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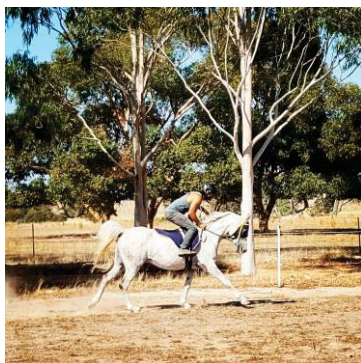


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In this newsletter we have a number of members' stories from the Quilty, South Africa and Shahzada. A big thank you to all who have taken the time to put in a report. Makes for very interesting reading.

While we are drawing to the end of our endurance calendar for 2017, there are still some exciting rides to take part in - including the NSW State Ride which is being held at Woodstock in a couple of weeks.

Good luck to anyone who is attempting the Big 3 Award this year. The State Ride being the third in the trio of rides needed to be successfully completed.

This edition's cover is a fun photo of Georgia Curry enjoying dress-up day at Shahzada 2017 riding Mountain Breeze Just Annallusion. Photo taken by Animal Focus.

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# President's Report

Dear Members

Spring is in the air and that makes great riding weather. Spring brings along the right time for the NSW State Championships 160kms to be held at Woodstock NSW at the end of September/early October. Best wishes to all the participants.

Tom Quilty Gold Cup 2017 at the scenic Wirrina cove in South Australia was a success for the NSW ERA team and this success may have laid the plan for those riders to try and achieve the "Big Three Award". Stage two this year was the attempt at Shahzada which is now completed. This then makes way for the final stage, which is the NSW endurance pinnacle ride, "The NSW State Championships" at Woodstock. My respect and admiration goes to all the riders, past and present, who have given "The Big Three" a go and achieved it.

The Shahzada had great numbers; the participants were from varied fields from across Australia. In addition we had two participants from The Netherlands and a contingent of our cousins across the water, New Zealand.

I want to welcome the new members who have recently joined NSW ERA and the members who have re-joined the Association. I hope you all participate in more events and make use of the rides that are on the calendar for the rest of the year.

I ask that any members who may have queries or concerns of matters pertaining to our sport, to contact the SMC so that we can work together to take our sport to higher standards and indeed be recognised as role models for other sporting bodies. Remember "*united we can conquer, divided we fail*".

Our junior division members are the future of our sport and I cannot emphasise enough the need to support these juniors. We need to help them to achieve their dreams. We need to concentrate on holding our sport to a high standard thus helping our NSW ERA members towards representing us and our country on the world stage.

Have a lovely ride and enjoy the spring.

Regards,

Alam.



## 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

22 September 2017

20 October 2017

1 December 2017

AGM—17 February 2018

# 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.

**Morton State Conservation Area** on the eastern edge of Morton National Park. Horse riding is allowed on public roads in the park, which are Grassy Gully Road, Yalwal Creek Road, Old Burrier Fire Trail, Three Peaks Lookout Trail and Coolendel Access Road. It also proposes to permit horse riding on the Historic Road and Flying Fox management trails. Submissions close Monday 25 September 2017.

**Kemendok NP** north-west of Euston and **Euston RP** west of Euston on the Victorian border. Horse riding permitted on all park roads, which appear to be quite an extensive network of unsealed routes. However despite allowing horse riding, both these Plans of Management perpetuate the negative language and attitudes towards horse riding. Submissions close Monday 2 October 2017.

**Monga State Conservation Area** east of Braidwood. Horse riding permitted on fire trails within the park. Submissions close 16 October 2017.

Fiona Meller

## **NSW ERA Committee Notices**

**Expressions of interest** are called for from suitably qualified Ride Organisers to host the 2018 NSW State Championship 160km ride. Please note that NSW ERA will provide a cash grant of \$6,000.00 to assist with the running of the ride. The Quilty for 2018 will be held in Tasmania over the October long weekend which would make the June long weekend a perfect potential Quilty qualifier ride.

**Expressions of interest** are also called for from suitably qualified Ride Organisers to host an Easter Carnival to run from 30 March 2018 until 1 April 2018. Ideally the Carnival should hold 80km rides on Easter Saturday and Easter Sunday with a number of introductory or social rides to be held on Good Friday and possibly Easter Monday. The above, is merely a suggestion as to the final makeup of the weekend would be up to the ride organiser. We need to push the Carnival concept, more is better with the most varied options being made available.

If you would like to be considered for the opportunity to run either of these rides, please direct queries to either John Howe 6373 7750 (H) or 0401 712 138 (W) or Jo Davis 0433 576 354.

Expressions of interest should be lodged with the NSW ERA Secretariat before close of business on 30 September 2017. You will need to send the appropriate form which is available on the NSW ERA website.

**Annual General Meeting** will be held on 17 February 2018 at the Windsor RSL. Please keep the date free. Further details will be published in forthcoming newsletters.

**NSW ERA Committee**



Photo below:

Robert Catlin and Avita. Robert was the winner of the very prestigious award for Best Managed and Conditioned Horse at Shahzada this year.. He was presented with his award by Peter McKechnie.

Photo: Animal Focus



## Eldorado Endurance Ride. 23 and 24 September 2017

Ride base is at the Eldorado Showgrounds. McGregor road, Eldorado Victoria.

Ride distances are 80/40/20 (standard vetting)

Please have your pre-nom in by the 15/09/17 on a VERA INC entry form, no premonition fee is required however a late fee of \$20- will be added to the ride entry fee if a pre-nom is not received.

Course is sandy granite, undulating to hilly. Longest hill is 1km riding through national park and approximately 3km of town/farms.

We have catering, dogs allowed, fire allowed, shower and flush toilets.

Kristie Taprell 6037 3239. [kristiemcg@hotmail.com](mailto:kristiemcg@hotmail.com)





# Burraga Copper Challenge

**16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> September 2017**



Located 60km Sth of Bathurst, the village of Burraga surrounded by pine plantations and farms, will hold a weekend of endurance consisting of 20km, 50km & 80km distances.

**The course** of local & forestry dirt roads will utilise a variety of tracks that have been used previously and a couple of new sections. We have mapped a course with ample water, including the Burraga Dam & some fresh feed after recent rain. The 80km will consist of 2 legs 50km & 30km. Similar to the course utilised for the 2015 & 2016 Copper Challenge with a new start & new 2<sup>nd</sup> leg.

## Timetable

### Saturday 16th Sep:

10.00am: Nomination Open

10.00am: Vetting Open

Midday: 50km Start

12.30pm Vetting open for Sunday

distances

2pm: 20km Start

6.00pm: Vetting close

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> Sep:

5.30am: 80km Ride Start

7.00am: 50km Ride Start

**Large** sports ground for camping available from Friday and all camp fees are included in ride entry fee.

**Pre-nomination** additional details can be found on <https://www.trybooking.com/book/event?eid=309492> NSW Endurance website and Facebook. If you wish to nominate and have computer issues please phone Jacque Wright: 0427 031 331 or [burragaendurance@gmail.com](mailto:burragaendurance@gmail.com) **Dinner** Saturday night will be available only with pre-booking.

**How to get there** From Bathurst take Goulburn signs to Perthville where you turn left, where is signposted to Burraga. From Oberon, follow the signs through Blackspings to Burraga. From Goulburn head to Blacksprings where you will turn left to Burraga. From Yass and West of Yass, head to Blayney to avoid hills and a very poor road. Contact Jacque who will detail instructions from Blayney.

# Zone One Introductory and Intermediate Rides

## 21 and 22 October 2017

Sydney & Environs - Zone 1 Endurance - invites you to join them on 21st / 22nd October 2017 for their annual Introductory and Intermediate rides.

This year the ride will be held in the beautiful Upper MacDonald Valley, an area synonymous with Shahzada, and offers a variety of terrains and distances to tempt new riders to the sport.

Rides this year are on Sunday, with vetting for overnight campers available on Saturday from 1pm.

A Saturday ride may be available [TBA].

Sunday rides will consist of 10km, 20km and 40km rides with the event focusing on newcomers and young riders interested in seeing what Endurance is all about.

Our volunteers will be on hand to assist all new and young riders prepare for their first ride including pre and post ride vetting and strapping.

The ride base is at Camp Wollemi, 1467 Settlers Road which is close to the town of St Albans and set on the MacDonald River. Camping is free of charge thanks to Jennifer and Graeme Gilbertson's generous sponsorship.

Parking	Allocated parking areas for overnight and day riders
Catering	Canteen on Saturday & Sunday. Times TBA <b>BRING YOUR OWN DRINKING WATER.</b>
Power:	No power on site
Showers:	No showers on site
Toilets:	Portable toilets on site
Water:	River water is available on site. Suitable for strapping and horses.

More details will be available through the website in the coming months - [zone1enduranceriding.com.au](http://zone1enduranceriding.com.au)

Check out our Face book page - Zone One Endurance Riders - Sydney & Environs—NSW or

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

## Distances for everyone". Photo Animal Focus







## **NSW STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS 160KMS AT WOODSTOCK – OCTOBER LONG WEEKEND HOSTED BY THE LACHLAN ENDURANCE RIDERS CLUB**

The Lachlan Endurance Riders Club once again has the privilege of running the NSW State Championships at Woodstock, having done so in 1995, 1997 and 2010, as well as having run the Tom Quilty back in 2003. There is much experience and depth in this Lachlan Club and we would love to welcome riders once again to Woodstock in the Spring when the country is at its best.

This year we have been honoured to receive amazing major sponsorship from Franco C Saddlery from South Africa as well as numerous studs, clubs and merchants coming on board and listed below. NSW Endurance also generously gives large financial support to the State Ride.

### **The Ride**

The Championship ride commences at **Midnight Saturday** and closes midnight Sunday. The course will be a mixture of gravel laneways, paddocks with good verge along small sections of bitumen. The ride will be 5 legs gate into hold with Pre-ride commencing at 11am Saturday. The 80kms No Frills Woodstock ride will commence at 5am, unless local factors dictate otherwise. There will be NO intermediate rides.

***Please note that Daylight Saving Time will officially commence on Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> October at 3.00am. As a result of this, we will be adding one (1) hour to our clocks **at the end of the pre-ride talk**. The ride will be run under Eastern Daylight Saving Time (EDST).***

**PRE RIDE TALK:** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> September starting at 4.30pm EST

### **RIDE BASE**

- Woodstock Showground, Robinson Street, Woodstock NSW 2793
- Ride Base will open from Wednesday, 27<sup>th</sup> September 2017
- Ride Base will close on Tuesday, 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2017
- Shower & Toilet blocks on site. Portable toilets will be available for the weekend of the ride.
- Limited firewood will be available. We ask that you do not hoard firewood and it would be helpful to bring some of your own as well.

### **Communications**

The local Back Creek and Waugoola Bush Fire Brigades will run the communications to various checkpoints and from 5kms from home. Please bring an FM radio to hear any announcements. There will be strappers' calls and a leader board as well as Public address system.

### **The Team**

Head veterinarian will be Georgiana Sheridan assisted by Georgia Ladmore, Saraih Werry, Darien Feary - Course Vet; Danni Justus - Treatment Vet; Meredith Platt and Ben Graham.

The Chief Steward will once again be Tom McCormack ably assisted by 2IC Chris Cheney with Shaun Pollard, Belinda Hopley and Neil Clarkson.

Stewards will give a 'Walk Through' of the vetting procedures of Gate into Hold approximately 3.30pm Saturday.

### **Fees**

The Championship will be \$320 in total or a \$100 non-refundable nomination fee to be paid with the balance by the 15<sup>th</sup> September. \$300 refund is available if withdrawn by this date for those who pay early.

\$220 refund for those who withdraw prior to 15<sup>th</sup> September.

Late entry fee will be \$100 on the day.

Fee for the 80kms No Frills ride is \$110 with a non-refundable nomination fee of \$20 with same rules as above.

**LATE ENTRIES** will attract a fee of \$30, making total of \$140 payable on the day.

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**Entries:**

All entries will be sent to Helen Lindsay [kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com](mailto:kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com) or PO Box 440 COWRA, NSW 2794. Nomination forms are available upon request to above email or phone 02.63429289.

Our information package and Horse Health Declarations (10 days) will be provided via return email and will be on our Facebook page. Any forms NOT FILLED IN ENTIRELY and CORRECTLY will be returned and NOT ACCEPTED until such time as returned, duly completed.

Horses may be changed on the day as unforeseen circumstances dictate but RIDERS must be nominated by the due dates on the form.

The office will open at 10am until 4pm Saturday. Please bring all your gear for weighing by our steward who will write weights directly into your Logbook ***Please fill in your own Logbooks before approaching the girls in the office and have ready your receipts with you.***

**Catering:**

The Woodstock P & C will be providing the catering from Friday night until Monday morning and a breakfast will be catered for on Monday morning whilst you enjoy the workouts for Best Conditioned Horse and Presentation.

**Merchandise:**

Limited Woodstock NSWERA State Championship merchandise will be available, and purchase will commence as soon as it hits our website and Facebook page TBA.

**Trade Stalls:** Are available for a fee, please contact Erica Allan [ejallan@tpg.com.au](mailto:ejallan@tpg.com.au)

**Sponsorship:** We have been very fortunate to receive major sponsorship from Franco C Saddlery (SA) !! Also we have also managed to have all of our wool kersey rugs for placegetters sponsored by a wonderful array of local sponsors as below:

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Middleweight:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Oso Arabians
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	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Kintamani Arabians
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Scott Peters
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Imparja Arabians
Lightweight:	1 <sup>st</sup>	Prydes Easifeed
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cowra Vet Centre
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bedwells Feed Barn
	4 <sup>th</sup>	Sue Crockett Photography
	5 <sup>th</sup>	Skye Park – rug makers
Junior:	1 <sup>st</sup>	IRT International Horse Transport
	2 <sup>nd</sup>	IRT International Horse Transport
	3 <sup>rd</sup>	IRT International Horse Transport

Best Conditioned Horses:	HW	Pepper Tree Farm Equine Clinic
	MW	Central West Equine Clinic
	LW	D-Lua Park Saddlecloths
	JNR	Australian Equine Exporting Services

There is also much product and in kind sponsorship which will be mentioned in our media releases closer the date.

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Nomination forms are available upon request to above email or phone 02.63429289.



# Scenic City Endurance Carnival & Snowy Zone Championships

28-29 October 2017

The popular Scenic City Endurance Carnival is on again and this year, offering something for everyone from newcomers to endurance to hard core competitors.

Join us for a fun weekend in our beautiful national capital.

This year our main ride will be the Snowy Zone Championship 100 km. This will be an elevator ride so those who wish to, can withdraw at 80km and will be credited with the distance and receive a completion prize.

We will also offer 20 and 40 km rides on Sunday but no rides on Saturday this year.

The ride will be based again at Kambah Pony Club in Hake St, Kambah. The 40 km will be a single leg and the 100 will have three legs.

The course will cover similar terrain to previous years. The 100 km will include some undulating to hilly sections, the 40 and 20 are easier. There will be a few changes to make the course easier to mark as we have had major problems with cyclists taking down arrows.

Riders in the main ride will have spectacular views over Canberra city from Mount Stromlo, while those in the shorter rides will be able to see across to the Brindabella Mountains and will ride close to Lake Tuggeranong.

There will be several minor road crossings. Rides may encounter walkers, dogs and bicycles as we have to share trails.

The 100km ride will be start at 4 am, with an option to bring it forward if hot weather is forecast.

If you are not riding, and are able to volunteer as a penciller, runner or on a checkpoint on the day, please let us know well in advance. More volunteers means more ride options – less volunteers means we will not be able to hold the rides that you enjoy.

There will be a sausage sizzle and burgers for sale. Kambah shopping centre with a Woolworths, pub, service station and other shops is a 3 minute drive from the ride base.

All entries must be made IN ADVANCE through Trybooking, late fees may apply. Entries will open on 1 October and close on 21 October. Refunds will be provided as per the refund policy which will be on the Trybooking entry. Details will also be notified on our Facebook page and NSWERA website.

Entry fees. 100 km - \$110, \$100 for juniors. 40 km - \$50. 20 km- \$35

SEE US ON FACEBOOK SCENIC CITY ENDURANCE RIDE

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# TOM QULTY 2017

## The Blake's Heaven Experience

The Tom Quilty Gold Cup is the national championship ride. It is the one to win.

This year the Blake's Heaven team took three horses hoping for good results.

Talea Hasko-Stewart on BH Bombora placed second last year. With 10,000 km now on the Bomb's endurance record, there was every reason to hope this would be their year.

Ian Curtis on BH Summer Wind was also aiming high, while Monica Ballard was hoping just to get around well on BH Carousel, after qualifying on him in Victoria earlier this year.

We were proud that two other BH Horses, Sunkissed and Dawn Treader, ridden by Jayne and Jason Rathbone of Victoria were also entered.

Fia was also hoping to ride, but just 10 days out received medical advice that while a broken shoulder sustained in May had healed brilliantly, the Quilty was just too much of an ask. So the team gained another strapper to help Adeline Gibson and Andrew Hollingsworth for the Bomb. At the very last minute Celia Hodgson also jumped aboard to help strap Carousel, as Monica's dad Dave is not horsey, while Ian's sister Anita Ashby flew over to help him.

Although it is possible to do a ride like this without strappers, the strapping team can make a big difference if you are being competitive, and especially if the weather is difficult.

In this case, the ride base was scenic Wirrina Cove Resort on the Fleurieu Peninsular. The course maps suggested that there would be a lot of hill, while the locals predicted there could be a lot of wind and rain. Both were right.

This year for the first time there was a Trans Tasman competition. Four intrepid Kiwis were riding, including husband and wife Ashley and Ashley (not a typo) Cole, who flew their own horses over for the event. Talea and the Bomb were on the Australian team together with two Queensland combinations, a Tasmanian and a South Australian.

Our BH convoy made the trip in two days. After going through the biosecurity gate a few km from the ride base, we arrived to find that our camping site had been taken over by another family who had been washed out by heavy rain the previous day. Rather than rearranging, we made do with the adjacent area which quickly became BH central, complete with a weatherproof marquee provided by Ian's other strapper, Ian Bassingthwaite (Shade4Hire). This was to be a godsend for riders and strappers alike.



Carousel and Monica, photo by Adeline Gibson



Talea and Bomb pushing through the rain and wind. Time: 11:11:21.

Photo Rob and Marieke Featonby

As usual, all of our horses were to do the ride in glue on boots. We did the glueing on Thursday, ahead of Friday vetting. Everything was good. There had been a lot of rain but the course and the base were holding up reasonably well.

Well before midnight on Friday we were up and getting ready. At midnight, the riders started off in a very orderly fashion, led by an escort vehicle until they were safely out and across one of many road crossings. One hundred and sixty four horses were entered.

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It was a five leg 160 km, with distances of 42, 41, 40, 23 and 14 km. It was noticeable from the start that the serious contenders were all up the front, but all were pacing their ride. First to vet off leg 1 was Tracy Lee Feltrin on 2015 winner Cap Braveheart., followed by Brook Browne-Cordell on Tierview Salama, Ashley Cole on Kahuna Moon, and then Talea. Brook and Leigh Anne Sample, 2016 winners Debbie Grull and Lauralym Notorious and Ian and Wind were all in the top 12.

This group remained pretty much at the head of the ride for the duration. There were a few glitches – in leg 2, they came to a checkpoint where the official was asleep and had to wait for him to get organised; a bit further on they came to a locked gate and had to turn around, eventually making their way through a gap in the fence!

A significant issue for all riders was that the course was along the sides of hills, on wet grass. This made it very slippery, especially bad for the booted horses. At the end of leg 3, the front five or six arrived in a bunch. After vetting there were two minutes between Tracy, Brooke and Talea, with Debbie a few



Robyn Larson-Shelton who worked on the horses throughout the ride. Bomb had just had his boots glued on by Fia and Talea.



Ian Curtis riding Blake's Heaven Summer Wind. Unfortunately Ian did not complete. Photo Rob and Marieke Featonby

minutes behind. Ian and Wind were at the front off the leg but took longer to vet.

At this point, Talea declared that Bombora was really feeling the constant slipping. She told the team that she might not win, as "*I am not prepared to break him*". We all agreed that it was much better to complete well, than to really push the horse and hurt him.

In leg 4, Brooke made a break and vetted 13 minutes ahead of Tracy. Debbie Grull had caught Talea and they were a further 19 minutes behind. The weather by this time was foul, with strong winds, and cold rain. The last leg went up a hill (like all others) and along a ridge where the full force of the storm could be felt. It had a loop so on course, Talea and Debbie could see Brooke and Tracy and knew where they were. They also saw that Tracy's horse had lost a shoe and decided not to attempt to catch her.

Debbie and Talea agreed to hold hands to officially tie, and to save their horses both ran down the last long hill on foot to arrive at the finish line. Brooke vetted through, although her horse was clearly extremely tired. Sadly for Tracy, Cap Braveheart was lame at the end, so Talea and Debbie were equal 2<sup>nd</sup>. Team BH was very happy that Bombora vetted quickly and looked energetic and happy at his final trot out with a time of 11h 11 min.

Meanwhile, Wind was struggling. Ian considered withdrawing but decided to try to complete and walked around the last 14 km in atrocious weather, only to vet out lame. But Monica and Carousel were going strong despite the conditions, and eventually finished in 16h 23. There were many riders way behind her and we were very sorry for those who slogged it out in the rain and wind, especially those who vetted out.

We are also very happy that Blake's Heaven Dawn Treader and her owner Jason Rathbone completed well, for 20<sup>th</sup> MWT.

As for the Trans Tasman event, Ash Cole on his horse Zee Boy Rodney was the only Kiwi to complete. Hopefully this has not turned the New Zealanders off and this friendly competition can continue. In typical Quilty style, the bad weather passed overnight and the sun came out for the various presentations. It is amazing how consistently the Quilty attracts the worst weather! Perhaps it is designed to prove how tough we endurance nuts are. It certainly shows how tough our horses are. Team BH is very proud of our very pretty and tough horses, and especially the incomparable Bombora.

## My 2017 Tom Quilty experience – Sarah Lymbery

This year I was lucky enough to be selected for New South Wales team riding Aloha Typic in the event. I was riding alongside my dad on Baranne Tu Shay with my mum taking on the job of head strapper. The trip took us two days to complete and upon arrival on Tuesday both horses were fit and fresh. They settled very well after the big trip.

Before we it knew Friday had arrived and the nerves were building but the atmosphere felt amazing, and we were ready as we could be.

On the night we were lucky enough to be blessed with a full moon and clear skies for the start of the ride, which went smoothly and continued for the rest of the first leg. After a quick vet through and rest we were back on course again, both horses were still pulling and eager to go. First leg had provided some substantial pulls as well as some tricky ground after the rain and second leg followed suit, letting the field separate a bit. The horses were now settling and we felt ready for the rest of the course, however at the end of the second leg my strapping team grew by one when dad's horse vetted out due to a unfortunate slip in the conditions.

Third leg was a beautiful leg, getting to see the stunning landscapes in the day time and Typic was loving it, she felt great and completely in the zone. The weather was peaceful and seemingly too nice for a Quilty, which turned out to be right. Sure enough when we reached the top 5km from base the winds became strong and were blowing very cold off the ocean as well as the wind it was pelting rain. I instantly regretted leaving my rain jacket behind in camp. After this leg we vetted through and represented with no worries and after a few encouraging words with our team manager, Alam Dastani, we were back out on course.

Fourth leg went along very smoothly with me taking it easy and enjoying the shorter leg, although the track now had substantially more water and mud, which made the last downward climb into camp very slippery. Before I knew we flew through vetting and were getting ready to go back out on last leg, a block of chocolate, some words of advice and encouragement, a sleepy rider and horse on a mission we were out on the last leg. Thanks must go to my new found riding partner who kept me awake and on the game for the final hours.

The final vetting had arrived. Everything was checked twice and my nerves were running high, worrying that for some reason between the finish line and vetting Typic wasn't right. However when I got the final thumbs up my nerves were replaced with a wave of relief and pride for what Typic, my strappers and I had achieved.

The 2017 Tom Quilty, as expected, was a roller coaster of emotions and yet another ride to remember. The NSW team did incredibly well with 100% completion rate. Thanks must go to our team manager and all the ongoing support we had before, during and after the ride as well as our families, strappers and of course the horses who we couldn't do what we love without.

