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# AL JEDA ARABIANS

## AL JEDA REESHAH



Al Jeda Reeshah is our first born and will be seen later in the year at rides!  
We are excited to see how she performs!

CHIP CHASE SADAQA

COOLAHLEE PARK TRAVELLA

MACQUARIE GATE HA YA TI KABIRA

AL JEDA REESHAH

THE FINAL EDITION

CASTLEBAR ROCHAS

ALOHA RODANIA

Maraki is a mahogany bay stallion standing at 15.1 and a half hands. Maraki has beautiful huge flowing actions and is a very kind natured stallion which he passes on to his progeny. Maraki is available at stud. Progeny for sale.

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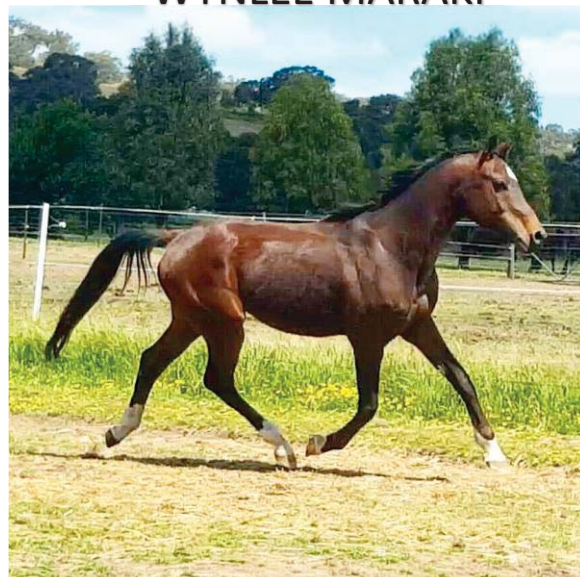
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## WYNLEE MARAKI



Al Jeda Arabians is an endurance stable run by Alamdar and Jessica Dastani located near the border cities of Albury and Wodonga. We specialise in training young to experienced horses in endurance. We train for both the domestic and international market. Our aim is to provide good legging up before the horses hit the world scene, resulting in successful outcomes in Australia and overseas. We are proud to say that horses trained by us have gone on to do exceptionally well.

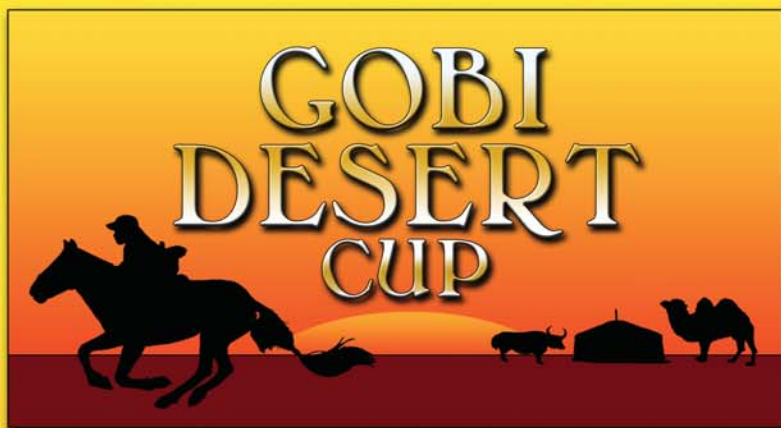
You can find us at rides and on Facebook.

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**Nominations  
are now open  
for 2017!**

## **In September 2017, we will launch the 1st edition of The Gobi Desert Cup**

**A 480 kilometres multi stage endurance race  
across the Gobi desert riding Mongolian horses.**

**Travelling 80kms on a new horse everyday for 6 days.**

**Running from the start camp outside Ulaan Bataar towards Mandal Gobi,  
and travel to the south of Mongolia towards Dalanzadgad, south of the Gobi Desert.**

**The horses you will be riding are selected after they qualify,  
then they undertake some endurance training.**

**Daily and overall awards including best conditioned horse and Merit for the riders.**

**Presentation for individual and teams of 4 riders along with an opening and closing ceremony.**

**A traditional Mongolian camp awaits at the end of each day, with a local family of herders  
helping unsaddle and taking care of the horses.**

**The price to ride in  
The Gobi Desert Cup is \$US7000**

**Includes:**

**One day briefing in Ulaan Bataar, two days training at the start camp**

**A top team of vets including FEI vets, to look after the horses.**

**Interpreters to help you connect with the locals at every camp.**

**A Chef and Cooks to prepare beautiful meals**

**People moving camp from point to point.**

**A team of friendly organisers to help you through your journey.**

**Visit our website for more information:  
[www.gobidesertcup.com](http://www.gobidesertcup.com)**



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The gobi desert cup**



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The AGM is done and dusted, awards have been given and a grand time had by all at the annual presentation.

You will find a report on the AGM meeting in this issue together with a few 'happy snaps' of the recipients of the various awards. For those who were unable to attend, there is a synopsis of the actual AGM meeting minutes starting on page 28 of this issue.

On the front cover is a photograph of the winners of the NSW Teams event "*The Tragics*". The team consisted of our track preservation guru, Fiona Meller, the "Shahzara tragic", Sue Todd, colour coordinated Di Luker and the very successful endurance rider Carol Major. Unfortunately Carol was unable to attend the AGM.

Fiona who came into the team as a substitute for Jennifer Gilbertson, said that winning this award was one of the highlights of her endurance career. Obviously it was a successful riding year for all the ladies. Congratulations.

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# President's Report

Dear NSWERA members,

NSW ERA Annual General Meeting was held on 11 February 2017 at Cowra. It was a great meeting and the best part was a lot of our members were presented with their AERA 10,000kms scrolls. It was a proud moment for all the NSW members present. Another proud moment was the inclusion of Ms. Kerry Spratt as life member.

I (Alam) have been elected as the President of NSW ERA taking over from Dr. Emily Streckfuss who did a great job being the President. She oversaw a lot of projects during her term as President.

I, on behalf of the NSW ERA SMC would like to thank Dr. Emily Streckfuss, Dr. Simon Bain and Mr. Greg Moore for their kind support, time and unparalleled input into the sport.

At the meeting we welcomed two new members on to the committee.

Ms. Jacque Wright who has joined the committee again.

Ms. Jo Davis who is new to the committee.

Ms. Adeline Gibson stepped up from being a Zone delegate to join the committee.

My best wishes to the newly elected committee members. I look forward to a great and positive productive year ahead.

I would like to introduce your committee.

## **Executive committee members:**

Mr. Alamdar Dastani- President, International, AERA delegate.

Mr. Peter Bice- Vice president

Ms. Kerry Spratt- Secretary, AERA delegate.

Mr. John Howe- Treasurer

## **Non-Executive committee:**

Mr. Tony Warren

Ms. Belinda Hopley

Mr. Peter Kelly

Ms. Talea Hasko-Stewart - AERA delegate

Ms. Adeline Gibson

Ms. Jacque Wright

Ms. Jo Davis

I would also like to thank non committee members who contribute to our sport: Ms. Helen Rich - newsletter and Ms. Sonya Ruprecht - secretariat

The portfolio positions will be allocated after our first meeting, which is to be held on 10 March which everyone is welcome to attend.

We look forward to a positive productive term and would like to assure the members that the SMC works with the best interests of the members and the sport. We will all be available for queries and open to receive your feedback and fresh ideas that you think may benefit the sport.

I want to emphasis to the members to remember our social media policy and request that members do not get tangled up in the social media fights.

I wish you all a very happy, healthy, positive and successful year ahead.

Regards

Alam Dastani - President NSW ERA.



# Track Preservation Report

## Draft Plans of Management

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

Plans of management define if and where you are allowed to ride in a park.

You can make submissions by post, email or directly from the website at <https://engage.environment.nsw.gov.au>

A submission is simply your comments on the plan of management, whether agreeing or disagreeing with what is being proposed.

**Weddin Mountains National Park** south-west of Grenfell.

A proposed amendment would allow individuals and small groups to ride on two trails which connect with the neighbouring State Forest to create a 20 km loop. There are fairly restrictive conditions proposed (time of year, frequency of use etc) and endurance rides would not be permitted under the amendment wording so if local ride organisers feel this has the potential to be part of a ride course, now is the time to speak up. **Submissions close Monday April 3.**

Fiona Meller



## Welcome to our new member,

Kaitlin Flynn from Campbell

## NSW ERA COMMITTEE MEETINGS

Meetings are currently held at

**Richmond Club**

**Cnr. East Market and Francis Street, Richmond**

Meetings commence at 6.00pm sharp.

All members are invited to attend.

Next Meeting dates are yet to be decided.

Will be published in the next newsletter



## Zone One AGM and Presentation report.

Zone One started the year at a working trot kicking off the year with the Zone One AGM and Presentation evening held at Jo and Steve Arblaster's beautiful property at Lower Portland.

The evening was a tremendous success and was enjoyed by new and old endurance folk. It was very special to see Ron and Val Males from Upper Colo who have been involved in Endurance since the very first Tom Quilty 100 Mile Endurance Ride which is our National Championship Ride.

We also welcomed quite a few new faces to endurance and had a very successful AGM which involved electing a new committee consisting of the following people:-

President	Ian Dreghorn	0427 546 436
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Secretary	Louise Ball	0414 770 566
Treasurer	Mark Broadbent	0435 051 950
Social Media	Geraldine Stuart	0414 404 133
Media	Jo Arblaster	0402 461 123
Zone Delegate	Karin Santoso	0422 910 013

Other Committee members include Claudia Reid, Gavin Peacock, Jo Davis, Tacye Bice, Steve Bartlett and Ben Males.

There were presentations for the winners of the Zone One Distance One Horse One Rider Pointscore and they were:-

Equal Heavyweight Distance - Ian Dreghorn on Ausden Nil Prins and John Howe on Ashbend Perazzi

Middleweight Distance - Gavin Peacock on Chop Chop

Lightweight Distance - Sue Todd on Shakari Bear

Junior Distance - Gabrielle Worth on Douglas

Intermediate Distance winner - Victoria Bice with 160kms.

Congratulations to Ian, John, Gavin, Sue, Gabrielle and Victoria for your achievements.

All winners were presented with beautifully framed photographs of themselves with their horses kindly donated by Jo Arblaster from Animal Focus.







Lightweight Distance - Sue Todd on Shakari Bear

Gavin Peacock on Chop Chop

Photographs: Animal Focus

Below: The new Zone One committee.

Zone One held our first committee meeting for the year at Lynwood Sporting Club, Pitt Town on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> January and now we are in a loping canter with the organisation of the Upper Colo Endurance weekend offering 5km, 10km 20km, and 40km rides on Saturday and Sunday at Ararat Lodge, Upper Colo on 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup> March, 2017. We look forward to seeing you there.



# Neville Ride Preview

## **Please Note BUMBALDRY RIDE HAS BEEN CANCELLED AND REPLACED WITH THE NEVILLE ENDURANCE RIDE**

Lachlan Endurance Riders Club has changed the venue of the Bumbaldry ride to Neville for the 18th & 19th March 2017.

There will be a 40km and 20km ride on Saturday 18th March and 20/40/80km rides on Sunday 19th March.

Information can be found on the Lachlan Endurance Riders Facebook Page, Neville Ride Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/events/100173197167271/> and the NSWERA Calendar at [www.nswera.asn.au](http://www.nswera.asn.au)

We ask that all riders pre-nominate and please un-nominate if you decide not to come. Nominations to Helen Lindsay at [kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com](mailto:kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com) or [www.nswera.asn.au](http://www.nswera.asn.au). Nominations will close at midnight WEDNESDAY 15TH MARCH. After this time, there will be a late fee charged of \$20.00 for the 80km ride and \$10.00 for the 40km ride. It pays to nominate. We also ask when you nominate that you advise if you require a dinner ticket so that we can advise the Hotel of expected numbers. These tickets will then be purchased at the ride base from a Neville Hotel representative.

Upon nomination, you will be sent by return email your relevant entry form to fill in and either send or bring along with you, together with Horse Health Declaration and an information sheet on the weekend's program and rules.

### **Ride Entry Fees –**

20km ride \$35.00

40km ride \$60.00

80km ride \$95.00

Snowy Zone Membership Discount \$5.00 for the 80km ride only. Camping Fee - \$5.00 per horse

The proposed schedule for the Neville weekend is as follows but will be subject to change at the discretion of the LERC Committee –

### **Saturday:**

9:00am Office Opens - Saturday rides only

10:00am Vetting Opens (Saturday Rides)

11:00am Office Opens - Sunday rides only

12:00pm Vetting Open (Sunday Rides)

12:00pm Pre Ride Talk Saturday Rides prior to start of rides

12:30pm 40km Ride Starts

1:00pm 20km Starts

6:30pm Pre Ride Talk (at the Neville Hotel)

7:00pm Dinner (at the Neville Hotel)

### **Sunday:**

5:00am 80km Start

6:00am 40km Start

7:00am 20km Start

1:00pm Fittest Horse

3:00pm Presentation

### **Riding times:**

80km Max Riding time 9hrs

40km Max Riding Time 6hrs

20km Max Riding Time 4hrs



# Homewood Memorial Ride

Weekend of 8/9 April 2017

Zone 6 Endurance Riders are running a 80/40 & 20km rides which are all on the Sunday only.

The track is the same as in previous years which is flat to undulating through State Forests. NO TAR and no huge hills either. The ride travels through beautiful fire trails and bridle tracks and some open dirt roads. It really is a great ride for novice horses.

The Colefax family generously allow this ride to be held on their property, at 1378 Comboyne Road, Killabakh, via Wingham, in honor of the property owner- their father and grandfather and his love of horses.

We ask that you leave your campsites as you find them as this is a private property and we would like damage to be kept to a minimum.

There will be a canteen operating all weekend and they will be providing a meal on the Saturday night. Please when doing your ride pre nominations also nominate on whether you will be buying a meal to help the caterers with their supplies.

Camping will be open from the Friday afternoon.

Prenominations to be in by Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> April 2017.

**Please note that you must present a Horse Declaration Form on arrival at the ride base. One form per horse.**

Please email: [dsruprecht@westnet.com.au](mailto:dsruprecht@westnet.com.au) or call 0409539523 for pre noms and further information.

## 10,000 klm Award recipients

- |                       |                           |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|
| • Jenny Annetts       | • Louise Mc Cormack       |
| • Peter Cole          | • Tova Gallagher (Ducker) |
| • Fia Hasko-Stewart   | • Lyndell McGowan         |
| • John Howe           | • John Robertson          |
| • Rochelle Knihinicki | • Ruth van der Wegen      |
| • Helen Lindsay       | • Helen Cameron           |
| • Dianne Luker        | • Clare Fleming           |
| • Carol Major         | • Eric Robinson           |
| • Fiona Meller        | • Gail Fisher             |
| • Daphne Phillips     | • Rowena Robinson         |
| • David Player        | • Stuart Lymbery          |
| • Kristen Proudfoot   | • Margaret Boland         |
| • Sonya Ruprecht      | • Claudia Reid            |
| • Shan Symons         | • Peter Norman            |
|                       | • Shelly Ison             |

# Tooraweenah Endurance Club

**Easter Carnival**  
14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> of April.



**Tooraweenah Endurance Club would like to invite you to our 2017 Easter Carnival which we are having on the Easter weekend of 14, 15 and 16 April.**

Tooraweenah is situated west of Coonabarabran below the Warrumbungle Mountain Range.

We have hot showers, flushing toilets, and a good flat ride base, some firewood will be provided.

Catering will be provided on Saturday and Sunday .

The track is undulating to hilly and has rocky sections, but is a lovely ride.

7km, 20km and 40 km's on Friday

7km, 20km, 40km and 80km on Saturday

7km, 20km, 40km and 80km on Sunday

Ride distances are yet to be finalized pending a future meeting.

Please come and support this great Club and town, looking forward to seeing you all there. So bring your family, horse/s and the kids pony for a great time!

For more information please phone Sonia:02 68485345

**HOPE TO SEE YOU ALL FOR ANOTHER GREAT WEEKEND!**





# ENDURANCE

*Riding?*



## ZONE ONE CHAMPIONSHIP Q60 29 & 30 April 2017.

The Zone One Committee is looking forward to seeing you at the Q60 on the weekend of 29 and 30 April 2017. The ride is also the Zone One Championship with a menu of great rides ranging from 10km rides through to the 80/100 km Elevator.

This is a great opportunity to get those extra points and distance—nice and early in the season.

### **Track**

For those who have ridden the Q60 before, we are very excited with our updated track. The first leg is based on the old second leg, with a lot of the tar removed. A new second leg will utilise part of the historic Quilty track, taking you through the Wheeny Creek Valley, once again with minimal tar.

### **Ride Base:**

The ride base will be Ararat Lodge, Upper Colo Road, Upper Colo.

Booking through Trybooking is appreciated in order to arrange for enough vets on the day as well as allowing the canteen to provide food for you all. An additional administrative fee of \$20 per rider will be collected on the day for those who have not pre-booked.

**Camping** overnight is \$5 per horse.

We are also very excited about the new Intermediate Distance Rider Award, with a great rug to be presented for each 40km ride.

