



**EQUESTRIAN**  
**TASMANIA**

# **EQUESTRIAN TASMANIA**

**ANNUAL REPORT  
2019/20**

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## **ORGANISATION LISTING**

### **2019/20 BOARD**

Chair  
Directors

Tim Williams  
Kate Cawthorn  
Nicole Brown  
Narelle Rowlandson  
Lynda Lonergan  
Tania Hay  
Deb Allanby  
Sue McDermott  
Jamie Buckby

### **2019/20 STAFF**

Etas Office

Andrea Watson

## **2019/20 STATE SPORT DISCIPLINE**

### **CHAIRS**

Dressage  
Jumping  
Eventing  
Coaching

Sharni Radford  
Tim Williams  
Jamie Buckby  
Judy Peel



## EQUESTRIAN TASMANIA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September 2020  
Via Zoom 7.30pm

### AGENDA

1. Welcome
2. Apologies
3. Confirmation of Minutes of previous AGM
4. Annual Report of Equestrian Tasmania and its Sports Disciplines
5. Auditor's Report and Financial Statements
6. Vote on the acceptance of the Statement of Accounts for the period ending 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020.
7. Appointment of Board members 2020-2021.
8. Announcement of Etas Coach of the year.
9. Appointment of a Branch Auditor for the Financial Year
10. Close of Meeting



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**Minutes of the Annual General meeting held on Friday 9th August 2019.  
Venue Tasmanian Equestrian Centre Meeting opened 7.35pm.**

**1. Welcome**

Present: Kate Cawthorn, Sharni Radford, Darlene Svamvur, Andrew Gibson, Lynda Lonergan, Sue Lawrence, Sue McDermott, Andrew McDermott, Tania Hay, Laurie Smith, Karen Allen, Narelle Rowlandson, Nikki Brown, Erica Clark, Gill Von Bertouch, Anita Parish Schouten, Mykaela Briggs, Sandra Roberts, Emma Goynes, Deb Allanby and Tim Williams

**2. Apologies**

Apologies received from – Isabel Casey, Claire Walker, Suzanne Betts, Judy Peel, Belinda Snooks, Lydia Jackson, Jenny Hodder, Kerrie Swan Bates, Merindah Thompson.

**3. Confirmation of the minutes of the previous A.G.M. held on Friday, 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018**

MOVED Kate Cawthorn SECONDED Narelle Rowlandson and CARRIED unanimous *“That minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2018 as circulated, be accepted as correct.”*

**4. Receipt of President ‘s and Sports Report 2018 / ‘19**

The President’s and Sports Annual Reports were presented to the meeting in hard copy and read by their representatives.

**5. Receipt of Auditors Report and Financial Statements**

Financial Statements presented as per MYOB. Auditor’s report was presented.

MOVED Lynda Lonergan SECONDED Erica Clark and CARRIED *“The financial statements covering the financial year 2018 / ‘19 be accepted”.*

**6. Appointment of Board Members**

Five Nominations for riders Rep and five for the Director position where received. Narelle Rowlandson was voted with 43 votes as Riders rep Deb Allanby was voted as director with 29 votes both board Positions are for the term of 3 years. MOVED Lynda Lonergan SECONDED Erica Clark and CARRIED unanimous

Sport Reps for 2019/20

SJ: Tim Williams

Dressage: Tania Hay

Eventing; TBA

Riders Rep: Narelle Rowlandson

Show Horse TBA

TEC Rep Kate Cawthorn

Coaching Rep Sue McDermott

**7. Appointment of Auditor**

*Rendell Ridge for Max Peck and Associates appointed to act as the auditor of Equestrian Tas. for the 2019 / ‘20 Financial year.”*

Moved Lynda Lonergan and seconded Erica Clark

There being no further business, the Chairman thanked members for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 8.06pm.

**CONFIRMED.....**

**Tim Williams**

**Etas Chair**

**DATE 9 / 8 / 2019**



## **EQUESTRIAN TASMANIA CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT**

The Board is humbled and grateful for the support of a vast majority of ET members during the ongoing EA saga.

As chair I have listened to many members. The vast majority have clearly understood the need to protect Tasmania's interests. The understanding and support of our members has made what has been a very time consuming and difficult fight worthwhile. The work and support of the ET Board and Andrea has been tremendous.

In 1970 Joni Mitchell penned the lyrics to the song Big Yellow Taxi. They included the following lines.

"You don't know what you've got till it's gone"

It is apt to describe how it arose that the Kordamentha administration will cost EA members well in excess of \$600,000-00 (yes that is the correct number of zeros), yet EA is still solvent.

How did the remaining 4 directors arrive at the view that EA was likely to become insolvent, if after having had over \$600,000 spent on the administrators costs and expenses it is still solvent?

Whatever it was it must have been so frightening that they formed that view and placed EA into administration despite the following.