### **Sarah's Strappers report.**

Just getting to a Quilty with a sound horse and rider is an achievement and we spend so much time focusing on preparations. Packing looking at weather reports repacking relooking at weather reports and deciding I need to pack everything!

The base set up from a strapper's viewpoint was terrific. I really liked the design of the strapping and vet area. The close proximity of the ingate, express lane and vetting worked very well. It worked well having riders' books at the timing tents. I think it was more efficient than strappers collecting books prior to their rider's arrival. Having a hot water donkey fuelled by fire provides a much needed gathering place for strappers feeling the cold and it's great to chat to new and old friends during the long hours of waiting. One strapper with two riders is challenging mainly due to feeding riders and attending to horses and gear in that short hold period. We are pretty organised and used to the routine and of course Stu, who joined the strapping team following his vetting out. Sarah and Typic are both great to strap for and it's such a good feeling watching them vet through. Both looked great. After settling them I went back and watched others vetting, after the hours strappers spend together you feel great joy cheering as their riders vet through. We all really appreciated Alam being there for each team member's vetting. Quilts are special—they require a big effort from everyone involved and the mutual appreciation is very heart warming.

Sarah Lymbery Aloha Typic Time:  
17:50:54. Photo Rob and Marieke  
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## My Story of the Tom Quilty 2017: Tahnaya Mercieca

It began with a 6 hour trip to one of my favourite places on earth, OSO Arabians. A school holiday experience turned into a dream come true.

I worked hard at the barn until Tuesday morning when Team OSO and I left to head to the Tom Quilty in SA. I left as a Strapper for Team OSO, but helped train the horses along the way.

Wednesday came and before I knew it we were at the quarantine centre, with 5 prime and fit horses, and a reserve horse, OSO bred horse Candynae.

We got to the ride base and went for a ride that afternoon along the coast with a phenomenal view.

It came to the day of the ride and I was given the best news ever "Your Riding in the Tom Quilty", I was over the moon and felt very honoured.

10.55pm Beep Beep, I jumped out of my swag and prepared for the ride of my dreams on Candynae. The clicks of the buckles, my tack was on, and I was warming up doing laps around the ride base.

The time was slowly ticking down and my heart was racing, but I was off on leg 1, it wasn't long before I caught up with another OSO Rider – Cherry Cummins and we rode the first leg together.

It was a smooth vet check and before I knew it I was out on leg 2.

After approx. 15kms I caught up with an experienced endurance rider – Alan Caslick who was going for his 16<sup>th</sup> Quilty Buckle.

Towards the end of leg 2 I found a good friend Wendy Rhia who I rode with and finished leg 2. Another clear vet check, with a still powerful horse and before I knew it I was out on Leg 3.

The weather took a turn for the worse, it started raining, but I was lucky to ride with Shannon Cossor, who was an amazing companion for me and Candynae. Eventually it stopped raining and the sun came out.

Vet check 3 I knew was going to be the hardest of them all, but Candynae did it like the pro she is. We were out on leg 4 and it started pelting rain again, and I finished the last 24km with Ellen Vine.

Candy had one of the best Vet Checks she'd had all ride. On Leg 5 I knew I didn't have far to go to achieve one of my biggest goals. This leg I had the pleasure of riding with Australian Rider Tayla Hadzi. I remember coming in and feeling proud. I jumped off and weighed and attended to my incredible horse.

I walked through the vet gates for the last time, my heart was pounding.

I did my last trot up and got the all clear, I immediately hugged the incredible, amazing, powerful horse and was embraced and head butted by Amanda K.

I heard everyone cheering as tears poured from my eyes.

Candy and I both had a good night's sleep. I woke up fresh the next day and prepared for BC workout. Candy did her usual powerful trot out and under saddle I did my work out to the best of my ability.

Presentation came and I was honoured to get a rug saying Top 5 Junior, I was third junior overall and received my very first Quilty Buckle.

I was also honoured to be part of the team that won the Unrestricted Teams Event. Our team consisted of Pamela Cox, Shannon Cossor, Amelia Napier and myself.

Thank you to everyone who helped me, especially OSO for making my dream become a reality.



## Amelia Napier TQ17 Quilty – The horse with 9 lives!

On the 4th of July the OSO team left the farm heading for South Australia.

I was lucky enough to be given the opportunity to take the OSO team baby, 6 year old OSO Nicholas, around his first 160km ride, the Tom Quilty.

Two weeks before leaving the farm Nic's heels broke out in cracks, leaving him a little touchy around that area. Within two days of the break out we got them under control and back out into training.

5th of July we arrived at the Quilty ride base in South Australia. Nicholas had travelled well but came off the truck with a slight cough and snotty nose, just another slight set back! We went out and did the training loop, him feeling very good in himself and showing no signs of a fever or cold so we narrowed it down to the straw bedding from the stables the night before.

Throughout the time at base camp Nic was very fidgety and just would not settle in his yard, we brushed and we walked him, allowing him to roll numerous times throughout the day thinking he might be itchy but nothing would settle him.

He then decided he would get himself caught in his metal yard, thankfully he managed to come away from that unscathed but by this time I was feeling quite anxious about whether we would even get to start the ride.

7th of July I took Nic out for his last leg stretch and finished pre ride vetting successfully, giving me more confidence in getting that buckle.

Throughout the ride Nic was a champ, he mastered the first three legs, tired in the fourth leg and pushed on for the fifth. Thankfully I think he was a horse that got all his issues out before hitting the track at midnight Friday.

I could not have asked for more from a young horse. We completed the ride to finish 14th middle weight in a time of 14.5 house, not bad for a 6 year old.



## Cherry Cummins Quilty – A Quilty with 3 shoes!

Have you ever heard of a horse completing a Quilty on 3 shoes? If you keep reading you will have.

I was lucky enough to ride OSO Bettina for OSO Arabians in the 2017 SA Tom Quilty Gold Cup. The first leg went very smoothly so we were off on the next leg however leg 2 did not go so smoothly as Betty lost a shoe, luckily we were only 5km from base so I jumped off and walked her in.

We got through vetting and organised a farrier to put on another shoe. Luckily I decided to pack some Elastoplast, duct tape and scissors because the shoe only lasted the first 15km of the 40km leg 3! So what did I do? I re taped her hoof roughly every 4km and got off and walked every rough patch (which seemed to go on forever).

We finally made it back to base and walked straight into vetting as her heart rate was very low. The vets were concerned and confused by the taped,





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bandaged hoof so before trotting they took off the bandage and inspected her hoof, the vet was pleasantly surprised and even more so when we again trotted out sound and again for the represent. Then came the decision "should I withdraw?"

I had people out on track telling me to call a rescue float and people telling me it would be best to withdraw but Amanda Kettlewell believed in us and she had found an extra small boot that was suitable for Betty's petite foot. Well that boot got flicked off within the first kilometre of leg 4 so it was back to duct tape!

I was riding with Shannon Cossor this leg so I had great assistance in our attempted farriery and yes we were getting a lot of weird looks and comments out on track. I was getting pretty sick of walking the long stretches of road and was thinking "*Can this get any worse?*" Oh it got worse alright! It rained and then hailed.



Fortunately for Betty and I the rain was our friend and the ground was very soft from all the water which is the reason we got so far! We got through leg 4 and a fresh roll of duct tape went into my pocket for leg 5. I didn't get on Betty at all for the last leg as I decided not to risk anything so I jogged and walked with her the whole way in the dark.

Much to everyone's disbelief (including myself) we completed to Quilty. It's a good thing I was training myself up the hills of Table Top in a 10kg weight vest as I ended up doing 57km off the horse.

I still can't believe we did it. What an amazing and tough horse Betty is!



### TQ17

Left: Allix Jones Aqaba Signette Riding Time: 17:40:30

Top Right: 146 Corey Nix Homeleigh Mountain Kosmo. Riding time: 18:51:07.

Bottom Left: Sue Warren Entourage Era. Riding time: 18:47:23.

Bottom Right: Riders trudging along through the wind and rain.

At the Quilty. Ros Ryan riding Rainbows Reach Scout

completed the TQ7 in a riding time of 19:33:48. Phil Coleman

riding Rainbows Reach Dark N Stormy also successful in a riding time of 19:33:53.



## Ride Name: Tom Quilty Gold Cup Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 160.0km

Start Date: 8/07/2017

Ride Type: Tom Quilty

### Heavyweight

1	Rod Field	Brookleigh Louise	5	12:10:18	38, 52, 52, 56, 48, 56, 60 (Avg:54)
2	Matthew Gadsby	Ra Silver Dancer	5	13:14:37	32, 52, 52, 56, 40, 56, 56 (Avg:52)
3	Jean Michel	Grimal Mariu Nero	5	13:25:48	32, 48, 52, 59, 46, 52, 44 (Avg:50)
4	Shane Butler	Burranga Angelikh	5	14:21:05	36, 52, 48, 48, 46, 48, 56 (Avg:49)
5	Shimpei Miyamoto	Aloha Blue Opal	5	14:31:02	40, 52, 48, 54, 48, 48, 44 (Avg:49)
6	Mark Nimon	Abbeywood Le'Tigre	5	16:20:31	40, 56, 56, 48, 56, 53, 52, (Avg:
7	Ashleigh Cole	Zee Boy Rodney	5	17:46:26	44, 60, 60, 58, 60, 56, 52 (Avg:57)
8	Gail Fisher	Arasarta Narhalinian	5	18:46:42	36, 56, 52, 56, 56, 56, 52 (Avg:54)
9	Sue Warren	Entourage Era	5	18:47:23	34, 52, 52, 56, 58, 52, 52 (Avg:53)
10	Bryce Hackley	Suncrest Diva	5	19:00:49	44, 52, 52, 58, 52, 60, 56 (Avg:55)
11	Paula Van Eck	Pyrenees Impala	5	19:15:03	32, 30, 36, 48, 40, 40, 40 (Avg:39)
12	Andrew Jonkers	Girilambone Comet	5	19:20:12	36, 48, 48, 48, 48, 46, 44 (Avg:47)
13	Phil Coleman	RR Dark N Stormy	5	19:33:53	36, 60, 56, 50, 52, 52, 48 (Avg:53)
14	Rachael Barnett	Shady	5	20:00:29	36, 48, 56, 52, 56, 52, 46 (Avg:51)
15	Lainie Ray	Diamond R Turbo	5	20:00:36	36, 48, 52, 58, 60, 52, 48 (Avg:53)
16	Stephanie Cooper	Allanooka Shadene	5	20:00:54	40, 52, 52, 52, 56, 58, 60 (Avg:55)
17	Gavin Bartlett	Longrun Drifter	5	20:18:17	48, 48, 48, 48, 52, 48, 48 (Avg:48)

### Middleweight

1	Brooke Brown-Cordell	Tierview Salama	5	10:28:40	42, 54, 60, 58, 52, 60, 58 (Avg:57)
2	Debbie Grull	Lauralyn Notorious	5	11:11:21	40, 56, 56, 48, 56, 56, 56 (Avg:54)
2	Talea Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Bombora	5	11:11:21	39, 58, 58, 58, 48, 58, 56 (Avg:56)
4	Akhmed Pshunov	Sangah The Messiah	5	11:40:07	40, 60, 52, 59, 56, 60, 58 (Avg:57)
5	Stephen Gray	Sir Avatar	5	11:57:40	36, 52, 54, 52, 48, 54, 48 (Avg:51)
6	Leigh Ann Sample	Brookleigh Bailey	5	11:57:54	40, 55, 44, 58, 56, 60, 56 (Avg:54)
7	Brook Sample	Brookleigh Dylan	5	12:01:17	36, 56, 56, 44, 60, 52, 60 (Avg:54)
8	Frank Laousse	Delilah te	5	12:06:10	32, 56, 56, 52, 44, 56, 56 (Avg:53)
9	Jamie Green	Cameo Mazquerade	5	12:06:49	40, 58, 56, 60, 52, 58, 58 (Avg:57)
10	Gayle Holmes	Cairo	5	12:55:52	40, 52, 52, 52, 48, 56, 56 (Avg:52)
11	Stella Harbison	Willowstar Bay-Sil	5	13:08:10	32, 56, 52, 56, 56, 50, 48 (Avg:53)
12	Blaine Astell	Karabah Tully	5	13:14:39	38, 56, 54, 56, 44, 56, 56 (Avg:53)
13	Kristie Taprell	Castlebar Belair	5	13:25:53	36, 48, 56, 56, 46, 46, 44 (Avg:49)
14	Amelia Napier	Oso Nicholas	5	14:27:43	36, 48, 56, 60, 54, 52, 52 (Avg:53)
15	Connor Krahnen	Ardai	5	14:28:12	48, 58, 56, 52, 58, 56, 52 (Avg:55)
16	Noni Seagrim	CP Words of Wisdom	5	14:29:45	50, 52, 52, 60, 56, 52, 55 (Avg:54)
17	Steve Blackhurst	Rafeeq	5	14:30:35	38, 48, 56, 56, 52, 52, 48 (Avg:52)
18	Jason Rathbone	BH Dawn Treader	5	14:30:54	44, 56, 52, 60, 58, 60, 56 (Avg:57)
19	Tayla Hadzi	AM Reigning Bianca	5	14:39:50	32, 55, 58, 60, 60, 56, 52 (Avg:56)
20	Janine Parr	Janarr Shimmering Surprise	5	15:48:25	40, 52, 58, 48, 52, 52, 52 (Avg:52)
21	Karen Anderson	Malleegrove Samsara	5	16:18:48	44, 52, 48, 60, 60, 60, 56 (Avg:56)
22	Helen Astell	Castlebar Dude	5	16:31:19	30, 52, 52, 56, 52, 52, 48 (Avg:52)
23	Karen Quinn	Distinctive-L-Zarin (au)	5	16:31:23	36, 56, 56, 52, 52, 56, 52 (Avg:54)
24	Sarah Burke	Jotaris Jenaya	5	16:41:54	36, 60, 52, 56, 48, 52, 52 (Avg:53)
25	Jennifer Annetts	Churinga Gulf Dream	5	17:40:17	24, 44, 52, 52, 52, 60, 56 (Avg:52)
26	Jeanette Mero	Devious Suni Desert Warrior	5	17:40:38	36, 56, 48, 58, 54, 48, 56 (Avg:53)
27	Sarah Lymbery	Aloha Typic	5	17:50:54	40, 44, 48, 52, 50, 48, 50 (Avg:48)
28	Rachell Nell	Robmurty Jimminy	5	17:51:03	32, 48, 52, 48, 44, 48, 44 (Avg:47)
29	Sarah Parker	Wybalena Lodge Aflirt	5	17:53:13	40, 54, 52, 58, 52, 52, 48 (Avg:52)
30	Melissa Bright	Kirrani's Semillon Fire	5	18:27:24	32, 44, 56, 52, 52, 48, 48 (Avg:50)
31	Mette Sutton	Tuldar Tully	5	18:47:36	44, 55, 52, 56, 52, 59, 56 (Avg:55)
32	Corey Nix	Homeleigh Mountain Kosmo	5	18:51:07	40, 60, 56, 60, 56, 56, 60 (Avg:57)
33	Shannon Cossor	Future Dream Gypsy	5	18:53:32	44, 56, 50, 48, 56, 60, 60 (Avg:55)
34	Peggy Murphy-Hackley	Tarkhim Shar Bastille	5	19:00:55	36, 48, 48, 52, 60, 52, 48 (Avg:51)
35	Julie White	Maringo	5	19:01:00	28, 48, 48, 52, 50, 48, 48 (Avg:47)
36	Jessie-Lee Herman	DVS Sun silk	5	19:06:32	36, 56, 48, 54, 52, 48, 54 (Avg:51)
37	Jo Hamilton-Branigan	Kholonial Boadecia	5	19:07:00	32, 44, 48, 52, 52, 48, 44 (Avg:48)
38	Samantha Jones	Kelkette Park Silver Envoy	5	19:12:28	44, 56, 56, 56, 60, 56, 56 (Avg:57)
39	Kimberley Van Eck	Zayed All Klass	5	19:15:07	40, 48, 58, 60, 54, 60, 56 (Avg:56)
40	Simon Thomas	Morundah Just Sharii	5	19:15:22	30, 44, 56, 52, 52, 48, 44 (Avg:49)
41	Tanya Beacham	Creswick Magdaleenah	5	19:16:04	36, 52, 54, 52, 52, 60, 44 (Avg:52)
42	Keryn Mahoney	Tonki Dee Boo Pricilla	5	19:28:09	36, 52, 52, 52, 52, 54, 48 (Avg:51)
43	Jodie Luck	Lindall Alabaska	5	19:32:14	36, 44, 48, 52, 56, 52, 48 (Avg:50)
44	Gail Pound	P.F. Kudamoon	5	19:48:42	36, 52, 52, 56, 52, 56, 48 (Avg:52)
45	Kevin Guihot	Windradyne Ferrero	5	19:48:48	36, 44, 44, 52, 44, 44, 45 (Avg:45)
46	Georgie Hart	Kalody Park Zayeem	5	20:04:41	40, 48, 56, 52, 48, 48, 48 (Avg:50)
47	Sharee Court	Just Shakira	5	20:31:45	44, 44, 52, 48, 52, 52, 48 (Avg:50)
48	Jessica Remfry	Music Maker	5	20:31:55	36, 48, 60, 56, 56, 60, 48 (Avg:54)
49	Robert Masters	Sharwood Sinai	5	20:33:57	32, 44, 56, 44, 50, 52, 52 (Avg:49)



## Lightweight

1	Kaylea Maher	Chelleason Rembrandt	5	11:37:36	48, 54, 52, 60, 52, 58, 52 (Avg:54)
2	Gina Thompson	Dualling	5	11:58:33	34, 52, 50, 56, 48, 48, 56 (Avg:51)
3	Angela Hawks	Rose Gum Tolstoy	5	12:01:46	36, 56, 48, 54, 48, 54, 60 (Avg:53)
4	Clare Fleming	Warrawee Gay Paree	5	12:37:30	32, 56, 56, 52, 44, 54, 56 (Avg:53)
5	Jessica Aistrophe	Brechenridge Polo	5	13:08:09	36, 48, 56, 52, 44, 52, 52 (Avg:50)
6	Melinda Davies	Maximus Ra	5	13:14:44	36, 52, 44, 56, 52, 56, 56 (Avg:52)
7	Sorsha Stuart-Rokvic	Oso Emelyne	5	13:54:38	44, 58, 56, 56, 56, 54, 52 (Avg:55)
8	Michelle Chapman	Sahala Astronomer	5	14:17:32	40, 48, 52, 56, 50, 58, 48 (Avg:52)
8	Renae Chapman	Shanelli-Park Phoenix	5	14:17:32	44, 56, 56, 56, 56, 54 (Avg:55)
8	Patricia Ireland	Larabi Rummanni	5	14:17:32	36, 48, 52, 48, 45, 48, 48 (Avg:48)
11	Sarah McLaughlin	Tonki Dee Boo Shania	5	14:20:29	36, 44, 52, 52, 54, 48, 52 (Avg:50)
12	Shelley Cowan	Honey Bee	5	14:29:29	32, 48, 48, 52, 48, 58, 52 (Avg:51)
13	Ellen Vine	Castlebar What's The Goss	5	14:30:05	44, 44, 54, 52, 52, 56, 52 (Avg:51)
14	Kim Noble	Warrawee Naaziq	5	14:53:07	42, 50, 52, 50, 54, 56, 56 (Avg:53)
15	Shannon Decker	Cooroora Bold Dancer	5	15:09:02	34, 52, 56, 56, 50, 60, 56 (Avg:55)
16	Alexandra Toft	Roger That te	5	16:02:42	36, 52, 56, 56, 48, 48, 45 (Avg:50)
17	Kristie Wright	Cooroora Allyjah	5	16:03:30	44, 48, 52, 50, 40, 56, 50 (Avg:49)
18	Monica Ballard	Blake's Heaven Carousel	5	16:23:30	36, 52, 52, 52, 50, 52, 48 (Avg:51)
19	Amanda Rayner	Ruby Park Athena	5	17:28:35	36, 52, 56, 56, 60, 60, 48 (Avg:55)
20	Kate Appleby	Steel Poppy Zen	5	17:40:30	40, 56, 48, 46, 48, 48, 52 (Avg:49)
20	Allix Jones	Aqaba Signette	5	17:40:30	34, 54, 56, 56, 44, 56, 56 (Avg:53)
22	Kate Pilley	Castlebar Savannah	5	17:40:32	40, 52, 52, 45, 46, 56, 48 (Avg:49)
23	Ruth Morley	Mariba Ashwani	5	17:46:31	44, 52, 50, 52, 58, 52, 48 (Avg:52)
24	Nicola Robinson	Sterling Nakeeta	5	17:53:19	40, 48, 52, 52, 44, 48, 52 (Avg:49)
25	Cherry Cummins	Oso Bettina	5	18:53:25	36, 54, 48, 56, 48, 48, 44 (Avg:49)
26	Claire Godwin	Tarkhim Shar Shalenah	5	19:00:52	40, 48, 48, 48, 50, 56, 48 (Avg:49)
27	Janelle Roosen	Greywood Magenta	5	19:06:52	36, 48, 44, 56, 48, 48, 48 (Avg:48)
28	Trish Smith	Beaucheval Akhiran	5	19:28:03	38, 48, 52, 52, 52, 56, 48 (Avg:51)
29	Alannah Luck	West Coast Asher	5	19:32:21	32, 44, 56, 44, 48, 46, 46 (Avg:47)
30	Ros Ryan	Rainbows Reach Scout	5	19:33:48	32, 40, 40, 48, 48, 48, 40 (Avg:44)
31	Grace Huxtable	Shemali Saladin	5	20:04:34	40, 48, 44, 56, 52, 52, 52 (Avg:49)
32	Renee Henry	Cadenza Supernatural	5	20:08:22	31, 48, 50, 44, 48, 46, 46 (Avg:47)
33	Nicole Porter	Lumeah Running Rats	5	20:08:28	36, 40, 48, 48, 48, 48, 42 (Avg:45)
34	Karren Carman	Dyarah Park Gold Digger	5	20:34:05	40, 48, 48, 56, 52, 52, 56 (Avg:52)
34	Fiona Shearman	Tom-May Mel-Bar Prince	5	20:34:05	36, 52, 48, 48, 44, 52, 48 (Avg:48)

## Junior

1	Bella Pickering	Vandiemans Trojen	5	11:15:58	34, 56, 56, 56, 56, 52, 58 (Avg:55)
2	Kirstie Lockhart	Zane	5	11:58:42	36, 52, 52, 60, 60, 56, 52 (Avg:55)
3	Tahnaya Mercieca	Candynae	5	14:39:55	44, 56, 60, 60, 58, 60, 56 (Avg:58)
4	Alison Noble	Springridge Elite	5	14:53:20	36, 56, 58, 56, 54, 60, 60 (Avg:57)
5	Louis Ryan	Kholonial Amigo	5	16:02:48	40, 57, 52, 48, 52, 44, 48 (Avg:50)

Left: Gail Fisher successfully riding Arasarta Narhalinian in a riding time of 18:46:42. Below right: Andrew Jonkers Girilambone Comet riding time: 19:20:12. Photo Rob and Marieke Featonby.





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**NSW ERA Management Committee**

L-R Kristie Wright, Karen Anderson, Alam Dastani (team manager) Sarah Lymbery, Andrew Jonkers, with Kylie Jonkers as the reserve.





# Karen Anderson TQ17 report

Well the Quilty 2017 was incredible, an experience that I will always remember.

To compete in this Australian iconic event is something special but to also be wearing the mighty blue NSW uniform is gold! Being presented with the state team uniform, participating in team photos and standing with my fellow team members at presentation was an absolute honour.

My 'non horsey' friends are often inquisitive and ask 'Why I do it'.....3700km drive across Australia, Midnight start on horseback with 24hrs to cover 160km of tough Australian country .

For me it's a chance to challenge myself whilst competing in an iconic Australian event surrounded by some of Australia's best horses, riders and strappers.

In reflection there is one thing that stands out that will have me do it all again and that is the unique comradery that I experience at Endurance events and the guarantee of making new friendships and rekindle old.