The ride menu is:

### **Saturday afternoon**

10 km ride  
20 km ride  
40 km ride

### **Sunday morning**

10 km ride  
20 km ride  
40 km ride  
80/100 km ride

### **Want more information?**

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Web: [zone1enduranceriding.com.au](http://zone1enduranceriding.com.au)

Email: [zone1endurance@gmail.com](mailto:zone1endurance@gmail.com)

Phone: Ian Dregghorn 0427 456 436

# *Ray Gooley Memorial Endurance Ride Mudgee*

## *13/14 May 2017*



Mudgee Club is delighted to invite you to a great weekend of endurance riding, including a 120 klm ride to tempt you on Sunday. There will be some different country to travel through, but with the same enjoyable scenic riding & **NO** big hills.

The ride base is at the Cooyal Hall and also at the property across the road. Both venues will be open for camping from midday Friday.

As the available space at the hall may be reduced due to a new children's playground, we are asking that the 80 & 120klm riders all camp in the paddock across the road thus leaving the site at the hall free for 10/20/40 klm riders. If you have 40 klm & 80 / 120 klm riders in your family group—of course you can all camp together.

**HORSE HEALTH DECLARATIONS & PIC NUMBERS ARE ESSENTIAL** and will be required for all entries. **Please note – one HDD form per horse.** The office will be in the hall but we have decided to move the vetting and timekeepers across the road, muster for ALL rides is also there.

The main gate to the paddock on Wollar Road is for horses and pedestrians **ONLY**. Vehicular access will be through the back gate down the lane.

Pre nominations would be appreciated by 5th May so that we can arrange enough vets. No deposit is required but please give a courtesy call if you need to cancel.

When pre nominating and in order to assist with catering, would you please indicate if you would like the usual tasty two course dinner with tea/ coffee for \$25 & \$15.50 ( 12 years & under) on Saturday night. The canteen will be open from midday Saturday until late Sunday.

The prize list is headed by the prestigious Ray Gooley Memorial Trophy and thanks to our wonderful sponsors there will be rugs and successful completion awards.



## *Program of Events for Mudgee*

### **Saturday 13th:**

20 klm social ride starts 1 pm.

10 klm intro ride starts 1:30 pm

Pre ride vetting from 11am ( for these rides only)

Brief pre ride talk @ 12:30 in the hall.

Pre ride vetting for the Sunday rides will be between 1 - 5 pm Saturday afternoon and will be followed by the pre ride talk in the hall.

### **Sunday 14th :**

120klm main ride starts 2am

80 klm ride starts 6 am

**PLEASE NOTE: THIS IS NOT AN ELEVATOR RIDE !!! The 80k and 120k are two separate rides**

40 klm ride starts at 7 am

Ride Fees : 120 klm \$130/ \$110 ( J)

80 klm \$100/ \$80 (J)

For further information contact:

Gail Fisher Phone: 6373 3932

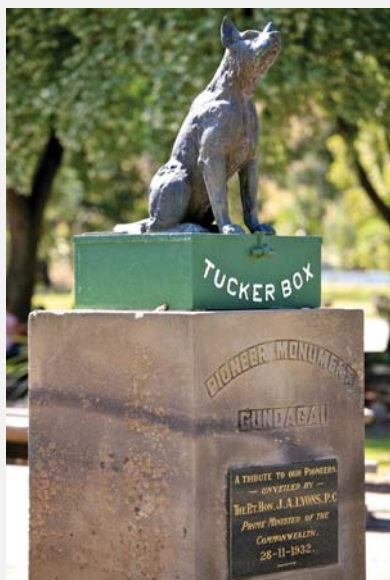
Email: [kailaniarabians@yahoo.com.au](mailto:kailaniarabians@yahoo.com.au)

# Gundagai

**29 and 30 April, 2017**

Brungle Road Gundagai

80k and 40k



Come to Gundagai and enjoy a great ride and warm country hospitality.

The track runs through hilly to undulating grassland with some tar and gravel roads. Same course as last year.

A Canteen will operate on Saturday night. Dinner \$20.00.

BBQ will be available all day Sunday.

If you want dinner on the Saturday night, please ring Rick and book in.

This helps with the catering.

**Saturday:** Preride vetting will run from 2 to 5pm.

**Sunday:** 80k ride starts at 6AM

**Costs:** 80k \$110.00

40k \$60.00

**For further information please contact Rick Owen after 6PM on 6944 1628**

# TABLE TOP ENDURANCE RIDE

## 13th & 14th May 2017



**TABLE TOP**  
E N D U R A N C E

### Event Timetable

#### **Thursday 11th May**

*1pm Ride Base Opens*

#### **Friday 12th May**

*2pm Pre-Ride Vetting*

*6pm Pre-Ride Talk*

#### **Saturday 13th May**

*2am ALL 120km Ride Start  
(2.15am Youth)*

*4am ALL 80km Ride Start  
(4.15am youth)*

#### **80km**

*BC Work Out*

*Presentation*

*Sunday 14th May*

#### **120km**

*BC Work Out*

#### **Presentation**

*Monday 15th May*

*12pm Ride Base Closes  
(subject to change)*

### **Address:**

387 Knox Road  
Table Top NSW 2640

### **Contact:**

Amanda & Andrew Kettlewell  
0428849720 or 0428739625  
admin@osoarabians.com.au

### **The Ride**

Table Top Endurance will be running its 2nd ride at Table Top NSW. Table Top is a mix of rolling farm land, gravel roads, flat grass paddocks and nature strips along roads. Very good underfoot making it a very achievable track for anyone looking to qualify. There are some amazing scenery and views.

This year we will be running an **FEI 1\* 80km and 2\* 120km** ride. This ride helps add to the qualifications that are required to compete internationally for Australia, including to help Australia's Youths qualify for the World Youth Endurance Championship in Italy this year.

We are also offering an **AERA 120km and 80km** which will run under the FEI rules on the day, which is a great way of gaining VGIH experience .

### **The Venue**

4km off the Hume Highway. Onsite camping has been organized close to the Vetting and Hold areas with two large trailers of toilets and showers and also a catering van. Strictly **No Dogs**. Unfortunately there are no powered sites. Local shops, motels, rail and airport are a 20 minute drive away.

### **How to enter**

All entries will need to be booked through Try Booking, keep an eye on our Facebook page, for when entries will be open.

#### **FEI 1\* & 2\***

120km—\$525 (inc Swab Fee)

80km—\$175 (inc Swab Fee)

#### **AREA**

120km—\$150

80km—\$100

Ensure you and your horse are eligible to ride AERA, FEI & EA endurance rides.

10 day temperature logs will be required for all horses. Please have it ready to hand in when entering the property.





# MAXXIS Wingello Forest Endurance Ride 2017



**MAXXIS®**  
MAXIMUM PERFORMANCE

5km : 10km : 20km : 41-61km :  
80km

27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> May 2017

## Wingello is on again!

Offering Introductory Rides of 5km, 10km and 20km on Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> May from 12 noon, and an Introductory ride of 20km, an Intermediate Elevator 41-61km ride, and an 80km Endurance ride on Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May, from 7am.

All ride distances are daylight start.

The course is mostly on forestry roads and tracks, where you can meander (or hoon) through tall dark pines, silver-white gums, fern filled gullies, and green rolling farmland. Short sections of the 41km and 80km rides are on dirt Council roads.

Ride one day or both days, or perhaps take a look behind the scenes and join the merry bank of volunteers for a day.

Jo Arblaster will be on course capturing fabulous action photos of everyone, and this year we will also see professional filming of the event for production of advertisements to promote the sport – many thanks to **MAXXIS** tyres for their support of NSW Endurance to make this happen!

Dave Newman (our rock and roll singer) is all primed for his regular evening gig at the central campfire. There will be a variety of catering options, including real coffee, and the trade stall area is growing each year – worth the trip just to shop!

Vetting is standard AERA with optional early present. Head Vet is Karim Kooros. Chief Steward is Haydn Fisher.

The ride base is our usual rolling grassy paddock adjacent to the forest. A huge thank you to **John Rodwell Earthmoving** (Ph: 0416 247 152) who has volunteered to grade the vet trot out lanes for us, turning them from rough paddock to fairway!

Horse water will be provided by tanks and troughs placed around the campsite. These will be re-filled by the RFS as required. The RFS are no longer able to fill water buckets at individual campsites. Please be patient and respectful at water points, and treat the RFS volunteers with utmost courtesy throughout the event. If you want to offer your horses a drink on arrival, bring water with you and thus avoid stress.

Dogs are welcome, but must be kept chained or on a leash at all times.

There will be a large communal campfire in the trade stall/ food court area. Firewood for private fires will not be





supplied. Please contact the ride organiser several weeks in advance of the event if you would like to make a special arrangement.

Entries are to be booked and pre-paid through Try Booking. You can click the 'Register Here' button on the home page of the Wingello Forest Endurance Ride website [www.highlandsendurance.com](http://www.highlandsendurance.com), or type [www.trybooking.com/OQRD](http://www.trybooking.com/OQRD) in your browser.

You will be asked to enter rider and horse details as part of the booking process. This will enable us to pre-enter ride data into AERASpace, saving much time for the office volunteers at the event. **Please print your ticket at the end of the booking process** – this will be your ride entry form. Please complete the additional details on the form, sign the relevant declarations, and bring it to the event with you. This will avoid the need to complete a new form. Don't forget to bring a Horse Health Declaration—one for each horse. You can download the form from our website.

On-line entries will close at 9pm on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> May. Late entries will be accepted at the ride base, with a \$20 late fee per entry. Entries are transferable. The refund policy is on our website.

You can purchase ride merchandise (polo shirts, caps, beanies) through the Try Booking link, for postal delivery prior to the event, or collection at the event.

If you have a problem with internet access or do not have a credit card, please contact the Ride Secretary to make alternate arrangements for direct deposit or cheque payment.

A full program of events, with entry forms, course descriptions, catering menus, local area information, sponsor details *etc* is available on our website [www.highlandsendurance.com](http://www.highlandsendurance.com). You can also stay up to date with ride details, track and weather conditions and sponsors through our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/wingelloforestenduranceride](http://www.facebook.com/wingelloforestenduranceride)

**Entry fees:** 80km: \$120 (Jnr \$90); 40-60km: \$75;  
**All Introductory rides:** \$55;

**Teams:** \$20 per 4 person team

Wingello village is located just 7km off the Hume Highway by sealed road, approximately 1 hour south of Campbelltown, and ½ hour north of Goulburn. The ride base is adjacent to the Wingello State Forest, approximately 3.5km by well formed dirt/gravel road from the village of Wingello.

Directions to the base will be signposted from the Hume Highway. The ride base will open at 12 noon on Friday 26 May and close at 12 noon on Monday 29 May.

You will pass right by Wingello Village Store, one of our regular sponsors, where you can stock up on milk, snacks, newspapers *etc*, or grab a take-away meal.

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## SHAHZADA 2017 ...

*To Finish is To Win*

The 37th Shahzada will be held from Monday, 21st to Friday, 25th August in St Albans, north west of Sydney or if you just want to come and have some fun, the Mini Marathon of 120km over three days will be held from Tuesday, 22nd to Thursday, 24th August.

Such great times last year with heaps of social events - and this year will be even bigger and better. Allison Knihinicki, Shahzada Entertainment Co-ordinator, has set the theme for Dress Up Day as "Cowboys/girls and Indians.....Boots & Bling & Fancy Things" so that gives you a huge range of ideas there.....this theme will also carry through to the Dog Races too on the Thursday with loads of prizes.

We hope that all those who completed the Mini Marathon in 2016 will move up to the Shahzada this year. For those seeking to complete The Big Three (State Championships, Shahzada and the Quilty on the same horse in the one year), 2017 has the rides perfectly placed with the Quilty in early July in South Australia, Shahzada as usual the last full week at the end of August and the State Ride to be held at Woodstock on the October Long Weekend.

Go to the Shahzada website [www.shahzada400.com](http://www.shahzada400.com) and see what happened in 2016. There is a 2017 Shahzada 400km Endurance Ride Facebook Page for all current information or contact Shahzada secretary, Sue Todd for information on [suetodd@activ8.net.au](mailto:suetodd@activ8.net.au) or phone 0263 797218 and leave a message. There is nothing like the bond that you achieve with your horse marathon riding.....if you don't do anything else in endurance, you have to ride Shahzada - "the ride of your life"!!



Sonya Ruprecht, Emily Streckfuss and Carol Major and pooches at the dog races.





Dianne Luker on Toplevel Jetstar2. Shahzada mini marathon.  
Jennifer Caslick and Arabec The Wizard. Shahzada 400k. Photos: Animal Focus







Above: Gary Pevy and Halimas Esdikarn

Right: Allison Knihinicki our Entertainment Co-ordinator wearing her costume from 2016.

Photos courtesy of Animal Focus.



## Notice

***Dogs must be restrained at all times.***

Due to dogs being found running loose in increasing numbers at endurance events, it has been resolved that riders are to be disqualified, if their own dog or a dog belonging to their camp is found not to be restrained at all times during the full duration of an endurance event, i.e. from the opening of the ride base to participants until its closure. All chief stewards have been instructed to take action, enforce this rule and report offenders. A 'no dogs' policy may be introduced, if offences against this rule continue to occur.

**NSW ERA Management Committee**



Please read through the document below. There are important changes to the document previously published.

## **The Use of Horse Health Declarations (HHD) for Riders and Ride Organisers. Version 2.**

NSWERA supports and promotes the principles and practices of the management of infectious diseases. This requires the fulfilment of certain obligations prior to and during the ride by -

### **a) people in charge of the horse**

- all horses or livestock entering grounds must be from a property actively practicing good biosecurity principles within their management,
- are expected to be aware of their biosecurity obligation, and that they must take all reasonable steps to ensure their activities do not spread a pest, disease or contaminant,

### **and b) ride organisers**

- prevent the spread of infectious disease, and to track any person or animal that may have been potentially exposed during the event. All ROCs should be conversant with and promote those principles and procedures.

These are found in the AERA Biosecurity Statement.

### ***For riders:***

The AERA Biosecurity Statement declares that Horse Health Declarations are now mandatory for **all horses at all rides**.

The following actions are required of the person responsible for each horse –

- Name and contact details of the person who is responsible for each horse when it arrives at the ride base, and the duration of the event.
- Full details of your horse identity and property of origin, including PIC. If any horse is returning to a location other than its property of origin, provide the details of this property prior to departure from the event venue (<http://www.dpi.nsw.gov.au/animals-and-livestock/nlis/pic>)
- Proof of current vaccination if your horse is vaccinated against Hendra virus. Accepted proof is a vaccination certificate or notation in the horses' logbook completed by the vet who administered the vaccine or scanned microchip by the Chief Steward, Biosecurity Manager, or Head Vet and compliant in the Hendra Vaccine registry <https://health4horses.com.au/About/Hendra-Vaccination-Lookup/>
- A properly completed Horse Health Declaration (including PIC code) to accompany every horse entering the ride base, and to have it easily accessible for collection on arrival at the ride venue. The declaration states that the horse is healthy to the best of the responsible person's knowledge, includes a temperature log for the stipulated number of days prior to arrival at the ride venue and subsequently, until the pre ride veterinary check. DO NOT bring an unwell horse onto the ride base.
- The HHD is to be completed by the person in charge of the horse using one horse per form – NO electronic copies – and is to accompany the horse (and its logbook if the horse has one) in the towing vehicle. Paper copies will **only** be accepted, as these are attached to the entry form for later examination if required.

## **No HHD form No Ride.**

### ***For Ride Organising Committees:***

The NSWERA SMC requests that ride committees should abide with the following guidelines for the management of the Horse Health Declaration (HHD):

### ***Prior to the event-***

- The AERA Biosecurity Statement details the number of days the HHD is to be taken -
  - \* 10 day temperature logs for non-vaccinated horses in Hendra Risk Zones and
  - \* 3 day logs for vaccinated horses in those areas.
  - \* 3 day logs for horses in all other areas **except**
  - \* a non-vaccinated horse from a Hendra Risk Zone comes into those other areas it requires a 10 day temperature log.



- The exception to this is the TQ and FEI rides where then Head Vet and Biosecurity Manager can decide on the temperature log period.
- Please ensure all riders are aware of the requirements of the HHD for **all** horses entering the ride base is advertised.
- The HHD is to be completed by the person in charge of the horse using one horse per form – NO electronic copies – and is to accompany the horse (and its logbook if the horse has one) in the towing vehicle.
- The Biosecurity Manager will decide if the HHD is to be taken at the point of entry to the ride base or at ride entry, depending on the origin of horses attending the event.
- If the HHD is to be collected at the ride base entry, check with the Head Vet the temperature parameters that s/he wishes to be notified of, usually greater than 38.5°.
- Ensure a quarantine/isolation zone is suitably situated. The guidelines and procedures for this area are to be strictly followed. See the AERA Biosecurity Statement.

#### **At ride entry-**

- The HHD is attached to the rider entry form. Both forms are to be kept for 6 months. (If the forms are taken at the entry gate, the HHD is sighted and checked by personnel and attached later.)
- The rider entry form must provide the person responsible for each horse.
- Ensure PIC codes are supplied on the HHD.
- Please check if the horse is returning to a location other than its property of origin, and ensure the details of this property are provided before departing the event.
- Crayons for horse identification or green ribbons (proven current Hendra Vaccination) may be required by the RO/CS and will be provided by the ROC.