1. It had over a million dollars in the bank.
2. It had a property in Sydney worth over a million dollars that had no mortgage or any other form of security over it.
3. No cash flow analysis has been disclosed showing how long EA could pay its debts from worst case cash flow and existing resources if Covid reduced membership income.
4. No finance committee minutes were produced to show when (or if) the standard solvency risk statement was altered.

5. None of the shareholders (being the State branches) were consulted or even told of the slightest risk until less than 30 minutes before the announcement. The State branches through its members could never have let EA be wound up, so in reality there would have been no option but to provide financial support, if in fact it was ever needed.
6. The insurance cost had been capped by Gow Gates
7. The liability of directors for insolvent trading had been suspended. (the Safe Harbor legislation).
8. Within weeks of appointment the Administrators flowed through a discount of the EA membership fees by 25%

The answer is perhaps to be found in the words of the 4 directors when explaining their decision in their joint statement:

“We contacted Sports Australia on behalf of the Directors on Monday 25 May. We sought funding to support an independent review of the sport and its structure, to work with the States and the members to develop a more sustainable and stable model. Sports Australia declined to fund such an approach. In their view, based on experience, such an approach would fail. The States would walk the journey and then renege when it came to making the necessary constitutional change. That prophecy would seem to have been substantiated by the States behaviors to date. Sports Australia went on to advise that they had already come to a decision to withdraw support, and that a letter would be forthcoming once it had cleared formal ministerial approval.”

The letter from Sports Australia was hand delivered to EA on the 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2020. The communication from Sport Australia must have been so scary that even before receipt of the letter, the EA Board had been to see Kordamentha about putting EA into administration.

The letter of the 3<sup>rd</sup> June from Sport Australia gave governance as the main reason for the withdrawal of funding. It also referred to the failure to properly report spending of a safety grant (however that was obviously easily fixable).

Why would Sport Australia withdraw funding if the problem was governance and EA was asking for support for an independent review of governance?

The directors’ statement set out above cites the following advice from Sport Australia.

“Based on experience such approach would fail because the States would walk the journey and renege when it came to making the necessary constitutional change”

How could Sport Australia come to such a conclusion “based on experience”

In 4 years as chair I have no recollection of any such walking let alone renegeing.

In fact, I can only recall events that are completely at odds with that Sport Australia advice. These include:

1. A letter from WA calling for fundamental reform.

2. EA refusing to publish the part of one of my annual reports calling for fundamental reform.
3. A number of meetings of State chairs to further fundamental reform.
4. A meeting of the State Chairs with Andrew Plympton a board member of Sport Australia to listen to his views on the process to achieve fundamental reform.

The States wanted a process of fundamental reform to be implemented.

What makes an absolute nonsense of the claim the States would have reneged on reform is that for the purpose of the second creditors meeting, the alternative committed to by all states except Queensland was to give up all constitutional voting rights to a body essentially comprising all State and National discipline committees. Had that proposal been accepted the States would have lost all right to renege. It was offered unconditionally.

What is even more perplexing is that all the State Departments of Sport and Rec and Sport Australia had already agreed to roll out a process for governance reform of EA. Any State not following through would put at risk State Funding. Why would Sport Australia not follow through with this arrangement?

Sport Australia rejected an independent reform process on grounds that were totally flawed. The assertion about the States has been proved wrong. The States were not even given the opportunity to refute the assertion.

Instead of a proper governance review process that was being called for by all parties, Sport Australia instead chose to call in its grants. We are entitled to assume that there was sensible communication. If so, then obviously Sport Australia would have been told that the consequence of withdrawing the grants would be the putting of EA into administration.

It can therefore be concluded that given a choice between administration which has cost over \$600,000 and a proper governance reform process Sport Australia chose administration.

The result is that Kordamentha has driven (of its own initiative?) a reform of the constitution based on a mantra of one member one vote. The theory is that the new Board under the new constitution will drive a governance review once appointed by Kordamentha.

To my mind it is like spending \$600,000 on an entrée with no idea whether there will be a main course or what it will be. The changes that have been made have rearranged the deck chairs on the Titanic. The problem with EA has never been in the persons on the Board but rather that there is a structure that is so flawed that no Board however able could make it work.

The constitutional changes do not address the fundamental problem but rather create a self-perpetuating board that will be virtually impossible to remove.

Well done Sport Australia.



It appears Sport Australia has developed a new concept. Perhaps it could be called “unfund me”. In marketing this concept, it could take a leaf from the use made by McDonalds of Monopoly. Sport Australia could have its own version of Monopoly. If you land on the square marked Sport Australia, you do not pass go, you go directly into administration and pay Kordamentha lots on money.

My apologies for an unconventional report that will probably be the second Tasmanian report EA refuses to publish it total.

PS: I should make clear that what I have written in no way reflects upon the Tasmanian Department of Sport and Recreation. That Department works in a very competent and collaborative manner. It manages it's grants in a way that makes it highly unlikely that this type of issue could ever have arisen in respect of one of its grants. Its ongoing support and assistance is valued and appreciated.

