greens see that we are all on the same side.

Fiona represents ERA on the Australian Horse Alliance. Had a meeting with the National Party of NSW to discuss a memorandum of understanding – seemed to have agreement with the National Party and the Liberals. Couldn't get any agreement with the Labor party. All the politicians say that they don't want to upset the Greens. It's very complicated but what it boiled down to is it's all about votes and not about principles.

The Horse Alliance is now an Association but it operates the same. The changes were just for ease of usage.

Fiona continues to write submissions to Plans of Management. Plans of Management are going in all around the State. Putting plans of management in all around the State. Riding trails need to be used. National Parks single biggest weapon is to be able to say that no one rides in that particular area anymore. If we ride there, they are then less inclined to lock us out on a whim. Plans of Management are going to be implemented for all Parks. We need to be included in these plans. Their attitude is becoming much more positive. There is no longer the negativity of the past. This is great to see.

National Parks is bringing on consultation much earlier in the process. In the past, Plans of Management were drafted by National Parks staff and were not shown to the public until they were completely written. The first plans of management are now being drafted using the new process, for the review of Wollemi, Blue Mountains and Kanangra Boyd. They are identifying and talking to stakeholders at the very earliest point possible, before writing the first draft. The result will be much less conflict with most issues able to be resolved before the document is written instead of causing controversy after it is released to the public.

You need to keep an eye out for what is happening in your local area. You need to make representations. If you ride in your National Park you need to let them know that you enjoy riding in this particular park and that

you should be allowed to continue. These get tallied up and it is like a vote. 6 in favour and 4 against. This can make a difference in the end. Your specific knowledge can keep a trail open. If it's important to you – make a submission on a Plan of Management. Staying alert to what's happening in your particular area. Fiona is always happy to give advice on how to do this but it needs the voice of the individual members with knowledge of the specific National Park. *"You have to do the work. I'm happy to help."*

### **Zone 1 Marita Rifai**

The 2009 year has been a busy year for our Zone.

Unfortunately the Q60 had to be cancelled two days before it was supposed to be held due to flooding of the Colo River. This was a huge disappointment considering all the work that had gone into organizing the ride but we can never complain about the rain.

St. Albans held a 160km AERA ride as well as an 80km 1\* FEI ride on the long weekend in June which enabled a lot of riders to gain their 160km completion ride making them eligible to compete in the Tom Quilty either in Victoria in 2009 or this year at Manilla.

Putty held its first ride which was very well attended and Charlie and Lee-Anne Gauci are to be congratulated for doing such a good job on their first attempt at running a ride. The Putty ride is on the calendar again for this year providing Zone One with another new ride.

This year, Zone One rides start on 20<sup>th</sup> February with the Dungog Twilight ride, 7<sup>th</sup> March is the Zone One trainer, 16<sup>th</sup> May is the Q60, 6<sup>th</sup> June is St. Albans, 18<sup>th</sup> July is Putty with Shahzada being the ultimate challenge in August.

Zone One have presented a motion at this year's AGM to have the boundaries for Zone One changed so they follow natural land courses such as the Blue Mountains rather than roads. As they are now, the southern side of the Great Western Highway which is part of Penrith along with Camden, Liverpool and southern suburbs of Sydney are either in the Snowy Zone or Sth Coast Zone. We would like to include the Sydney Basin in the Zone One boundary which we feel would be more logical than the way it is at the moment.

We have also introduced affiliation fees for Zone One which will enable us to have a championship ride, Zone One pointscore, ride trailer which will be available for any Zone One ride and also sponsor prizes for other major



rides.

We held our AGM in January and we now have 11 committee members with our new executive committee being President, Tony Warren, Vice President, Marita Rifai Secretary, Sue Todd, Treasurer, Stephanie Grolimund and Charlie Gauci is the new Zone One Delegate.

I'm stepping down as Zone Delegate and would like to thank the committee for all the time and effort they put in to running the NSW ERA and being such rationale people to deal with. This is a voluntary job which is sometimes forgotten and we are all just trying to do our best.