## AGM Report

The 2016 AGM was held at the Sovereign Inn, Cowra.

Many thanks to Linda Jonkers and the LERC for sourcing the venue, finding the band 'Nuthin Serious' and paying the band's accommodation.

The AGM was reasonably well attended with over 60 members in attendance, bringing with them over 70 proxies.

The meeting was held on one of the hottest weekends on record with the temperature climbing to over 44 degrees during the day. Many members spent a portion of the meeting looking at phones watching the temperature rise.

The AGM was very productive with members expressing their differing opinions on the various motions that were put to the meeting. The heart of any democratic society is the ability to hold reasoned debate on topics of interest to the running and management of the organisation in question. This process was clearly demonstrated with all concerned being able to put their views politely, in some cases passionately, but at all times considering the dignity of all concerned.



Anyone interested in the running of our sport should have a read through the synopsis of the AGM minutes which can be found elsewhere in this newsletter. The complete minutes document will be published prior to the next AGM. The AGM booklet previously sent to all members, contained the large majority of SMC reports together with the motions up for discussion and profiles of those standing for committee.

An election for the SMC was not necessary, as unfortunately, Mark Norton withdrew his nomination prior to the AGM commencing. Each year we elect 5 members to the SMC and each of the Zones is represented by a Delegate. The Zone Delegates as full members of the Committee, are able to hold portfolios and vote on all aspects of our sport. This year, there are only two full Zone Delegates: Peter Kelly from the North Coast and Karin Santosa from Zone One. The rest of the Zones are represented by SMC members. We all have views on how our sport should be run, so how about having a term as a Zone Delegate or run for the SMC next year. The Committee is only as good as its members and we have some very talented people within the sport.

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## NSW Point Score—Heavyweight

### Heavyweight Distance Horse

1	Ashbend Perazzi	720
2	Aloha Typic	640
2	Ausden Nile Prins	640
2	Kalkadoon Lucifer	640
5	Ejen Park Summer Tango	560
5	Halimas Esdikarn	560
5	Rainbows Reach Dark N Stormy	560
5	Razorback Flash	560
9	Conderosa Zaheera	420
10	A'landell Pirate	400
10	Aloha Tribal Warrior	400
10	Fonda	400
10	Glendhu Moonshine	400
10	Karabil Asis	400
10	Regal Buddie	400

### Heavyweight Points Horse

1	Halimas Esdikarn	53
2	Kalkadoon Lucifer	52
3	Aloha Typic	49.5
4	Ashbend Perazzi	42
5	Regal Buddie	40.5
6	Ausden Nile Prins	38.5
7	Ejen Park Summer Tango	37
8	Karabil Asis	33
9	Glendhu Moonshine	30
10	Conderosa Zaheera	27

### Heavyweight Distance Rider

1	Stuart Lymbery	1,140
2	Kathryn Priol	880
2	Sue Warren	880
4	John Howe	720
5	Nigel Colefax	640
5	Ian Dreghorn	640
5	Gary Pevy	640
8	Allan Caslick	580
9	Phil Coleman	560
9	Heather Nagle	560

### Heavyweight Points Rider

1	Stuart Lymbery	72.5
2	Gary Pevy	60
3	Nigel Colefax	58.5
4	Kathryn Priol	56
5	John Howe	42
6	Ian Dreghorn	38.5
7	Heather Nagle	37
8	Sue Warren	35.5
9	Robert Catlin	34.5
10	John Robertson	33

## NSW Point Score—Middleweight

### Middleweight Distance Horse

1	Die Kinder Junrei	1,060
2	Blake's Heaven Bombora	720
2	Georgie Girl	720
2	Mountain Ash Tabasco	720
5	Bradali Najmul Fi Samar	560
5	Bridle Track Bogart	560
5	Chop Chop	560
8	Malvern Harmony	520
9	Malleegrove Samsara	500
10	Blake's Heaven Summer Reign	480
10	Galaxy Mi	480
10	Lentara Park Heather	480

### Middleweight Points Horse

1	Die Kinder Junrei	104.5
2	Blake's Heaven Bombora	71.5
3	Galaxy Mi	41.5
3	Malleegrove Samsara	41.5
5	Chop Chop	41
6	Mountain Ash Tabasco	39.5
7	Copperkahn Tiara	34.5
8	Roswick Ameera	33.5
9	Prince Nakeel Spa	33
10	Blake's Heaven Summer Reign	30.5

### Middleweight Distance Rider

1	Clare Feary	1,320
2	Jennifer Caslick	1,240
3	Carol Major	980
4	Jesse Buchan	800
4	Gavin Peacock	800
6	Brad Dillon	740
7	Peter Bice	720
7	Talea Hasko-Stewart	720
7	Debbie Pevy	720
10	Tayla Hadzi	660

### Middleweight Points Rider

1	Clare Feary	131.5
2	Talea Hasko-Stewart	63
3	Debbie Pevy	61.5
4	Gavin Peacock	56
5	Jennifer Caslick	44.5
6	Karen Anderson	41.5
7	Jesse Buchan	40.5
8	Ian Curtis	37.5
9	Brad Dillon	35.5
10	Anita Ashby	34.5

## NSW Point Score—Lightweight

### Lightweight Distance Horse

1	Shakari Bear	920
2	Wondjina Stardust	800
3	Aloha Desert Thor	680
4	Blake's Heaven Ventura	660
5	Rainbows Reach Scout	560
6	Blake's Heaven Venus	500
7	Raymar Aisha	420
8	Brookleigh Shiralee	400
8	Carlwood Park Frosty	400
8	Coolahlee Park Shaman	400
8	Oso Zoltan	400
8	Picnic Park Desert Dancer	400
8	Shalacey Bear	400
8	Taeaura Shayarnah	400
8	Winter Hill Alice	400

### Lightweight Distance Rider

1	Clare Fleming	1,320
1	Sue Todd	1,320
3	Allix Jones	1,000
4	Victoria Bice	800
4	Elizabeth Moir	800
6	Fia Hasko-Stewart	740
7	Cherry Cummins	720
8	Monica Ballard	660
8	Emma Broome	660
8	Dianne Luker	660
8	April Newman	660

### Lightweight Points Horse

1	Shakari Bear	58
2	Wondjina Stardust	54.5
3	Aloha Desert Thor	51.5
4	Picnic Park Desert Dancer	40.5
5	Brookleigh Shiralee	37
6	Winter Hill Alice	36
7	Blake's Heaven Venus	34
8	Taeaura Shayarnah	26.5
9	Carlwood Park Frosty	23
10	Forbes View Sienna	22

### Lightweight Points Rider

1	Clare Fleming	107
2	Sue Todd	70
3	Fia Hasko-Stewart	66.5
4	Allix Jones	65.5
5	Cherry Cummins	43
6	Emma Broome	38.5
7	Elizabeth Moir	34.5
8	April Newman	33.5
9	Shannen Thorsby	31
10	Victoria Bice	29

## NSW Point Score—Junior

### Junior Distance Horse

1	Karumba Beamish	820
2	Douglas	780
3	Ropa Park Bella Shakila	480
4	Eminem Vyper	400
4	Malleegrove Qaarma	400
4	YinbillikoDestiny Shazhara	400
7	Ropa Park Bella Rastique	320
8	Krysharni Thurza Mahalia	280
9	Asiya Contessa	240
9	Blake's Heaven Dubonnet	240
9	Box Hill Hussy	240
9	Box Hill Pegasus	240
9	Jellybean	240
9	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	240

### Junior Distance Rider

1	Gabrielle Worth	860
2	Levi Robinson	820
3	Laura Kelly	720
4	Stacey Clarke	520
5	Isabella Circosta	480
5	Celia Hodgson	480
5	Tahnaya Mercieca	480
8	Annabelle Cummins	400
9	Makayla Circosta	320
10	Isabel Foster	280
10	laana Porter	280

### Junior Points Horse

1	Karumba Beamish	55.5
2	Douglas	52
3	Eminem Vyper	41
4	Malleegrove Qaarma	24.5
5	Ropa Park Bella Shakila	23
5	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	23
7	YinbillikoDestiny Shazhara	18
8	Blake's Heaven Dubonnet	15
9	Ropa Park Bella Rastique	12.5
10	Krysharni Thurza Mahalia	12

### Junior Points Rider

1	Levi Robinson	55.5
2	Gabrielle Worth	53
3	Laura Kelly	44
4	Annabelle Cummins	41
5	Stacey Clarke	29.5
6	Tahnaya Mercieca	25.5
7	Celia Hodgson	25
8	Isabella Circosta	23
9	Isabel Foster	16
10	Makayla Circosta	12.5













Our new committee members are Jo Davis and Jacque Wright. Our new President is Alam Dastani, who as the current Vice President at the time was chairman at the AGM. Alam ran a very well organised and timely meeting. Everyone had their say but waffling was cut to a minimum. The end result was an extremely well run, professional meeting.

Over 70 people attended the dinner and awards night presentation. It was great to see how happy riders, who had achieved those coveted horse head trophies, were. This year the Committee decided to award smaller trophies for 2nd and 3rd places, thus recognising the commitment to the sport that is required to campaign one or more horses, often from one end of the State to another. The evening was meant to be a celebration of successful achievement and this goal was achieved.

Karen Anderson gave a great speech on how she has been influenced by a number of other riders who have helped and mentored her to her personal achievement within the sport and now she is looking forward to giving back in the form of mentoring others.

Evergreen rider John Howe pointed out how happy he was to have achieved his third One Horse One Rider Trophy.

The other evergreen rider was Stuart Lymberry who had a smashing year riding 1,140kms and taking out Heavyweight distance rider as well as points rider with 72.5 points.

By comparison, relative sport newcomer, middleweight rider Clare Feary, took home a stable of 5 first horse heads. What an achievement. Something to be really proud of.

Young riders, Levi Robinson and Gabrielle Worth, duelled all year with the lead changing at the years last ride, Burruga. This shows just how our sport can turn on one ride, which makes it so interesting.

Also interesting is that Levi's mother, Rowena who also started as a Junior rider, shone both as a junior and an open weight rider. Levi has fantastic help in his corner.

Gabrielle is one enthusiastic young lady who has her sights set very high. Both she and Levi will do the sport proud in years to come. Gabrielle's mother has put the best part of 80,000kms on her new Jeep squiring young Gabrielle to events.

All in all, the AGM was a great event. Please consider coming along next year and making that an even better event!

# NSW One Horse One Rider

## One Horse/One Rider Heavyweight

1	John Howe	Ashbend Perazzi	720
2	Ian Dreghorn	Ausden Nile Prins	640
2	Stuart Lymbery	Aloha Typic	640
2	Kathryn Priol	Kalkadoon Lucifer	640
5	Phil Coleman	Rainbows Reach Dark N Stormy	560
5	Heather Nagle	Ejen Park Summer Tango	560
5	Gary Pevy	Halimas Esdikarn	560
5	Sue Warren	Razorback Flash	560
9	Con Bouzianis	Conderosa Zaheera	420
10	Steve Broadbent	Glendhu Moonshine	400
10	Steve Brooks	A'landell Pirate	400
10	Nigel Colefax	Regal Buddie	400
10	Rod Mitchell	Aloha Tribal Warrior	400
10	John Robertson	Karabil Asis	400
10	Keith Sumpner	Fonda	400

## One Horse/One Rider Middleweight

1	Clare Feary	Die Kinder Junrei	1,060
2	Peter Bice	Georgie Girl	720
2	Jesse Buchan	Mountain Ash Tabasco	720
4	Victoria Bonham	Bridle Track Bogart	560
4	Carol Major	Bradali Najmul Fi Samar	560
4	Gavin Peacock	Chop Chop	560
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8	Karen Anderson	Malleegrove Samsara	500
9	Anita Ashby	Lentara Park Heather	480
9	Talea Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Bombora	480
9	Debbie Pevy	Galaxy Mi	480

## One Horse/One Rider Lightweight

1	Sue Todd	Shakari Bear	920
2	Allix Jones	Wondjina Stardust	800
3	Clare Fleming	Aloha Desert Thor	680
4	Monica Ballard	Blake's Heaven Ventura	660
5	Ros Ryan	Rainbows Reach Scout	560
6	Cherry Cummins	Winter Hill Alice	400
6	Clare Fleming	Picnic Park Desert Dancer	400
6	Leanne Holz	Carlwood Park Frosty	400
6	Elizabeth Moir	Coolahlee Park Shaman	400
6	April Newman	Taeaura Shayarnah	400
6	Sue Todd	Shalacey Bear	400

## One Horse/One Rider Junior

1	Levi Robinson	Karumba Beamish	820
2	Gabrielle Worth	Douglas	780
3	Isabella Circosta	Ropa Park Bella Shakila	480
4	Annabelle Cummins	Eminem Vyper	400
4	Laura Kelly	YinbillikoDestiny Shazhara	400
4	Tahnaya Mercieca	Malleegrove Qaarma	400
7	Makayla Circosta	Ropa Park Bella Rastique	320
8	Iaana Porter	Krysharni Thurza Mahalia	280
9	Emma Barlow	Jellybean	240
9	Charlie Bonham	Box Hill Hussy	240
9	Sam Duff	Box Hill Pegasus	240
9	Shannon Fisher	Asiya Contessa	240
9	Celia Hodgson	Blake's Heaven Dubonnet	240
9	Laura Kelly	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	240



## Vale Glenecho Buddy 1990—16.2.2017.

I purchased Buddy on 3rd of March 2001. He was a 15h. gelding of Quarter horse breeding possibly crossed with a bit of Appaloosa.

He had been purchased as a 10 year old child's pony. Sadly, Buddy had definite ideas on what was required of him. He'd take the child for a ride; he determined the distance, turned around and came home. Ride over. Anyway, he got away with it for a while and so it was decided that Buddy needed a new owner.

The day I met him, I hopped on, went off through East Kurrajong, met cars, buses and trucks, he didn't blink. He was also perfect at handling, floating, just tell him to hop on and away you went, not a peep out of him.

I started training and it wasn't long before Buddy attempted to apply his little rule of distance to be travelled. I picked my fight and won, after that Buddy was perfect, I decided where we would go and he went. Nothing from traffic to marching bands to crowds fazed him in the slightest. Once he decided that he'd cross creeks, he was the perfect endurance horse, do anything, and go anywhere.

Buddy and I completed 2,840 kms together. He was not a marathon horse and our k's largely came from 80km rides, which he ate. However, he did carry me to my 4th Shahzada buckle in 2004. He got better and better as the week went on and from Wednesday morning he was A's and 1's all the way to a fantastic finish.

Buddy's only real fault was his hooves:-they were pony sized, tiny little O's, shocking hoof walls, until Haydn Fisher came along, I couldn't keep shoes on him and tried every Farrier within 100 miles, all to no avail, however, Haydn worked miracles with him. I feel that his slight offside lameness was a combination of his Farrier problems prior to Haydn and this shortened his Endurance career.

By September 2008, it was obvious that Buddy's Endurance career was coming to an end. I was hoping to achieve 3,000kms with him. I had already purchased Ears and a really nice lady, Lee Hardman from Lower Portland wanted a horse to go trail riding on.

Lee had tried a number of horses and had some rather spectacular dismounts. I heard of her plight and introduced her to Buddy. It was love at first sight, and the deal was struck that as soon as I had completed 3,000kms with Buddy, he would come to her.

We went to Woodstock on 19.10.08. He got a B for gait pre ride, B for gait at the end of the first leg. Leg 2 felt good, he sailed along and as it was a perfect Spring day, I let him go. He had never felt so good. I thought, "Well, hopefully we'll get through here today". Went to the vet, best trot yet.

It's best to retire at the top of the heap, so.....rang Lee, "*I'll drop him down Saturday*". Buddy and I had one last fang on our favourite training track at Wheeney Creek and then he went to live with Lee.

Now, Horses, like Elephants NEVER FORGET, so, Buddy thought, "I wonder if she can ride?" He pulled his stunt of distance again. Lee persevered and Buddy went back to being perfect.

Lee purchased a float and she and Buddy went to lessons, they pony trekked through the Lower Portland and Colo Valley regions of the beautiful Hawkesbury district. The bond they forged was incredible, whatever Lee asked Buddy to do, he did. One of Buddy's favourite treats was cruising, yep, they would go down to the Lower Portland Ferry and cruise across the Hawkesbury River, Lee would ride him on with the cars and away they would go.

Just to see what it was like, they did a 20km social ride at Colo and Buddy was overjoyed to be riding along Upper Colo Road doing leg 3 of Q60 minus the first two legs! Buddy's eyes were wide, his ears up and he was an Endurance Horse again for 20 kms. This was one of Lee's fondest memories of Buddy.

Lee and Buddy had 8 fantastic years together, Lee learnt to really ride, Buddy had a home and an owner that was perfect for him, he loved to go places and this he got to do in just the right amount.

