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Meg Wade, Ron Males and Chris Gates after Meg and Ron's demonstration ride at the recent Quilty. Photo: Jo Arblaster.

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Happy New Year to everyone and welcome to the riding year of 2012.

A big thank you to everyone who took the time and trouble to contribute to the newsletter with stories of their riding experiences in 2011. It makes for great reading.

Riders who have achieved a TOP TEN result may like to let me have a rider/horse profile for the March newsletter.

If your horse has achieved a distance award—please consider putting in a profile. Let us know how you did it! It doesn't matter if it's 1500 or 15,000 klms!

This is your newsletter—please make use of it. You don't need a personal invitation to contribute. Just do it! Ed.

Front Cover: Congratulations to the riders and everyone else associated with Australia's success at the World Youth Championships in Abu Dhabi. Team Bronze and Individual Silver. Photo: Brooke Warner, Alexandra Toft, Georgia Toft and Allix Jones. Photo by Sue Crockett

Back Cover: Meg Wade, Ron Males and Chris Gates after Meg and Ron's demonstration ride at the recent Quilty. Photo: Jo Arblaster.

President's Report

The successful completion of the FEI State Championships at Red Range closed out our 2011 riding season, congratulations to Robyn and her team. This year saw 34 riding weekends completed with 2012's calendar filling up with 24 event weekends already confirmed. Horses all turned out now for well earned rests over summer; don't forget the carrots and apples in their Xmas stockings!



Equitana at the Sydney Show Ground in early November was a great opportunity to showcase our sport and thanks to Gay and Marlee we took full advantage having our own booth in the Riverina Pavilion and two educational sessions in the arena. A big thank you to Marlee and her band of helpers at the booth, and another thank you to Gay, Kym and their team for the educational sessions. Rumors of some mystery wonder horse, name of 'Brown Caviar' still circulating!!

On the International front at the World Young Rider Championships in Abu Dhabi in December a great AERA team effort which included officials and supporters, as well as horses and riders, brought home the Bronze team medal, congratulations to all concerned. Special congratulations to local members Brooke and Allix on their outstanding rides with the individual silver medal going to Allix – awesome... well done!!

With this being my last newsletter report before the AGM it's appropriate I pay tribute to the NSW committee: Endurance riders, generally by the nature of the sport, are usually very determined, sometimes single minded, individuals not known to give in easily; and to have a group of fifteen endurance riders achieve consensus on any issue is no mean task. The result, however, is all the better for the testing! As a group this committee has worked well together achieving much during 2011, and their professionalism and dedication has made my job easier; I thank them for that.

And so this is Christmas, and what have you done? Another year over, and a new one just begun. And so this is Christmas, I hope you have fun, The near and the dear ones, the old and the young. A very Merry Christmas, And a Happy New Year. Let's hope it's a good one,

Without any fear.....John Lennon

Have a great Xmas and New Year everyone.....Tom.

NSW ERA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

**Meetings are held upstairs at the Arabian Horse Society Building,
1st Floor, 226 George Street, Windsor: Next door to Coles.**

Meetings commence at 6.00pm sharp.

All are invited to attend.

Next meetings

AGM— 4 February at the Richmond Club, Richmond NSW

See Notice

Course Preservation Report

Draft Plans of Management

All National Parks & Wildlife Service Plans of Management, both draft and finalised, can be viewed at the NPWS website at <http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/parkmanagement/ParkAndFireManagementPlansByCategory.htm>

You can make submissions by post, email or directly from the website. A submission is simply your comments on the plan of management, whether agreeing or disagreeing with what is being proposed.

Garawarra and Heathcote National Parks

Back in the dark days of trail closures, these parks south of Sydney were some of the worst affected, and local riders lost many of their riding routes. This is our chance to win them back.

The Plans of Management are about to be revised, and in the current positive climate, with enough pressure from horse riders we could get some of these trails re-opened.

Go to the link below and register your interest as a stakeholder. That way you will stay informed of progress and be guaranteed an opportunity to have your say.

http://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/parkmanagement/form_RoyalHeathcoteGarrawarra.htm

Warrumbungle National Park – Tooraweenah.

Help make sure that a key section of the Tooraweenah course through Warrumbungle National Park stays open to horses.

The draft plan of management for this park continues to allow the endurance rides to use the tracks, but without support from horse riders, the extreme greens could lobby to have this overturned.

Anyone who has ridden at Tooraweenah should write a letter supporting continued access for the ride in future years. We should also lobby for more general horse riding access to these and other trails in the Warrumbungles.

The address to write to is:

Ranger (Warrumbungle National Park)
NPWS
30 Timor St
Coonabarabran NSW 2357

and the closing date is 30 January 2012.

Cataract National Park and State Conservation Area – north-east of Tenterfield. Horse riding allowed on management trails. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

Single National Park – north-west of Guyra. Map shows access trails in from Guyra-Tingha Rd and Moredun Dams Rd but Plan of Management claims there is no access because the park is surrounded by private property. If riders use this park with the permission of surrounding landholders, they need to make sure horse riding is permitted under the plan of management. It is presently not mentioned and therefore not permitted without specific consent from the Regional Manager. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

Butterleaf National Park & State Conservation Area – north-east of Glen Innes. Horse riding not mentioned therefore not permitted without specific consent from the Regional Manager. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

Fladbury State Conservation Area – north-west of Glen Innes. Horse riding not permitted. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

Timbarra National Park – east of Tenterfield. Horse riding not mentioned therefore not permitted without specific consent from the Regional Manager. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

The Gunning Reserves (Incorporating Bango, Oakdale and Mcleods Creek Nature Reserves and Belmont State Conservation Area) – south and west of Gunning. Horse riding not permitted except in Belmont SCA where specifically signposted. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

Moore Park Nature Reserve – north-west of Kyogle. Horse riding not permitted. Submissions close 30 January 2012.

Fiona Meller

Notice—Attention all Chief Stewards

Would you please ensure that all:

- Invasive Treatment Forms, Rider reports,
- Rest Orders and
- Log Books

are correctly filled out.

Please take the time to check that all required areas are correctly filled in and that the names are spelt correctly.

Belinda Hopley.— for the NSW SMC

New Members .

Naomi Askew 23650
Lisa Swan 23651
Andrea Nix 23652
Garry Matthews 23647
Monica Majerowski 23648
Katie Gibson 23649

Yerong Creek
Falls Creek
Kyogle
Oakville
Dudley
Holbrook

Recommended Vet fees for 2012

Vet fees for 2012 have been set as follows:

80klm - \$575

\$120klm - \$645

\$160klm - \$800

Marathons \$415 per day + GST for endurance
accredited vets

Non accredited vets will be 75% of the
accredited vet fee.

From 2013 vet fees will increase by 2.5% or
CPI whichever is the greatest.

The Annual General Meeting

New South Wales Endurance Rider's Association Inc.

Saturday 4th February 2012

The Richmond Club

6 East Market Street, Richmond

Doors open at 12.00 pm for registrations, voting slips and membership renewals.

The AGM will commence at 1.00 and continue until around 5.00 pm.

This will be followed by dinner and awards presentation starting at 7.30pm.

Accommodation

Colonial Motel Best Western – Richmond. 4578 1166

Hawkesbury Race Club Motel – Clarendon. 4560 4300

The Sebel Resort & Spa Hawkesbury Valley, Windsor. 4577 4222

Golden Chain Windsor Terrace Inn, Windsor. 4577 5999

Proxy Votes

Each senior financial member who attends is entitled to five (5) proxy votes on behalf of other Senior financial members.

Proxy Forms must be received by the Secretariat at least 24 hours before the start of the meeting.

Nominations for Committee

Nominations for election to the Committee will be accepted by the Secretary up to seven (7) days before the date of the AGM (rule 17.1 (b)).

If insufficient nominations have been received, nominations will be received from the floor at the Annual General Meeting (rule 17.2).

NOMINATIONS FOR THE COMMITTEE TO BE PUT ON NOTICE

(Five (5) positions on the committee fall vacant in February 2012)

Term ends February 2012

John Howe

Glenda Edwards

Tom McCormack

Tom Perkins Snr

Belinda Hopley

Term ends February 2013

Gary Tweedie

Brad Dillon

Gay Bonham

Kerry Spratt

Carol Griffiths

Nominations must be made by two Current Senior Members (Quote M'Ship number). The Nominee must be a Current Senior Member and must sign his/her assent. Send Nominations to NSWERA PO Box 6627 Chatham NSW 2430 to arrive at the Post Office by **27 January 2012.**

Dinner Dance—you must book and pay in advance

Music provided with the compliments of your current committee. Come along and contribute and have a great social time as well. Hope to see you all there.

Bookings for dinner are essential and need to be in by 25th January and are to be paid in advance.

Please post your cheque or credit card information together with your personal details to:

The Secretariat, NSW ERA, PO Box 6627, Chatham NSW 2430

IF YOU KNOW THAT YOU ARE THE RECIPIENT OF TROPHIES OR RIBBONS, AND WILL NOT BE ATTENDING THE DINNER/PRESENTATIONS, PLEASE NOMINATE A PERSON WHO WILL BE PICKING THE AWARDS UP FOR YOU & ADVISE THE NSWERA SECRETARIAT ON (02) 65538640 Email address: NSWERA@westnet.com.au .

Lost of misplaced trophies are not the responsibility of the NSW ERA and will not be replaced.

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.

Jennifer Gilbertson & Judith Burton— racing to the finishing line in the FEI 160 klm ride.
Photo. Kieron Power



Judy Burton riding Woodbourne Ruby 1st place and Jennifer Gilbertson riding Kurrajong Shahdad 2nd place
NSW FEI Championship 160km 3 star Red Range 2011

Zone One Training Weekend

40km Ride, 20km Social Ride & 5km Introductory Ride

Weekend 11th & 12th February 2012

The Zone One Committee will be running a two-day event on the weekend of Saturday 11th February 2012 and Sunday 12th February 2012. On each of the two days there will be a 40km ride, a 20km Social Ride and a 5km Introductory Ride. The ride base will be as usual at the Upper Colo Reserve, Upper Colo - located approximately 12kms from the Putty Road on the beautiful Colo River, so bring your swimmers as it's a great place to cool off on a hot day.

SATURDAY

The office will open at 10.00am, vetting to commence at 10.30am with the ride to start at 1.00pm.

The 40km ride will head along Upper Colo Road, turning left onto Comleroy Road, with a good up-hill run to the first check point at the power lines. Continuing along Comleroy Road and turning right onto Mountain Lagoon Road (now the super highway of Colo) but don't underestimate the climb to the top. The Mountain Lagoon checkpoint will have water and refreshments for you and your horse. From there you will continue out along Mountain Lagoon Road for 2 ½ Kms to a turn around, before heading back and turning left onto Sams Way, left up onto Gaspers Track and then descending Ward's Track to the fire station for a rest and water for the horses, before turning right onto Upper Colo Road and heading back into base.

We will be operating a heart rate gate at the half way mark at Mountain Lagoon. All horses will have their pulse taken and must meet the required HR (which will be set by the head vet, giving consideration to the weather conditions on the day) before heading off. Strapping water and sponges will be available.

The 20km Social Ride and 5km introductory rides will start around 2.00pm and 2.30pm respectively. The 20km Social Ride will be turning right off the bridge out onto the Upper Colo Road which will lead you to a turn around check point and back into base again. The track is relatively flat and easy going.

The 5km Intro Ride will take you in the same direction as the other rides, there will be a turn around check point and back into base again. A great easy ride - and walk for anyone supervising the budding endurance rider.

SUNDAY

The office will open 6.00am with vetting starting at 6.30am. The 40km ride will start at 8.30am and will follow the same course as Saturday.

The 20km Social Ride and 5km introductory rides will start around 10am and 10.30 respectively and will follow the same course as Saturday.

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

There will be completion prizes awarded at the presentation on each day.

Volunteer track stewards and TPRs would be greatly appreciated – please let Marita Rifai know if you are able to assist us on either day. Marita can be reached via email at marita.rifai@yahoo.com

40km Ride - \$60 for Members add \$10 for Non-Member NSWERA Day Membership
Social Ride - \$30 for Members add \$5 for Non-members NSWERA Day Membership
Introductory Ride - \$15 for Members add \$5 for Non-members NSWERA Day Membership

Please contact our Ride Secretary Judy Shore on 9652 1393 or email stanshore@bigpond.com for further information. Pre-nominations would be appreciated so that we can arrange enough vets on the day as well as allowing the canteen to provide enough food for you all.

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

The Zone One Committee is looking forward to seeing you at our Training Ride weekend.

Bush Capital Trainer

Sunday 12 February 2012

ACT Endurance Riders Association welcomes all riders to Kambah Pony Club for our 2012 Trainer ride.

There will be 40km, 20km and 10km options.

There will be a canteen.

There will be rewards.

There will be a lovely track.

There may be lovely weather.

There will be vetting on Sunday morning.

Please plan to take your rubbish home.

No fires and no dogs please.

Camping by special request.

Prenominations would be appreciated especially from people with big rigs.

See the NSWERA site for directions.

Please contact:

Maxine McArthur email: maxineemc@gmail.com

Or Roz Edmunds 0403150476

South Coast

Sunday 26th February 2012

South Coast Zone Endurance Riders Association are hosting a 20 & 40km training ride at Sassafras on Sunday 26th February 2012.

Please note change of ride base from Sussex Inlet.

New Ride base is situated on Braidwood Road Sassafras, approximately 40 minutes South West of Nowra. Shady grassy campsites with plenty of horse water. **Do not trust your GPS.**

Email Wendy if you need directions.

For humans, bring your own drinking water and there will be a canteen operating on Sunday.

Saturday 25th, camping overnight permitted.

Sunday 26th - Vetting from 7am for a

9am start for the 40km and

9.30 start for the 20km.

Course; some hills, good underfoot with some stony sections, suitable for barefoot, great riding country!

Cost- 20km - \$40 which includes day membership

40km - \$60 which includes day membership

Mark the date on your calendar.

For more information ring Wendy Porter, Zone Secretary, 44806017 or mobile 0417289181

Or email. davidandwendyporter@bigpond.com

Zone One – Q60

Sunday, 11th March 2012

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

- Ride Fees: 100Km Elevator \$110.00
- 40Km Ride - \$60 for Members add \$10 for Non-Member NSWERA Day
- Social Ride - \$30 for Members add \$5 for Non-members NSWERA Day Membership

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

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

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








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

Tom Quilty Gold Cup



**St Helens
Tasmania
2012
8 - 10 June**

The Tom Quilty 2012 committee and the Break of Day municipality extend a warm invitation to riders, strappers, support crews and visitors to St Helens, Tasmania, for the running of the annual Tom Quilty, 8-10 June, 2012

-  St Helens is on the East Coast of Tasmania, approximately 2 hours drive from Launceston or 3.5 hours from Devonport
-  The game fishing capital of Tasmania and renowned for its beaches and coastal reserves
-  Plenty of accommodation - hotels, motels, motor lodges, B&B's, apartment and luxury lodges. RV site (no horses) on the edge of the ride base
-  The ride base is located on the edge of town and is in easy walking distance to the town centre - emergency services, veterinary clinic, Laundromat, horse feed store, retail shopping including 2 supermarkets, various food outlets and 3 banks with ATM's
-  The course will be over native gravel country, incorporating forestry roads, firebreaks, council gravel roads, bush trails and private property
-  Horses travel safely from the mainland on the Spirit of Tasmania Ferry to Devonport on a regular basis
-  Upon arrival in Tasmania you are invited to Dicky and Pat Lamprey's property at Sassafras (20 mins from Spirit terminal) where you can unload and camp for as long as you wish. Facilities are basic but include a permanent toilet and shower, green pasture and unlimited tracks to exercise on.

www.aera.asn.au/tq12/

Horsley Park—17th March 2012

Ride where the Olympians ride

In conjunction with the Arab Horse Society, Zone one will be holding a promotion 40km Training ride and a 20km Social ride on the 17th of March at the Sydney International Equestrian centre at Horsley Park. The 2012 Australian National Championships will be held at the equestrian centre from the 14th till the 18th of March.

The course will run around the Equestrian centre around the cross country course, through the steeplechase course and around the adjoining Western Sydney Regional Parklands. The office and pre ride vetting will open from 7am on the 17th with the ride starting at 10. Volunteer track stewards and TPRs would be greatly appreciated.

Entrance to the centre is from Saxony road which runs off Wallgrove road. Ride fee will be \$45 plus a \$7.50 day fee per horse. \$10 day membership fee applies to any non members. Come and support your sport and show other Arab lovers what Endurance is all about.

For any more information or if you can help on the day contacted Charlie Gauci on 0245670567 after dark.

Please note that pre nominations are preferred and would be greatly appreciated.



All roads lead to
FREEMANTLE

SATURDAY 4th AUGUST: 11am: 40km training ride. Noon: 20km social ride.

SUNDAY 5TH AUGUST: 20km social, 40/60km elevator training and 80km endurance rides.

FEES: Training rides - \$50. Social rides \$25 plus day membership \$5. 80kms - \$90. Camping fee- \$5 per horse.

RIDE BASE: Freemantle Fire Station 25kms from Eglinton, near Bathurst on the Freemantle Road.

Firewood provided by Freemantle Fire Brigade.

Please keep dogs at home or on a leash at your campsite, not near the fire station.

PRE-RIDE VETTING: Saturday social ride and trainer: 9am – 10am Saturday 4th August.
80kms and Sunday
social and trainer: 11am - 4pm Saturday 4th August.

All rides go through private properties, bush trails and along quiet mostly dirt country roads.

The fabulous Fire Shed Café will be open from Friday afternoon and all weekend.
The café will serve a delicious hot meal on Saturday night in the warm and cosy fire station.
R.S.V.P by 29th July for evening meals.

Please support the café and evening meal as proceeds go to the Fire Brigade.
Without the fire brigade's assistance the ride would not be possible.

PRE-NOMINATE: by 29th July - lee.curtis@det.nsw.edu.au phone: 0263374195

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See you there, for a great weekend.

TUMBARUMBA ENDURANCE INC.

