



North West Equestrian EXPO Inc

ABN 61 718 613 232

COONABARABRAN SHOWGROUND

FRIDAY 31 MAY – TUESDAY 4 JUNE 2024

ENTRIES CLOSE FRIDAY 12 APRIL 2024 OR WHEN FULL

NO LATE ENTRIES

General Information

ACCESS TO FACILITIES

The gates to the showground and racecourse will open on Expo Thursday for campers, horses and competitors.

VENUES

Showground

Coonabarabran Showground is located on the Newell Highway. It is two blocks from the main business centre, within walking distance of most amenities. All events are held at the Showground unless otherwise indicated. The cross country course is situated between the Showground and Racecourse.

Racecourse

There are excellent amenities and facilities for camping and stabling. The Racecourse is an easy five minute ride and one minute drive from the Showground. The Racecourse will be linked to the showground by PA system and radio. Combined Training, Monday Dressage and Hacking competitions will be held at the Racecourse.

There are stables and yards at both venues.

INSURANCE

The North West Equestrian Expo is an incorporated body with a \$20 million public liability policy. The Expo is conducted independently of the DET and Catholic and Independent Education systems. Volunteers, committee members, stewards and officials are covered under a voluntary worker's policy.

Under no circumstances can anyone other than the nominated competitor ride horse/s during the event, with the sole exception of umpires and mounted stewards. For the purpose of this rule and any other regulation "The Event" is from **9.00am Friday 31 May until the completion of the Grand Parade on Tuesday 4 June 2024.**

PERSONAL ACCIDENT COVER

North West Equestrian Expo Inc. does not seek to offer any individual insurance cover for injury to competitors at the Event.

It is the responsibility of competitors to provide their own personal injury insurance if so desired; this includes Private Health Insurance, Medical and Ambulance cover. Check with your school if they have Ambulance cover as most do.

ENQUIRIES

All enquiries should be directed via email to: coona.expo@gmail.com

Please include student's name and school in all the subject line of all enquiries.

FURTHER INFORMATION

Visit the Expo website for further information and regular updates:

<https://www.nwequestrianexpo.com.au/>

and North West Equestrian Expo facebook page.

STABLING QUERIES

All stabling queries should be directed in the first instance via email to: coona.expo@gmail.com

NOMINATIONS

All entries and payment via the Expo website: <https://www.nwequestrianexpo.com.au/>

Schools must register their Team Manager before individual entries can be accepted.

No entries after the closing date or earlier if the Event is fully subscribed.

Take note of the closing date as no late entries will be accepted.

HORSE FEED & BEDDING

Please pre-order your horse feed and bedding. Contact details of local suppliers are listed and they will deliver to the site during the event. See the website closer to the event for product lists.

ACCOMMODATION

<http://www.warrumbungleregion.com.au>

VET

Coona Vet Clinic 02 6842 1251

(also dog boarding by prior arrangement)

There will be an on-site vet for emergency treatment. All costs at rider's expense.

STOCKFEED SUPPLIERS

Please pre-order

Pursehouse Rural 02 6849 2330

Elders Coonabarabran 02 6842 1648

Rules & Regulations

1. Only Secondary school students (years 7 to 12) may compete at the North West Equestrian Expo. The age of competitors will be their age on the first day of competition being the Friday of the Event.
2. In the event of Expo being oversubscribed the Committee reserve the right to limit entries by restricting the entries of large schools. The Expo committee reserve the right to refuse any entry without reason.
3. Maximum of two (2) horses per rider, and only one (1) horse per discipline (Eventing and Combined Training are considered the same discipline). No rider is to compete on more than two horses under any circumstances for the duration of the event. No horse can be ridden by more than one rider for the duration of the event. Any competitor found abusing these rules will be immediately eliminated.
4. All competitors must wear a safety helmet approved by NSW Pony Club or Equestrian Australia (EA).
5. On completion of the Ring Events on Tuesday there will be a Mounted Presentation and Grand Parade at approximately 2.30 pm. Schools are encouraged to parade behind their school banner. Trophy rugs are not to be worn in the final parade.
6. The uniform of the day will be cream/white jodhpurs or cream/white stockman cut trousers, approved smooth soled riding boots, approved safety helmet, school shirt, jumper and tie. Riders wearing coats will not be permitted in the ring. School colour polo shirts or rugby jumpers are permitted in Cross Country, Sporting, Showjumping and Polocrosse. Denim jeans are not to be worn in any event. Dogger boots are permitted in Polocrosse, Sporting, Team Penning, Warrumbungles Way and Combined Training 1-Div A.
7. Leather gaiters or long boots (not suede chapettes) may be worn by any competitor in all events.
8. All riders must wear a completed medical armband for the duration of the event.
9. The Expo committee in consultation with the on-site vet reserve the right to vet out any horse they deem unfit or unable to compete safely at any stage in any event. Any ill treatment of horses will incur instant elimination.
10. No stallions will be permitted on the grounds.
11. The Expo Committee reserves the right to test any horse for performance enhancing drugs during any event at any time. It is a condition of entry that riders consent to the testing of a horse during competition.
12. Stewards will marshal riders to their events and reserve the right to stand down any rider found to have unsafe or inappropriate gear; or horse/rider combination not safe to compete in the event.
13. Refund Policy. Please read carefully. It is your responsibility to forward your vet or medical certificate where applicable.
 - a. Prior to the closing date a \$50.00 administration fee will be charged and the balance of the nomination fee and stabling/yard fee refunded;
 - b. After the closing date a \$50.00 administration fee will be charged and the balance of the nomination fee refunded on receipt of a medical or veterinary certificate – point e. regarding refunds on stables/yards applies;
 - c. After the closing date the nomination fee will be forfeited if no medical or veterinary certificate is received;
 - d. Notification of scratchings must be made by email to coona.expo@gmail.com and a refund will be made via the credit card used for payment. If vet or medical certificate is required this should be scanned and sent to coona.expo@gmail.com
 - e. There will be no refunds on yards or stables after **17 May**;
 - f. There will be no refunds on jackets, vests or hoodies;
 - g. No refund claims will be paid after 30 June each year.
14. Event cancellation policy. Should it be necessary to cancel the event for whatever reason:
 - a. There will be no refund on ordered jackets, vests or hoodies
 - b. 20% of the nomination fee will be withheld to cover administration
 - c. Refunds on stables and yards will be in accordance with the refund policies of the Showground Trust, Jockey Club and Southern Cross Yards