TIMOTHY WILLIAMS

Chair

Equestrian Tasmania



## DRESSAGE REPORT

The 2019-2020 has been a season of extremes and I do not think anyone could have predicted the end!

The season started with the new concept of an indoor Youth Winter Series. This competition was introduced to assist Interschool riders with their preparation for Nationals in Sydney and was also extended to cater for Senior riders heading to Dressage Nationals. It is hoped that it will be possible to hold a similar competition in September 2020. Thanks, must go to Bert Gibson for coordinating this event and Northern Zone for officiating.

In September 2019, a new approach was introduced for the State Development Squad with riders required to meet several selection criteria and submit a written application for consideration. The aim of the DT Development Squad is to identify combinations that are committed to training and education to improve quality of riding and therefore the development and promotion of Dressage within Tasmania. There is a focus on Team culture, performance monitoring and commitment to improving performance and the sport through supporting local Zones. As the season was cut short, the existing squad has been invited to remain for the 2020-2021 Season and an EOI has been sought for additional positions. Thank you, Bert Gibson, and Sue Lamont, for coordinating the selection process for both the 2019-2020 and 2020-2021 squads. There are plans to revamp the Young Rider Squad for the 2020-2021 season.

The Australian Dressage Championships were held in Sydney in October. DT was represented by Michelle Milne riding Wembleybrook Sergio (owned by Denise Sutcliffe) in the Pony Medium and Pony Advanced Championships and Caitlin Radford riding MS Cocktail (Big Dave) in the Open Novice Championship. Michelle had great success winning Reserve Champion Medium Pony. After weeks of planning, a successful Master Class with Brett Parbery was held at Woodend Equestrian Centre in November. Squad members were able to have lessons with Brett prior to the Master Class, with Brett then selecting horse and rider combinations for the Master Class. This was also a great opportunity for our Judges. Thanks again to Bert Gibson for coordinating with Brett and providing a wonderful venue.

In November I was fortunate to represent Dressage Tasmania at the annual Equestrian Australia Dressage Committee (EADC) meeting in Sydney.

In December four members headed to Victoria for the Dressage Festival held at Boneo. DT was well represented by Jamie Smith, Penelope More, Lydia Jackson and Mandy Parsons. Congratulations to these riders on their performances.

After twelve months of planning, the Tasmanian Dressage Championships were held at the Thirlstane Golf Club on the 29<sup>th</sup> February -1<sup>st</sup> March 2020. North West Zone hosted the championships and was well supported by the Northern Zone. Sharing a home with the Event coordinator, Caitlin Radford I witnessed firsthand the countless hours that are required to organise such a large event. Caitlin was very well supported by a very hard-working Champs Committee. The ground improvements will be enjoyed by Members for years to come and I am aware that planning has commenced for more improvements.



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The 2021 Tasmanian Dressage Championships will be hosted by Southern Zone at Tec on the 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> March 2021. It is hoped that this event will alternate between the north and south of the state to share the workload. Who would have guessed that State Championships would be the last competition of the season!

Congratulations to Judy Peel for being recognised as EA Coach of the Month for May.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Tania Hay from Southern Zone for organising the successful Training Days at TEC. It is great to see that these have recommenced, with strong support from riders. Tania's efforts have also been recognised being named Equestrian Australia Volunteer of the Month for June.

It is very pleasing to see that we had a number of new judges and existing judges and officials completing upgrades during the season. Congratulations to each of you as this is not a small undertaking.

Not for a moment did I ever expect to experience an event such as Covid-19 in my lifetime. I am sure that all our Members have been affected in some way. In recognition of this SDA has reduced Membership fees for all members by 20%, for those who re-join by the 31<sup>st</sup> August 2020.

Congratulations to all HOTY winners and runners up.

During the season I have sought the assistance of our State body – Equestrian Tasmania. Thanks to Tim Williams and Andrea Watson for your support and guidance. This committee unanimously supports the Equestrian Tasmania Board in the fight to have a fair and equitable restructure of Equestrian Australia (EA).

In closing I would like to take this opportunity to thank the outgoing committee for their friendship, guidance, and professionalism, and wish the incoming committee all the best for the 2020-2021 Dressage Season. Thanks also to Bert Gibson, Sue Lamont and Teresa Darcy who are not renominating. Their hard work is greatly appreciated.

Please continue to support your Zone and all the hard-working volunteers that give up their time for the benefit of us all.

Safe riding,  
Sharni Radford  
Chair, SDA



## **EVENTING REPORT**

The 2019/20 has been a difficult year, not only for Eventing in Tasmania, but world-wide. Firstly, with the coronial inquiry outcome of the two NSW riders' deaths in Eventing brought new medical rules which forced the costs for medical coverage to increase threefold. We then saw the onset of Covid 19 which shut the sport down for the latter part of the season. To make matters even worse we then experienced Equestrian Australia go into voluntary administration. I still think Narelle had some premonitions when handing over the Presidents role to me last year.