Kristin (our Quilty neighbour) who helped me set up yards on dusk, Tony who offered his wood to keep our fire going, the unknown female rider who offered one of her gloves (I left mine at camp) when we were caught in a hellish hail storm with no shelter, Tanya who removed my saddle when my frozen fingers refused to work and Mark who made jokes on the last leg to help get us through and take my mind off nausea caused by dehydration, the endless supply of good luck wishes from other riders and strappers, Alamdar who was always at vetting to assist me and Jessie who captured special moments in her photos - You are all amazing

There is a team of people behind the scenes that each played a part in my Quilty success - Farrier, Vet, Body Worker, friends who I borrowed gear from, friends that provided Stables, organised horse feed and fed me. Even a mechanic friend who checked the float bearings before leaving.

Plus the messages of love, support and encouragement before, during and after the event from my family and priceless friends played an important role.

Finally the most important part - my tough little mare - Malleegrove Samsara. In true Arab style she pushed through some horrendous weather and after 160km received the big thumbs up from the vet panel. You bloody beauty!!

What a trip!😊

Karen Anderson M'Ship 22860



The NSW TQ Team was Sarah Lymbery, Kristie Wright, Karen Anderson and Andrew Jonkers .

## FOR SALE

FOR SALE – Galadiator Deluxe 2 horse angle float – 1 year old – registered to July 2018. Swing up bunk beds – front kitchen cupboards – rug racks – full size swing out (and removable) tack box with saddle racks – Fiamma Awning – horse yard – fully enclosed – breakaway system - only selling as daughter lost interest. This float has been to 3 endurance rides but hardly used and still smells new. Happy to trade for smaller 2HSL -

Photos available - \$22,000.00 – Please call Jacky - Ph. 49380081

# Currowan Ride Review

Currowan Endurance Ride was held on the 22nd & 23rd of July 2017.

Riders from Victoria came up to enjoy the ride as well as many locals and endurance riders from all over NSW.

The weather was perfect with many people enjoying the lovely temperatures resulting in people being able to wear a tee shirt for a change.

There were 21 riders in the 10km ride on Saturday. The start of the 10km ride (except for 600mtr) is on roads with no other horses or cars for 6km of the ride so riders can relax and enjoy the scenery. Our youngest riders in this event received a bag of horse feed for completion thanks to Mitivite and Maxisoy.

There is always a rush for the camp sites on the Nelligen Creek with its sandy shores. Parents know where to find the older children, they spend the weekend at the creek having a great time. The ride base is a large flat paddock that could easily hold 200 horses and campers so there is plenty of room to spread out.

At pre ride we drew our raffle which thanks to our great sponsors had some fantastic prizes.

The four fresh seafood platters which Innes Boat Shed of Batemans Bay donate are amazing and are a big favourite especially with people from inland. Batemans Bay has world class oysters and these are a part of the platter. There were also four wood fired pizza vouchers from the nearby pub as well as other great prizes to be won.

After pre ride there is always a crowd heading for the local Steampacket Hotel for a meal and to relax and catch up with endurance riding friends.

Snax on Trax provide our food on site and are always popular with their home made tasty food and good coffee. There are plenty of options for good food as there is also a cafe on the waterfront in Nelligen (a minute down the road) where fish and chips and other tasty meals are served up.

There was no frost on Sunday morning which was nice for the 15 riders doing the South Coast Zone Championship 100km starting at 5:30am. And 38 riders in the 80km ride at 6am were happy with the morning temperature.

All Sunday riders went past checkpoint one situated 5.8km from base on their way out and back to base so it is easy to work out your pace and have your horse at its best for vetting.

Alan Lindsay riding Kintamani Silver Motif, 5th HWT in the 80km at Currowan, 7 hrs 51mins.





There were lots of prizes with a bag of horse feed going down to 5th place if you were at presentation in the 80km ride. Youngest riders in the 20km & 40km also got a bag of horse feed. The SCZ Championship BC rugs were not at the ride but SCZ have arranged for winners to get the BC rugs.

Con Bouzianis riding Conderosa Zaheera won the South Coast Zone 100km Championship in a time of 6:28 and was also BC HWT.

Clare Feary riding Die Kinder Junrei was 1st MW and BC 7:10, Kim Noble riding Mizzi Cougar was 1st LW and BC 6:37 and Celia Hodgson was 1st Junior and BC 8:25

Currowan 80km winners were John Robertson riding Karabil Asis 1st HW and BC in a time of 5:17, Kerry Alderton riding Madrigal Park Larbonetta 1st MW and BC 5:17, Julie Hooper riding A'landell Enigma 1st LW and BC 5:37 and Emma Cole riding Cedar Ridge Carbine 1st Junior and BC 7:38

We have great sponsors that support us each year: Jon De le Arabians, Premium Tyre Service, Landmark Braidwood, Mitivite, Maxisoy,

Hiscocks Queanbyan, Goodwoods Saddlery, Jones Horse Transport, Moruya Vet Hospital, Braidwood Rural, Harrisons Horse and Pet and Innes Boat Shed. Please support the people who support your sport. Anyone who organises an event will know sponsors are hard to find as there are a lot of other events going on.

A big thanks to all our volunteers who donate their time, without them there would be no ride. Thank you to our vets especially Moruya Vet Janelle Dunkley on maternity leave with a four month old baby. Janelle came Saturday and Sunday when we couldn't find a fourth vet after we had an extra 35 people nominate after the cut-off date.

Most people say with the lovely scenery, great ride base and friendly atmosphere it's hard not to have a great weekend at Currowan Endurance Ride



Above: Tracy John and Berwick Royal Music head home to place 4th MWT in the 80k ride at Currowan.

Below: Vicki Abel riding Reuben was successful in the 10 k ride at Currowan. Animal Focus

Below: Alexander Bice riding Webbs Creek Cattle Baron, successful in the 40km ride at Currowan.







Left: Con Bouzianis riding Conderosa Zaheera, 1st HWT in the 100km ride at Currowan, 6 hrs 28mins.

Below: Tayissa Boese and Chikka, loved up in the 20k at Currowan.

Borrom Left: Courtney Chapman riding Kintamani Silver Marksman, successful in the 80k ride at Currowan.

Bottom Right: Emma Miles-Howe riding Ralvon Eternity with Rebecca Lees on Windrayne Sierra.







Above: Emma Cole 11yo 1st 80km junior and Best Conditioned.

Above: Brett Willis riding Cedar Ridge Timewarp with Leanne Holz riding Carlwood Park Austen, both successful in the 80k ride at Currawan. Animal Focus  
Bottom right: Tegan Ashby 8yo completion 20km  
Opposite: Mia Smith 8yo Completion 20km  
Below: Celia Hodgson 100km SCZ Championship 1st Junior and Best Conditioned.



**Ride Name: Currowan Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 100.0km

Start Date:23/07/2017

**Heavyweight**

1	Con Bouzianis	Conderosa Zaheera	3	6:28:00	44, 41, 45, 54 (Avg:46)
2	Robert Catlin	Avita	3	7:10:00	36, 45, 49, 53 (Avg:49)
3	Leanne Hickson	Kharbo	3	8:49:00	32, 45, 42, 42 (Avg:43)
4	Heidi Wade	Love In The Mist	3	8:53:00	36, 43, 52, 51 (Avg:48)
	Ken Bradley	Littlebanks Magic Wings	1	Lame L1	36, 48 (Avg:48)

**Middleweight**

1	Clare Feary	Die Kinder Junrei	3	7:10:00	40, 38, 43, 46 (Avg:42)
2	Jesse Buchan	Mountain Ash Tabasco	3	8:26:00	33, 39, 53, 53 (Avg:48)
2	Talea Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Summer Reign	3	8:26:00	36, 41, 42, 46 (Avg:43)
4	Anita Ashby	Lentara Park Heather	3	8:41:00	30, 47, 57, 48 (Avg:50)
5	Jennifer Rogers	Burren-Dah Smokin Joe	3	8:49:00	34, 35, 44, 46 (Avg:41)

**Lightweight**

1	Kim Noble	Mizzi Cougar	3	6:37:00	30, 42, 45, 51 (Avg:46)
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**Junior**

1	Celia Hodgson	Marat MA	3	8:25:00	34, 44, 42, 48 (Avg:44)
2	Laura Kelly	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu	3	8:53:00	40, 43, 57, 56 (Avg:52)
2	Lily Wheeler	Yinbilliko Jackson	3	8:53:00	38, 40, 42, 42 (Avg:41)
	Alison Noble	Springridge Elite	2	Lame L2	38, 45, 51 (Avg:48)

**Ride Name: Currowan Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 80.0km

Start Date:23/07/2017

**Heavyweight**

1	John Robertson	Karabil Asis	2	5:17:00	30, 50, 49 (Avg:49)
2	Peter Norman	Contessa	2	6:51:00	32, 43, 49 (Avg:46)
3	Rhys Norman	Renbury Brian	2	7:15:00	30, 52, 43 (Avg:47)
4	Stephen Deering	Carama Razzle Dazzle	2	7:44:00	40, 47, 56 (Avg:51)
5	Alan Lindsay	Kintamani Silver Motif	2	7:51:00	34, 48, 60 (Avg:54)
6	Ian Dreghorn	Ausden Nile Prins	2	8:55:00	31, 41, 45 (Avg:43)
	Steve Finnane	Snippets	2	HR L2	40, 54, 72 (Avg:63)
	Marty Moran	Ralph Lauren	2	Lame L2	45, 49, 55 (Avg:52)
	April Robinson	Moveitalong	1	Lame L1	36, 44 (Avg:44)

**Middleweight**

1	Kerry Alderton	Madrigal Park Larbonetta	2	5:17:00	32, 36, 42 (Avg:39)
2	John Symons	Ruby Rose	2	5:37:00	41, 52, 48 (Avg:50)
3	Daniel Noble	Sbara Oscar	2	6:51:00	36, 44, 50 (Avg:47)
4	Tracy John	Berwick Royal Music	2	7:02:00	37, 42, 52 (Avg:47)
5	Peter Bice	Georgie Girl	2	7:09:00	38, 40, 42 (Avg:41)
6	Brooke Warner	Bradali Najmul Fi Samar	2	7:38:00	34, 37, 43 (Avg:40)
7	Brett Willis	Cedar Ridge Timewarp	2	7:43:00	42, 42, 44 (Avg:43)
8	April Newman	Valinor Park Vatel	2	7:49:00	34, 40, 39 (Avg:39)
9	Stacey Hayter	Aztec	2	7:52:00	41, 42, 53 (Avg:47)
9	Bev Turner	Coco Chanel	2	7:52:00	36, 40, 42 (Avg:41)
11	Kayte Barnard	FC Beijing	2	7:57:00	34, 40, 41 (Avg:40)
12	Tom Bouzianis	Phoenix CE	2	8:00:00	36, 46, 48 (Avg:47)
13	Emma Miles-Howe	Ralvon Eternity	2	9:20:00	30, 44, 56 (Avg:50)
	Fiona Meller	Malu Vale Embers	2	Lame L2	26, 36, 42 (Avg:39)
	Michelle George	Yinbilliko Sameera Rukan	1	WD L1	32, 35 (Avg:35)
	Rebecca Lees	WindradysieSierra	1	WD L1	27, 58 (Avg:58)

**Lightweight**

1	Julie Hooper	A'Landell Enigma	2	5:37:00	44, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
2	Fia Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Venus	2	5:52:00	32, 46, 47 (Avg:46)
3	Elaine Kirby	Turingal Park Nicholas	2	5:58:00	36, 41, 47 (Avg:44)
4	Roz Edmunds	Everon Park Apollo	2	6:45:00	30, 44, 49 (Avg:46)
5	Chloe Hubczack	Heste Arabique Bobby Dazzler	2	6:50:00	32, 42, 48 (Avg:45)
6	Sue Todd	Shakari Bear	2	7:09:00	39, 43, 48 (Avg:45)
7	Shelly Ison	Lulu	2	7:15:00	32, 41, 42 (Avg:41)
8	Faith Robinson	Arabesque Winning Streak	2	7:18:00	39, 45, 60 (Avg:52)
9	Leanne Holz	Carlwood Park Austen	2	7:43:00	34, 38, 50 (Avg:44)
10	Courtney Chapman	Kintamani Silver Marksman	2	7:49:00	34, 46, 48 (Avg:47)
11	Mary Hollingsworth	Sandine Bugatti	2	8:57:00	32, 44, 52 (Avg:48)
	Cheny Collins	Sandine Legal	2	WD L2	30, 39, 42 (Avg:40)

**Junior**

1	Emma Cole	Cedar Ridge Carbine	2	7:38:00	32, 36, 39 (Avg:37)
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## Meeting Summary Report, NSWERA Committee meeting held 19 May 2017.

**Present:** Alam Dastani (chair), Peter Bice, John Howe, Kerry Spratt, Belinda Hopley, Tony Warren, Jo Davis, Noni Seagrim (Snowy delegate), Tony Warren. **Phone hookup:** Jacque Wright (6.28), Adeline Gibson. **Apologies:** Peter Kelly, Talea Hasko-Stewart. **In attendance:** Helen Rich, Jacky Barlow, Neil Clarkson (7.11)

### Acceptance of minutes

Belinda discussed the comments in the April minutes (para 40) regarding the trot out rule. Belinda thinks the motion was recorded incorrectly in the April minutes. The motion was moved that we would make it a rule. The reason Belinda voted against it was because we cannot make that a rule that contradicts AERA rule 3.16. Belinda said that the logic behind the motion and the wording are incorrect. She wants this recorded in the April minutes but does not require the motion to be changed. The respective motion is set out below:

**MOVED** Tony Warren, seconded Alam Dastani  
**THAT** starting immediately, trot outs at all rides will be out and back, not triangles.

**CARRIED** Belinda voted against the motion with the rest of those present voting for the motion. The motion was therefore passed.

Jacque feels that we should have stayed with the rule book. Tony said most committee members do not like the triangle trot out. In the rule book it was supposed to be the triangle but for some reason that was left out of the Rule Book. Jacque said she understands the motives but if we need the rule book changed we have to send it to the AERA to make any changes. It was pointed out again that we were not changing the rule; we were changing the trot out for NSW rides. Belinda said what we need to change the motion to be strongly advising the vets to use the out and back. Alam is against having the option because feedback from members is that out and back trots are preferred. Tony said the motion has been passed and for it to be changed we need to rescind the motion. Agreed to leave the motion as it stands with Belinda's comments noted.

### Business arising from last meeting

Jacque discussed the report from the last meeting on EWS, detailed below. Alam read the email.

*"Suggestion: Any information that is sent to CS should also be sent to all RO. This will improve ride standards and ensure both parties are equally informed and 'on the same page', when working together. E.g. Notice HHD is a must for all horses and information regards intermediate distance awards*

*If no contact has occurred with Emily would Kerry like me as the vet liaison person take this on as she has enough to do?* Agreed Jacque will take this task.

*NSW sponsored riders: I personally have an issue with the regular giving away of complete set of Hat/ Shirt/ Vest & Jacket. What do these riders give back to NSW endurance apart from riding at an*

*event? Do they send a report to the newsletter, do they send a letter of thanks to NSWERA, and do they send a letter to main sponsors thanking them for supporting the events they attend? If the committee continues to give away this gear under the premise of "cheap branding" of NSW endurance, then from my extensive marketing experience strongly disagree. They don't work hard enough for the State... that is giving back to the mass of riders. I am not the only member who feels this way.*

*Way forward suggestions; if you ride representing the State*

- *then be available for the "intro to endurance events"*
- *send letters to RO and main sponsors thanking for holding and supporting the event*
- *share every week in lead up to event updates to the membership their training, horse progress*
- *share tips for successful 160km events team activities*

*Naturally rider & horse profile. The horse profile would be good for the SA as then the rider can express how they are preparing for to ride an unknown horse.*

*Plus more I am sure... but hopefully some ideas to start! "*

John said he thought Jacque should put her thoughts together into some form of a contract. The riders need to give something back. We need to promote the sport. "This is where you can go in endurance".

*Item 50: Tony report. Was the EWS riders discussed? I didn't realise that there was any opportunity for discussion and action must be taken. What was the resolve getting the IT forms to Tony in a prompt manner?*

The comment that it was to be discussed whether riders return to Novice. It wasn't recorded whether this would happen. Tony said he hasn't done anything about this but watches the people concerned. Return to novice this is not automatic. Agreed Kerry will ask Peter Kelly if Skype would help him to be involved.

Jacque was asked whether she would have time for all the jobs allocated to her. She was asked to speak to Emily about vet liaison.

Belinda has checked the QERA website about the Gold Card concept. See Belinda's report.

John to talk to Deanna Loomes about swabbing accreditation. Alam will take this over as we need to deal with EA.

Talea signed off at [6.59] and signed again in at [7.10]. Having problems with the connection.

Belinda to make a note to give to Jacque re HHD and Getting Started.

Noni is working on the online shop. Merchandise

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order needs to be placed. Noni will take care of problems with embroiderer.

South African trip: Peter has an email from Jill Burton about providing ride bibs. Bibs should include NSW and Australia and Stride Products as a sponsor. Noted our riders will only be using NSW provided uniforms. The riders may use the South African jacket but during presentations etc but must wear our uniforms. Jacques suggested we offer for the major sponsors to be on the sleeves. Alam said no because the ride is heavily sponsored already. Peter was asked to obtain a NSW flags to take.

**2018 AGM (17 February 2018) Windsor RSL .**  
Agreed we need a set of rules, protocol and a budget. John to follow up. Kerry is working on a checklist.

#### **State Champs 2017**

Letter from Lachlan was tabled and read by Kerry.

**MOVED THAT** Kerry Spratt and John Howe  
That we send a cheque for \$6000 to the Lachlan Endurance Club for the NSW State ride.

**Carried** Unanimous

Buckles –enough in stock. Need to get quotes for supply of sashes. Jacky Barlow will follow up on this with various suppliers. **Resolved:** to engrave 25 buckles and the tenth ride buckles. John will arrange this.

Jacky to bring all the buckles to the next meeting.

#### **Ratification of decisions made between meetings**

**MOVED THAT** Kerry Spratt, John Howe  
the actions that were taken in relation to the Table Top ride be ratified.

**Carried** Unanimous

John thanked Alam for the way in which this matter was managed.

#### **Secretariat Report & Ride Calendar (Jacky Barlow, John Howe/Jo Davis)**

Membership for 2017: Total membership 436, junior 45, intermediate 16, associate 13, honorary 6. Newsletter 172.

#### **Rides for approval**

Bumbaldry – Wants to move from 24/25 March 2018 to 17/18/March 2018. The correct date for this ride is 24 and 25 March 2018. .

Tooraweenah - requesting 21-22nd April 2018. John said they want to run the State Champs in June so this application for approval is redundant. In 2019 they will go back to their traditional date. Kerry asked if we have put out expressions of interest. John said Tooraweenah want to have this as a celebration for their anniversary. Resolved that we ask for expressions of interest for 2018 State Championship ride.

John would like to ask for expressions of interest for an Easter Carnival for 2018 as well. Jenny Shepherd will consider running 2019 State Championship. Zone One have discussed moving the Q60.

Discussing a contract. John has contacted traditional rides, see his report.

Need to update the forms to 2018. Jo Davis doesn't have the forms but Neil will do this.

Discuss backup for new laptop.

Jacky would like to purchase an external hard drive, or the supplier of the new laptop would monitor it for around \$30 per month.

**MOVED THAT** Alam Distani, John Howe  
we purchase a large backup drive for the NSW SMC secretariat computer.

**Carried** Unanimous

Jacky will look up the honorary members and change the numbers in AERASpace as appropriate. Helen to send to Jacky the extract from the AGM minutes.

Adeline asked for a list of emails for the new members. Jacky will attend to this.

**MOVED THAT** Belinda Hopley and John Howe  
the new members are accepted and their names published in the newsletter.

**Carried** Unanimous

Discussing the drop in members. Could we contact people who have not renewed and ask why they have dropped out? If Alam gets the phone numbers, he will call them as a personal touch. Belinda to send questions to Alam.

Alam expressed concern about the lack of action in the sports grant. Agenda item.

Jacky Barlow left the meeting at 8:00. Kerry thanked Jacky for stepping in to take Sonya's place.

#### **Neil Clarkson – update on riding member.**

Neil wants to discuss the behaviour of a riding member, in his role as a Chief Steward. Neil feels that we have a duty of care to the rest of the members but is concerned about the welfare of this member. Various concerning behaviours were noted and discussed.

**Resolved** that we write to this member. Kerry said she needs accurate details of the concerns. Agreed Belinda will review the Chief Stewards reports and advise Kerry so she can compose a letter setting out exactly what is mentioned in the reports.

#### **Tyremax Project (Emily Streckfuss chair, Kerry Spratt, Bec Hogan, Renee Kirk)**

Bibs have arrived and will be great at Wingello. Priority now is to start on the new rider booklet.

#### **AERA meeting**

Have the necessary paperwork for Peter and Noni. AERA showing a \$34,000 loss because they have paid the insurance bill. Kerry to send the AERA financial report to SMC again (sent with March AERA minutes).

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# Noni Seagrim – TQ17

Every Tom Quilty takes many months and years of careful planning, blood, sweat and tears whether you are an organiser or a competitor. TQ17 was no different.

My TQ17 plans started off a little later and a lot more uncertain than most with my more seasoned horses either enjoying retirement or having time off raising the next generation of champions amongst the broodmare band while I focused on qualifying a new team. The aim of the game was for steady completions, no matter who made it onto that float bound for South Australia, as it would be the first step over 80km for any of them.

Saturday 1st of July arrived and Part One was over... Horses were fit, sound and raring to go. Loaded up, leaving my amazing Mum with a list of instructions a mile long, Dad and I started our 1100km road trip to our first destination, the gorgeous Oakside Park Stud near Hahndorf, SA.

After 2 days on the road with an overnight stop in Hay the horses arrived at Oakside in fine form, bouncing off the float and into their stables ready to rest and recover for the next 4 nights in comfort before we headed to the ride base.

Tuesday morning saw Shelley Cowan arrive from WA, who would be riding her beautiful homebred mare Honey Bee alongside me on my ever happy and enthusiastic gelding Coolinda Park Words of Wisdom, aka Wolf.

By Thursday morning the horses were looking perfect, eating and drinking beautifully and fully recovered from their long trip so we started the final leg of our journey to Wirrina Cove, a casual hour away.

Yards and camp set up we dodged the few showers of rain and did our entries before setting off for a ride. The wind was blowing fiercely as it would continue to do for the next few days but the views from the cliffs overlooking St Vincent Gulf were nothing short of spectacular and it promised to be a very scenic ride.

Friday the excitement started to really kick in, both horses vetted well although a little excited about all the activity! Final gear checks and preparations were done, pre-ride talk was attended, super strapper Erin Steinbacher arrived and was given her orders, strapping equipment was set up and plans were made to meet up with our training buddy Ellen Vine and her mare Castlebar Whats The Goss before the start. All the preparations done we headed for bed to try to catch a few hours rest before the 11pm wake-up.

11:50pm and we were saddled and ready to go, walked around keeping well out of the crowds as much as possible with our keen and inexperienced horses. Letting most of the 164 starters go, we set off towards the back of the pack. Once we were on open ground the horses set a beautiful pace that they would maintain for the rest of the day, eating up the hills with enthusiasm.

The 1st leg was fantastic, the clouds of the previous few days cleared and we were treated to stunning views including the lights of Adelaide under a full moon. The tracks on the 1st leg had all held up well despite the rainfall the week prior making the going very good. Horses vetted well and we were back out onto the 2nd leg after a quick break in camp.

The weather was again kind to us but as we picked our way through the slippery boggy sections that made up much more of the 2nd leg, the clouds started to roll in again. The horses breezed along beautifully and



Noni Seagrim riding Coolinda Park Words of Wisdom in a completion time of 14:29:45 with Shelley Cowan on Honey Bee. Riding time: 14:29:29  
Photo Credit: RML Featonby. RML

handled the conditions well, cruising into base thinking their day's work was done... A momentary scare in vetting when Wolf pulsed too high after losing sight of his beloved Honey for a few seconds and we had to go around again, my heart fell and I was sure our day was done but he relaxed and passed vetting with flying colours... We were good to go again.