15. Ambulance cover is the responsibility of individuals and their schools. There will be on-site paramedics, and a doctor will be present during the cross country phase of the Eventing.
16. All power cords and extension sets must have a current in-date test tag displayed with the details of the testing officer displayed on the tag. Power leads must not be laid on vehicle or horse access routes unless they are suitably protected, i.e. covered with rubber matting. Anyone found not adhering to these rules will not be allowed to plug into the main power on the Showground and Racecourse.
17. Lunging of horses is permitted only in designated areas at designated times. Time and place TBA.
18. No dogs are permitted on the grounds at any time. This is a condition of hiring the venues and this will be strictly enforced. See contact details for local boarding kennels.
19. No pushbikes or scooters are permitted on the grounds at any time except can be used during the Expo Pentathlon for competition but at no other time during the event.
20. Vehicles on the grounds are only to be driven by licensed drivers according to the conditions on their driver's licence.
21. The Expo committee reserves the right to alter or delete from the program at their discretion.
22. If a horse is so severely injured that on veterinary advice it has to be destroyed the following protocol will apply:
 - a. If the owner is present their agreement will be obtained by the official veterinary surgeon
 - b. If the owner is not present the Team Manager as an authorised person may give permission on behalf of the owner
 - c. If both the owner and Team Manager are not present the Crisis Management Team can authorise the destruction of the horse
23. Stock whips are only to be used during specified events namely Working Horse Challenge, Time Trial and Warrumbungle's Way.
24. People using the Racecourse are requested to keep the gate shut after dark.
25. No riding of horses after dark unless competing in an event. No riding of horses without a bridle and saddle unless required in competition. No riding of horses that are wearing rugs.
26. In the spirit of interschool competition, no parent, team manager or instructor will coach riders inside the main arena or in the sporting arena at any time (except in the showjumping practice arena). This rule will be strictly enforced and may result in the elimination of the rider from the whole Expo event.
27. By entering this event you give your consent to North West Equestrian Expo Inc to copy or reproduce images of yourself without acknowledgement of yourself and without your entitlement to any remuneration or compensation now or in the future. The images may be used by Expo in multimedia productions, publications, brochures and on the website to promote a range of initiatives.
28. No drones

Team Manager - Responsibilities, Rules & Regulations

1. Team Managers must be one of the following:
 - a. Qualified instructor
 - b. Teacher with an equestrian background
 - c. Qualified parent/community member who also acts as Team Manager
 - d. Teacher/parent to accompany competitors and act as Team Manager with support from the Expo Committee to carry out necessary checks
 - e. Schools with a small number of riders may share a Team Manager
2. All Team Managers must be approved by their school Principal. All Team Managers must have a Working With Children Check (WWCC) clearance. All nominations must be approved by the Team Manager appointed by that school. Team Managers in the first instance to register online on the Expo website prior to any entries being accepted for their competitors.
<https://www.nwequestrianexpo.com.au/>
3. Team Managers will be asked to complete and sign a "Confirmation of competitors' grades, age and school attendance", in order for school entries to be accepted.
4. While students are not competing they are the sole responsibility of their Team Manager. Team Managers owe a duty of care to their students and are responsible for the supervision and behaviour of students at all times. Team Managers are totally responsible for the conduct of their riders.
5. Stewards will marshal riders to their events and reserve the right to stand down any rider whose conduct is inappropriate.
6. Team Managers should ensure that their riders' equipment is such that it will pass a Pony Club SAFETY inspection or the student will not be permitted to compete. Refer to the Pony Club rulebook "The Blue Book". Team Managers are totally responsible for checking the suitability and safety of their rider's gear ie. approved safety helmet, irons (10mm each side of boot), sound stitching of reins, stirrup leathers and girths.
7. It is the Team Manager's responsibility to ensure completed medical armbands are worn by competitors during events and when exercising horses.
8. It is the Team Manager's responsibility to ensure that all students are nominated in their correct grades for the One Day Event, Showjumping and Combined Training. Team Managers should verify the integrity of all paperwork, and confirm on the online "Confirmation of competitors grades" form prior to the event.
9. It is the Team Manager's responsibility to fill in details of all school volunteers who assist in any way on the form provided and hand it into the Secretary's Office prior to departure.
10. Queries in all disciplines can be addressed by completing a "Event Competitor Query Form" available from the Secretary's Office.
11. Disputes and protests - the Team Manager must present appeals in writing as soon as is practicable after results being posted, together with a fee of \$50.00 (refunded only if the protest is upheld), to the Secretary's Office. The dispute will be referred to the appropriate Head Steward and dispute committee. When the dispute has been answered the Team Manager will be called to the Secretary's Office to receive a reply. The committee's decision is final. The Team Manager is the only person to attend the Secretary's Office for any information, results, complaints, queries, etc. of any nature during the Expo event. Information will not be given to the competitor, parent or guardian.
12. Each rider will be allocated a competitor number for Expo, and will be required to have their own number holder. Bridle numbers may be used for Dressage, Showjumping, Hacking And Gymkhana. School's Team Managers will be responsible for printing off competitor's numbers and making sure riders have the correct back/bridle number. Numbers are to be worn in all events with the exception of Polocrosse, Team Barrel and all events on Tuesday.
13. Team Managers can collect their folders, timetable and other information from the Secretary's Office from 10.30 am on Friday.
14. The Team Managers meeting will be held at the Coonabarabran Bowling Club at 5.30pm on the Friday. All Expo committee members and head stewards will be present to clarify any issues prior to the event.

Trophies & Major Awards

Trophies to be presented at the grand parade on Tuesday. Riders must be mounted.