Ercildoune

Munderoo Road

TUMBARUMBA NSW 2653

It is with regret that the Tumbarumba Endurance Inc Committee wish to inform the NSWERA membership that the Tumbarumba Endurance ride scheduled to be run at Easter 2012 has been cancelled.

The Committee would like to thank the members for their support by attending the Tumbarumba ride over the past five years.



AWARDS PRESENTATION AND AGM

Will be held on Sunday January 22, 2012

at

Gulgong Bowling and Sporting Club
Tallawang Road, Gulgong

The presentation will start at 10.45am followed by the AGM

Everybody is welcome to attend, so please come along and support your Zone

Food and drinks will be available

For more information please contact Neroli Cooper on 0427 120 228 or email: iloren@clearmail.com.au

Dean Walkom & Zaraq - Our Accidental Big 3

I purchased Zaraq as an unbroken paddock reared 5 year old for \$550 in 2003 from an advert I found in the back of Horse Deals. I really didn't need another horse but I liked the breeding. Santa Pasa Zaraq is by Ralvon Trekker & Santa Pasa Spanish Princess having Ralvon and Bremervale lines.

I started him myself and due to work commitments and other horses it was 2005 before I took him to his first ride, it was a 80km ride at Bendemeer and a learning experience I will never forget. The first and last time I start a horse with an 80km ride, bad traveller, didn't camp well and a vet out to top the weekend off.



The following year 2006 he did a 40km trainer and then the Shahzada Mini Marathon. I can't recommend the Shahzada Trainer enough for anyone, one full week to work with your horse and the whole social, camping experience is just ideal. Zaraq came away from that Shahzada Mini Marathon a different horse. Looking back through his log books from 2006 till the end of 2010 a typical year was a Shahzada Trainer then an 80km ride or two after that. It was in 2010 that he finally matured and switched on and became a horse that was enjoyable to ride, floated better and I could finally tie up walk away and know he would be ok.

After the 2010 Shahzada Trainer I promised myself and others that in 2011 I would do the 400km Shahzada ride. So that became the goal for 2011. Being a Maintenance Planner in my work, the natural thing to do was to put a plan together to get Zaraq ready for 400km in August.

I sent a copy of my plan to Kym Hagon for a look and he suggested I also include the State championships 160km ride in June, 'are you sure?' 'We've never done a 160 before and in the same year as his first 400!' 'Yes Dean - you have a horse that has been brought on slowly, well legged up and is ready to go'.



A couple of Zone One trainers at Colo, Tooraweenah 80 the Colo Zone One 100km championships and then we were at St Albans in June for our first 160km.

Zaraq gets off the float in St Albans thinks to himself 'ahh been here before - Shahzada Trainer (five times) here for a week, chill out' and he starts eating and drinking straight away and is totally relaxed, just what you want before a major ride. I remember being at the start line waiting for midnight and he was just standing there eating grass – totally relaxed. The weather wasn't the best but we managed to cruise through the 160 with straight A's and no issues other than being cold and wet.

In between the State and Shahzada our training consisted of a lot of steep hill work to prepare Zaraq for the hills of St Albans. Shahzada was fun (its amazing how time fades some memories) it certainly wasn't the trainer/annual holiday we were used to but we plugged away, one leg at a time and got through ok without any represents or issues to deal with which was a result statistically we weren't expecting.

Garonne Park Walker—Big 3

Walker is an unregistered part bred Arab gelding, bred by the late Chris Walker that I purchased from a horse sale as an orphaned foal. He was a small black grey colt, who right from the start was full of character and attitude. He matured into a powerful 2 yr old and at that time I started him under saddle.

Chris and I were discussing his breeding and the children asked Chris if we could name him "Walker". Chris was delighted with this suggestion, hence his name. Walker is by Arabesque Sultan and his dam was the successful South Australian endurance mare Slick Venus.

Walker commenced his endurance career after many hours of slow stock work and conditioning in the bush, mostly camping trips in Kosciusko National park. His first 80km ride was at Batlow in 2005. It was a great pleasure for both Chris and I when Chris vetted Walker at his first 80 km ride and then again at his first 160km ride. Walker has developed into a horse that enjoys competing and especially in 160km rides and marathons.

In 2010 Walker gave me the great thrill carrying me to his and my - first Big 3. I feel very humbled by his efforts this year in 2011. He has carried me to win the HWT State championship, and then another HWT first in the Shahzada, our favourite event.

Our finale ride was the South Australian Quilty where he was awarded his 3000 km distance award. We then rode with my daughter, Sarah to achieve her first Quilty buckle and Walker's second Big 3 award. How good is that!

Achieving the Big 3 twice has meant some very wet and trying conditions, but Walker has never faltered in his enthusiasm on course and in training. 2011 has been the pinnacle in Walker and my endurance career.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved in running these rides and thus making these awards possible for us riders. A very big thanks goes to my family Anne, Sarah and Cody for their tireless efforts in strapping, especially Cody and Sarah at the State Championships in such trying weather conditions But the biggest praise must go to the tough little orphan that has grown into such a wonderful endurance equine.



Aloha Byshara: What a Year!

By Julie Brooks

After reading the profiles of other endurance riders and their horses, I feel quite humble to be writing something about my own horse, Bess.

Until the last year or so, I have been something of a part timer in this sport. Like so many others, I have had to share my time between family, work commitments, being a 'show jumping circuit' mother and occasionally, squeezing in an endurance ride.

I bought Bess from the Aloha Stud as a leggy four year old, unbroken and extremely green. I had been inspired by a great horse called Aloha Messiah. As I thought he epitomised toughness and was winning many rides of that time. I followed his progress with awe and finally bought my own Aloha horse.

Bess proved to be something of a challenge, as many new horses do. After she arrived at our property, after being broken in, there was no way in hell she was going to be caught. This was my first real 'project', starting a horse which no one else, other than the breaker, had educated or ridden.

Previously, I had been to see Monty Roberts and watched his talents with 'join up' with a horse in a yard. Well, all I can say is "*eat your heart out Monty - I did it in 10 acres*"!! It may have taken me all day but I persevered and eventually got there.

We have had quite a chequered career, Bess prone to both paddock injuries and lameness issues, constantly set us back. We would attend ride after ride, with the equivalent number of successful completions to vet outs. I even had to borrow my husband's horse to qualify for a 100 mile ride as I thought I would never be attempting one on my own horse. As much as I loved endurance riding, I loved my horse more and just wanted to ride her even if it meant giving up endurance.



Photo of Julie Brooks to go with her Big Three Award story Photo Jo Arblaster. Photo taken at Shahzada.

But after all the trials and tribulations, everything came together in 2011. From the outset, I had never considered the Big Three as a possibility. After a couple of lead-up rides, Bess and I commenced the year with a successful completion in the inaugural Manilla Muster, followed by the Big Three. I never planned to do this well. I thought “*well, what the heck... may as well do it all in one year to make up for the last ten*”.

I tried to remain positive during all the events. This was put to the test on the Wednesday of Shahzada. Whilst vetting after the first leg, Bess appeared lame and was asked to represent. All I could think of was ‘*here I go again*’ and thought my luck had run out. Luckily, she was fit to continue.

What has got me through all the rides this year was the thought that “*no is not an option*”. Perseverance, patience and persistence are traits that I’m accustomed to.

Bess and I finished the year completing the Snowy Zone Championships at Coolamon. After sustaining a fall at approximately 45km, Bess continued on to successfully complete the 120km. We are all able to give praise to our faithful steeds at times, but I truly feel that after all these years, with State, Shahzada and Quilty buckles now in the cabinet, I have my own tough little Aloha mare, who deserves all the credit for this wonderful achievement

A tribute to determination, courage and true friendship.

The South Australian Quilty held at Mount Pleasant in October was a must-do ride for 193 competitors from all over Australia. Invited to ride as honoured guests on the final leg of the course were octogenarian Ron Males and Castlebar’s Meg Wade, back in the saddle following a fall more than two years ago.

With a little help, Meg bravely mounted Actress for the ride to the finish, while Ron rode Castlebar Sensai alongside in the role of support rider and action photographer for an ABC production of the event.

With 21 Quilty buckles to his name, this time Ron was not competing but said he was proud to act as support chaperone for Meg on this milestone along her road to recovery.



“I’ve known Meg for about 25 years,” said Ron, who together with Val was a regular visitor when Meg was hospitalised after her accident. “When she was in Canberra Hospital, we visited her there and we have kept in touch with her ever since the accident. We are really interested in people who have disabilities and Meg talked about it and all the feeling she has had since and how she was so determined to get back on a horse.”

Always a determined, focused person in whatever she did, Meg hasn’t changed, Ron said. “She is so strong but Meg has said to me she thinks she’s a better person for the accident and can understand other people better now.” Ron has no doubts. He said: “She is more caring, more considerate and I think she’s more loving now.”

Asked what we can learn from Meg’s determination to get back up against the odds, Ron didn’t hesitate. “We can learn ‘stickability’,” he said. “If you are going to do something, stick to it and don’t waver. Meg





has really stuck it out and she's determined in everything she's done. What happened changed her life but the whole thing has been so fantastic in one way and it has worked out with so many plusses. Because this happened to Meg, it's not the end of the world. It has opened new doors for her. She's excited about things. And if you can keep doing things in your life that you are excited about, how good is that?"

Ron and Val value their friendship with Meg enormously. "Our friendship is very close but we don't have to be in each other's pockets every day to be close friends," said Ron. "I notice improvements every time I see her and Val and I are proud to be her friend."

Ron has nothing but praise for Meg's determination and particularly for her courage in riding at the Quilty. "She wanted to be back on track again and that was the closest she could get to it at this stage of her life. But I said Meg, the party's over now. Now it's serious. You've done this little ride and now you've got to do a real social ride. And when you've done that, then you've got to do a trainer and then you've got to do an 80kms ride. And I'll be there with you."

All Photographs in this article supplied by Jo Arblaster.



Kiwarrak Cup 30th October Ride Review

(or Father v's Son)

As is often the case in October on the Mid-North Coast, the weather for the 2011 Kiwarrak Cup week-end was relatively hot and humid. We hoped that this would not deter riders and, although prenom numbers were not large, with no competing rides on the calendar a good turnout of riders was hoped for. We were not disappointed and Friday afternoon and evening saw a



steady stream of horse rigs into the camping paddock. The flow of rigs continued throughout Saturday and, with a total of 108 riders, was the second largest rider entry since 2003.

In 2008, Ben Caslick won the Kiwarrak Cup in a blistering 4hrs 1min, with dad Allan hot on his heels. I remember having gone about 5km out on the second leg when Allan passed me on his way back to base "Can't catch the young fella" he said. This time Allan, as heavyweight, won the Cup in 4hrs 6min riding A'Landell Spirit. Ben, as middleweight, rode the same 40km leg twice in 2008, whilst Allan's ride was two different legs, a little harder I would say – so I really think this time Allan did "Catch the young fella!" Allan was followed in by Thomas Herman and third heavyweight was Peter Strickland.

First middleweight was Ray Griffith riding Cherox Safina, second was local gal Tracey Morley and equal third were Lisa Swan and Debbie Pevy. Alex Jones riding Nioka Park Jag was first lightweight followed by April Newman and our wonderful girls Sue Todd, Carol Leyton and Anne Hills were equal third (I bet there was a fair bit of conversation had on that ride!). First junior was another local rider, Shannon Thorsby riding Margjon Montgomery.

Neither of our usual operators were able to provide a canteen for the week-end so we were lucky that Chris and Lawrence stepped in to provide a very tasty service (I'm told the German sausage was a great hit). Many thanks to everyone who helped TPR, especially Wendy and Georgia, and an extra big thank you to the WICEN team from Great Lakes Radio Club, who have provided the splendid checkpoint people and radio communications over the past years.

On course photographs were taken by Barry McGregor with Tracy providing viewing of them back at camp. For anyone wanting to view the photos they are on their website at <http://www.barrymcgregorphotography.com/>

This was the 9th and last ride hosted by Jan Wade and Martin Flippance from the Careys Rd ride base, as the property will shortly be up for sale. We would like to thank all the riders who have supported us over the past 7yrs and hope you will continue to support the Kiwarrak Cup ride into the future,.

Jan Wade and Martin Flippance



Previous Page: "Allan Caslick riding A'Landell Spirit winner of the 2011 Kiwarrak Cup (Photo: Manning River Times)".

Left: "Ben Caslick winner of the 2008 Kiwarrak Cup (Photo: Kieron Power)"

Below: "Gabrielle Joyce riding Mahazin Crystal Prince (Beau) completing their 1st 40km ride (Photo Barry McGregor Photography)"



Zone One Championship

The 2011 Zone One Championship was held at the Q60 ride base at Upper Colo on the 8th May 2011.

The weather was perfect and at 4am on Sunday morning 38 riders head out on the 100 kilometre ride.

Dodi Sinfield and Rohan Perkins were on the wooden bridge, which is only a couple of kilometers out from ride base, to advise riders to walk over the bridge as it can be quite slippery with the early morning dew and then they went for 20 kilometres to a turnaround checkpoint manned by Greg Moore and Peter. Riders then came back 10 kilometres to a gate which was 'womaned' by Sue Todd where she turned them off the road and down Atkinson's driveway.

I was on a checkpoint about 500 metres further down the track and I could hear Sue greeting the riders with her usual enthusiasm and gusto. I guess sound does travel easier in the dark!!

I was on a cattle grid to advise riders to go through the gate rather than jumping my car which was parked on the grid although a couple of riders were up for the challenge. Garry Weis was another 200 metres down the track to turn riders up Luke Song's which was a relatively short but steep climb up the mountain and then on to a fire trail.

The next checkpoint was at the power lines which was manned by Jochen Letsch and Stephanie Leon where they had hay and carrots for the horses and lollies for the riders. Jochen was constantly sending back the numbers to ride base so they could be entered onto the leaderboard enabling strappers to know where their riders were.

After this checkpoint it is an easy ten kilometers back to base thus completing 45 kilometres of the ride.

There were seven horses that didn't go out on the second leg which was up Ward's track to Mt. Lagoon where Garry and Sue were with refreshments for horses and riders. It was then back down the mountain to Jochen and Stephanie's checkpoint once again for more refreshments and back to base. This was also the track for the 19 riders who entered the training ride. There were 13 riders who chose to elevate to 100 kilometres.

It was an easy 20 kilometres for the final leg of the 100 kilometre ride out to a turnaround checkpoint where Dodi and Rohan were with more refreshments. This was the leg the 11 social riders took so it was a long day for Dodi and Rohan after being on the bridge at 4am that morning!

David Player and Jennifer Gilbertson held hands for first over the line and first middleweight in a time of 6hrs 57 minutes.

The next riders over the line were Adeline Gibson and Talea Hasko Stewart taking first lightweight and third middleweight respectfully with Ian Dreghorn taking first Heavyweight and best conditioned on Jack the Ripper in a time of 9 hours 15 minutes. Andrew Mackinder was the only junior to complete the 100 kilometre ride in a time of 7 hrs 27 minutes.

The Zone One Committee would like to thank all the people who helped make this ride possible. Thank you to Neil Clarkson for being a super chief steward, our vets, Adrian Owen, Paul Farmer for delivering water on Friday and Saturday to the check points and ride base, our tpr's, Mark Dunmil, Justine Blunt for TPRing on Saturday and then being on the bridge on Sunday, Judy Shore and Marlee Turnbull for being in the office.

There are many people who volunteered to give up their weekend so we could hold the championships and a big thank you to you all. I know I haven't mentioned everyone but you know we are very grateful to you. Thank you to Wendy Ward and her wonderful workers from the fire brigade for the fantastic canteen and to the land owners who opened their properties for us to ride through.

Thank you to Alan Mackinder, Agnes Banks Equine Clinic, Hawkesbury Equine Clinic, Rosemont, Horseland Richmond, Newmarket Saddlery, Nth Richmond, Shahzada Inc. and Equineeds who all sponsored rugs and prizes to third place.

We hope you can come to our training and social rides in March 2012 which we intend to hold on Saturday and Sunday. This is an excellent track to leg your horse up for the endurance year ahead or just come and have a fun weekend and enjoy the scenic track.

Zone One Committee

Coolamon Ride Report

Under the three quarter moon with weather conditions close to perfect, 46 riders rode out of the Coolamon Showgrounds on the first leg of the 120km Snowy Zone Championships 2011.

Unfortunately these conditions were not here to stay and as the riders from the 120kms headed out onto the 2nd leg and the 53 riders completing the 80kms came in from their first leg, the sun was starting to warm up and the wind was starting to blow.

Lucky for both the 80km riders and the 20 riders completing the 40kms their day was complete before the testing weather set in. Despite the 2am start in the cool of the night, the 3rd and final leg for the 120km competitors proved the most testing for both horse and rider. These weather conditions added to the workload of the organisers. The high temperature and gale force wind during the middle of the day placed an extra duty of care on riders, strappers, volunteers and veterinary staff.

A huge thank you goes to head vet Dr Steve Roberts and his team, Dr Sarah Pollard Williams and Dr Scott Norman and also the TPR staff, without your hard work our rides couldn't run as well as they do.

The Championship 120km Ride was jointly won by Talea Hasko Stewart riding Blakes Heaven Bombora and Jeff Adams riding Takoi Jacky Chan in a time of 6hr 59mins, congratulations goes to both these riders.

A thousand thank you's go to all the volunteers, without your dedication and hard work we would not be able to run rides such as these. A special mention to Mick Leary and Bill Warner from the Coolamon Endurance Riders Inc who carted 1000's of liters of water to the large tubs on track during the weekend, this in itself was a full time job.