Firstly, I would like to thank Pony Club Tasmania for agreeing to come on board and jointly fund the medical costs. This was possible through a MOU (memo of understanding) between the two organisations for which \$20/horse was put into a separate account and managed by Equestrian Tasmania. Thank you to the ETas board and Andrea Watson for assisting in the managing of this account. I have received this week a modified draft version of the new Medical Forms and they should be available within the next few weeks and should tighten up our liability and make the medical provider more responsible for not providing the required equipment and services on the day.

Fortunately, in a way, Covid 19 hit our Eventing season at the tail end with only the Tasmania Eventing Championships and a couple of other smaller events being cancelled due to government restrictions on public gatherings. We hope the Covid free status in Tasmania will see the coming season unhindered.

The other major changes for this year saw the National requirement for helmet tagging to make sure all helmets complied with the current standards. Thank you to all the volunteer helmet tagging officials for the many hours spent assisting with this task. We also saw the introduction of all jumping vests having to be EN13158 Level 3 compliant for which was a huge cost to many riders, however what cost do we put on our personal safety.

We were able to run two State High Performance and Development Squad clinics, one in the North-West and one in the South. Thank you to Prue Barrett as our instructor again and support from Prydes for assisting with her airfares. Thanks to Narelle Rowlandson for organising the Southern event and Karen Pierce and Sandra Deegan for the North-West. We would also like to thank Dimity Hirst who has organised these clinics for several years and look forward to passing on the reins to our new State coordinator.

I would like to also thank our TEA committee for 2019/20.

- Narelle Rowlandson as Vice President (as my mentor and problem solver)
- Sue Walton as secretary
- Karen Pierce for taking on the Treasurers role from Lucinda who unfortunately due to family commitments had to step down during the year.
- NWEA reps – Sandra Deegan and Carol Coates



- NTEC reps – Phyliss Pyke and Viv Lawson (resigned)
- STEA reps – Elli Portlock and Georga Brennan

It is difficult to see the path forward in Eventing in Tasmania with the increasing costs to run the sport, along with our dedicated and seeming decreasing senior volunteers. We need to support our officials and make them feel “special” to maintain them. Without our knowledgeable officials running events is very difficult as some of these also ride as well. If everyone can give a little time it make the sport more enjoyable for all it will be a great outcome.

Let make 2020/21 the best year yet!

Regards

Jamie Buckby  
President  
Tasmanian Eventing Association



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September 2020

**2020 ‘JUMPING TASMANIA’ STATE COUNCIL REPORT FOR ET ANNUAL MEETING**

By State Council Secretary: Isabel Casey

Jumping Tasmania report for 2019/20 reflects on a normal commencement to our Spring Jumping season leading into a our very successful State Jumping Titles hosted by northern branch in December 2019. Invited to Tassie to officiate in Course Designing was Graeme Watts, Queensland and Paul Williams, Vic. Supported by our very efficient assistant CD’s, Judges, Steward, and a very large group of volunteers covering all that is required to run major events. After two years of hosting Northern Branch now hands over to North West Branch (in what has become a very difficult year) to host the 2020 State Jumping Titles at Burnie on the new arena that is been established there. We wish North West all the best for their two years of hosting this great event.

**RESULTS FROM “BUCKBY RAM MOTORS” STATE ET/JUMPING TASMANIA TITLES 2019**

**YOUNG HORSE 1.05m CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: GE Jumping

Winner: AMBERVALE BICTON Jo Geard

**1.05m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: CRESSY CHAFF

Winner: ZIPPY Mackenzie Kerrison

**1.10m JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Alberts Diesel

Winner: JELLYSTONE PARK CHIVAS Laura Edwards

**1.10 OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Longford Equine Clinic & Casey Family

Winner: JELLYSTONE PARK FIZZ Mykaela Briggs

**1.20m YOUNG RIDER CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Bowthorpe Warmblood Stud & Tasmanian Horse Transport

Winner: REGAL VENTURE Georgia Van der Drift

**1.20m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Hygain/Mitavite

Winner: JELLYSTONE PARK CINZANO Mykaela Briggs

**1.30m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Buckby Ram Motors

Winner: JELLYSTONE PARK CASSIME Mykaela Briggs

**1.15m SPEED OPEN TABLE C CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Ottaway Dental

Winner: FOXLEIGH PARTLY CLOUDY Bethany Hirst

**1.05m SPEED OPEN TABLE C CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: JKW Homes

Winner: BREAKING NEWS Taylah Evans  
**.70m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Hogs Breath  
 Winner: AIR TIME Danielle Whatley  
**.80m CHILDS CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Gradco  
 Winner: BURROWA BANJO Daisy Willows  
**.80m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Horseland  
 Winner: BENSTOCK HAPPY FEET Kim Sly  
**.90m JUNIOR CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Imperial Floats  
 Winner: BUTTERSCOTCH BRITTLE Ruby Hirst  
**.90m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Imperial Floats  
 Winner: FINAL CONQUEST Lucie Riley  
**100m OPEN CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Gradco  
 Winner: LEXUS BOY Darcey Miller  
**.95m OPEN SPEED CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Saddleworld  
 Winner: PEC BARINDALE GRANDEUR Chloe Daun  
**.85m OPEN SPEED CHAMPIONSHIP** sponsor: Roberts Ltd  
 Winner: ENTALLY ICE MAGIC Ruby Hirst