Last week he appeared to have Colic. The Vet was sent for, tube drench etc., 3 Vet callouts later, Lee took him to the Hawkesbury Veterinary Clinic in Richmond and it was found on Thursday that he had an inoperable Stomach Tumour.

We will always remember Buddy as a happy, willing horse who gave us a great deal of pleasure, who took us to some wonderful places.

**Lee Hardman and John Howe**



**Lee and Buddy at Colo trainer.  
Photo: Animal Focus**

**Synopsis of the draft minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the NSW ERA Inc. held at the Sovereign Inn, Kendal Street, Cowra on Saturday, 11 February 2017, commencing at 12:45 pm.**

**Attendance,**

**Present:** Alam Dastani (Chairman), Belinda Hopley, John Howe, Tony Warren, Simon Bain, Peter Bice, Kerry Spratt, Talea Hasko-Stewart, Peter Kelly,

**In attendance:** Helen Rich, Mark Norton, Deanna Trevena, Neil Clarkson, Victoria Bonham, Chris Noonan, Jessica Dastani, Mark Broadbent, John Robertson, Jo Davis, Sue Warren, Tony Warren, Marisa Levitt, Andrew Kettlewell, Steven Roberts, Belinda Hopley, Gertraud Norton, Robin Gossip, Dianne Cameron, Karen Rhodes, Sue Todd, Jacque Wright, Colleen Clancy, Bernie Miller, Victoria Bice, Tayce Bice, Annette Bailey, Karen Anderson, Georgina Pankhurst, Fiona Meller, Rachel Benad, Gordon Smith, Noni Seagrim, John Howe, Fia Hasko-Stewart, Andrew Bailey, Linda Jonkers, Andrew Jonkers, Kylie Jonkers, Ian Curtis, Dianne Luker, Anne Lymbery, Stuart Lymbery, Rowena Robinson, Les Robinson, Levi Robinson, Tom McCormack, Amanda Kettlewell, Roz Edmunds, Kerry Spratt, Talea Hasko-Stewart, Clare Feary, Robert Catlin, Roy Barsby

**Apologies:** Adeline Gibson, Ron and Val Males, Shirley Clarke, Donna Georgevski, Kristen Proudfoot and Searle Johnston, Karin Santoso, David Player, Shan Symons, Phil Coleman, Ros Ryan, Haydn Fisher, Gail Fisher, Mette Sutton, Graeme and Jennifer Gilbertson, Sonya Ruprecht, Dean Walkom, Ray and Carol Griffiths, Bec Hogan, Emily Streckfuss, Carol Major and Louise McCormack.

The number of proxies recorded was 75.

John Howe welcomed members to the SMC. He advised that Mark Norton withdrew his nomination for the SMC. John then went on to list the members who were to be on the SMC. Alam, Tony, Adeline Gibson, Jo Davis, Jacque Wright. Thanks to people who put their names up for election to the SMC.

Alam then took over the meeting as Chairman.

Alam welcomed all to the AGM.

**Approval of previous minutes**

The minutes of the AGM held 6 February 2016 was previously published in the New South Wales Endurance Newsletter, in the AGM booklet for this meeting and on the website.

**Moved THAT** Neil Clarkson, John Howe the Minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 6 February 2016 be accepted.

**CARRIED** Unanimous

It was noted that the majority of SMC reports were previously published in the AGM booklet which was mailed out to the membership in January 2017. The reports are included in this document for the sake of completeness.

**Executive Reports**

**President's Report – Emily Streckfuss – previously published in the AGM booklet**

Alam asked for any further comments on Emily's report. No comments coming forward.

**Moved THAT** Neil Clarkson, Tony Warren thanks to Emily Streckfuss for her work as President during last year.  
**Carried** Unanimous

**Secretary's Report – Kerry Spratt – previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Kerry said she was happy to be back on the SMC after a break of two years. Jacque Wright commented on the cost of the Quilty but said she is not concerned about the DVD expenses.

Kerry went on to mention the Tyremax Maxxis. Logo – slogan was read out. The ERA put up a proposal to Maxxis which was accepted. We have ordered 500 ride bibs with the Logo and these will be used for promotional work around the State. They are numbered 1 to 500 and they will be a good asset

Thanks to Tyremax. We are dealing with a subcommittee consisting of Kerry, Bec Hogan, Emily Streckfuss and others.

**Treasurer's Report – John Howe - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Thanks to Neil for printing the financial report at the last minute.

\$23,800.97 is the loss. \$6,000 of that loss was from the DVDs that were made at the Tom Quilty. We had to purchase the film. Adeline went to work and made a very nice DVD. We have over \$7,000 worth of DVDs and they are not selling. Therefore we have to write this amount off. We will use the DVDs as a form of promotion. They will also be used as lucky draws for today.

We also had a loss of income due to lack of ride fees. Five rides were cancelled. This resulted in over \$10,000 loss in ride affiliation fees.

Turning to the rest of our expenses, we did spend money last year in order to try and promote the sport. Directed the meeting to the Quilty expenses. Listed these one by one. We then spent over \$3,000 on a chief stewards' workshop. We have had seminars for TPRs, Vets and CS. We need them to be up to the same professional standard. We sponsored Ben Hudson for \$1,500. We have been doing this type of sponsorship for a number of years. We also spent over \$1,000 on drug testing. We have never stopped swabbing and will not stop swabbing. The loss may seem huge but most of it came from a write off and lack of income.

As a left over from TQ15 we contracted a firm in Canada to get some ride bibs made. We are still

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pursuing the trail to try and get this money back. There is a lawyer/barrister in Canada who has offered to pursue the matter for us in court. In lieu of a fee, said she would like a horse to ride at the Quilty. Not sure if we can provide this. If we have to pay a barrister, we may have to write that one off as well. The money involved is \$4,000.

The other bad news is that unfortunately we have kept our membership fees at the same level. In future they will need to go up as AERA has put up its fees and our insurance fees have also gone up. We are short \$1 for every single member so the NSW ERA will receive absolutely no income from membership fees for 2017.

Annette Bailey asked where the money was going with the reply given that it was to the AERA and insurance. John advised that AERA have now put on a levy of \$3 per rider. 20% of the gate from the TQ15 went to the AERA. The financials for the AERA will be detailed by the AERA delegates.

<b>MOVED</b>	John Howe, Jo Davis
<b>THAT</b>	the Treasurer's Report be accepted
<b>Carried</b>	Unanimous

Jacque Wright – queried the statement concerning the lack of ride fees. Yes, there was a drop in ride fees and she accepted this but then went on to state that in her opinion the reduction in membership and the lack of merchandise sales would be the problem. John said he put it down to ride income and Jacque said that this is incorrect. She feels it is lack of members and lack of sale of merchandise.

John said we spent a lot of money in other areas. We had made allowances for the ride fees coming in which didn't eventuate. \$75 dollars of our membership fees goes to insurance and the balance goes to the AERA. We don't get any income from membership fees. Thus a drop in membership could not be totally responsible for a drop in our income.

#### **Committee Reports**

**John Howe – Ride Calendar and Zone 2 Delegate - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Windeyer is on the June long weekend. They will run a 160k ride which will be a Quilty qualifier. The SMC is kicking in \$1000 to help them with vet fees. John Howe will be Chief Steward. Asking anyone else to go along and either ride or help out.

Woodstock on the October long weekend will be the 2017 NSW State Ride.

Neville and Bumbaldry have changed.

Alam and Emily have had a hook up with the other States to try and standardise the dates for State rides.

Calendar looking good for the rest of the year.

Annette Bailey – wants to know why there are good rides coming up against other rides. Example: Mudgee against Table Top. Gundagai against

Q60. John gave a rundown of why these rides were on the same dates. Ride Organisers cannot be forced to move their rides. Members of an RO have commitments, volunteers to consider and cannot be forced by the SMC to take a ride date that just doesn't fit in with their personal responsibilities and ability to attract volunteers to help at the rides. Table Top is 800 klm from Mudgee.

Some rides are happy to shift dates. Others are not. It is better to have two rides on the same weekend than not have the rides. In addition, not everyone has the money to get from one end of the State to the other.

Gertraud Norton mentioned that in June and July there are no rides. Why isn't the SMC dealing with this. She says that with the 2017 Quilty, riders have to nominate before Windeyer is run.

John replied: Wandandian have moved. Windeyer is putting on a ride in June. The SMC is not in a position to demand that people run rides when it suits particular people. We are doing the best we can with what we have. John said he had asked other ROs if they would run 100 milers but they won't do it.

If you haven't qualified for the Quilty, go on a wait list. Go direct to the SA Quilty people and talk to them. John will ring the Quilty committee and talk to them.

**Alamdar Dastani – Vice President – International - 2016 - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Alam said he didn't have much to add to his report. Advised that Victoria and Queensland are working with NSW with regard to dates for their respective State Rides. This doesn't always go to plan but working on it anyway. NSW teams went very well over the past 12 months. There was a team manager and a team vet was appointed.

International – South African exchange. Alam went on to explain what was involved with this proposal. There is a fee involved this time they have been burnt previously when they came over to Australia. Initial cost \$4,500 for the least of a horse and this includes provision of crew, food and accommodation and other general assistance. NSW ERA will guarantee that the people who put their names forward will get the first option back in Australia and if you do, you will get your money back from Australia where the costs and expectations will be the same. .

South African riders would expect to come back here for the Woodstock State Ride. South Africa is looking at being able to provide 10 horses.

NSW ERA needs to be able to guarantee the quality of the horses leased back.

**Simon Bain - Vet Liaison, Biosecurity, AERA and IDP Report 2016 - previously published in**

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### **the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Simon asked for questions but none were forthcoming.

Simon went on to talk about the National Vet Panel. Question asked at a recent meeting was "Do riders hate vets"? The second matter which came up was teams for the States. There will be a separate State team's event at future Quilty rides.

Alam is preparing the requirements for the State Teams. If you are in a State Team you only ride for your State not any other Team.

### **Belinda Hopley - Zone 5 Delegate, Chief Stewards and TPRs - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Belinda asked for questions on her report.

Zone 5 had four great rides last year so please come along to our rides in 2017. The Zone is running a TPR course at Sussex Inlet. Renee Kirk at Manilla is looking to run a TPR course also.

Fia Hasko-Stewart queried chief stewards and the lack of numbers. Has the criteria become harder? Belinda said she is not responsible for the qualification process. It is AERA who sets the course. Advising that applicants need to be a TPR for at least 12 months. Reasons for this requirement were outlined.

Roz Edmonds queried the need for a Horse Health Declaration and the 10 days of temperature logs. Belinda said that all horses at all rides now need a HHD.

Simon said that he thought what Ros was concerned about was the Riding for the Disabled Ride.

Tony commented to Fia's question concerning the TPR requirements members need to have achieved before they can apply to become a Chief Steward. You used to have to be a TPR for two years before you could apply to be a CS. You have to be a competent TPR first. You can be called to make decision on heart rate and you need to be competent and confident. For example, doing the occasional TPRing on a Saturday afternoon at a few rides, is not sufficient.

### **Tony Warren - Horse Welfare - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Only swabbed at one ride this year. All negative. EW – he does write a few letters. Gives general advice to people who are getting points. A lot of members have not read their rule book and they don't know what the EWS is. Part of this portfolio is to educate people on what is involved in the Early Warning System.

### **Peter Bice - Annual Report for Ride Administration and Feedback - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** This is Peters first year on the SMC. He thanked Brad Dillon and

Greg Moore for the preparation of the Ride Organisers handbook. Lot of information in there. It is a continuing work in progress. Peter asked those present to have a look at this booklet and then provide feedback to the SMC.

Query made concerning why we are not holding ride organisers meetings, as opposed to providing a book! It was noted that we did have these meetings every two years or so but at the last one hardly anyone attended and it just wasn't worthwhile. Belinda said we were not getting the feedback.

Alam said we will consider an RO meeting at some time in the future.

### **Peter Kelly - Annual Report on Child Protection - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Peter said he wrote an article for the newsletter which highlights lots of reasons for taking care of kids. You need to be vigilant. No incidents have been brought to his attention.

Jacque said there was something on Facebook regarding a posting from Victoria. Asked Peter if he had done anything about that. Peter said he was in touch with someone from relevant government department who was keeping him up to date on child protection.

Kerry advised that we do have a child protection policy in place. We get lots of updates and if there are any changes we need to look at we will hear from NSW Office of Sport and we are keeping a watching brief.

Discussing retrieval of a horse when the rider is a child. Two adults need to go in the rescue float to collect children, preferably one being a relative of the child. Check points should have a minimum of two people also.

### **Peter Kelly – Zone Six annual report - previously published in the AGM booklet**

There were no comments on Peter's previous report.

### **Adeline Gibson – Snowy Zone Delegate, Publicity and Promotions**

**Comments from the AGM.** Talea elaborated on Adeline's report and apologised for her not being here.

Intermediate Distance Award – Talea elaborated on this. Hopefully it will be held at all rides this year. Can be won by anyone. She went through the current guidelines. It should give people who are looking at 40klm rides something to aim for. Doesn't take away from the 80k riders.

Neil asked how the winner is decided. Discussion ensued regarding heart rates and other criteria currently used.

Adeline did a survey last year of all the intermediate riders that she was able to contact. She found that a lot of the riders felt unimportant

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and it wasn't a friendly situation.

Annette Bailey said that while it was quite a good concept – it is extremely important that these 40k rides are not competitive rides. This needs to be stressed. We don't want competitive 40klm rides. It needs to be stipulated to people in that if they participate in these events, they must be respectful of other riders on the track. We need to respect our tradition and our sport. We need to educate 40klm riders.

Talea went on to answer Annette's points as shown above. 1.5 hours timeframe is a reasonable stipulation. This award is not about winning, it's for managing your ride. There are 40k competitive rides overseas.

Karen Rhodes said perhaps we could change the wording of the concept of the award. We cannot have a 'them and us'.

Andrew Bailey – thinks this is a negative move. The sport is dying. One of the things would be QERA they will drop 20% of their membership next year. WA has shown divisive behaviour. We have a good sport. People are doing training rides, we used to use vets to choose best conditioned. It just didn't work. Chris Walker in 1992 devised criteria for choosing the fittest horse. We need to remove the human element.

Gertraud Norton - the Snowy Zone tried this award at Tumut for the first time. She said that the winner at Tumut was so very happy to receive the award even though they had been in the sport for some 15 years. Essentially, she spoke for the award. There is a need for stepping stones.

Kerry Spratt said she spoke as a member. She can see both sides. Mindful of the culture we have in this sport. Can see that we need to go forward as well. Looked at the Windeyer award. Most of the people eligible were endurance riders. Cannot see the point in not restricting this award to novice riders.

More comments from the floor – leave this award open. We need to allow for change. Look at the 40k riders, when you have gone past the novice stage, you want to be able to go to a ride and do a training ride at ride pace. This is currently not allowed.

Alam closed the discussion off at 2:15 and said that he had written the various comments down. This is a trial award based on the survey done last year. This will be a stepping stone and we will work on it.

Neil asked if we could ask Adeline to do a survey again on why riders are moving on after around two years. Yes, we can do this. Annette said we should also add that people should be full members in order to be eligible for this award as they are getting a sponsored rug - so after three rides they must be full members.

**Talea Hasko-Stewart – Facebook and Website.**

**Comments from the AGM.** Talea does not have any personal report. She has been away. On the

Facebook page we now have 1500 members. She has also created a Page on the web. The Website is being updated. Hopefully it will be clearer and easier to use.

### **Fiona Meller Track Preservation Report 2016 AGM (11 February 2017)**

**Comments from the AGM.** Fiona gave a brief addendum to her report above. Charlie Gauci is now assisting her so please see him as an alternate delegate to herself. Fiona would like to make a big thank you to Charlie for stepping into this role.

There are still some hot spots around. Dependent on how vigilant the Green Group is. They oppose us in the Blue Mountains and the Snowy. The tide is slowly turning.

John Howe said that Fiona started doing this work in 1996 and without Fiona's help and hard work there would be a hell of a lot of Parks in NSW that we would not be riding in today.

### **Zone One report – Fiona Meller**

Fiona read the report on behalf of the Zone One committee.

2016 was another productive year for Zone One.

The season was completed with a wonderful BBQ and Presentation at the beautiful home of Jo and Steve Arblaster. The vibe was very positive, resulting in many new committee members.

The new Committee is as follows:

Office Bearers:

President: Ian Dreghorn

Vice President and Public Officer: Marita Rifai

Secretary: Louise Ball

Treasurer: Mark Broadbent

Social Media: Geraldine Stuart

Media: Jo Arblaster

Zone One Delegate: Karin Santoso

Non Office Bearers: Claudia Reid, Gavin Peacock, Jo Davis, Tacye Bice, Steve Bartlett & Ben Males.

In 2016 Zone One successfully ran two events, the first being the Zone One Trainer and the second being the Q60. Both of these rides were held in the Upper Colo Valley.

Shorter distance rides proved very popular; however, numbers were low for the main 100km ride.

Our main challenges are:

- Extensive use of tar roads
- Approval Processes
- Environmental & regulatory constraints.
- Cost to run a ride and ride fees

To alleviate the issue of tar roads extensive changes to the course are being made. Whilst these changes are weather dependent they provide a 100 km ride with only some 200metres of tar road. A great result.

