



The Nationals

AUSTRALASIAN SHOWHORSE AND RIDER CHAMPIONSHIPS

30 November - 2 December 2017

SCHEDULE & ENTRY FORM

OPEN JUDGES

Emma Schaaf (SA)

Fiona Bracken (Vic)

Joanne Prestwidge (NSW)

Amanda Snelling (Qld)

CHILDRENS' CLASSES

Sue Quarrell (Tas)

Maryanne Bulpitt (NSW)

Margaret Thwaites (WA)

Entries close: 5pm Tuesday 31st October 2017

Post Entries to: Att: Bronte Wright,

Equestrian Victoria

P O Box 616, Werribee, Vic 3030

Contact Email: brontewright@equestrianvictoria.com.au

Venue: Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre

170 K Road, Werribee, Vic. 3030





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Congratulations on qualifying to represent your state/country at the EGO Sunsense 2017 EA Australasian Show Horse & Rider Championships, "The Nationals". 2017 is the 32nd year of 'The Nationals' and we look forward to welcoming you to the event.

All entries are to be completed on the Entry Form attached. Entries must include class details and stabling. Entry forms must be completed in full and include payment details. Incomplete entries will be returned. Please note: Stabling is included on the entry form however bedding should be ordered from Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre (03) 9741 7672. Fodder can be ordered & delivered to WPNEC through a local feed merchant.

Competitors are invited to participate in Happy Hour half price drinks, (selected range) on Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings. Tickets: For the best seats in the house we suggest you buy tickets to the Top Deck Marquee & Lawn area. Included in the price is morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea and a light meal each evening of competition (Thursday/Friday/Saturday).

The organising committee will be managing the stable allocations into state team areas and a stabling allocation list will be published in the week prior to the event. When you arrive at WPNEC you will need to report to The Nationals Competition office where the Stable Manager will assist you. Stable bedding should be ordered in advance to ensure it is delivered to your stable prior to your arrival. We will provide further information in regard to the Stabling Policy once entries are completed. There will be a Stable Manager on site during the event.

In 2017 there will be four Open Judges & three Children's Class Judges. The four Open judges will use a rotation system to have three judges officiating at all times while one judge has a break.

We hope you enjoy 'The Nationals' 2017. We wish all competitors a happy and successful experience.

Equestrian Victoria Show Horse Event Committee



Class List:

1. Leading Rein Pony 12 hands & under (Rider 5 years & under 8 years old on day of qualifying)
2. Leading Rein Show Hunter 12hh and Under (Riders 5 Years & under 8 years old on day of qualifying)
3. Child's Small Show Hunter Pony 12hh & Under (Rider 14 Years old & under)
4. Child's Medium Show Hunter Pony over 12hh & not exceeding 13hh
5. Child's Large Show Hunter Pony over 13hh & not exceeding 14hh
6. Child's Small Show Hunter Galloway Championship over 14hh & not exceeding 14.2hh
7. Child's Large Show Hunter Galloway Championship over 14.2 & not exceeding 15hh
8. Child's Small Show Hunter Hack Championship over 15hh & not exceeding 16hh
9. Child's Large Show Hunter Hack Championship over 16hh
10. Child's Small Pony Championship 12hh & under (Rider 14 Years old & under)
11. Child's Medium Pony Championship over 12hh & not exceeding 13hh
12. Child's Large Pony Championship over 13hh & not exceeding 14hh
13. Child's Small Galloway Championship over 14hh & not exceeding 14.2hh
14. Child's Large Galloway Championship over 14.2hh & not exceeding 15hh
15. Child's Small Hack Championship over 15hh & not exceeding 16hh
16. Child's Large Hack Championship over 16hh
17. Small Pony Championship 12hh & under (Rider 14 Years old & under)
18. Medium Pony Championship over 12hh & not exceeding 13hh
19. Large Pony Championship over 13hh & not exceeding 14hh
20. Small Galloway Championship over 14hh & not exceeding 14.2hh
21. Large Galloway Championships over 14.2 & not exceeding 15hh
22. Small Hack Championship over 15hh & not exceeding 16hh
23. Large Hack Championship over 16hh
24. Small Show Hunter Pony Championship under 12hh (Rider 14 Years old & under)
25. Medium Show Hunter Pony Championship over 12hh & not exceeding 13hh
26. Large Show Hunter Pony Championships over 13hh & not exceeding 14hh
27. Show Hunter Galloway Championship over 14hh & not exceeding 14.2hh
28. Show Hunter Galloway Championships over 14.2hh & not exceeding 15hh
29. Small Show Hunter Hack Championship over 15hh & not exceeding 16hh
30. Large Show Hunter Hack Championship over 16hh
31. Junior Rider Under 12 years on day of qualifying
32. Intermediate Rider 12 to 14 years on day of qualifying
33. Intermediate Rider 15 to 17 years on day of qualifying
34. Senior Rider 18 years and over on day of qualifying

