



**PONY CLUB**  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# Annual Report

## 2020

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## ABOUT US

The Pony Club is an international youth organisation dedicated to providing opportunities for young people that are interested in horses, ponies and riding. Pony Clubs exist to promote the holistic development of young people by encouraging sportsmanship and good citizenship. Through pony club, opportunities are provided to young riders to gain knowledge and become proficient in their chosen equestrian sport.

The Pony Club movement started in the United Kingdom in 1929 with the stated aim of encouraging young people to learn to ride and enjoy all kinds of sport connected with horses and riding.

The first Pony Club in Western Australia was established in 1959. Pony Club Western Australia (Pony Club WA) is the recognised state sporting organisation representing the interests of 13 zones, 56 clubs and over 3113 members.

### OUR VISION

To be the equestrian organisation of choice for the youth of Western Australia.

### OUR MISSION

To engage, inspire, educate and unite our members through a mutual love of horses.

### OUR AIMS

To encourage young people to ride and to learn to enjoy all approved kinds of sport connected with horses and riding.

To provide instruction in riding and horse mastership and to instil in members the proper care of their animals.

To promote the highest ideals of fellowship, citizenship and loyalty, and to cultivate strength of character and self-discipline.

In the spirit of reconciliation, Pony Club WA acknowledges the traditional custodians of country throughout Australia and their connections to land, sea, and community. We pay our respect to their elders past and present and extend that respect to all Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples today.



# ASSOCIATION POSITIONS

## 2020 BOARD

Chair	Karl Stokes
Vice Chair	Jan Lawrie
Director/ State Coaching Panel Member	Nyrell Williams
Directors	Amelia Thomas
	Ann-Marie Lowry
	Brooke Burgess
	Deborah Spencer
	Rod Dowding
	Steve Frantom

## 2020 AUDIT AND FINANCE COMMITTEE

Brooke Burgess  
Nyrell Williams  
Steve Frantom

## 2020 GOVERNANCE AND RISK COMMITTEE

Jan Lawrie  
Karl Stokes  
Morgan Holmes  
Rick Gill

## 2020 STAFF

CEO	Trudi Hall/ Rick Gill
Accounts	Ian Tate/ Grace Passmore
Marketing & Sponsorship	Madison Treloar
Development	Sally Mayall
Sports	Lou Hardwick/ Tanya Appleby
Membership & Administration	Amber Rose McQueen

## 2020 STATE COMMITTEE/PANEL CHAIRS

State Coaching Panel	Heather Wyllie
Gear Check Advisory Panel	Dianne Ould
Active Riding	Kylie Hall
Dressage	Tanya Appleby/ Kristen Hawkins
Eventing	Sharon Shanks/ Julie Conroy
Hickstead/Hunter Trials	Dianne Ould
Showjumping	Jeanette Hatch
Tetrathlon	Sarah Wiese

## 2020 STATE LIFE MEMBERS

Judy Rose



## CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

The past year has been a demonstration of the strength, resilience and ingenuity of Pony Club WA.

Whilst the rest of the world has been consumed with responding to the COVID 19 pandemic, our Pony Club community here in Western Australia quickly pivoted and made use of technology to keep the season going. Whilst keeping in line with the distancing guidelines in place, we had online training sessions, virtual dressage competitions and a plethora of funny videos, including those making alternative uses of stockpiled toilet paper rolls.



In 2020 our Sports Committees transitioned from in-person meetings to virtual meetings to keep progressing the agenda of their respective disciplines. This commitment was demonstrated when COVID restrictions lifted late in the season and the tradition of our State Championships was maintained. At Pony Club in Western Australia, we have been in a very privileged position to have a COVID safe community in which to live and the Sports Committees that are dedicated to delivering the State Championships for their disciplines.

In 2020, it was with great sadness that we said farewell to former CEO and long-term Pony Club contributor, Trudi Hall. Trudi was instrumental in driving the transformation of Pony Club WA to become the professional organisation that it is today. I thank Trudi for the enormous contribution that she made to our organisation.

In the past year we have welcomed our new CEO in Rick Gill. Rick brings valuable experience and insight from his previous sporting experience and his time at Pony Club Victoria. I look forward to Rick's contribution to the organisation as we move forward into 2021.

Finally, I would like to say 'Thank-you'. Through a year of massive uncertainty and change you have maintained your commitment to Pony Club. Thank-you to our staff that have kept the office stable through the changes of 2020. Thank-you to the Sports Committees that have remained engaged and kept their disciplines moving forward. Thank-you to the Coaches that have got on board with the new syllabus and kept developing their disciplines. Thank-you to the Zone and Club committees that have kept your clubs alive and relevant through the past year. Thank-you to the parents and grandparents that manage to get rider and pony to rallies and competitions each weekend. Last of all, thank-you to the riders who are learning new skills, becoming better riders and having fun whilst doing it. You are the reason that we are all here to keep you engaged with this great sport.

**KARL STOKES**

*Chair of the 2020 Board  
Pony Club WA*

# Our Board



## **KARL STOKES**

*Chairperson*

Karl grew up as a Pony Club kid in Central Queensland and, despite a distinct lack of riding prowess, enjoyed many bush gymkhanas and rural pony club camps. Karl's equestrian interests were interrupted when he moved to Brisbane to study and then moving to Perth.

Karl did not get back to the horse scene until his wife, Susan, convinced him that it would be a good idea to live in the Perth hills, at which time he convinced her that ponies for the children would be a good idea to "enhance our lifestyle, but not become our lifestyle". Karl managed to stay true to that ethos for a very short time until his daughter took up membership at the Darlington Pony Club and became a very enthusiastic eventer, now every spare minute is occupied by the topic of horses.