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# Ride Calendar

## March 2017

4-5	<b>Sussex Inlet</b> 20/40&80 klm	Nette Lawson 0448068330 <a href="mailto:lawsos25@bigpond.net.au">lawsos25@bigpond.net.au</a>	5
11&12	<b>Pub With No Beer</b> 20 & 40km both days	Peter Kelly 0448143682 <a href="mailto:carolyn.kelly@activ8.net.au">carolyn.kelly@activ8.net.au</a>	6
11&12	<b>Zone One Trainers</b> 20 & 40km both days	Ian Dreghorn 0427456436 <a href="mailto:ian.dreghorn@gmail.com">ian.dreghorn@gmail.com</a>	1
18-19	<b>Neville</b> 20 & 40km Saturday & 20/40 & 80km Sunday \$35/\$60/\$95	Helen Lindsay 63429289 <a href="mailto:kintamianarabs@bigpond.com">kintamianarabs@bigpond.com</a>	4

## April 2017

1	<b>Ride for Pegasus</b> 10km \$55	Roz Edmunds 0403150476 <a href="mailto:redmunds@netspace.net.au">redmunds@netspace.net.au</a>	4
9	<b>Homewood Memorial Ride</b> 20/40&80KM	Sonya Ruprecht 0409539523 <a href="mailto:dsruprecht@westnet.com.au">dsruprecht@westnet.com.au</a>	6
14,15-16	<b>Tooraweenah</b> 7/20/40&80KM each day for 3 days \$20/\$30/\$50/\$90 also	Sonia Bonham 68485345 <a href="mailto:gavinandsonia@bigpond.com">gavinandsonia@bigpond.com</a>	2
30	<b>Gundagai</b> 80/40km \$110/\$60	Rick Owen 69441628	4
29&30	<b>Q60</b> 100-80/40&20km Sunday & 40/20/10km Saturday	Ian Dreghorn 0427456436 <a href="mailto:ian.dreghorn@gmail.com">ian.dreghorn@gmail.com</a>	4

## May 2017

13-14	<b>Mudgee Endurance Ride</b> 10&20km(Saturday) 40&80km & 120km (Sunday) \$20/\$30/\$60/\$100 (J\$80)/\$130(J\$110)	Gail Fisher 63733932 <a href="mailto:kailanarabians@yahoo.com.au">kailanarabians@yahoo.com.au</a>	2
13-14	<b>Table Top Endurance Ride</b> 120km/80km AERA & 120**/80*FEI	Amanda Kettlewell 0428849720 <a href="mailto:aejkettlewell@bigpond.com">aejkettlewell@bigpond.com</a>	4
27-28	<b>Wingello Forest Ride</b> 5/10&20km Saturday and 20/ 40-60/80km Sunday \$55/\$75&\$120(J\$90)	Bec Hogan 0412600173 <a href="mailto:bec Hogan@newmoonstud.com.au">bec Hogan@newmoonstud.com.au</a>	5

## June 2017

10&11	<b>Windeyer</b> 160/80/40km	Wendy Jones 63738116 <a href="mailto:sjones@barnados.org.au">sjones@barnados.org.au</a>	2
24 & 25	<b>Wandandian Endurance Ride</b> Saturday 20&5km Sunday 80/50km \$45/\$15 & \$110/\$60	Clare Feary 041334270 <a href="mailto:fearyclare@gmail.com">fearyclare@gmail.com</a>	5



## July 2017

7-10	<b>Tom Quilty South Australia (Wirrina Cove)</b>		SAERA
15&16	<b>Bago Bush Ride</b> 20km Saturday & 40-60/80-100km Sunday	Sean Pollard 0439905942 <a href="mailto:seanpollard@y7mail.com">seanpollard@y7mail.com</a>	6
22&23	<b>Currowan 10/20/40/80km \$25/\$35/\$60&amp;\$120</b>	Jenny Shepheard 0407781089 <a href="mailto:currowan@hotmail.com">currowan@hotmail.com</a>	5

## August 2017

5-6	<b>Kiwarra Gold Cup</b> 10/20&40km Saturday & 20/40/80 Sunday	Steve Broadbent 0422372048 <a href="mailto:steven@yoursacredpath.com">steven@yoursacredpath.com</a>	6
21-25	<b>Shahzada</b> 400/120km	Sue Todd 63797218 <a href="mailto:suetodd@activ8.net.au">suetodd@activ8.net.au</a>	1

## September 2017

2-3	<b>National Capital Brookvale 13/22/30/52 &amp;80KM</b>	Gertraud Norton 62271378 0427617114 <a href="mailto:gertraudnorton@bigpond.com">gertraudnorton@bigpond.com</a>	4
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## October 2017

30Sept & 1-2 Oct.	<b>NSW State Championships (Woodstock)</b> 160/80km	Helen Lindsay 63429289 <a href="mailto:kintamianarabs@bigpond.com">kintamianarabs@bigpond.com</a>	4
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**Zone 1**—N/W Sydney & Environs  
**Zone 2**—Central West  
**Zone 3**—Riverina

**Zone 4**—Snowy  
**Zone 5**—South Coast  
**Zone 6**—Mid North Coast

### The 13 Month Rule

Please remember that if your horse does not successfully complete an endurance ride for 13 months, its 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**

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These changes have resulted in an extensive approval process and significant statutory fees. The proposed new course requires over 20 land owners' approvals, approval from the NSW Police, approval from Hawkesbury Council (two separate approvals, both Traffic and Reserves) approval from National Parks and a Licence from Crown Lands.

A breakdown of ride costs for last year was presented in the post-ride report in the NSWERA Newsletter.

Without riders accepting an increase in ride fees Zone One rides are unsustainable. Ride entry fees don't cover the costs of running a ride.

To mitigate some of the cost issues we have been proactively seeking alternate funding sources. To date we have been successful in receiving Community Building Partnership Grant for the fit-out of the trailer we replaced last year. It is anticipated that we will resolve to enter into the funding deed at our meeting on 15 February. Whilst this grant assists with our behind the scenes costs, it does not provide seed funding for a ride.

To assist with the cost of vets at our training ride weekend we have a grant application pending with NSW Sport and Recreation.

As mentioned above, to address the issue of tar roads we have reworked the track. This requires a licence from Crown Lands and a permit to cross a Council reserve. These two items alone cost \$432.00. Beyond this we still have national park fees who charge both an application fee and a fee per rider that enters the National Park.

National Parks are very concerned about the use of new tracks and their liability and responsibility for the use of existing tracks. We have created a new second leg which utilises some portions of old Quilty tracks. Despite initial negative feedback from National Parks, a very cordial meeting and numerous discussions and reports have managed to resolve most issues and we are on track for this approval. This was greatly assisted by the work that Fiona and Charlie have been doing with National Parks.

It is important that the ride is supported by riders; if not the ride will cease. With many pressures on land management authorities, it is doubtful that the ride would ever be allowed to be held again.

On to other things.

Zone One distance award winners for 2016 were:

**Heavyweight distance rider:**

A tie with John Howe/Ashbend Perazzi and Ian Dreghorn/Ausden Nile Prins

**Middleweight distance rider:**

Gavin Peacock/Chop Chop

**Lightweight distance rider:**

Sue Todd/Shalacey Bear

**Junior distance rider:**

Gabrielle Worth/Douglas

**Intermediate distance rider:**

Victoria Bice with 160kms

All winners were presented with beautiful framed photos of themselves and their horses. Generously donated by Jo Arblaster from Animal Focus Photography.

Our committee is full of enthusiasm and drive to make 2017 the year of membership recruitment, promotion of our wonderful sport and the running of our two events.

We have implemented a membership system that will provide numerous discounts from various retailers.

Technology has come to our zone with Geraldine Stuart our Social Media officer implementing "TRY BOOKING" for ride entry and membership sign up as well as Facebook.

Marita Rifai, our Vice President produces a very informative and interesting newsletter every month, which is on Facebook, and our webpage keeping our members informed and interested.

We encourage all riders to join up and be part of our zone – be included in both our Awards Program and get some great discounts on products and services from our generous sponsors.

We aim to provide rides for all levels of competitiveness and enjoyment ranging from the youngster being led by Mum or Dad in the 5klm to the rider aiming to complete the zone championship.

**Karin Santoso, Zone One Delegate**

Mark Broadbent said that as a new member to the Zone One committee, and its' current treasurer, he was very surprised at the amount of fees involved with running a ride. He asked if an application from the NSW ERA may have a higher chance of getting funding. Specifically the problems for Zone One were the high fees involved and the money for the vets. This could be the tipping point in continuing to run rides.

Fiona said that the fees to be paid to National Parks are a means of raising money for the NP. She says that National Parks has no money of its own. We do not know what NP uses the money for. It has a budget and it would not be accounting to individual members.

**AERA Reports**

**AERA and the Hendra Situation 2016 – Simon Bain - previously published in the AGM booklet**

**Comments from the AGM.** Kerry added to the above report. Talea, Kerry and Simon were the delegates for 2016. Kerry said she would be happy to let the meeting know how NSW delegates voted on various matters. If there are matters that this meeting would like taken to the AERA, she would like to come up with a list of dot points. She asked the members to try and keep this short.

Simon then took over to discuss the Hendra situation in Queensland. There are vet problems in

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Queensland. A large percentage of rides in QERA will not be able to get vets to attend at unvaccinated rides. Many vet hospitals in the area will not accept horses that are not vaccinated.

Turning to the SA Quilty – there was a vote concerning compulsory vaccination which NSW voted against. Vet practices in SA will not treat unvaccinated horses. Simon said he is in favour of vaccination, his horses are vaccinated.

There was a brief discussion on the side effects of vaccinations. Also discussed was the court cases in Queensland. The case against one vet was dismissed. A warning was issued.

Discussing quarantine for the SA Quilty – there will be spot checks – criteria will be out shortly

Annette Bailey asked that the NSW ERA delegates be instructed by this AGM that they go back to AERA and have the \$3 levy removed and the affiliation fees revert back to the fees that existed pre 2016.

John explained again about the \$3 levy. It was supposed to be temporary. Instead of removing the levy AERA increased it. Kerry said NSW voted against the increase. Discussed it with the committee and NSW delegates got out voted.

In 2015 \$1, in 2016 \$2 now it's gone up to \$3. Kerry said they as delegates cannot be instructed to achieve something at the AERA meeting. They can take various matters to a meeting and debate them as instructed but ultimately a vote will be taken. Question was asked as to why the other States just go along with these increases. The AERA AGM is in March. AERA would have money in the bank.

John Howe commented on the payment of honorariums to the AERA committee. NSW SMC members get nothing. No fuel to attend this meeting. No honorariums. NSW committee members are paying for themselves. This is hard to take. Kerry said AERA honorarium payments have been going up year upon year. They are paying, insurance person, secretary, treasurer, - automatic increasing fees by the CPI. At the last meeting the Secretary's honorarium was reduced, \$680 a month is the current figure.

Jacque Wright queried the payment of a bookkeeper and a treasurer. It was pointed out that NSW pays for a bookkeeper but John does not receive any payment as the treasurer. There are no honorariums paid in NSW. Our bookkeeper this year only charged us \$700.

Gertraud commented on the problems with AERAspace. Has there been any attempt to improve it? We cannot mine the data. Back where we were 10 years ago. Constant updates but they don't seem to improve anything. Kerry said NSW delegates continually raise these matters with AERA where the committee say, it's not the function of AERAspace, to mine data.

Andrew Bailey raised the matter of boggy tracks at a Victorian Quilty. What is the AERA doing about

ensuring that this doesn't happen again? The AERA committee seem to be concentrating on overseas matters rather than concentrating on what is happening in our own country. They need to get your own matters under control before you meddle in overseas matters.

At the AERA table we don't seem to have any control. We are seen as having self vested interest.

Andrew said we are up against a voting block with the AERA about which the members of NSW have no control. Kerry feels that with the new Constitution it will be a fairer more equitable way of voting. There is no point in having the only members of the AERA as the people sitting around the table at their meetings.

With the last Quilty – there was a half day meeting to discuss what happened at that ride. There were things done over that weekend to change that course. The Victorian Quilty problems will be a hot topic at the SA Quilty. Hopeful we will not get those problems happening again. With the Victorian Quilty discussion – did it come up that the track marker was riding on the course and was uncontactable! This was at the time he was needed, pretty poor performance. Why was the course designer riding on the course. The AERA president was there and she couldn't get in contact with anyone. At a national event that is bad.

Fia Hasko-Stewart enquired about the AERA finances. It's been some years since the AERAspace was put into place. Why are we still paying for it? John replied that originally the \$75.00 lifetime horse registration fee was to pay for AERAspace, the moment AERAspace got up, the fee was to be dropped, However, AERAspace got up and the fee was retained to pay for maintenance and upgrades.

Fiona Meller said that she works in databases – she asked if it would be possible to make the data available to people who could make changes to the back end of the database. Steve Swan has said that mining data was a very low priority.

Sue Todd said she cannot get Shahzada listed on the 2017 ride calendar. There are no rides currently listed on the AERA space for NSW. This needs to be rectified.

If Fiona can get an export from AERAspace she could do a database and extract for data. Proposer to get in touch with Kerry about this and explain exactly what they want.

#### **AERA 2016 Report to NSWERA AGM - previously published in the AGM booklet**

Alam called for two scrutineers where it was agreed that they would be Dianne Cameron and Neil Seagrim.

#### **Honorary Members Reappointment of honorary members and consideration of new nominations.**

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The following people are up for confirmation as continuing Honorary Members.

- Ron and Val Males.
- Lyn and Adrian Bailey.
- Jeff and Gay Bonham.
- Searle Johnstone.
- Kieron Power.

**Moved THAT** Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley Ron and Val Males, Lyn and Adrian Bailey, Searle Johnstone, Jeff and Gay Bonham, Kieron Power be confirmed as honorary members of the NSW ERA

**Carried** Unanimous

#### **New nomination for life membership for consideration.**

**Nominee for Life Membership:** Kerry Spratt  
**Nominated by:** Raymond Griffiths M'ship No. 22455  
**Seconded by:** Darryl King M'ship No. 22151

At this time Kerry Spratt left the room at 3:10PM after declaring a conflict of interest.

John Howe spoke for the nomination. When we talk about the people we should honour – we should look at the people who have worked hard and contributed to our sport. Kerry has put heart and soul into this sport over the past 20 years. She doesn't get honorariums. She works hard for the love of the sport.

Kerry returned to the meeting at 3:15.

The voting papers were collected by the scrutineers for counting.

The results of this motion and the motions that follow were declared at the presentation later in the evening. The vote was for the motion was as follows: For 97 with 27 against. The nomination was therefore accepted and Kerry Spratt will be added to the list of members in this category.

#### **Election of SMC**

The chairman noted at this point that there will be no election as Mark Norton has withdrawn his nomination for the SMC. A complete list of the nominees follows. No further comments were made on behalf of the nominees and they were duly elevated to become part of the committee for 2016.

#### **Nominations for committee**

The chairman noted that the following nominations for committee have been received. He pointed out that Mark Norton withdrew his nomination before the start of the meeting. Therefore there is no need for an election and the following members are now elevated to the NSW State Management Committee.

**ALAMDAR DASTANI** M'ship No. 103060  
**JO DAVIS** M'ship No. 23585  
**ADELINE GIBSON** M'ship No. 22483  
**MARK NORTON:** M'Ship No. 110448  
**TONY WARREN** M'ship No. 23051

**JACQUE WRIGHT** M'ship No. 108554

#### **Notices of Special Resolution pertaining to the Constitution**

There were a total of seven notices of special resolution put forward all pertaining to changing the Constitution. **Please refer to your AGM booklet for details of these motions.**

#### **Notices of Special Resolution**

**The following motions propose constitutional changes to the NSW ERA Constitution 2004, clause 28(2).**

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 1—Moved b Gertraud Norton and seconded by Mark Norton.**

This motion related to the changing of the wording from 'training rides' etc to 'intermediate rides' etc.

Gertraud spoke for the motions as a whole and she elaborated on her comments above and below. At this point the Chairman pointed out that the motions regarding constitutional change would be done one by one, and voted on that way.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

This motion was duly passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

The chairman then moved on to the next motion.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 2—Moved b Gertraud Norton and seconded by Steven Roberts.**

NOTE: This motion related to postal and electronic voting. This motion was not passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

See comments above as Gertraud spoke on behalf of all these motions together.

Kerry spoke against the motion. She went on to explain that if we don't vote for this motion we will revert to the Model Constitution which contains useful information on how to conduct postal and electronic voting. We should think more carefully on how postal and electronic voting would work. She said she feels that we should not include Special Resolutions relating to disciplinary appeals in this. Gertraud says her proposal doesn't include disciplinary appeals because these don't require special resolutions. Kerry checked this and apologised to Gertraud for her error: Disciplinary appeals do not require special resolutions.

Neil gave his explanation of how postal voting worked. We could be looking at an 8 week turnaround. By the time we get the results back we are looking at April or May. He thought future motions would be discussed at an AGM and then the comments would be minuted and then posted out to the members for their consideration.

Discussion followed on what constitutes a quorum and also the wording '*general meeting*' in Gertraud's motion followed.