The 3rd leg was a bit of a blur, weather was starting to turn cold and I think it rained a bit at times but the horses kept breezing along, Wolf leading most of the way, excited to see what was around the next corner! All 3 passed vetting and we headed back to camp. 123km done, 37km to go.

Honey, Goss and Wolf all passed the compulsory represent and we saddled up and rode out... Less than 3kms into the 4th leg the weather started to really get miserable, bitterly cold rain and sleet blown horizontally by the near gale force winds as we rode along the exposed hill tops, trotting and cantering just to keep the horses warm. There were several kilometres where one side of Wolf and me were perfectly dry while the other was completely saturated... Despite all this, he remained keen and willing, setting a brisk pace for our little group for the entire 23km.

Arriving back into base in the cold driving rain we were met with chaos in the vet ring, it was swamped with riders arriving from the 3rd leg, compulsory represents and a few from the 4th leg, vets and officials were working overtime and still, the rain came down... sideways. After anxiously walking and waiting our turn, all 3 horses once again vetted through. Only 14km to go!

Out onto the last leg, Wolf led the charge for our little group, ears forward and still keen for more adventures! Those last few kilometres were nerve wracking, every slip, trip or stumble had us second guessing and worried but the horses handled the mushy rain soaked ground with ease, cantered up the last hill and trotted down the other side and across the line just as darkness started to set in.

An anxious few minutes of strapping and we walked to the vet ring. 1, 2, 3, we all made it through! We were very proud of these three tough horses. First 160ks for all of them and they never faltered. Nearly perfect vet scores for all of them, 14 hours and 30 minutes riding time, it was a 160 dream run. The months of work all paid off.

Many thanks to everyone who helped and supported me before during and after - you know who you are - I could never do it without you! A special thank you to Shelley for entrusting me with Honey's training, Ellen for your company in training and through the ride - huge congratulations on your first Quilty buckle! Erin, Josh and Dad for being the strapping dream team. Thank you to my amazing Mum for looking after everything at home for nearly two weeks while we were away! Also a huge thank you to Dianne Jenkins from JENT Equine Bodywork for keeping the horses in tip top shape!

Congratulations to everyone who successfully earned that buckle! To those riders who weren't successful this year, my sincerest commiserations.

Plans are now underway for TQ18 in Tassie... Who's coming!?!?

## New Members

Nicola	Dwyer	Junior	Mandalong
Heather	Parry	Senior	Scone
Ellen	Dunger	Senior	Armidale
Alexander	Bice	Junior	Gunderman
Nicole	Solberg	Senior	The Rock
Jasmine	Zimmerman	Junior	Taralga
Rhys	Rayner	Senior	Leeville
Libity	Mercer	Junior	Jerrabomberra
Vernon	Brown	Senior	Wingham
Taylah	Ross	Junior	Tarago
Jessica	Pearce	Senior	Bywong
Jacqui	Davis	Senior	Mt Rankin
Amanda	Riordan	Senior	Murrurundai
Jack	Riordan	Senior	Murrurundai





## SHAHZADA 2017 ...

Fantastic week with the most spectacular weather.....the roads were hard but the tracks were great and so well cleared by all the volunteers who put so much time and effort into making them safe.

There were 44 riders in the 400 km ride starting at 4am on Monday, 21st August with a great ride out to Johnny Browns Hill - the beginning of the ride of your life.

The fastest time for the second year in a row of 38:00:00 was achieved by Melissa Longhurst from far north Queensland riding Pioneer Park Wings of Sudan and five horse and rider combinations were called up for the Best Managed/Best Conditioned Award - Robert Catlin riding Avita, Melissa Longhurst riding Pioneer Park Wings of Sudan, Leigh Rich riding Miva Avanti, Allix Jones riding Ralvon Milarna and Victoria Bice riding The Byzantine Diamonds with the Best Managed/Best Conditioned Award going to Robert Catlin and Avita.

The Shahzada teams event was won by the Vixens and Him Team of Victoria Bice riding The Byzantine Diamonds, Sue Todd riding Shakari Bear, Cherry Cummins riding Winter Hill Alice and Peter Bice riding Georgie Girl with trophies from Sillona Endurance Arabians and the mystery teams event was taken out by the Killer Queens team of Ruth Van Der Wegen riding Attalah Soulita, Sue Warren riding Entourage E.R.A., Zoe Locke riding Graciella and Sue Todd riding Shakari Bear winning a beautiful framed photo of the horse and rider courtesy of Animal Focus. The oldest rider home was Sue Todd on Shakari Bear, the youngest rider was Victoria Bice on The Byzantine Diamonds and the last rider home was Allix Jones on Ralvon Milarna - awards thanks to Sillona Endurance Arabians. The Halifax Hayes Fit and Well Award went to Richard Summerfield on Arabica Cue Tee who, along with his wife Lyn Summerfield on Kholonial Farrington, won the Sillona Endurance Arabians award for the Furthest Distance Travelled to the event.

There were 80 entrants in the Mini Marathon which was held over three days of 40kms per day and gave riders and horses the opportunity to get the taste of marathon riding with the idea that they will take up the challenge next year and attempt the 400 km Shahzada.....61 riders were successful. The teams event winners received a lovely trophy from Sillona Endurance Arabians and was won by four of our entrants from



Sue Todd and Shakari Bear - received the Oldest Rider award.

The New Zealand team. Photo Animal Focus





New Zealand, the Bullio's Kiwis team of Nadine Barker riding Bradali Najmul Fi Samar, Jenny Chandler riding Cedar Ridge Monarch, Ashley Cole riding Kahuna Moon and Teresa Birkett riding Cedar Ridge Lyric.

Huge thank you to the Chief Steward, Haydn Fisher and assistants Neil Clarkson and Tony Warren as well as Head Vet and local Hawkesbury Vet Dr Emily Streckfuss assisted by Dr Georgiana Sheridan, Dr Darien Feary and Dr Chris Stott.

We have a Dress Up Day on the Thursday of the event - this year it was Cowboys/Cowgirls/Indians and Bling, Boots and Fancy Things and the famous Dog Races..... it was all put together by Entertainment Co-coordinator Allison Knihinicki - what a day.....this is definitely the day if you just want to come and have a look next year. Allison also ran My Campfire Rules during the event where the strappers prepared meals for judging - all heaps of fun during the week. Lots of photos plus final results will be on the Shahzada website [www.shahzada400.com](http://www.shahzada400.com)

Shahzada is put together by a small committee and crew as well as a large number of dedicated volunteers and lovers of our sport of endurance.....some of whom were there up to ten days prior to the event to help erecting tents and gazebos, clearing campsites, putting water up in those mountains, marking the course, sorting out pumps and water in base and staying on to TPR, time-keep, sit on gates, help in the office and pencil for the vets and run books back and forth - thank you to everyone involved in the success of the 2017 Shahzada.

The 38th Shahzada will be held from Monday, 27th to Friday, 31st August, 2018.....start making your plans now!!!!



Robert Catlin and Avita, Riding time: 41:37.  
Best Managed and Conditioned Horse at Shahzada

The Mystery Team award sponsored by Animal Focus: Sue Warren, Ruth van der Wegen, Sue Todd and Zoe Locke.





# Ride Name: Shahzada Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 400.0km

Start Date:21/08/2017

Ride Type: Marathon

Head Vet: Emily Streckfuss

Chief Steward: Haydn Fisher

## Heavyweight

1	12	Robert Catlin	Avita	#	41:37:00
2	18	Sue Warren	Entourage Era	#	47:05:00
	55	John Howe	Ashbend Perazzi	9	Lame L9
	25	Stuart Lymbery	Aloha Desert Glitter	8	Lame L8
	51	Ash Cole	Zee Boy Rodney	7	Lame L7
	66	Ian Dregghorn	Ausden Nile Prins	7	Withdrawn L7
	44	Allan Caslick	A'Landell Kazade	3	Withdrawn L3
	9	Gail Fisher	Arasarta Narhalinian	2	Metabolics severe L2
	68	Lainie Ray	Diamond R Turbo	2	Metabolics moderate L2

## Middleweight

1	99	Debbie Pevy	Galaxy Mi	#	40:19:00
2	37	Monique Echentille	Follydown Kadin	#	47:04:00
2	64	Dean Walkom	Tall Timbers Roberto	#	47:04:00
4	2	Anne Barlow	Sa-Har Magnolia	#	47:23:00
5	24	Sarah Lymbery	Aloha Typic	#	47:49:00
6	13	Jodie Luck	Lindall Alabaska	#	48:06:00
7	30	Jesse Buchan	Mountain Ash Tabasco	#	49:00:00
8	41	Richard Summerfield	Arabika Cue Tee	#	51:30:00
	71	Peter Bice	Georgie Girl	5	Lame L5
	38	Karen Anderson	Malleegrove Samsara	4	Lame L4
	1	Tom Bouzianis	Phoenix CE	4	Lame L4
	33	Braden Cameron	Roswick Ameera	4	Lame L4
	14	April Newman	Valinor Park Vatel	4	Lame L4
	26	Ruth Van der Wegen	Attallah Soulita	4	Lame L4
	10	Clare Feary	Picnic Park Thor	3	Lame L3
	5	Allison Knihinicki	Velona Amadi	2	Withdrawn L2

## Lightweight

1	19	Melissa Longhurst	Pioneer Park Wings of Sudan	#	38:00:00
2	45	Roz Edmunds	Everon Park Apollo	#	39:29:00
3	20	Leigh Rich	Miva Avanti	#	41:02:00
4	8	Victoria Bice	The Byzantine Diamonds	#	42:30:00
5	11	Sue Todd	Shakari Bear	#	42:33:00
6	28	Zoe Locke	Graciella	#	46:17:00
7	27	Faith Robinson	Espirit Serena	#	48:07:00
8	39	Cherry Cummins	Winter Hill Alice	#	48:28:00
9	40	Lynette Summerfield	Kholonial Farrington	#	51:27:00
10	57	Allix Jones	Ralvon Milarna	#	52:52:00
	49	Michele Ladmore	Azale Aladdin	9	Withdrawn L9
	43	Tammy Woodgate	Castlebar Galaxy	7	Withdrawn L7
	67	Elizabeth Moir	Kenya s Gold	4	Lame L4
	4	Mary Hollingsworth	Cameo Ambrozia	2	Lame L2
	16	Imke Lamsma	Sbara Turbo	2	Withdrawn L2
	6	Kim Noble	Menora Moon Dance	2	Lame L2
	36	Trish Smith	Beaucheval Akhiran	2	Withdrawn L2

## Junior

15	Ijjou Mohamed	Warrawee Naaziq	#	Lame L10
7	Alison Noble	Springridge Elite	3	Lame L3

## Volunteers draw - Chief Stewards and TPRs.

\$100 voucher. Neil Seagrim.

## Volunteers.

\$50 voucher. Graham Feltham, Gary Bennett, Ago Perrin, Peter Bice.

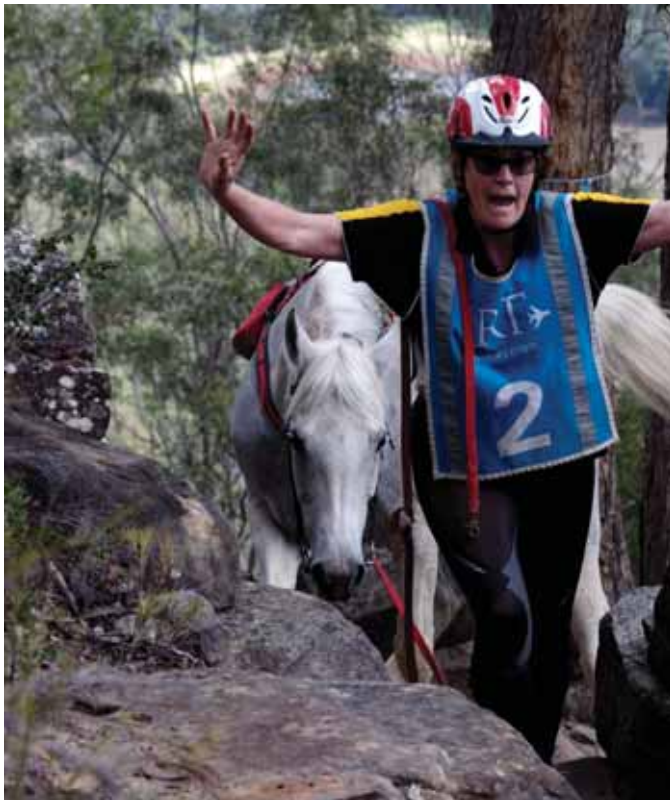


Left: Cherry Cummins & Winter Hill Alice. Riding time: 48:28

Below Left: Anne Barlow climbs The Steps with Sahr Magnolia. Riding time: 47:23:

Below right: Melissa Longhurst, line honours and 1st LWT. Riding time 38 hours

Bottom: The line up for the best managed award, Robert Catlin riding Avita, Melissa Longhurst riding Pioneer Park Wings of Sudan, Leigh Rich riding Miva Avanti, Allix Jones riding Ralvon Milarna and Victoria Bice riding The Byzantine Diamonds.







Gordon Anthony Smith  
TPR Neville 2017

"A familiar sight at many of our endurance rides, hard working TPR Steward Gordie."

Above right: Diesel Featonby and Shimira loving the Mini Marathon.

Opposite: Hard working 'track maintenance workers' at Shahzada: the Fisher family, Robinson family, Peter Luthy and Sue Todd at the top of McKechnies. (plus Jo Arblaster behind the camera!)

Below: Brianna Webb on Sixxwytch Farm Phayida with Brooke Campbell on Kulgarnie Rubin





## Kiwarra Cup Ride Review

The weather was perfect for the running of the Kiwarra Cup Endurance Carnival. Light rain on the Friday night left the track in great condition for the 117 horses and riders who enjoyed the undulating trails and spectacular views through the eucalypt and temperate rain forests of the Kiwarra State Forest and Talawahl Nature Reserve.

A big thank you goes out to all our generous ride sponsors, with special mention to Martin and Marilu, who big-heartedly allowed us to use their paddocks for our ride-base; State Forests and National Parks for allowing access to their trails; and the Department of Sport & Recreation for their generous ride grant.

Big thanks also to our Chief Steward, Mary-Lou Locke; vets, Adrian Owens and Georgia Ladmore; and the myriad of helpers who turned-up on the day, and in many cases, the days before the ride; to ensure a successful day. Ruth Sumpner did a magnificent job running the office, in truly difficult conditions, fighting a slow computer, no internet and bright sunshine on the screen!

A big feature of the Kiwarra Cup this year were the 20 km and 10 km Introduction to Endurance Rides; and we enjoyed a tremendous turn out from local riders for these events. A preparatory talk about the sport of endurance was well-attended prior to the ride starts. Thanks to Jackie Wright NSW ERA (who travelled 7 hours to join us!), Mary-Lou (CS) and Georgia (vet) for running this. Introductory riders particularly welcomed the presence of two experienced strappers to assist and advise at the communal strapping area at the end, to ensure all horses were well presented to the vets.

There were 9 riders in the 10 km ride, 35 riders in the 20 km events, and 46 riders in the 40 km intermediate rides, with many experienced riders taking advantage of being able to do a 40 km ride on both the Saturday and the Sunday. We even had 2 riders and 4 horses down from Queensland!

The 80 km Kiwarra Cup saw 27 competitors head off at 5-00 am on the Sunday morning. Line honours, and the Kiwarra Cup, went to middleweight Gil Stevenson, riding Thalaba Touch of Gold, in a ride-time of 4 hours 55 minutes. Gil also took out Best Conditioned. Con Bouzianis riding Conderosa Zaheera was 1<sup>st</sup> heavyweight and Best Conditioned, Victoria Bice riding The Byzantine Diamonds was 1<sup>st</sup> lightweight and Best Conditioned, and Gabrielle Worth riding Evening Star was 1<sup>st</sup> Junior and Best Conditioned.

Congratulations to all the successful riders, and thank you for all the positive comments on the tracks, marking, and the great ride base; it certainly made all the volunteers feel appreciated.



Winner of the Kiwarra Cup— Gil Stevenson.

## 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**





Top Left: Con Bouzianis riding Conderosa Zaheera, 1st HWT 5hrs 23.

Top Right: Lizzie Moir riding Kenya's Gold, successful in the 40k at Kiwarrak.

Mid Left: Sophie Ramsay riding Autumnight Goldmine, successful in the 40k.

Mid Right: Nicole Smith and Malvern Harmony (aka Ruby), 2nd in the HWT division in 6 hrs 25mins.

Bottom Left: Ros Ryan riding Rainbows Reach Scout with Phil Coleman riding Rainbows Reach Dark N Stormy, both successful in the 80k at Kiwarrak



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### **NSW Office of Sport grant project**

*Report for Office of Sport Development grant – NSWERA – Jacque Wright*

*Subcommittee: Jacque Wright, Adeline Gibson, Clare Feary & Belinda Hopley*

*Survey will be conducted to gain information from new audience to obtain the information need for those who have never heard of or be near the sport.*

*8 questions have been proposed utilising Survey Monkey with multiple choice answers*

*To increase the number of responses by proposing a competition where to enter have to answer the questions to go the draw to win on of 4 chances for a \$40 Horseland voucher*

*Looking at the NSWERA calendar for 2<sup>nd</sup> half of the year there seems few/no options to hold a "Introduction to Endurance" weekend so the events will most likely be stand alone*

*Having officials training on the same weekend will be discussed further in the meanwhile Belinda will be sharing information of previous costs from last year CS event to help with budgets*

*The team will email ideas re: suitable location for the 3 weekends*

*Easier tracks to ride*

*Good grounds with facilities e.g. a building for presentation*

*It is a pleasure to be part of this team and everyone is very open and brings different skills. The teleconference was a fantastic investment as we were able to communicate some concerns and understand some ideas. JW spoke with Greg Moore last week who was a great help in confirming the team were working within the parameters of the grant.*

### **Discussion ensuing from the above report.**

Alam commented on this report and Kerry asked Jacque to elaborate. The survey has been created this week, with a test survey sent to Jacque. The survey will be on line next week for everyone to share. South Coast advise they have a great location where they would like to hold rides so we have been liaising with them through Clare and Jenny. For the next meeting we will be able to present possible locations for the rides. Jacque said these will be rides for introductory riders to go on the calendar. Looking to build rides around the survey. Jo said we only have November with blank dates. Jacque said she believes we can hold an intro ride any weekend.

We need to stick to the three areas. North, South and West of Sydney basin. The intro rides won't clash with the ride calendar and in Jacque's view are not rides that we want endurance riders to come along to. Others disagreed.

Alam suggested we attach them to the rides that are already in place, rather than looking for new rides, partly due to time constraints. At the same time newcomers can see how rides work in reality.

Jo Davis noted that at Colo it takes 5 months to organise a ride so this is why we are looking at October to run our introductory rides.

Kerry said it is much more viable to hook this into existing rides and she does not agree that we only want new comers at these events. We will have problems getting ride officials and vets etc. It will cost the same if not more for standalone rides.

Kerry said this was more about trying to run rides at existing rides and subsidise their entries and offset some of the costs of an existing ride while encouraging newcomers. If we subsidise entries, the entry fees must be cheaper..

Alam instructed Jacque to try to fit this into standing rides, not to create new rides. Get vets to talk about how rides work. Have a seminar – on a small scale – at existing rides.

Noni said she spoke to a vet at Wagga who was doing information on tie up and this lady was very interested in talking to riders.

Consider a workshop for TPR's, Chief Stewards and Ride Organisers. Computer training could be included. Keep TPRs and Chief Stewards together.

Consider Kiwarra or Bago for TPR schools.

Consider: Kiwarra, Brookvale and Burruga as possible rides to use for the intro rides.

Jacque said we should encourage ROs to bring their own computers with AERASpace preloaded. Belinda and Kerry to liaise regarding a workshop for ROs. Jacque asked for ideas on budgeting, needs to be worked out. How much money is involved with a CS workshop? This grant will allow us to cover expenses Jacque wants to be kept into the loop.

There should be a rule book workshop or a CS workshop but there needs to be consequences for CS who choose not to attend. What does the meeting the consequences should be? Instead, consider a reward for attending. Tony feels we need to have a consequence for not attending.

Agreed 4th November for Chief Stewards and Ride Organisers workshop, location to be advised. Jacque to look for venue in Bathurst and Belinda to look at Orange.

Jacque was asked to record minutes/feedback/ notes and provide to the SMC as soon as she has had discussions with the rest of this subcommittee. A complete paper trail of where the money goes is required.

**Resolved** is that we need a monthly report from this subcommittee. More is good but not less.

**The Rock and Kiwarra** Col is not happy to change dates, these rides are 800km apart but riders will come from the Sydney region for both. We need to discuss this with Kiwarra. **Resolved** that Jo Davis speak to the Kiwarra committee advising that The Rock is on the same day. Ask

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# At stud KINTAMANI SILVER MARKSMAN

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	POLDARK	
OAKELEIGH PARK		BETTINA
SILVER SHADOW		
		AETHON
	ELUSIVE	
		CATHAY
		SILVER SPOT
	CHIP CHASE KAIWANNA	
ADBARINA ARIA		KAI
		SILVER SPOT
	FENWICK RAMARA	
		RENURA



8yo Arabian stallion 15.2½ hh  
(1/9/2008)

*AI or Natural*

Completed his first Quilty  
in 2015 then went on to 3rd  
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# Ride Calendar

## September 2017

16-17	<b>Burruga Copper Challenge</b> 20/50km Saturday & 50/80km Sunday	Jacque Wright 0427 031331 <a href="mailto:jacquewright@gmail.com">jacquewright@gmail.com</a>	4
23-24	<b>Eldorado (Vic)</b> 20/40/80km	Kristie Taprell 6037 3239 <a href="mailto:kristiemcg@hotmail.com">kristiemcg@hotmail.com</a>	VERA

## October

30 Sept & 1-2 Oct.	<b>NSW State Championships (Woodstock)</b> 160/80km	Helen Lindsay 6342 9289 <a href="mailto:kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com">kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com</a>	4
22	<b>St Albans Trainers</b> 10/20/40km	Ian Dreghorn 0427 456436 <a href="mailto:ian.dreghorn@gmail.com">ian.dreghorn@gmail.com</a>	1
28-29	<b>Scenic City</b> 20/40/80km	Fia Cumming/Adeline Gibson 6282 2051 / 0411 058855 <a href="mailto:blakesheavenhorses@gmail.com">blakesheavenhorses@gmail.com</a>	4

## November

4/5	Chief Steward Workshop – Central West	Further details to come	
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## December

3	<b>Willinga Park</b> 10/20/40km Plus special talks to help you get started in endurance	Clare Feary 0413 341 270 <a href="mailto:pearyclare@gmail.com">pearyclare@gmail.com</a>	5
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## February 2018

17	<b>NSWERA AGM</b> – Windsor RSL	<b>Windsor RSL</b> , 36 Argyle Street, Windsor NSW.	1
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## March 2018

24-25	<b>Bumbaldry</b> 10/20/40/80	Helen Lindsay 6342 9289 <a href="mailto:kintamaniarabs@bigpond.com">kintamaniarabs@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**



## April 2018

21-22	<b>Tooraweenah</b> Saturday 7/20km Sunday 40/80km	Sonia Bonham 6848 5345 <a href="mailto:gavinandsonia@bigpond.com">gavinandsonia@bigpond.com</a>	2
29	<b>Gundagai</b> 40/80km	Rick Owen 6944 1628	4

## May 2018

26-27	<b>Wingello</b> Saturday 5/10/20 Sunday 20/41-61/80	Bec Hogan 0412 600173 - <a href="mailto:bechogan@newmoonstud.com.au">bechogan@newmoonstud.com.au</a>	5
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Kiwarraak if they would be prepared to move.

We should be advising ride organisers what dates are available not just letting ROs choose the dates they want, as Victoria does.

Could consider adding to the matrix that there will be no rides on the same weekend.

**Bumbaldry.** – Wants to move from 24/25 March 2018 to 17/18/March 2018. On hold. John to ask them to if they want to run at Easter, but a carnival not just one 80 km ride.