Hope you all have a successful year and look forward to seeing you on track. **Marita Rifai**

### **Zone 2 Patricia Waddell**

Report was not tabled at the AGM but is reproduced here for future publication. It has been another enjoyable year with a number of successful rides in the zone. While a couple of rides were down on riders we had a new ride at Freemantle (Bathurst) and saw the return of Windeyer which hosted our Zone 2 championship. Results from the Zone 2 Championship are

### **Heavyweight Division**

- 1 Paul Lengronne Johroy Custom Made 8:17:00
- 2 Bern Harvey Velona Phoenix 8:43:00
- 3 Mark Lindsay Kintamani Silver Motif 9:54:00

### **Middleweight Division**

- 1 Marion Lengronne Banjo Star 6:52:00
- 2 Mette Sutton Tuldar The Magician 7:05:00
- 2 Roy Counsell Danjerra Hashman 7:05:00

### **Lightweight Division**

- 1 Sue Todd PPP Kool Pashin 8:43:00
- 2 Fia Hasko-Stewart Blake's Heaven Bombora 8:47:00

### **Junior Division**

- 1 Talea Hasko-Stewart Blake's Heaven Summer Reign 8:47:00
- 2 Benjamin Hudson Littlebanks Destiny 8:57:00
- 3 Allix Jones Shellal Cattle King Flyte 10:53:00

The Zone 2 AGM was held at Gulgong last weekend. The point score results were

**Junior One horse / one rider 2009:** Ben Hudson on Mandy

Junior rider of the year 2009

1 Ben Hudson; 2. Alix Jones; 3. Leanna Maynard

Lightweight One horse / one rider 2009 : Gloria Mills on Glendos Sabodie

Lightweight rider of the year 2009

1. Gloria Mills; 2. Linda Logan; 3. Carol Layton;  
Heavyweight One horse / one rider 2009: Mark Lindsay on Kintamani Silver Motif

### **Heavyweight rider of the year 2009**

1. Alan Caslick; 2. Mark Lindsay; 3. Rod Mitchell

### **Middleweight One horse / one rider 2009:**

Neroli Mitchell-Cooper on Bilbo

### **Middleweight rider of the year 2009**

1. Alison Kihnicki; =2. Neroli Mitchell-Cooper; =2. Tracey Hack;

The committee is almost the same as last year with a couple of changes; President is John Howe, Vice President Bruce McLehose, Secretary/Treasurer Wendy McLehose, Publicity Officer is Neroli Mitchell-Cooper and Zone 2 Delegate is Roy Barsby.

I look forward to having the Tom Quilty in Zone 2 this year at Manilla, I am sure it will meet all expectations as there is a lot of experience in the committee running it.

As this is my last report as Zone 2 Delegate I wish to thank those who helped me in this role over the last 3 years, I have enjoyed most aspects of it, meet some great new people and learnt a lot along the way. See you all around the tracks.

**Patricia Waddell**

### **Zone 5 Mark Cameron gave the Zone report.**

State Ride was held at Batmeans Bay. The ride committee diid a fantastic job. Andrew Bailey said the 80 klm ride was one of the hardest rides he had done. Those who completed the State Ride need to be congratulated. Also had Eurobodalla as Zone Champs. That was successful and again a pretty hard ride. Very demanding and challenging. Wandandian and Shoalhaven were unable to go ahead. Tracks and trails are no longer available in some areas. Rebecca Hayes ran the new ride at Wingello. From all accounts this was successful as well. Thanks to everyone who participated in the Zone. Lots of people from outside the Zone came and won some of the awards. The new committee are pretty much the same as last year. Mark Cameron may be the zone delegate again this year.

### **Election of Committee vacancies**

There were five nominations for committee. Those nominating were: Tom McCormack, Tom Perkins, Belinda Hopley, John Howe, Annette Bailey. Wendy Jones has resigned so a casual vacancy exists.

Called for an additional committee person. This is a casual vacancy for a term of 12 months. We will advertise in the newsletter if it is not filled at this meeting.

### **Call for scrutineers**

Bindi Reinhold and Rhonda Hanson volunteered.