RESULTS

HEAVY WEIGHT 120 CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 1st Heidi Wade riding Yinbiliko Semeera Rukan
- 2nd Paddy Smith riding Akifa Farras Titan
- 3rd Craig Hugall riding Flametree Sunrise

MIDDLE WEIGHT 120 CHAMPIONSHIPS

- =1st Jeff Adams riding Takoi Jacky Chan
- =1st Talea Hasko Stewart riding Blakes Heaven Bombora
- 3rd Ray Griffiths riding Ginger Megs

LIGHT WEIGHT 120 CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 1st Vanessa Richardson riding Coolinda Park Louiseville
- 2nd Sue Todd riding PPP Kool Pashin
- 3rd Madeleine Whyte riding Candynae

JUNIOR 120 CHAMPIONSHIPS

- 1st Mahteea Leary riding Jirrima Smooth Sailor
- 2nd Mia Bodewes riding Booramby Jacob

HEAVY WEIGHT 80KM

- 1st Matthew Walker riding Razorback Wardance
- 2nd Marty Moran riding Jelignite Jack
- 3rd John Dawson riding Danjera Elsabina

MIDDLE WEIGHT 80KM

- 1st Erica Allan riding Kaminya
- 2nd Lisa Swan riding Jon De Le Classic
- 3rd Frances Derschow riding Candicete

LIGHT WEIGHT 80KM

- 1st April Newman riding Jon De Le Jasper
- 2nd Carly Nix riding Razorback Sugar n Spice
- =3rd Jodi Dewick riding Wickwood Aesiras
- =3rd Courtney Chapman riding Khamsin

JUNIOR 80KM

- 1st Ellen Vine riding Silver Ridge Navarro
- 2nd Harrison Berg riding Castlebar Citation



3rd Sorsha Sturt Rokvic riding Blakes Heaven Caruso

BEST CONDITIONED HORSES

120KMS

HEAVY WEIGHT – Heidi Wade riding Yinbiliko Sameera Rukan

MIDDLE WEIGHT – Jeff Adams riding Takoi Jacky Chan

LIGHT WEIGHT – Vanessa Richardson riding Coolinda Park
Louiseville

JUNIOR - Mia Bodewes riding Booramby Jacob

80KMS

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Coolamon Photo Gallery.
Thanks to Maree Myhill
and Megan Menzies for
the photos in this report.



Coolamon Photo Gallery cont.



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1. Jeff Adams riding Takoi Jacky Chan & Talea Hasko Stewart riding Blakes Heaven Bombora coming in off the final leg of the 120kms Snowy Zone Championships held at Coolamon for equal 1st Line Honours. Riding time of 6hrs 59 mins.

2. Heidi Wade at Snowy Zone Champs presentations receiving her 1st place rug from Lou McCormack & rug Sponsor "Blakes Heaven" Fia Hasko Stewart. Heidi rode Yinbilliko Sameera Rukan in the 120kms for 1st Hw 9hrs 22mins.

3. Ellen Vine at Snowy Zone Champs presentations receiving her BC rug from Zone president Lou McCormack & rug Sponsor "Equine Miracle" – Robyn Larson Shelton. Ellen was 1st Junior in the 80kms riding Silver Ridge Navarro 6hrs 58 mins.

4. Carly Nix & Razorback Sugar N Spice were 2nd Lightweight in the 80km ride at Coolamon.

MY TEVIS CUP EXPERIENCE – Jennifer Gilbertson

From the moment I discovered Endurance Riding, the Tevis Cup was spoken about like the Holy Grail or the ultimate in Endurance. I listened with some interest and always pondered at those spectacular photos of Cougar Rock. There was June Peterson and Duncan McLaughlin looking like mountain goats, not endurance riders, and there are those pine trees way, way below.

Earlier last year, pre-Quilty, a request by Kym Hagon was put on the chat page offering a contra deal to host an American rider at the Manilla Quilty and in return you would get to ride the Tevis. We, Graeme and I, took up the challenge; Mark Engerman, our American rider, was successful on our well-prepared horse Coolahlee Park Saraba.

With the first part of the deal done, Graeme and I booked our flights to U.S. for July. Eventually July was postponed then changed to October. The course also had to be changed due to snowfall and icy (narrow) tracks, not a good place to be, when the trail can be 7,000 feet above sea level in some places.

So there we were in October, 178 riders, lined up for the start of the Tevis, I was quickly introduced to Barbara White who was riding for her 31st buckle (and was successful). We were off, a very eventful and exciting first leg that comprised of a bee attack and soon after, my horse went bounding and plunging across the American River; there was no control and I fully expected to be dumped unceremoniously and not to make it to the other side. Didn't happen though!

At the vetting, not surprisingly I was feeling the effects of multiple beestings, possible dehydration and a little jet lagged. I somehow rallied. I was not going to allow a few incidentals to take me out of the ride and thanks to good strapping of both horse and rider by my human GG we were ready for the next leg.

The trail itself is the challenge. For the most part it is narrow and traverses, ascends and descends the Sierra Nevada Range. Part of the course crosses under the ski lift of Squaw Valley - which was host to the Winter Olympics.

If you've been to, or seen pictures of the Grand Canyon, that's the type of terrain in many places. These conditions go on for many miles at a stretch bending in and out of crevices and up and down the mountain. It is over part of the historic pony express route from Lake Tahoe to Auburn.

Advice: if you want to try the Tevis: You can't be afraid of heights. If you want to negotiate the trail and be successful, you need to call on all your courage and inner strength and, at the same time, have complete faith in your horse. It's also a great help to have wonderful hosts, as we did, to guide, advise and help you.

It was definitely the experience of a life-time, one I will never forget.

Australians who have Tevis buckles are: R.M. Williams, Col Adams, Annette Baines, Jack Bowell, Claude Filleul, Ron Malone, June Peterson, Anton Reid, Susan Sutcliffe, Penny and Peter Toft, Brooke Warner, Duncan McLaughlin, Julie White and Jennifer Gilbertson



WANTED—YOUNG, SKINNY, WIREFY RIDERS!!

By: Charlie Gauci

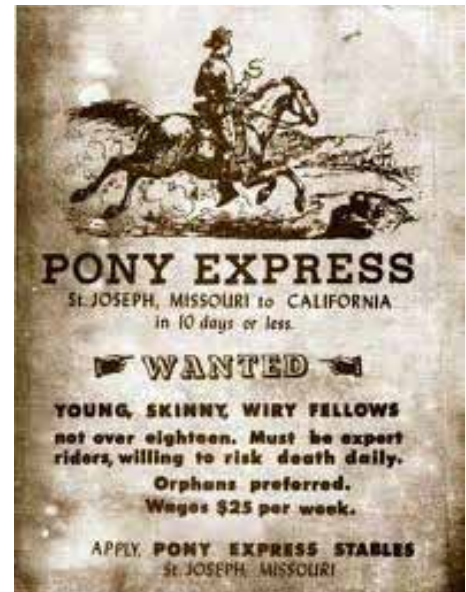
Those of you who know me know that I really don't fit the description in the add on the right but after two years of planning I found myself riding across the Old Wild West of America following the old Pony Express trail.

The ride brief was '2000 miles (3200km) in 8 weeks' riding 50 miles a day 5 days a week starting in St Joseph Missouri and finishing in Virginia City Nevada.

The rules were simple - Each day was treated as a separate endurance ride in which you could elevate from 25 miles to 50 miles but, to get accredited with AERC (American Endurance Riders Conference) miles, you had to ride the full 50 miles in the single day with one horse.

On this ride you certainly couldn't complain that there weren't enough arrows or tape to mark the course! Each week our GPS units were downloaded with co-ordinates (done mostly from Google Earth which of course didn't allow for raging rivers, swamps, or the like) and in addition, we were handed a set of written instructions the night before the ride. As an example - the instructions would say 'get to such and such a coordinate, by making your own way across the Badlands'.

The 2nd of March saw Lee-Anne and I head over to Reno Nevada for the AERC Annual Convention then it was off to Republic Missouri where we stayed with our friends Dale and Joe who not only put us up and supplied the vehicles we would use during the ride but, Joe was even keeping our horses that we had bought in 2010, specifically for this ride.





We spent the next three months training our horses and getting them fit for the challenge ahead. On 24 May we headed off to St Joseph Missouri to meet up with 49 other riders and their crews who like us, were all ready for the start of the ride.

My brother and his wife had arrived the week before to drive our rigs and so with Joe, who was doing the ride with me, we ended up with 5 people, 5 horses, three pickups, two goosenecks and one stock trailer.

As endurance riders we think we take a lot of stuff for a normal weekend ride – well you should have seen the gear that was assembled in St Joseph! The rigs ranged from normal 2 horse floats through to mega goosenecks pulled by huge freightliners. Never seen anything like it.

The first week of the ride saw us riding across the prairies of Kansas- that's in the middle of tornado alley and in the middle of the tornado season!! At least once a day we would hear the warning sirens blare from some town we were riding past and wonder if this storm would be the one to pick us up and drop us off in the next State. We rode in mud, rain, hail and more mud.

On one particular day Lee-Anne was sheltering near a brick church and she said she even contemplated breaking a window to get in out of the weather – it was so bad. Another night we loaded the horses into the trailers as we were all herded into the basement of a local school. We prayed that our trailers, with horses inside, would still be there when they let us out.

Wyoming saw me having one of my usual bronco riding episodes. My horse kicked a can in the grass, frightened itself and I ended up on the ground with three broken ribs. It was also in Wyoming that we rescued a horse and rider who fell down a sink hole. You know something isn't quite right when someone screams behind you and on turning around all you can see is a horse's head and one leg poking up out of the ground! We got the horse out and horse and rider went on to complete that days ride.

Eventually we left the prairies behind and climbed up and over the Continental Divide. From Prairies to mountains and riding through snow to crossing deserts and dust - we did it all in eight weeks of riding.

Officially we were credited with 1290 miles (2076km). Ninth place overall and with six best time and four best condition awards to our name, we did quite well. Don't you think?

In the end the hardest part by far was having to sell our horses, Zafar, Remora and Cocamoe Joe. They all went to great endurance homes and our two reserve horses, Lady and Hillbilly (which is another story) are in good hands with our great friend Joe.

Would we ever do it again - **NO** - but it was an experience that we will remember forever.

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Belinda Hopley.—for the NSW SMC

2011 Wrap Up NSW Inter-Zone Teams Competition –

Well done NSW Inter-Zone Team riders – with the 2011 competition now complete we should say a big Thank You and Congratulations to everyone that took part in the competition and to everyone that helped with the organisation of the competition.

Although it proved a little harder to keep the momentum of the competition rolling this year, it was great to see so many riders keen to take part. 147 individual NSW endurance riders participated in the competition in the 80km rides on the NSW calendar. At most of the rides each zone was able to furnish a full or part team of 4 riders to represent their zone. The final participation from each zone was as follows: 29 riders from Zone One, 37 riders from Zone Two, 30 riders from Zone Four, 26 riders from Zone Five and 25 riders from Zone Six.

NSWERA has once again kindly donated a 2012 membership and all 147 riders will go into the draw which will take place at the NSW AGM in February. In the event the winner has already paid their membership a refund will be forthcoming.

Congratulations to Zone Five (the South Coasters) - the **winner** of the competition and the recipient of the perpetual Gold Cup for 2011. Zone Five finished with the narrowest of margins of only 4.9 hours in front of Zone Two who once again finishing second - closely followed by Zone One on third place

The final results of the competition are:-

Zone Five	-	569.79 hours
Zone Two	-	574.69 hours
Zone One	-	585.69 hours
Zone Four	-	595.86 hours
Zone Six	-	598.95 hours

We hope the Inter-Zone Teams Competition brought an extra bit of fun and friendly competition to our wonderful sport of endurance riding.

ZONE ONE ENDURANCE RIDERS INC.

DISTANCE REGISTER FOR LIMITED DISTANCE RIDES

Zone One will be launching its very own distance register for limited distance rides during the 2012 endurance season. If you ride in any 40km ride (including the Shahzada mini-marathon) or under, that is an affiliated Zone One ride you will be eligible to participate in the new distance register.

Zone One is aware that there are a number of riders participating in limited distance rides, such as the 40km rides, for a variety of reasons and are not necessarily aiming at getting their horses to the next level or longer rides. The committee also believe that by providing recognition and reward at this level there will be a natural progression of riders to memberships, having encouraged them to try endurance at a level they feel comfortable and rewarded at.

The competitive aim of the distance register for limited distance rides will be to successfully complete as many of the rides available in any one season. It is not a one-horse / one-rider event, it is a members' register and the kilometres are awarded to the member not the horse. No times will be recorded.

THE PROPOSED GUIDELINES FOR THIS EVENT ARE AS FOLLOWS;

- The rider must be a current financial Zone One member.
- The register will incorporate all 40km and under rides (including Shahzada mini-marathon) affiliated with Zone One in any one season
- Accumulated distance kilometres will be recorded for each member for each successful ride within the season.

It is NOT a one horse one rider event,

Distance kilometres are accumulated by the rider.

- There will be an open and junior division which will follow the same criteria as NSWERA for a junior division.
- The member that accumulates the highest number of kilometres in each division will be the Zone One Limited Distance rider for the season.
- The register will be kept by the Zone One points and distance officer

Zone One is excited about the prospect of providing its many members / riders that are not currently competing at a competitive level, with a distance register and with the recognition for the work that it takes to get a horse to a ride.

NSW Point Score

Distance Heavyweight Horses – 2011

1	Warren Park O.B. One	1180
2	Garonne Park Walker	1079
3	Mountain Breeze Jack The Ripper	920
4	Tuldar Slingshot	820
5	Tianna	800
6	Ashbend Perazzi	740
7	Alnotarj Statistic	730
8	Ben Mariah	720
9	Flametree Sunrise	540
10	Girilambone Sorcerer	480

Distance Heavyweight Riders - 2011

1	Marita Rifai	1700
2	Sue Warren	1340
3	Stuart Lymbery	1319
4	Ian Dreghorn	920
5	Phil Coleman	890
6	Keith Nagle	800
7	Paddy Smith	760
8	Peter Norman	740
8	John Howe	740
10	Con Bouzianis	730

Points Heavyweight Horses - 2011

1	Garonne Park Walker	84.5
2	Warren Park O.B. One	73
3	Mountain Breeze Jack The Ripper	59.5
4	Tianna	53.5
5	Ashbend Perazzi	51.5
6	Ben Mariah	41
6	Flametree Sunrise	41
8	Alnotarj Statistic	38.5
9	Tuldar Slingshot	36
10	Stinky	34.5
10	Box Hill Ralph	34.5

Points Heavyweight Riders - 2011

1	Marita Rifai	90.5
2	Stuart Lymbery	88.5
3	Sue Warren	77
4	Ian Dreghorn	59.5
5	John Howe	51.5
6	Paddy Smith	48.5
7	Con Bouzianis	48
8	Phil Coleman	43.5
9	Allan Caslick	42.5
10	Craig Hugall	41
10	Gary Thomas	41

Points Middleweight Horses - 2011

1	Dunbar El Maestro	69.5
2	Double TT It n Abit	66
2	Blakes Heaven Venus	66
4	Diamond R Boston	60
5	Yahweh-Salih Sir Ibn Gelibene	59
6	Santa Pasa Zaraq	57.5
7	Girilambone Orion	57
8	Booramby Silver Elk	56

9	Kintamani Sapphire	53.5
10	Bridle Track Bogart	46

Distance Middleweight Horses - 2011

1	Yahweh-Salih Sir Ibn Gelibene	1130
2	Double TT It n Abit	980
3	Santa Pasa Zaraq	900
4	Booramby Silver Elk	880
5	Girilambone Orion	820
6	Kintamani Sapphire	800
6	Bridle Track Bogart	800
8	Dunbar El Maestro	720
9	Arasarta Narhalinian	720
10	Carjola Park Prince	660

Points Middleweight Riders - 2011

1	Derryn Nix	79
2	Talea Hasko-Stewart	66
2	Clare Feary	66
4	Sonya Ruprecht	62
5	Kim Hagon	60
6	Dean Walkom	57.5
7	Cheryl Strachan	53.5
8	David Player	52.25
9	Linda Jonkers	48
10	Victoria Bonham	46

Distance Middleweight Riders - 2011

1	Sonya Ruprecht	1370
2	Tracy Haack	1060
3	Talea Hasko-Stewart	1000
4	Clare Feary	980
4	Jennifer Rogers	980
6	Judith Burton	940
6	Raymond Griffiths	940
8	Dean Walkom	900
9	Derryn Nix	880
10	Jennifer Gilbertson	820
10	David Player	820

Distance Lightweight Horses - 2011

1	Aloha Byshara	1160
2	Rainbows Reach Scout	1040
3	Shakista	880
4	Diamond R Oscar	720
5	Shalacey Bear	660
5	Lila	660
7	Shellal Cattle King Flyte	640
7	Winter Hill Arrow	640
7	Cherox Aladdin	640
10	Gandari Alva Caastelee	560
10	Ausden Kon Tiki	560
10	Everon Park Apollo	560

Distance Lightweight Riders - 2011

1	Sue Todd	1740
2	Allix Jones	1580
3	Ros Ryan	1360
4	Julie Brooks	1160
5	Lydia Thomson	1060

6	Melanie Anderson	1040	10	Woodbourne Billy Billy	250
7	Deanna Trevena	880			
8	Cherry Cummins	800			
9	Brooke Warner	760			
10	Emma Fletcher	720			
Points Lightweight Horses - 2011					
1	Aloha Byshara	87.5			
2	Diamond R Oscar	61.25			
3	Rainbows Reach Scout	61			
4	Winter Hill Arrow	56			
5	Shakista	55.5			
6	Ausden Kon Tiki	49.5			
7	Everon Park Apollo	48.5			
8	Cherox Aladdin	48			
9	Shellal Cattle King Flyte	46.5			
10	Shalacey Bear	42			
Points Lightweight Riders - 2011					
1	Sue Todd	108.5			
2	Allix Jones	102			
3	Julie Brooks	87.5			
4	Melanie Anderson	82.25			
5	Ros Ryan	68			
6	Emma Fletcher	61.25			
7	Cherry Cummins	61			
8	Brooke Warner	51			
9	Deanna Trevena	48.5			
9	Roz Edmunds	48.5			
Distance Junior Horses - 2011					
1	Tallawarra Spy	800			
2	Blake's Heaven Caruso	640			
3	Booramby Jacob	600			
4	Sundown Park Cariad	590			
5	Kyang Mister Personality	520			
6	Warren Park Kiara	480			
7	Wakado Sharkhan	320			
8	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	260			
8	Yinbilliko Argente Buck	260			
Distance Junior Riders - 2011					
1	Mia Bodewes	1640			
2	Jasmine Shields	930			
3	Andrew Mackinder	590			
4	Jeremy Banwell	560			
5	Courtney Lewis	520			
6	Tayla Warren	480			
7	Justin Pilley	400			
7	Indigo Noonan	400			
9	Shantel Nagle	340			
10	Bridie Lewis	320			
10	Ellen Vine	320			
Points Junior Horses - 2011					
1	Tallawarra Spy	55.5			
2	Blake's Heaven Caruso	53			
3	Sundown Park Cariad	44			
4	Kyang Mister Personality	37.5			
4	Booramby Jacob	37.5			
6	Warren Park Kiara	25.5			
7	Bridle Track Tiara	17			
8	Yinbilliko Argente Buck	16			
8	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	16			
10	Box Hill Ralph	15.5			
Points Junior Riders - 2011					
1	Tallawarra Spy	55.5			
2	Blake's Heaven Caruso	53			
3	Sundown Park Cariad	44			
4	Kyang Mister Personality	37.5			
4	Booramby Jacob	37.5			
6	Warren Park Kiara	25.5			
7	Bridle Track Tiara	17			
8	Yinbilliko Argente Buck	16			
8	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	16			
10	Box Hill Ralph	15.5			