2020 arrived and all our lives changed. Covid-19 brought with it many difficulties but through these difficulties our wonderful committees, coaches and officials have pushed on and we are now back to a reasonable level of competition.

**STATE AWARDS FOR 2019** (These were all announced, featured through FB, many thanks to Claire Walker for coverage of individual winners and we congratulate them on their achievements).

1. **HORSE OF YEAR - SENIOR ATHLETE (80cm – 1.04cm)**  
**"BREAKING NEWS" Rider: Taylah Evans**
2. **HORSE OF YEAR -JUNIOR ATHLETE (80cm – 1.04cm)**  
**"PEC BARINDALE GRANDEUR' Rider: Chloe Daun**
3. **'YOUNG HORSE" (4 to 7 yrs) (Most successful young horse 1.05 and above)**  
**"JELLYSTONE PARK FIZZ" Rider: Mykaela Briggs**
4. **LONGFORD EQUINE CLINIC 'BALLYMORE CUP"**  
**'AMBERVALE SMUDGE' Rider: Jo Geard**
  
5. **STATE 21 AND UNDER "AMBASSADOR OF THE YEAR" (Nominate by branch)**

Northern Branch	Adele Rechberger
North West	Darcey Miller
Kingborough	No nomination
South	No nomination
6. **"STATE YOUNG ATHLETE RIDER OF THE YEAR" (Taken from State Squad)**  
**Adele Rechberger**
7. **HORSE OF THE YEAR -JUNIOR ATHLETE (1.05 and above)**  
**'BALLYMOUNT BALLY' Rider: Laura Edwards**
8. **HORSE OF YEAR - YOUNG ATHLETE (1.05 and above)**  
**"RED SAMBUCCA' Rider: Jessica Grove**
9. **'HORSE OF YEAR' SENIOR ATHLETE (1.05 and above)**  
**"AMBERVALE SMUDGE" Rider: Jo Geard**
10. **'STATE SERVICE TO SPORT AWARD' 2019 (Nominated by Branch)**  
**NORTHERN BRANCH: Roseanne Roles**

**NORTH WEST BRANCH: Lesley Miller**  
**SOUTHERN BRANCH: Mark Peterson**  
**KINGBOROUGH BRANCH: Kate Turvey**

Jumping Tasmania takes this opportunity to thank Tim and Andrea and the ET Board for their hours of dedication to make sure Tasmania has a voice within EA.





## **SHOW HORSE**

The National Show Horse and Rider Championship were held at Werribee in December 2019. We had a small team containing some quality animals who held their own amongst the best in Australia with a few competitors getting scores on the board. The Highlight of the weekend was Jackson Radley winning Runner up Small Open Pony on the Gorgeous "Radford Lodge Sweet Dreams", congratulations to all involved.

ETas Show Horse had a highly successful Horse of the Year in January run at The Tasmanian Equestrian Centre for ETAS by the TEC committee. It is pleasing to see Record numbers attend, we were certainly blessed by the weather gods. Thanks to the TEC Committee, Judges and Volunteers who gave up their time for this event, thanks also to the Sponsors.

Through the winter the National Show Horse Committee held monthly workshops to brainstorm the difficulties of running State Horse of The Year Events in time for qualification for the 2020 National Show horse and Rider Championships. The Committee have unfortunately had to postpone the 2020 National Show horse and Rider Championships due to Covid concerns and border closures making difficult to get judges and competitors to the event. The National Show Horse and Rider championships 2020 will be held in 2021 at a date to be decided.

Etas ran some Show Horse training days through the winter at Tec combining with Dressage, including workouts and poles.

Etas are running a Show Horse Event on the 4<sup>th</sup> of October at the Tasmanian Equestrian Center these classes will be run along with Eventing, Combined training, show jumping, dressage, and Inter Schools. We hope this is a huge Event that if well supported can be run again next year.

Chimene Deavin  
National Show Horse Board



## THE TASMANIAN EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

The most positive thing to come out of this year for TEC has been the running of the Show Horse event of the year in January. Tec was afforded the opportunity to run this event on behalf of ETAS and the championships were held on the long weekend of January.