The chairman asked those present to cast their

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votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the next motion.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 3—Moved b Gertraud Norton and seconded by Steven Roberts.**

**NOTE:** This motion related to the use of proxy voting at an AGM. This motion was not passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

Gertraud said she feels that the proxy voting system was used incorrectly. It was used to block vote and to keep certain people out of contributing to the SMC. Therefore she thinks – last year after the election when looking at the proxies that there was forging of signatures, some forms were handed in late so she feels that the current system is being and was misused. The proxy system is being abused. After talking with various riders at rides, they said they had given their proxies during the year, when they didn't know what they would be used to vote for. We need to reduce the importance of the proxies.

Tony Warren spoke against the motion. He said he has more than five friends and they talk about this type of stuff. He votes on an individual basis, he does not block vote. He also doesn't like Gertraud stating that some of the proxies were illegal. Tony reminded Gertraud that she was the secretary at the time, it was her job to sort out any problems or mistakes, it her responsibility to ensure that everything was done correctly.

Gertraud mentioned that she had received the proxies from Sonya and she notified the SMC of what she felt were inconsistencies. She said no action was taken.

John Howe spoke against the motion. If we change the proxy system we will see a lot of members disenfranchised because they cannot attend. He said he finds the branch stacking statement offensive.

Kerry said she has never sought a proxy but she has people approaching her with their instructions on how they want her to vote. All proxies have come to Kerry directly this year and all memberships have been checked.

Steve Roberts spoke in favour of the motions as a whole. Proxy system is open to abuse whether perceived or not.

Andrew Jonkers spoke against the motion and he recalls sitting in a room with 800 or 900 members at an AGM. Very interesting discussions took place. We all had our say. It goes back to getting people into the room and brings interest in our sport and this will keep our members. If we bring in postal voting, we will sit at home and not make the effort to come to a meeting.

Tony Warren spoke against the motion. Even if we had proof that there was a problem with the proxies – and we don't – there were mistakes which were rectified - we tighten up the system. There is no need to change the system.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the next motion.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 4—Moved b Gertraud Norton and seconded by Steven Roberts .**

**NOTE:** This motion related to the amount of time a member could be part of the SMC. This motion was not passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

Gertraud spoke for the motion. She asked who on the current committee has put forward new initiatives over the past two years.

Belinda said there have been barely enough people to get onto the SMC. At times there has not been the need for a vote. As it is this time.

Robin Gossip said that as a manager you have to value corporate knowledge. What would we do without Kerry Spratt, for instance.

Alam said he has been on the committee for two years. You need the older wiser people and the new ones. You need both.

Peter Kelly said he feels this resolution is asking for more of a revolving door. New people new ideas but we already have a revolving door. We have had 7 presidents in the last 15 years. You need stability and you need experience otherwise you are constantly reinventing the wheel. What happens if the people who have knowledge aren't there anymore. Take Talea – when she is in her early 30's, has had her three terms on the SMC, been away for a number of years, wanted to return to the committee with increased life skills, she, with a lot to offer, would be prohibited from joining the committee again. Peter said he has only been on the SMC for one year. The members who have been there for a while give advice to the new people. If you had a bunch of people on the committee who are all new, where would we be. We need young people, old people with the experience to run the sport. 60% of the members are possibly not interested in having anything to do with the SMC. There is really not a large pool of people willing to be on the SMC. Not a large pool to draw from. It is a huge commitment. We should be offering these people thanks rather than a kick.

To say, older members are responsible for the decline in the sport is not right and its insulting.

Jacque Wright said there is scare mongering being tossed around. If people are coming up to their 10 years, they should look for people who would step up onto the committee. There are other ways to obtain knowledge that older SMC members have. Tom McCormack is not on a committee but he is only a phone call away. The more we can have people coming from the table is an opportunity for people with knowledge to pass this on to others.

Roy Barsby said he has spent time on QERA and NSW ERA committee where we are lacking is the

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appreciation to people who serve on the committee. He feels let down by the Association and at the end of his term, whether he resigned or was voted out, there is very little appreciation given for effort put in.

A token of appreciation should be sent to those members who have served.

Steve Roberts spoke for the motion and made mention of corporate memory. He spoke about people who are contributing but don't need to be on the SMC. They don't need to be on the committee. Yes, we value people with corporate memory but there is always a risk associated with keeping them on the SMC.

John Howe gave an impassioned speech against this motion. Once it is registered with Fair Trading then it takes effect. Tony said we have five out of the 10 up for election every year. If the members do not like the SMC members, vote them out next time they have the opportunity every year to do this.

The chairman called an end to further discussion and asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the next motion.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 5—Moved by Greg Moore and seconded by John Howe.**

**NOTE:** This motion related to classes of membership. This motion was duly passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

There was no discussion on this motion. It is self-explanatory.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the next motion.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 6—Moved by Greg Moore and seconded by John Howe.**

**NOTE:** This motion related to wording of classes of membership. This motion was duly passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

This motion was purely housekeeping.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the next motion.

**NOTICE OF MOTION – No. 7- Moved by Greg Moore and seconded by John Howe.**

**NOTE:** This motion related to removal of life members. This motion was duly passed. Please go to the end of this report for full details.

A brief explanation of this motion was provided.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

The papers were then collected up and handed to the scrutineers for counting.

**Notices of Motion up for discussion**

**Motion No. 1 – Pilot introduction of competitive, non-time limited rides.**

**Proposed by Roz Edmunds and seconded by Mark Norton.**

**NOTE:** This motion related to a proposed pilot program relating to 40k rides. Please refer to your AGM booklet for full details of the proposal.

Roz spoke for the motion and added a little to the thoughts listed above.

Andrew Jonkers spoke against the motion. Made mention of the RSPCA involvement in our sport. With the current wording of the proposal shown above, by the rules set out above, this would be breaking our current rules.

Fiona – have novice rules been factored into the proposal? Discussion on novice horses and novice riders followed. It could be the only event in endurance where novices can exceed novice pace. Novice riders in the 80k event would be restricted in their speed but those in the 40 x 40 event, could travel at any speed.

Sue Warren spoke against the motion. Made mention of the problems with fresh horses on the track with 80k horses who would be tempted to want to follow those fresh horses. Andrew Bailey spoke against the motion. Tony Warren spoke against the motion as well. We would be proposing to allow novice horses to travel at increased speeds. Gertraud Norton said she finds the discussion on horse welfare to be rather strange. There are 80k horses with relatively little experience that can travel at speed.

At 4:14PM the paperwork relating to the motions shown above were collected and given to the scrutineers for counting.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the next motion.

**Motion No. 2 – Contribution to Riding for the Disabled (RDA).**

**Proposed by Mark Norton and seconded by Jo Bailey.**

**NOTE:** This motion related to the proposal to contribute an amount of money to the RDA. Please refer to your AGM booklet for full details

Mark Norton spoke for this motion. It was originally put up by Jo Bailey but at that time, he thinks we were to take the affiliation fees for this ride but nothing has happened in this regard. Since about 2014 he has been involved in the Pegasus event and it is run for charity. They make a lot of money from that event. Mark said that he would like to comment on the remark that this Association is '*not being a benevolent association*', but we should also not be taking money from disabled children. Mark went on to mention the matter of the money in the bank. He said that in the ACT lots of people come

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to help and get involved with the Pegasus ride. This is a very positive thing.

Tony spoke against the motion. You are asking for ride affiliation fees. Five more ROs could decide to run similar rides, what happens then. We still have to pay AERA but we would have no affiliation fees to draw from.

John gave his view of what happens with the Pegasus ride. That \$5 paid is purely for insurance purposes. There are no ride fees coming to NSW ERA in this case.

The chairman asked those present to cast their votes on the papers provided.

He then moved on to the discussion items.

## **Discussion Items on Notice**

### **1. Early Warning System.**

Your committee would like your views on these issues:

Should the early warning system (EWS) be expanded to give points to riders and horses entered in intermediate (training) rides?

The Committee is seeing examples of riders and horses in intermediate distance rides having repeat vet outs. We are concerned about the welfare of these horses and the level of knowledge of the riders. Unfortunately, there is no easy way to keep track of these riders and horses and there is little or no consequence to the repeat vet outs. If we had an effective way of recording the details, we could monitor the horses' performance and attempt to mentor the riders.

Currently, the rules (Rule 60.1) allow for points for horses in intermediate rides, but this has never actually happened because AERASpace isn't configured to record these points. Should this rule be properly applied as it is?

Rule 40.1 currently means that points do not apply to riders in intermediate rides. Should this rule be changed to include these riders?

There would need to be a way for points to be reinstated. Anniversary points and points for successful completions could apply for horses and riders, like the current EWS applied to other rides.

The meeting was asked to vote on this by a show of hands, including using their assigned proxies. The majority voted for the idea. There were no obvious members voting against this idea.

### **2. Changes to the wording on Tom Quilty completion buckles**

Should the Tom Quilty completion buckles be changed from '100 miles in one day' to '160km in one day'?

This question has come up at the AERA table.

A show of hands was asked for, with members using their assigned proxies. Kerry did a head count – 22 voted for the change in the wording on the buckle. The majority of the meeting was

against the change.

124 votes in the room. 108 said no to the change.

### **3. Change of Name**

**Question:** Should the name of our sport be changed from endurance riding to marathon riding?

This suggestion has been made by a member to the AERA.

There was no discussion on this item and a show of hands was called for. Those in the room unanimously voted against this idea.

### **4. NSWERA Independent Disciplinary Panel**

As you probably know, we have an Independent Disciplinary Panel which investigates reports about potential rule breaches and/or inappropriate behaviour by members. Fortunately it isn't needed often and guidance documents are available to help with the process. A list of people willing to help our sport in this way is needed, from which a panel is randomly selected for each issue. The Committee is asking for some people to agree to be on the list please

Those in the room were asked to put their hands up if they were interested in being available for any future Independent Disciplinary Panels. The following people indicated they would be happy to be on the list for future IDP discussions.

Fia Hasko-Stewart  
Steve Roberts  
Simon Bain  
Colleen Clancy  
Ian Curtis  
Mark Norton  
Karen Rhodes  
Marissa Levitt  
Brad Dillon

### **Hendra Risk Management**

A number of years ago the NSW membership voted against holding Hendra vaccinated only rides in this state. Given the changing nature of the situation it is considered very possible, particularly in northern NSW, that ride organisers may face a situation where they need to run a vaccinated only ride in order to get vets to officiate at the ride. The Committee would like to know whether the membership will give in principle support to the running of a vaccinated only ride if those particular circumstances arise in the future.

Simon spoke about the situation in Northern NSW. What the SMC are looking for is whether or not the members would agree to running a vaccinated only ride if the situation arose?

Neil feels we don't have enough vaccinated horses in NSW to make the ride viable.

Kerry said the question gets back to whether or not this meeting would be happy to allow a ride to run with only Hendra vaccinated horses if a Ride Organiser makes that request.

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Question as to whether the vets should take precautions to cover themselves. Is there inoculation for humans available. No. Simon said vets would rather not take the risk. They want horses vaccinated.

Neil – what if we said that people in the Hendra Zone would be obliged to have their horses vaccinated. Could some thought be given to compensation? Vaccinate in the Hendra Zones.

Steve Roberts – it is up to the ride organiser's committee. The SMC decision was been given at the last AGM when members decided no - to vaccinated only rides.

Because of a previous motion at an earlier AGM the SMC cannot approve Hendra only rides unless this meeting agrees to it. Could there be consideration of a subsidy if the particular ride runs at a loss.

Tom McCormack said what the SMC are seeking today is the right for the SMC to agree to a Hendra vaccinated only ride.

Ian Curtis commented on Hendra only rides. One matter concerned points. How do you reconcile the fact that one group of riders will have more events to go to than others? Everyone pays the same membership they should be able to attend the same number of rides.

Mark Broadbent said he lived on a horse property in Qld for a number of years. We had horses on properties where vets would not attend unless all horses on the property were vaccinated. The humans involved in treating the horses initially, did not take any precautions. We did eventually find a vet who would attend and make a check of the horse and decide whether to treat it or not. Mark also discussed the tying up of horses on a regular basis – are there links to performance horses? He said there was a lot of pressure from vets in Queensland to vaccinate.

It was noted at this time that this discussion is not supposed to be about the rights and wrongs of vaccination. It is about allowing vaccination only rides to run. If an RO comes to the SMC and asks to run a vaccinated only ride, would the members at this meeting be happy to allow the SMC to agree to a Hendra only vaccinated ride? That is the question under discussion. Kerry explained that this was discussed at a previous AGM with that meeting saying no, to vaccinated only rides. We can only change this decision at an AGM, if the meeting agrees.

Annette Bailey says this is also playing into the hands of the economy of vets. She says she does not wish to be derogatory but vets are pushing vaccination.

Simon Bain said that in the past, the SMC was asked if they could run a Hendra vaccination only ride. In that particular case the RO moved that ride across the road into NSW and the ride ran without mandatory vaccination.

Talea – said she would like to see how Hendra

vaccination only rides affect NSW.

Peter Kelly said they have not had a problem in Zone 6 but he did have a vet who would not vet at a ride last year but someone else in his practice agreed to vet.

The meeting was asked for a show of hands on allowing the running of Hendra vaccination only rides where a ride organizer requests approval to do so. 36 voted yes. Remainder of those present at the meeting were against allowing this to happen.

### **Results of Motions discussed previously at this meeting.**

Results of the motions put forward earlier in the meeting are as follows:

No.	Yes	No
1.	117	7
2.	36	79
3.	32	93
4.	31	93
5.	104	19
6.	102	20
7.	107	12
8.	26	99
9.	38	88

### **Clause 27 – New nomination for life membership—Kerry Spratt.**

The voting on this motion was 97 for the motion and 27 against. Therefore the motion was passed and Kerry Spratt becomes an honorary (life) member of the Association.

### **General Business**

#### **2017 State Ride**

Annette Bailey advised her club will be holding the 2017 State ride at Woodstock. A 160 klm event with a 80 klm as well. Karen Rhodes is the course designer in conjunction with Andrew. John Howe assisted by Chris Cheney will be Chief Steward. We look forward to seeing you at the State Ride. Neville ride will be held at the Bumbaldry showground. Good underfoot and all are welcome.

#### **Disposal of voting slips**

Kerry referred to the voting slips collected at the meeting. She noted that normally we vote to destroy them but in this instance, as it has been suggested that we keep them for some time, they will be put into two boxes, sealed with tape and initialled across the tape. These boxes will be taken to the next SMC meeting and if there are no queries with the results, Kerry will take the boxes to the shredder where she works and the voting slips shall go through the shredder there. No objections were raised to this proposal.

The chairman thanked the members of the committee for their contribution to this meeting. He also thanked the members who attended.

#### **Table Top ride**

Amanda Kettlewell gave an explanation of why

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they were running their FEI ride on the same date as Mudgee. It is unfortunate but they need that date. She gave thanks to the riders and her sponsors. If anyone wants to have a chat about the ride, please come and see her. It was noted that the rides are over 700k apart.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 5:28PM.



**Riders at the Tumut training weekend.** Stuart and Anne Lymbery, Kellie Tinworth and Noni Seagrim. Thanks to Kris Daley Photography for the Tumut photos. Kris can be found on Facebook.





## Meeting Summary NSWERA Committee meeting held on 9 December 2016.

**Present:** John Howe (Chair), Peter Bice, Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley, Simon Bain

**Apologies:** Sonya Ruprecht, Greg Moore, Emily Streckfuss, Alam Dastani, Peter Kelly, Talea Hasko-Stewart, Adeline Gibson, Tony Warren. **In attendance:** Helen Rich.

**MOVED** Simon Bain, Peter Bice  
**THAT** John Howe is elected chairman for this meeting. **Carried** Unanimous

**Conflicts of Interest:** None declared at this time.

**Business arising from last meeting (action log review) Updates in bold**

### Older Action items 2016

17 /6/17 meeting: Horse health declarations and day members: AERA was strongly against HDD checks not being required from day members. We will encourage ROs to deal with this matter: pre advertising of rides ect.

**Resolved** that from 1 January 2017 all horses attending any event in NSW must have a HDD. Belinda to notify all Chief Stewards of this requirement.

9/09/2016 Meeting: Simon had approached NSW Vet Panel members concerning their opinions re rest order periods following metabolic vet outs. At TQ 16 he attended a meeting of the National Vet Panel and asked the same question. The NVP subsequently wrote to AERA saying they would come up with recommendations re this. At this point in time recommendations have not been received from either panel. **Ongoing.**

Zone One delegate will be selected at the Zone One AGM in January.

### Standing Items

#### 2017 AGM (11 February 2017).

Lachlan Endurance Riders Club has organised a band, cost of around \$1500 plus accommodation. Discussion concerning the cost and request for accommodation to be paid. Previous AGM entertainment has been much cheaper.

**Resolved** John will advise Linda Jonkers that the cost is too expensive and get back to the SMC with the result of this conversation.

AERA Rider 10 000 km awards. 14 people are definitely eligible and may be another 22 people. AERA has requested that the Divisions present these awards at their AGMs.