Tentative dates for Zone One at Colo are 14 or 25 October. Their next meeting is on 10<sup>th</sup> June.

Alam sent an email concerning Arabian racing and possibly running a 40k ride at SIAC in March 2018.

### **Capping of ride numbers and refusal of entries**

Kerry disagrees with capping of ride entries. In principle, we should not allow it because it could create an uneven playing field. Noted there could be exceptional circumstances that the SMC could consider. Belinda feels that for a basic weekend 80k ride, there should be no capping of numbers. Could we change the working on the ride booking form to cover capping?

**MOVED THAT** Kerry Spratt, Alam Dastani no endurance event affiliated with NSWERA will be allowed to cap entry numbers unless exceptional circumstances apply and approval is given by the NSW SMC to do so.

**Carried** Unanimous

Jacque said she would like to talk about the motion before it is voted on. This was done as detailed below. Discussing dual affiliation rides: if other States cap ride entries, then we may choose not to affiliate these rides. John will arrange for a notice to go into the newsletter on this.

Refusal of entries- Kerry spoke on this matter. She would like a motion to go to the AERA to include a rule in the rule book along the lines of what our ride booking form contains. People who are eligible to enter should not be denied entry

because of personal reasons, unless there is some legal reason why. Kerry wants to check with our honorary legal advisor on wording. Talea said she is very proud of our Association and how we handled the Table Top matter.

### **Purchase of electronic timing unit (ETS)?**

This was discussed at the March AERA meeting. AERA is hoping that each State would purchase at least one half timing unit ( sized for 150 horses). In NSW only certain rides are using ETS. In Tasmania, it works well, the SA Quilty will use it. The more units purchased the cheaper they will be for states to purchase.

Peter said he believes this is now a saleable unit whereas before it was a work in progress, all the previous issues have been addressed. John feels that we cannot afford to purchase this due to our current financial situation. Question who will be responsible for moving from ride to ride, and will it become a problem with the system not being used.

Peter is taking the radio to rides but no one is using it. See his report later in these minutes.

Resolved that due to the lateness of the hour to hold this matter over to another time.

### **Correspondence**

Kerry tabled a letter from a member thanking the committee for its work. Response from another member to our letter re social media posts was tabled and read by Kerry.

Steve Swan and Melanie Scott (AERA) – relating to members who do not live where they say they live.

There are other letters which involve some committee members who will leave the meeting while these are dealt with. [10:40] The committee members connected with these letters left the meeting.

Letter of complaint received about alleged horse abuse at the Table Top ride. This incident concerns a rider allegedly using undue harsh treatment on the horse, hitting it around the head

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and kicking it unnecessarily. This matter was reported to the CS at the ride and the letter is a formal complaint. Also have the Chief Steward report providing details of this issue.

Resolved that this matter be referred to an IDP. Names drawn by ballot.

Alan West received five years suspension from the IDP following the issues at Burruga 2016.

In camera discussion on a matter from the Burruga ride. Letter tabled and discussed. Kerry to respond as agreed.

Email from Gail Fisher regarding the Mudgee ride. A day member asked Gail about joining. Gail advised her about Intermediate membership and directed her to the website (thanks Gail). We could use laminated flyers to promote Intermediate membership at rides. Talea will put something onto the website and prepare a one page laminated version that can go out with the ride paperwork. Kerry will ask Jacky Barlow to do this when she receives the document from Talea.

**Alam Dastani: President, AERA, International**  
Discussing confidentiality agreements in general and the need for SMC to maintain confidentiality.

**Peter Bice: Vice President,**  
*I have been busy pushing the FM ride base radio. We seem to have gone from an era when there were very inadequate PA systems to nothing at all. The first hurdle seems to be getting people to pack a portable radio, the next is getting the ride organisers to actually use it. I set it up at Q60 and it wasn't used, again I set it up at Table Top this time telling the RO to well publicise on Facebook to pack a portable radio and again it went unused, very disappointed, they even resorted to sending staff around on quadbikes camp to camp to get messages out. This weekend it is going to Wingello where I have sent emails to Bec Hogan on how it should be utilized, if anyone knows how to promote sponsors Bec is the one. We shall see how we go. I will ask Adeline to put a post on Facebook to remind people to pack a portable radio.*

#### **FEEDBACK**

Q60: *Although nothing in writing there seems to have been plenty of campfire chatter about that second leg, I found the leg a step back to the old days of a challenging course, the problem was it was very slow, even though my riding companions and myself were riding to elevate we realized about half way through the second leg we were going to miss the cut off, only one rider made the cut off which obviously says a lot about the course. The event was very well run (yes my wife is on the committee) and the course marking was very good.*

#### **TABLE TOP**

*A couple of emails have come in, mostly about the last two legs, the first two legs were reversals of*

*each other as were the last two legs. The ride venue was great with great facilities and plenty of lush green pick although the vets were a bit concerned if horses weren't used to such lush grass. The course marking was satisfactory although you had to concentrate on looking for the tracks or markers in some places, I don't believe anyone got lost. There were many gripes about the last two legs many because the course was advertised as being very achievable and easy underfoot which is true for the first two legs, but so very wrong for the last two legs, it upset a lot of riders as they were not prepared for such a tedious ride after being told how wonderful the course was. The ride organisers have been told of this feedback.*

#### **MUDGEES**

*Again nothing in writing but from what I have heard it was a wonderful ride and everyone enjoyed themselves.*

Peter is keen to promote the ride base radio. We should put promote on Facebook asking people to bring portable radios. Peter to speak to the Table Top committee about the use of quad bikes at the ride base and some other issues, including that there must be no precedence of FEI horses over AERA horses.

**John Howe: Treasurer, Ride calendar, Zone 2**  
*Today I wrote a cheque for \$31,282.19 to AERA for this year's insurances and affiliation fees which, when it clears, will leave a credit balance of \$15,195.96. On 16th March, I wrote a cheque for \$17,217.50 to the AERA to cover our annual Insurance. This cheque has gone missing and a stop has been placed upon it through the Commonwealth Bank. I have checked with the bank and no attempt was made to present the cheque.*

*Today Table Top made a cash deposit to our account of \$1,980.00. Gundagai, Mudgee and Q60 are to yet pay their ride affiliation fees, so this will add approx. a further \$6,000.00 to our account.*

#### **Ride Calendar.**

*NSW has 5 traditional rides still on our calendar. These are Tooraweenah, Gundagai, Q60, Mudgee and Shahzada 400kms.*

*Our challenge is that the first four rides are within a one month period. This year's clash of dates happened because Rick from Gundagai simply couldn't get helpers for his ride on his original date, so had to move. I have explained our problem to Rick and he will work with us to avoid further clashes, probably going to the last weekend of April 2018. I have spoken with Ian Dregghorn and Jo Davis from Zone One and they are keen to move Q60 later in the year to get away from the aforementioned log jam of Traditional rides. Q60's traditional date was Mothers' Day and Mudgee actually has moved all over the calendar but for traditional date, it was in April. So if we can move Q60 later, that will be a massive help.*

*As previously discussed Tooraweenah, as part of a 40th Anniversary celebration, will most probably*

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tender for the 2018 NSW State Ride. They need to have a committee meeting but Sonia Bonham assures me that this is pretty much a formality. The date they moot for the ride will be the June long weekend as the Quilty next year is first weekend in October. Tooraweenah will be a wonderful Quilty qualifier. Sonia has asked for assistance in running her ride, largely admin bodies, so it would be wonderful if as many as possible NSWERA SMC members could go to Tooraweenah, firstly to ride or failing that to assist. I have offered my services in any way that the ride committee may choose.

With the clashes that have occurred early this year it is imperative that we do all we can to spread our remaining rides out. To this end, Jo will contact Col Lewis at the Rock to see if he can move his ride so that it will not clash with Kiwarra. While they are even further apart than Mudgee and Table Top, here are people in the Sydney basin who could and would consider going to both rides.

The current matrix was designed in consultation with Ride Organisers having a huge input. It was what was decided upon and has worked well for the last several years. The problem arises when one ride moves, in this case, Gundagai has created a knock on effect. However, I will counsel that it's much better to have two rides on one weekend than to lose one. I will further flesh out this report and publish it by way of explanation to our members in the next newsletter.

Windeyer is well on track for its Quilty Qualifier on the June long weekend.

Zone Two is now down to two rides:-Tooraweenah who have just run a successful Easter Carnival, though numbers in the 80km events were disappointing, but numbers in the Intro and Intermediate rides were up, which is the trend so far this year. Mudgee has decided to no longer be a part of Zone Two at this time.

Other Matters:- I believe that we need to write to all ride Secretaries reiterating that NSWERA provides one computer for use at all rides within the Zone geographic area, ie a ride does not have to be affiliated with its geographical Zone to access the ride computer. When a computer "dies" it is to be replaced by the Zone or if they choose to do so, individual R.O's.

See elsewhere in this newsletter for Profit and Loss Report

**MOVED THAT** **John Howe, None Seagrim**  
the treasurer's report is accepted and the accounts be paid.

**Carried** Unanimous

**MOVED THAT** **Jo Davis, Noni Seagrim**  
the signatories to the NSW Endurance Riders Association bank account shall be John Howe, Kerry Spratt, Peter Bice with the view only access to Jacqueline Barlow and James Bannatyne.

**Carried** Unanimous

Discussion on the use of Zone computers which

were provided by NSWERA. The SMC never envisaged the case where it would purchase a computer for a Zone and the Zone would refuse to provide that computer to a ride committee which was not a member of that Zone but was in that Zone. A letter needs to go to the Zones advising that they do not own the computer. The computer was purchased to service a geographical region, not a Zone. Zone delegates are to discuss this with their zones.

**Kerry Spratt: Secretary,**

2015 and 2016 Fair Trading reports need to be submitted. Kerry will attend to this and needs a cheque for Fair Trading.

**Talea Hasko-Stewart: AERA,**

Talea is going overseas in August but Adeline should be able to take over the website. Kerry asked that Adeline get back to the meeting if her workload gets too much.

**Adeline Gibson: Website and Facebook,**

This month our Facebook has continued to grow which is great to see (have you liked our page? If not please do). I intend to speak with Helen about releasing some of our "good news stories" that are published in the newsletter online from time to time – all of this builds our reputation.

In July I will send out an online newsletter with the mid-year results (distance and points) and send this info onto Helen as well. I am working with Jacky to keep adding emails to this newsletter database. If we ever have a major issue this is a really good way to reach people quickly.

I am still working on the article for the magazine but hope to have that completed soon.

The TQ / old merchandise has been counted and I understand the consensus is to advertise at cost price and use the remainder as giveaways. There is a lot there (roughly 200 items) so good to use it.

Intermediate rug went well at Gundagai and Q60, declined by Mudgee. Need to find the time to contact the recipients and get their opinion.

I have had more positive feedback on the new riders' info pack and hope this recourse continues to be used widely.

Finally a super quick reminder about how we should use our communication channels:

Info needed to specific group (i.e RO, CS, Vets, Zone): Direct contact by relevant SMC member

Info relevant to all riders and permanent info (i.e., rule change, major news, ride details): Website and social media

Info relevant to everyone but only for a short period of time, (i.e., competition update, quick announcement, event reminders): Social media (not website)

Good news stories / Big news announcement / Reminders: Social and online newsletter  
And our printed newsletter is of course our "bible" that brings it all together.

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**Belinda Hopley: Zone 5 Delegate, Chief Stewards and TPRs, Ride Reports-Pub with no Beer, 11-12/3/17, 2 x 40k & 2 x20k.**

The ride went well, however the time on Sunday was extended as a sick rider needed assistance by 2 other riders. The ride base had plenty of camping with a central vetting area. The track was medium – hard but good underfoot with no-one getting lost. Riders conduct was very good apart from one rider giving a scrap of paper for the HHD and made further demands at the office. She then vetted out at the 20k vet check, demanding a panel and then demanding a refund. No horses were treated.

Neville, 18 - 19/3/17, 80k, 2 x 40k & 2 x20k.

There were problems with the office computer. The 2nd leg was very hard and suggest moving it to the 1st. Great ride base with showers and toilets. Lots of water. Woodstock committee always do their best. One horse had invasive treatment (dehydration/colic) and received a Rest Order for 26 weeks.

Tooraweenah, 14 - 16/4/17, 3 x7k, 3 x 20k, 3 x 40k (3 day 120k Mini marathon) & 2 x80k.

Ride base, organisation and track had no problems. Rider conduct was pleasing. The track had 4 difficult legs and would make a great 100 mile ride. Low rider numbers in the 80k (26 & 30) make it difficult with vet fees. Two horses were treated for the thumps and recovered. Both received Rest Orders for 4 weeks.

Q60, 29 - 30/4/17, 2 x 5k, 2 x 10k, 2 x 20k, 2 x 40k & 100k/80kE.

Ride base was good and a great venue for the pre-ride talk. It was a challenging course and suggest revising the new 2nd leg. Well marked track. On the whole good rider conduct. Zone 1 did a great job welcoming new people to the sport. Lots of happy faces in the smaller rides. With so many people we need to work out a better system of entering – got a bit confusing in the vet ring and timing tent with entrants having the same bib number and missing day cards on Sunday from riders who rode on Saturday. A horse came in lame of the 40k and was given treatment to make it comfortable.

**Gundagai, 30/4/17, 40k & 80k.**

This was Gundagai's 27<sup>th</sup> year. Roughly equal numbers in the events. The ride base, track (a little soft after rain the previous week) and marking was good. It was quite a foggy start which cleared to a lovely day that was probably a bit too warm in the afternoon, although there was plenty of water. Rider conduct was good.

One horse presented to the vets during the hold time with colic and was given treatment and has a 4 week Rest Order. Another horse called for a vet on course for a suspected snake bite. The horse was floated back to base where it was watched closely and was allowed to travel home.

Mudgee, 14/5/27, 10k, 20k, 40k, 80k & 120k.

The ride was well attended, with a great ride base and track. The marking was good and there was plenty of water. Rider conduct was good except for one repeat offender. Great country atmosphere, a well run ride with excellent pre-ride and presentations. No horses were treated.

CS/TPR-

Alam did his 1st provisional CS at Gundagai and did very well. He is also commencing his TPRing. Tina Walker from Bumbaldry has applied to be a Chief Steward, I believe Tina would be an asset as she has a good knowledge of the rules and is a very active TPR, rider organiser and course designer, as well as having competed for many years as a junior and now senior.

We also have quite a few provisional TPR's who have become accredited. They will be receiving their badges in the mail in the coming week. Congratulations to Steve Broadbent, Jo Carrick, Jenny Caslick, Brad Dillon, Peter Grellk, Narelle Bush, Clint Booth, Wendy Porter, Shannen Thorsby, Chris Schofield and Bruce Carter.

South Coast Zone News-

Wingello ride is next week, which will have the Maxxis sponsorship there. Unfortunately, Wandandian ride has been cancelled.

Other Stuff-

I am very saddened to report the passing of Dr Richard Chapman on the weekend. Richard was a real character & a wonderful long-time contributor to our sport, the veterinary community & the animal owning public. His practical wisdom was distilled in his wonderful little guide 'Do I call the vet and what do I do in the meantime', a legacy he had long wanted to do & finally managed a year or so ago.

Deanna has one more supervised event to do before being an accredited MCP (swab) steward, but needs to renew her NSWEA membership to do this.

VERA has available of \$50/day for Ride Sec's and CS's. You fill in a claim form and send it to the treasurer. It comes out of ride fees.

QERA have a Gold Card membership that discounts their standard membership by \$40 (2017 fees).

**NEW MEMBERS:** Are automatically eligible for the lower Gold Card membership fee in their FIRST YEAR of membership - after this time you fall under Renewal.

**RENEWALS:** To be eligible for the Gold Card discounted membership fee you must have contributed (in the previous year) as follows:

An active CS for at least one complete ride.

A Ride Secretary

An active TPR steward for at least one complete ride. (Part rides do not count.)

The executive members (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) of an affiliated Ride Organising club, or a member of the QERA SMC

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*A significant volunteer for at least the whole weekend of one ride (or the equivalent). Eligibility for this is to be determined by each Ride organising club, who will submit a list of eligible members to the QERA SMC*

Jacque commented on the Gundagai ride and the water points and the use of dams. Buckets should be supplied but at this ride this didn't happen. Belinda said there was good access at the river and at the dams.

As a former Gold member of QERA, Jacque was very pleased to have her gold membership.

#### **Jacque Wright:**

*Little to report, Belinda advised recently she was approached by some vets seeking accreditation. Have asked Belinda to send details and still waiting for this information.*

#### **Bio security:**

*The new NSW government biosecurity policy is still due for release in July. I intend to remind RO and riders throughout the year Bio security is so much more than Hendra. Strangles often pops up in Vic and southern events are seeing more entrance from Vic. With the help of vets I will send an article to the newsletter to help bring this to front of mind and other diseases beyond strangles. In addition I am looking at the portfolio beyond disease control and looking at weeds and pests that can be carried in our hay/horses coats or hooves. All northern rivers rides should be aware of the transport of hay across the state boarder as fire ants still exist in QLD.*

*When I returned from the Easter event, grooming my horse I discovered horrible back seed heads that if I did not discover could have taken root. I would have imported an unknown weed. It happens that easily and yet so preventable.*

*Contacted Table Top prior to ride to advise if they had any questions I was available and shared my details. As the event was FEI I was aware that temp protocol would be sorted. Suggested the vet hospital be setup similar to what the state champ committee will have where there will be 2 sections to separate non vac horses from high risk areas. Shared NSW DPI information regards importing hay from QLD and asked that this information be shared with those riders traveling from QLD.*

*NSW State Champs. Simon has already done a massive amount of work with this committee this year. I was brought up to speed with procedures and protocols that will be in place. I may be required to man the entrance gate to collect HDD forms. Shared information regards importing Hay from QLD.*

#### **Jo Davis: Zone 1 Delegate,**

*Q60 done and dusted, 120 horses on the weekend. Only one horse was able to elevate, lack of riders elevating seems to be because of a change of cut off time to elevate from the night before. It was supposed to be 2 pm but was changed to 1pm, this could have made a difference of seven people. Leg 2 had not been ridden in its entirety prior to the*

*ride taking place (only realized the week before the ride). Peter said it was a good leg but it was over 40k.*

Tony queried the need for a cut off time. Why does Q60 insist on a cut off time? It should be up to the riders to choose whether they elevated or not. The committee and helpers needing to get home should not come into it.

#### **Noni Seagrim: Zone 4 Delegate,**

*Since the last meeting there have been two Snowy Zone rides, Gundagai and Table Top. Gundagai had good numbers with 118 entries over the two events, everything ran smoothly and perfect weather made for some spectacular riding. No dramas or complaints that I am aware of.*

*Table Top had 89 entries over the six events, with 65 in the two AERA events and 24 in the FEI events. The track was testing and caught a few people unawares in the 3rd and 4th legs but all in all a smoothly run and fantastic ride.*

*The next Snowy Zone rides on the calendar are Brookvale, then Burruga, followed by the NSW State Champs at Woodstock.*

*I have now picked up the merchandise from Adeline and will begin work in earnest to get an online shop up and running for the NSW Merchandise.*

*South African trip supplies to be a polo jacket and vest, refer to previous minutes. There being no further business the meeting closed at 12.16.*



Heather Nagle riding Aloha Dash—American Indian style at Shahzada. Photo: Animal Focus

# South African report

## A Tail of a story. By Sharon Foster

After an uncomfortable and confronting experience in the Johannesburg airport I arrived in Bloemfontein airport with my most precious possession (Isabel) but none of my luggage!

After a quick meet and greet with Lourens and Louw it was off to the Mall shopping. Lourens and I quickly became acquainted, thrust together on an intimate shopping spree for lingerie (actually a 5 pack of large size high waisted cotton undies and a high impact sports bra)! Some toiletries and tracky pants.

The scene was now set for the week to follow.

After arriving at the ride camp in the late afternoon and still on a roll, we mounted our horses and set off for a test ride. I had a little stage fright and lacked confidence riding a strange horse I had just met. It was like "speed dating" suddenly we were on second base and yet I couldn't remember his name. However with a little "special" time with Lourens and Silac (my groom) I soon found my groove and powered on.

With that excitement over I headed off to have a shower, stripped off the 4 layers of cloths standing frozen and naked (it was at least zero temp) to my horror, great no hot water with only cold water trickling out.

I soldiered on to wash the four corners any way, then dressed up in layers and back to the comfort of the camp fire, where many more stories of underwear, cold showers and other below the belt humour was shared.

There was lots of laughter and the occasional serious conversation of horse riding in Australia and riding the Fauresmith style.

Whilst the team strolled around the trade stores and sponsors' stands of products and samples and give a ways, I was offered to taste a Free Sample of what I believed to be delicious "Peach" flavoured electrolyte. It turned out to be Alcohol for "calming the nerves" before the ride. Oops! Never take a drink from a stranger "I preach" and in that moment my alcohol virginity was lost forever. All this unfolded in front of my under age daughter. And I diminish any responsibly for my actions that followed.

In all seriousness this was the adventure to top all adventures. The bar has been set high for others to follow.

The host family, the Bassons, opened their arms and hearts and welcomed us in as extended family. We were given well cared for and well prepared horses. They matched us correctly with the right horse that was up for the challenge.

Unforgettable moments, personal achievement and huge smiles imprinted on my face. I was so proud to be an Aussie Endurance rider in South Africa.

For me to experience such an event with my daughter will be forever implanted on my soul. I am so proud of her. I am so proud of me.

My luggage did arrive five days later with a mysterious empty gift package which I have never seen before. (A Schapelle Corby moment rushes through my mind). The practical underwear of the non-lacy variety was a life saver. And my first AA meeting is on Tuesday!

**Sharon Foster**



SA Photos: Manie Ward Capturing with all photos sponsored by Liversage Saddles to all riders.



## Isabel Foster

Ten days of pure adrenaline and astonishing surroundings, travelling to South Africa has been a huge life changer for me, being involved in African endurance and seeing how the locals in small towns live, simply amazing and something I will never forget.

The team endured some 35 hours of travelling with very little sleep and upon landing we moved on to riding very forward moving horses. I think this definitely helped with the jet lag!

The first morning was freezing with ice all over the place and we all thought we were in for a huge winter shock but, fortunately for us, it warmed up very nicely over the week.

The three days of riding through the African terrain was absolutely stunning: so many different sights and animals

of all sizes to be seen, every leg of the ride brought something new and different.

The whole ride had its challenges with various things to be overcome but there definitely were moments I want to repeat.

We all got along very well and while sitting around the campfire of an evening, we discussed lots of different things, ranging from the seriousness of endurance to the bummer of underpants!

Part of the thrill of this journey was that I got to do it with my mum (Sharon). Yes, we did have some mother and daughter moments but, it was truly awesome to spend this time together and we were always there to help one another along the way.

On this trip we formed some incredible friendships between the Aussies and the South Africans. To everyone who was part of the South African Team, I miss you all so much and thank you for everything. I'm already dreaming and saving to visit you all again soon. (Sandy Mount 1,000km) is now top of my bucket list.

I really need to say a big thank you to the NSW Endurance Riders Association for the opportunity of a life time. I am very grateful.

Also I would like to offer a massive thank you to Lourizon Endurance (Lourance Basson) for welcoming us into your family and lending us amazing horses for this event. You have all put in tonnes and tonnes of time preparing the entire event, and training the horses. All of us Aussies are very appreciative of all you did for us

Thank you to all the sponsors involved in Lourizon Endurance. As we all know in the world of endurance, these events just wouldn't happen without the support of the sponsors.



## Our Fauresmith Adventure...

... And what an adventure it was!

The entire trip was more than I could have hoped for and it was all thanks to Alam Dastani and Lourens Bassons! Lourens was our host in South Africa and he spent months planning to ensure we would have a good time and a successful ride while we were over there including individual or share tents, a full-time caterer that made amazing food, a maid to maintain camp, and personal grooms (strappers) for each horse/rider.

After more than 35 hours of travelling we finally arrived at Fauresmith, a small town in the middle of South Africa that comes alive once a year for the South African national endurance riding championship event. A 204km marathon run over 3 days with daily lengths of 75km, 75km and 54km with away vet checks every 25km.