Karl was a member of the Darlington Pony Club committee between 2012 – 2018 where he alternated between the roles of President and Vice-President.

When he is not busy with horses, Karl is maintaining his career in the mining industry where he holds a senior leadership position.



## **JAN LAWRIE**

*Vice Chairperson*

The journey of her own children through Pony Club has instilled in Jan the belief in Pony Club WA as a character-building association for both riders and parents. What other sport involves getting up at the crack of dawn, towing horses all over the state, making sure all the correct gear is packed and clean, knowing all the rules for any particular sport, spending endless hours watching, having and or giving lessons then being on hand to help with those last-minute hiccups all for 8 minutes in the arena. 100% worth it!



## **NYRELL WILLIAMS**

*Director & Appointed State Coaching Panel Representative*

Nyrell was appointed to the Pony Club WA State Coaching Panel in 2008 and has held the position of Chairperson for the past 3 years and have also been in the positions of State C\* Co-ordinator, State NCAS Coach Co-ordinator and Board Representative. She is a NCAS PC Level 1 Coach, Efficiency Level Examiner for C, C Star/K an NCAS Coach Assessor and an Accredited Gear Checker

Nyrell would like to see Pony Club continue to be a prominent youth organisation. She is passionate to promote the "Aims and Objectives of Pony Club" to all members and coaches and allow all youth the opportunities Pony Club has to offer.



**AMELIA THOMAS**

*Director*

Amelia has been a member of Pony Club WA for nearly 20 years, starting her pony club journey in the Pilbara region.

Over that period, Amelia has also been involved in the operations of clubs as a former member of the committee, both as a junior member, associate and now as a Preliminary level coach. She was a member of the state Dressage Committee from 2017 until 2019.

She has been involved as a volunteer on a number of occasions and recognised for these efforts receiving the Pony Club WA Citizenship Award in 2017 and the Pony Club WA Dressage Coach of the Year Award recipient in 2018.

Amelia has a background in Human Resource Management, Accounting, Politics & International Relations with a Bachelor of Commerce & Arts obtained from the University of Notre Dame. She views her role on the board as the next step in continuing her involvement and development as a member of Pony Club.

Amelia would like to see Pony Club WA continue to grow as a youth sporting organisation in Western Australia.



**ANN-MARIE LOWRY**

*Director*

Ann-Marie believes that Pony Club, at all levels, can deliver even greater services to all the members through open, transparent and encouraging environments and by sharing the roles and responsibilities amongst as many as possible. The workload is lighter, knowledge is shared, and successful progression is facilitated.



**BROOKE BURGESS**

*Director*

Brooke started Pony Club when she was 6 years old and was a member for the following period (1997-2009, 2016) at Riverside Park Pony Club. During that time Brooke was actively involved as a member and as a competitor in all disciplines. Brooke represented Western Australia twice at the National PPMG in 2005 and 2006. Furthermore, Brooke has been a member of the Pony Club WA Audit and Finance Committee for the past 2 years, assisting with the audit process and drafting financial statements for Pony Club WA.



### **DEB SPENCER**

*Director*

The contribution that Deb would like to make to the Pony Club WA is that her objective views on all matters Pony Club help the Association to grow in numbers and popularity.

Over the next few years Deb would like to see the Association grow in membership numbers, both riders and coaches. Deb firmly believes this is the most wonderful organisation to be involved with and if everyone can work harmoniously together with Clubs and Zones, this will easily be achieved.



### **ROD DOWDING**

*Director*

Rod is a current member at the Swan Valley Horse and Pony Club with his daughter, who is riding and enjoying Club life.

Over the last 2 years, Rod has held various Committee Roles Including being the former President at Horsemen's Pony Club and now holding a current board director position with Pony Club WA.

Rod has also covered the role of Grounds Manager during his time at Horsemen's Pony Club and has been involved in the planning and running of many events held at the same club. He is always hands on and eager to help when his Daughter is competing. Rod achieved the PCA Volunteer of year for 2019.

Rods background outside of Pony Club for just over 7 years I have been the Operations Manager overseeing 15 WA Stores in all aspects from HR to Marketing, Business Analysis, Strategy, Maintenance and Repairs.



### **STEVE FRANTOM**

*Director*

There have been many memorable Pony Club moments, including leading our miniature pony and rider combination at a run in deep arena sand, completing two legs of a tetrathlon, (the longest four-minute swim of his life!) and experiencing every possible weather condition other than snow.

On any given weekend you will find Steve, along with the many parent helpers, on the ground participating in our favoured disciplines, Active Riding, Showjumping, Tetrathlon and enjoying the wonderful camaraderie which is such an important part of what we do.





## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

I am very pleased to present the 2020 CEO report to members.

Firstly, I would like to acknowledge the great work by Pony Club WA's retired CEO Trudi Hall. Trudi has put an enormous amount of energy into ensuring Pony Club WA is in the very strong position it is, and has made my job, as the incoming CEO all that easier. Having worked with Trudi over the past 3 years in my former role as CEO of Pony Club Victoria, I can attest to the dedication and passion Trudi put into Pony Club. In many respects, led by Trudi, Pony Club WA set benchmarks in numerous areas and batting well above its weight.



I am very much looking forward to continuing that trend.

In a year where anything is but normal, it has been a very taxing time for the entire movement from the Board and staff of Pony Club WA all the way through to our clubs, coaches, and volunteers. COVID-19 has certainly turned the world on its head.

Whilst from a government level the pandemic was well managed, there was significant impact on the organisation with many events being cancelled or postponed.

It was a credit to all involved that for every challenge that was thrown at us due to COVID-19, our committees, volunteers and staff responded well.

Our State Showjumping Championship originally to be held in May was postponed being held in conjunction with the Perth Royal Show in September, only to have the Show itself be cancelled. At the last minute, the State Showjumping Championship was moved to Serpentine and successfully run over the weekend of 26-28 September.