After some consideration, Carol Layton agreed to accept the nomination to join the NSW committee for the term of 12 months. Marita left the committee table and Charlie Gauci took her place. Roy Barnsby came to the table as the Zone 2 delegate.

## **Notices of Motion**

### **Item No. 1**

#### **Motion No. 1**

**A horse having successfully obtained endurance status, having complied with the requirements of the Novice Horse Rules H 5.1, 5.2, 5.3 and 5.4, be granted Provisional Endurance Status for a period of not less than 12 months from their first successful novice ride completion.**

**Written Rationale was sent out with the January February 2010 newsletter and is not duplicated below.**

MOVED: Karen Rhodes – Member No: 20695, SECONDED: Ray Rhodes – Member No: 21133

The meeting was then instructed to mark their ballot papers for or against the motion. These were tallied up at the end of the meeting.

**On a tally the voting was as follows: 53 for 41 against therefore the motion was passed Motion No. 2**

**That an additional Endurance Horse Division be introduced and be known as a Provisional Endurance Horse. This division will require provisional horses to be ridden at a speed no greater than an average speed of 14km per hour.**

**The Rationale is the same as in Motion No. 2.**

MOVED: Karen Rhodes – Member No: 20695, SECONDED: Ray Rhodes - Member No: 21133

Karen gave a review of what happened with the Queensland motions which have subsequently been amended. In Queensland they have postal voting. Detailed amendments were given with it being noted that the meeting seems to be discussing the Queensland motions rather than the NSW motions. It was agreed that all the States need to be talking about exactly the same changes, if there are to be changes.

We need to remember that this would affect novice horses entering the mini marathon (Shahzada trainer) so we need to be sure that

other States don't railroad this through. Discussing the loss of members. Over 50% is a decade. It was suggested that the amount of rules are contributing to this. Do we need more rules? Maybe we should be looking at the riders rather than the horses.

As an alternative to changing what we already have, we need ideas and alternatives for the AERA delegates to take to the meeting. One of the aims of today is to get feedback from this meeting to take to the next AERA meeting. Is the Queensland motion premature? Steve Roberts gave his point of view on the way the things are now. He said he personally is happy with things the way they are. The agreement of the meeting is that we want the novice horse rules to stay the way they are.

Karen advised that she moved these motions in response to the Queensland motion. She is happy with the rules the way they are but she would not like to see the Queensland motion get up. She would prefer her motions to get up.

The meeting was then instructed to mark their ballot papers for or against the motion. These will be tallied up at the end of the meeting.

**On a tally the voting was as follows: 52 for the motion and 41 against. The motion was passed**

Generally the meeting expressed the view that it wanted the current Novice Horse Rules to remain. There is no need for change.

### **Item No. 2 – Zone Boundaries**

**MOTION That the current NSWERA boundaries for Zone 1 be altered to include the area south of the present boundary (the Great Western Highway), to a line from Sutherland to Helensburgh south west to include Yerrinbool to Picton & The Oaks then north following the centre of the Great Dividing Range (Blue Mountains) to Muswellbrook then east through Dungog, Stroud and on east to the coast.**

**Moved:** Charles Gauci Member # 23252,  
**Seconded:** Sue Todd Member # 21608

**Written Rationale was sent out with the January February 2010 newsletter and is not duplicated below.**

Charlie Gauci said the proposed zone boundary changes mainly involved the South Coast and the Snowy Zones. Sonya Ruprecht raised the matter of Zone 6. We could lose all the northern rides to the Northern Rivers Zone. Currently the

rides can affiliate with whatever zone they feel like. Dungog and the Dillons have chosen to affiliate with Zone One. The question was asked who one should approach in Zone Six. There is currently no delegate or committee to approach just individual rides. Kerry Spratt made mention of the Watagan ride. They are looking at a ride base up north which would then put the Watagan ride into Zone Six and they would be happy with Zone Six. Sonya made further representations on behalf of Zone six.