Upon arrival we met everyone, threw our suitcases in the tents and got on our horses to fight off any jet lag that threatened to dampen our excitement. I was given Lourizon Arabesca, a 7 year old, 15.1hh grey Arabian mare. By the end of our first ride I loved her and was ready to bring her home! It was after this ride that the riding groups were decided and groom assigned. Sally Fenner and I would ride with Elrize, Lourens sister, and Dad (Peter Bice), Isabel and Sharon Foster would ride with Elrize's partner Stefan. My groom I would have was Johannes aka 'Big Joe'

The next few days included daily out rides on the horses, checking out the away vet checks at Mets, Grapfontein and Sandymount, a drive through the game park, entering and weighing, and attending ceremonies and team announcements, which as Sharon accurately described was "Clear as mud" as most of the talks – including pre-ride was spoken in Afrikaans. Tensions among the camp continued to rise as the final horses, riders and grooms arrived. The day before competition started we packed lunches, tubs and bakkies (utes) for the away checks and pre-ride vetted the horses which was absolute chaos as people literally pushed and shoved their way through to the vets! Eventually all 18 Lourizon horses (including the 5 NSW horses) and 7 utes were packed and ready and we found out our start times for the morning. Group 1 of Sally, Elrize and I were to start at 7.36am and Group 2 of Dad, Isabel, Sharon and Stefan were to start at 8.36am.. The start working by letting small groups of about 8 horses leave every two minutes with start times based on horses qualifying ride times. And what a great system!

Even with nerves and excitement peaking the start was amazingly calm and smooth and suddenly I found myself riding in South Africa on an amazing horse and exceptional team backing me. It was a feeling I will never forget.

The first leg was through the 'mountains' and through a game park to the first check at Mets. Unfortunately, this is when Sally vetted out. Elrize and I continued through farmland and more 'mountains' to the second check at Grapfontein. With the thumbs up and news that the second group were all still going well we left on our last leg, along the road back to Fauresmith. It was here that Elrize was eliminated and I lost my second riding buddy. After the second group had all successfully vetted I realised just how fast we had gone. We did the first 75km in 3 hours 37 minutes and 48 seconds and averaged 20.66km/hr!

Day two was the same track but in reverse and I started with nerves of a different kind as I faced the fact I had to start on my own on a horse I barely knew, a track I only knew going in the other direction in a country I didn't know and faced with a language barrier. However as soon as I crossed the start line all my worries dissolved and I couldn't help but love every minute of it!

Arabesca and I just sat at a comfortable speed and passed the checks at Grapfontein, then Mets and finally Fauresmith without a drama and we successfully finished day two! It was after I vetted and mum arrived back at base that I heard about the dramas of group two with Isabel losing a shoe and then Dad vetting out after 125km at Mets after he and the horse fell. Isabel, Sharon and Stefan all successfully made it through day two. Back at camp, looking at times I realised I finished just 15 seconds slower than day one with a total

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time of 3 hours 38 minutes 3 seconds and average speed of 20.64km/hr!

Day three was when tension went to a whole new level as everyone hoped to get through the final day. I rode out solo once again with very little idea of the track ahead and stuck to the plan of a comfortable speed and I was ready for anything.

There were no major obstacles and we were soon at the check at Sandymount passing vetting with no problems I left Sandymount knowing of a short, steep climb to the top of the range and then I could go for it. It was at the top where my 'South African Mum' Sonja caught up to me and we sang, yelled and talked our way through the final leg. About 5km from the finish the horses knew where they were and all I could do was hold on until the finish line. Sonja and I crossed the finish line at speed with 'Chariots of Fire' blaring across the camp and I was glad mum had my timing chip as I struggled to stop – almost running over someone in the process. My groom 'Big Joe' and Elrize strapped Arabesca as I was being enveloped in hugs and congratulated. We vetted and with the final nod from the vet we had done it! The feeling was indescribable and only got better as I watched the rest of our camp and the team ride in, including Sonja, Lourens, Isabel, Sharon and Stefan!. My time for the final day was 2 hours 30 minutes and 38 seconds with an average speed of 21.51km/hr – our fastest day!

We had 3/5 NSW riders complete and finished 7<sup>th</sup> Lightweight team. My total time for the 204km was 9 hours 46 minutes 29 seconds with an average speed of 20.87km/hr over the three days! I finished 17<sup>th</sup> Lightweight out of close to 100 starters in my division which was also the most competitive division over there.

The entire experience was incredible and I loved absolutely every minute of it, not just the riding but the camping, the partying, the jokes and the new extended family we found! The worst part of the whole trip was leaving to come home, however we left with plans to go back one day! I am so thankful to everyone involved – Alam for organising, Lourens for the horses, hospitality and fun, the whole Basson family for everything, my groom Johannes 'Big Joe' for taking such good care of Arabesca, the NSW team and crew for the company and sharing the memories with me. **Tori Bice**

The NSW team: Left to Right: Peter Bice, Tori Bice, Sally Fenner, Sharon Foster and Isabel Foster.



## Meeting Summary Report 16 June 2017.

**Present:** Alam Dastani (chair), Peter Bice, John Howe, Kerry Spratt [6:40], Belinda Hopley, Jo Davis, Noni Seagrim (Snowy delegate),

**Phone hookup:** Jacque Wright [6:55], Adeline Gibson [6:38]

**Apologies:** Peter Kelly, Talea Hasko-Stewart, Tony Warren,

**In attendance:** Helen Rich, Jacky (Jax) Barlow,

### Business arising

Action log was gone through in some detail.

The motion shown below was proposed and passed prior to Jacque Wright phoning in and joining the meeting.

**MOVED** the committee, the committee  
**THAT** Belinda Hopley become the chairman of the Grant subcommittee  
**Carried** Unanimous

**Jacque Wright joined the meeting via Skype at 6:55.**

Alam said we need to update the address on the forms. This needs to be done by someone other than Adeline and then sent to her for the Web. Jo Davis said she could change the forms if they were sent to her. Belinda is to look at these forms. Discussing Ride Booking Form - Kerry added notes. She put on a note regarding the capping of ride numbers.

### Secretariat Report & Ride Calendar (Jacky Barlow, John Howe/Jo Davis)

Membership for 2017. Adult 358, Junior 45, Intermediate 20, Associate 13, Honorary 7. Total for 2017 is 446 with newsletter 181. Membership for the same time 2016 was total of 520.

**MOVED** John Howe, Belinda Hopley  
**THAT** the new members be accepted and their names published in the newsletter.  
**Carried** Unanimous

Jax said Wingello has sent their cheque to John. We do have Internet email addresses for all of the new/day members. Adeline can add these to the data bank. Should be able to get them off AERASpace. Jax will send to Adeline. Adeline said it would be easier to get a Trybooking form. Adeline has 800 people in her database.

Jax said she has telephone bills for Sonya but she hasn't been able to get onto Danny. Kerry said she can contact Sonya. We will check with Neil Clarkson to see what he pays for Shahzada sashes to get a price comparison before purchasing sashes for the State ride.

Jax said that there are a number of rides where they are not returning a list of their volunteers. A note needs to be put in the ride stationery advising that we need these names for insurance purposes.

### Ratification of decisions made between meetings

NSW – one team for the Quilty and one team for South Africa. Jo said she didn't get an email regarding this and she read about it on Facebook.

Tony Warren will not be able to go to the Quilty so we need to find a new team manager. Alam is going as AERA person. Adeline is going but she is a chief strapper.

Selection Criteria – Jo said she had a complaint that some of the riders on the teams had not done 240k this year. They need to have done two 160k rides in advance. People have read the selection criteria and they didn't apply as they have not met this criteria but it turns out that some of the people chosen have not met that criteria either. Alam said there were people who applied who did not even meet the criteria for the horse. Consider rewording the form with regard to selection criteria. Discussing what happened last year. We need only one reserve. No more than that.

### AERA meetings

There is a meeting in July. Our next meeting is August 11. When the AERA agenda comes in, it needs to be sent around to members of the SMC. There are two new rules. The trot out rule was changed by QERA. Belinda has sent an email around on this. There are two motions to be drafted which Kerry will do and then send around. Kerry is leaving on 14 July, 2017. Kerry is away for 8 weeks.

### Gold membership and first place buckles

This was dealt with in part at the last meeting. With regard to the buckles, letter from a member was tabled and read. There are members who are not happy at not receiving a completion buckle. There should be an option of a buckle. Belinda proposes that NSW ERA should buy some buckles and have these for first endurance ride completions. Send 10 to a ride and these would be for first buckle holders.

We would need ROs to be accountable for the buckles. Belinda needs to work out a way to manage this. Adeline suggested that the rider could contact the NSW SMC and ask for a buckle if it was their first ride. Feels the onus should be on the rider. Would this work? Jacque Wright came back on line at [8:54]. Possibly this could come out of the Sports Grant as a form of promoting the sport.

Peter Bice said AERA is looking at the purchase of a press to make buckles. NSW ERA First Endurance Buckle would be one suggestion. Jacque disagreed with the buckle idea while Alam said he originally thought this too but he now realises that people do want their buckles. We need to look at the cost structure as it could be expensive. This is not set in concrete. The subcommittee should choose a number of designs and submit these for approval and discussion. This would be a 'completion award' for new people.

Belinda will organise a meeting for next week. Jacque said she felt the sports grant has been covered earlier in the meeting while she was trying to phone in. She wondered why this topic wasn't

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put on hold until she dialled in. Alam said reports were to be typed and sent in in advance. Not given verbally at the last minute. Jacque said she did intend to be at the meeting.

Kerry said she was late but people knew she was going to be late. We need to let the members know if we are not coming, coming late or our intended plan. We need to advise people. **Resolved:** Advise someone on the SMC, Executive or minutes secretary if we are going to be late or not be at a meeting.

#### **Purchase of electronic timing unit and use of ride radio**

We spoke about this at the last meeting. Kerry said she had a note to put this on the agenda for the June meeting. Kerry said AERA had put an order in. John said NSW can't afford it.

Peter – use of radio. Radio has gone to the Quilty. It wasn't used at Windeyer but they had their own PA. Wingello – it wasn't used. There just wasn't time to arrange this at Wingello. There was too much going on. Peter Bice will keep pushing this. Do up a notice that can go into the ride stationery.

Belinda to start a list of things to be discussed at the Ride Organisers Forum. The radio could be put on this.

#### **Alam Dastani: President, AERA, International**

*This report was printed in the last newsletter.*

Alam mentioned a young girl he met at Wingello. She told him she was doing her first 80k ride. The girl became sick and she couldn't start the ride.

Could we consider a 'good sportsman' award for a young rider. We need to start up a questionnaire, send it to the kids, get them to fill it in and return it to the SMC. This could come out of the Sport and Recreation money. Possibly prepare a booklet. Get the children to put their story together for publication on the web and they could take it to school. Belinda said we would need consent to publish.

**Resolved:** John and Alam help the members of the subcommittee with this. Kerry was thinking of getting four or so profiles. Put the stories into a booklet to give to new junior members. Focus on the juniors.

**Resolved:** Jo and Noni will identify some young riders for this purpose. Come up with a list of questions. People will email some suggested names, Alam is happy to help. Consider preparing a photo booklet for the juniors. Need to approach Jo Arblaster for some of her photos. Consider asking Jo to put aside a selection of junior photos into a folder, as the rides go along. Could some of the Sport and Recreation money be used for this?

We need to keep a really accurate record of all the Sport and Recreation money as it is allocated.

**John Howe: Treasurer, Ride calendar, Zone 2**  
Profit and Loss report can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

*Please note that the members of the South African team are currently paying their fees into the*

*NSWERA cheque account, this is because the South African hosts wish to deal with a single transfer. When all monies are paid into the account, this will amount to some \$32,000.00. Also, by completing a single transfer, only one transfer fee of \$30.00 will apply.*

*I would also like to see us formally write to Queensland and the AERA to remind them that as part of the Northern Rivers Zone, ride dual affiliation agreement, we were to see any ride affiliations come back to NSW from NSW members who rode at these rides. To date we have not received one cent.*

*James is currently waiting upon some back invoices from AERA that I have requested some days ago but have not yet appeared. Hopefully James will have figures for us prior to tomorrow's meeting.*

*As we have done in years previous I propose to announce that half yearly annual memberships will apply from 1st August to try to allow some interested Intermediate riders to step up to 80km rides or beyond. As per usual, these new members will pay 50% of the annual subscription.*

*Zone Two is extremely happy with the results of last weekend and the Windeyer committee are now discussing holding a further ride later in the year, probably in November. With Mudgee dropping out of the Zone, Zone Two currently has 2 rides on the calendar so far for this year and by holding a 3rd, will hopefully be able to remain viable as a Zone. Zone Two:- The best in the west.*

#### **Discussion on the treasurer's report.**

We have received cheques from Wingello. We are short \$20,000 on where we were last year. John said he has changed the signatories at the bank.

Kerry wants to investigate an on line bank account set up. John feels that we cannot do this as we need two people to sign. General discussion with the view expressed that this could be done. Kerry would like this to be investigated at the bank.

**Resolved:** investigate on line banking for the Association.

#### **MOVED THAT**

John Howe, Alam Dastani  
the treasurer's report is accepted and the accounts be paid.

#### **Carried**

Unanimous

Adeline is to publish a notice on the web stating that membership fees for the rest of the year, starting on 1 August 2017 will be half price. This does not include personal accident insurance or anything else. This is straight out membership. \$50.00.

#### **Kerry Spratt: Secretary, Public Officer, AERA, IDP, Grants**

Sport and Recreation want a complete breakdown of our members. Officials, volunteers etc. They want to know ages, location, sex, etc. Kerry has worked out the required information and sent this into Sport and Rec.

Kerry said she also had to prepare a number of plans, at the last minute. One being a Member

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Protection Policy. It is all about social issues. Did the Child Protection paperwork again and also had to update the Business Plan. She will email these forms during the week. Would like to ask that these plans be adopted.

The Dangerous Activity Statement was handed around. Zone delegates should take this to their ride committees. These are the forms that we should now be using.

Jo Davis said horses got out at the Wingello ride. Belinda will put the fencing policy into the newsletter.

Kerry tabled and read email from Neil Clarkson. Item 1: It concerned attendance at pre ride meetings. People are not attending the pre ride talk. This causes problems with riders. Would like to see the rule made compulsory and if the SMC finds this ok, this should go to the AERA meeting so that it will be put before two meetings and will then become compulsory. Rule 26.8.

Item 2 – Question: If there are two Chief Stewards at an event, do both get credit for being a chief steward at that event or just one of them.

Item 3 - Intermediate award

Item 4 - Pre ride vetting for Saturday rides.  
10:04pm Kerry dialed in Neil Clarkson.

Neil was advised that NSW SMC will approach the AERA to get attendance at pre ride meetings made compulsory.

If there are two CS at a ride, there should be a Chief Steward, who is the boss, and all the others are assistant Chief Stewards. You need to have one boss. Belinda says you cannot have a number of Chief Stewards. You have just one Chief Steward and the others are assistant CSs.

Intermediate Award. Neil expressed his concern with this. Very hard to do on the Saturday when you have the computer person doing data entry for rides. He believes this is too hard to do at the Saturday ride. Peter Bice said it is under trial and will be reviewed at the end of the year. Alam said riders love it. He feels that it seems to only be a problem at Neil's rides as they have a lot of riders. The problem is a lack of manpower needed to work this out. It wasn't possible at Wingello because of the numbers. Keep an idea on the whole thing.

#### **Neil hung up from the meeting at 10:20pm.**

Jacque said that ROs should take responsibility for this award. They are getting a rug as an award.

In camera discussion then took place concerning a letter received from a member in reference to the behaviour of a rider at a recent ride. Agreed to refer the matter to an IDP.

People who nominated at the AGM to be part of an IDP include Fia Hasko-Stuart, Steve Roberts, Simon Bain, Colleen Clancy, Marissa Levitt and Mark Norton. Names put into a draw. Those selected for this IDP are: Fia Hasko-Stuart, Colleen and Steve. Followed by Marissa Levitt and Simon Bain and then Mark Norton. Kerry will

approach these people.

Adeline will prepare a notice referring to the code of conduct reminding members that they should be nice to each other.

Kerry – Gordon Smith suggested that we provide first aid kits. **Resolved** that ride organisers are to be reminded of the need to have a first kit available at rides.

#### **Adeline Gibson: Website and Facebook, Promotions**

*Its business as usual on social media and website land. Lots of online activity, none of it bad. Have blocked quite a few non endurance related posts to the group, but nothing eventful.*

*Submitted a write up for the TQ book.*

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

**Table Top.** *This ride was run in conjunction with an FEI ride, so was run VGIIH. It ran very smoothly due to the experienced and efficient vets and officials. The facilities were excellent.*

*Before the ride, the CS had a call from a Vic CS regarding an open logbook horse whose owner had not yet received the logbook despite it being sent away in plenty of time. Unfortunately the Vic registrar had to undergo emergency surgery and the book did not arrive in time for the ride. The Vic CS had no issues allowing the horse to start, and the ride CS allowed the horse to start in the AERA 80k on a card. Details to be transferred into the book.*

*2 riders tried to enter the AERA 80k without any logbooks.*

*1 horse received invasive treatment for colic and has an 8 week RO.*

*Because of the warm weather and in the interests of rider and horse welfare, time for the AERA 120k and 80k rides was extended. There were also a lot of novice horses participating.*

*There was a complaint received regarding alleged horse abuse and this has been passed onto the committee.*

**Windeyer.** *The ride track was over undulating terrain with good marking and use of non-standard arrows. Only 1 person got lost. Overall the rider conduct was good. It was a well-run ride for a small committee, but having more TPR's and job specific volunteers and standard arrows would improve the ride.*

*2 horses required invasive treatment, one for ty up and the other receiving an 8 week RO.*

*A TPR was kicked in the knee. Ice was applied and the knee bandaged and painkillers given. The next day the TPR's family came and took him home. His knee was x-rayed and showed nothing was broken. AERA form 15 received.*

*The horse that kicked the TPR was quite difficult – would only have its temp taken in the horse float, would not let the vet near its mouth or rear to take*



gut sounds. The CS advised the horse be ridden and represent, and if its behaviour had not improved, it would be disqualified. Upon its return, the behaviour had improved, and the temp (taken easily) in the float. The horse was allowed to start. The owner is aware this will not be tolerated in future. AERA form 26 received.

**Wingello.** Cannot read the screen shots, but there was a horse treated (no RO).

**CS/TPR:** Another CS workshop is being held in November (4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>) in the Bathurst/Orange area. A Ride Organisers/AERA space workshop is being held on the same weekend. Details are being finalised.

**South Coast Zone News:** Unfortunately, as you know Wandandian ride has been cancelled. By all accounts Wingello went very well. SCZ is looking at a new ride base.

Started receiving quotes for venues for the upcoming CS.ROC workshop.

Approached Tom and/or Gerard to present. Brookvale is happy to go ahead with an introductory event. The last event they held was an introduction/training weekend that was very well received. The committee has discussed the limitations and these can all be easily overcome.

**Jacque Wright: Grants, Vet Liaison, Biosecurity**  
Wanting a resolution on Hendra with regard to the State Ride.

Jacque said she had spoken with the State Ride subcommittee as they have been in discussion with Simon Bain. Concerns the vet liaison portfolio.

Discussing vaccination of horses. Only talking about people from Port Macquarie and Kempsey and the Queenslanders. The horses from these areas should be identified. If they have current vaccination they could be unidentified but if unvaccinated, they need to be identified.

Could we make identification clear, this would be the best way to go. Could we have a small amount of food dye put around a front foot rather than putting flags on unvaccinated horses, using something a bit more discrete?

At the Quilty a list of horses and riders was sent to the hospital. This of course would not work in the vet ring.

**Resolved** prepare a list of non-vaccinated horses for the vet hospital and put a sticker into the log book that could be removed at a later date. Jacque is to email the criteria to the SMC before she sends it to the State Ride committee. She is to have a further conversation with the head vet. Ask the head vet what she would be happy with, with regards to vaccination.

The vaccination certificate should be in the log book. This is the responsibility of the horse owner, not the ride committee.

**Jo Davis: Zone 1 Delegate, Ride calendar, Stationery, EWS data entry**

Zone 1 meeting on Monday. Tony has not asked her to do anything with regards to EWS.

**Noni Seagrim: Zone 4 Delegate, Merchandise**

Not a lot to report from the Snowy Zone, next ride for the Zone is Brookvale 2/3 September.

**Merchandise – Noni Seagrim**

Orders are in for both the South African team and the Tom Quilty team, there have been some issues with the embroiderer's supplier not having enough stock then not having the stock that they advertised they had and so forth. Hopefully this is all resolved now and it will all be completed on time.

I have been working on the on-line store and it is nearly ready to launch once the final tweaking is done.

**Tony Warren: Horse Welfare, EWS**

**Horse Welfare Report**

Drug testing was carried out at the Wingello ride on the 27/28 May 2017.

A total of 6 horses were swabbed.

Awaiting confirmation from Francois Debeaker on amount swabbed and details of horses.

I am in the process of emailing the accredited NSW ERA swab stewards, trying to find out if they are renewing their memberships with EA.

**Horse EW.** We have 16 horses on the list, 6 of these are new this month, and letters will be sent.

I have started sending letters to all owners with horses that have been identified on my list when they have reached 20 points, the letter advises them to look at the appropriate rules in the rulebook, and I also supplied my phone number and email address for anyone which may like to discuss this with me.

**Rider EW.** We have 13 riders on the list, 6 of these are new this month, and letters will be sent.

The above report was read to the SMC by Alam.

Moved on to an in camera discussion on the performance of a rider who Tony thinks should be put back to novice for a period of time.

**General business**

Kerry asked Adeline to redirect the emails to the Secretary to the Secretariat while she is away. Adeline will try to do this. Starts on 14 July and finishes on 14 September 2017. Kerry will send a draft agenda to Jo Davis who will prepare it for the next meeting.

There being no further business the meeting closed at **12.03**

## Young Riders in the Spotlight

**Name & age:**

**Gabrielle Worth**

17yo

**Your Horses and a little bit about them :**

The horse that I first started in endurance with was Douglas. He is 14.2hh and would be 12 now, we think he is a stock horse based on his conformation but no one actually knows his breeding. Despite being lazy he is ultracompetitive and really doesn't like being held back at rides, especially at the start. He has amazing heart rates and has developed a massive powerful stride. He is also as tough as nails. I love how I got to know him so well because of the amount of kms we have ridden together. He has taught me so much about this sport and also how to never give up. He has also proven to me that anyone can do anything if they put their mind to it.

**Where are you from?**

At the moment, I live in Sydney.

**How did you become involved in the sport?**

About three years ago I was competing in a lot of other equestrian events with Douglas, mainly interschool's type stuff, and I could tell that Dougie just wasn't enjoying it. So, one day I was reading through an Arabian horse magazine and read an article on endurance which I thought was so cool as I previously didn't know the sport existed. We went to a couple of 20kms and from there I was hooked, and so, it seemed, was Douglas. Since then I have done almost 2000kms of successful completions.

**What are your biggest achievements to date?**

One of my biggest achievements to date would have to be coming first over the line with Douglas at Woodstock 80km in 2016. I also really enjoyed the 80km at Wingello 2016 where I completed in 4hrs 28mins with Douglas, my fastest ride to date. At the Queensland State Champs in Wiangaree 2016, I thoroughly enjoyed completing my first 120km ride with Douglas which is the longest ride I have done so far. I also managed to achieve first NSW Junior Distance rider last year (2016) which was amazing.

**What are your goals for the future?**

Due to me being in Year 11, I am currently focussed on study, so fortunately I have managed to ride other people's horses at rides this year as I do not have time to train my own. Despite this my current goal is to complete a 160km and then hopefully get to the Tom Quilty. I would also love to do the 400km at Shahzada at some point. Other than that, I just hope to keep learning and having fun with my horses, maybe one day I will be lucky enough to compete internationally but that is probably a long way off.