- "Salmonidae (Mackie) ODE Trophy" is awarded to the highest scoring team of 3 students from the same school in the One Day Event. Based on the top 10 placings in each grade with Two Star Grade being the highest points, followed by One Star, EvA95, EvA80 and EvA60 Grades.
- The Team Six-Bar Shield is awarded to the highest placed school team (all riders being from the same school) in the Team Six-Bar competition.
- "The Gower Family Perpetual Trophy" is awarded to the champion School Team of Four Riders.
- "The Coonabarabran Bakery Perpetual Trophy" is awarded to the best presented large school in the Grand Parade and
- "The Forsyths Business Services Perpetual Trophy" is awarded to best presented small school in the Grand Parade.
- Age Championships and Runners–up for both boys and girls will be awarded based on overall point score for the four days.
- "Poole Family Perpetual Shield" will be presented to the school with the highest score, calculated by adding the four highest individual total scores over the four days of competition.
- "The Coonabarabran High School Perpetual Trophy" will be presented to the highest individual point scorer over the four days of competition.
- "The Team Dressage Trophy" is awarded to the best performed school team of three riders in the Monday Dressage competition.
- "The Keronga Sporting Trophy" for the four riders from one school who score the most points in the sporting events.
- "The Bob Fenwick School's Team Barrel Trophy" is awarded to the team of three riders from the one school with the fastest combined time for the event. This award includes trophy rugs for each team member.
- "Terry McGoldrick Trophy" recognises the achievements of riders successful in events including Combined Training Class 1, Warrumbungle's Way, Polocrosse and Working Horse Challenge.
- "Hirst Family Trophy" is awarded to the winning polocrosse team in the A Grade Final.

Point Score

Event	1 st	2 nd	3 rd	4 th	5 th	6 th	7 th	8 th	9 th	10 th	Ribbons
One Day Event											
– Two Star	12	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	1 st – 10 th
– One Star	11	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1 st – 10 th
– EvA95	10	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1	1 st – 10 th
– EvA80	9	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1		1 st – 10 th
– EvA60	8	7	6	5	4	3	2	1			1 st – 10 th
Combined Training – classes 2, 3, 4 and 5	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 10 th
PoloX Div 1 A Grade											
- School Team	8	7	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 4 th
- Composite Team	5	4	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	
PoloX Div 1 B&C Grades											
PoloX Div 2	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 4 th
Working Horse Challenge	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Astro Showjumping	10	9	8	7	6	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
105cm Showjumping	9	8	7	6	5	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
95cm Showjumping	8	7	6	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
80cm Showjumping	7	6	5	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
60cm Showjumping	6	5	4	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Sporting	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
School Team's Barrel	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 10 th
Ring Events	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Monday Dressage											
– Medium	8	7	6	5	4	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
– Elementary	7	6	5	4	3	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
– Novice	6	5	4	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
– Preliminary	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Freestyle Dressage	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Team Six-Bar	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 10 th
Warrumbungle's Way	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Pentathlon	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th
Team Penning	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 10 th
Team Hunt	5	4	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 10 th
Expo Gymkhana	3	2	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1 st – 5 th

- One Day Event - points will only be awarded to the overall place getters in each class.
- Polocrosse - points above awarded to each team member of winning teams. Polocrosse A Grade - will be conducted in one Division only. School Teams will be awarded higher points (see table above) than equivalent places gained by composite teams.
- School Team's Barrel - points above awarded to each team member of winning teams
- Working Horse Challenge - highest points score overall, being the total of the 3 phases of challenge in each age group. No additional points awarded for overall champion.
- Ring Events - no points will be awarded for Champion and Reserve Champions
- Team of Four Riders, Riding in Pairs, and Team Hunt - points will be divided between riders (i.e. team of four, 1st place, 5 points, each individual rider will receive 1.25 points; pairs, 1st place, 5 points, each rider will receive 2.5 points etc)
- Dressage points are awarded per test
- No points awarded for Expo Pentathlon, Team Six Bar and Team Penning

One Day Event (ODE)

Head Stewards: Richard & Shaen Blackman

Proposed order of events subject to the number of entries in each grade. Please check the website for confirmation of the timetable.

FRIDAY 12.00 PM START

Dressage for Two Star, One Star and EvA95, and some EvA80 – check internet closer to the event.

SATURDAY 8.00 AM START

EvA80 & EvA60 - Dressage

Two Star, One Star, EvA95 & EvA80 grades -Showjumping & Cross Country

Some Divisions EvA60 Showjumping (check website closer to event)

CROSS COUNTRY
JUMP STEWARDS'
MEETING

Time and place to be
confirmed at Team
Manager's Meeting on
Friday

SUNDAY

EvA60 Showjumping, 8.00am Start

EvA60 Cross Country, 9.00am Start

RULES

1. Dressage tests as follows:

Grade	Dressage Test
Two Star	FEI CCI 2Star Test A 2022
One Star	FEI CCI 1Star 1* Test 2022
EvA95cm	Eventing Test A 95cm 2020
EvA80cm	Eventing Test A 80cm 2020
EvA65cm	Eventing Test A 45&60 2020

2. Riders nominated for EvA95 grade and above must meet MER for eventing. All nominations will be forwarded to Eventing NSW for verification. Pony Club results can be included.
3. Dressage tests can be downloaded from the following website - <https://www.nominate.com.au/equest/nsw/schedules/DR-tests.htm>
4. Cross Country maps will be available on Friday for downloading when the course is open for walking - at approximately 3.30pm on Friday.
5. Team Managers must sign off on competitors entering the correct grade for the experience of horse and rider (see rule 7 Team Managers –Responsibilities, Rules & Regulations)
6. Riders who have never competed in an ODE are only eligible to compete in the Combined Training competition.
7. Competitors must wear a body protector for the cross country phase (EA rule).
8. The Cross Country course will be closed three weeks prior to the Saturday event.
9. Optimum time will apply to all grades.
10. Watches can be worn in all grades.
11. It is dangerous riding and contrary to the welfare of the horse to go too fast early on the course and then slow down or circle near the end of the course. Riders doing this will incur 25 penalty points.
12. All riders will showjump before cross country – riders eliminated in showjumping for any reason will not compete in the cross country phase without first obtaining approval from the Technical Delegate.
13. The 4 stop rule will apply on the Cross Country. This means a rider will be called off after four stops.
14. Leather gaiters or long boots may be worn, not suede chapettes.
15. Stock Saddles cannot be used in Showjumping or the cross country phase of eventing.

Combined Training

Head Steward: Sophie King & Rosemary Nankivell

SATURDAY

The Combined Training competition is open to those competitors who do not wish to compete in the One Day Event. The event will consist of a dressage test followed by a show jumping round. Competitors may only compete in either the Combined Training or the One Day Event - not both. Combined Training competitors entered in classes CT4 and CT5 can compete in the Team Six-Bar competition on Sunday.

CT1, CT2, CT3 will dressage on Saturday and showjump on Sunday. CT4 and CT5 will dressage and showjump on Saturday.