The Tetrathlon State Championship was postponed from April to be held at the end of November, and the International Mounted Games which was cancelled very early on. WA was to host the PCA National Conference and AGM, and this was cancelled and held as a zoom meeting.

Our other State Championship events were successfully conducted on their original dates: Active Riding in September at Serpentine, Eventing in October at Capel, and Dressage at the State Equestrian Centre in August.

Congratulations to all the winners and competitors.

While COVID-19 threw up challenges, the way that Pony Club responded was a credit to all of our members, clubs and volunteers. When faced with adversity our Pony Club values shone through and we adapted, coped and re-invented. We have made more use of technology such as online meetings and webinars, with the lessons learned to persevere even though the impacts of COVID-19 have diminished.

Your State Office adapted to the crisis very well, with the systems in place allowing for staff to work from home with little disruption to services.

2020 saw the introduction of the High Performance Camp held at Serpentine Horse and PonyClub in November. This camp was an outstanding success with 63 riders being led through advanced coaching by some of our best coaches. We certainly hope that many of our high performance riders put themselves forward for selection for the PCA National Championship to be held in Victoria in September 2021.

Although COVID-19 created a very big hiccup, the roll-out of our Strategic Plan continued with progress in several areas. This is more comprehensively summed up in coming pages.

The Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries continues to support Pony Club WA through funding and importantly the provision of training and advice to staff and volunteers. Late in 2021 staff members attended Australian Institute of Management courses. Healthway are major partners of Pony Club WA and support several of our initiatives including Race Around the State. Appreciated is the support of Horseland, Milne Feeds and Racing and Wagering WA who all contribute significantly so that Pony Club WA can continue to offer the services our members expect.

The Horseland Sports Leaderboards provides opportunities to ride, rewards participation and success, and judging by the growth this initiative is working for clubs and members alike. The NEW Regional Bonus Points Scheme is being introduced in 2021. The scheme has been developed to promote attendance at regional competitions to assist with numbers.

Our Pony Club WA Awards were another outstanding success being held at Mulberry Estate this year. The relaxed surroundings at Mulberry were very popular with everyone enjoying the presentations of our riders, volunteers, coaches, and clubs of the year. We are looking forward to the 2021 Awards.

Pony Clubs WA's first High Performance Squad launched by the State Showjumping Committee was very popular with 19 squad members in its first year of operation. The State Tetrathlon Committee also launched its High-Performance Squad with clinics held toward the latter part of 2020.

The rollout of the new Syllabus of Instruction has been well managed with the State Coaching Panel working to ensure all our coaches are equipped with the information and training required to apply the new equitation material included. More support is planned for 2021 as the year gets underway. Overall, coaches have been very positive with the new syllabus.

Looking to the future, there are a few areas we all need to work to.

Firstly, we all need to recognise that belonging to Pony Club WA comes with a set of values we all aspire to. The administration of Pony Club WA deals with several complaints each year, the vast majority involve adults acting poorly with most of these having the ability to be solved if everyone acted as a grown-up. Before acting, we all need to take a step back and think: "is what I am about to say or do going to be in the best interests of our children, my club and the Pony Club Movement? Is this the best way to resolve my issue?" In my experience once an issue gets to state level there are no winners, with the biggest losers our kids. Pony Club WA has a lot of resources available, as do organisations like Sport Australia with Play by the Rules.

Pony Club is primarily about learning and education centred on the PCA Syllabus of Instruction. It is going to be increasingly essential that to ensure our young riders receive a quality experience that all coaching is delivered by trained and accredited PCA Coaches. This is an important strategic objective with the benefit not only for riders, but for accredited coaches as well. Over 2021 and beyond will be more incentives to become qualified and accredited as a National Coaching Accreditation Scheme (NCAS) PCA Coach, including being recognised for prior learning.

In line with our strategic plan, 2021 will see an emphasis on using technology more in particular through more effective use of MyPonyClub. MyPonyClub is a sophisticated platform that, used effectively, reduces the workload for volunteers and club officials, and makes life easier for members. Pony Club riders and parents are generally very sophisticated as far as using online tools for payment of memberships and registrations for events and competitions. Information and training on using MyPonyClub will be a focus in 2021.

Finally, I would like to acknowledge the dedicated office team of Sally, Tanya, Madi and Amber. Their skill and knowledge have certainly made my transition from Pony Club Victoria to Pony Club WA much easier and we are lucky to have such highly skilled staff. I also want to thank the Pony Club WA Board and volunteers at club, zone and state level for their passion and hard work which without your help we would simply not exist.

**Rick Gill**

*Chief Executive Officer*



# STRATEGIC PLAN

Our 2019-2021 Strategic plan is built on the important work of the past. Board and management have collaborated with key stakeholders to create a strategic direction with a focus on communicating with our members, better support for clubs and zones, engagement of members in programmes and benefits whilst ensuring the sustainability of our association.

Four priority areas and their objectives have been identified as critical to the success of Pony Club WA over the next three years. The second year of delivery has been about strengthening connections across the state, actioning the work from gathering feedback to revitalise the purpose of zones, engaging members in programmes and activities and reviewing policies and procedures so best practice can be adhered to at all levels of the Association.