PROVISIONAL TIMETABLE (may be subject to change Times to be advised)

Thursday 30th November	Friday 1st December	Saturday 2 nd December
	CLASS: 1	CLASS: 32
Childrens' Classes	26	27
	17	20
Timetable to be advised	31	30
after close of entries	18	21
Some classes may be	2	28
timetabled into other days	25	34
dependant on numbers	19	29
Please check for updates	24	22
	33	23

EVENT TERMS & CONDITIONS

Entry into the Event is deemed acceptance of the following terms and conditions:

Definitions – in these terms and conditions:

"Claim" means and includes any action, suit, proceeding, claim, demand, damage, penalty, cost or expense however arising from or in connection with any Equestrian Activities, but does not include:

(A) a claim against the Committee or EV by any person expressly entitled to make a claim under a EV or EA insurance policy;

(B) a claim against the Committee or EV under any right expressly conferred by its constitution or regulations.

"Event" means the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships (historically referred to as the Nationals).

"Equestrian Activities" means performing or participating in any capacity, including as a member, in any authorised or recognised EV activities, including but not limited to competing in equestrian events and other equestrian activities

Conduct of Event

The Event is to be conducted by the Equestrian Victoria Show Horse Committee (Committee).

Event Rules

The Event will be conducted by the Committee under Equestrian Australia (EA) rules in so far as they are applicable to the Event and shall include any other rules formulated by the Committee. It is strongly recommend that all competitors obtain a copy of the relevant EA Rules through the EV website www.vic.equestrian.org.au Upon your entry into the Event being accepted, you agree to be bound by the Event rules as set out above and you acknowledge that the Committee reserves the right to interpret all questions, conditions and shall make any relevant decisions in regard to, or arising from any incident, at or pertaining to this event at its sole and absolute discretion and without claims for damages or recourse of any kind. The Committee will decide any questions not covered in the Rules & Conditions of Entry at their sole and absolute discretion and their decision will be final

Membership / Horse Registration / Qualifications / Eligibility

It is the responsibility of each State Office to ensure & validate entry information is correct at the time of entry and in the event of substitutes, including at the commencement of the class.

The retention of EA membership following qualification for the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships is required as per; 5.4.1 Once a horse has qualified for Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships, the exhibitor/owner/leasee must retain current EA membership in that calendar year. 5.4.2 Once a rider has qualified for Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships, they must retain their current membership for that calendar year.

Rider Ages and Class Height

The age of the rider is the age as of 1 January in the year of the National Championships.

All horses in the Show Horse, Show Hunter and Leading Rein Classes are required to have a current EA Height Certificate at the time of competing in their State event and the Australian event.