Dressage tests can be downloaded from the following website -

<https://www.nominate.com.au/equest/nsw/schedules/DR-tests.htm>

There will be 6 classes and riders and team managers are asked to make sure that horse rider combinations are entered in the correct class:

- **CT1 - Division A Dressage test TBA / Showjumping 45cm**
This is an Encourager's Class – no points are awarded in the main pointscore for this class. Riders in this dressage test may have a caller. This is for beginners who do not regularly compete in these events. There are relaxed rules for dressage allowing stockman's pants and a stock saddle, and also a noseband is not compulsory. If you have previously placed in this event at Expo you are not eligible to compete in this class.
- **CT1 - Division B Dressage test TBA / Showjumping 45cm**
Riders in this dressage test may have a caller. Riders with traditional gear (show/dressage saddle). Marks will be awarded for presentation of horse and rider, conformation of mount and overall compatability of horse and rider.
- **CT2 Dressage test - Eventing Test A 45-60cm 2020 / Showjumping 45cm**
For riders and combinations who are not eligible for CT1 (placed in this event last year) but who do not have a showjumping grading card. Riders must comply with the Combined Training rules set out below.
- **CT3 Dressage test - Eventing Test A 45&60 2020 / Showjumping 65cm**
- **CT4 Dressage test - Eventing Test A 80 2020 / Showjumping 80cm**
Must have a C Grade showjumping card or a letter from an instructor.
- **CT5 Dressage test - Eventing Test A 95cm 2020 / Showjumping 95cm**
Riders must have a B Grade or above showjumping card or a letter from an instructor.

RULES

1. Caller only permitted in CT1.
2. All classes will be dependant on sufficient entries.
3. The same horse and rider combination must complete both dressage and showjumping phases.
4. Elimination from one phase results in elimination from the whole competition.
5. There will be a timed draw for the dressage phase.
6. Scoring will be as per EA Eventing penalties for Dressage and Showjumping
7. Relaxed rules for Combined Training does not include the use of Rowel or Willoughby spurs
8. **SADDLERY - DRESSAGE**
In dressage tests for Combined Training either a cavesson, dropped, crossed or flash noseband must be worn. The bit must be a snaffle bit made in metal, leather, rubber or plastic material. The carrying of a whip is not permitted. A breastplate (without rings) may be used. Martingales, any kind of gadgets (such as bearing, side, running or balance reins etc), any kind of boots or bandages, tongue depressors and any form of blinkers are, under penalty of elimination, strictly forbidden.
9. **SADDLERY - SHOWJUMPING**
As above but the saddle and bridle may be changed. Whips may be carried; running martingales, bandages and boots are also permissible.

Expo Pentathlon

Head Steward: Graeme Enks

All tasks will be timetabled for SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Every rider who completes all five phases will be awarded a commemorative medal. Placings to 5th in both junior and senior; boys and girls separate. Rugs for winners in each division including junior and senior.

RULES

- The event will be split into boys and girls (the only event at Expo split this way)
- This year there will be a junior and senior division for girls and boys:
Junior division 12, 13 & 14 years
Senior division 15, 16, 17 & over
- The five tasks must all be completed and competitors will be ranked in each task to gain an overall winner
- If a competitor is eliminated in any phase they will no longer take part in the competition
- Team Managers, Competitors and their Parent/Guardian must sign off that the competitor is competent at each task
- Riders in the showjumping (80cm) must have grading cards or a letter from an instructor that they are competent at this level
- Riders must use the same horse in both equestrian events. No substituting a horse under any circumstances
- Riders to wear back number during all phases
- School athletics/sport uniform to be worn where appropriate
- All tasks will be timetabled for Saturday and Sunday. Presentation Monday night

TASKS

Not necessarily in order:

1. Cross Country run at the Racecourse on the main track, on Saturday.
2. 80cm Top Score showjump on Sunday.
3. Javelin throwing.
4. TBA.
5. Mountain Bike Ride (competitors provide their own bike). This will be individually timed on the back half of the cross country course. Riders can share a bike.

Friday Freestyle Dressage

Head Steward: Lucy Evans

FRIDAY – MAIN ARENA

The Freestyle Dressage will be held on Friday afternoon in the main arena at the completion of the Eventing Dressage.

Please note preliminary riders are not eligible for Friday Freestyle.

There will be two divisions:

DIVISION ONE, rider must be entered in Novice dressage on Monday

Test - Novice freestyle effective 1/1/21

<https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/Novice%20Freestyle%20Eff.%201-1-21%20-%20Final%2012-11-20.pdf>

DIVISION TWO, rider must be entered in Elementary or Medium dressage on Monday

Test - 2019 EA Elementary freestyle effective 1/2/19

<https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/2019%20EA%20Elementary%20Freestyle%20-%202018-3-19.pdf>

RULES

1. The event will be scored, points awarded and sashes awarded to 5th place in each division.
2. This event is only open to riders competing in Medium, Elementary and Novice Dressage on Monday.
3. There will be a division for Medium/Elementary riders and divisions for Novice riders subject to entries.

Working Horse Challenge

Head Steward: Ren Letts

QUALIFYING ROUND SATURDAY

Venue – Master's Park

FINAL ROUND SUNDAY

Age groups: 12 years and under; 13 years; 14 years; 15 years; 16 years; 17 years and over

All nominated riders will participate in a short qualifying round on Saturday. The workout for the qualifier will be available on the website at a later date.

The top 10 in each age group will compete in the finals on Sunday.

The final round will consist of 3 compulsory phases being a working pattern, utility pattern and timed pattern. The patterns will be available on the website at a later date.

Finals will be held in the Main Arena on Sunday morning. There will be a timed draw based on age groups eg. 12 years 8.00 to 9.00.

Polocrosse

Head Steward: *Kylie Deshon*

Entry by Team Manager on teams nomination form before closing date.

QUALIFIER - SATURDAY

FINALS - SUNDAY

Rounds will commence at the completion of the Eventing dressage in the main arena on Saturday afternoon. Finals will commence at the completion of the Eventing cross country on the Sunday. All teams are to assemble outside the main arena in sections for a gear check. A draw will be available to download on Friday afternoon.

DIVISION 1

- This division will be divided into A, B and possibly C grades for the finals.
- We encourage schools with experienced polocrosse players to enter a team in this division.
- For school teams with players who are registered members of Polocrosse Association of NSW or are experienced players.
- This division will be run in a seeded draw. Depending on numbers it may be split into grades.
- If time permits, this division will be run as a round robin competition otherwise it will revert to a knockout. The Decision on format will be at the discretion of the Head Steward.
- Teams wishing to enter this division must enter by the closing date on the teams nomination form submitted by the Team Manager.
- Teams formed using players from more than one school will be referred to as Composite Teams. Refer to the Point Score table for clarification of allocation of points.