**Name & age:**

**Isabella Circosta**

17 years old

**Your Horses and a little bit about them :**

Ropa Park Bella Shakila

10 years old

Shakila and I were paired up in 2013 when she got broken in as a 5 year old. Since then we have successfully completed 12x 80kms, 1x 120km Shahzada mini marathon, 1x 160 NSW State championships and 1x Tom Quilty Gold Cup.

**Where are you from?**

Born in Singleton NSW and lived around the area for 16 years and then moved to Merriwa NSW.

**How did you become involved in the sport?**

I was introduced to the sport in 2013 by my Auntie (Rose Circosta) who bred and owns Ropa Park Bella Shakila. When I started riding in the sport I rode alongside my Auntie Rose and sister Makayla in our first two 40kms and first 80km. After that Auntie Rose left Makayla and I to our own devices and I and we continued riding with each other eventually winning our division in a couple of rides.





**What are your biggest achievements to date?**

My biggest achievements would have to be completing my first 160km State Championships in 19 hours and 53 minutes, riding with the help of Renee Kirk and again my sister Makayla. My other biggest achievement is with the support and help from Allison Knihinicki making it to the 2016 Tom Quilty Gold Cup in Victoria and completing it in 16 hours and 38 minutes, unfortunately my sister and riding partner Makayla, didn't make it through but she kindly strapped for me and helped me get through.

**What are your goals for the future?**

One of my goals for the future would be to complete a Big 3 consisting of a State Championship, Tom Quilty and Shahzada 400km. Another one of our goals is to breed our own endurance horses with our stud name Skilar Endurance, we already have one 2016 foal at foot and another three for 2017 on the way.

**Name & age:**

**Makayla Circosta**

16 years old

**Your Horses and a little bit about them :**

Ropa Park Bella Rastique

11 years old

Rastique and I have taken part in many rides together over the past three years including 12x 80km, 2x Shahzada Mini Marathons and NSW State Champs 2015.

**Where are you from?**

Singleton NSW

**How did you become involved in the sport?**

I became involved in the sport, with my sister, because our aunty introduced us to our first endurance horses. Helping us complete our first two 40km rides and riding alongside us in our first 80km. After that she left us to start the next season by ourselves and then eventually winning a couple of rides in our zone.

**What are your biggest achievements to date?**

My biggest achievements would have to be State Champs 2015 completing the course in 19 hours and 53 minutes with sister Isabella Circosta and Renee Kirk. And with the help and support from Allison Knihinicki, finally making it to the 2016 Tom Quilty in Victoria but unfortunately not making it through the course and strapping for Isabella instead.

**What are your goals for the future?**

Our goals for the future are to hopefully ride in the Shahzada 400km marathon on new horses in 2018 and attempt the Big 3 in 2020.

## 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**

# The Tulip Shahzada Dream

Shahzada is one of the longest and hardest rides in the world. No two years rides are ever the same, the weather, the condition of the tracks, changes of the track. Generally, the things that happen each year are always different. This is what makes Shahzada, so totally unique but make no mistake the test is 400kms in 5 days. Take Australia's 5 hardest 80km rides, string them together and you have Shahzada. It is one of the world's truly iconic Endurance rides and from the Australian perspective, how rides were run and the terrain they went over in the infancy of the sport in Australia.

This year, the 37th Shahzada was run from 21st to 25th of August and was no different to any other. This year, beautiful temperatures but dry and hard concussive tracks, would take a toll on the horses.

Shahzada is on the bucket list of riders from all over the world and so it was that in March of this year two young Dutch riders were in the U.A.E competing in a Boutique Challenge ride over 120kms. They are Ijjou Mohamed aged 16 and Imke Lamsma aged 18. They met Anzac, the buyer who used to live here in Australia and Anzac enthused them with tales of Shahzada.

Now both these young ladies are very accomplished horsewomen, both have successfully completed approx. 5,000 kms of Endurance rides. They have ridden not only in their native Holland but France, Portugal, UAE, Germany, Denmark and Italy. The Boutique ride that they competed in at Easter was won by Ijjou.

What's a Boutique ride? Now in Europe both girls ride quite fast on good going, pretty flat tracks, in fact they are used to averaging about 30kms per hour. The UAE ride was over sand dunes, washed out wadis in the desert

and as much rough going as possible. This particular ride is classed as a technical ride, you need to think your way through, not rely on speed. Sounds a little like Shahzada where you have to deal with all sorts of rough going and of course preserve and protect the horses for 400kms. Both girls were excited by the Boutique ride and decided that they liked this type of ride. Anzac put them in touch with Kim Noble from Victoria who offered the girls two horses and strapping, so with Imke's Father, Eric, both girls flew to Australia to compete in their Shahzada adventure.

So it was that Imke rode out on Sbara Turbo and Ijjou on Warrawee Naaziq, at 4.00 am on Monday 21st of August.

Both girls looking forward to dawn from the Transmission line, Lyrebirds calling spring flowers and the joy of competition. Sadly, Imke's ride came to an end at the top of Jack's track on Monday afternoon, she was floated in.

For the rest of the ride Imke and Eric, her Father, could be seen on every major track and point of interest, if Imke couldn't ride, she was made sure that she was going to see as much of Shahzada as possible, on foot. All that was required was to point out features of interest and have camera will march, so away they went. I met them in Shepherds Gully Tuesday afternoon, they had walked to the top from Settlers road and were totally enthralled by the beauty of the Australian bush.

Whenever I saw Ijjou on the track she was carefully nursing her horse along. That young lady did a lot of walking, she always had a big smile on her face and was obviously totally enjoying her ride.

Every Vet check the three would head up to Vet, they would always have a huge smile, wished everyone else 'Good Luck' and coming back had the biggest grins, another check done and onwards and upwards.

I caught up with them on Tuesday afternoon, Ijjou was feeling great. She was loving everything and all their



**Ijjou Mohamed riding Warrawee Naaziq. Animal Focus**



friends in Holland were following via Facebook, Eric had put up several hundred photos and people who only had a vague notion about Australia were getting pictures of the best Australian Endurance has to offer. Imke was already vowing to come back next year to ride Shahzada in its entirety.

Thursday is dress up day at Shahzada and Ijjou's horse was dressed as an Indian horse with painted hand prints, circles around his eyes, war paint and feathers, they looked great and it was wonderful to see Ijjou in the full spirit of dress up day.

Friday the last day, the last leg, and the last vet check, Naaziq, having bravely carried Ijjou the full 400kms did not pass the final vet check as he was lame.

There wasn't a dry eye in the peanut gallery and that definitely included a lot of big tough blokes. Everyone was willing that little horse to get through but it wasn't to be.

Ron Males summed it up, perfectly, "When we sign up to enter the ride we know that this may *happen*".

Part of the magic of Shahzada is this terrible element that you can ride 400kms and somehow or somewhere in that last 30kms something may happen.

I know that all the Shahzada family is sad that Ijjou and Imke didn't get to take a gold Shahzada buckle back to Holland. I'm sure that they will remember the wonderful events, horses and people who crossed their paths during Shahzada week 2017 and that next year they will come back and ride again in this, the most wonderful, magical ride in the world.

John Howe



**Imke Lamsma riding Sbara Turbo. Animal Focus**

**Richard Summerfield and Arabika Cuetee and Lyn Summerfield on Kholonial Farrington from Lowden in WA were both successful and travelled the furthest to take part in Shahzada. Richard was the winner of the Halifax Hayes Fit & Well Award.**



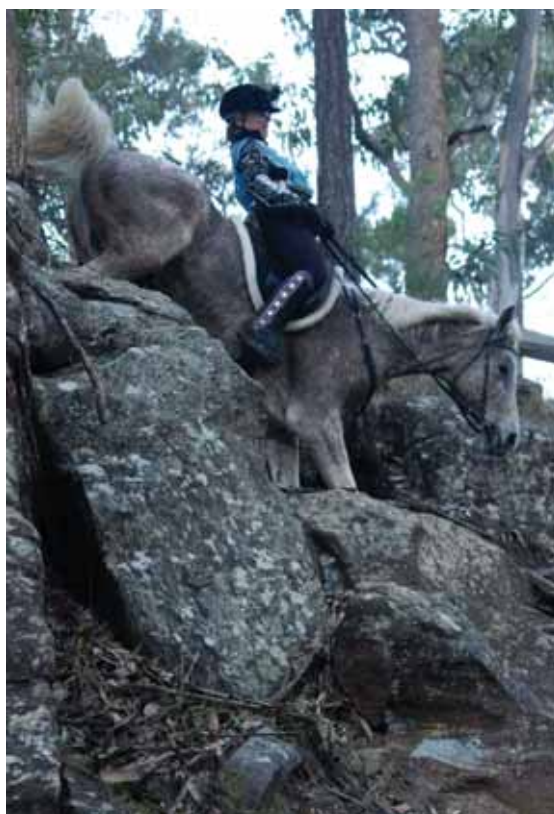




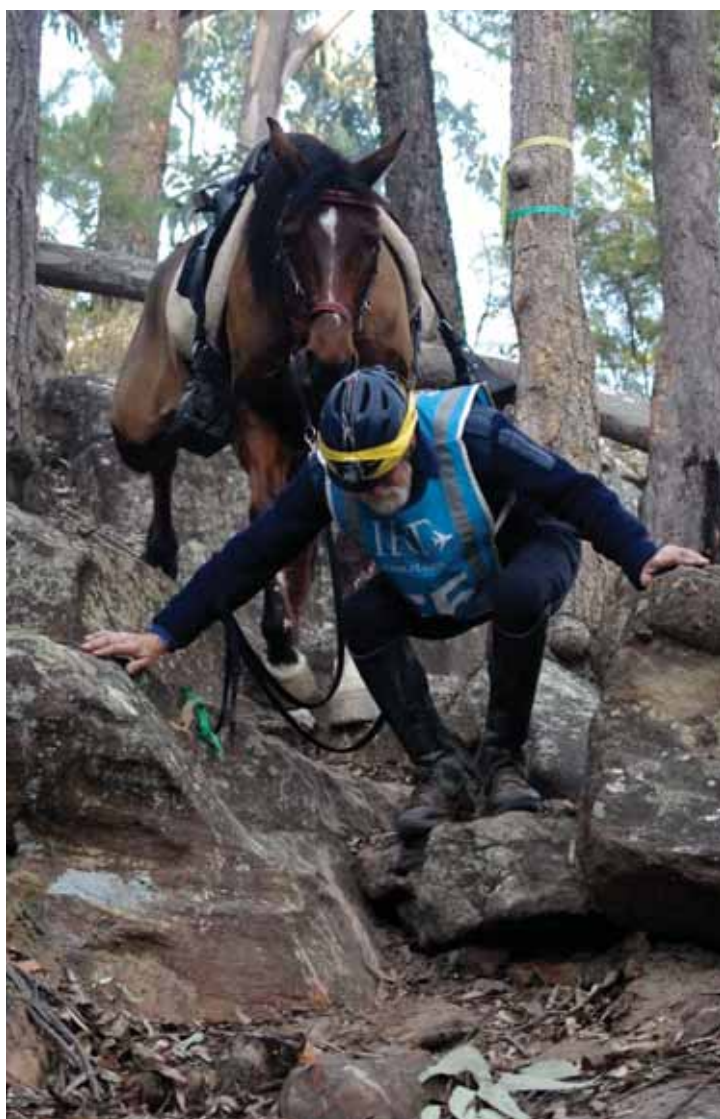
### Shahzada

Above: Faith Robinson and Espirit Serena contemplating the Steps. The facial expression says it all. Photo: April Newman.

Below John Howe and Ears carefully negotiating the Steps on Thursday afternoon. Photo: Animal Focus



**Top Right:** Amazing shot of Roz Edmunds riding 20-year-old Everon Park Apollo down The Steps on Thursday. Animal Focus  
Below: April Newman's lovely scenic photo of Allix Jones leading Ralvon Milarna down the steps.





# Ride Results

## Ride Name: Bago Bush Ride Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 80.0km

Start Date: 15/07/2017

Ride Type: Endurance

### Heavyweight

1	Tami Parnell	Zuhra Zaleksii	2	7:20:00	34, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
2	Kate Johnson	Ellie	2	7:56:00	33, 46, 44 (Avg:45)
3	Keith Sumpner	Fonda	2	9:02:00	36, 46, 56 (Avg:51)
	Lyall Cameron	Hazeldean Halim	1	HR L1	42, 75 (Avg:75)

### Middleweight

1	Sibylle Barron	Virgil	2	6:18:00	30, 46, 41 (Avg:43)
2	Sharon Foster	Fortaleza Mystical Silver	2	6:22:00	42, 45, 51 (Avg:48)
3	Susan Pritchard	Velona El Dargo	2	6:55:00	36, 41, 60 (Avg:50)
4	Kane Kelso	Bonnie Doon Ashquar	2	7:02:00	40, 47, 45 (Avg:46)
5	Tracey Hutchinson	Woodbourne Granite	2	7:51:00	32, 41, 52 (Avg:46)
6	Monique Echentille	Follydown Kadin	2	7:54:00	36, 43, 55 (Avg:49)
6	Carol Major	Anijoa Anna	2	7:54:00	35, 40, 48 (Avg:44)
6	Dean Walkom	Tall Timbers Roberto	2	7:54:00	38, 44, 54 (Avg:49)
9	Thomas Hermann	Wasabi	2	7:59:00	35, 44, 45 (Avg:44)
9	Gil Stevenson	Thalaba Touch of Gold	2	7:59:00	35, 44, 48 (Avg:46)
11	Michele Ladmore	Azale Aladdin	2	8:33:00	34, 49, 55 (Avg:52)
12	Nicole Smith	Malvern Harmony	2	8:42:00	33, 44, 48 (Avg:46)
13	Heather Parry	Mishaal	2	8:49:00	30, 43, 55 (Avg:49)
13	Ashley Thomas	Glenelk Park Phoenix	2	8:49:00	42, 44, 49 (Avg:46)
15	Nicolle Brown	Prince	2	9:02:00	35, 44, 57 (Avg:50)
16	Judith Burton	Woodbourne Kitty Hawk	2	9:35:00	29, 35, 39 (Avg:37)
16	Sara Pellegrini	Conderosa Agamemnon	2	9:35:00	42, 45, 52 (Avg:48)
18	Ruth Van der Wegen	Attallah Soulita	2	9:43:00	30, 35, 45 (Avg:40)
	Christopher Schofield	Bradali Ice N Rain	1	WD L1	40, 41 (Avg:41)

### Lightweight

1	Mikarla Bell	Flemingo Papilion	2	7:00:00	36, 54, 53 (Avg:53)
1	Clare Fleming	Aloha Desert Thor	2	7:00:00	31, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
3	Elaine Kirby	Turingal Park Nicholas	2	7:29:00	32, 44, 53 (Avg:48)
4	Sue Todd	Shakari Bear	2	7:54:00	31, 40, 47 (Avg:43)
5	Tiana Baldock	Pumba	2	7:56:00	34, 39, 42 (Avg:40)
6	Jessica Mitchell	Orion	2	8:33:00	36, 50, 58 (Avg:54)
6	Shannen Thorsby	Newbury Shaklan's Impact	2	8:33:00	35, 45, 48 (Avg:46)
8	Elizabeth Moir	Kenya s Gold	2	8:42:00	26, 37, 45 (Avg:41)
9	Malcolm Matters	Mango Man	2	9:05:00	33, 40, 46 (Avg:43)
10	Julia Morgillo	Woodbourne Mr Brown	2	9:35:00	39, 50, 59 (Avg:54)
	Renee Schneider	Badia Just Rosie	2	Lame L2	60, 39, 51 (Avg:45)

### Junior

1	Isabel Foster	Briallyn Alimah	2	6:22:00	29, 43, 54 (Avg:48)
2	Scarlet McQueen	Elfar Kaspas	2	6:59:00	39, 45, 53 (Avg:49)
3	Takira Baldock	Saladah	2	7:56:00	34, 35, 40 (Avg:37)
4	Gabrielle Worth	Conderosa Assim	2	9:35:00	34, 39, 46 (Avg:42)
	Modena Schofield-Foster	Sharabel Kalarney	1	WD L1	34, 38 (Avg:38)

## Ride Name: Ride around the Rock Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 80.0km

Start Date: 6/08/2017

Ride Type: Endurance

Head Vet: Nathan Noble Chief Steward: Thomas McCormack

### Heavyweight

1	Stephen Bennett	Aloha Zac	2	5:32:36	36, 45, 55 (Avg:50)
2	Kevin Guihot	Windradyn Ferrero	2	5:37:56	30, 35, 44 (Avg:39)
3	Scott Davenport	Alhambra Pierrot	2	6:02:31	28, 36, 45 (Avg:40)
4	Brett Pevy	Charadia Zignzag	2	6:15:04	48, 43, 54 (Avg:48)
5	Stuart Lymbery	Aloha Desert Glitter	2	6:34:24	32, 37, 44 (Avg:40)

6	Jolene Cole	Bullio Blue Sue	2	6:55:49	30, 32, 45 (Avg:38)
	Taiya Fry	Illarak Chevelle	2	Lame L2	43, 43, 42 (Avg:42)
	Stephen Deering	Caramela Razzle Dazzle	1	Lame L1	37, 40 (Avg:40)
	Evan Drain-Shepherd	Thee Prophecy	1	Lame L1	40, 42 (Avg:42)
	Keith Nagle	Burren-Dah Smokin Joe	1	WD L1	28, 33 (Avg:33)
	Steve Finnane	Snippets		Lame	36
<b>Middleweight</b>					
1	Sarah Lymbery	Baranne Tu-Shay	2	5:31:49	38, 38, 50 (Avg:44)
2	Tracy John	Berwick Royal Music	2	6:04:05	32, 39, 46 (Avg:42)
3	Kerry Alderton	Harrison F Trucks Gunderkan	2	6:05:58	35, 45, 57 (Avg:51)
4	Kristin Reese	Castlebar Icon	2	6:11:08	39, 41, 45 (Avg:43)
5	Scott Peters	Stoodleigh Colonial Boy	2	6:11:23	38, 39, 43 (Avg:41)
6	Sandra Stiller	Ava Sahara Rose	2	6:12:00	44, 42, 50 (Avg:46)
7	Nicole Solberg	Coolinda Park Valencia	2	6:16:25	34, 44, 48 (Avg:46)
8	Noni Seagrim	Coolinda Park Kaliente	2	6:16:27	26, 34, 53 (Avg:43)
9	Lauren Stevenson	Blake's Heaven Hiraani	2	6:24:33	26, 35, 38 (Avg:36)
10	Erica Allan	Waugoola Creek Onyx	2	6:37:05	37, 41, 43 (Avg:42)
11	Jessie-Lee Herman	Willy	2	6:46:05	42, 53, 48 (Avg:50)
12	Paul Bryson	Rokewood Dubai	2	6:46:09	40, 36, 46 (Avg:41)
13	Allison Knihinicki	Newbury C'Zar's Gold	2	6:55:00	31, 47, 59 (Avg:53)
14	Brooke Warner	Webbs Creek Lawson	2	6:55:38	45, 42, 51 (Avg:46)
15	Sharyn Coulston	Cedar Ridge Lyric	2	6:55:44	38, 43, 50 (Avg:46)
16	Amelia Napier	Oso Evita	2	7:04:08	36, 38, 46 (Avg:42)
17	Rebecca Lees	Ralvon Eternity	2	7:04:27	34, 40, 46 (Avg:43)
18	Michelle Day	Madgwick Diplomatic Dennis	2	7:22:56	42, 37, 44 (Avg:40)
19	Louise McCormack	Kintamani Silver Eclipse	2	7:25:06	34, 40, 48 (Avg:44)
20	Chris Geddes	Cedar Ridge Monarch	2	7:37:50	34, 35, 38 (Avg:36)
21	Marisa Levitt	Scarlet Oaks Faiza	2	8:10:17	36, 42, 44 (Avg:43)
	Daniel Noble	Sbara Dollar Never Cease	2	Lame L2	36, 41, 48 (Avg:44)
	Liezl Briers	Arabec Czar	1	Lame L1	34, 42 (Avg:42)
	Marty Bryson	Castlebar Shatan	1	Lame L1	29, 40 (Avg:40)
	Jennifer Rogers	Reign	1	Lame L1	30, 48 (Avg:48)
	John Symons	Ruby Rose	1	WD L1	30, 54 (Avg:54)
<b>Lightweight</b>					
1	Cherry Cummins	Cabrillas Heir	2	5:31:49	31, 43, 50 (Avg:46)
2	Shirley Clark	Oso Zoltan	2	5:37:37	40, 38, 46 (Avg:42)
3	Monica Ballard	Blake's Heaven Carousel	2	5:47:51	36, 48, 42 (Avg:45)
4	Kim Noble	Springridge Red Astaire	2	6:10:21	41, 40, 54 (Avg:47)
5	Ellen Vine	Sangah Rose of Lilani	2	6:16:19	38, 38, 48 (Avg:43)
6	Shannon Decker	Halimas Andronicus	2	6:37:00	33, 51, 50 (Avg:50)
7	Linda Logan	Burren-Dah Gidget	2	7:31:27	32, 34, 47 (Avg:40)
8	Victoria Edmonds	Sylan El Amira	2	8:10:03	35, 38, 50 (Avg:44)
	Pamela Cox	Aloha Delilah	2	Lame L2	28, 41, 60 (Avg:50)
	Matthew Dunne	Coolinda Park Sheeza Doll	2	Lame L2	32, 36, 52 (Avg:44)
	Fia Hasko-Stewart	Blake's Heaven Adventuress	2	Lame L2	40, 45, 50 (Avg:47)
	Elodie LeLabourier	Jubane Diva	1	Lame L1	30, 40 (Avg:40)
	Simone Murphy	Wickwood Aesiras	1	WD L1	42, 34 (Avg:34)
<b>Junior</b>					
1	Celia Hodgson	Marat MA	2	5:48:02	34, 44, 48 (Avg:46)
2	Alison Noble	Menora Moon Dance	2	6:10:14	37, 40, 55 (Avg:47)
3	Hannah Cossor	Future Dreams Smudge	2	6:14:00	30, 35, 42 (Avg:38)
4	Lukas Dunne	Holly	2	6:16:52	34, 37, 44 (Avg:40)
5	Daisy Bryson	Merrieworth Mayflower	2	6:46:14	36, 40, 52 (Avg:46)
6	Tahnaya Mercieca	Al-Marah Red Cardinal	2	7:04:12	36, 48, 55 (Avg:51)
7	Poppy Kettlewell	Jess	2	7:25:15	42, 44, 52 (Avg:48)
8	Thomas Pankhurst	Rivernook Sadiqa	2	8:10:12	42, 43, 48 (Avg:45)
<b>Ride Name: Kiwarra Gold Cup Progressive Ride Report</b>					
Distance: 80.0km					
Start Date: 6/08/2017					
Ride Type: Endurance					
Head Vet: Adrian Owen Chief Steward: Marylou Locke					



### Heavyweight

1	Con Bouzianis	Conderosa Zaheera	5:23:00	35, 45, 44 (Avg:44)
2	Nicole Smith	Malvern Harmony	6:25:00	37, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
3	Phil Coleman	Rainbows Reach Dark N Stormy	7:30:00	34, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
4	Ian Dregghorn	Ausden Nile Prins	8:55:00	38, 46, 48 (Avg:47)
	Allan Caslick	A'Landell Kazade	Metabolics	

### Middleweight

1	Gil Stevenson	Thalaba Touch of Gold	4:55:00	36, 42, 45 (Avg:43)
2	Sharon Foster	Fortaleza Mystical Silver	5:18:00	37, 48, 51 (Avg:49)
3	Emily Streckfuss	Webbs Creek Starlight	5:23:00	29, 48, 55 (Avg:51)
4	Darryl King	James Bonn	5:33:00	35, 49, 51 (Avg:50)
5	Debbie Pevy	Burren-Dah Walter	5:59:00	36, 45, 57 (Avg:51)
6	Gavin Peacock	Eclipse	6:35:00	34, 47, 48 (Avg:47)
6	Ashley Thomas	Glenelen Park Phoenix	6:35:00	39, 44, 60 (Avg:52)
8	Nicolle Brown	Prince	7:30:00	36, 46, 44 (Avg:45)
8	Carol Major	Anijoa Anna	7:30:00	31, 40, 44 (Avg:42)
10	Tomeika Bond-Pevy	Mr Bo-Jangles	8:04:00	35, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
10	Tom Bouzianis	Conderosa Assim	8:04:00	36, 43, 49 (Avg:46)
	Lyll Cameron	Hazeldean Halim	Heart Rate	38, 50, 71 (Avg:60)
	Michele Ladmore	Azale Aladdin	Metabolics	39, 54 (Avg:54)