Event entries and eligibility

Winners and Runners Up from State Horse and Rider of the Year shows are eligible to enter. In the event of either the Winner or Runner Up being unable to attend, the 3rd placegetter will be invited to enter. 3rd placegetters will be notified through their State Branch if they are able to enter, only after the first closing date & processing of entries has been completed. Members of the Committee and their respective immediate families are ineligible to enter the Event and in circumstances where acceptance of entry to the Event does initially occur, any entry fees paid by members of the Committee and their respective immediate families will be refunded.

Close of Entries

Winners and Runners Up Only - Entries close **5pm on Tuesday 31st October 2017.**

3rd Placegetters Only – Upon close of entries if there is a position available for 3rd Placegetters it will be offered until Thursday 23rd November at 5pm, this includes scratchings. Eligible competitors will be notified.

Note: After Thursday 9th November changes may not appear in the official printed program.

Class Entry Fee - \$280

This fee includes: Entry Fee, Admin Fee, Swabbing Levy, 1 Competitor Wristband for 3 days of General Admission, and one copy of the Official Program. Happy Hour half price drinks are available from 6pm to 7pm on Thursday, Friday & Saturday evenings on display of Competitor Wristband.



Refund Policy

Entry fees are non-refundable after Closing Date of Entries. Withdrawals received prior to 5pm Thursday 16th November may be eligible for a refund of stable and/or camping fees paid. No refunds will be issued after this date. Refunds will be issued at the discretion of Equestrian Victoria upon written notification accompanied by either a veterinary or medical certificate.

Risk Warning and Waiver

Your participation in the recreational activities supplied by the Committee and EV is inherently dangerous and may involve risk. There are risks specifically associated with participation in the recreational activities and accidents can and often do happen which may result in personal injury, death or property damage. Prior to undertaking any such recreational activity, you should ensure you are aware of all of the risks involved, including those risks associated with any health condition you may have. By your entry being accepted into the Event, you acknowledge, agree, and understand that participation in the recreational services provided by the Committee and EV may involve risk. You agree and undertake any such risk voluntarily and at your own risk. You acknowledge that the assumption of risk and warning above constitutes a 'risk warning' in accordance with relevant legislation

Waiver

A supplier of recreational services or recreational activities can ask you to agree that statutory guarantees under the Australian Consumer Law (which is Schedule 2 to the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth)*) do not apply to you (or a person for whom or on whose behalf you are acquiring the services or activities). If your entry into the Event is accepted, you will be agreeing that your rights (or the rights of a person for whom or on whose behalf you are acquiring the services) to sue the supplier in relation to recreational services or recreational activities that you undertake because the services or recreational activities provided were not in accordance with the guarantees are excluded, restricted or modified as set out below.

For recreational services or recreational activities to which the Australian Consumer Law (Commonwealth) applies:

If my entry into the Event is accepted, I agree that the liability of the Committee and EV in relation to recreational services (as that term is defined in the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010 (Cth)*) for any:

- (i) death;
- (ii) physical or mental injury (including the aggravation, acceleration or recurrence of such an injury);
- (iii) the contraction, aggravation or acceleration of a disease;
- (iv) the coming into existence, the aggravation, acceleration or recurrence of any other condition, Circumstance, occurrence, activity, form of behaviour, course of conduct or state of affairs.
- (A) that is or may be harmful or disadvantageous to you or the community;
- (B) that may result in harm or disadvantage to you or the community, that may be suffered by you (or a person for whom or on whose behalf you are acquiring the services) resulting from the supply of recreational services or recreational activities; is excluded and the application of any express or implied term that any services will be provided with due care and skill is hereby excluded.

For recreational services to which the Australian Consumer Law (Victoria) applies:

Warning under the Australian Consumer Law and Fair Trading Act 2012: Under the Australian Consumer Law (Victoria), several statutory guarantees apply to the supply of certain goods and services. These guarantees mean that the supplier named on this form, being the Committee and EV, are required to ensure that the recreational services it supplies to you:

- (a) are rendered with due care and skill; and
- (b) are reasonably fit for any purpose which you either expressly or by implication, make known to the supplier; and
- (c) might reasonably be expected to achieve any result you have made known to the supplier.