DIVISION 2

- For teams with limited experience looking for the opportunity to play the game against players of similar abilities.
- Teams wishing to enter this division must enter by the closing date on the teams nomination form submitted by the Team Manager.

RULES

1. Competition will be in sections (ie. three riders)
2. In the event of a nil-all draw in Division 2, both teams will be eliminated.
3. In the event of a nil-all draw in Division 1 (applies to knockout) a golden chukka will be played.
4. Entry by Team Manager on teams nomination form prior to event.
5. This event will be run under Polocrosse Association of NSW rules.
6. Players are not allowed to double-up in other sections/teams.
7. Spurs - only Pony Club sporting / polocrosse spurs allowed. No other spurs are allowed whether taped or not.
8. Breastplate, bandages and bell boots are to be worn. Bandages allowed - velcro attachments and buckles.
9. No rings allowed.
10. All riders must wear either a polocrosse faceguard on their helmet or a mouth guard.

Team Six-Bar Showjumping

Head Steward: Rebecca Moxham

SUNDAY– 8.30 AM GEARCHECK, 9.00 AM START

The Team Six-Bar shield and rugs will be awarded to the highest placed school team in the competition (all riders being from the same school).

If the winning team is a composite team they will receive sashes however the shield and rugs will be awarded to the highest placed team with all riders from the same school.

Riders must wear back numbers. We encourage teams to wear school colours (polo or rugby shirts acceptable). There will be a staggered start. A draw will be available to download on Saturday evening. This is a fun, fill-in event and it is not in the point score.

This event is only open to riders who have competed in the Two Star, One Star, EvA95, EvA80 One Day Event or Combined Training Classes 4 or 5 on Saturday. Riders do not necessarily have to compete on their eventing/combined training horse. Entries will be taken at the Secretary's Office until 5.00 pm on Saturday afternoon.

RULES

1. Horses must be graded 80cm or above for showjumping
2. Maximum of 4 riders per team and a minimum of 3. The best 3 scores in each height are counted towards overall total.
3. Starting height is 80 cm with 4 lifts
4. Riders must be from the same school except where schools do not have 3 riders eligible to compete in which case combination teams can be formed
5. Teams jump in alphabetical order by school name
6. Combined teams ride at the end of the field
7. One rail down or disobedience means finish the line but then out
8. One point per jump until first knock down or disobedience
9. Winning team determined by total of points over five (5) rounds

Showjumping

Course Designer: John Vallance

Head Steward: Duncan Graham

Marshall: Julia Anderson

Riders can only compete in Showjumping or Dressage or Warrumbungle Way on Monday. Every rider can compete in Sporting.

OPEN & ASTRONOMICAL SHOWJUMPING

MONDAY - 7.30 AM COURSE WALK, 8.00 AM START

All events will be held in the main arena. There will be two showjumping events for each age group/division:

- A2 (Mini Prix for Astronomical division if time permits)
- Power & Speed

A draw will be available on Sunday afternoon. Riders will marshal in each event's draw order.

Height classes:

- 60 cm
- 80 cm
- 95 cm
- 105 cm
- 115 cm

RULES

1. There will be 2 events per height class. Riders can only enter one height class and only ride one horse in the showjumping. By nominating a height you are automatically entered in the 2 events for that height.
2. Riders must nominate their showjumping horse in their entry.
3. If any student is found competing on a different horse to the horse stated on their nomination form, or previously advised, they will be eliminated.
4. Team Managers must be satisfied that competitors are capable of riding competently in their appropriate age group.
5. Champion and Reserve Champion Showjumping awarded in each height class. In the event of a tie, a count back with the highest placed rider in the A2 then Power and Speed, taking precedence; with the exception of Astronomical 115 cm where the Mini Prix will be the tie breaker.
6. If numbers dictate, height classes may be divided into divisions with Champion and Reserve Champion being awarded in each division.

Sporting

Head Steward: Ian Clifton

MONDAY - 9.30 AM START & 2.00 PM FINISH

- All riders can participate in the Sporting – it is not necessary to nominate.
- The sporting arena will be open from 9.30am – 2.00pm. Riders wanting to compete must present to the sporting arena during this time.
- Champion & Reserve Champion Sporting in each age group.
- In the event of a tie for the champion and reserve the highest placed rider in the flag race, then barrel race, then bending race, then time trial and then keyhole will be the decider.
- Results will be posted during the day, and ribbons will be available for collection by the team manager only on Monday evening.
- There are five sporting events:
 - Flag Race
 - Barrel Race
 - Bending Race
 - Time Trial
 - Keyhole
- Age groups: 12 years and under, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years, and 17 years and over
- No parent, team manager or instructor will coach riders inside the sporting arena at any time (except in the showjumping practice arena). This rule will be strictly enforced and may result in the elimination of the rider from the whole Expo event.

TIME TRIAL RULES

1. Crack Whip
2. Carry bag from A to B OR B to A
(depending on which drum the bag is situated)
3. Circle Drum at C
4. Over small jump at D
5. Through gate
6. Rein back through drums at E & F
7. Through finish

The horse with the fastest time, no penalties and course completed correctly is the winner.

PENALTIES

10 seconds for:

* making no attempt to crack whip

5 seconds for:

* dropping the bag on the ground

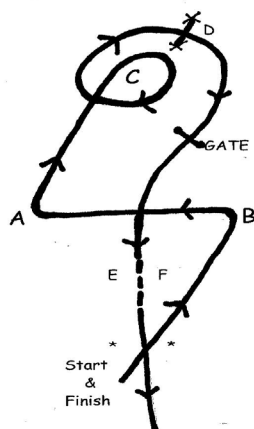
* knocking any drum over

* knocking rail off

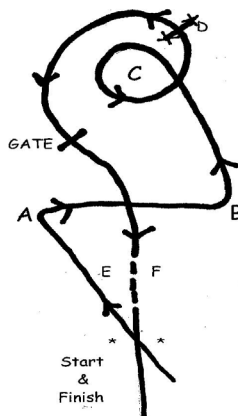
Elimination:

* failure to close and secure gate

Bag on Drum 'B'



Bag on Drum 'A'



Warrumbungle's Way

Head Steward: Michael Doolan

Riders can only compete in Showjumping or Dressage or Warrumbungle Way on Monday. Every rider can compete in Sporting.