NSW ONE HORSE ONE RIDER 2011

Heavyweight

Sue Warren	Warren Park O.B. One	1180	1
Stuart Lymbery	Garonne Park Walker	1079	2
Ian Dreghorn	Mountain Breeze Jack The Ripper	920	3
Marita Rifai	Tuldar Slingshot	820	4
Marita Rifai	Tianna	800	5
John Howe	Ashbend Perazzi	740	6
Phil Coleman	Alnotarj Statistic	730	7
Gary Thomas	Ben Mariah	720	8
Craig Hugall	Flametree Sunrise	540	9
Belinda Hopley	Girilambone Sorcerer	480	10

Middleweight

Sue Warren	Warren Park O.B. One	1180	1
Stuart Lymbery	Garonne Park Walker	1079	2
Ian Dreghorn	Mountain Breeze Jack The Ripper	920	3
Marita Rifai	Tuldar Slingshot	820	4
Marita Rifai	Tianna	800	5
John Howe	Ashbend Perazzi	740	6
Phil Coleman	Alnotarj Statistic	730	7
Gary Thomas	Ben Mariah	720	8
Craig Hugall	Flametree Sunrise	540	9
Belinda Hopley	Girilambone Sorcerer	480	10

Lightweight

Julie Brooks	Aloha Byshara	1160	1
Ros Ryan	Rainbows Reach Scout	1040	2
Sue Todd	Shakista	880	3
Emma Fletcher	Diamond R Oscar	720	4
Sue Todd	Shalacey Bear	660	5
Robin Gossip	Lila	660	5
Allix Jones	Shellal Cattle King Flyte	640	7
Sally Fenner	Cherox Aladdin	640	7
Cherry Cummins	Winter Hill Arrow	640	7
Roz Edmunds	Everon Park Apollo	560	10
Melanie Anderson	Ausden Kon Tiki	560	10

Junior

Mia Bodewes	Tallawarra Spy	800	1
Jeremy Banwell	Blake's Heaven Caruso	640	2
Mia Bodewes	Booramby Jacob	600	3
Andrew Mackinder	Sundown Park Cariad	590	4
Courtney Lewis	Kyang Mister Personality	520	5
Tayla Warren	Warren Park Kiara	480	6
Bridie Lewis	Wakado Sharkhan	320	7
Maddison Wade	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	260	8
Carli Facchini	Yinbilliko Argente Buck	260	8
Jasmine Shields	Woodbourne Billy Billy	250	10

Report on the meeting of NSWERA Committee held on 14 October 2011 commencing at 6 pm

Minutes of the New South Wales Endurance Riders Association Committee meeting held at Arabian Society, George Street, Windsor on 14 October 2011 commencing at 6 pm

Present: Tom Perkins Snr (Chairman), Tom McCormack (7.30), Carol Griffiths, Kerry Spratt, Brad Dillon, Gay Bonham, Gary Tweedie, John Howe, Glenda Edwards, Haydn Fisher, Marlee Turnbull (Zone One) (6.55), Belinda Hopley (7.30)

Apologies: Peter Grelck

In attendance: Helen Rich (minutes), Sonya Ruprecht, (left the meeting at 9.48).

State Ride 2012

Gay would like to set up some precedents in Word form so that each State Ride could adapt these documents to their specific needs. Currently whoever runs the ride has to make up a set of documents each year. Agreement that Gay may proceed with this.

Membership Categories – GT

Gary handed around a draft of his proposed changes to the Constitution. These changes are to try and encourage training riders. A motion would need to go before the AGM. Tom McCormack has a training ride pointscore proposal which will be discussed when he gets to the meeting. Discussing membership fees – does it include insurance? Yes it does. We are not sure how AERA defines a member from the point of insurance.

Discussing PA insurance and looking at the minutes from last two year's AGM. Reading through the relevant section of the 2010 and 2009 AGM minutes. There is an AERA meeting in November. They will be discussing their insurance review. We need to advise NSW point of view with reference to PA insurance.

MOVED John Howe, Gay Bonham

THAT based on the views expressed by the members at the previous two AGMs, NSW ERA opts out of the AERA PA insurance Policy effective from 1st January 2012.

Carried All for the motion with the exception of Glenda Edwards who is against the motion.

In order to set out fees for 2012, we need to consider what the AERA affiliation fees for 2012.

Hendra Protocols

KS said there was an update. Tele conference held. NSW is Hendra free. \$3,000,000 allocated for research. Done and dusted as far as NSW is concerned.

MOVED Gay Bonham, Brad Dillon

THAT as the temperature log was brought in due to the Hendra virus and because NSW is now considered Hendra free we discontinue the mandatory requirement for a temperature log effective immediately.

Carried Unanimous

Cedar Ridge Easter Carnival – An IDP matter was discussed at length 'in camera'.

AERA Logo

Copies of the proposed logos were handed around. These were presented by Jo Wiseman at the last AERA meeting. Tom McCormack gave a review of these logos.

KS says she has all the old AERA records. They have had the same logo from 1972 or thereabouts. This is a rebranding. She would like it to stay as it is.

Tom P expressed the same opinion. He is happy with what we have.

Gary said he feels we are stuck in a rut. We are not marketing the sport. We need to move on. We need to get more aggressive with our marketing. Constantly taking about lack of membership. Colourful logo may help. Marlee said she feels the same way. The whole thing needs to look fresher.

MOVED Tom McCormack, Marlee Turnbull

THAT NSW ERA support an AERA change of logo to the one suggested.

Carried Carol Griffiths, Gay Bonham, Gary Tweedie, Haydn Fisher, Marlee Turnbull, Belinda Hopley
Against. John, Kerry, Brad and Glenda against the motion

Youth championships

KS said she had a letter from Allix Jones. She listed the riders for the youth championships. We passed a resolution which says that we provide assistance to these juniors.

MOVED Kerry Spratt, Carol Griffith

THAT we make an allocation of \$1500.00 to Boone Warner and Allix Jones on their being selected in the

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National Pointscore Results—**NOT FINAL** at time of print

Heavyweight Horse

Points

Garonne Park Walker (NSW)	84.5
Warren Park O.B. One (NSW)	73
Dardanga Fingal (QLD)	70
Maralinga EllusiveBey (WA)	63
Fantasia (TAS)	62
Mountain Breeze Jack The Ripper (NSW)	59.5
Thowra Park Cadellac (WA)	58.5
Flametree Sunrise (NSW)	56.5
Rage On (SA)	56.5
Tianna (NSW)	53.5

Distance

Warren Park O.B. One (NSW)	1180
Garonne Park Walker (NSW)	1079
Mountain Breeze Jack the Ripper (NSW)	920
Tuldar Slingshot (NSW)	820
Tianna (NSW)	800
Dardanga Fingal (QLD)	780
Thowra Park Cadellac (WA)	769
DJ (VIC)	762
Rage On (SA)	744
AshbendPerazzi (NSW)	740

Middleweight Horse

Points

Blake's Heaven Venus (NSW)	92.5
Morgan Bey (WA)	81
Petite Cheval (QLD)	79.5
Sa-Har Magnolia (QLD)	79
Zaar (SA)	76.5
Dunbar El Maestro (NSW)	69.5
Lauralyn Notorious (TAS)	68
Double TT It n Abit (NSW)	66
Warabong Challenge (QLD)	65
Marybank Celia (VIC)	65

Distance

Yahweh-Salih Sir IbnGelibene (NSW)	1130
Petite Cheval (QLD)	1127
Sa-Har Magnolia (QLD)	1122
Blake's Heaven Venus (NSW)	1120
Morgan Bey (WA)	1017
Zaar (SA)	988
Double TT It n Abit (NSW)	980
Santa PasaZaraq (NSW)	900
Booramby Silver Elk (NSW)	880
Chippalone Grace N Gold (WA)	850

Lightweight Horse

Points

Aloha Byshara (NSW)	87.5
TiawarraRamy (VIC)	63.5
Flying Circus Ring Master (VIC)	62
Diamond R Oscar (NSW)	61.25
Rainbows Reach Scout (NSW)	61
Orchard Park Silver Mecca (WA)	57.25
Gemma (QLD)	57
Winter Hill Arrow (NSW)	56
Shakista (NSW)	55.5
Shuja Bint Melika (VIC)	54.5

Distance

Orchard Park Silver Mecca (WA)	1216
Aloha Byshara (NSW)	1160
Rainbows Reach Scout (NSW)	1040
Gemma (QLD)	887
Shakista (NSW)	880
TiawarraRamy (VIC)	850
Flying Circus Ring Master (VIC)	829
Trinity (QLD)	823
BeauchevalAkhiran (TAS)	759
Diamond R Oscar (NSW)	720

Junior Horse

Points

Springridge Bungendore (VIC)	94
Tallawarra Spy (NSW)	54.5
Kyang Mister Personality (NSW)	53
Blake's Heaven Caruso (NSW)	53
Ausden Prince Mahal (QLD)	45
Sundown Park Cariad (NSW)	44
King Park Aberdeen Pelion (TAS)	43.5
Booramby Jacob (NSW)	37.5
Malricia Jess (TAS)	35
Kalkadoon Shalom (QLD)	31.25

Distance

Springridge Bungendore (VIC)	1109
Tallawarra Spy (NSW)	800
Malricia Frankie (TAS)	745
Kyang Mister Personality (NSW)	680
Ausden Prince Mahal (QLD)	650
Blake's Heaven Caruso (NSW)	640
King Park Aberdeen Pelion (TAS)	640
Booramby Jacob (NSW)	600
Sundown Park Cariad (NSW)	590
Liberator (QLD)	512

Heavyweight Rider

Points

Marita Rifai (NSW)	90.5
Stuart Lymbery (NSW)	88.5
Jody Smith (SA)	84.5
Matthew Gadsby (QLD)	81.5
Sue Warren (NSW)	77
Bernie Morris (WA)	63
John Shoobridge (TAS)	62
Ian Dreghorn (NSW)	59.5
Craig Hugall (NSW)	56.5
Liz Cullam (WA)	54.5

Distance

Marita Rifai (NSW)	1700
Sue Warren (NSW)	1340
Stuart Lymbery (NSW)	1319
Allison Whitney (VIC)	1288
Jody Smith (SA)	1242
Matthew Gadsby (QLD)	1110
Keith Nagle (NSW)	960
Ian Dreghorn (NSW)	920
Phil Coleman (NSW)	890
Con Bouzianis (NSW)	850

Middleweight Rider

Points

Kristie Taprell (VIC)	134.5
Kaye Mitchell (TAS)	105.5
Melanie Scott (SA)	94.5
TaleaHasko-Stewart (NSW)	88
Derryn Nix (NSW)	87
Debbie Groll (TAS)	85.5
Janice Raffaele (WA)	81
Matthew Sample (QLD)	80.75
Allan Edwards (QLD)	79.5
Judith Burton (NSW)	74

Distance

Kristie Taprell (VIC)	2049
Wendy Dower (VIC)	1577.5
Linda Tanian (VIC)	1425
Kaye Mitchell (TAS)	1419
Nicole Ford (TAS)	1399
Melanie Scott (SA)	1392
Judith Burton (NSW)	1385
Sonya Ruprecht (NSW)	1370
TaleaHasko-Stewart (NSW)	1300
Bridget Nottle (QLD)	1267

Lightweight Rider

Points

RohanStanes (VIC)	135.5
Allix Jones (NSW)	120.75
Sue Todd (NSW)	108.5
Julie Brooks (NSW)	87.5
Melanie Anderson (NSW)	82.25
Jessie Aistrophe (SA)	77.5
Cheryl Bullock (SA)	76.5
Nicola Robinson (VIC)	73.5
Ros Ryan (NSW)	68
Trish Smith (TAS)	68

Distance

Allix Jones (NSW)	1980
RohanStanes (VIC)	1789
Sue Todd (NSW)	1740
Nicola Robinson (VIC)	1484
Ros Ryan (NSW)	1360
Lydia Thomson (NSW)	1220
Lyn Summerfield (WA)	1216
Julie Brooks (NSW)	1160
Kim Noble (VIC)	1130
Cheryl Bullock (SA)	1091

Junior Rider

Points

Samantha Noble (VIC)	128
Mia Bodewes (NSW)	106.5
Alice Mitchell (TAS)	85.5
Jasmine Shields (NSW)	61.5
Colleen Krahnen (QLD)	58.25
Alexandra Toft (QLD)	55.5
David Anderson Jnr (QLD)	54.25
Courtney Lewis (NSW)	53
Blaine Astell (TAS)	51.5
Jeremy Banwell (NSW)	49

Distance

Mia Bodewes (NSW)	1640
Samantha Noble (VIC)	1568
Alice Mitchell (TAS)	1159
Jasmine Shields (NSW)	1092
David Anderson Jnr (QLD)	987
Colleen Krahnen (QLD)	904
Alexandra Toft (QLD)	840
Hannah Colbeck (TAS)	825
Blaine Astell (TAS)	819
Shannon Hill (TAS)	725

ONE HORSE ONE RIDER 2011

One Horse / One Rider

Heavyweight

1.	Warren Park O.B. One / Sue Warren (NSW)	1180
2.	Garonne Park Walker / Stuart Lymbery (NSW)	1079
3.	Mountain Breeze Jack the Ripper / Ian Dregthorn (NSW)	920
4.	Tuldar Slingshot / Marita Rifai (NSW)	820
5.	Tianna / Marita Rifai (NSW)	800
6.	Dardanga Fingal / Matthew Gadsby (QLD)	780
7.	Thowra Park Cadellac / Liz Cullam (WA)	769
8.	DJ / Joanne Rees (VIC)	762
9.	Rage On / Jody Smith (SA)	744
10.	AshbendPerazzi / John Howe (NSW)	740

Middleweight

1.	Yahweh-Salih Sir IbnGelibene / Sonya Ruprecht (NSW)	1130
2.	Petite Cheval / Allan Edwards (QLD)	1127
3.	Morgan Bey / Janice Raffaele (WA)	1017
4.	Zaar / Melanie Scott (SA)	988
5.	Double TT It n Abit / Clare Feary(NSW)	980
6.	Sa-Har Magnolia / Anne Barlow (QLD)	962
7.	Santa PasaZaraq / Dean Walkom (NSW)	900
8.	Chippalone Grace N Gold / Verna Blackburne (WA)	850
9.	Warabong Challenge / Gail Hamilton (QLD)	809
10.	Marybank Celia / Hans Peuker (VIC)	805

Lightweight

1.	Orchid Park Silver Mecca / Lyn Summerfield (WA)	1216
2.	Aloha Byshara / Julie Brooks (NSW)	1160
3.	Rainbows Reach Scout / Ros Ryan (NSW)	1040
4.	Gemma / BrionyLedingham (QLD)	887
5.	Shakista / Sue Todd (NSW)	880
6.	Trinity / Jocelyn Weise (QLD)	823
7.	TiawarraRamy / Michelle Munro (VIC)	770
8.	Beaucheval Akhira / Trish Smith (TAS)	759
9.	Flying Circus Ring Master / RohanStanes (VIC)	749
10.	Diamond R Oscar / Emma Fletcher (NSW)	720

Junior

1.	Spring Ridge Bungendore / Samantha Noble (VIC)	1109
2.	Tallawarra Spy / Mia Bodewes (NSW)	800
3.	Malricia Frankie / Hannah Colbeck (TAS)	745
4.	Kyang Mr Personality / Courtney Lewis (NSW)	680
5.	King Park Aberdeen Pelion / Sarah Parker (TAS)	640
6.	Booramby Jacob / Mia Bodewes (NSW)	600
7.	Sundown Park Cariad / Andrew Mackinder (NSW)	590
8.	Blake's Heaven Caruso / Jeremy Banwell (NSW)	560
9.	Ausden Prince Mahal / Stephanie Tulk (QLD)	480
10.	Warren Park Kiara / Tayla Warren (NSW)	480

AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION FEI ENDURANCE CALENDAR 2012

Calendar correct at the time of publishing, however, please check with the Event Organisers for any changes.