Under section 22 of the Australian Consumer Law and Fair Trading Act 2012 (Vic), the supplier is entitled to ask you to agree that these conditions do not apply to you. If you sign this form, you will be agreeing that your rights to sue the supplier under the Australian Consumer Law and Fair Trading Act 2012 if you are killed or injured because the services were not in accordance with these guarantees, are excluded, restricted or modified in the way set out in this form.

Note: The change to your rights, as set out in this form, does not apply if your death or injury is due to gross negligence on the supplier's part. "**Gross negligence**" in relation to an act or omission, means doing the act or omitting to do an act with reckless disregard, with or without consciousness, for the consequences of the act or omission. See regulation 5 of the Australian Consumer Law and Fair Trading Regulations 2012 (Vic) and section 22(3)(b) of the Australian Consumer Law and Fair Trading Act 2012 (Vic).

Exclusion of rights under the Australian Consumer Law (Victoria):



By signing this form, you agree that the liability of the Committee and EV for any death or personal injury (as defined in the Australian Consumer Law and Fair Trading Act 2012) that may be suffered by you (or a person from whom or on whose behalf you are acquiring the services) resulting from the supply of recreational services is excluded.

Release & Indemnity

In consideration of the Committee and EV accepting your Event entry application you, to the extent permitted by law:

- (i) releases and forever discharges the Committee and EV from all Claims that you may have or may have had but for this release arising from or in connection with your entry into the Event or undertaking the Equestrian Activities; and
- (ii) release and indemnify the Committee and EV against any Claim which may be made by you or on your behalf for or in respect of or arising out of your death whether caused by the negligence or breach of contract by the Committee or EV or in any other manner whatsoever; and
- (iii) indemnify and will keep indemnified and hold harmless the Committee and EV to the extent permitted by law in respect of any Claim by any person:
 - (A) arising as a result of or in connection with your entry into the Event or undertaking the Equestria Activities; and
 - (B) against the Committee and EV in respect of any injury, loss or damage arising out of or in connection with your failure to comply with the Committee, EV or EA's rules and/or directions,

save that the above releases and indemnities shall not apply to the extent that the loss, damage or injury that is the subject of the Claim is caused or contributed to by the grossly negligent act or omission of the Committee and/or EV.

Insurance

You acknowledge and agree that the EV has arranged some limited insurance coverage which may provide you with some protection for loss, damage or injury that you may suffer during your participating in the Event. However, you acknowledge and agree that the insurance taken out by the EV may not provide full indemnity for loss, damage or injury that you may suffer during your participating in the Event, and that you may have to pay the excess if a Claim is made on your behalf. You agree that your own insurance arrangements are ultimately your responsibility and you will arrange any additional coverage at your expense after taking into account the EV's insurance arrangements and your own circumstances.

Disclosure of Medical Conditions:

You warrant that you:

- (i) are and must continue to be medically and physically fit and able to undertake and participate in the Event;
- (ii) are not a danger to yourself or to the health and safety of others;
- (iii) have not at any time suffered any blackout, seizure, convulsion, fainting or dizzy spells; and
- (iv) are not presently receiving treatment for any condition, illness, disorder or injury which would render it unsafe for you to take part in the Event or Equestrian Activities.

You acknowledge that you must, and you agree that you will, disclose any pre-existing medical or other condition that may affect the risk that either you or any other person will suffer injury, loss or damage. You acknowledge that the Committee and EV rely on information provided by you and that all such information is accurate and complete. You agree to report any accidents, injuries, loss or damage you suffer during the Event to the Committee and EV before you leave any relevant venue.

Exclusion of Applicant

You warrant that you have not at any time been excluded from equestrian by a medical practitioner or any person or entity including EA and its member states and Clubs. You acknowledge and agree that the Committee and/or EV may demand a medical certificate or opinion as to your fitness from a qualified medical practitioner PRIOR to your participating in the Event.