It was a great event that saw the contribution of all user groups help make the weekend a success. It was fantastic to see all the disciplines come together to help support Tec. Show jumping allowed the event to be run in their park and re arranged their summer series jumping schedule to do so. Dressage allowed their park to be used for warm up areas while Stea and pony club contributed a In amount of their x country fill and plants to be used to help make the area look fantastic!

It was a golden opportunity for Tec to raise some money for the grounds and open the door for us to run more events like this in the future. Events like this cannot be run without the hard work of volunteers, a massive thank you to those who volunteered to help on the day. The profits from this day went back to TEC for investment in future development.

This year has also seen TEC move away from financial year membership to calendar year membership for both casual users and coaches and we have seen introduction of the GST. This means Tec need to work towards trying to run under a more structured business model which is slowly starting to be developed with the help of Etas.

The infrastructure development at the park has been somewhat of a slow process due to Covid closures and then a huge amount of rain putting a firm halt to any works that we had planned over winter. We had planned to start the upgrade the car park area allowing more parking during the wetter months and have the second car park out to the left of the show jump park being developed. Some work on this has already begun and hopefully will be able to start up again soon.

We have plans to extend the club rooms and developing a deck area around the rooms with the aim to create a great inclusive area. The all-weather arena is high on our priority list and successful grant opportunities that we are looking into will help in getting this project underway.

Tec were lucky enough to be granted 100 trees from the Clarence council for which we are extremely grateful. We recently had a very successful working bee to plant them all. These trees will provide some great shade and possibly act as a slight wind barrier in future years. We ask that everyone takes the time to care for the trees when visiting the park to ensure their survival. We thank all members who turned up to assist in our tree planting working bee!

Tec lease is due to expire in March 2021 and Tec management has spent a considerable amount of time in consultation with the Clarence council in relation to this. The future lease is currently being drafted up and it will see some changes to the lease, one of the biggest being the requirement of CCC to split off Archery and Tec giving us both separate leases. By doing this, some new boundaries will be created and the inclusion and extension of the CCC walking tracks. In the future the walking tracks will eventually run around the boundaries & between the two clubs.

The user groups:

The introduction by user groups of a user fee for the use of some of their areas has been running for some time now and, whilst it's seen a few challenges, on the whole it is working for the groups and they see a return on the investment into the areas they are developing.

Dressage have built and been using their new Arena 4 and with help from Pony club have successfully re developed Arena 5 and now have that in use.

Stea have continued to develop their x country course and have started work on upgrading their training course through the bush area.

Pony club have development in place to extend their arena and do some work on the surface and are looking into some sort of watering system in the future.

Show jumping have started to develop a second arena and have continued to improve their jumping surface in the main arena.

Communications with Casual users & coaches has been happening on a regular basis with updates via e mails and the Tec Casual User FB page as to the goings on at the park has provided provision for members to communicate with other members and TEC committee on matters they may like raised. This has been an easy and solid means for members to give Tec feedback. Casual user and coaching membership numbers have been strong to date which is great to see considering what has unfolded in the world since December.

Tec needs continual growth and I hope in the coming year the visions we have for the park start to come together somewhat quicker than this year has allowed. I believe user groups working together with Tec will help us all achieve the outcomes we are all striving to achieve at the park.

Happy riding and all the best!  
TEC Committee

Chair  
Kate Cawthorn



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## **COACHING REPORT**

2020 has provided a couple of big challenges for equestrian coaches. However, we are a resilient and resourceful group and looked to the positives.

1. Covid19...Fortunately in Tasmania we were only under strict restrictions for a relatively short time...unlike our colleagues in Victoria. Our thoughts are with them as only now are they facing reduced restrictions.

With this pandemic, although horrific, did come some positives. All of us upskilled in our IT parameters and were able to become more innovative in our teaching delivery and our own personal development. Mostly due to Zoom we have been able to attend many more meetings and presentations in the comfort of our own homes.

2. Voluntary Administration (VA)... Coaching has continued unabated but for all there is the feeling of uncertainty about what the future may hold. We can take heart from the fact that EA will continue in some form and that our Etas Board has the interests of this state at heart.

### **National**

- Payment instalments for registration were introduced to help alleviate financial issues caused by the pandemic. There was also a reduction in the fee for an early payment. Interestingly only 13% took advantage of the payment instalment option.
- Online updating was available this year as opposed to face to face in previous years.
- The national office has continued to function throughout Covid19 and VA.
- Syllabus reviews are nearing completion.

### **State**

- Innovative Coaches and Coach Educators have used online opportunities to coach and assess as well as address their own personal development.
- 7 Intro Coaches have reached the stage of commencing coaching training and assessment.
- 1 lapsed coach was assessed and is now registered.
- 1 lapsed coach is undergoing familiarisation for Level 1 and is to commence Level 2 Dressage.
- 1 Level 1 Dressage is to complete coaching tasks

- A Coach of the Year award has been introduced for the first time to help lift the profile of registered coaches in the state. 4 finalists were voted for by Etas members. A large turnout voted which is encouraging.
- EA accredited coaches have been adopted for Squad clinics and training days...part of EA's philosophy to support our registered coaches.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow committee members for their support and teamwork. Appreciation too must go to Sue McDermott, our minute taker and representative to the Etas Board.

