April/May 2021

We have come to the end of the Tasmanian eventing season but NTEC is planning activities to keep us going through the winter months starting with a combined training day on 30th May. More details later in this newsletter.

EA rider numbers have been down this year but it hasn't been an easy season, initially with a wet spring and starting with last year's State Championship! However, I think that those that did ride really enjoyed being out competing and we do have a number of very keen riders in the lower height classes.



It is very important to thank our cross-country course builders Jamie Buckby and Sue Walton who spent very many hours at Quercus so that we could enjoy our sport and also the "behind the scenes" people, especially Phyliss Pyke and Sally Cowan, without whom we could not run

our events.

Our AGM is coming up in a couple of months and it would be wonderful to see some new faces on the committee, not only to help with the workload but also with some fresh ideas. We have a monthly meeting at Entally Lodge and as well as the committee work, it is a pleasant time to catch up with other NTEC members.

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Put these on your calendar:

30th May: Combined Training competition At Edinburgh Park, Gravelly Beach

- 27th June: (NB: to be confirmed) Trail ride at Baker's Beach
- 17th July: Indoor training day at Illawarra Lodge, Carrick
- 15th Aug: Indoor training day at Illawarra Lodge, Carrick
- 12th Sept: Short course Hickstead at Quercus Park
- 24th Oct: Hickstead at Quercus Park

Please always check dates nearer the time as sometimes date changes are necessary for reasons outside of NTEC's control.

Combined Training Competition

On 30th May NTEC is running a combined training competition at Edinburgh Park, Gravelly Beach as one of our "out-of-eventing-season" activities. This is a competition involving a dressage test and a show jumping round where your total score is a combination of the two results. The dressage tests we are using are not the eventing tests this time to make things a little trickier! There will be a 50cm, 65cm and 80cm class with a different test for each. You can enter any 2 classes.

This competition is open to all TEA members and all EA members. Feel free to invite non eventing riders provided they have EA membership. Entry is via Nominate and is open now so get your entries in ASAP. We are hoping for a fun and relaxed day.

Reduced fee membership

For anyone who wishes to compete at the combined training day, the cost of joining NTEC (and consequently TEA) has been reduced this late in the year but will still give you some discount on entry fees. Membership runs to the end of June.

The reduced membership to the end of June is:

Adult \$40, Junior \$20 Family (2 adults and 2 children in the same household) \$60

2021 State Eventing Championships

Held in March over two days at the Tasmanian Equestrian Centre at Laudadale, nine NTEC riders competed in the four grades with three riders achieving top four placings in their classes. Georgia Elias placing first and fourth in EvA95. Congratulations to all our riders who made the long trip south.

NTEC Northern Eventing Champs

The NTEC northern champs were held at Quercus at the end of March with around 75 horses competing from Ev50 up to EvA1* as well as Interschool classes. The weather was perfect and the cross-country course was a credit to its builder Jamie Buckby and his helpers. It was great to see jumps like the keyhole being utilised again and a few extras such as the jump with the kangaroo picture.

Dressage had its interesting moments for some, with the sprinklers behind the judges coming on unexpectedly! Some people had a great test, others not so good as is always the case in eventing.

Ian Jago built a good show jumping course utilising most of the "dog arena".

Results are at the end of this newsletter but a big thank you to our dressage, show jumping and cross-country judges without whom we cannot run these events. Also, thank you to our generous sponsors Cressy Chaff Cutters, Tasmanian Horse Transport and Tas Racing OTT.



Northern Champs

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Thank you Emma Walker for these photos of happy people!





Meeting our members!

Emma Walker is my "victim" for this newsletter and has agreed to tell us a bit about herself.

When did you get your first horse and what are your earliest memories of riding? EW: I started riding at



was introduced to eventing by being a part of Launceston Pony and Riding Club and was lucky enough to be involved in the era when Andrew and Manu McLean lived in Launceston. They were an amazing support for us kids and coached us through the grades to the state trials for a few years.

What do you enjoy most about eventing, what

keeps you going with it? EW: I am a lot less confident rider than I was when I was younger. We finally got brave enough to join NTEC a couple of years ago



Michelle's Riding School when I was 6 years old. No-one else in my family rode so it was a great way to be introduced to horses and I spent all my weekends at Michelle's for many years.