Date & Event Name	Distance & * Rating	Ride Organiser	Event Location	Contact Details
23rd - 25th March Brennervale Justice Endurance Ride 5	160km ***, 120km ** & 80km * Senior and Youth	Oz Endurance (Q) Inc.	Fernvale, Queensland	Penny Toft PO Box 56, Marburg, Queensland Ph: 07 5464 4312 / 0419 780 541 Email: toftendurance@bigpond.com Website: www.toftendurance.com.au
6th - 9th April Cedar Ridge Easter Carnival	120km ** & 80km * Senior and Youth	Cedar Ridge Stables	Oberon, New South Wales	Cedar Ridge Stables Courtney Freeman 1269 Beaconsfield Road, Oberon, New South Wales Ph: 02 6336 3544 / 0417 248 172 Email: info@cedarridgestables.com.au Website: www.cedarridgestables.com.au
21st & 22nd April WAERA FEI Ride	160km ***, 120km ** & 80km * Senior and Youth	WA Endurance Riders' Association	Collie, Western Australia	Ieva Peters 96 Battersby Road, Anketell, Western Australia Ph: 08 9410 1014 / 040 3333 692 Email: ieva.peters@bigpond.com Website: www.waera.asn.au
5th - 7th May FEI Championship Endurance Festival 2012	160km ***, 120km ** & 80km * Senior and Youth	Oz Endurance (Q) Inc.	Toorbul, Queensland	Penny Toft PO Box 56, Marburg, Queensland Ph: 07 5464 4312 / 0419 780 541 Email: toftendurance@bigpond.com Website: www.toftendurance.com.au
7th - 9th September WAGIN FEI Ride	120km ** & 80km * Senior and Youth	ASPIRE W.A.	Wagin, Western Australia	Ieva Peters 96 Battersby Road, Anketell, Western Australia Ph: 08 9410 1014 / 040 3333 692 Email: ieva.peters@bigpond.com Website:
24th - 26th November 2012 NSW FEI Championships	160km ***, 120km ** & 90km *	Glen Innes Endurance Inc.	Red Range, New South Wales	Tami Parnell 40 Parkes Street, Red Range, NSW 2370 Ph: 02 6734 2253 / 0437727907 Email: gleninnesendurance@gmail.com
IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER: TOM QUILTY GOLD CUP, 8th - 10th June 2012, St. Helens, Tasmania. Website: www.aera.asn.au/tq12/ FEI World Endurance Championships, 25th August 2012 (date to be confirmed), Euston Park, United Kingdom.				

2012 Ride Calendar

February

11	Zone One Trainers	40/20/5	\$60/\$30/\$15	Judy Shore (02)9652 1393 stanshore@bigpond.com	1
12		40/20/5	\$60/\$30/\$15		
12	Bush Capital Trainer	40/20/10	TBA	Roz Edmunds 0403 150476 redmunds@netspace.net.au	5
26	South Coast Zone Trainer Sassafras	40/20	TBA	Shelly Ison 4447 8580 or Rowena Robinson 0458 099314 shelly1@shoal.net.au	5

March

11	Q60	100-80 40/20/5	\$110/\$110 \$60/\$30/\$5	Judy Shore (02)9652 1393 stanshore@bigpond.com	1
17	Horsley Park Promotional Ride	20-40 elevator	TBA	Charlie Gauci (02) 4567 0567 charlie@tracer.net.au	1
24	Williams Valley Twilight	80/40/16 + 56 elev. T	\$85/\$65/\$40/ \$25/\$60 + \$5 camping	Ethan Becker 0417 018 270 ecdb91@hotmail.com	6
25	Wandandian	80/40/20	\$85/\$55/\$50/\$30	Shelly Ison - 4447 8580 shelly1@shoal.net.au	5

April

6-9	Cedar Ridge Easter Carnival	FEI120**/80* AERA 80-160 elevator, 2x80km 2x40km, 2x20k	\$250/\$200 \$175 \$95 \$55/\$35	Courtney Freeman 0417 248172 courtney@cedarridgestables.com.au	2
15	Tooraweenah	80/40	\$75/\$50 /T\$40	Sonia Bonham 68485345 gavinandsonia@bigpond.com	2
27	NSW State Championships Wingello	160/80	TBA	Rebecca Hogan 0412600173 bechogan@newmoonstud.com.au	5

May

3	The Rock	80/40/20	\$80/\$60 / T\$40/ S\$20	Col Lewis 0415 453434 dlew8323@bigpond.net.au	4
20	Mudgee Cooyal	80/40/20	TBA	Mette Sutton 6372 4960 mette.sutton@bigpond.com	2
20	Tenterfield DUAL QLD	20/40/100elev	TBA	Philippa Lillyman 6737 5438 jimpip@activ8.net.au	NRZ
27	Gundagai	80/40	S\$90/J\$90/ \$50	Rick Owen 69 441628	4

June					
9 10	Careflight at St Albans	40/20 80/40/20	TBA	Sue Todd 63797218 suetodd@activ8.net.au	1
24	Kundabung	80/40/20	\$90/\$80/\$50/\$20	Sonya Ruprecht 0409539523 bmll@bigpond.com	6
24	Sassafras	80/40/20	\$90/\$60/\$40/\$30	Alan Marshall 4422 8818 kirrh@skymesh.com.au	5
July					
5/9	Manilla Muster	240/80/35	TBA	Gay Bonham (02) 6785 2055 jgbonham@bigpond.net.au	2
14 15	Putty Valley	40 20/40/80	TBA	Charles Gauci 4567 0567 charlie@tracer.net.au	1
22	Coolamon	80/40/20	\$80/\$55 \$55/\$20	Megan Menzies 0428 278536 (02)69 278536 rmmenzies@bigpond.com	4
29	Bago Bush Ride Wauchope	80, 60-40, 20	TBA	Robyn Coombes 6585 6761 robcombes@people.net.au or Roz Ryan 0418 848019	6
August					
5	Sussex Inlet Charlity Ride	80/40/20	TBA	Wendy Jesson 44230552 or Lorraine Bentley 44226335	5
4 5	Freemantle	20/40 20/40-60/80	\$50 \$30/\$50/\$60/\$90	Lee Curtis 6227 4195 lee.curtis@det.nsw.edu.au	2
27-31	Shahzada 400	400km/120k	TBA	Sue Todd 63797218 suetodd@activ8.net.au	1
September					
16	Woodstock	80/40/20	TBA	Helen Lindsay 6342 9289 kinta-maniarabs@bigpond.com	4
22/23	Bendemeer	15/40/80	TBA	Gay Bonham 6785 2055 jgbonham@bigpond.net.au	2
30	Harden Murrumburrah	20/40/80	TBA	Kate Smith 0411 795278 caseyamandas-mith@hotmail.com	4
October					
1	Harden Murrumburrah	20/40/80	TBA	Kate Smith 0411 795278 caseyamandas-mith@hotmail.com	4
28	Kiwarra	20/40/80	TBA	Abby McMurrich 65506 337 abbymcmurrich@hotmail.com	6

November

24-25	NSW FEI Championship	160***/120** *90	\$350/ \$250 \$150	Tami Parnell 67342253 robyn.parnell@det.nsw.edu.au	NRZ
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Also, please note that James Vowles is now the chair of the National Veterinary Panel and Jo McMahon has changed her name to Jo Bailey

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WHERE: Joe and Marita Rifai's home, 1266 Kurmond Road, Kurmond, NSW

WHEN: Saturday, 21st January, 2012.

TIME: 6.00 PM

Your committee will supply nibbles, salads and sweets so just bring something for the BBQ, drinks and a chair!

The AGM will start at 6.30 pm, prior to dinner, everyone is welcome to attend the meeting and everyone interested in joining the committee please come along.

The AGM will be followed by dinner and then the presentation of the Zone One Championship Awards for 2011 for One Horse One Rider and Distance Rider in each weight division.

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So come along for a great night of fun and celebrate a very successful endurance year for Zone One.

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Team Results:

1. Uruguay
2. France
3. Australia
4. USA

Individual Results:

1. (URU) Martin Stirling/Vendaval -5:18:51
2. (AUS) Allix Jones/Castlebar Moonlight - 5:19:03
3. (URU) Orianna Ricca/Hunter Toro - 5:35:25



My Big Three—Cheryl Strachan

There was movement at St.Albans for the word had passed around that the NSW State Championships 160km Endurance Ride was on in June 2011.

I live and train in St.Albans, so I thought to myself—I will have a go at the State ride.

I paid my entry and vetted my great black mare (Kintamani Sapphire) aka Black Betty and we are both ready for the start at 2.00am Saturday morning.

At the start of the ride the weather was mostly fine, but it started to rain lightly as I rode in off the first leg.

Well, by leg 2 it was raining more steadily and yes you guessed it both Sapphire and I got drenched to the skin. The rain was so heavy and it was so windy, we could not light any fires, so Peter, my strapper, turned on his heater to try to dry me out a little - ready for the next leg.

Leg 3 it rained even more and it was getting slippery underfoot.

My poor strappers never complained about the rain, they just kept Sapphire and I as dry as possible. I was ready to pull the pin then but as Sapphire had vetted through, I saddle up once again and ride out with my riding buddy Mark Lindsay.

This was a very hard leg for Sapphire as the ride travelled through my property (her paddocks) and along the beautiful valley flats of my neighbour's properties. One of my lovely neighbours treated all riders to a cuppa, biscuits, homemade red warm wine or soup. I opted for the wine and this made my day somewhat better as the wine warmed me. We rode up Blue Hill to Short Wellums turn off.

Going down Short Wellums was a challenge as being one of the last four riders down the goat track; it was slippery and difficult to stay upright. I was a little worried at times when I would come to the top to a steep descend and I would be thinking to myself, you must be bloody mad, sinking up to my knees in mud and sliding from the top of the hill, to the end of the hill - I wish I had ridden in my gumboots!!!

At the bottom of Short Wellums my heart was in my mouth as Sapphire had taken a fall coming down the slippery hill and I was hoping and praying that she would be ok. At the bottom I climbed aboard,



walked through the creek crossing and then Sapphire was off trotting and she felt sound. Sapphire successfully passed the vet check and after a short break we were out on leg 4.

Up the Common Road (which was under water and flooded in parts) we ride to a turn around point and travel back along the Common open flats. This was great under foot, but as the wind, sleet and rain was getting heavier I, together with the tail end riders, found ourselves swimming in the creek crossings due to it starting to flood.

I was very happy to have finished leg 4, but I had to saddle up again - in the RAIN - and ride out the same way on leg 5 to a turn around checkpoint and back through the creeks. BUT as Mark and I are riding along the Common Road in the dark, heading to that checkpoint, a vehicle pulls up beside us and it's NEIL CLARKSON. We received the BEST news we had heard all day; "Just go up to the turn around point and travel back the same way. The creeks are flooding and too dangerous for you and your horse to cross now".

This was unreal news for Mark and I and my endurance stamina kicked in and I knew that I could finish this ride.

Sapphire completed her first 160klm in very tough and hard conditions and I had completed my very first NSW State Championship 160klm Ride in my home town and this was very special to me.

I was very lucky to ride the whole ride with Mark Lindsay and Mark was riding Sapphire's sister Kintamani Charisma (who also completed successfully).

Bring on Shahzada!!!

After completing the NSW State 160klm ride I decided to have a go at Shahzada.

The Shahzada 400klm ride is known to us all as the "Ultimate Test in Horsemanship" and believe you me it was our ultimate test together, my black mare and I.

Shahzada 400klm Ride is held in my home town of St Albans each year during the last week in August. You get to ride over beautiful tracks and see some of the best sunrise's in the world. Imagine riding along a fire trail on the first leg of this ride between 6.00 -7.00am and look over the mountains in the distance to see the sunrise and below it is the mist/fog over the valley. This is very unreal to see and experience.

Back to the ride; I have a great camping spot (the barn block). Thanks to my very close family friends Dav & Jodie Cox and Theresa. I have lots of green grass for my horse, shelter for all my feed, power for my caravan etc and even a toilet. All this makes my week at Shahzada much more enjoyable.

On Sunday it starts raining again and my mind starts flashing back to the State ride back in June where it rained the whole ride. I go and pre-vet my mare. We are all good to start at 4.00am Monday morning. My mare aka Black Betty is very keen and I NOT SO KEEN!!! as it is raining once more. Day 1 down and completed successfully.

On Tuesday I can see the rain is starting to ease and we can start to dry all our wet gear. Yeh ha!!! Tuesday sees us riding through Sapphire's paddock which makes this very hard for me as she did not want to go on to travel up Careflight Hill. With a little bit of sweet talking she decided to keep going. Day 2 down and dusted.

Day 3 gets underway with me waking up again at 2.30am to start at 4.00am for a mammoth day. First leg up Boyd's hill and then up Prestons. We got the thumbs up from the vets, so I will ride again on Thursday morning.

Day 4, I encountered a small hiccup (which we managed very closely) and with the help on my strappers we got the ok from the vet, so one day to go!!!

Day 5 Friday- bring it on and let's do it Black Betty Bam-Ba-Dam!!! Let's go - we can both do this together and out I rode at around 4.00am

First leg completed and only 30klms to go. We have a break and then it's back out on leg 2 to do our final 30klms.

This leg seems to take forever and I finally cross the finish line. The peanut gallery had arrived and is cheering all the riders as we rode in to finish the ride.

My time has come to vet and we get the “thumbs up”.

My tears of happiness and success have started and it's very hard to hold them back for a few minutes or so, but then I think how special this ride is for me as my late parents (Adrian and Lyn Bailey) helped start this ride back in 1980.

My last successful completion at Shahzada was back in 1990 (21 years ago). I entered last year, but vetted out on Tuesday morning, so this was a very emotional, sad and also happy day for me to achieve a Shahzada buckle, but also to have completed the “Ultimate Test” in *Horsewomenship*!!!

I need to add that both of these rides were made even harder for me and my mare as these are her training tracks, so many times during these 2 rides, let me tell you, all she wanted to do was go home !!!

My Tom Quilty Journey.

My holidays are booked and I'm driving to SA with my mare Kintamani Sapphire in late September.

We leave home on Monday 26th September 2011. I also seem to have gained 2 extra passengers for the trip (my youngest son Matthew and his dog Panda). Don't know how this will work out as my son is VERY allergic to horses, so this could get a little scary at times. It takes two days to drive over. After several stops along the way we stop at a petrol station (about 2 hours out of Hay) to have a rest. I had arranged to stay with some very lovely family friends at Hay for the night.

Travelling along the Hay plains at night with a horse float was just so scary and dangerous, but I had to do it. My son had fallen asleep, his dog wanted to jump around and my phone had ended up on the floor. All worked out ok in the end and we arrived at Hay at about 10.30pm, fed all of us and had a good nights sleep for another long days drive.

Had a great drive down from Hay to Mt Pleasant in SA. on Tuesday. We arrive at the ride base at about 8.30pm and find our camp spot. My son and I feeling very tired, so we just put up my horse's yard, fed and watered her, fed the dog and went to bed.

I wake up on Wednesday morning to find it RAINING. I was thinking please NO rain as the last 2 rides I rode in it rained and even flooded the ride course. Well, the rain, wind, sleet and miserable weather stayed at the ride base for almost the entire week I was there.

Yes, now I know why it has a nick name of MT UNPLEASANT!!! This was definitely horrible weather conditions to ride in let alone walk around the ride base in. Pre-vetted on Friday and my mare (Kintamani Sapphire) is ready to start. I'm getting a little nervous now!!!

Leg 1 is a traveling checkpoint and we are ok to continue. Very cold at this checkpoint, but my strappers have lots of rugs for my horse and food and drinks etc for me, so all is good. The tracks are very muddy and boggy, but this mare has seen nothing BUT MUD, RAIN, WIND AND BOG in our last 2 rides together (State and Shahzada), so I knew that I would have no problems with her in these conditions.

Leg 2 oh no - my mare has freaked out at something in the bush (about 7klms out from base on the way in off the 2nd leg) and I've fallen off her and hit the ground very hard. I manage to get it together and find the strength to grab hold of her reins as I did not want to walk all the way back to base from there. I had hurt my right hip and my left knee in the fall. I was in shock and rather shaken up, two young ladies who were not too far behind me, help me out. Thank you to Noni and a young lady from QLD. All was sorta ok with me and I walked for awhile on foot and then I decided to try and get on and ride again. It was very painful, but I had to keep going until I arrived at the ride base.

Vet-gate into hold was not a good thing for me at this stage as my fall was starting to catch up with me and I could not find my strapper, so off I struggle for my trot out and aka Black Betty is passed from the vet FTC and me in tears as the pain has set in by now!!! Back at my camp I take pain relief and feeling a little better for the start of leg 3.

Leg 3 and my mare is going fine but I am struggling as my hip is sore. I keep on riding until I meet up with a SA lady and we ride together for the rest of the ride. This was great as she would let me know how far we had gone and how far it was back to base. At times her kilometers were a little out – this caused us to laugh lots as we rode along the tracks of the ride. Once again, I had passed the vet check and all is good to continue onto leg 4.

Leg 4 and my mare is traveling well with me running on drugs!!! (Pain relief only). It is still very cold and windy, but no rain - thank goodness!!!. Sapphire recovering well, all good from the vet and we only have one leg to go. Ye ha!!!

Leg 5 and on the home stretch. I wasn't feeling too good on arriving at the first checkpoint, so I asked the lady if I could borrow a jacket from her as I seemed to have started to shiver and shake all over. This very kind lady handed me a white thick jumper, I put it on and off I rode with the other riders and I felt much warmer thanks to this kind lady.

My knee and hip are by now sooooo sore that no amount of pain relief is working, so I just kept on riding slowly with a group of friends in the dark. I wished my mare could grow wings and fly us back to base quicker, but this did not happen!!!. We arrived at base after a testing last leg and I was so glad to finally finish.

To the vets I struggle - HR fine....trot out....and now the short wait (which seems for ever!!!) for the three vet panel to decide completion or not. The three vets hand their slips to Tom McCormack CS while my vet finishes the final vet check on my mare.

Yes, we have just successfully completed our last ride for the BIG 3!!!

OMG- we have done it!!! My aka Black Betty Bam-Baa-Dam has just given me the BEST AWARD in Endurance Riding ever- THE BIG 3!!!

I would like to thank my black mare (Kintamani Sapphire) so much for the best endurance rides of my life in achieving this award for both of us- *"even though you did chuck me off"*, but we still completed it together.

After my black mare achieved such an outstanding award I decided (after many days and hours of very serious thinking) to give her a break and I would like to let you all know that I have used my free service to Castlebar Gulfstream (from the SA Quilty) and YES Sapphire was tested in foal, so I have a baby on the way and I'm soooooooooo excited!!!.

To ALL my family and friends who helped me get this award- thank you. To my dear husband, who stays at home to look after all my other horses and animals when I'm away at these rides - thank you - I could not have done it without you. Unfortunately I have to strap, ride and drive myself to all these rides and sometimes being on your own - can get very hard and tiring!!!

And finally, after 30+ years of Endurance Riding I have successfully completed the BIG 3 (first attempt). I would like to dedicate this award to my late parents (Adrian and Lyn Bailey) as I know that deep in their hearts they would be very proud of me.

R.I.P. mum and dad and this one's for you!!!

