# AROUND THE STABLES

THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA

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# FROM OUR CEO/GM

Our lucky Madame Chair is enjoying an overdue holiday so I've been asked to take the reins as a guest author for this newsletter.

It's the start of my fourth week at Equestrian Victoria and I am overwhelmed at the volume of shows and other equestrian events that are being run. And not only being run, but being delivered with excellence. Obviously, the Zeep Melbourne International Three-Day event was a highlight in June. We had an amazing turn out from both riders and spectators and were quite lucky with the weather. The numbers aren't all in but it's rumoured to be record breaking in attendance numbers. I heard that our dressage partners were not so lucky at Boneo on the same weekend but I keep being told, "Welcome to winter in Victoria."



As with most of Australia, 1 July is the start of our new fiscal year. There has been a lot of work in the background getting everything set up. Special mention to Ros Agius, Braedyn Lennox, and Adriana Felsztynski fielding literally hundreds of membership queries so everyone was ready to compete on 1 July!

As I reflect on the last couple of weeks, I really applaud the EV team as well as our members on the challenges over the last couple of years. COVID literally upset the apple cart on both competitions and events but it also impacted the team internally at Equestrian Victoria. As most of you know, in addition to myself there are three new hires in the team. Braedyn, Adriana, and Joanne who has just joined as the membership lead.

There are opportunities for us to drive improvement but it's also important that we have the right team in place to execute. I foresee us operating in a "reset" mode for the next month or so. This will not impact our day-to-day delivery of services and it will give us some time to firm up our growth opportunities to really drive results later in the year.

I am quite excited to confirm that we are planning the Annual Event. I'm working with a team of clever/creative individuals to ensure that it will be an evening to remember! More details will be published shortly, but our overall focus will be around you!

If you've missed it, please save the date for 27 August!

#### Amy Slayter



#### MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

### EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA 2022/2023 MEMBERSHIP NOW OPEN

Renew your Membership today to ensure you are fully insured for the 2022/2023 membership season.

#### HOW DO I RENEW?

MyEA makes it simple to renew your membership. All you need is your membership number and your Nominate password. If you do not have your password, you can reset this through the portal.

#### https://www.nominate.com.au/EAOnline/portal/ Login.aspx

Payments are made via Nominate, and you will get a receipt for your payment when you complete the transaction.

Please Note: To receive Newsletters and other important information, please make sure you tick the check box to subscribe to receiving information via email. If you have unsubscribed, please contact our office to re subscribe.

For more information regarding FY23 Membership Fees, please read the message from the Board using the following link.

#### READ THE MESSAGE FROM THE CEO

Please call the Equestrian Victoria office on (03) 9013 0707 if you have any queries – we are more than happy to help.

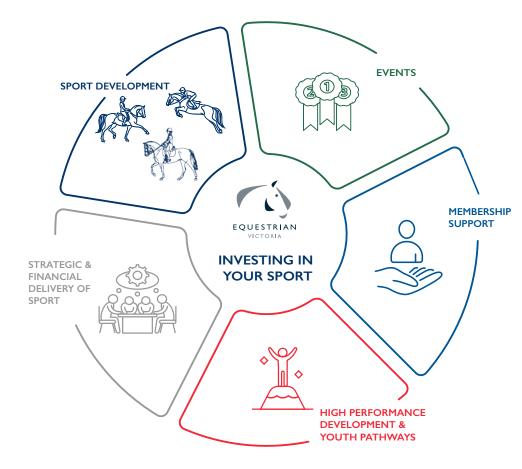
# JOINING US FOR THE FIRST TIME?

If you are considering joining us for the first time, we have a range of membership options for you to choose from. Any of our friendly staff will be more than happy to help you work out which membership is the right one for you or you can read about all the different options on Page 4

# HOW EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA INVESTS YOUR MEMBERSHIP

Our mission is to provide the highest level of service to our member base.

This service includes both membership support, coaching and officials' education, young rider activities, and improvements to the systems and tools that help us manage events and shows.