Safety

You understand and acknowledge the dangers associated with the consumption of alcohol or any mind-altering substance before or during your involvement in participating in the Event, and you accept full responsibility for injury, loss or damage associated with the consumption of alcohol or any other mind-altering substance. You agree to follow any rules set by the Committee and EV in connection with the Event. If you fail to comply with the Committee or EV's rules and/or directions, you will not be permitted to participate or to continue to participate in the Event and no refund will be given. If you suffer any injury or illness, you agree that the Committee and/or EV may provide evacuation, first aid and/or medical treatment at your expense and that your entry into the Event constitutes your consent to such evacuation, first aid and/or medical treatment.



Use of Image

You acknowledge and consent to photographs and electronic images being taken of you during your participation in the Event. You acknowledge and agree that such photographs and electronic images are owned by the Committee and EV and the Committee and EV may use the photographs for promotional or other purposes without your further consent being necessary

Bump In - Bump Out

Stables Open on Tuesday 28th November

Competitor and horse arrival must be completed by 6pm on Thursday 30th November.

Horses are required to leave the venue by 10am on Sunday 3rd December as the venue has another event commencing the following morning.

All Exhibitors are required to comply with the arrival and departure times indicated above. Bump out is permitted after completion of your final class. Any competitor intending to leave the venue after their final class **MUST** advise the Competition Office.

Stabling

Stable bookings should be completed on the entry form attached when entering the show. All Exhibits must be stabled at WPNEC in their allocated stables for the duration of the event. After arrival all Exhibits must remain on site until the end of their final class, or risk elimination. Construction of portable/tape yards is **prohibited**

Please note: Only horses competing at the event will be allocated stabling or admittance to WPNEC.

Stabling

3 Days - \$210.00 (ie: Wed/Thurs/Fri or Thurs/Fri/Sat), this amount includes 3 nights stable hire, 3 days WPNEC facility fees, bump out compulsory stable cleaning fee and Stable Manager fee.

Additional Days e.g. early arrivals - \$60.00 per day (includes stable & facility fees)

Bedding & Fodder

Bedding can be purchased from WPNEC for \$14.50 per bale contact WPNEC directly on 03 9741 7672. Please note that only shavings are allowed, you may bring your own. Fodder can be ordered directly through Country Link Rural Supplies on (03) 5282 1280. Further information will be supplied.

Camping

Camping requests may be made when you complete your entries. Powered site \$25.00 per night and unpowered site is \$15.00 per night. Power leads must not be on the ground or over roadways. Campsites will be allocated.

Accommodation

Accommodation cannot be arranged, but the following are suggested:

- The Mansion Hotel Phone: 03 9731 4000
- Quest Werribee Phone: 03 8744 6000
- Quest Sanctuary Lakes Phone: 03 9394 2100
- Werribee Park Motor Inn Phone: 03 9741 9944

Dogs

Dogs must be on lead and under effective control at all times and are not allowed in marshalling or competition areas, including any part of the indoor arenas.

Bicycles & Motorcycles

Bicycles are not permitted in the Indoor Arenas or any stable block. Approved helmets must be worn at all times. Bicycles are not permitted near doors designated as public entrances or exits. Motor Cycle riders must wear approved safety helmets and hold the appropriate licence.

Cross Country Obstacles at WPNEC

Cross Country obstacles must not be jumped/used unless a non-riding Level One coach is present.

WPNEC Speed Limit & Signs

Speed limits must be adhered to at all times, the speed limit at WPNEC is 10km p/h. Please observe all signs at the venue.

General Riding Regulations at WPNEC

- a) Riding of horses bareback is **prohibited**.
- b) Riding of rugged and/or unbridled horses is **prohibited**.
- c) Any person may lead a maximum of two horses while mounted.
- d) Horses are not permitted within/upon the quadrangle (between the barn and Indoor)
- e) Horses are not permitted near pedestrian doorways
- f) Horses must be tied in a safe manner.
- g) Horses must not be tied to unattached floats, wheelie bins etc.