Jeff Adams & Talea Hasko Stewart Equal 1st MW receiving their prizes from Lou McCormack Snowy Zone President. Coolamon Ride.



My 160 at Red Range

Marita Rifai

The NSW FEI Championships were holding 160 km***, 120 km** and a 90 km* on the 19th and 20th November at Red Range, near Glen Innes but when Windeyer cancelled their ride on the same date, Red Range decided to run a 160km AERA ride as well.

As it was the last ride for the year and my mare Tianna was fit, my husband Joe and I decided that we would make the trek up north. We took 10 hours to reach Red Range and although the GPS told us it was 7 and ½ hours driving time by car we stopped several times on the way to take Tianna off the float to give her a pick of grass while I had my caffeine kick.

We arrived about 4pm on Thursday which gave us a very relaxed time to set up camp and organize feed for Tianna etc. On Friday morning I took her out for an hours training and she trotted out as if she was on springs. I even managed to survive her spinning around and bolting back towards base when the school bus came flying over the hill. She becomes much safer around traffic after about 70kms!!

After giving Tianna some feed we headed off into Glen Innes with orders from various people for ice and a few other needs. It was warming up and we all wanted to be prepared. After walking around town we did a little tourist trip to the Standing Stones and had a lovely morning tea with some scrumptious cake. These stones represent the seasons and summer and winter solstices along with a lot of other things that I can't remember just at present. It was lovely to incorporate a little bit of sight seeing with the endurance ride. Something we don't usually have time for at an endurance ride.

Saturday I went for another ride in the morning and Tianna was much more settled and then we entered and vetted for the ride on Sunday. We started at 4am on Sunday morning with the AERA and FEI rides both heading out at the same time. I rode the first two legs with Tracy Haack who was riding Fia Hasko Stewart's mare, Blakes Heaven Venus. The horses traveled along well together although Tracy had to dismount and lead Venus over the wooden bridge even though Tianna had walked across it confidently and was waiting for her on the other side.

The young boys that were leaning against the post next to the cattle grids were quite scary though. They were draped in white blankets to keep warm and looked for the entire world like ghosts. Another spooky thing for the horses were the herd of cattle which were gathered along the fence line and in the dark all we could see were these yellow eyes which were lit up by our headlamps.

Tracy is such fun to ride with though and we laughed our way around the first 70kms. Tianna wanted to slow down and Venus was traveling faster so Tracy went ahead and for the next 90kms we were pretty well on our own.

I had a GPS which proved invaluable because I paced myself at 10kms per hour which would give me enough time to finish the ride. We only had 16 hours, the same amount of time as the FEI ride so there could be no slouching.

Tianna hadn't eaten after I finished leg two and I was a little concerned about her. She was still drinking well though but I had to keep pushing her along. I kept telling her it was the last ride for the year and that she'd have four months off after we finished but that didn't seem to make any difference.

On the fourth leg we were trotting along through the paddock where the '*ghosts*' had been previously and she stopped and put her head down to eat some lovely clover so I let her graze for 15 minutes while I sat down and enjoyed the break. My body was starting to complain and I thought I must remember to take some drugs (legal ones of course) when I get back to base.

The feed and the break seemed to perk both of us up and we set a better pace and even had a few canters. It was quite a warm day but thankfully there was a breeze which made it seem cooler.

At each checkpoint there were big water troughs with buckets so riders were able to strap as much as they wanted and there was also plenty of natural water on track. The ride was wonderfully well

marked and the track was the best I have ridden. It was mostly lovely gravel roads with a few kilometers through private properties for variety and we traveled along a lot of the same track but in reverse for the different legs which also gave us some idea of what was ahead.

At 9pm we headed out on the last leg with just one rider, Jade Hodson, behind us. I was hoping my headlight wouldn't die as I hadn't brought a back up torch with me and it was very dark. The checkpoint people were wonderful and cheery. It must have been a long day for them out there with only the odd rider coming along and after a few happy words they were left alone again in the dark.

We were only about 1 km from ride base when Jade caught up to us and we came in together just after 11pm. Tianna didn't need much strapping and we called time, had the vet check, waited for the panel's decision and when they said "Yes, it's all good" a big cheer went up.

Fia and Talea Hasko Stewart were camped next to us and also Tracy Haack so we celebrated with champagne and wine into the early hours of Monday morning. Talea was 7th in the FEI ***star and Tracy had come first middleweight and I was 1st Heavyweight in the AERA 160 km ride so there was a lot to feel happy about. My position didn't change at all during the whole ride and I was always first heavyweight. This didn't have anything to do with my riding skills it was just that I was the only heavyweight in the ride!!

Presentation was on Monday morning and everyone who completed was given a lovely chair that has a little cooler on one side of it and a drink holder on the other.....I just love it. I also received a \$100 gift voucher from Dixon Smith which was sponsored by Sample Endurance. Valinor Park Arabians, Castlebar Endurance and Knights Laundry Service were also sponsors for the ride.

I would certainly consider making the drive up to Red Range again and highly recommend the ride to anyone who wanted a less challenging ride to perhaps qualify their horse or a ride where they didn't have to dismount to walk down hills as there weren't any hills of great significance although I did run down a couple of hills myself. Everyone was friendly and they were smiling and laughing even when we came in at 11.14pm. The field was quite small so it would have been a long wait between riders.

Thank you to Tami and Robyn Parnel and all the other volunteers for hosting such a lovely ride and incorporating an AERA ride along with the FEI rides.

Tianna and I are enjoying our break over Christmas but I know I'll be looking forward to getting back into the saddle in 2012.

See you out on the track.



Marita—photo taken at an earlier ride last year. Photo by Jo Arblaster

World Youth Championships—Abu Dhabi

Well WHERE TO START!!

Firstly arrived home last night to my teary but very proud Dad!!! It was so good to see him. I was home from the most amazing race I have ever been to – let alone rode in. I'm still in shock!!!

My dad has received incredible support in emails and calls from so many people from all over the place, both during, after, and before the race. It's so lovely; I just can't thank people enough for all that support and love.

I know I'm repeating myself but it was a race I will NEVER EVER FORGET! My horse, Castlebar Moonlight, was just amazing. She ran all day. The most powerful horse I have even ridden. Even after losing a shoe on the second leg and having to do about 12 klm with three shoes, she ran on and never missed a beat. A big thank you to the French farrier, John Me for putting the shoe back on.

Moonlight did the race so well and the last leg – well, words almost escape me. Wahoo!!!! Talk about pressure. I loved it. I remembered my mum saying to me when I came off the fourth leg, 'Allix, you're white'. Moonie was feeling very free, as if she had done nothing. Me, I was feeling happy. I definitely had plenty of horse left for the last 16 klm run – well – gallop – because that's what the whole race was. A gallop.



It was definitely ON. I was leaving 20 seconds behind the Uruguay horse. I knew it was on. I swear it was quite possibly the longest 20 seconds of my life – galloping out the gate I could see him in the distance – still sitting in third place at that stage.

If I was to make up those 20 seconds, I had to pick up the pace even more.

I had been given instructions from The Emirates stables and Chris and Kristie to GOoooo for it. I remember looking down at my GPS and it read 30 klm / ph. Wow! So much fun. Keeping that pace the whole way around the last leg. Overtaking the Sheik, who was sitting in first at that stage, was great. His horse had tired but Moonie was still feeling very strong.

The Uruguay rider was still approximately 300 meters ahead of me – his horse still strong coming up to the shoot - 2 klm long. He was pushing and I was pushing – flat out. But, he pipped me at the post. Moonie had been gaining on him and if we had had another 500 meters, well the result might have been different. I think we would have had him. The difference – a mere 20 seconds - that's all!!

BUT I'm so happy for the Uruguayan country taking out the gold. They are such nice people. In fact, when Moonie lost a shoe, they were the people who told me. Now that's true sportsmanship!!

Thanks must go to Mette Sutton and Narely Crip for helping me crew on the race day. Couldn't have done it without you.

Chris, Meg and Kristie – thank you SO VERY, VERY MUCH for letting me ride such a strong, beautiful and honest horse - Castlebar Moonlight. She did Australia proud.

Again, thank you SO much to everyone for the love and support for the team. We appreciate it very much.

Love Allix Jones
WOHOOO
SILVER!!!!!!



Above —Allix Jones: Photo by Sue Crockett





Brooke Warner at the World Youth Championship in Dubai —photo Sue Crockett

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

Australian team for the Youth and Young Riders Youth Championship on 10th December 2011.
The same sponsorship to be paid to the reserve rider in case she competed in the event.

Carried Unanimous except Brad Dillon who voted against this motion.

Brad expressed interest in crewing for this ride. KS advised how he should go about this.

Quilty teams – outcome

Tom P suggested a little debrief on the riders that we selected. Dark Blue – 3 completions. Light Blue – suffered a bit of drama. Roz Ryan vetted out. Gail Fisher got through but the other two got vetted out. Haydn said that Gail said to thank the committee for the opportunity to ride for the State.

Of the reserves, two completions and one vet out. Of the 12 that we selected as team members or reserves, there was one who didn't start and 6 successful completions. 5 vetted out. Outside of the team selected, 4 finished from the 11 nominations that were not selected.

MOVED Kerry Spratt, Carol Griffiths

THAT a vote of thanks go to Jeff Bonham, Tom McCormack and Neil Clarkson for their performance at the Tom Quilty 2011

Carried Unanimous

Gay thinks we need to remove the reserves from the clothing list.

Training Ride point score 2012

Tom McCormack sent out an idea for this last meeting. See Annexure A to these minutes.

If we had just mileage we would end up with a heap of people on the same distance. That's why he suggested heart rate.

There would be a need for a blue logbook with the name and id in it and that gets entered into all the rides. They would have to be either a member or an associate membership. They would have to pay day membership to ride. Give it a 12 month ride and see how it goes.

If we marry that with the introductory membership proposal from Gary, this should work well. Introductory, Intermediate and Endurance rides.

Marlee said that Zone One is doing a distance register for its rides. Encourages riders to come back. Suggests just recognizing the total distance for the lifetime of that horse. Not as a yearly event. Shahzada trainer isn't counted and it should be. Brad agreed with this idea. Should look at 100% completions awards over 12 months. It is in QERA and it has grown over the years.

Combine the training pointscore and the membership categories into one. Gary feels that we couldn't accept training ride memberships until 2013. But we could start the training pointscore next year. Prepare a report for the AGM. Tom Mc will bring a formal motion to the next meeting for the AGM.

Belinda suggested bonus points for management skills. Say running out well, being accepting of the temperature being taken. Agreement after discussion not to go ahead with this concept.

2012 Membership Fees

Agreed to hold this over. Tom Mc said he has organized a tele conference for Monday week. On the agenda is calling for tenders. Aon have been advised. Tom Mc said Aon has been asked to come back with a price to make PA optional. We will set fees on 25th November.

Sonya Ruprecht– Secretariat/Membership services

Membership: Total for 2011 558. Adult 479, junior 37, associate 39, honorary 3. Newsletter 340.

MOVED Gay Bonham, Brad Dillon

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

Carried Unanimous

PART 6: OTHER BUSINESS

Replace lost logbook for novice horse Raymar Zada - received Stat Dec: Mark Harvey – logbook issue to Emma McCormack.

Sonya said she issued a new logbook to Emma McCormack.

Qld have waived their \$10 booking fee for dual affiliation of rides – should we do the same? No.

Turnbull letter – it was found and delivered but to the wrong address. Do not need to send registered mail.

The volunteer draw. Ran out of Akubra hat vouchers and the fuel vouchers. We are trying to save money. Should we continue on with this? Agreement to continue on with these draws.

John Howe – Ride calendar

The end of the riding year is almost upon us. With the cancellation of Yerrinbool and Windeyer, Woodstock, Coolamon, Kiwarra and Red Range will be the last rides for this year.

I am deeply concerned with the fact that so very few rides made a profit this year. I feel that we must now look

to:-

a). *Getting our current riders to compete more.*

b.) *Retaining the members that we have.*

c.) *Recruiting new members.*

Failure to achieve the proceeding 3 points will result in the loss of a lot of rides and will have a serious negative impact upon our sport.

Kind regards, John Howe. Ride Calendar Portfolio.

NEW RIDE BOOKINGS TO BE APPROVED.

Horsley Park Promotional Ride – 2x40km – 18 & 19 March 2012. Official paperwork has been received. Q60 are ok with these dates. . Query as to whether they wanted to run a 20 klm as well. John to clarify this with Charlie. Approved

Sassafras – 80/40/20 – 10 June 2012. We have St Albans on this date. That is their traditional date.

Sassafras would be too close. It is 303 klm away from St Albans. Happy to go a week before. Discussing a date of 24th June. John to contact Sassafras and see if they are happy with this date. This ride is approved subject to Alan being happy with 24th June.

Harden – October long weekend 2012 – 80/40/20 – 1st Oct 2012. Whatever is the date for the long weekend. They want to run a 'ride 'n tie'. Approved. John to advise Harden that NSW ERA will not be advertising their 'ride 'n tie'. They need to publish it, themselves.

Bendemeer – 23 September 2012. 80/40/15. Approved.

Red Range was approved for a 160 klm AERA ride and an FEI ride. 24/25 November 2012. We approved the FEI previously. Sonya to check dates with Robin.

John said that in addition to his report above. We need to get new members. Only three rides ran at a profit this year. The majority have run at a loss. Getting close to the edge. We need to be proactive or we will have ride organizers losing money out of their own pocket.

Tom Perkins –President, Google Maps, Governance, Procedures.

Worked with Gary and Brad through the difficult but rewarding task of selecting the NSWERA Quilty teams, thanks fellas. Then when all attention was focused on the Quilty I took two weeks R&R in the form of a caravan trip through Lightning Ridge, Southern Qld to the Gold Coast, then home

Gary Tweedie – Vice President – AERA Zone Liaison, South Coast delegate

South Coast Zone;

The last zone ride was Sassafras on 25th September 2011.

The ride was well attended considering the timing and the poor weather experienced on the weekend.

The ride committee came out of the ride, without a loss and are keen to run the ride again next year. They made around \$7.00 but did receive a donation which helped.

The new course proved successful with a few minor refinements will be even better next year.

The weather on the weekend was very wet and cold, with constant rain on the Sunday of the ride. The weather caused quite a few withdrawals. I really admire all riders who truly endured the weather and completed the ride, most with a happy and cheerful attitude.

The next Zone ride will be the trainer in February.

Gary Tweedie.

Still got the survey going on the internet. Will bring back options to the next meeting with suggestions of what we can do about it. Most of what he has heard centers around training rides. Tom P said we are up for a renewal of our Strategic Plan for next year.

Tom McCormack – Treasurer, AERA

No report. Got around \$31,000 in the bank. Still got expenditure to come out. Some of it has to be spent on specific things. Will run at a small profit this year.

Carol Griffiths – Secretary, Web Site Liaison

Correspondence in and out tabled.

Belinda Hopley – Horse Welfare, TPRs, Chief Stewards, drug testing, vet liaison

Quote from Neil for 100 TPR books, \$716 in colour. Cheaper for black and white. We could give them to our TPR's as they are approved or we could sell them. We could give to new members.

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Brookvale report – tough and challenging. Didn't rain. Well run. Tom P said it is the first time in a long time where he did not TPR a horse as there was a full set of TPRs and they worked well.

Sassafras – report from Gary Tweedie. Well run and much improved except for the weather. Went well.

Putty – Tom P report. Good, great committee. High standards.

Bendemeer still to come.

Tom Mc said that with the new data base there will be an option for the CS to log into the data base and download the CS report on the Sunday or Monday night.

Tom P asked for the marked up position description for herself (Belinda).

Gay said there is a lot of TPRs who don't TPR for the whole weekend. We don't put them on the list. We need to be careful who we take off. Belinda said she has removed no one from the list.

Belinda sought approval to get more stethoscopes and vests. Could be a couple of chief stewards vests needed as well.

Glenda Edwards – Merchandising, Early Warning

The EWS – one horse. Went out on severe metabolics at the Quilty and that earned him 30 points. Agreement to send a letter.

Sent the uniforms to the Quilty. Thanks to Kerry and the 'girls' that went in the car. There was a big bag of clothing. We need to set a protocol on how to do the distribution of clothing better next year (for the Quilty). The notice was too short.

The pony club said thanks for the arrows. Could not run the ride due to bad weather. Still haven't run the ride but are planning on doing this. We may get some interested in becoming members.

Belinda asked if we needed to move a motion for the teams for next year. The Quilty is in Tasmania so there won't be a lot of people going. Agreement that team selection needs to stay close to the event. The team coordinator needs to be in contact with the merchandising person. Rowena just agreed to do this at the last minute. Agreement to write to Rowena thanking her for her help with the teams at the Quilty. We need to appoint a coordinator earlier than this year.

Gary left the meeting at 10.30 pm.

Brad said there was currently a good special available for the 2012 Quilty. Possibly need to book now.

Gay Bonham – Ride Administration, Ride Standards, Equipment

I once again sent out an email following our last meeting to all ride organisers and other interested parties. Mary Lou Locke of the Kundabung ride has offered to become a member of the IDP and I asked her to contact Kerry Spratt in this regard. I am getting a little feedback from these emails, but I feel it is very worthwhile to spread the word about what is happening at our meetings.

Gay said there was one comment about the vet list in the newsletter. Is it up to date? Belinda said that it is.

Zone 1- Marlee Wah, Promotions

Not much is happening in Zone 1. We are having our presentation night on the 21st January, 2012 at Marita Rifais house- All welcome. Plans going ahead for Trainers in Feb and Q60 in March.

Promotions Report Oct 2011

Equitana- We have 7 passes for Equitana to be used for volunteers in the stand. Kieron Powers is preparing a DVD to be shown and some photos etc to be printed as posters. He is doing this free of charge for NSWERA- Massive thank you! Now tracking down a big screen TV and will need to get some posters printed.

Arabian Champs Trainer: Ride app has been submitted and waiting on Ron Males to arrange a time to go over the track.

Marlee said we need a screen. For \$280 Tom P said we could purchase a projector. Marlee said that wouldn't work. Marlee to speak to Neil to get some promotional stuff printed.