### Lightweight

1	Victoria Bice	The Byzantine Diamonds	5:23:00	46, 44, 49 (Avg:46)
2	Zoe Locke	Graciella	6:03:00	30, 39, 43 (Avg:41)
3	Amanda Myers	Grattai Station Traveller	6:21:00	47, 45, 49 (Avg:47)
4	Shannen Thorsby	Newbury Shaklan's Impact	6:25:00	36, 42, 51 (Avg:46)
5	Mikarla Bell	Kalkadoon Kid	6:43:00	41, 42, 49 (Avg:45)
5	Clare Fleming	Fleming SS	6:43:00	37, 43, 51 (Avg:47)
7	Ros Ryan	Rainbows Reach Scout	7:30:00	30, 36, 42 (Avg:39)

### Junior

1	Gabrielle Worth	Evening Star	6:20:00	29, 39, 42 (Avg:40)
	Isabel Foster	Briallyn Alimah	Metabolics	33, 42, 36 (Avg:39)

## Intermediate Ride Results

### Ride Name: Bago Bush Ride

Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 40.0km

Start Date: 15 July 2017

Ride Type: Intermediate Ride

Annette Gifford	Especial's Sun	Len Derkacz	Salam Zahbeel
Sophie Ramsay	Autumnlight Goldmine	Jenette Harvey	Siri
Melanie Steedan	Kalkadoon Kid	Monica Majerowski	Halimas Valentine
John Davidson	Woodbourne The Dealer	Isaac Majerowski	Valinor Park Sakim
Gary Thomas	Aloha Desert Hero	Rhonda Locke	Graciella
Mackensie Daley	Echo	Nicola Dwyer	Shamazan Desert Breeze
Debbie Pevy	Galaxy Mi	Belinda Bailey	Brandy Haze
Gary Pevy	Shar-Nee Santorini	Leisa Courtman	Zimba
Lynn Coles	Pinedene Robbie	Heather Nagle	Aloha Dash
Ross Pead	Sheila	Tracey Morly	Pulse Nasir
Joan Barnes	Forbes View Jillaroo	Hannah McQueen	Lara's Song
Jackie Tattam	Nevershi Velvet	Alan Post	Woodbourne Buck Brown
Marianne Tattam	Huey	Elisa Rout	Za GoGo
Marita Rifai	Wee Warra Yasmina	Emily Streckfuss	Orion Al Saba
Raelene Bower	Sun Dance		
Nancy Kirkwood	Storm		
Rachel Vercoe	Willow		
Garry Weis	Suncrest Salaam		
Mathew Broome	Wollemi Park Suncrest		
	Saahla		
Julie Presten	Arabec Skip The Blues		

**Ride Name: Ride around the Rock Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 40.0km

Start Date: 6 August 2017

Ride Type: Intermediate Ride

Head Vet: Nathan Noble

Chief Steward: Thomas McCormack

Chris Morley	Rocky Creek Sioux	Jasmine Venezia	Forest Dale Look No Further
Hannah Phillips	Dee Dee	Chloe Hubczack	Kerewong Artesan
Matilda Walker	Roswick Ameera	Daniel Jones	Kalimnah Farm Spirits
Matthew Walker	Macquarie Park Banjo	Taylah Nikolic	Shemesh El Nadir
James Ryan	Razorback Quilty Wings	Amanda Kettlewell	Oso Leonardo
Christopher Bailey	Taraglen Remington	Tayla Hadzi	Oso Florin
Laurie Taylor	Razorback Flaming Wings	Taylah Ross	Forest Dale Irredescence
Lauren Brown	Ela'ar Jomara	Janice Reynolds	Rocky Creek Red Chief
Katrina Newitt	Halimas Allegro		
	Wybalena Lodge Prince Harry		

**Ride Name: Kiwarrak Gold Cup Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 40.0km

Start Date: 5 &amp; 6 August 2017

Ride Type: Intermediate Ride

Head Vet: Adrian Owen

Chief Steward: Marylou Locke

Peter Bice	Georgie Girl	Elizabeth Moir	Kenya s Gold
Alexander Bice	Webbs Creek Cattle Baron	Sophie Ramsay	Autumnlight Goldmine
Christopher Schofield	Fortaleza Abbe Rose	Raymond Griffiths	ZED
Taylah Boese	Chikka	Jan Wade	Hillville Amigo
Kevin Boese	Gleniph Kermotion	Elaine Kirby	Turingal Park Nicholas
Tamalyn Boese	Smudge	Jackie Tattam	Nevershi Velvet
Claire Garcia	Bremervale Cold Chisel	Marianne Tattam	Huey
David Urquhart	Bremervale Dr Hook	Helen Reik	Sakhi Jazzirah
Heather Nagle	Aloha Dash	Joan Barnes	Forbes View Jillaroo
Leisa Courtman	Zimba	Margaret Boland	Rosebrae Drum
Gary Pevy	Galaxy Mi	Steve Brooks	A'landell Pirate
Debbie Pevy	Desert Drover	Gary Thomas	Aloha Desert Hero
Mikarla Bell	Flemingo Papilion	Rod Mitchell	Aloha Naja
Tangara Nolan	A Primadonna	Ross Pead	Sheila
Raelene Bower	Coolinda Park Sundanze	Jade Langhorne	Cheeky Monkey
Elizabeth Moir	Kenya s Gold	Doug Langhorne	Mystic
		Meisha Langhorne	Roacher
		Karen Anderson	Malleegrove Yasodhara
		Tracey Morley	A'Landell Prestige
		Julie Preston	Arabec Skip The Blues
		Jennifer Caslick	Wanstead Love Story

**6 August 2017**

Peter Bice	Georgie Girl
Alexander Bice	Webbs Creek Cattle Baron
Tayissa Boese	Chikka
Claire Garcia	Bremervale Cold Chisel
David Urquhart	Argyle

**Ride Name: Currowan Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 40.0km

Start Date: 22/07/2017

Ride Type: Intermediate

Chief Steward: Belinda Hopley

Christopher Bailey	Cedar Ridge Lyric	Natalia Bogнар	Kalimnah Farm Elf
Julie Scruse	Ima Dixie Chick	Jasmine Cliff	Reign
Carla Mead	TD Hott Spot	Matthew Walker	Razorback Quilty Wings
Rosemary Bunn	Currowan Apollo	Marita Rifai	Wee Warra Yasmina
Samantha Byrnes	Pirate	Sandra Stiller	Ava Sahara Rose
Amanda Bloxsome	Tinkabelle	Jasmine Zimmerman	Triam Moir Jasper
Ian Bassingthwaighte	Rosevale Park Rashid	Vicki Mathew	Cearadale Hanaani
Lauren Stevenson	Blake's Heaven Hiraani	Simone Murphy	Wickwood Aesiras
Monica Ballard	Blake's Heaven	Jason Hooper	Matta Mia Dougal
	Adventuress	Matilda Walker	Macquarie Park Banjo
Marina Strode	Penwisk Sharmarra	Aimee Austin	Simeon Bollinger
Chris Geddes	Cedar Ridge Monarch		



# Social Ride Participants

## Ride Name: Bago Bush Ride Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 20.0km

Start Date: 15 July 2017

Ride Type: Introductory Ride

Lisa Boese	Gleniph Kermotion	Margaret Bentley	Gemma
Taylah Boese	Chikka	Mia Smith	Montana
Tamalyn Boese	Smudge	Liz Smith	Tarzan
Carmel Elson	Jack	Margaret Jacka	Siegfried
Raylene Blackwell	Moondarra El Sharaaf	Graeme Corin	Garonne Park Mission
Renee Dawkings	PVE Remmington	Marie-Louise Corin	Windsor
Andrea Bourke	Clovelly Snickers	Emelia Copelin	Jack
Sally Taylor	Guy Fawkes Waratah	Eryn Cahill	Gretta
Elisha Bates	Guy Fawkes Consider It	Tayla Roby	Mia Dana
	Done	Stephanie Hunter	Squirrel
Carenne McLauchlan	Guy Fawkes Mangrove	Sarah Glover	Delta
	Jack	Danika Glover	Ruby
Helen Riek	Sakhi Jazzirah	Kalisha Glover	Badger
Carol Griffiths	Oak-Glen Isis	Tracy Broadbent	Glendhu Moonshine
Raymond Griffiths	ZED	Steve Broadbent	Deepea Rafiq
Clemence Wise	Royal Ruby Star		

## Ride Name: Ride around the Rock Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 20.0km

Start Date: 6 August 2017

Ride Type: Introductory Ride

Head Vet: Nathan Noble: Chief Steward: Thomas McCormack

Kiara Henderson	Banjo	Catherine Gray	Nicki
Emily Peck	Coolinda Park Azhly	Ashliegh Turner	Princess
Hannah Dunn	Mattt		

## Ride Name: Kiwarra Gold Cup Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 20.0km

Start Date: 5 August 2017

Ride Type: Introductory Ride

Head Vet: Adrian Owen

Chief Steward: Marylou Locke

Niamh Wouters	Myscal Jasmin	Kiara Houston	Cuban Dancer
Felicity Motycka	Burradale Sterling Silver	Tracey Houston	Jazz It Up
Andrea Bourke	Clovelly Snickers	Alan Gilfilan	Warragill Majestic Moon
Maria Picone	Barry	Amber Piper	Warrigill Boston Spin
Lyn Booth	Jack	Bevan Brown	Costa
Marie-Louise Corin	Windsor	Christine Slattery	Cadelle
Graeme Corin	Garonne Park Mission	Jan Wade	Hillville Amigo
Clemence Wise	Royal Ruby Star	Peter Meany	Smokie Joe
Kimberley Bailey	Shanarra	Sharon MacDonald	Falcon
Sonya Ruprecht	Warragill Hollywood Spin	Terri Mullins	Phoenix
Lynn Coles	Pinedene Robbie		
Katie Elson	Sonata		

## Ride Name: Kiwarra Gold Cup Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 20.0km

Start Date: 6 August 2017

Ride Type: Introductory Ride

Head Vet: Adrian Owen: Chief Steward: Marylou Locke

Katie Elson	Sonata	Michaela Burgess	Coolinda Park Xzinda-Ella
Carmel Elson	Jack	Tayla Roby	Mia Dana
Tracey Wong	Earl	John Sanders	CHarlie
Linda Henley	Wootton Audacious	Hannah Sanders	Abdulla
Carol Griffiths	Oak-Glen Isis		
Johanne Gardiner	Oak-Glen Celtic Gold		

**Ride Name: Currowan Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 20.0km

Start Date: 22/07/2017

Ride Type: Introductory

Chief Steward: Belinda Hopley

Jacque Wright	Sideshow Bob	Dean Kelly	Shelley
Mike Cattell	Serenasphere	Vetea Facchini	Kalody Park Karisma
Chloe Cattell	Sparkey	Tegan Ashby	Blake's Heaven Dubonnet
Alexander Bice	Webbs Creek Cattle	Laurie Taylor	Bellbarry Blue Diamond
	Baron	Emma Mailler	Trades Little Lady
Jayne Vost	Rumbo	Caitlin Guy	Khalidah Tasneem
Lisa Boese	Gleniph Kermotion	Taylah Ross	Forest Dale Irredescence
Kate Backhouse	River	Jason Heffernan	Bianca
Carolyn Francis	Game Eagle	Cassie Turvey	Zeeshan
Liz Smith	Sophie	Marion Crossley	Bluey
Mia Smith	Montana	Tamalyn Boese	Smudge
Paula Kreutzer	A Poetic Breeze	Tayissa Boese	Chikka
Melissa Beech	Arinya Park Kartier		

**Ride Name: Bago Bush Ride**

Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 10.0km

Start Date: 15 July 2017

Ride Type: Introductory Ride

Tracey Houston	Jazz It Up	Jade Attard	Lucy
Kiara Houston	Cuban Dancer	John Attard	Nipper
Pete Rounce	Monty	Sorell Masters	Hydra Jaffa
Browyn Magann	Belle	Elisa Rout	Za GoGo
Jessica Magann	Uma	Grace Scott	Tilly
Anneka Vaughan	Ellendale Courtney	Carmel Elson	Jack
Lisa Boese	Gleniph Kermotion	Margaret Bentley	Gidgee
Tayissa Boese	Chikka	Raylene Blackwell	Moondarra El Sharaaf
Tamalyn Boese	Smudge	Renee Dawkings	Bonnie Doon Ashquar
		Kane Kelso	PVE Remmington

**Ride Name: Kiwarrak Gold Cup Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 10.0km

Start Date: 5 August 2017

Ride Type: Introductory Ride

Head Vet: Adrian Owen

Chief Steward: Marylou Locke

Katie Elson	Sonata	Carmel Elson	Jack
Jessica Magann	Coolinda Park Sundanze	Katie Elson	Sonata
Jan Wade	DS Seekin Th Image	Tracey Wong	Earl
Cassandra Flack	Sir ten Perfexion	Linda Henley	Wootton Audacious
Emily Pye	Spider		

**Ride Name: Currowan Progressive Ride Report**

Distance: 10.0km

Start Date: 22/07/2017

Ride Type: Introductory

Chief Steward: Belinda Hopley

Ruth Ngo	Destiny	Lyons Katie	Kitty
Vicki Abel	Reuben	Lauren Kelly	Glenian Park Forgrt-Me-
Tereal Crawford	Charlotte		Not
Sue Todd	Shakari Bear	Sarah Kelly	Sweet Meadows Enchant
Donna McAllister	Gemma	Jessica Pearce	Ivanhoe
Jayne Vost	Rumbo	Ken Pearce	Dixie
Sonya Crawford	Oaky	Debbie Hancock	Yinbilliko Ra Fleur
Jasmine Crawford	Kamzan Rose	Tyler Hancock	Dove
Peter Bice	Georgie Girl	Karen Pearce	Star
Alexander Bice	Webbs Creek Cattle Baron	Heidi Wade	Yinbilliko Shaka Zulu
Chloe Floth	Tucker		



## Ride Name: Shahzada Progressive Ride Report

Distance: 400.0km Start Date:22/08/2017

Ride Type: Mini Marathon

Head Vet: Emily Streckfuss Chief Steward: Haydn Fisher

Kathleen Stenholm	Ibn Velona Phoenix	3	15:51:00	36, 47, 45, 42 (Avg:44)
Matthew Walker	Razorback Quilty Wings	3	13:38:00	32, 39, 45, 44 (Avg:42)
Jacqui Davis	Suncrest Kadenza	3	17:41:00	25, 31, 35, 41 (Avg:35)
Andrew Bailey	Bullio Blue Sue	3	12:29:00	26, 29, 35, 33 (Avg:32)
Susan Pritchard	Velona El Dargo	3	15:50:00	29, 38, 37, 43 (Avg:39)
Heather Nagle	Aloha Dash	3	18:52:00	34, 43, 43, 41 (Avg:42)
Tracey Morley	A'Landell Prestige	3	18:45:00	38, 41, 43, 45 (Avg:43)
Leisa Courtman	Zimba	3	18:52:00	32, 37, 39, 39 (Avg:38)
Melanie Scott	Eminem Missella	3	18:11:00	29, 42, 45, 45 (Avg:44)
Matilda Walker	Macquarie Park Banjo	3	13:38:00	38, 42, 43, 45 (Avg:43)
Wallace Pankhurst	Lara Dawn High Expectations	3	14:10:00	36, 42, 41, 45 (Avg:42)
Nicole Allan	Waugoola Creek Onyx	3	12:31:00	36, 36, 39, 43 (Avg:39)
Erin Webber	Inspiration Star of the Century	3	12:06:00	28, 48, 47, 46 (Avg:47)
Gary Pevy	Burren-Dah Walter	3	12:00:00	33, 38, 40, 44 (Avg:40)
Tomeika Bond-Pevy	Mr Bo-Jangles	3	12:19:00	35, 36, 40, 41 (Avg:39)
Tracy Broadbent	Glendhu Moonshine	3	12:10:00	34, 39, 43, 41 (Avg:41)
Steve Broadbent	Deepeer Rafiq	3	12:10:00	28, 36, 43, 39 (Avg:39)
Louise McCormack	Kintamani Silver Eclipse	3	15:17:00	33, 40, 39, 41 (Avg:40)
Karen Hill	Kasdelly Spryte	3	21:02:00	42, 43, 46, 50 (Avg:46)
Kylie Toole	Whitsunday Sari	3	21:02:00	34, 42, 45, 47 (Avg:44)
Tania Drever	Castlebar Ego	3	18:19:00	36, 49, 45, 47 (Avg:47)
Annalise Drever-Borchardt	Rosedale Candlelight	3	18:19:00	31, 39, 37, 38 (Avg:38)
Ellen Dunger	Pepper	3	17:29:00	38, 41, 39, 40 (Avg:40)
Sophie Ramsay	Poets Corner Phoenix	3	14:02:00	36, 38, 46, 52 (Avg:45)
Dawn Spicer	Cedar Glen Raffaella	3	17:03:00	35, 39, 39, 42 (Avg:40)
Colin Spicer	Ellen Grove Shantelle	3	17:03:00	31, 43, 44, 47 (Avg:44)
Geraldine Stuart	Gaby	3	17:09:00	36, 36, 43, 41 (Avg:40)
Nigel Colefax	Evening Star	3	11:45:00	39, 38, 38, 43 (Avg:39)
Mette Sutton	Tuldar Tully	3	16:16:00	34, 38, 52, 40 (Avg:43)
Chris Morley	Rocky Creek Sioux Dee Dee	3	14:53:00	32, 42, 44, 44 (Avg:43)
Marieke Featonby	Fairview Ethereal Dream	3	18:22:00	34, 38, 42, 39 (Avg:39)
Diesel Featonby	Shimira	3	18:22:00	33, 41, 45, 49 (Avg:45)
Brad Jones	Shellal Jive	3	17:34:00	38, 45, 48, 50 (Avg:47)
Dagmar Sweetland	Jess	3	15:33:00	33, 40, 39, 37 (Avg:38)
Cody Holloway	Orion Al Saba	3	17:26:00	38, 40, 47, 42 (Avg:43)
Brooke Campbell	Kulgarnie Rubin	3	18:53:00	36, 43, 44, 47 (Avg:44)
Nadine Barker	Bradali Najmul Fi Samar	3	11:56:00	36, 38, 36, 35 (Avg:36)
Makayla Circosta	Tamlyn PL Amira Shari	3	13:55:00	41, 41, 42, 42 (Avg:41)
Ashley Cole	Kahuna Moon	3	11:56:00	33, 45, 40, 46 (Avg:43)
Alexander Bice	Webbs Creek Cattle Baron	3	13:47:00	42, 42, 42, 49 (Avg:44)
Sara Pellegrini	Conderosa Aegea	3	14:23:00	40, 46, 49, 48 (Avg:47)
Stella Harbison	Aloha Desert Fire	3	18:11:00	33, 40, 46, 43 (Avg:43)
Steve Finnane	Bobby	3	17:32:00	34, 43, 42, 47 (Avg:44)
Brianna Webb	Sixwytch Farm Phayida	3	18:53:00	40, 48, 53, 55 (Avg:52)
Cheny Collins	Henley Farm Waffar	3	15:58:00	38, 38, 52, 42 (Avg:44)
Kirsty Carter	Henley Farm Farhan	3	15:56:00	36, 45, 51, 48 (Avg:48)
Matthew Dunne	Nugget	3	17:25:00	35, 41, 40, 37 (Avg:39)
Lukas Dunne	Holly	3	17:25:00	33, 35, 35, 35 (Avg:35)
Josephine Jansen	Arabec Czar	3	13:47:00	38, 43, 45, 48 (Avg:45)
Anthony Parker	Mindari Ace High	3	17:41:00	33, 46, 49, 48 (Avg:47)
Kate Johnson	Saphire	3	12:22:00	42, 41, 41, 37 (Avg:39)
Shea Reynolds	Rocky Point Fire Opal	3	15:48:00	28, 38, 40, 48 (Avg:42)
Annette Bailey	Bullio Charlotte	3	12:28:00	28, 32, 38, 38 (Avg:36)
Emma Cole	Earlston Spa	3	13:39:00	35, 39, 39, 43 (Avg:40)
Jolene Cole	Prince Emami Spa	3	13:38:00	34, 42, 39, 41 (Avg:40)
Jenny Chandler	Cedar Ridge Monarch	3	13:54:00	38, 37, 35, 45 (Avg:39)
Teresa Birkett	Cedar Ridge Lyric	3	13:18:00	40, 41, 38, 44 (Avg:41)
Georgia Curry	MB Just Annallusion	3	11:37:00	38, 44, 44, 41 (Avg:43)
Isabella Circosta	Karabil Kaaru	3	13:55:00	34, 44, 45, 45 (Avg:44)
Steve Brooks	Jaballa Khambodia	3	16:03:00	36, 37, 36, 38 (Avg:37)
Alison Clark	Echo	3	12:22:00	38, 34, 42, 39 (Avg:38)

# TPR List

*These are the current TPR's that have TPR'd at a ride 1/1/15 to 1/12/16. 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 and thermometer.*

*If your name is missing, contact Belinda Hopley.*

**P – Prov TPR.**

Bailey	Annette	Gossip	Robyn	Pearce	Gillian
Bailey	Margo <b>P</b>	Grelk	Peter	Pollard	Sean
Beavis	Graham <b>P</b>	Hickey	Wayne	Porter	Wendy
Blain	Virginia	Hills	Anne <b>P</b>	Powell	Rhys
Blakely	Dallas	Hopley	Belinda <b>CS</b>	Priol	Katherine
Blessing	Anthony	Howe	John <b>CS</b>	Reinhold	Bindi
Bonham	Jeff <b>CS</b>	Jesson	Wendy <b>P</b>	Rich	Helen
Booth	Clint	Jones	Allix <b>P</b>	Robinson	Eric
Bowman	Tracey <b>P</b>	Jones	Wendy	Ruprecht	Sonya
Broadbent	Steve	Johnson	Jack	Seagrim	Neil
Broadbent	Tracey	Jonkers	Linda	Sinfield	Dodi
Brown	Sandi	Kelly	Peter <b>CS</b>	Smith	Gordon
Bush	Narelle	Kinch	Tangil	Spackman	Tammie
Bushell	Wendy	Kirk	Renee	Stockley	Faye
Carter	Bruce	Knight	Lindsay	Strachan	Cheryl
Carrick	Jo	Locke	Bob <b>CS</b>	Sumpner	Ruth <b>P</b>
Caslick	Jennifer	Locke	Marylou <b>CS</b>	Sumpner	Shirley <b>P</b>
Cobden	Tanya <b>P</b>	Lymbery	Sarah <b>P</b>	Sumpner	Keith <b>P</b>
Cotton	Maddi <b>P</b>	Manderson	Sooz	Taylor	Lynette
Counsell	Louise <b>CS</b>	Merceica	Paul <b>P</b>	Taylor	Michael
Dickinson	Patricia	Merceica	Michelle <b>P</b>	Thorsby	Shannen
Dillon	Lyn	Mills	Gloria	Todd	Sue
Dillon	Brad	Mitchell	Lauren <b>P</b>	Turnbull	Christine
Dreghorn	Ian	Moran	Marty	Turnbull	Ralph
Feary	Clare <b>P</b>	Moore	Greg	Wade	Martin
Feltham	Maureen	Myhill	Marty	Waldron	Peter <b>P</b>
Fisher	Haydn <b>CS</b>	Nelson	Janette	Walkom	Dean
Giddings	Barb	Owen	Rick	Walker	Tina
Gilbertson	Graeme	Pearce	Barbara	Wright	Jacqui



## 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.

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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.

**Jacky Barlow,**

**NSW Endurance Riders Association**

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**109 Sandy Creek Rd Mt Vincent 2323**





## 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, .109 Sandy Creek Rd Mt Vincent 2323**

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  
207 Laytons Range Road  
NYMBOIDA 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

# Register of Chief Stewards

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