How long have you been eventing and what got you into it? EW: I



and love this club. I enjoy the challenge of eventing – it tests all aspects of the horse and rider and there is always so much to learn. You need to be consistent across all disciplines to do well. Most importantly – you need to build a trusting relationship between you and your horse and look after each other.

Tell us about your current horse. Does he have any idiosyncrasies? EW: After not riding for about 10 years Digger is the horse I never thought I'd have and I adore him. He is a 9 year old Thoroughbred/ Clydie/ Percheron cross and was around 2 years old when I bought him. With the help of many, I slowly backed him and educated him over time. Digger is a fairly laid back boy – full of personality and likes to throw in a spook when I'm least expecting it.

What are your plans for your equestrian future? EW: I enjoy any time I can spend with the horses and hop to continue riding for many years. I also made some wonderful friendships through the horse community in Launceston and love seeing other people kicking their goals.

Competition Results

2021 State Eventing Championships at TEC March $\rm 20^{th}$ and $\rm 21^{st}$

EvA1*

- 1. Petra Schuecker STEA ESB GOLDEN OFFICER
- 2.Bronte McShane STEA EAGLE ELMS BUDDHA
- 3. Chloe Daun STEA PEC BARINDAL GRANDEUR
- 4. isobel Christian STEA WINTERS HILL LOOK AT ME NOW

EvA95

- 1.Georgis Elias NTEC SILVERWOODS AUSSIE PRIDE
- 2. Narelle Rowlandson STEA MARTY MCVEE
- 3. Tiarni Wrigley STEA MISSIN A BIT
- 4. Georgis Elias NTEC DEL RIO CHARIOT BELLS

EVa80

- 1. Olivia Brennan STEA SILVER HILLS SERENITY
- 2. Meegan Daun STEA PEC MANORVALE SECRET AGENT
- 3. Holly Gudsell NTEC WAR LEGEND
- 4. Krystle Ryder STEA TATOKA ROCK OUT

Ev65

- 1. Catherine Youl STEA TUSSOCK
- 2. Esther Cantwell STEA FLOR DE CANA
- 3. Fiona de Jersey STEA LINBIL WHITE CLOUD
- 4. Hunter Palfreyman NTEC ACED IT

2021 Northern Eventing Championships at Quercus March 28th

EvA1*

- 1. Chloe Daun STEA PEC BARINDALE GRANDEUR
- 2. Tiarni Wrigley STEA DRIVIN MISS DAISY
- 3. Jessica Cowan NTEC BEAUTIFUL TRAUMA
- 4. Bethany Hirst NTEC FAST AND FURIOUS

EvA95

- 1. Ingrid Bradley NTEC GRAND CRU IRISH FIDDLE
- 2. Georgia Elias NTEC SILVERWOODS AUSSIE PRIDE
- 3. Ruby Hirst NTEC GOOSEBUMPS
- 4. Bethany Hirst NTEC SANDHILLS BLISS

EvA80

- 1. Kiah Mansfield NWEC TJET RISING PHOENIX
- 2. Taylah Evans NWEC ARLI GOLD

- 3. Britney Cooper NWEC EAGLEHOLME BASILLIA
- 4. Esther Cantwell STEA FLOR DE CANA

Ev65 open

- 1. Maddison Stewart NTEC RAYOS
- 2. Jessica Cowan NTEC WELLBROOK LULU
- 3. Alysha Verway NTEC ACED IT
- 4. Sandra Atkins NTEC ANAWA PAINTED VISION

Ev65 junior

- 1. Chloe Daun STEA PEC D DAY DIESEL
- 2. Hollie Bennett NTEC JEWEL QUEST
- 3. Meg Kilby NTEC YARBOROUGH HONOUR
- 4. Chloe Harris NWEC OCEANA FIRSTWORD

Ev50 open

- 1. Kelly Smith NWEC SHERIDAN PARK DON FEDOR
- 2. Heather Cambridge NWEC SWYNFORD
- 3. Leanne Barker NTEC TRALEE GALILEO

Ev50 junior

- 1. Sophie Binns NTEC RAINY MAY
- 2. Lola Saward NTEC SPRINGTIME GOLD KLASS

Tas Racing OTT best scoring combination at the Northern Champs: Tiarni Wrigley