Gay enquired as to whether we could purchase a TV. The uniforms for Equitana has been handed out.

Glenda asked whether we could use hats? Marlee said that we could use them at the Arabian trainer next year. Agreement to donate 20 hats to those manning the stand at Equitana.

Marlee said that Zone One has heaps of stuff in their trailer which can be used. They need a TV and the printing costs of paperwork. We could investigate the renting of one for the week. Tom Mc said there would be money in the promotions fund from Sport and Recreation. Possibly the TV could be housed at the Arabian Society.

Ride Results

Ride Name: Kiwarrakk Cup

Ride Distance: 80km

Date: 30/10/2011

Head Vet:

Chief Steward:

Place	Rider	Horse	Time	Pre-Ride & Leg Heart Rates
Heavyweight Division				
1	Allan Caslick	A'Landell Spirit	4:06:00	40,46,60
2	Thomas Hermann	TTH Headliner	4:33:00	35,44,56
3	Peter Strickland	A'Landell Moonraker	7:00:00	32,40,48
4	Steve Brisbane	Danjera Elsabina	7:10:00	35,42,54
4	Gary Pevy	Halimas Esdikarn	7:10:00	35,43,43
6	Gary Thomas	Ben Mariah	7:15:00	36,43,54
7	Michael Carr	Ejen Park Azira Rose	8:04:00	34,40,51
8	Peter Grelck	Fairview Dream Seeker	8:13:00	40,45,47
9	Ian Dreghorn	Mountain Breeze Jack The Ripper	8:20:00	34,48,49
10	Marita Rifai	Tianna	8:23:00	37,47,46
11	Phil Coleman	Cloudburst	8:26:00	38,52,54
12	Keith Nagle	Alandell Enigma	8:31:00	37,42,45
13	Lew Hyson	Aqaba Brown Dirt Cowboy	8:40:00	39,50,46
14	Frank Flissinger	Ranjen Spotted Feather	8:43:00	38,50,58
---	Rod Mitchell	Aloha Tribal Warrior	---	37,43 (Wdn)
---	Terry McMurrich	Fire Phoenix	---	41 (Wdn)
---	Sue Warren	Lilonda Sharjah	Heart Rate L2	35,43,72
Middleweight Division				
1	Raymond Griffiths	Cherox Zafina	5:36:00	36,43,49
2	Tracey Morley	Summit Park Alborak	6:03:00	38,48,59
3	Lisa Swan	Jon De Le Jacklyn	7:10:00	34,43,46
3	Debbie Pevy	Burren-Dah Walter	7:10:00	40,41,46
5	Jennifer Wilson	Tarrangower Gameel Ashquar	7:41:00	32,40,47
6	Alicia Weed	Aberlene Park La Det	8:07:00	39,41,57
7	Sally Griffin	Magic Glenn Lumiah	8:17:00	36,44,57
8	Ruth Van der Wegen	Aloha Ameer	8:26:00	34,41,48
9	Sonya Ruprecht	Yahweh-Salih Sir Ibn Gelibene	8:27:00	39,44,43
9	Renee Kirk	Henley Farm Rafi	8:27:00	31,34,42
11	Jennifer Rogers	Alandell Nikita	8:31:00	37,49,53
12	Maria Denee-Mannion	Ringarah Malik	8:40:00	38,53,52
13	Renee Jones	Amaziah	9:18:00	37,46,56
---	Bob Locke	Ally	---	37,42 (Wdn)
---	Christie Chapman	Attallah Esq Jabu	---	33,46 (Wdn)
---	Tracy Haack	Razorback Hot Pepper	Lame L2	34,46,58
---	Michele Ladmore	Cascade	Heart Rate L2	40,48,76
---	Cheryl Strachan	Kintamani Sapphire	Lame L1	32,38
Lightweight Division				
1	Allix Jones	Nioka Park Jag	4:26:00	35,42,55
2	April Newman	Jon De Le Jasper	6:03:00	33,45,60
3	Sue Todd	Shakista	6:35:00	33,45,60
3	Carol Layton	Omani City Smoke	6:35:00	34,39,58
3	Anne Hills	Kerewong Shelfyre	6:35:00	34,43,48
6	Jodi Dewick	Wickwood Aesiras	7:16:00	32,40,52
7	Brad Dillon	Banfield Khamsin	7:39:00	42,48,56
7	Lyn Dillon	Ningadoo Kadette	7:39:00	40,45,59
9	Leanne Hook	Chemical Ali	7:41:00	36,39,48
10	Jade Hodson	Rush Creek Gift	7:58:00	39,49,49
10	Karen Anderson	Rachem Heart 'N' Soul	7:58:00	38,42,54
10	Renee Schneider	Badia Just Rosie	7:58:00	43,40,43
13	Jillian Mitchell	Bobby Dazzler	8:13:00	32,46,58

14	Ros Ryan	Rainbows Reach Scout	8:26:00	34,36,47
15	Lydia Thomson	Nalla Shakla s Elite	8:31:00	40,54,49
16	Felicity Baird	Ja Rob Moonlight and Roses	9:18:00	35,39,40
---	Belle Bollard	Bondale Brown	---	37,42 (Wdn)
---	Abby McMurruch	Follydown Bint Fern	---	36 (Wdn)
---	Margaret McMurray	Orabanda Elusive Fashn	Heart Rate L2	31,49,67
---	Frances Mudford	Summer Hill Belle	Lame L2	39,46,51
---	Elaine Kirby	Excessabelle	Heart Rate L2	30,39,68

Junior Division

1	Shannen Thorsby	Margjon Montgomery	7:09:00	38,44,57
2	Tayla Warren	Warren Park Kiara	7:14:00	36,46,57
2	Mia Bodewes	Tallawarra Spy	7:14:00	40,46,60
4	Georgia Curry	Macquarie Park Banjo	7:21:00	36,49,57
5	Shantel Nagle	Conderosa Silver Shah	7:51:00	36,44,55
6	Cybele Coddington	Digger	8:31:00	38,52,60
7	Ronnie Thomson	Samantha Sanj	8:43:00	36,44,48

Ride Name: NSW FEI Championship 1 Star 3 Star

Ride Distance: 160km

Date: 20/11/2011

Heavyweight

1	Marita Rifai	Tianna	15:44:05	0:34:51
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Middleweight Division

1	Tracy Haack	Blakes Heaven Venus	13:49:59	0:48:29
2	Jade Hodson	Booramby Silver Elk	15:44:06	0:48:00
---	Victoria Bonham	Bridle Track Bogart	---	

Lightweight Division

1	Karen Fields	Cameo Inniskerry	10:52:03	0:24:02
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Junior Division

1	Indigo Noonan	Bridle Track Tiara	14:53:09	0:38:33
---	Mia Bodewes	Booramby Jacob	Lame L5	
---	David Anderson	Kalkadoon Richocet	Metabolics L4	

Ride Name: NSW FEI Championship 1 Star 3 Star

Ride Distance: 90km 1 Star 1 Day

Date: 20/11/2011

Open Division

1	Con Bouzianis	Conderosa Rassim	4:23:05	0:31:34
2	Allan Caslick	A'Landell Spirit	4:23:07	0:28:45
---	Lew Hyson	Aqaba Brown Dirt Cowboy	6:52:04	0:22:27
---	Matthew Gadsby	Kalkadoon Alfresco	6:52:25	0:29:34
---	Phil Coleman	Alnotarj Statistic	7:14:46	0:16:09
---	Tami Parnell	El Jadal Brook	7:24:36	0:19:07
---	Jessica Drain-Shepherd	Currowan Danny	---	
---	Jenny Shepherd	Currowan Mojo	---	
---	Peter Holmes	Raazoor Dajani	---	
---	Wendy Dower	Castlebar Jumeirah	---	
---	Felicity Baird	Ja Rob Moonlight and Roses	---	
---	Bill Ward	Redford	---	
---	Kim Tyrie	Alcienne Dominion	---	
---	Vanessa Burton	Performance Park Memphis Rain		-
---	Sasha Laws-King	Heathfields Roxy	---	
---	Blake Freeman	Cedar Ridge Mustang Sally	---	
---	Courtney Freeman	Cedar Ridge Fire N Gold	---	
---	Kaylea Grogan	Ceona Citation	---	

---	Emma McCormack	Adios	---
---	Sonya Ruprecht	Yahweh-Salih Sir Ibn Gelibene	---
---	Ruth Van der Wegen	Razorback Kendra	---
---	Amanda Stirling	Ringarah Malik	---
---	Elodie Le Labourier	Castlebar Nico	---
---	Keith Nagle	Alandell Nikita	Lame L3
---	Adam Dolman	Inshallah Maximus	Lame L3
---	Matthew Sample	A'landell Intent	Lame L2
---	John Dugan	Erin Park GBH	Lame L2
---	Evan Drain-Shepherd	Currowan Clancy	Disqualified L1

Youth Division

1	Lainie Zischke	Ra Silver Dancer	5:25:22	0:24:54
2	Tayla Hadzi	Ausden Prince Mahal	5:29:15	0:10:25
3	Matilda Hose	Woomera Thor	5:41:06	0:14:17
4	Sarah Huddleston	Liberator	5:41:07	0:19:26
5	Jasmine Shields	Woodbourne Billy Billy	6:20:26	0:23:14
6	Jessica Fuhlbohm	Splendacrest Ulysses	7:09:37	0:18:59
7	Andrew Mackinder	Sundown Park Cariad	7:52:24	0:25:39

Ride Name: NSW FEI Championship 1 Star 3 Star

Ride Distance: 160km 3 Star 1 Day

Date: 20/11/2011

Open Division

1	Judith Burton	Woodbourne Ruby	9:19:01	0:54:50
2	Jennifer Gilbertson	Kurrajong Shadad	9:19:02	0:52:54
3	Cora Becker	Obi Rain Dance	9:37:02	0:32:42
4	Tom Bouzianis	Conderosa Sara	9:37:17	0:29:56
5	Penny Toft	Travina	10:18:26	0:33:22
6	Alexandra Toft	Rupert te	10:18:27	0:36:11
7	Talea Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Bombora	10:26:28	0:44:06
8	Allix Jones	Castlebar Gulfstream	10:49:52	0:20:48
9	Akhmed Pshunov	Clovelly Park Tazeem	10:52:02	0:19:50
---	Jennifer Annetts	Churinga Goldfire	---	---
---	Derryn Nix	Shaydeetree Baci	Lame L2	---

Ride Name: Snowy Zone Championship

Ride Distance: 120km

Date: 6/11/2011

Heavyweight Division

1	Heidi Wade	Yinbilliko Sameera Rukan	9:22:00	38,40,46,50
2	Paddy Smith	Akifa Farras Titan	10:04:00	37,50,59,58
3	Craig Hugall	Flametree Sunrise	11:06:00	25,49,50,40
4	Laurie Stevens	Salz Bossy Boots	11:08:00	35,39,45,46
5	Sue Warren	Warren Park O.B. One	11:38:00	32,37,44,44
---	Belinda Hopley	Girilambone Sorcerer	---	37,38,60,42 (Wdn)
---	Sarah Kelly	Littlebanks Storm	---	34,42,51,50 (Wdn)
---	Peter Strickland	Rivergum Zara	---	30,37,49 (Wdn)
---	Les Robinson	Karumba Nazrani	---	30,45 (Wdn)

Middleweight Division

1	Jeff Adams	Takoi Jacky Chan	6:59:00	32,41,53,59
1	Talea Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Bombora	6:59:00	32,43,49,56
3	Raymond Griffiths	Ginger Megs	7:57:00	34,46,50,50
4	Alamdar Dastani	AM Cher Raid	8:42:00	30,47,51,52
5	Adeline Gibson	Blakes Heaven Venus	10:03:00	39,53,55,49
6	Kayte Barnard	Tatiara Te	10:17:00	40,47,49,56
7	Catherine West	Lofty	10:55:00	36,44,48,50
8	Anika Basiak	Flametree Samirah	11:06:00	36,47,52,50
---	Tina Walker	Girilambone Orion	---	31,34,33 (Wdn)

---	Kristie Wright	Blake's Heaven Aztec	---	30,48 (Wdn)
---	Katrina Bodewes	Kintamani Charisma	---	34,41 (Wdn)
---	Colleen Clancy	Kadimah Park Hamelech	---	36,40 (Wdn)
---	Rachel Reid	Franshar Park K Shar	---	32,47 (Wdn)
---	Noni Seagrim	Littlebanks Dizzy	Lame L2	32,40,39
---	Corey Nix	Razorback Blue Rhapsody	Heart Rate L1	40,64
---	Sharyn Coulston	Khamseen Scout	Lame L1	30,40
---	Haydn Leary	Grace Kelly	Lame (P/R)	47
Lightweight Division				
1	Vanessa Richardson	Coolinda Park Louisville	8:42:00	39,41,47,48
2	Sue Todd	PPP Kool Pashin	9:22:00	34,52,57,57
3	Madeleine Whyte	Candynae	9:25:00	40,48,49,47
4	Julie Brooks	Aloha Byshara	9:53:00	34,40,56,44
5	Rohan Stanes	Wantley Kaliph	10:03:00	30,48,50,43
6	Casey Holtom	Lydia Te	10:18:00	39,47,49,54
6	Mary Hollingsworth	Riley Te	10:18:00	41,44,53,48
8	Alison Pellow	Windradyne Tassie Magic	10:48:00	33,40,46,40
8	Belinda Wright	Kirrong Khalaasy	10:48:00	36,45,44,39
10	Telea Leary	Ellen Grove Shantelle	11:08:00	34,37,47,40
---	Barb Giddins	Salz Silver Reyn	---	48,52,57 (Wdn)
---	Vetea Facchini	Trigger	---	32,41,43 (Wdn)
---	Shelly Ison	Aloha Fabian	Lame L2	34,45,48
Junior Division				
1	Mahteea Leary	Jirrima Smooth Sailor	10:48:00	32,43,53,53
2	Mia Bodewes	Booramby Jacob	11:12:00	36,41,43,46
---	Carli Facchini	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	Lame L3	40,43,53,50
---	Courtney Lewis	Wakado Sharkhan	Heart Rate L3	34,46,41,65
---	Tayla Warren	Warren Park Kiara	Lame L3	26,40,51,50
---	Samantha Noble	Blake's Heaven Ventura	Lame L1	36,46
---	Olivia De Gruchy	Jupiter Mikenā	Heart Rate L1	39,59

Ride Name: Snowy Zone Championship

Ride Distance: 80km

Date: 6/11/2011

Heavyweight Division

1	Matthew Walker	Razorback Wardance	6:03:00	44,43,58
2	Marty Moran	Jelignite Jack	6:06:00	54,47,48
3	John Dawson	Danjera Elsabina	6:12:00	34,38,46
4	Peter Norman	Danjera Montana	6:55:00	38,44,49
5	Con Bouzianis	Conderosa Ozzie	7:01:00	37,44,56
6	Stuart Lymbery	Garonne Park Sarene	7:31:00	40,46,47
7	Barry Blinman	Waugoola Creek Perrie	7:32:00	36,50,55
8	Sharee Cassell	Inshallah Nefertari	7:37:00	35,38,54
8	Jason Duff	Aratahnes Premier	7:37:00	41,51,46
10	Allison Wheatley	Musical Gull El Paso	7:49:00	28,41,50
10	Robert Punicki	Brieema Monarch	7:49:00	28,42,50
12	Donna Tidswell	Oakleigh Park Bailey	7:51:00	36,42,40
13	Marita Rifai	Rasheeda	8:01:00	46,51,55
---	Brad Jones	Zazzy's Duke	---	32 (Wdn)
---	Keith Nagle	Tristram Enforcer	Heart Rate L2	39,40,63
---	Stuart Walker	Battenville Cowboy	Lame L2	40,42,49
---	Michael Carr	Ejen Park Azira Rose	Lame L2	34,47,48

Middleweight Division

1	Erica Allan	Kaminya	6:10:00	28,43,54
2	Lisa Swan	Jon De Le Classic	6:12:00	34,40,44
3	Frances Derschow	Candicete	6:53:00	38,44,58
4	Mitchell Ravallion	Valinor Park Solly	6:55:00	35,39,44
5	Blake Freeman	Cedar Ridge Icon	7:03:00	30,39,45
6	Amanda Kettlewell	Oso Lorikeet	7:16:00	36,43,46
7	Wendy Dower	Magic Glenn Shuniah	7:28:00	42,46,48
7	Kristie McGaffin	Castlebar Cayenne	7:28:00	34,34,55

9	Gary Tweedie	Zaahmir	7:32:00	38,44,55
9	Rowena Robinson	Karumba Beamish	7:32:00	39,44,49
11	Jennifer Rogers	Burren-Dah Kewanne	7:38:00	34,40,56
12	Margaret Burge	Aloha Karri	7:50:00	28,32,40
12	Gail Pound	Aloha Farid	7:50:00	35,40,48
14	Kevin Guihot	Windradyne Ferrero	7:51:00	40,38,40
---	Rebecca Furness	Sweet Meadows Enchant	---	36,42,43 (Wdn)
---	Ian Brown	Coolaroo Cohnah	---	30,40 (Wdn)
---	Linda Tanian	Magic Glenn Talon	---	38 (Wdn)
---	Greg Hamilton	Windradyne Sterling	Lame L2	30,37,41
---	Tom Bouzianis	Conderosa Sara	Tying Up L1	37,49

Lightweight Division

1	April Newman	Jon De Le Jasper	5:48:00	32,40,43
2	Carly Nix	Razorback Sugar N Spice	6:48:00	44,44,48
3	Courtney Chapman	Khamsin	6:53:00	32,40,56
3	Jodi Dewick	Wickwood Aesiras	6:53:00	32,37,40
5	Brooke Warner	Rowallan Checkers	7:03:00	37,42,46
6	Dody Sinfield	Jewkes	7:13:00	37,42,38
7	Katie Gibson	Oso Edith	7:16:00	36,37,44
8	Shelley Cowan	Castlebar Conquest	7:28:00	34,39,42
8	Allix Jones	Castlebar Truffle	7:28:00	32,38,51
10	Lee Duff	Imparja Ben	7:37:00	40,53,52
11	Margaret McMurray	Orabanda Elusive Fashn	7:59:00	35,45,54
---	Melanie Whiteley	Blakes Heaven Angelico	Lame L1	36,46
---	Emma McCormack	Dartanyon SPA	Lame L1	34,46