The question was asked as to whether this meeting could direct the NSW SMC committee to make a rule that every ride in a particular Zone must be affiliated with that particular Zone? Rides within a Zone should provide a member from their ride committee to select a delegate to the NSW committee. May be we have too many Zones! May be the Zones need reorganisation. The Riverina is not up and running. It was noted that there is a motion on the NSW books that rides within a Zone must affiliate with that particular Zone but rides nearby to zone boundaries may chose which zone they wish to affiliate with.

Sue Todd gave the view that Zone One would be happy to not change the northern area. The Dillons approached Zone One. Zone One did not approach them. The Zone One committee is going up to help these people run the Dungog ride.

The suggestion was made that Charlie Gauci take on the position of Zone Liaison Officer on the NSW SMC. It was pointed out that this Zone business had been going on for some time and nothing was happening. Charlie suggested we leave the northern boundary as it is but change the southern boundary. Need to leave the Dillon ride in Zone One for 2010.

Charlie Gauci then proposed an amendment to the motion that was on the table. The motion now reads:

**That the current NSWERA boundaries for Zone 1 be altered to include the area south of the present boundary (the Great Western Highway), to a line from Sutherland to Helensburgh to Picton & The Oaks then north to intersect with the current Zone Six boundary.**

The meeting was then instructed to mark their ballot papers for or against the motion. These were tallied up at the end of the meeting.

**On a tally the voting was as follows: 94 for the motion with 4 against. The motion was**

**passed.**

#### **Item No. 3**

**MOTION That Marathon rides held in NSW be dual affiliated with the other States of Australia.**

**Written Rationale was sent out with the January February 2010 newsletter and is not duplicated below.**

Moved Deanna Trevena 23442, Seconded Roy Barsby 23441

The meeting was advised that if this motion gets up it would mean it would have to be taken to the AERA.

Various views were expressed on this motion. Dual affiliation means extra costs. You would be forcing a ride to pay out money for this dual affiliation.

The meeting was then instructed to mark their ballot papers for or against the motion. These will be tallied up at the end of the meeting.

**On a tally of votes the voting was as follows: 15 for with 83 against. The motion was lost.**

#### **Item No. 4**

**MOTION That all horses get recognition for the 120 klm successfully completed in the mini marathon trainer.**

**Written Rationale was sent out with the January February 2010 newsletter and is not duplicated below.**

Moved Deanna Trevena 23442, Seconded Roy Barsby 23441

This motion was discussed at length bearing in mind the fact that it really refers to the Shahzada Trainer. The term 'mini marathon' was a name change together with a set of rules that were brought in by the AERA, noting that NSW voted to oppose the changes. In NSW this event has always been known as the Shahzada Trainer. It has never been considered a 'mini marathon'.

The meeting was then instructed to mark their ballot papers for or against the motion. These will be tallied up at the end of the meeting.

**On a tally the voting was as follows: 14 for with 84 against. The motion was lost.**

#### **Item No. 5**

**MOTION If a novice horse does the 120 klm mini marathon and completes this is to be acknowledged as one of the horses 80 klm qualification rides.**

**Written Rationale was sent out with the**

**January February 2010 newsletter and is not duplicated below.**

Moved Deanna Trevena 23442

Seconded Roy Barsby 23441

General discussion took place. The meeting was then instructed to mark their ballot papers for or against the motion. These will be tallied up at the end of the meeting.

**On a tally the voting was as follows: 10 for 88 against. The motion was lost.**

**MOVED Belinda Hopley/Glenda Edwards**

**THAT** the voting slips be destroyed

**Carried Unanimous**

#### **DISCUSSION ITEMS**

##### **National Newsletter**

Neil put forward the reasons for a national Newsletter. The cost to NSW would be increased by around \$1 to \$1.50 per issue. This presently involved 'mates rates' for the printing. Neil said he feels the concept is now correct. It will be an A4 magazine as opposed to the current A5 magazine. A lot of the stuff in our newsletter is common to all the States. Tom McCormack also gave his view on the concept. Views for and against the idea were given. What tends to happen is that we, the members, change something and it then gets to the AERA and then things start to change over the years and NSW loses out. It was agreed that no guarantee can be given concerning costs. The members were asked what they wanted to happen if the AERA went ahead with a national newsletter without NSW. Did NSW still want to retain its newsletter. Majority of those present indicated, yes they did. Question as to what happens with people who currently get the newsletter on line. People would possibly lose the \$20 rebate for the newsletter. An 80 page to print @ approximately \$5.00 each plus postage.