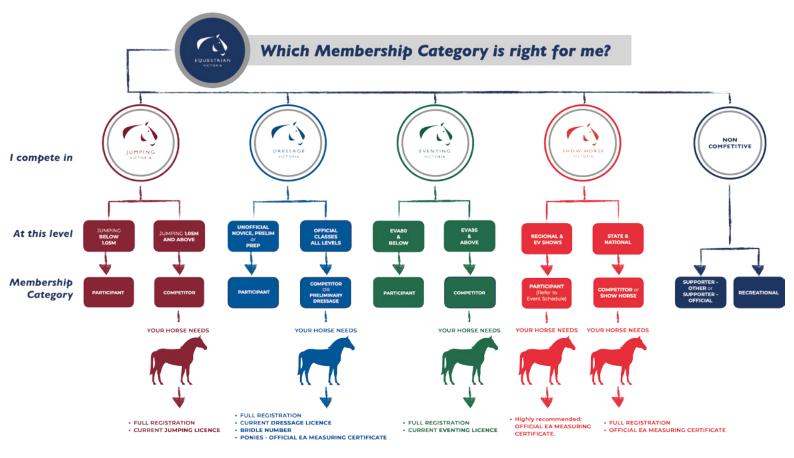


# MEMBERSHIP MATTERS

# CHOOSING THE RIGHT MEMBERSHIP CATEGORY

Details of each Membership Category, including benefits, how to join and the cost can be found on our website.

If you aren't sure which category is the one for you, refer to our handy Membership chart below or contact our Member Services on <a href="mailto:member.services@equestrianvictoria.com.au">member.services@equestrianvictoria.com.au</a>.







### ZEEP MELBOURNE INTERNATIONAL 3 DAY EVENT

EVENT SPOTLIGHT



We were not the only ones that were excited to be back for the first time since 2019. Record entries in the 4\* classes indicate that the riders were keen to test themselves on the big stage. The added attraction of the Oceania Championship bringing two New Zealand teams across for the 4\* & 3\* classes resulted in a great competition for riders and spectators. It was also heartening to see a large Junior 2\* entry as well as a huge open 2\* field.

The new set up using the Martin Collins wax arena meant that plenty of atmosphere was created on all days, helped by record crowds. We had a visit from the Melbourne Cup which was appropriate as 64 of our entries were Off The Track horses.

As always, we need to recognize that none of this would happen without the support of all our sponsors, officials and an army of volunteers.

For more information and results go to https://m3de.com.au/



Janet Houghton - Event Director

Chair, Victorian Eventing Committee









































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#### **EVENT SECRETARY INFORMATION EVENING**

We will be holding an Event Secretary Teams information evening on Wednesday the 20th of July.

The evening is an information session organised by Rachael Temby (nee Lovett) for Victorian Show Jumping Club secretaries or interested people. The session will assist event secretaries in fulfilling the conditions of running Equestrian Victoria Affiliated Competitions and will cover pre-competition requirements such as Officials and Entry Checks, Results, Calendars and more.

If you want more information about the session, don't hesitate to contact me directly at cindymorrison@equestrianvictoria.com.au.

#### **UPCOMING COURSES**

We are hoping to conduct a Level 1, 2 and 3 judges course in the days between the Boneo Cup and the Australian Championships at Boneo Park. There will also be the opportunity for mentoring judges, course designers and stewards at these events and a judges' discussion evening where participants can chat about scenarios they have encountered and ask questions of our senior FEI judges.

The course is still in the planning stage; however, the

mentoring and discussion evening is definite. Keep a watch on our website and Facebook group regarding these upcoming courses.

#### **CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

Thank you to all Clubs who have nominated to run the Victorian Country and Indoor Championships. Several clubs have indicated that they are open to running these shows, which is fantastic. The Victorian Show Jumping Sub Committee will be discussing these applications at our next sub-committee meeting.

We look forward to supporting these clubs in running these fabulous events.

#### **SQUAD WEEKEND**

Applications for the upcoming squad on the 13 & 14 August will open shortly. Keep an eye on the EV website and our Facebook group for more information.

#### **NCAS COACHES**

We are running short of NCAS coaches in Show Jumping, so coaches, please make sure you are all up to date with your accreditation.

#### **THANK YOU**

A HUGE shout out to Wendy van Sonsbeek who has been a driving force behind some of Victoria's biggest Show Jumping events.



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**Cindy Morrison**Jumping Victoria Chair



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#### WINTER CLINICS

Show Horse winter clinic 1 ran successfully, with members enjoying a great day of instruction with Greg Mickan in the brilliant sunshine at Werribee Park.

Clinic 2 is planned for July 23 and will be held in the indoor at Werribee Park. Coaches for the clinic are Lynda Hayes and Pennie Claney entries will open early July and we look forward to seeing you there.

#### **JUDGES SEMINAR**

A judges seminar is booked for July 24 at Werribee Park with more information to follow, shortly.

#### **MEASURING**

The next measuring day is August 20 at Werribee and is combined with the RAS and SHCV, Bookings will be on nominate and will open early in August.