Junior Division

1	Ellen Vine	Silver Ridge Navarro	6:58:00	38,40,42
2	Harrison Berg	Castlebar Citation	7:28:00	32,41,53
3	Sorsha Stuart-Rokvic	Blake's Heaven Caruso	7:29:00	30,40,44
---	Jenny Berg	Oso Lee	Lame L1	42,42

Ride Name: 2011 NSW FEI Championships 2 star

Ride Distance: 120km 2 Star 1 Day

Date: 19/11/2011

Head Vet:

Chief Steward: Barbara Timms

Open Division

1	Matthew Gadsby	Dardanga Fingal	7:08:50	0:37:19
10	Tony Bateman	Cheval Arabe Daybu	11:11:32	0:29:49
---	Angela Hawks	Cameo Mazquerade	---	
---	Fabre Alisone	Centre Fold te	---	
---	Linda Tanian	Castlebar Tailwind	---	
---	Tracey Hutchinson	Junabee Park Shamekha	---	
---	Cindy Menzi	Shardell Desert Magic	---	
---	Wendy Dower	Castlebar Tempest	---	
---	Jennifer Annetts	Tallawarra Jazardis	---	
---	Judith Burton	Woodbourne Bikini	---	
---	Andrea Laws-King	Razorback Love Song	Lame L4	
---	Matthew Sample	Manana Gaylord	Metabolics L4	
---	Roy Barsby	Dumaresq Jackson	Lame L3	
---	Bridget Nottle	Justine te	Lame L2	
---	Akhmed Pshunov	Captain Creek Tall Boy	Heart Rate L2	
---	Sarah Love	Fun 4 Us	Lame L2	

Youth Division

1	Jasmine Shields	Woodburn Betty	7:11:55	0:42:42
---	Kelsey Irvine	Brookleigh Diablo	---	
---	Noni Seagrim	Heartfire Hafiz	---	

Training Ride Results

Ride Name: Kiwarrak Cup

Ride Distance: 40km Training

Date: 30/10/2011

---	Loesje Doherty	Suncrest Saffire	---	48,51
---	Steve Broadbent	Sahateyn Star Dancer	---	32,39
---	Gordon Higgins	Honey Comb Storm Girl	---	37,50
---	Marg Higgins	Miss Star Chip Shadaga	---	38,45
---	Peter Kelly	Kerewong Artemis	---	35,49
---	Monica Majerowski	Sakim	---	44,54
---	Stirling Keayes	Roger	---	37,54
---	Elizabeth Moir	Kenyas Gold	---	42,52
---	Dean Walkom	Santander Aladdin	---	38,45
---	Denise Wagner	Jaffa	---	37,52
---	Warren Baird	Diamond	---	37,43
---	Jan Wade	Hillville Amigo	---	38,41
---	Gabrielle Joyce	Mahazin Crystal Prince	---	31,43
---	Lynn Coles	Pinedene Magic	---	32,48
---	Jason Kirk	Karabil Segur	---	42,45
---	Anita Rodgers	Mountain Breeze Mingha	---	38,46
---	Katie Brown	Geliza Lam	---	42,49
---	Joanne Aldwell	Canyonleigh Pacific Obsession	---	44,52
---	Sarah Adams	Chellowdene Na Shai	---	40,54
---	Sharyn Petith	Joda Allure	---	3,53
---	Sharee Cassell	Inshallah Nefertari	---	36,43
---	Tomeika Bond-Pevy	Makhtar	---	48,44
---	James Turner	Bucca Wauka Belle	---	40,50
---	Fiona Coddington	Wanstead Abracababra	---	33,40
---	Heather Nagle	Ejen Park Summer Tango	---	41,45
---	Laura Munt	Safs Soran	---	40 (Wdn)
---	Carol Major	Saradon	Heart Rate L1	31,58
---	Patrick Doherty	Count Leo	Heart Rate L1	40,65
---	Marina Plotnik	Casino	Heart Rate L1	35,70

Ride Name: Hinnomunjie Alpine Classic

Ride Distance: 40km Training

Date: 30/10/2011

Head Vet: Sarah Norman

Chief Steward: David Reeves

---	Frank Cullen	Madison Can	---	39,46
---	Sally Cowan	Willabee Park Ackwell	---	36,38
---	Karen Vickers	Allamir Mars	---	44,44
---	Brent Mc Gregor	Sty	---	38,38
---	Susan Gill	Arba'ah-Riyaah Sundance	---	40,47
---	Kelly Parker	Solar Eclipse	---	42,52
---	Randy Cowan	Rachem Hearts on Fire	---	43,53
---	Bailee Pavlou	Raenbak Flicker	---	44,42
---	Ian Naughton	Clancy	---	46,53
---	Alison Naughton	Diesel	---	42,43
---	Rachel Beaston	Castlebar Sensai	---	42,40
---	Neil Gardner	Rivergum Delight	---	35,37
---	Stephen Pitt	Dara Park He's a Profit	---	43,50
---	Katrina Westerhoff	Capleach Lochinvar	---	36,39
---	Leanne Birkett	Tilly	---	39,47

---	Jenny Moncur	Mullungdung Saabrina	---	40,49
---	Sarah Camm	Choco	Heart Rate L1	46,70
---	Danielle Griffin	Fred	Lame L1	49,55

Ride Name: Hinnomunjie Alpine Classic

Ride Distance: 119km Elevated

Date: 30/10/2011

Head Vet: Sarah Norman

Chief Steward: David Reeves

Heavyweight Division

1	Ken Bradley	Saydor	9:51:00	34,47,46,52,49
2	Stuart Lymbery	Garonne Park Walker	9:56:00	40,46,43,48,51
3	Joanne Rees	DJ	10:21:00	40,44,49,52,54
---	Russell Robinson	Jayay Alishah	---	33,45,49,46 (Ret/DNE)
---	Leah Leishman	Gragar Silver Salik	---	34 (Wdn)

Middleweight Division

1	Steve Blackhurst	Rowallan Nara	9:17:00	36,49,44,50,44
2	Michael Cadman	A'landell Kwaint	9:19:00	37,49,45,45,49
3	Linda Tanian	Castlebar Tailwind	10:24:00	36,36,41,40,49
3	Kristie McGaffin	Castlebar Gulfstream	10:24:00	35,39,47,43,44
---	Wendy Dower	Castlebar Tempest	---	35,46,50,45 (Ret/DNE)
---	Tarryn Marshall	DaraParkAlikhan	---	39,43,48 (Ret/DNE)
---	Brittnee D'Hondt	Illaroo Zulu	---	40,43,52 (Ret/DNE)
---	Shane Jackson	Bugsy	Heart Rate L2	40,49,65
---	Noni Seagrim	Rahan Mushtar	Disqualified L1	45,52

Lightweight Division

1	Rohan Stanes	Flying Circus Ring Master	9:56:00	30,35,43,43,37
2	Nicola Robinson	Zharion	10:29:00	44,47,46,44,54
---	Roz Edmunds	Everon Park Apollo	---	32,39,43,45 (Ret/DNE)
---	Elodie Le Labourier	Castlebar Nico	---	33,35,37,45 (Ret/DNE)
---	Sharyn Wyatt	BJ	---	36,42,58 (Ret/DNE)
---	Natalie Thome	Fenwick Sunset Tryst	---	35,36,42 (Ret/DNE)
---	Belinda Kolek	Ali Najah	---	34,47,45 (Ret/DNE)
---	Sarah McLaughlin	Tonki Dee Boo Shania	---	35,40,47 (Ret/DNE)
---	Jane McLaughlin	Syrahbia	---	37,45,52 (Ret/DNE)
---	Robyn Jackson	Salah Maleekh	Metabolics L2	38,45,55
---	Kim Noble	Cameo Goldfinger	Lame L1	35,49

Junior Division

1	Samantha Noble	Menora Moon Dance	10:29:00	51,40,55,50,56
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Ride Name: Snowy Zone Championship

Ride Distance: 40km Training

Date: 6/11/2011

---	Elyza Rogers	Ainslie Zilka	---	28,42
---	Mathew Broome	Spliters Creek Brontie	---	42,46
---	Brian Hanson	Burren-dah Annabelle	---	38,51
---	Nicole West	Vision	---	32,39
---	Sarah Lymbery	Aloha Enchant	---	30,40
---	Jamantha Ion	Telika	---	22,45
---	Jessica Dastani	Castlebar Rochas	---	32,46
---	Ali McGrath	Castlebar Glitz	---	32,55
---	Sarah Rudebebeck	Castlebar Jumeirah	---	34,44
---	Shandelle Watson	Castlebar Sensai	---	30,40
---	Tremayne Seymour	Magic Glenn Nevada	---	36,42
---	Kim Bienkiewicz	Windradyne Ballerina	---	30,38
---	Isla Larson	Bendora Bravado	---	32,43
---	Robyn Larson -Shelton	Molly's Lalla	---	34,50
---	Elida Rogers	Ginger	---	43,50
---	Marty Myhill	Gunnah	---	34,44

---	Michelle Gibbs	Denis The Menace	---	32,55
---	Anthony Rennick	Bee Bee	---	39,49
---	Britnee Martin	Sir Nemeth	---	34 (Wdn)
---	Josette Hussey	Aloha Fasaha	Heart Rate L1	40,57

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MOVED Tom McCormack, Gay Bonham

THAT a TV around 81 cm be purchased for the Equitana promotion to the value or around \$300.

Carried Unanimous

Marley tabled Gary Weise's letter concerning the inter Zone competition. Possibly should have had this put on the agenda for discussion. Marlee said Gary is asking for a membership to be given for a lucky door prize.

Carol said that her understanding was that the NSW SMC not be involved in the running of this competition. It should be run by the Zones. Haydn said that the Zone delegate should not be expected to attend every ride in their zone.

MOVED Belinda Hopley, John Howe

THAT NSW ERA donate a full membership as a lucky draw for the interzone competition for 2011. To be selected from all the competitors.

Carried Unanimous

Equitana – Gay Bonham report

With only a month to go until Equitana, I would like to ask the committee to contribute towards the costs of the education part of the involvement for NSWERA. Kim and Kym Hagon will be attending and taking 2 horses from Manilla with them. They have already purchased their tickets and accommodation has been arranged at a total cost of \$1,500 to them. Would the committee please consider covering the costs of fuel and stabling. Fuel is estimated at \$300 and stabling fees are \$40 per night per horse. The total being requested is therefore \$620.00.

Gay will prepare a calendar and speak to Neil about getting copies printed.

Marlee said that Zone One had considered an early AGM but it had been decided that this would not work. Gary is to send a copy of the new notice to the newsletter for publication.

Zone 2- Hayden Fisher,

Bendemeer was good. Unfortunately Windeyer had to be cancelled. Looking at an early AGM for Zone 2 so that we get a new committee early.

Zone 6 - Peter Grelck, Feedback Forum, Ride Surveys, Membership Surveys

Another month has gone by so quickly. Since my last report, September, not much has happened in our area, we have the Kiwarra Cup coming on 30 October, our zone members will have a meeting at that ride, and be brought up to date with what's happening on a state level, it's also a good opportunity to push the message about our drive for new members.

Zone 6 has some very good rides in our area, and now that we have dual affiliation with three of them our ride numbers can only get better. Regards, Peter Grelck

Business arising from the previous minutes and Action Sheet.

Tom Mc advised on Gundagai and Tumbarumba. They have moved to two days. How do we pay on this. What is the agreed rate.

Tumbarumba had in their letter that they wanted a training ride vet paid for by NSW SMC. They commented on the formula as proposed by T Mc. John said we would be subsidizing them on their traditional date for a one day ride only. They originally put in for a one day ride and as soon as payment was mentioned, they wanted to run a multi day ride. Only subsidise them for one day. Discussion on training rides. We deferred a reply on this letter.

Tom Mc asked that we respond with the formula and with regard to your other questions, we will respond in due course.

General Reports

John said there are a number of riders who have achieved their Big Three award. John to send a copy of this for the newsletter.

Marlee made a suggestion that all 10 members come up in a group in each division. One and two get to speak. Photos are taken and prizes awarded and everyone sits down.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 11.14 pm

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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 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

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

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. 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.

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 243



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.



AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSN. INC.

ANNUAL LOGBOOK RETURN

Current Horse Details

To help maintain a current register of all AERA Logbook horses, please fill out relevant details of all endurance horses in your care and return to your State Registrar with your membership form. Membership may be withheld if this form is not attached.

Owners Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Membership Number: _____

Name of Horse	AERA No.	End / Novice

To assist in maintaining our records, please advise of any horse that has a logbook that is no longer competing for any reason. e.g. retired, sold, died etc.

Name of Horse	AERA No.	Reason

If the horse has been sold please provide details.
If the horse has been sold please provide details.

Name of Horse	AERA No.	Sold to another member (give name)	Sold & no longer	Sold overseas



AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION INC. MEMBERS DANGEROUS ACTIVITY ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

In consideration of the New South Wales Endurance Riders Association Inc. ("the Association") permitting me to participate in an event conducted by the Association:

This agreement is compulsory and is entered into by:

Participant 1 Name:M' Ship No.
Participant 2 Name:M' Ship No.

And covers my participation in all endurance riding activities affiliated with or endorsed by the Association.

I understand that –

There are potentially significant risks and hazards involved with endurance riding, and that horses are powerful and potentially dangerous animals;

There are certain inherent risks in the terrain, public roadways, weather and other forces of nature which may arise during my participation in endurance riding, and that such risks may vary from ride to ride;

The Ride Organisers and the State Management Committee make every effort to ensure the safety of the ride base and ride course, and the safety and well-being of all participants and their horses, and to minimize any risk of injury, death or loss due to negligence or omission by the organisers and the Association;

It is compulsory to wear an approved safety helmet at all times while on a horse at any event affiliated or endorsed by the Association;

I am responsible for the control and welfare of any horse in my care or which I elect to ride and for ensuring that I am capable of managing any such horse in the interests of my own safety, and that of other participants, horses and property;

If I fail to comply with any reasonable instruction, request or direction by Ride Organisers or other designated officials, upon my being so warned by the appointed Chief Steward, she/he may terminate any further participation by me, such termination being at my expense, and I waive any claim or refund;

I am free to withdraw my participation at any time should I determine that to do so is in the interests of my safety and well-being or that of other participants and horses.

I agree –

That if I have a medical condition or impairment which may affect my capacity to act safely and in the best interests of the welfare of myself, other participants and horses, then I take full responsibility for any consequence of such medical condition or impairment;

To comply with AERA and the Association's Ride Rules and any reasonable instruction, request or direction from ride officials as to the safety and well-being of myself and other participants, and the management of horses;

That due to diseases such as equine influenza, the Department of Primary Industries or other state or commonwealth government body, may restrict or prevent the movement of horses, vehicles and personnel for a period of time, otherwise known as a "standstill". I acknowledge that a standstill is a risk of competing and agree to pay any costs or expenses incurred by any person or organisation for and behalf of my horse(s) as a result of the standstill.

I have read and understood the above document

Signature of Participant 1:Medical Conditions:

Signature of Participant 2:Medical Conditions:

Declaration by guardian:

As guardian of the participant:

I warrant the accuracy of the assurances and warranties given above on behalf of the participant;

I provide the above undertakings both on my own behalf, and, to the extent permitted by law, on behalf of the participant; and I indemnify the Association and all the persons specified above against all liability and claims brought by or on behalf of the participant arising out of or in any way associated with the activity.

Name of Participant:

Name of Guardian:Signature:Date:



AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSN. INC.

ANNUAL ENDURANCE HORSE REGISTRATION

All endurance horses that are currently registered with an annual registration fee and intend to compete in 2012 must pay the annual fee of \$11 per horse. This should be paid with your membership renewal for 2012.

Any endurance horses not registered for 2012 will not be allowed to compete.

Labels are to be placed inside the front cover of the Logbook. To apply for your labels, please complete the following details and forward with your payment to:

Insert Registrar Details

Please make cheques out to: Insert Details

Owners Name: _____

Address: _____ Postcode: _____

Membership Number: _____

Name of Horse	AERA No.	Annual Fee (\$11 / horse)

To assist in maintaining our records, please advise of any horse that has a yellow Logbook that is no longer competing for any reason.

Name of Horse	AERA No.	Reason



AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION

APPLICATION FOR DISTANCE SCROLL

I wish to apply for akm 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:

- | | |
|--------|---|
| 300km | \$10.00 each.
Available to any horse that has successfully completed 300km of affiliated endurance rides of 80km or over in ONE riding division or has successfully completed the Quilty in under 15 hours. |
| ----- | |
| 800km | \$10.00 each.
Available to any horse that has successfully completed 800km of affiliated endurance rides of 80km or over in ONE riding division. |
| ----- | |
| 1600km | Free on behalf of AERA
In recognition of any horse successfully completing 1600km irrespective of riding division. |
| ----- | |
| 3000km | Scroll & Trophy free, issued on behalf of AERA.
In recognition of any horse successfully completing 3000km irrespective of riding division. |
| ----- | |
| 5000km | Scroll & Trophy free, issued on behalf of AERA.
In recognition of any horse successfully completing 5000km irrespective of riding division. |

AERA Certificates of Merit are presented at 1500km intervals over and above 5000km (6500km, 8000km, 9500km etc). Scrolls for distances of 3000km and above are awarded at the Tom Quilty each year, all other scrolls can be applied for at any time.

Send your completed forms (plus any applicable fee) to the AERA Registrar:

Jo Bailey
3008 Abercrombie Road
BLACK SPRINGS NSW 2787 Phone: (02) 63358121 ah

Notes:

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

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Riders are responsible for the behaviour of their support crews and friends. **This extends to dogs associated with their camp**, which must be restrained at all times, either on a lead or secured in a float or vehicle.

The Chief Steward may disqualify a rider if that riders' support crew causes disruption detrimental to the running of the ride. Refusal to restrain a dog (of any size) after being requested to do so by the Chief Steward, or an official of the Organising Ride Committee, may also lead to disqualification of the rider.

NSW Committee

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.

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