General Regulations at WPNEC

No infrastructure to be erected on WPNEC Grounds without written approval by management prior to event. Entry and Exit doors to Indoor Arenas are not to be obstructed at any time.

Alcohol

Only alcohol purchased from the licensed bar located in Indoor Arena No 1 may be consumed in the Indoor Arenas.

Smoking

No smoking in any Indoor infrastructure at WPNEC, includes Indoor Arenas, Stables, Admin Buildings, etc.

Swabbing

Drug testing of horses (swabbing) will occur in accordance with the EA National Medical Control Policy and the Equine Anti-Doping and Medical Control rules. Rule details are available at www.equestrian.org.au

Protests

The Class a horse qualifies for at State Championships will be the class that the horse competes in at the Nationals Championships, regardless of changes to a height certificate or protests. The right of protest remains but does not include a horse once it has qualified for the National Championships unless the protest had been lodged prior to the event of qualification. Refer: Section 5 EA National Show Horse Rules effective 1st July 2017

Approved Safety Helmets

Competing riders MUST wear an approved safety helmet with the retaining harness secured and fastened in ALL EA competitions, regardless of the level or venue. Grooms, when mounted on a horse, must wear an approved safety helmet with the retaining harness secured and fastened. Approved safety helmets are to be worn at all times with the retaining harness secured and fastened when training/practicing at an event. Whenever a safety helmet is worn whilst competing the retaining harness must be secured and fastened. Failure to have the harness fastened will entail elimination.

Indoor Arena Practice Times

Practice times for Arena 1 will commence on Wednesday 29th November from 10am
Full Practice Timetable to be advised prior to the event.

Indoor arena

Please note that the Indoor is not to be used for working down horses, but rather to familiarise them with the competition venue.

Outdoor Areas:

There are extensive grass areas and sand arenas that will be available. There is to be NO lunging on the Sand Arenas

Arena Size

60m x 30m

Leading Rein 45m x 30m

Order of Competition

The order of competition for the 2017 show will run as follows.

1. Western Australia
2. South Australia
3. New South Wales
4. New Zealand
5. Northern Territory
6. Queensland
7. Tasmania
8. Victoria

Workouts

All Show Horse and Show Hunter classes (excluding Leading Rein, Child's classes and Rider classes) will have a free workout not exceeding two and a half minutes. Please Note: If the workout exceeds this time, you will be asked to finish. All other set workouts will be made available prior to the Championships.

Arena Entry/Exit points: For free workouts you may enter using the Gallery side entry point or the centre entry point. Exit via the gap on the judge's side.



Compulsory Movements for Show Horse and Show Hunter Classes

- Ten metres of walk (free walk included)
- Trot on both reins
- Show Horse - Lengthening of stride at the trot (and for Show Hunters a forward, bold trot)
- Canter on both reins
- Lengthening of stride at the canter

Team and Team Managers

Each State/Country must appoint a Team Manager who will be supplied with all information that is sent to competitors. All queries to the Organising Committee are to be made through the Team Manager. Team managers will be required to attend meetings during the event – details to be advised.

Furthermore, when entering the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships 2017 team members accept that they must follow instructions and directions from respective team managers, they accept to wear official team uniforms throughout the event and accept to be available for team related events and meetings.

Horse Welfare

The Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championship 2017 organising committee will have additional procedures in place to monitor and ensure horse welfare. We recommend that all entrants read the Equestrian Australia National Show Horse Rules 'Code of Conduct for the Welfare of the Horse' as these will be strongly enforced.

Event Office

The event office will be open from 9am Wednesday 29th November.

Competitor Notice Board

All official notices, time changes etc. will be displayed on the Notice Board at the Event Office. Team Managers and competitors are asked to check regularly.