Judy Peel  
Chair  
Tasmanian Coaching Committee



## 2019 AUSTRALIAN INTERSCHOOL CHAMPIONSHIPS

It is hard to believe it has been a year since the Australian Interschool Championships were held at SIEC in Sydney. In fact, we were on a plane today to head up there. If the world had not gone crazy the team would have been in Toowoomba this weekend!

The 2019 Tasmanian team consisted of:

**Eventing EVA80** - Sophie Richardson, Billy Wilson, Chloe Daun, Bronte McShane

**Eventing EVA95** - Georgia Elias, Bronte McShane, Brooke Foster, Chloe Daun

**Eventing CNC 1\*** - Georgia Van der Drift, Petra Schuecker, Jess Grove

**Eventing CNC 2\*\*** - Bethany Hirst

**Show Jumping Primary 80cm** - Billy Wilson, Chloe Daun, Maya Stephens, Jock Johnston

**Show Jumping Primary 90cm** - Chloe Daun, Ruby Hirst

**Show Jumping Secondary 90cm**, - Emily Irvine, Sharna Dolby, Laura Monty, Lily Schuecker Rush

**Show Jumping Secondary 1.00m** - Georgia Elias, Jess Grove, Emily Brown

**Show Jumping Secondary 1.10m** - Charlotte Youngman, Jessie Groves, Chloe McFarlane, Shakira Miller

**Dressage Primary Prelim** - Lucy Johnston, George Furzer, Ella Jones

**Dressage Secondary Prelim** - Harry Furzer, Ava Walker, Ella Nast

**Dressage Secondary Novice** - Harry Furzer, Georgia Van Der Drift, Petra Schuecker

**Dressage Secondary Elementary** - Jordan Gale

**Dressage Secondary Medium** - Jordan Gale

**Primary Combined Training 45cm** - Lucy Johnston

**Primary Combined Training 60cm** - Maya Stephens, George Furzer, Ella Jones

**Primary Combined Training 80cm** - Ruby Hirst, Jock Johnston

**Secondary Combined Training 60cm** – Ava Walker, Ella Nast

**Secondary Combined Training 80cm** - Laura Monty, Kenny Walch, Emily Brown

**Secondary Combined Training 95cm** - Harry Furzer

**Secondary Combined Training 105** - Sharika Miller

**Secondary Show horse** - Ava Walker, Ella Nast

The team was captained by Georgia Elias who did a great job with team spirit and motivating riders over the championships.

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Of course, getting a huge team like this to Sydney was no easy feat! We must thank Hayley Sheehan from Tasmanian Horse Transport for her ongoing support.

Thanks also to Samantha Nast for the great stable posters, Amanda Baker for her awesome embroidery and Remus Rugs for the great team rugs.

And it goes without saying all the parents who put in hours (and \$\$\$) to get the riders there and looking so professional.

Tasmania had some great results over the week with regular placings on the podium in both individual classes and the overall championships.

Check out the Tassie Interschool Team 2019 Facebook page for results and photos.

Final thanks to Andrea Watson for all her efforts behind the scenes, both before the team left and while we were in Sydney. The hours she spent sorting out draws, uniforms, transport and everything else certainly made my job easier.

Hopefully, things will be back to normal this time next year and a Tassie Team will be able to travel to the next championships at Werribee.

Andrew Gibson  
Chef d'Equipe  
Tasmanian Interschool Team



# **Equestrian Tasmania**

**ABN 69 934 724 696**

## **FINANCIAL REPORT**

**For the year ended 31 May 2020**



# Equestrian Tasmania

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## FINANCIAL REPORT

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# Equestrian Tasmania Incorporated

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## Profit & Loss [With Last Year]

June 2019 To May 2020

	This Year	Last Year
Income		
Members Subscriptions	\$125,496	\$136,025
Competition Licences	\$15,855	\$17,920
Horse Registrations	\$11,585	\$16,917
General	\$76,593	\$21,454
Member Training/Sponsor Income	\$2,249	\$0
ShowHorse Sub Committee	\$17,221	\$15,799
State Equestrian Centre	\$47,318	\$46,408
Aust Interschools Champs	\$545	\$500
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>\$296,862</b>	<b>\$255,023</b>
Total Cost of Sales	\$0	\$0
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>\$296,862</b>	<b>\$255,023</b>
Expenses		
Equestrian Australia Levies	\$56,854	\$66,146
Administration	\$16,482	\$16,809
Nat Affiliation/ PL Insurance	\$1,837	\$2,114
General	\$28,241	\$10,063
Wages	\$27,720	\$25,703
Wages - Jobkeeper	\$3,536	\$0
Contract MC Swabbing	\$540	\$0
EA Sports_MedicationControl	\$8,348	\$2,921
Sport Development Funding	\$17,013	\$24,821
Sport Licence Funding	\$13,033	\$1,225
Junior Development	\$0	\$1,924
Sub Committee (SC) Expenses	\$12,602	\$25,361
State Equestrian Centre	\$37,411	\$52,381
<b>Total Expenses</b>	<b>\$223,616</b>	<b>\$229,467</b>
<b>Operating Profit</b>	<b>\$73,245</b>	<b>\$25,556</b>
Other Income		
Interest	\$0	\$346
Other Expenses		
Depreciation	\$1,646	\$1,377
<b>Net Profit/(Loss)</b>	<b>\$71,599</b>	<b>\$24,524</b>