MONDAY - 9.00 AM COURSE WALK, MEET AT THE STARTING BOX OF THE CROSS COUNTRY

- This event will be conducted on the first part of the cross country course. Competitors will be marshalled in the warm up area of the cross country course.
- There will be a course walk on Monday morning .
- Presentations will take place after the Team Barrel race.
- This event simulates many of the tasks a stockman in the Warrumbungle Shire would face on a working day. Some tasks are timed and others assessed by a judge.
- Details regarding the tasks will be posted on the website closer to the event.
- Gear: the same as allowed for sporting.
- Expo will provide any equipment needed such as whip, lasso and polocrosse racquet.
- Points will be awarded in each age group for this event.

School Team Barrel Race

Head Steward: James Forbes

MONDAY - after completion of showjumping in the main arena

RULES

1. Each team consists of three riders, preferably from the same school.
2. All competitors must complete a left-hand course.
3. Riders must enter the starting area as marked at the walk and stand before starting.
4. On finishing the course, riders must continue in a straight line. Riders are not permitted to turn their horse to stop.
5. Nomination forms in duplicate will be available at the Secretary's Office on Sunday for the Team Manager to collect.
6. Riders to take BOTH copies of their entry to the event – one is for the announcer and the other for the scorer.
7. Each rider will be timed. The combined times are then added for a result.
8. Placings to 10th place.
9. Points to 5th place.

Monday Dressage

Head Steward: Lucy Evans

Riders can only compete in Showjumping or Dressage or Warrumbungle Way on Monday. Every rider can compete in Sporting.

MONDAY– at the RACECOURSE

This dressage competition is a separate event from the One Day Event and Combined Training and riders should read the rules carefully.

RULES

1. The Dressage competition will be held at the Coonabarabran Racecourse grounds and is ONLY open to those competitors not competing in the Showjumping or Warrumbungle's Way on Monday. Riders can compete in Sporting but must fit it in around their allocated Dressage time.
2. Horse/Rider combinations who have won Champion or Reserve Champion Preliminary at any previous Expo are not eligible to compete in Preliminary classes. This applies only to previous winners in Preliminary events.
3. Maximum of two dressage tests per horse/rider.
4. The Dressage Tests can be found on the Equestrian Australia website:
<http://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules>

PRELIMINARY

Prelim 1.2 effective 1/1/2023 <https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%201.2.pdf>

Prelim 1.3 effective 1/1/2023 https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%201.3_0.pdf

NOVICE

Novice 2.2 effective 1/1/2023 https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%202.2_2.pdf

Novice 2.3 effective 1/1/2023 https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%202.3_1.pdf

ELEMENTARY

Elementary 3.1 effective

1/1/2023 https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%203.1_0.pdf

Elementary 3.2 effective

1/1/2023 https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%203.2_1.pdf

MEDIUM

Medium 4.1 effective 1/1/2023 <https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%204.1.pdf>

Medium 4.2 effective 1/1/2023 <https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/1Jan2023%204.2.pdf>

FRIDAY FREESTYLE

Please note preliminary riders are not eligible for Friday Freestyle.

There will be two divisions:

DIVISION ONE, rider must be entered in Novice dressage on Monday

Novice freestyle effective 1/1/21

<https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/Novice%20Freestyle%20Eff.%201-1-21%20-%20Final%2012-11-20.pdf>

DIVISION TWO, rider must be entered in Elementary or Medium dressage on Monday

2019 EA Elementary freestyle effective 1/2/19

<https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/2019%20EA%20Elementary%20Freestyle%20-%202018-3-19.pdf>

5. Champion and Reserve Champion will be determined in each level based on the placing in each test.
Eg 1st = 5 points, 2nd = 4 points With the tie breaker being the more difficult test
6. In the event of equal points the winner will be the highest placed in the more difficult test.

7. SADDLERY FOR DRESSAGE TESTS: In addition to the General Rules, the following rules apply:
 - a. A noseband must be worn (cavesson, dropped , crossed (Grackle or Mexican) or flash (or Hanoverian)).
 - b. The bit must be a snaffle.
 - c. Whip is permitted provided that it measures not less than 90cm & not more than 1.20m (including the tassel).
 - d. Spurs – the top of shank must not point upwards
 - e. Rowels may be worn provided that they are blunt/smooth & free to rotate
 - f. Rings, martingales, any kind of gadget, any kind of boot or bandage, tongue depressor or any form of blinker are strictly forbidden under penalty of elimination.
8. The same horse and rider must compete in all tests nominated.
9. EA dressage tests current at the date of competition will be used. These may be downloaded from the Equestrain Australia website.
10. A timed draw will be available to download on Saturday afternoon. Please note it is NOT a move up draw.
11. Queries can be made by completing an “Event Competitor Query Form” available from the Secretary’s Office.
12. Presentation will be on Tuesday at a time TBA.
13. Riders are to present to the marshal 15 minutes before their allotted time.
14. Callers are not permitted.

Ring Events

Head Steward: Lisa Moody

TUESDAY - 8.00AM START AT THE RACECOURSE

A program of events order will be available from the Secretary's Office on Monday afternoon

Boy or Girl Rider 12 years & under Champion and Reserve Champion
Boy or Girl Rider 13 years Champion and Reserve Champion
Boy or Girl Rider 14 years Champion and Reserve Champion
Boy or Girl Rider 15 years Champion and Reserve Champion
Boy or Girl rider 16 years Champion and Reserve Champion
Boy or Girl rider 17 years & over Champion and Reserve Champion

Show Hunter Pony NE 13hh
Show Hunter Pony over 13 NE 14hh
Champion Show Hunter Pony
Reserve Champion Show Hunter Pony

Open Pony Hack NE 13hh
Open Pony Hack over 13 NE 14hh
Champion Pony
Reserve Champion Pony

Open Lightweight Galloway over 14hh NE 14.2hh
Open Lightweight Galloway over 14.2 NE 15hh
Champion Lightweight Galloway
Reserve Champion Lightweight Galloway

Open Heavyweight Galloway over 14h NE 14.2hh
Open Heavyweight Galloway over 14.2 NE 15hh
Champion Heavyweight Galloway
Reserve Champion Heavyweight Galloway

Show Hunter Galloway over 14hh NE 14.2hh
Show Hunter Galloway Hack over 14h.2hh NE 15hh