**Fiona McIntyre**Show Horse Victoria Chair

# EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA AWARDS SHOW RIDER AND SHOW HORSE OF THE YEAR

The Equestrian Victoria Show Horse Rider and Show Horse of the Year awards recognise the most consistently and highest level performing

Victorian Show Horse rider and Show Horse.

Members are invited to submit an EXPRESSION OF INTEREST for their performances to be considered for one or both of the Awards for 2022.

From these applications, points will be allocated and tallied to determine the winners of both awards. For details of how the points are allocated please read the following document

EV SHOW HORSE OF THE YEAR POINTS ALLOCATION.

To submit your EOI, please complete the following forms:

- SHOW HORSE RIDER OF THE YEAR
  - SHOW HORSE OF THE YEAR

APPLICATIONS CLOSE 12 JULY

# Winter Clinic No 2

23 JULY 2022

WERRIBEE PARK NATIONAL EQUESTRIAN CENTRE



To be held in the Werribee Park Indoor with new Martin Collins surface. Your instructors for the day will be:

\* Lynda Hayes and Pennie Clanie





Duration: 45min lessonsCost: \$30 plus facility Fee



**Bookings:** Open July 5. Close July 19

\* Limited spaces

BOOKINGS

OPEN JULY 5 ON NOMINATE

CLOSE JULY 19 OR EARLIER IF FULL

**CONTACT FIONA MCINTYRE**fionamcintyre@equestrianvictoria.com.au

# SPORT DISCIPLINE DRESSAGE VICTORIA



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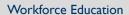
#### **DOEC**

The DOEC is running a workshop on the 'Stretchy Trot', presented by two of Australia's top judges Jobina Kennedy and Adam Riess.. It will be held on Tuesday July 26 at 7pm via Zoom. Contact Lee Howells - <a href="lee.howells18@gmail.com">lee.howells18@gmail.com</a> to register your interest.

#### **DRESSAGE SOUADS**

Applications for the Hygain Victorian High Performance Dressage Squad closed on 30 June and will be announced on the 10 July. Applications for the Victorian AOR Squad have also closed.

Applications are still open for the Hygain Victorian Dressage Development Squad but close on **10 July**. Apply using the following link: <a href="https://form.jotform.com/221718616551860">https://form.jotform.jotform.com/221718616551860</a>



#### **COACHING MATTERS**

#### **CE/SSTA COURSE**

After a long break between courses, the Equestrian Victoria Coaching Committee ran a Coach Educator (CE)/ Skill Specific Trainer and Assessor (SSTA) course over two sessions, one on 18 May (online) and the final on 2 June at WPNEC. There were five coaches from Victoria and one from Northern Territory - which we believe was a first. Attendance at the course raised the Victorian numbers from 3 to 8 now qualified.

#### **COACHING UPDATE**

The committee also ran a Compulsory EA Coach Update online on 28 June. With a very successful attendance of 43 coaches from across Victoria, New South Wales & Tasmania, discussions are now being held regarding running another update. Stay tuned!

#### **UPCOMING COURSES**

Stay tuned for information on upcoming courses:

- » Workshop for Intro and others
- » Stewards course online Jumping Judges and CD course.



#### **LARGE ANIMAL RESCUE**

Anton Phillips will be running a series of clinics on Large Animal Rescue at various locations. Anton is an internationally renowned Large Animal Rescue expert, having participated in 2,000 + rescues over a career spanning 35 years. The clinics will cover animal and human behaviour, rescue techniques, resource management, and includes hands-on training. For more information contact the organisers via their TryBooking page: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/antonphillips">https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/antonphillips</a>

#### **EQUESTRIAN AUSTRALIA**

### NATIONAL NEWS & UPDATES

## AUSSIES OUT IN FORCE AT CHIO AACHEN

This year's CHIO Aachen World Equestrian Festival, which ran from 24th June to 3rd July, saw Australia represented in all five disciplines - dressage, driving, eventing, jumping, and vaulting.

There was also no shortage of Australian supporters cheering on our athletes, and we are proud of the team spirit and camaraderie displayed by all.

https://www.equestrian.org.au/news/aussies-outforce-chio-aachen

# MEMBERS UPDATE: NATIONAL EQUESTRIAN STRATEGY AND STRUCTURE WORKING GROUP

The National Equestrian Strategy and Structure Working Group (NESSWG) is responsible for the research, analysis and insight to deliver structural model recommendations to the EA board.

https://www.equestrian.org.au/news/members-update-national-equestrian-strategy-and-structure-working-group