Competitor Only Merchandise

We are offering a range of merchandise that is exclusive to Competitors Only. Follow us on Facebook or watch the website for details. Stock is limited so please do not delay in making your orders.

Saddlery and Equipment

The Organising committee will issue breastplate numbers, please bring a suitable holder. Any gear that is considered detrimental to the welfare of the horse will not be allowed. Please ensure you are fully aware of the National Show Horse Rules, Section 3 – Dress, Saddlery and Equipment.

Music for Workouts

Music must be provided by each competitor for each class they are entered in. **Music must be submitted by Monday 30th October 2017.**

- Music is to be 2.30 minutes long for free workouts and Rider Workouts.
- Music is to be 2.00 minutes for Children's' workouts.
- All files are to be sent in a MP3 format or WAV file. Any other format will be sent back.
- All files must be renamed as per the following:
Class, State, Rep #, Horse Name (for ridden classes) or Rider Name (for rider classes)
- Rep # - Champion Rep 1, Reserve Champion Rep 2
- For large files over 25mb please contact Jodie on Jodie.vanbreugel@gmail.com for dropbox details (files must be named correctly or they will be rejected)
- Video Files will not be accepted, nor will song names to be downloaded
- Jodie will be available to test music on the Days leading up to the competition at the event. It is your responsibility to take the time to test your music.
- Music to be submitted by the close of entries by emailing: jodie.vanbreugel@gmail.com or by sending a CD to:- Show horse - Equestrian Victoria Po Box 616 Werribee Vic 3030
- Emailed files will be tested and a response will be sent back. All music can be checked during practice times at the event. Music with offensive language will not be played.

Please Note: When a competitor is instructed by the steward to enter the ring, the music will begin.

If music is not submitted by due date, background music will be supplied. **Please note:** after the event all CD music will be disposed of and is the responsibility of the entrant to collect this before close of event.



TICKETING:

GENERAL ADMISSION TICKETS:

Each entry will receive one wristband which provides general admission to the Gallery in Indoor 1 for the 3 days of competition. Additional General Admission Gallery seating will be available for purchase on Try booking: *link to be advised*. Please check The Nationals website for details. GA Ticketing prices: \$20 per day or \$50 for 3 days.

WELCOME EVENING:

Wednesday 29th November – FREE BBQ for all – from 6.00pm in the Bar area of Indoor 1

The Horseman's Bar will be open and drinks will be half price to competitors (on display of wristband) between 6.00pm and 7.00pm.

TOP DECK MARQUEE & LAWN:

Thursday 30th November, Friday 1st and Saturday 2nd December.

Great viewing from the upper level VIP mezzanine in Indoor 1, with access to the lower lawn area which has picnic style tables and chairs and provides some of the best seats in the house. Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea light dinner provided each day. Book early to avoid disappointment. Tickets will be available on Trybooking – link to be advised. Please check The Nationals website for details.

Ticketing (Wristbands)

COMPETITOR WRISTBANDS MUST STAY ON FOR THE DURATION OF THE SHOW. NO SWAPPING OF WRISTBANDS PERMITTED AND NO REPLACEMENT WRISTBANDS WILL BE ISSUED FOR ANY REASON.

Any abuse of the wristbands, i.e. swapping wristbands with another person when you have already entered a function, may result in disqualification from the event

Riders Forum

Friday 1st December 8pm EA Riders Representative, will hold a Riders Forum. Venue Old Admin Building

CANCELLATION POLICY

If cancellation is required due to existing or predicted severe and dangerous conditions such as Code Red Fire Warnings / Flood or travel warnings / disease outbreaks, EV will notify each Team Manager at the earliest possible time.