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**Balance Sheet [Last Year Analysis]**

May 2020

	This Year	Last Year
<b>Assets</b>		
Current Assets		
CBA Working Account	\$101,992	\$57,037
Medical Account	\$6,457	\$0
Investment Account	\$165,091	\$163,165
Accrued Income	\$13,000	\$0
Sub Committees Cash	\$43,000	\$32,472
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>\$329,540</b>	<b>\$252,674</b>
Other Assets		
Loan Dressage Tasmania	\$10,000	\$10,000
Property & Equipment		
Tasmanian Equestrian Centre	\$8,548	\$9,925
Equipment	\$1,081	\$0
<b>Total Property &amp; Equipment</b>	<b>\$9,629</b>	<b>\$9,925</b>
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>\$349,169</b>	<b>\$272,599</b>
<b>Liabilities</b>		
Income in Advance	\$1,364	\$0
GST Liabilities		
Total GST Liabilities	\$1,410	\$0
PAYGW Payable	\$3,006	\$854
Superannuation payable	\$383	\$338
Discipline Grants		
S& R Grant	\$30,000	\$30,000
<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>\$36,162</b>	<b>\$31,192</b>
<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>\$313,006</b>	<b>\$241,407</b>
<b>Equity</b>		
Retained Earnings	\$241,407	\$216,883
Current Year Earnings	\$71,599	\$24,524
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>\$313,006</b>	<b>\$241,407</b>

# **Equestrian Tasmania Incorporated**

**Notes to and Forming Part of the Accounts for year ended 31 May 2020**

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## **1 STATEMENT OF ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

### ***(a) Basis of Accounting***

This financial report is a special purpose financial report prepared in order to satisfy the financial report preparation requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (TAS). Committee members have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity. The report has been prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act (TAS) and the following accounting policies are consistent with those of the prior period unless otherwise stated:

***AASB 110***: Events After the Balance Sheet Date

***AASB 118***: Revenue

***AASB 1031***: Materiality

### ***(b) Income Tax***

The Association is exempt from income tax under the current provisions of the Income Tax Assessment Act and accordingly no expense has been charged or liability included in the accounts with respect to income tax.

### ***(c) Plant & Equipment***

Items of plant and equipment are brought to account at cost and depreciated over their useful lives commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use.

### ***(d) Revenue***

Revenue is recognised when it is due and payable.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of Goods and Services Tax (GST).

### ***(e) Investments***

Investments are valued at cost, and interest is accrued on a daily basis.

**Independent auditor's report  
To members of Equestrian Tasmania Inc.**

I have audited the special purpose financial reports of Equestrian Tasmania Inc. and the State Equestrian Centre for the year ended 31 May 2020.

**Audit Opinion**

In my opinion, the special purpose financial reports of Equestrian Tasmania Inc. and the State Equestrian Centre presents fairly in accordance with applicable Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia the financial position of the Association and Centre as at 31 May 2020 and the results of operations for the year then ended.

**Limitation of Scope**

As is common for organisations of this type, it is not practicable to establish complete accounting control over cash received from all of its activities. Verification therefore has been limited to the receipt of funds recorded in the Association's financial records.

**Management Committee's Responsibility for the Financial Report**

The Management Committee is responsible for preparation and fair presentation of the special purpose financial report and information contained therein. This responsibility includes establishing and maintaining internal controls relevant to preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances.

**Auditor's Responsibility**

My responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on my audit. I have conducted my audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the accounts are free of material misstatement. My procedures included examination, on a test basis, of evidence supporting amounts and other disclosures in the accounts, and the evaluation of accounting policies and significant accounting estimates. These procedures have been undertaken to form an opinion as to whether, in all material respects, the financial statements are presented fairly in accordance with Australian Accounting Concepts and Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements (Urgent Issues Group Consensus Views) (where applicable), and statutory requirements so as to present a view which is consistent with my understanding of the Association's financial position and the results of its operations and cash flows.

I believe that the audit evidence I have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for my audit opinion.

**Independence**

To the best of my knowledge and belief, there has been no contravention of auditor independence and any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

MAX PECK & ASSOCIATES



Rendell W. RIDGE  
17 September 2020