**Show of hands called for. Resulted in 31 members in favour of a national newsletter with 54 against.**

##### **Personal Accident Insurance**

Roz Edmonds gave a detailed synopsis on PA insurance - anyone over 80 yrs of age or under 18yrs of age is not covered. If you receive any taxable income from equine pursuits – this means you are not covered. Medicare does not pay the gap; then private insurance then PA insurance will cover gap after that. Juniors are covered automatically. Originally it was just a minimum cover. At what point is it going to price itself out?

**Show of hands called for. Resulted in 41**

**members in favour with 44 against.**

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS**

Peter Cooper asked the meeting to consider Jeff & Gay Bonham being accepted as Honorary members. This could be a motion put to 2010 AGM.

Charlie Gauci introduced the idea of an Inter Zone Teams Competition concept– it would follow the guidelines of the current teams events but teams can swap team members. Each Zone would need to choose a team. He was looking for acceptance from the floor so that it the competition could start with the first ride of 2010.

**On a show of hands – majority for the idea with three members against.**

##### **Motions to be taken to the AERA**

**MOVED Peter Cooper/Renee Edwards**

**THAT** the NSW delegates to the AERA be instructed to table a motion at the next AERA meeting that the novice horse rules remain unchanged and as they currently are.

**Carried by a majority show of hands**

**MOVED Charlie Gauci/Annette Bailey**

**THAT** if the QERA motion to change the novice horse rules is lost, NSWERA Delegates to AERA are to withdraw the NSW Motion re changes to Novice horse rules

**Carried by a majority show of hands**

**MOVED Charlie Gauci/Annette Bailey**

**THAT** in the event that the NSW ERA motion to leave the Novice horse rules unaltered, is unsuccessful, the AERA Delegates are instructed to vote for Item 1 Motions 1 & 2 as tabled at the NSWERA 2009 AGM and detailed above

**Carried by a majority show of hands**

Gary Bennett raised the question of the Mudgee Ride date. Kerry Spratt said the matter was still under discussion with the Mudgee Club. The SMC was intent on finding the best fit for the ride calendar and was attempting to find a solution with the Mudgee Club.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 6.10pm



## NSWERA RIDE SURVEY

The purpose of this Ride Survey is to allow ride participants to make constructive comment about a ride they attend. It will mean Ride Committees can have positive feed back about their rides and give them information that that may help to make their events even better.

The information will be collated, summarized and passed onto the relevant ride committee. **Respondents' names will NOT be passed on with this information and will be kept in strictest confidence.**

**RESULTS MUST BE IN BY THE MONDAY, 21 DAYS AFTER THE RIDE. ANY SURVEYS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL BE DISREGARDED.**

Ride Name (Must be completed)

Name of Participant (Must be completed)

Course (place x in most appropriate box)

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| Marking | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Design  | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Water   | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |

Camping & Grounds (place x in most appropriate box)

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| Facilities | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Catering   | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |

Officials & Vet Area (place x in most appropriate box)

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| Management of Vetting Area | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Trot Out & Vetting Area    | Excellent <input type="checkbox"/> | Good <input type="checkbox"/> | Fair <input type="checkbox"/> | Poor <input type="checkbox"/> |

Overall Rating of Ride (place x in most appropriate box)

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General Comments (Please make relevant & constructive. Derogatory or inflammatory remarks will make this survey invalid.)

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POST SURVEY TO: NSWERA SECRETARIAT  
PO BOX 191 WINDSOR NSW 2756

OR FAX TO 0245 650601



# Ride Bases Map

The NSWERA Web page now has a Google map with 'Find it' features that will show the distribution of ride bases through NSW and provide a map with directions from your home to the ride base.

To access the map just go to **www.nswera.asn.au**. When you get there just click on the "NSW Ride Base Map" towards the top of the screen.