**Resolved** that Kerry can obtain frames for around \$8 each. Eligible members need submit the form to the AERA (Jo Bailey). Kerry, John and Belinda to follow up with a list Kerry has from Jo Bailey.

Discussion on the work involved with preparation of the AGM booklet: As newsletters are not sent to all

members, this booklet must be posted to all members. Helen offered to prepare and collate the booklet if this helped.

**MOVED** Kerry Spratt, Simon Bain  
**THAT** Helen Rich prepare the AGM booklet for 2016 for an agreed amount of \$250.

**Carried** Unanimous

**State Champs 2017:** Lachlan Endurance Riders Club was the only group that nominated to hold this event.

**MOVED** Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley  
**THAT** we accept the proposal from Lachlan Endurance Riders to hold the NSW State Ride in 2017

**Carried** Unanimous

Kerry to send a formal letter and John to ring Linda Jonkers advising her of this.

### Ratification of decisions made between meetings

Annual Pointscore trophies: Sonya provided a quote from the usual supplier for three different sized horse head trophies. Discussion regarding trophies and the associated cost. Agreed to retain the usual horse heads for first place. The smaller horse heads quoted were thought too expensive and very similar in size, possibly taking away from the first place trophies. Considered plaques, priced from \$17 each. The supplier's website was checked, and suitable plaques identified.

**Resolved** to retain the usual Arabian head for first place and purchase plaques for second and third.

**MOVED** Peter Bice, Belinda Hopley  
**THAT** NSW ERA award second and third place plaques from Realities Coldclast Bronze P01 for third place P02 for second place for NSW annual point score awards.

**Carried** Unanimous

**Tyremax Sponsorship update:** advised a meeting was held with Tyremax representatives and this is progressing.

### AERA meeting

Kerry will email her file with the notes on the AERA meeting to the SMC members.

Simon gave the initial report, concerning mainly bio security. 75% of horses competing in Queensland were vaccinated. Peter Bice said there seems to be a lot of people vaccinating of their own free will. Seems to be two types of people: those who accept vaccination and those who don't accept vaccination on principal.

Simon said that all horses coming from Hendra areas need to be vaccinated for the 2017 Quilty. This issue created considerable discussion and dispute at the AERA meeting.

Discussed changing the name from 'endurance' to 'marathon' and whether to change the Quilty



buckles from 100 miles to 160km. Agreement that both these ideas need to go to the Division AGMs. The general consensus around the table seems to be that the members wish the wording to remain as it was. **AGM agenda items.**

Query as to who put the notice on the Snowy Zone Facebook page about these issues, which was partially inaccurate.

AERASpace early warning points records are updated on a Wednesday.

Victoria is trying to phase out short distance rides. Since NSW is trying to encourage them, this could be an opportunity for NSW to promote short distance rides towards the Victorian border.

Reminder that suspensions and rest orders are to be put into AERASpace promptly. After Scenic City there were four rest orders. This information is sent to Sonya by Belinda. Pat Hodgetts needs to receive them also.

AERA paid \$113,000 in insurance last year.

Agreed that from next year onwards, all meetings for AERA will be combined and then paid by the States on pro rate basis. States will cost over \$300 extra per meeting. Do the States have any say on where the meetings are held? The current arrangement (Melbourne) is relatively inexpensive so should remain.

The honorariums were discussed. The secretary received around \$688 per month plus CPI and was due for an increase. The case was put and won, for a decrease.

Vet fees have gone up again.

Simon commented on the State teams. At the November AERA meeting it was agreed that at future Quilties there would be a separate team event limited to State teams only.

We do not have to put TPRs up to the AERA. We just put them on our own list.

Lots of discussion on the 2016 Quilty and arrangements to prevent recurrence of issues.

NSW EWS motion didn't get voted on. More work needed.

#### **Secretariat Report & Ride Calendar (Sonya Ruprecht, John Howe)**

**Tumut** training ride. February 2017 but not sure of the date at this time. **Approved** subject to receiving actual date.

**Woodstock State Ride 2017.** Possibly 30 September, 1 and 2 October 2017. **Approved.**

**Wandandian** sometime in July. The form has been submitted, but John doesn't have it from Sonya. Could be 15 and 16 July. Noted Belinda doesn't have a ride report from 2016 Wandandian.

**Approved**

No new members.

#### **General and New Business**

Motion regarding life members was discussed at

last year's AGM. If this is to be discussed again, the motions need to be remade for this AGM. Originally proposed by Greg Moore and seconded by John Howe. **Resolved** that John and Greg discuss the honorary member clause and provide a motion for the AGM if they wish to proceed.

**Promotions (Adeline):** Ongoing. Adeline can no longer attend meetings but may be able to continue and attend meetings by teleconference. Agreed that the SMC would like Adeline to continue.

#### **Intermediate distance award (Kerry)**

At Windeyer, under the current criteria, selected people were all experienced endurance riders. What we want are new members to be involved, not established endurance riders per se. Kerry said this was discussed at Windeyer where it was agreed that the better thing to do would be to put in another criteria of 'novice combination'. Those who received the award were very happy with the criteria and the award. Other members present were also supportive.

At Burruga, the four people involved were novice riders. At Scenic City the people selected were not all novice riders. While not devaluing long standing members, Kerry believes this is not the idea behind this award. Looking at the ride results, and removing people who were not novice rides, eventually novice riders would have been selected.

Kerry suggested the award be given to a novice rider, with the award is targeted at the rider, not the horse.

Kerry tabled an email from Neil Clarkson who wants to know what were the criteria is for this award. He feels that this award should be given to novice riders only. Endurance riders do not need an incentive to stay in the sport.

General discussion on these rules and the need to tweak them. Noted that the award was a trial for 2016.

**MOVED THAT** Belinda Hopley, Peter Bice NSW SMC continue the Intermediate Distance Awards for 2017 and that rugs be offered to all affiliated Intermediate rides.

**Carried** Unanimous

**MOVED THAT** Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley the Intermediate Distance Award from 1 January 2017 is restricted to novice riders only and the heart rate taken into consideration shall be the final heart rate.

**Carried** Unanimous

Need to publicise the criteria involved. Costs approximately \$60 per rug with the embroidery.

#### **Committee Reports**

**Emily Streckfuss –President, Ride Standards**  
The Chief Stewards workshop was held at Rooty

Hill RSL on 26th and 27th November. A big thank you to Alam and Belinda for organising this event. The weekend was attended by a number of CS from Vic and NSW. It was a really worthwhile exercise and I think we should look at holding them every year or two and making attendance compulsory (eg. once every 3 years) to maintain accreditation. I would also like to run similar continuing education courses for vets. They could possibly be held on the same weekend and also make it an accreditation course for new vets.

Alam and I took part in a teleconference last week with QLD president, representatives from EA and FEI ride organisers. The purpose of the teleconference was to try and better co-ordinate calendars with a particular focus on major events. I think this is a great idea and while I understand that the ride calendar is very complicated to get right and depends a lot on our volunteer RO committees, I think this will be a good step in the right direction to achieve a more cohesive rider friendly calendar at a national level. There was a proposal from EA to set up a meeting around July next year to look at major events for 2018 calendar. I have agreed that NSW will be happy to take part.

Regarding the discussion about the training ride award we have implemented - it is generating a lot of interest on Facebook at the moment which is great. I strongly believe that we need to let the award run on for a little while longer to see how it goes, I do not want it to morph into another encouragement type award without at least being given a fair go. I feel we need to better educate the RO and also the vets on its implementation. The suggestions on Facebook regarding the heart rate parameters being changed to difference between pre-ride and finish are good I think, but may be more difficult for RO to work out.

Adeline has let the executive know she is working under new management and will not be able to get the time off to attend meetings. This is a real shame and she will be a big loss for the committee. She has indicated that she will be happy to keep some of the roles she is currently performing - we will discuss this at the committee but I would be more than happy for her to do this.

The announcement about the TQ17 biosecurity policy has seemed to be generally accepted from NSW point of view. I have not received any feedback apart from what I have seen on Facebook, and most of the feedback there is not even from NSW members.

Some of our members continue to breach our Social Media Policy. There is a letter from Jacque Wright about a post suggesting ride times were slow and vet out numbers high. We have had to remove posts from our page due to negativity from our members. Social media can be a nightmare but I do think we need to be doing something to try and enforce our social media policy. If we have people repeatedly breaching the policy I think we need to start sending letters and threatening IDP action if necessary. I know this has been

discussed before and decided that we have no legal right to stop free speech. But we do have a policy in our rule book that we can at very least threaten people with IDP. Anyway probably worth having another discussion about about this at some point

### **Ride Standards**

**Scenic City** - have heard no negative feedback from ride. New award was well received.

**Windeyer**- has heard no negative feedback. Feedback that members want new award to be for novice only. I have given my thoughts in emails and report.

**Burruga**- Spoken to CS and Jacque Wright. Water on course was good and overall ride went well. Major incident with rider number 78 (please see CS report and witness statements). This will obviously need to be referred to an IDP. I have apologised to Jacque and the Chief Steward on behalf of Association. We may need to also make a public statement apologising for behaviour of our member and assuring people that the matter will be referred to an IDP.

### **Tyremax sponsorship**

The Tyremax sub-committee met with John Dawson and managers from Tyremax on 9th November. We presented a PowerPoint about what endurance is and our proposal. I received confirmation yesterday that they are happy to go ahead with our proposal. I will forward this through to you all. Basically the sponsorship will provide us with 500 bibs branded with Maxxis, the tyre brand that they want to promote. We will have a professional film crew at Wingello ride who will put together two 30 second ads for endurance and also the six how to educational video as we have discussed. This will be complemented by the educational booklet. We will need to get working on the content of the booklet ASAP. This is a really exciting opportunity for us to do some serious advertising for endurance and back it up with much needed educational material. We will also have a heap of professional video footage that we can use for future projects.

### **Kerry Spratt- AERA, Secretary, Public Officer**

Kerry read emails concerning issues experienced at Burruga: Email from a member advising that she and her husband were very happy to receive an award but very upset that there was an item on Facebook criticising this award. Email from Jacque Wright regarding this issue also tabled. People were almost asked to justify their results or award. This post was removed from Enduroz and the Snowy website.

**Resolved** Kerry request the person responsible for the post to apologise for her recent comments on Facebook.

Request from the SA Quilty committee for sponsorship.



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**MOVED THAT** Belinda Hopley, Peter Bice  
NSW ERA sponsor the first place for Heavyweight Division or Middleweight Division at the South Australian Tom Quilty Gold Cup for 2017 for an amount of \$1500.  
**Carried** Unanimous.

**Lyn Taylor** requests reimbursement of her fuel to attend the Chief Stewards meeting cost \$377. Belinda had advised previously (more than once) that fuel would be reimbursed to a total of \$150.

**Resolved** Kerry to write to Lyn Taylor enclosing a cheque for \$150 for reimbursement for her fuel to attend the recent Chief Stewards meeting, noting that this figure was mentioned to Lyn before the meeting.

Email from Equestrian Events: new Website of dates for equestrian events, asking for our ride calendar. Belinda will attend to this, possibly with help from Adeline.

**Burruga** – The Chief Steward has spoken to Emily about this matter. Chief Steward's report was read to the meeting. The issues relates to a rider who behaved badly at the ride and was eventually disqualified. Observers noted that the horse was just left after completing the ride and not strapped. Numerous statements were sent in concerning this matter. Considerable discussion then took place with agreement that this matter needs to be referred to an IDP.

Current IDP members include: Phil Coleman, Deanna Loomes, Roy Barsby, Suzanne Barton, Jeff Bonham, and Stuart Lymbery. An IDP was drawn by ballot. **Resolved** that Simon contact these people and pass on all the necessary paperwork.

Agreement that we will call for volunteers to be on the IDP via the newsletter and at the AGM.

#### **John Howe – Treasurer, Ride Calendar and Zone 2 delegate.**

*I believe that we are yet to receive the ride affiliation fees for Scenic City, and Burruga. The last 2 will not be huge due to small numbers. Please note that on 9th Dec, 2016 the deposit will roll over automatically. On 10th January, I'll check how we are travelling, financially and if we look like being a little short, will take a part of the deposit to bolster our day to day account.*

*Our new Accountant, James Bannatyne is on the job. His handover from Tom is complete. James, however, was injured in a Glider accident, this has slowed down the process somewhat but now all is back on track. James is in the process of preparing our books for the annual audit.*

*I propose to leave the fees for 2017 as they were in 2016.*

*We are down in revenue largely due to the cancellation of three rides that would have brought in a large cash flow. Hopefully, the*

*weather in 2017 will be more clement towards Endurance.*

*Ride Calendar: - Woodstock has been awarded the 2017 NSW State Championship ride, this will be held October Long weekend. Tooraweenah Easter Carnival 80 x 3, 40 x 3 plus other smaller rides.*

*Zone Two: The last ride of the season was held at Windeyer. Numbers were down due to a massive thunderstorm the night prior to the ride. Those who rode had a very enjoyable ride; the track had to be redesigned at the last moment due to flooded creek crossings. The riders took this in their stride and as the weather cleared and was a perfect afternoon and night, the ride was successful.*

*The Zone Two AGM will be held Gulgong Bowling Club at 10.30 am on Saturday 14th January.*

*Zone Two, the best in the west.*

**MOVED THAT** John Howe, Peter Bice  
the treasurer's report is accepted and the accounts be paid.  
**Carried** Unanimous

We need to return the funding agreement to NSW Office of Sport. John signed the agreement and Kerry will submit it and the other paperwork requested.

#### **Alamdar Dastani – Vice President and International INTERNATIONAL :**

*Great progress and we now have an established relation with South African counterparts ( Fauresmith ride organisers and South African International committee) regarding riding at The Fauresmith ride (South African national ride) 200kms over 3 days. I have received an offer from Fauresmith organisers and it has some costs involved and as exchange it will be more like proper lease of the horses, crew etc and the same can be offered by Australian approved horse studs. The effort has been successful to get an official exchange and yet with an aspect to keep of leasing horses on both sides.(Money involved as lot of effort goes in and this way we can make sure we have the best available horses for contention). Please find the email received from South Africa (for committee only at this time).*

#### **AERA MEETING:**

*I attended the AERA meeting when I filled in for Talea, it was an eye opener on many levels. The biggest issue was of the voting for the running of TQ17 in South Australia as the organisers were denied a referral vet hospital unless horses from the Hendra zone were vaccinated and that means the areas of NSW state that have been mentioned under the drawn zone. It was a very tough call because if majority voted NO then there would have been NO TOM QUILTY 2017 and if voted YES then the mentioned areas members need to have their horses vaccinated for Hendra. States*

*other than NSW and QLD had asked for extra time to think thoroughly regarding this topic to vote, NSW decided to abstain, followed by QLD and the majority had voted yes and the TQ17 will be able to acquire referral vet hospital.*

#### RULEBOOK WORKSHOP:

*The chief steward rule book was great, even for the small number of CS's that attended at Novotel Rooty hill. I was bit disappointed as it was not compulsory for the CS's to attend, I do understand we are all volunteers but this was not satisfactory.*

*I was amazed to see how much the new rulebook has changed the dynamics of the rules and are presented with a positive eye opener and was interesting to see how the CS's that attended had their opinion changed positive and have been bestowed with more positive hold to run the ride. I bet there are these CS's who didn't attend thinking they have a grip on their rules knowledge would have been surprised.*

*I soaked in so much knowledge about the rules that weekend from all the CS's that were present and their personal scenarios and from the very knowledgeable speakers Tom McCormack and Gerard Bou that I gave my initial CS examination to become CS.*

*Over all it was a great weekend attended by the CS's of NSW and VIC.*

**Agenda** Item for next meeting. Alam's International Proposal.

#### **Simon Bain – Vet Liaison, Biosecurity, AERA IDP**

Veterinary Liaison, Biosecurity and IBD Report December 2016

The November AERA meeting provided much material for comment on the veterinary and biosecurity fronts and the inevitable link between the two was never more apparent.

For the 2017 Tom Quilty SAERA had requested that AERA vote on the motion that all horses from Hendra risk zones entered for the 2017 Quilty in South Australia must be vaccinated against the Hendra virus. Equine hospitals close to the site of this year's Victorian Quilty approached to act as referral hospitals both had exclusion policies re non-vaccinated horses from Hendra risk zones.

It should be apparent to all that the inability to refer horses that are so compromised that the TQ Treatment Hospital is insufficiently equipped to provide lifesaving treatment is likely to result in those horses being lost.

This obviously is a potential tragedy and potentially very damaging to the sport. The SA Quilty equine hospital chosen for referral has a similar policy hence the need for the vote.

Personally I applaud the decision. Sooner or later we had to bite the bullet. As it turns out, excluding the Northern Rivers (administered by QERA), few riders who would enter the Quilty are in the Hendra risk local government areas in northern

NSW. I can fully empathise with the vet practices and vets who do not wish to accept for treatment non-vaccinated horses from Hendra risk zones. A big plus for TQ entrants should be a reduction in the long temperature recording periods prior to a Quilty.

The November AERA meeting approved funding of courses for treatment veterinarians. These will be conducted by Dr Anne Barnes and will be conducted in various state locations.

Ongoing endurance veterinary education will occur via the AERA website. The NVP will come up with recommendations for Rest Order period recommendations following metabolic vet-outs.

Finally it was great honour to be team vet to the two NSW teams at TQ16. The teams acquitted themselves very well under extremely difficult riding conditions. Personally I am very surprised that there has not been until now a states only team event. The November AERA meeting however voted to have a state team's only competition in the future.

There is nothing to report on the IBD front.

#### **Peter Bice**

Nothing on rider administration to report. Peter does have an issue with a problem at Burruga which involves his daughter and another rider on the second leg. **Resolved** that in order to deal with this matter, statements need to be sent in to the SMC. Agreed that Peter (or anyone) should not be disadvantaged by being on the SMC.

#### **Belinda Hopley – Zone 5 Delegate, Chief Stewards and TPRs**

##### **Scenic City, 5&6/11/16, 10k, 20k, 40k, & 80k.**

Despite all the previous rain, the tracks and camping area were quite firm. It was quite warm over the weekend. However, there was quite a strong wind that made strapping tricky for the 40 odd riders that competed in the 10 & 20k rides on Saturday.

One rider tripped quite badly while leading her horse in the 10k ride, and another came off when her horse bucked and sustained bruising and gravel rash.

The wind dropped for the commencement of the 80k, which had a 5am start to deal with the anticipated warm weather, and the 40k was split into 2 starts (6.30 & 9am) to accommodate the locals that came on the day. One horse tripped at the beginning of the 80k and the rider fell off but would not submit an incident report. One horse came in off the 1<sup>st</sup> leg lame possible tie up, one horse vetted out lame, one horse was presented to the vets after completion "a bit dull".

At the completion of the ride, a rider was loading her horse when he took fright and jumped the chest bar and came out through the door. He received a large tear to his shoulder that was promptly attended to by the vets. RO's were given on all horses. Two riders were spoken to about



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their horse containment and made aware of the AERA Horse Containment policy. Another rider was made aware of the "Outside Rules".

Rider behaviour was very good. Many riders commented on the excellent marking this year and the ample supply of water on track. Although there was a limit on the number of horses the base could take, there was plenty of room and water.

The road crossings were well posted and manned. The office staff were quite busy on Sunday afternoon, causing a short delay in presentation. The "Intermediate Horse Award" was well received.

Outstanding reports are Red Range, Wandandian, Shahzada and Windeyer.

### **CS/TPR**

The recent workshop on the new rulebook was considered a great success by all the 15 NSW and Victorians that attended over the weekend. Gerard Bou (AERA CS/TPR Registrar) and Tom McCormack presented the workshop that explained the rationale and thinking behind the new rules.

Various scenarios were presented and dissected that lead to some very thorough and lively discussion. It also showed that the CS have similar views which will lead to a more uniform application and interpretation of the rules.

Plans are underway to present another workshop next year for all States to attend. Many thanks to Gerard and Tom for their efforts in the rewrite of the rulebook and subsequent weekends spent presenting it to the States. Also many thanks to Alam for organising the venue, accommodation and facilities.

We congratulate Renee Kirk on passing her exams and is now an accredited Chief Steward. Renee is based in Manilla with her husband Jason (JRK Endurance) and has been riding for many years.

I would also like the SMC to recommend Alam Dastani's Chief Stewards Application to AERA. Alam has been riding for 13 years, and has trained overseas teams (Dubai, Denmark and Sweden) and was the Chef D'Equipe for Sweden for the '08 WEC. Recently Alam was the NSW Team Manager at TQ '16.

I have approached Carole Dixon-Smith to sponsor our TPR awards again this year (I think we will have 3 recipients). Carole has been very generous in her support of these awards since their inception and the NSWERA SMC and TPR's are very grateful. There is one CS award.

### **South Coast Zone News**

There are 3 rides already on the calendar for next year - Sussex Inlet, Currowan and Wingello. Wandandian has submitted a ride application.

Extract taken from the 2014 AGM minutes.

*Proposal for NSW ERA to donate \$1 (one dollar) from every entrant in NSW ERA affiliated events of 80km or greater (excluding FEI) to Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA) NSW for an initial period of 5 years. Moved: Jo Bailey 21005*

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**Moved:** Jo Bailey 21005 NSW Endurance News March—April 2014 Page No. 59  
**Seconded:** Jennifer Gilbertson 20921

**Rationale:** My late parents, Lyn and Adrian Bailey, were very passionate about helping out those less fortunate than themselves. The annual Mud Hut Training Ride was run for over 10 years with all profits being donated to RDA Ryde Branch and the annual Careflight Endurance Ride, a similar event, with all profits being donated to NRMA Careflight.

*In honour of my parents' efforts, I would like to see NSW ERA take up where they left off and give something back to the horse riding community and those less fortunate than us. From the information presented at the 2013 AGM, the total number of endurance ride entries for 2012 was 1620. It would be a similar amount by the end of 2013. In fact, using your figures, the largest number of entries over past five years was 1938 in 2010 (possibly a larger number due to the Tom Quilty being held in NSW that year). On the whole, the figure is between 1500 and 2000 entries.*

*RDA have advised us that it costs them approximately \$1200 to keep each horse per year. Riding for Disabled NSW has been in operation since 1972 and does not really receive the funding that say the Cancer Council does. We have pink ribbon days, white ribbon days, daffodil days, Movember, red nose days etc but what about the smaller, quieter not-for-profit organisations such as RDA who do so much for so little in return.*

*I do not believe in making this proposal a 'tick a box' on the membership renewal form, either. Let's face it, how many of us would actually 'tick the box' to donate a measly dollar to the RDA, most of us SAY we will but in reality it probably wouldn't amount to much. I am also not asking that ride organisers have to raise ride entry fees to cover this, nor do I expect them to make out a cheque to RDA once their event has been completed. Rather,*

*I would like to see NSWERA in conjunction with RDA organise a presentation day/*

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*evening where a cheque is presented, say at the end of the year, make it a public relations win-win situation for both parties involved, get photos, put it in newsletters and on websites, (donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible – not sure if this applies to NSWERA but could be investigated). I believe this to be a positive initiative for NSWERA. If promoted correctly, it would go a long way to raising our profile within the community. It would expel those myths that surround our sport and last but not least it's for a good cause.*

Jennifer Gilbertson spoke for this motion. Apologised for Jo Bailey as she could not leave her property which is in drought and she needs to be there to pump water to her horses. Jennifer said that this would not be locked in every year. For and against reasons for this proposal were duly given. Suggestion of an ex gratia payment, rather than make it mandatory.

It was noted that the sport is already contributing to various charities. We could do it as a one off. This proposed motion is for an initial period of five years.

At this time, a show of hands was called for with the result being for: 17. Against: The majority was against the motion but the votes were not actually counted. The motion was therefore lost.

Further discussion took place when a further motion being put forward by Peter Kelly.

See below.

**MOVED** Peter Kelly, Gertraud Norton

That NSW ERA considers a donation to the Riding for the Disabled Association (RDA) NSW each year depending upon the financial situation of the Association at that time.

**VOTE WAS:** 46 for and 30 against. The motion was therefore passed.

Belinda went through parts of her report detailed above.

There are another five or six provisional TPRs. We do not need to ask the AERA to approve these people.

Belinda said she spoke to the Chief Steward re Burruga. Well run ride but very hot.

**Resolved** that Alam Dastani's Chief Stewards Application be sent to AERA (Gerard Bou) for completion of accreditation.

General discussion on the proposal outlined above regarding a donation to Riding for the Disabled Association.

**Resolved** to make this an agenda item for the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at **11.00 PM**.

## Notice—NSW ERA

### Use of Logbooks:

**50.2 A horse that has been issued with a logbook may enter an introductory, intermediate or micro-marathon ride utilising a vet card provided the correct name of the horse and the AERA horse number as recorded in the Logbook are recorded on the Vet Card and AeraSpace.**

Please use your AERA horse ID number when entering these rides as it is easier for the ride secretary to find and enter your horse in the ride entry. This practice also decreases the discrepancies between database ride records and logbook entries for a given horse and makes the checking for rest orders much easier.

**NSWERA State Management Committee**



# Tumut Training weekend

## 18 and 19 February 2017

The Tumut Training Weekend held by Tumut Endurance on the 18 and 19 of February, was an extremely successful and relaxed event.

We provided eight different events for riders to choose from, 40km, 20km, 10km and 5km on both days.

The event was run from a new location in the beautiful Gilmore Valley on the Caffery family's property. In particular Jonathon Caffery and the use of the Gilmore Bush Fire Brigade equipment, assisted with creation of the track, watering both the base and track, clearing trees that fell right before the ride and the use of equipment when needed.

In comparison to previous years, the event was very successful with a high completion rate. This was due to the kind weather and the amazing riders who attended the event. We were very impressed with the way the riders conducted themselves and rode to the conditions and therefore rode appropriately to the hilly terrain that surrounds Tumut.

Biosecurity was particularly important to this ride base and the committee would like to thank all the riders for being respectful of the land and adhering to all necessary requests.

Tumut Endurance would like to extend their appreciation and thanks to all the land owners who allowed us to ride through their properties. It made for an interesting and scenic ride. Thank you to *My Van Rolls* for keeping everyone fed and happy throughout the weekend.

A huge thank you needs to be given to the awesome volunteers who assisted with the smooth sailing of the ride and who lent a hand wherever it was needed. The check point people were quick to act when there was a report of a tree that had fallen during the ride.

Lastly, thank you to our sponsors. Without sponsors Endurance Rides would struggle to run, so we were glad to have so many people put their hands up to assist us. They include: Al Jeda Arabians & Presco International, Castlebar Tolkien, Equi-Ice, Oso Endurance, The Travelling Trimmer, Kintamani Arabians, NSW Endurance Riders Association, Shirley Clark Endurance, Scarlet Oak Arabians, Oz Metal Art, PV Electric, Tumut Taxi Service, JRM Welding & Fabrication.

**Below: Oso Endurance riders at Tumut.** Thanks to Kris Daley Photography for the Tumut photos. Kris can be found on Facebook.







Above: Erin Gadsby at Tumut

Below: Joelene and Emma Cole. Kris Daley Photography. Kris can be found on Facebook.





## TPR List

*These are the riders that have TPR'd at a ride 1/1/14 to 1/12/15. Please ensure your name is on the CS Ride Report. When you have accumulated 20 full days of TPRing, you are issued with your own vest, stethoscope, thermometer and stopwatch. If your name is missing, contact Belinda Hopley. **P – Prov TPR.***

Bailey	Annette	Giddins	Barb	Parker	Tony <b>V</b>
Bailey	Frances	Gilbertson	Jennifer	Pearce	Barbara
Bailey	Margo <b>P</b>	Gilbertson	Graeme <b>CS</b>	Pearce	Gillian
Bain	Simon <b>V</b>	Gossip	Robyn	Porter	Wendy <b>P</b>
Beavis	Graham <b>P</b>	Grelk	Peter <b>P</b>	Powell	Rhys
Blain	Virginia	Hargraves	Ian	Priol	Katherine
Blakely	Dallas	Hargraves	Jen	Reinhold	Bindi
Blessing	Anthony	Hickey	Wayne	Rich	Helen
Bonham	Jeff <b>CS</b>	Hill	Shannen <b>P</b>	Robinson	Eric
Bonham	Gay	Hills	Anne <b>P</b>	Ryan	Ros
Bonham	Damian	Holdsworth	Sonia	Sandford	Ken
Booth	Clint <b>P</b>	Holdsworth	Peter	Schofield	Chris <b>P</b>
Bowman	Tracey <b>P</b>	Hopley	Belinda <b>CS</b>	Seagrim	Neil <b>P</b>
Broadbent	Steve	Howden	Bob	Sinfield	Dodi
Broadbent	Tracey <b>P</b>	Howe	John <b>CS</b>	Smith	Gordon
Burchell	Graham	Jesson	Wendy <b>P</b>	Spackman	Tammie <b>P</b>
Bush	Narelle <b>P</b>	Jones	Allix <b>P</b>	Stevens	Louise <b>CS</b>
Bushell	Wendy	Jones	Wendy	Stevens	Sally <b>CS</b>
Carter	Bruce <b>P</b>	Johnson	Jack	Stockley	Faye
Carrick	Jo <b>P</b>	Jonkers	Linda	Strachan	Cheryl
Caslick	Jennifer <b>P</b>	Kelly	Peter <b>CS</b>	Sumpner	Ruth <b>P</b>
Caslick	Alan	Knight	Lindsay	Sumpner	Shirley <b>P</b>
Cheney	Chris <b>CS</b>	Kirk	Renee	Sumpner	Keith <b>P</b>
Circosta	Karla <b>P</b>	Ladmore	Michelle <b>P</b>	Taylor	Lynette
Cobden	Tanya <b>P</b>	Locke	Bob <b>CS</b>	Taylor	Michael
Coleman	Phill <b>CS</b>	Locke	Marylou <b>CS</b>	Thomas	Garry
Cotton	Maddi <b>P</b>	Lymbery	Sarah <b>P</b>	Thommeny	Dyanna <b>P</b>
Counsell	Louise <b>CS</b>	Manderson	Sooz	Thorsby	Shannen <b>P</b>
Denton	Di <b>P</b>	Merceica	Paul <b>P</b>	Todd	Sue
Dickinson	Patricia	Merceica	Michelle <b>P</b>	Trollope	Denise
Dillon	Lyn	Mills	Gloria	Turnbull	Ralph
Dillon	Brad <b>P</b>	Mitchell	Lauren <b>P</b>	Wade	Martin
Dookwah	Nicole <b>P</b>	Moran	Marty	Waldron	Peter <b>P</b>
Dreghorn	Ian	Moore	Greg	Walkom	Dean
Feary	Clare <b>P</b>	Myhill	Marty	Walker	Tina
Feltham	Maureen	Nelson	Janette	Warren	Tony <b>CS</b>
Fisher	Haydn <b>CS</b>	Norton	Gertraud	Weis	Gary
Gardiner	Johanna <b>P</b>	Owen	Rick	Wright	Jacqui
Gauci	Charles	Parish	Georgie <b>P</b>		

## 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.

### Provisional Accredited Vet List, (Accreditation in Progress)

Lauren Fletcher	Clarencetown	0447 690 788
Amy Lovett	Picton	0403 664 673
Sarah Hartley	Singleton	0414 727 212
<b>NOT ACCREDITED but willing to help</b>		
Rachel Bailey	Sth Berry	4447 8172
Claire Dennis	Wagga Wagga	0427 003 031
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# 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. 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.

### Application for Registration of a Current Endurance Horse

Horse registration fees for 2016. Lifetime registration fee is \$60, payable when the horse qualifies from Novice to Endurance horse, or a yearly fee of \$25 per horse per year. This should be paid with your membership renewal for 2016. Any endurance horses not registered in 2016 will not be allowed to compete. A label will be placed inside back cover of the Logbook. To apply for your labels, please complete the following details and forward with your payment to:

**THE REGISTRAR, PO Box 6627 CHATHAM NSW 2430.**

Owners Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Horse	AERA No.	Annual Fee (\$60 lifetime or \$25 per year)

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

Applicant name:			
Postal address:			Postcode:
Email address:		Telephone:	

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

#### 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 <b>ONE</b> 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 <b>ONE</b> 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). Send your completed forms (plus any applicable fee) to the AERA Registrar:

Jo Bailey  
Po Box 4203  
LAWRENCE NSW 2460

Email: baileyjo68@gmail.com  
Phone: (02) 6647 7161 ah

Requests for Scrolls 3,000km and above to be presented at the Tom Quilty Gold Cup in Victoria must be received by no later than 31st July 2016.

#### Notes:

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





## AUSTRALIAN ENDURANCE RIDERS ASSOCIATION APPLICATION FOR LIFETIME RIDER DISTANCE SCROLL

The AERA is pleased to announce a Lifetime Distance recognition award for riders who achieve significant distances during their endurance careers. The awards will be presented annually as part of the AERA annual awards presented at each Tom Quilty.

The first level of recognition shall be 10,000kms with subsequent recognition at 5,000km intervals.

### APPLICANTS DETAILS

Name:			
Membership No:		Telephone:	
Postal Address:			
Email Address:			

### DETAILS OF RIDER INFORMATION

Riders Full Name:			
Previous name e.g. Maiden name			
Current Membership No:		Previous Membership No:	
DOB:        /        /	SEX:	Male	Female
First year of competition:			

### DISTANCE APPLYING FOR:

10,000km	15,000km	20,000km	25,000km	30,000km	35,000km
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### NOTES FOR REGISTRAR (IF REQUIRED):


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**Requests for Scrolls 3,000km and above to be presented at the Tom Quilty Gold Cup in Victoria must be received by no later than 31st July 2016.**

#### **Notes:**

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

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## TPR Notice

All TPR's are now accredited for life, regardless of when you qualified. All the known TPR's are being put on the NSWERA website (Horse Welfare, TPR) and AERAspace. If you go to a ride to TPR and are not on the list, the CS at that ride will check your abilities and knowledge of the current rules and will re-accredit you on the spot. Your name is then added to this list. If you are not on this list, then please contact me.

NSW Committee

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