Champion Show Hunter Galloway
Reserve Champion Show Hunter Galloway

Open Lightweight Hack over 15hh NE 15.2hh
Open Lightweight Hack over 15.2 & NE 16hh
Open Lightweight Hack 16hh & over
Champion Lightweight Hack over 15hh
Reserve Champion Lightweight Hack over 15hh

Open Heavyweight Hack over 15hh NE 15.2hh
Open Heavyweight Hack over 15.2 & NE 16hh
Open Heavyweight Hack 16hh & over
Champion Heavyweight Hack over 15hh
Reserve Champion Heavyweight Hack over 15hh

Show Hunter Hack over 15hh NE 15.2hh
Show Hunter Hack over 15.2hh NE 16hh
Show Hunter Hack 16hh and over
Champion Show Hunter Hack
Reserve Champion Show Hunter Hack

Riding in pairs
Team of Four
Champion Team of Four
Supreme Hack: All Champions eligible
Supreme Rider: All Champions eligible

IMPORTANT NOTES

- Leather Gaiters are allowed in all ring events.
- Hacking Canes with a flapper are permitted.
- Curb chains do not have to be covered.
- RIDER CLASSES – every rider class will have a champion and reserve champion. The first place getter in each age will be awarded champion and receive a rug. The second place getter will receive a reserve champion rosette.
- Show Hunters cannot compete in Open classes and vice versa.
- RIDING IN PAIRS – being two horses, any size and two riders, any age, any gender. Riders do not have to be from the same school however school pairs are encouraged where possible.
- TEAM OF FOUR
Being four horses, any size, and four riders any age, any gender. They do not have to be from the same school however school teams are encouraged where possible.

- **CHAMPION TEAM OF FOUR**
Eligible teams must be from the same school. The highest placed team in each ring from the same school will be eligible to ride off for champion. If a composite team places over a school team, then the next highest placed school team will be eligible to compete for the Champion Team of Four. To be held after the completion of the Team of Four events under all of the judges.
- Riders in Team Penning are only eligible for School Team of Four. Riders must ride the same horse in School Team of Four as they competed on in Team Penning.
- Ribbons/rosettes won at Expo can be worn in the mounted parade and presentation but not rugs.
- Supreme Hack of Expo and Supreme Rider of Expo. These classes will be judged at the completion of the ring events.
- Riders in Team Penning and Expo Gymkhana only eligible for Expo Team of Four.

On completion of the Ring Events there will be a Mounted Presentation and Grand Parade at approximately 2.30 pm. Schools are encouraged to parade behind their school banner.

Team Penning

Head Steward: Sue McGoldrick

Entry by Team Manager on teams nomination form before closing date.

TUESDAY - 8.00 AM START

RULES

1. Riders who nominate for Team Penning cannot compete in individual hacking events but may compete in the School Team of Four event.
2. All entries must be sent with school entry form on prescribed form.
3. Entries will be taken on a first in basis.
4. Teams can be made up of riders of any age.
5. Schools must fill their teams with riders from the one school
6. Riders will be placed in composite teams at the organizer's discretion – see entry form
7. The selection of a team is up to the discretion of each school. Preference should be given to the students with the most experience in handling cattle. (see list of levels of experience on the school entry form)
8. The competition will be divided into 2 divisions at the discretion of the Head Steward. Teams will be placed to 10th and rugs will be awarded to the winning teams in each division.
9. All riders must present at 7.45am at the cattle yards for a safety briefing.
10. Teams and Times will be posted on the Expo website on Monday evening.
11. Each Team must present to the marshalling Steward in the Marshalling Yard 10 minutes before their allocated time.
12. Each team will be given 2 runs of 2 minutes
13. Attire: formal school equestrian uniform, shirt tie etc as appropriate for the hacking day.

Expo Gymkhana & Team Hunt

Head Steward: Jenny Smith & Harriet Heathcote

TUESDAY - commencing 8.00 am in the Sporting arena

RULES

1. Riders who nominate for Expo Gymkhana and Team Hunt cannot compete in Team Penning or individual hacking events but may compete in the School Team of Four event.
2. Placings awarded to 5th in each event and sashes for Team Hunt and rugs for the winners.
3. Program available to download with ring details from Sunday evening.
4. Gymkhana events and Team Hunt will be included in the point score.

- **PLEASURE HACK**

Pleasure Hack in age groups: 12 years and under, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years, and 17 years and over

- **MOUNT SUITABLE FOR EXPO**

Mount suited to Expo in age groups: 12 years and under, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years, and 17 years and over

- **RIDER**

Rider class in age groups: 12 years and under, 13 years, 14 years, 15 years, 16 years, and 17 years and over