## **To use the map: -**

- Click on the ride base in the list on the left.
- A text box will pop up near the flag for the ride base.
- Click on get directions 'to here'.
- Enter your hometown in the start address.

## **Click 'GO' and print off the map and directions.**

**If you have a navigator in your vehicle** the map coordinates are shown in the text box, but a word of caution when using a navigator to go to a map grid reference, navigators are programmed to find the most direct route (as the crow flies), and as you get close to your destination they sometimes want to turn you down a side road or even a forest trail.

## **Ride organisers**

### **To have a ride base added to the map,**

1. Go to Google on the internet.
2. Select 'Maps' from the menu bar at the top.
3. With a map of Australia showing.
4. the curser (a little hand) on the area you're interested in, right click and select 'Center map here'.
5. Slide the up the scale ladder a little.
6. Repeat 4&5 until you have zoomed in on the area.
7. Now select 'Satellite' to see an overhead picture of the area.
8. Put the 'Little Hand' on the gateway to the ride base, right click and select 'Directions from Here'.
9. A green flag will appear at the spot and a 'Get directions' box will appear in the top left corner.
10. If the flag is not quite right, click and drag it.
11. In the 'Get directions' box against flag 'A' will be the map grid reference for the spot chosen, it will look like ( -30.294007,147.498579)
12. Jot down that reference with the ride name and email it to me at 'vpe63190@bigpond.net.au'.

**To check we have located the marker correctly, or if the ride base has been moved, zoom in on your marker on the Ride Bases Map as described above, switch to Satellite and check the position of the marker. If it is in error follow the procedure above and email me the details.**

Also run some tests approaching your ride base from different directions and note any anomalies, see the Shahzada text box for an example.

**Regards, Tom Perkins snr 20435**

# DOWNLOADS AT THE NSWERA WEB SITE

[www.nswera.asn.au](http://www.nswera.asn.au)

The Internet has become a wonderful tool to equip ourselves with information. This means that information is now at your finger tips regarding your sport in NSW at [www.nswera.asn.au](http://www.nswera.asn.au)

The “Home” page of the web site is a great place to start. It will highlight important current issues and will guide you through the rest of the website.

Tabs on your Home Page include –

**Ride Calendar** where you can find a full list of upcoming rides, contact details for ride secretaries, ride previews and ride results.

**Prenomination** where you can prenominate to ride secretaries via email

**NSW Ride Base Maps** – details how to find your way to a ride base and also how Ride Organisers can list their rides on the Map.

**Point Score for NSW**

**Contacts** to email NSWERA Secretariat, Newsletter or Secretary

**Forms** - all the forms you may need such as Membership, Logbooks, Insurance, Horse Identification, etc.

**Starting Out Guide** - Notes on Getting Started in Endurance riding.

**Committee** contacts

**NSW FEI** information

**Constitution** – print off a copy

**Links** to other Associations and the AERA

**Insurance** – Requests for Certificate of Currency from AON; Claims Procedures; etc.

New innovations that will be coming to your web site in the near future will be online Membership Forms with Credit Payment opportunities, as well as merchandise purchasing.

So, keep in touch with your sport through [www.nswera.asn.au](http://www.nswera.asn.au). You'll get a surprise at the amount of information on there for you. Remember, [this is your website, so stories, photos and articles of interest are always a welcome addition.](#)

## NOTICE

### Attention Ride Secretaries

Following a recommendation from the AERA International Committee (**AERA IC**), the AERA has agreed that a \$5.00 affiliation fee should be paid to the AERA IC for each horse entered into a FEI ride. Ride Organisers should add this amount to their ride entry fee.

# Australian Endurance Riders Association Inc.

## Transfer of Ownership Procedures

It is the responsibility of the purchaser of the horse to notify the State of the change in ownership details. It is important that the correct person be registered as the owner of the horse as this assists with the correct allocation of National and State distance and pointscore awards as well as identifying the persons responsible for the horse when disciplinary actions need to be instituted.

### Process for Changing Ownership Details

When a sale of a horse occurs and the horse has had a logbook issued it is the responsibility of the new owner to notify the State of the change of ownership. A transfer of ownership form must be completed and forwarded to the State, together with a cheque for \$11 and the logbook.

Once the transfer of ownership form is received the logbook can be amended with the change in owners and the transfer verified by the Logbook Secretary/Registrar.

#### Procedure for Recording Change of Ownership

Transfer of ownership forms are to be made readily available to all members, preferably through the State Newsletters or upon application to the Logbook Secretary/Registrar.

Once a logbook, transfer of ownership form and fee are received the Logbook Secretary/Registrar will:

1. Record the ownership transfer into the logbook.
2. Verify the transfer.
3. Return the logbook.
4. Record the ownership transfer into the computer records of the State Division.
5. Keep a copy of the ownership transfer form and forward the original to the AERA Registrar.
6. Forward the \$5 fee to AERA.

## RIDE SECRETARIES

**If you intend to change your ride details these changes MUST come in the form of a new application for approval by NSW ERA through the proper channels. No ride change requests are to be made direct to the newsletter.**

NSW ERA Committee.

# NSW ERA Ride Booking Procedures

1. A ride must be booked a minimum of three months prior to the proposed date for the ride. This requirement may only be waived with the consent of the State Management Committee (**SMC**) under exceptional circumstances.
2. Ride Committees must be incorporated with the Department of Fair Trading and a copy of the Certificate of Incorporation forwarded with Booking Form.
3. Entry fees for all sections of the ride must be shown on the Booking Form and advertised in the Newsletter when inserted in the Ride Calendar.
4. Rides being conducted to replace cancelled rides must have permission from the NSW ERA SMC before the ride is advertised ANYWHERE.
5. Existing rides that have run on the same date for consecutive years will have preference for that date over new rides to protect the survival of the existing rides.
6. If a new ride is allocated a date other than as requested, that Ride Committee must change their date in accordance with the Committees decision.
7. A \$10.00 Booking Fee is payable when lodging the Ride Booking Form.
8. A \$50.00 Bond is payable if this is not already held on behalf of the ride Committee. This bond may be used for the next ride by that Committee if all paperwork is in on time.
9. The Ride Booking Form will indicate the Ride Committee's request for their ride to be dual-affiliated with another State.
10. A letter will be forwarded to Ride Committees one month prior to their ride requesting confirmation of the ride's Head Vet and Accredited Chief Steward.

## Logbook & Identification Procedures

A horse is a novice for a minimum of 90 days from the date on which it successfully completes its first affiliated endurance ride and may only attempt four rides during this period, ie if a horse successfully completes its first ride on 1st July, it cannot upgrade to endurance status until after 28th September and may only enter four rides during this period. There is no limit on the time it takes to reach endurance status. Your horse can be a novice for as many months (or years) as you like.

When your horse has successfully completed 240 kms of affiliated endurance (not training) rides, it can be upgraded from novice (blue log book) to endurance (yellow log book) status.

Ensure the brands are clear. If not, have the horse re-branded or microchipped (Refer to rule H5.2(a) - (b) ) and H5.3).

Have a vet complete the horse identification form (written description and diagrams) and sign it. Identification and microchipping can be done at most rides, but it is advisable to check with the ride secretary beforehand.

Complete the logbook application form and attach I.D. form, novice horse logbook and the appropriate fee.

Please allow 10 working days from date of posting for return.

It is essential to retain a copy of the I.D. form and perhaps have it laminated for the future.

PLEASE NOTE An Endurance Horse Logbook will not be issued unless a signed Veterinary Identification Form **is** enclosed with the application. The I.D. in the novice log book is NOT acceptable.

If there is anything that you are unsure of, please do not hesitate to phone me.

**Sonya Ruprecht, Log Book Registrar, NSWERA**

**(02) 6553 8640**

**Post Office Box 6627, Chatham NSW 2430**



**AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION**  
**APPLICATION FOR DISTANCE SCROLL**

|                 |           |
|-----------------|-----------|
| Applicant name: |           |
| Postal address: | Postcode: |

I wish to apply for a .....km scroll for the horse listed below, I have enclosed the appropriate fee (if any).

**Horse Details**

|  |                                    |
|--|------------------------------------|
| Name of Horse:                             |                                    |
| Other horse names that may have been used: |                                    |
| Log Book No:                               | Sex:   S   M   G   (please circle) |
| Date of Birth:                             | Breed:                             |
| Breed Registration No:                     |                                    |
| Sire:                                      |                                    |
| Dam:                                       |                                    |
| Breeder:                                   |                                    |
| Owner:                                     |                                    |

**Scrolls are available as follows:**

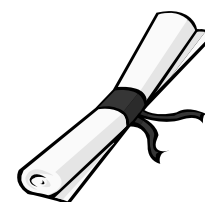
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| 300km  | \$10.00 each.<br>Available to any horse that has successfully completed 300km of affiliated endurance rides of 80km or over in <b><u>ONE</u></b> riding division or has successfully completed the Quilty in under 15 hours. |
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**Send your completed forms by 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2010 (plus any applicable fee) to the AERA Registrar:**

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**Notes:**

- (1) Unaffiliated and training rides are **NOT** counted.
- (2) Unsuccessful rides (vet outs, withdrawals etc) are **NOT** counted.

## NSW Ride Locality Guide

| <b>Ride Name</b>    | <b>Zone</b> | <b>General Area</b> | <b>Location</b> | <b>Ride Secretary</b> |
|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|
| Bago Bush Bash      | 6           | North Coast         | Wauchope        | Robyn Coombes         |
| Batemans Bay        | 5           | South Coast         | Batemans Bay    | Louise Counsell       |
| Bendemeer           | 2           | Tamworth            | Bendemeer       | Gay Bonham            |
| Blowering Dam       | 4           | Snowy Mountains     | Tumut           | Louise Stevens        |
| Border Challenge    | 2           | North of Armidale   | Red Range       | Robyn Parnell         |
| Brookvale           | 5           | ACT Canberra        | Brookvale       | Michelle Pike         |
| Bush Capital        | 5           | ACT Canberra        | Canberra        | Michael O'Leary       |
| Cambewarra          | 5           | Sth Coast – Nowra   | Cambewarra      | Rowena Robinson       |
| Cedar Ridge         | 2           | South of Bathurst   | Oberon          | Courtney Freeman      |
| Coolamon            | 4           | Riverina            | Coolamon        | Michael Leary         |
| Cowra               | 4           | Central West        | Cowra           | Helen Brown           |
| Eurobodalla         | 5           | Batemans Bay        | Eurobodalla     | Kate Moran            |
| Freemantle Mt York  | 2           | Central West        |                 | Lee Curtis            |
| Green Valley Tingha | 6           | Far North NSW       | Tingha          | Clare Fleming         |
| Gulgong             | 2           | Central Wst.Mudgee  | Gulgong         | Wendy McLehose        |
| Gundagai            | 4           | Riverina            | Gundagai        | Rick Owen             |
| Harden              | 4           | Riverina            | Harden          | Kate Smith            |
| Kiwarra             | 6           | Forster / Taree     | Kiwarra         | Abbie McMurrich       |
| Kundabung           | 6           | Port Macquarie      | Kundabung       | Sonya Ruprecht        |
| Manilla Westpac     | 2           | North of Tamworth   | Manilla         | Gay Bonham            |
| Mudgee              | 2           | Central West        | Mudgee          | Mette Sutton          |
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| Shahzada            | 1           | McDonald Valley     | St Albans       | Sue Todd              |
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| St Albans           | 1           | McDonald Valley     | St Albans       | Wendy Jones           |
| Q 60                | 1           | Hawkesbury          | Colo            | Denise Trollope       |
| The Rock            | 4           | Riverina/Wagga      | The Rock        | Dave Edgar            |
| Tingha              | 6           | Northern NSW        | Tingha          | Claire Fleming        |
| Tooraweenah         | 2           | Central NSW         | Tooraweenah     | Jenny Sandford        |
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| Watagan Mountains   | 1           | Morisset            | Cooranbong      | Carol Griffiths       |
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