CANCELLATION REFUND POLICY

- a. If the event has commenced there will be no refunds.
- b. If the event is cancelled prior to commencement of the event – costs incurred by the show committee prior to the show will be paid and remaining funds will be reimbursed if the amount per exhibitor is \$2 or more.
- c. If the event is postponed entry fees will not be refunded without a written request from the exhibitor within 7 days of the notification of postponement.
- d. If the event has to be moved to another venue due to extreme weather events, entry fees minus any administration fees and costs incurred by the show committee prior to the show, will only be refunded with a written request from the exhibitor within 7 days of notification of change of venue.

Biosecurity Advice and Requirements for Horse Owners/Riders

It is impossible to keep horses separate at events, so make sure your horse is in full health before leaving your property. Events are prime places for your horse to catch an infectious disease.

A: Entrants, owners or persons in charge of the horse(s) at the Event acknowledge and agree:

- a. not to bring sick horses to the event. Sick animals may get worse during transport and infect other horses. Visually inspect horses to be transported and check rectal temperatures on the morning of the event. If in doubt, ask your vet to examine the horse.
- b. to provide truthful, accurate information to all officials and vets as required
- c. to complete a Horse Event Participation Declaration form (HEPD) (to be provided in the Competitor Packs). for each horse and handed to the Stable Manager on arrival
- d. to carry out instructions from the event committee or officials
- e. to monitor their horse's health throughout the event and notify the event committee if they see any signs of illness.
- f. If you notice strange behaviour or signs of disease in your horse, or any horse, to report it immediately to the event organiser so they can determine the risk to other horses. Do not move the horse.
- g. to take your horse's rectal temperature regularly if you are at the event for longer than one day. A rectal temperature above 38.5 degrees suggests disease.
- h. not to share tack and equipment between horses
- i. to ensure each horse has its own water and feed bucket
- j. not to use communal water troughs
- k. to minimise contact between horses
- l. to minimise contact between other people and your horse(s). Discourage people from touching your horse as this is a key way for disease to spread from horse to horse.
- m. Not to allow horses to eat any other horses feed
- n. To take home any leftover feed or place in designated areas

B: Entrants further acknowledge and agree that for the Event:

- a. All horses must be accompanied by a completed Horse event participation declaration (HEPD) form. This must be handed to Stable Manager on arrival
- b. The Committee for the Event encourages vaccination of all horses from (i.e. that normally reside/compete/train) from the specific designated "EA Known Hendra Virus Endemic Regions of Northern NSW and QLD for HEV (HENDRA VIRUS) VACCINATION.
- c. It is an Equestrian Australia RECOMMENDATION THAT ALL OTHER HORSES are vaccinated against HEV disease before coming to the event, however it is NOT a requirement and there is no mandatory requirement for horses, that are attending horse events in Victoria, to be vaccinated against Hendra.
- d. Any sick horses may be isolated or removed from the contact with other horse
- e. However, if there is a change to the ruling regarding Hendra vaccinations by Equestrian Australia between now and the event in December 2017, the Committee may change the guidelines in this regard.

C: Entrants further acknowledge and agree that in submitting an entry to participate in this event:

YOU WAIVE ANY RIGHT TO SEEK COMPENSATION OF ANY TYPE WHATSOEVER, WHETHER ON YOUR OWN BEHALF OR ON BEHALF OF ANY OTHER PERSON, FROM THE ORGANISING COMMITTEE, EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA OR WERRIBEE PARK NATIONAL EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, OR ANY OF THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, SERVANTS OR AGENTS or howsoever otherwise AND HEREBY INDEMNIFY AND HOLD THEM, AND EACH OF THEM, HARMLESS for any loss, injury or other damage of whatsoever character, arising in any way whatsoever, directly or indirectly from the presence of the Hendra virus in any horse or person attending the event or from any person or animal contracting any illness or disability, including death, from the Hendra virus, whether directly or indirectly or howsoever otherwise.

AND IN ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF THIS WAIVER AND INDEMNITY YOU SHALL SIGN AND DATE THIS FORM BELOW



Signed.....

Dated.....

Map of Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre