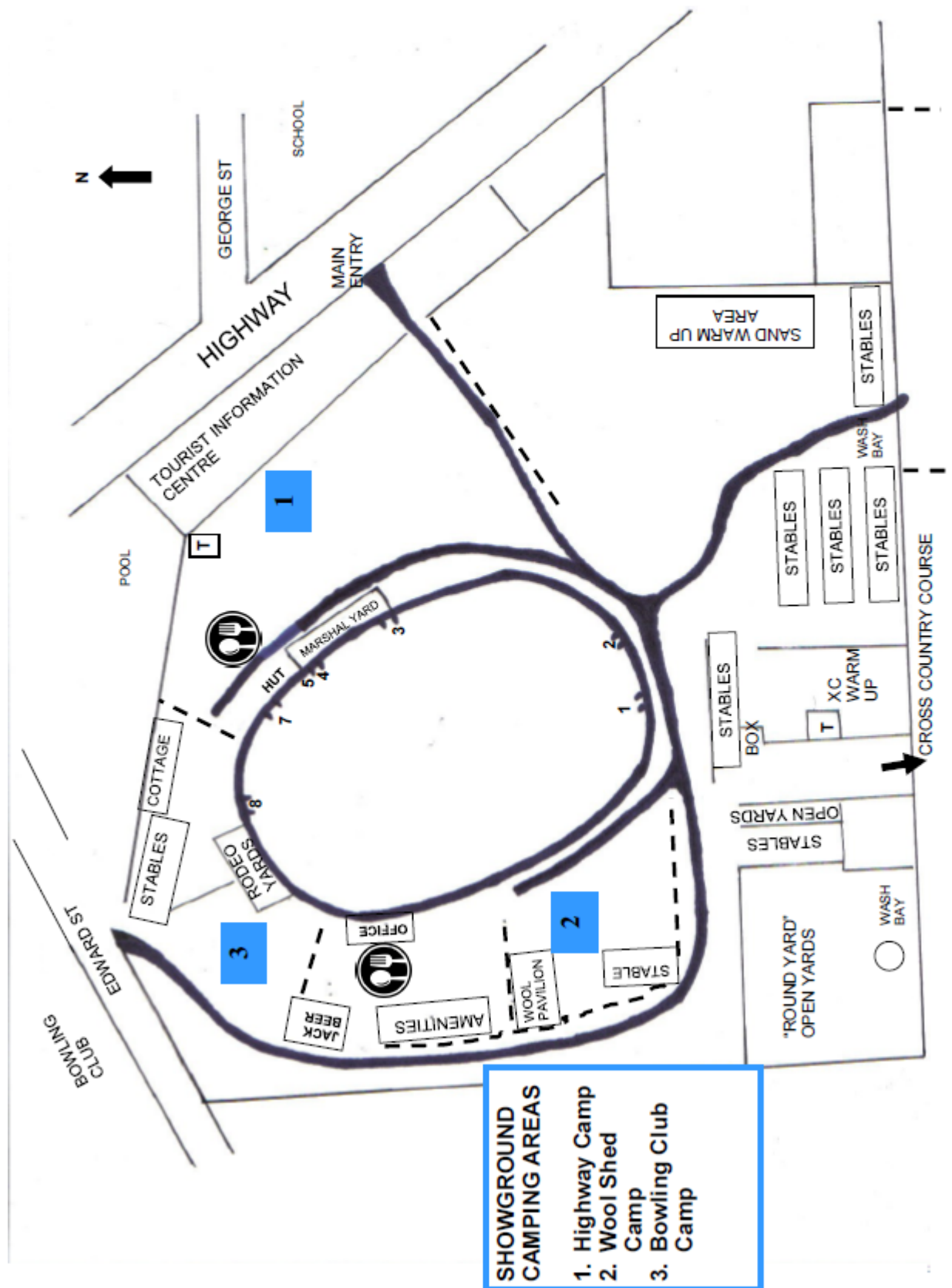
- **TEAM HUNT**

The pattern will be available on the Expo website at a later date.

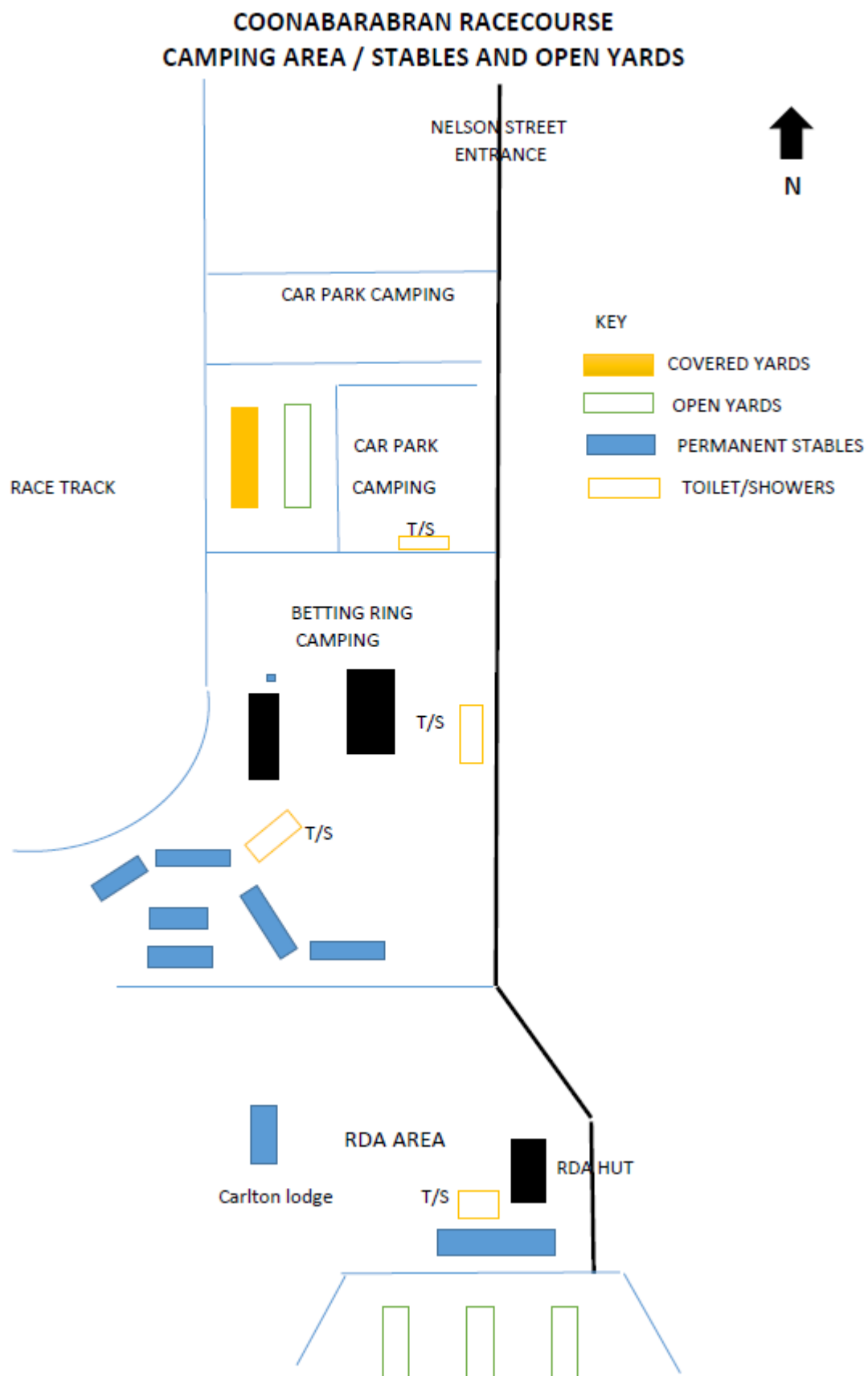
Team Hunt Rules

- a. Four riders either from the one school or a composite team
- b. There are four obstacles set at 45cm in height
- c. Riders present to the judge as a section then in single file jump obstacle 1 and 2 at the trot then at the marker form half sections and jump obstacles 3 and 4 at the trot.
- d. At the marker form sections and canter and jump obstacles 1-2-3-4. At the marker halt and salute the judge.

Showground camping



Racecourse camping



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