# 2022 FEI WORLD CHAMPIONSHIPS DRESSAGE NOMINATIONS

As per the Australian Dressage Selection Policy for the 2022 FEI World Championships, the National Dressage Selection Panel has announced "eight (8) qualified horse and athlete combinations to be nominated to the FEI."

https://www.equestrian.org.au/news/2022-fei-world-championships-dressage-nominations

#### NATIONAL DISCIPLINE RULE UPDATES

Rule updates as at 1 July 2022 are now in effect:

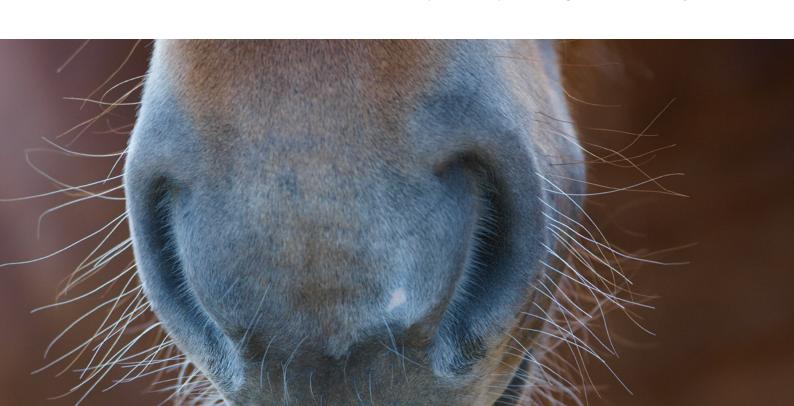
- » <u>https://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules</u>
- » https://www.equestrian.org.au/eventing-rules
- » <a href="https://www.equestrian.org.au/showhorse">https://www.equestrian.org.au/showhorse</a>

#### **HORSE SENSORY HAIRS**

Horses have special tactile sensory hairs, known as their whiskers. The whiskers on a horse play an important role in their sensory awareness system. These amazing sensory hairs have their own nerve and blood supply and help horses navigate their surroundings.

Equestrian Australia has banned the trimming of sensory hairs effective from 1st July 2022.

https://www.equestrian.org.au/content/sensory-hairs



#### SPORT DISCIPLINES

### CALENDAR HIGHLIGHTS



- GSCEA Cross Country CT23 24 July
- Mildura Horse Trials
   29 31 July
- Friends of Werribee
   26 28 August
- Equestrian Victoria Spring Horse Trials 9 11 September



- Winter Clinics
   23 July, 20 August
- Judges' Seminar24 July
- Measuring20 August



- Boneo Park Monthly Jumping
  - 6 7 August
- JV Youth Squad
   13 14 August
- GVSJC Indoor Classic
   26 28 August, Goulburn
   Valley
- Boneo Park Monthly Jumping
  - 3-4 September
- Geelong Spring Show 17 - 18 September
- Cora Lynn Show 24 - 25 September



- NSW Youth Dressage Championships 14 - 17 July (entries closed)
- VDC PROTOCOL DAY7 August, WPNEC
- Queensland State Youth and Pony Dressage Championships
   12 - 14 August
- Tatura Dressage13 August

- Horseland CPH
  Spring Dressage
  Championships
  14 August, Boneo Park
- Homes & Acreage
  August Dressage
  19 August
- WPVDC Spring Champs
   3 September
- VDC Inter Clubs Teams
   Champs
   4 September

#### YOUR EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA TEAM

WELCOME JO PRESCOTT

We would like to welcome our newest team member - Jo Prescott!

Jo joins us in the Member Services team and will most likely be your first point of contact for any questions or queries, whether via phone, email or in person in the Werribee office. We asked Jo a little bit about herself:

"My position with Equestrian Victoria is "Member Services" having joined the team in June 2022. Prior to this, I worked for 8 years in the Oil and Gas Industry as the Administration Officer and 7 years in the Mining industry in a variety of roles including Reception and Office Coordination. I have a Certificate IV in Business Administration and a Certificate IV in Nursing.

I have held a variety of roles in both the health industry and also administration and accounts support. I have worked predominantly in NSW and throughout Victoria.

I've worked in small teams providing greater support to the wider company. I have also worked extensively in FIFO support, airline contracts coordination and also with hospitality negotiations.

My favourite activities are firstly my amazing family and especially my Grandchildren. I love to garden and travel with my husband in our caravan. I had a pony when I was young but due to circumstance, we had to sell her. I love all animals big and small and am looking forward to working with the Equestrian Victoria team and learning about my new role."

You can contact Jo on (03) 9013 0707 or email member.services@equestrianvictoria.com.au.

We are glad to have you join us, Jo!

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