## CONNECT

**To facilitate the sharing of information and best practise across all levels of the organisation.**

### 2020 Deliveries:

- Strengthen internal processes at all levels across the Association.
  - ✓ Review inclusion and Diversity Policy
  - ✓ Commenced implementing a commitment to child safety.
  - ✓ Communicated clear processes for attaining efficiency certificates and coaching accreditations.
- Seek input and feedback from our state committees, zones, clubs, and members.
  - ✓ Facilitate annual joint State Committee Meetings.
  - ✓ Conduct regular members surveys and incorporate feedback into decision making and operational planning.
  - ✓ Use of technology to bring club executives together on a regular basis.
- Develop and promote resources that assist zones and clubs to improve functionality.
  - ✓ Promoted website resources.
  - ✓ Developed online resources to assist club and zone committees to fulfil their roles.
- Apply technology to bridge the gap between metropolitan and regional.
  - ✓ State committees used webinars to deliver training courses.
  - ✓ Used teleconferencing for state committees.
  - ✓ Promoted website resources.
  - ✓ Developed video resources to support training and development.

## SUSTAINABILITY

**To adapt and grow to better meet the diverse needs of our members and stake holders.**

### 2020 Deliveries:

- Manage risk and ensure compliance to protect the brand and sport.
  - ✓ Embedded controls to guard against excessive or undue risk.
- Secure sufficient revenue sources to ensure financial stability.
  - ✓ Maintained strong mutually beneficial partnerships with funding bodies.
  - ✓ Explored all available funding opportunities.
- Adapt and respond to identified member needs.
  - ✓ Reviewing of membership categories.
  - ✓ Conducted regular reviews of policies and procedures to allow for maximum participation opportunities.
  - ✓ Investigate and where relevant, introduce new activities such as Leaderboard.
  - ✓ Create clear and concise athlete high performance pathways for athletes and officials implemented state squads and conducted State Coaching school.
- Provide opportunities that support the development of a skill-based board and committees.
  - ✓ Engaged board members in training opportunities.
- Identify training needs and provide training opportunities that enable the association to retain a stable, skilled employee base.
  - ✓ Staff participated in professional development opportunities to strengthen identified areas of need.
  - ✓ Conducted annual staff performance reviews.

## COMMUNITY

**To strengthen our foundations by reinforcing the links between member, club, zone, and state.**

### 2020 Deliveries:

- Develop resources that improve member induction and orientation processes at all levels across the Association.
  - ✓ All relevant member and club resources are being made available on the website.
- Establish networking opportunities for clubs and zones.
  - ✓ Zones have regular meetings including topical items to discuss.
  - ✓ Sharing of ideas and resources through the zone structure
  - ✓ Implemented a zone buddy system with zones and Pony Club WA Board
- Build and support the capacity and capability of our volunteers.
  - ✓ Training and education programs continue to be developed and delivered.
- Promote a positive culture across all levels of the Association.
  - ✓ Positive stories shared through media.
  - ✓ Members promoted as ambassadors.
  - ✓ Volunteer of Month implemented

## PARTICIPATION

To engage members and volunteers in programs and opportunities across the pony club spectrum.

### 2020 Deliveries:

- Create and promote opportunities for members.
  - ✓ State and national opportunities promoted.
  - ✓ Benefits of Proficiency Certificates promoted.
  - ✓ Potential career pathways identified and promoted through Racing and Wagering WA, and through recognition of Proficiency Certificates as Recognised Prior Learning for TAFE Certificates
- Create resources that increase accessibility of programs.
  - ✓ Webinars used to deliver programs
- Reward and recognise all our people.
  - ✓ Nominations for state and annual awards promoted.
  - ✓ All nominees and award recipients celebrated through a range of media channels.
- Facilitate the use of technology to enhance delivery clear recognition of prior skills and experience.
  - ✓ State committees encouraged to use webinars and teleconferencing.
- Review our coach and officials' pathways and include clear recognition of prior skills and experience.
  - ✓ Utilising MyPonyClub to record coaches.





# OUR MEMBERS



**METROPOLITAN**  
950 Members  
30.5%



**REGIONAL**  
2163 Members  
69.5%

2020 SAW A TOTAL OF 3113 PONY CLUB WA MEMBERS

## ORDINARY RIDING MEMBERS

Riding members under the age of 17 years as of the 1st January

**MALE**  
128



**FEMALE**  
1217

## ASSOCIATE RIDING MEMBERS

Riding members aged 17 - 24 years as of the 1st January

**MALE**  
15



**FEMALE**  
215

## AFFILIATE RIDING MEMBERS

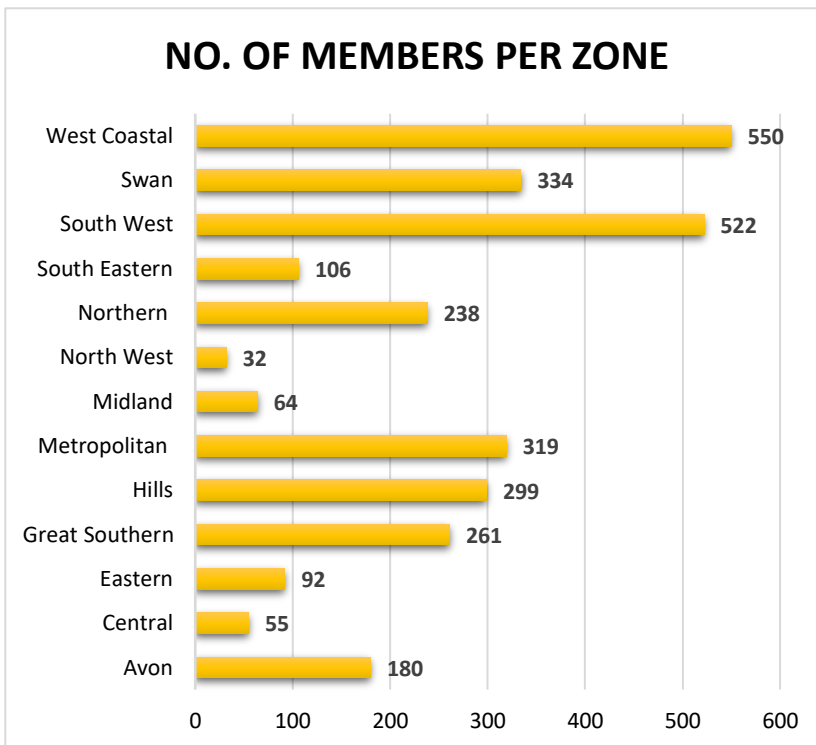
Riding members aged 25 years and older as of the 1st January

**MALE**  
5

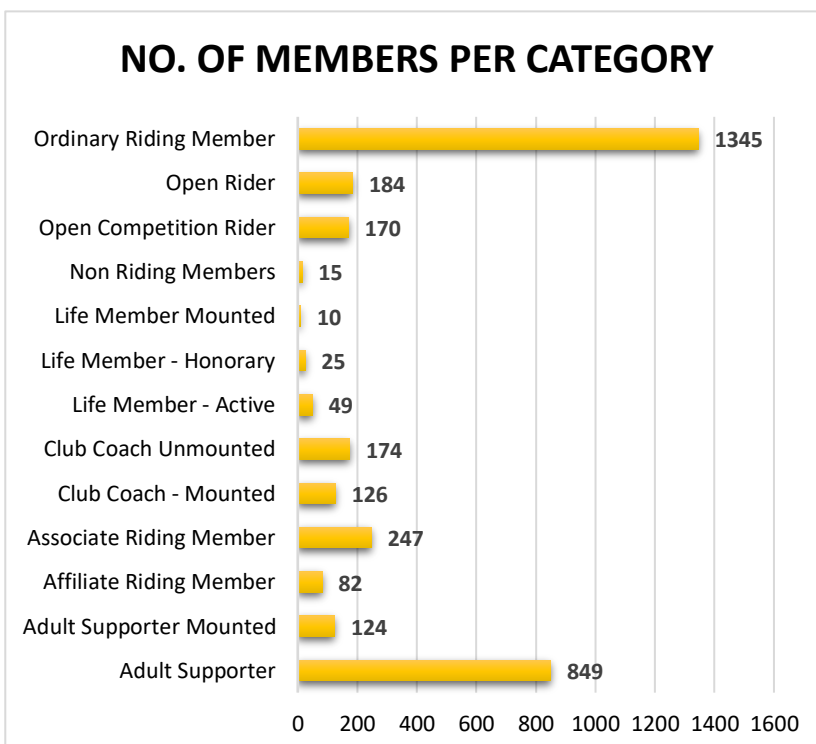


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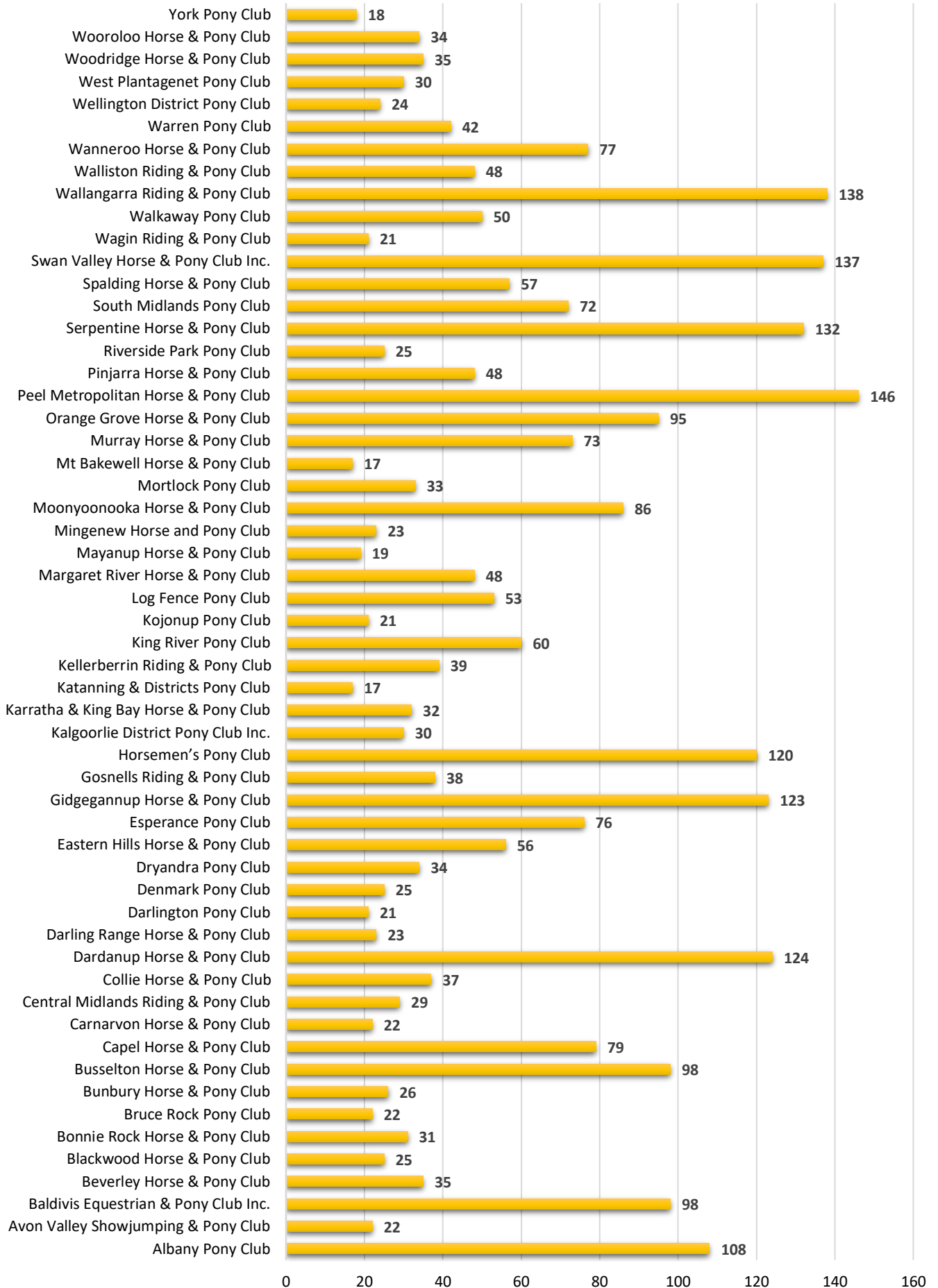
## NO. OF MEMBERS PER ZONE



## NO. OF MEMBERS PER CATEGORY



## NO. OF MEMBERS PER CLUB





# Social Media



## FACEBOOK

Grew from 3422 to  
3652 Likes  
672% Increase



## INSTAGRAM

Grew from 1195 to  
1428 Likes  
191% Increase



## MAILCHIMP EBLASTS

The Pony Club Post has a weekly reach to 4142 subscribers.

- 50 Pony Club Post Sent
- 79 Individual EBlast Sent
- 3 Board Reports Sent
- 6 Coaching News Sent





## WEBSITE

The Pony Club WA Website engages approximately

14,562 visitors monthly

# Event and Championship Participation

<p>Pony Club WA State <i>Active Riding Championship</i> 108 Participants 5th/6th September 2020   Serpentine Horse and Pony Club</p>	<p>Pony Club WA State <i>Dressage Championship</i> 224 Participants 15th/16th August 2020   State Equestrian Centre, Brigadoon</p>
<p>Pony Club WA State <i>Eventing Championship</i> 121 Participants 7th/8th November 2020   Capel Pony Club</p>	<p> <b>WANNEROO STOCKFEEDERS</b> <i>Showjumping Championship</i> 148 Participants 26th/27th September 2020   Serpentine Horse &amp; Pony Club</p>
<p>Pony Club WA State <i>Tetrathlon Championship</i> 56 Participants 28th/29th November 2020   Dryandra Pony Club</p>	<p> <b>MILNE Feeds</b> <i>State Coaching School</i> 120 Participants 8th/9th February 2020   Orange Grove Horse &amp; Pony Club</p>



## ONGOING PROJECTS

### Pony Club WA High Performance Camp

The inaugural Pony Club WA High Performance Camp was held on the weekend of the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> November 2020 and held at the beautiful grounds of Serpentine Horse and Pony Club.

This was an amazing weekend conducted by our Development Officer, Sally Mayall and her fantastic committee of volunteers; Wanda Longley, Linda Page, Georgia Goss, Kerstin Schoen, Natasha Naylor and Jenni Brown.

Active Riding, Dressage, Showjumping, Eventing, Tetrathlon and Vaulting are all sessions that were enjoyed by members over both days as well as Quiz, PCA National Championship, Dental and Careers in Racing presentations/demonstrations.

To conclude the first full day of coaching, members were lucky to witness an excellent Vaulting display whilst enjoying a delicious dinner provided by WA Spit Roast. This was soon followed by an energetic quiz night hosted by Natasha Naylor.



Thank you to our wonderful group of coaches who taught over the weekend:

- Natasha Naylor  
*Quiz*
- Steph Spencer  
*Dressage*
- Colin Chantler  
*Dressage*
- Bec Thomas  
*Eventing*
- Shaun Dillon  
*Eventing*
- Dan Foster  
*Active Riding*
- Kellie-Ann Crowe  
*Showjumping*
- Naomi Edmunds  
*Tetrathlon*
- Nakita Mawhirt  
*Tetrathlon*
- Matilda Yates  
*Vaulting*
- Ron Fleming  
*Careers in Racing*
- Martin Dolinschek  
*WAVED Equine Dentistry*

We look forward to continuing the camp for 2021 and it being even bigger and better.

***A massive thank you to Careers in Racing for their support of the Pony Club WA High Performance Camp 2020.***



# Healthway Projects

Healthway is a major partner of Pony Club WA through the Go for 2&5 message.

As well as supporting our State Championship Program and Festival, Healthway supports healthy initiatives and activities which encourage our members to live a healthy lifestyle through education about healthy food choices.

These activities fall under the Race Around the State programs which are delivered to clubs. Clubs then earn RATS “kilometres” based on a range of activities that encourages healthy lifestyles and behaviours. This has grown in popularity through 2020 as further online options have become available.

With Covid-19 hitting early during the year this gave Pony Club WA a key indication we needed to review activities and provide further online options for our members to take part in from the comfort of their home.

This proved to work well moving the Go for 2&5 Healthy Quiz to an online survey format, as well as introducing our new Go for 2&5 Virtual Canteen.

The Virtual Canteen provided members an opportunity to share how they wish to see their club canteen by submitting their DREAM CANTEEN. Members were encouraged to submit 5 green, 3 amber and 1 red food and beverage item/s.

Healthy Kids Healthy Horses formed the basis of recipe workshops held by clubs providing hands on experience creating healthy meals. All clubs holding workshops were presented with workshop packs that included recipe books, aprons and lunch containers.

The recipe competition was hugely popular again in 2020 and moving forward we will be utilising submitted recipes in our Healthy Kids and Healthy Horses recipe book. This will be a new tool clubs will have access to moving into 2021.

The Go for 2& 5 Fuel to Go and Play Online Training encourages the Pony Club community to train in nine quick and easy learning modules which included videos, text content, activities and summary quizzes to clarify the knowledge learnt in the process. A total of 4 members completed this which will impact 227 members overall.

An exclusive section of the Pony Club WA website was created for all Go For 2&5 Activities including activity updates, recipes, race status and forms for submitting evidence of Key Message promotion.



# Youth Leadership Program

Funding provided through a Department of Local Government Sporting and Cultural Young Sports Leaders Grant which gave Pony Club WA Associate Riding Members the opportunity to enhance their skills and knowledge in further achieving their PCA-NCAS Preliminary and/or Level 1 Coaching Accreditation. This Accreditation was gained through specialised mentoring and seminars at club and state level.

The Youth Leadership Program aimed to assist young people to overcome the barriers that may have reduced participation in previous years.

In 2020, eight associate members took part in the Youth Leadership Program and are now all working towards their PCA-NCAS Preliminary Accreditations.

# Speed to Safety



Due to low member participation and difficulty securing dates in conjunction with COVID-19, the Speed to Safety program was put on hold for 2020.

We look forward to 2021 where we will look into further extending this opportunity for members/clubs.

# Horseland WA Sponsored Pony Club Rider

After close review in the Horseland WA Sponsored Pony Club Rider Program a restructure was called upon.


With the generosity of our WA Horseland Stores, opened the following opportunities for our members:

- 1 x Horseland WA Sponsored Pony Club Regional Ambassador
- 4 x Horseland WA Sponsored Pony Club Junior Ambassadors
- 4 x Horseland WA Sponsored Pony Club Riders

This restructure opened up further opportunities for our regional members as well as our younger members. An extension of training offered by the store Sponsored Riders proved to offer educational and coaching support for our leading members. All applicants were invited to be in store for the announcements. This was exciting as we all tried to link to simultaneous store announcements state-wide.

The support of Horseland WA is greatly appreciated as it is an introduction for our successful members to the roles and responsibilities that come with being sponsored.

## 2020 SUCCESSFUL APPLICANTS

BUNBURY	KELMSCOTT	MIDLAND	PERTH	REGIONAL
<b>HANNAH JENKINS</b> Log Fence Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Sponsored Rider</small>	<b>MALORY CLARSON</b> Wallangarra Riding & Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Sponsored Rider</small>	<b>TAYA VAN RENSBURG</b> Horsemen's Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Sponsored Rider</small>	<b>GEORGIA HOMEWOOD</b> Central Midlands Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Sponsored Rider</small>	<b>RUBY RAE</b> King River Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Sponsored Rider</small>
<b>AIMEE KIDD</b> Collie Horse & Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Junior Ambassador</small>	<b>PORTIA-LEE FREEMAN</b> Peel Metro Horse & Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Junior Ambassador</small>	<b>MIA FELLOWS</b> Gidgegannup Horse & Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Junior Ambassador</small>	<b>LYLA VALURI</b> Wanneroo Horse & Pony Club <small>Horseland Pony Club Junior Ambassador</small>	



## ASSOCIATION INITIATIVES

### Member Forum

The aim of the Member Club Forum is to provide an opportunity for committee executives to network and discuss topics of relevance. It is held in conjunction with the Association Annual General Meeting and provides an invaluable information and networking opportunity for club delegates.

Topics at the 2020 Forum included Pony Club WA News and updates, Decision Making Process delivered by the Pony Club WA Board of Directors, Safety in Pony Club: Issues and Initiatives and Zones – Strengthening and supporting the Zone structure.

### Joint State Committee Meeting

A joint State Committee Meeting was held in June.

Our State Committees are essential cogs that turn the operational wheels of the Association. The importance of keeping our State Committees informed and up to date with governance and information is essential. It also provides an invaluable networking session to share ideas and initiatives.

The agenda covered information such as the Association Structure, Roles and Responsibilities of State Committees, Committee policies and procedures and finally help sessions that included understanding committee financial reports, sponsorship and conducting webinars.

### Member Surveys

Several surveys have been conducted throughout 2020 highly focusing on member feedback in regard to Events, Medical, Upcoming Projects and education updates.

We require this type of feedback from members to encourage growth throughout the sport and the process the association currently work with to act on any improvements.

Here is a list of surveys performed in 2020:

- Wanneroo Stockfeeders State Showjumping Championship 2020
- Medical Requirements at Pony club Activities
- Use of Club Grounds for Non-Pony Club Activities
- 2020 Youth Development Participants
- State Showjumping Squad Survey
- Showjumping Officials Workshop – 14th March 2020

- Horseland Sponsored Pony Club Riders 2020
- Bushfire Evacuation Centre
- Pony Club AGM 2020
- Milne Feeds State Coaching School 2020
- 2020 Member Forum
- State Showjumping Squad
- PCA Syllabus

With the rapid change Pony Club WA had to undertake with the impact of COVID-19 we felt surveying would be a great form of communication and reporting with our members and gain instant feedback in our various departments.

## Annual Awards

What an amazing turn out we have seen from not only nominees but members for our 8<sup>th</sup> Pony Club WA Annual Awards 2020.

The Pony Club WA Annual Awards allows members to be recognised for their outstanding and hardworking contribution to the Pony Club movement.

This event covers several awards including the State Awards, Annual Awards, Sport Leaderboard placings and the Go for 2&5 Race Around the State Placings.

State Awards are recommended by clubs, zones and state committees and put before the Board of Pony Club WA for approval. They are prestigious awards recognising the outstanding contributions to Pony Club in WA.

Annual Award nominees are nominated by members through applications. These are then collated and put in front of a selection panel where a winner per category is chosen through the use of a selection criteria. Each category has its own criteria to make the award.

2020 saw a fantastic increase of nominations made by members and included new to long standing members who have been in the pony club movement for many years.

A massive thank you once again goes to our incredible venue, Mulberry Estate. The team at this venue are outstanding and the family friendly location makes our event the success that it is.

Further thank you goes to our amazing sponsors, Horseland for their contribution to the Pony Club WA Sport Leaderboards and overall event sponsorship, Off the Track for their contribution to the OTT Leaderboards and Healthway for proving members with the Go for 2&5 Race Around the State.

Lastly thank you to our talented photographer, Rebecca De Vries who has dedicated many hours to our Annual Awards.





# AWARDS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

## State Awards

### PONY CLUB WA CITIZENSHIP AWARD

Awarded to an Associate Riding Member who has demonstrated constant practical service and assistance within their Club.

#### Recipients:

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| <p>1. <b>Ashleigh McNamee</b><br/><i>Wallangarra Riding and Pony Club</i></p> | <p>3. <b>Kate Eisele</b><br/><i>Busselton Horse and Pony Club</i></p>    |
| <p>2. <b>Imogen Stone</b><br/><i>Esperance Pony Club</i></p>                  | <p>4. <b>Rachel Clark</b><br/><i>Gidgegannup Horse and Pony Club</i></p> |



### MARGARET CAMPBELL SERVICE TO SPORT AWARD

The Margaret Campbell Award recognises the exceptional contribution of individuals to sport in pony club.

#### Recipients:

- Scott McNamee (posthumous)**  
 This award acknowledges Scott's contribution to the sport of Active Riding where he worked tirelessly to coach riders and encourage many to participate in the sport of Active Riding that he was extremely passionate towards. Scott was an invaluable member of the Active Riding Committee for over 8 years. He contributed on many levels from his vast experience and knowledge in games to commentating at our events. Scott McNamee was a dedicated and passionate supporter and advocate of Pony Club WA.

2. **Dianne Ould**

This award acknowledges Dianne's contribution to sport in Pony Club. With continued support as Chair of the Gear Checking Advisory Panel (GCAP), and Pony Club WA State Hickstead and Hunter Trials Committee, Dianne's dedication to sport in Pony Club goes above and beyond. Dianne is always looking to further improve pathways for riders and delivering these in Pony Club.



**PONY CLUB WA STATE AWARD - BRONZE**

This Service Certificate is presented in recognition of an outstanding and supportive contribution to the ideals of The Pony Club for 5 – 10 years.

**Recipients:**

1. **Vikki Goss**

In recognition and appreciation of your dedicated commitment and hard work in furthering and promoting the aims and objectives of Pony Club Western Australia.

2. **George Ruiz**

In recognition and appreciation of your dedicated commitment and hard work in furthering and promoting the aims and objectives of Pony Club Western Australia.



**PONY CLUB WA STATE AWARD – GOLD**

This Service Certificate is presented in recognition of an outstanding and supportive contribution to the ideals of The Pony Club for 15+ years.

**Recipients:**

1. **Deborah Spencer**

In recognition and appreciation of your dedicated commitment in coaching and hard work in furthering and promoting the aims and objectives of Pony Club Western Australia.





## STATE COACHING PANEL

### MISSION

The State Coaching Panel (The Panel) promotes and drives development of Pony Club WA Coaches and member coaching and gear checking pathways. Additionally, the SCP supports the implementation, state-wide, of the PCA Syllabus of Instruction and supports member clubs and zones with examination processes of efficiency certificates.

### LEADERSHIP – 2020 PANEL MEMBERS

**Heather Wyllie**

*Director of Coaching, National CAC Representative,  
C\*/K State Coordinator*

**Nyrell Williams**

*Secretary, Treasurer, Board Representation*

**Denise Legge**

*PC NCAS PC State Coordinator*

**Tracy Talbot**

*PC NCAS PC State Coordinator*

**Natasha Naylor**

*PC NCAS PC State Coordinator*

**Sue Britza**

*A & B State Coordinator*

**Ferne Faulkner**

*C\*/K State Coordinator*

**Judy Rose**

*General Member*

**Di Colley**

*General Member*

**Nerine Butler-Blaxell**

*Co-opted Members*

With the loss of external funding in 2019, the Panel has adopted a user pays system for the coaching and rider development schools. This has required us to “work smarter, not harder” and find alternate delivery methods for development across the State, with great results:

### COACH DEVELOPMENT

With the further development of the Coaching Webinars, the Panel was able to roll out a coaching school webinar series, giving a time and cost-effective alternative to one- or two-day schools. This series attracted more attendees and resulted in a record number of new coaching accreditations at both Preliminary and Level 1.

In addition, the SCP were able to offer Associate Members working towards their Preliminary Coaching Certificate funding to assist with the cost of attending the State Coaching School and Coaching Webinars, with the first of these coaches receiving their accreditation at the end of 2020.

### RIDER DEVELOPMENT

Even though Pony Club “closed down” for a short time, there has still been a steady increase in numbers

of certificate assessments from June onwards. During this time Pony Club WA and PCA aimed to keep riders engaged with online challenges and puzzles so even though these riders could not attend a rally, they were still communicating and learning. 2020 has produced good certificate results across the levels from E to C\* / K plus one more B Certificate, with nearly 250 riders assessed across the State.

#### **GEAR CHECKING ADVISORY PANEL**

In 2020, PCA started the National Gear Checking Committee as it works towards implementing a set of National Gear Checking Rules. Fortunately for WA, we already have a great manual and set of rules, so this has been the starting point for the National rule development. This means that when the new National rules are rolled out, there will be only minor changes to us here in WA.

We thank the tireless work of our Gear Checking Advisory Panel who constantly strive to keep updated with all of the new trends in gear and the Equestrian Australia guidelines, whilst still looking after the safety and comfort of our Pony Club WA horses and riders. In addition, the GCAP has continued to train and assess a number of new Accredited Gear Checkers in 2020.

#### **PLANS FOR 2021**

The implementation of the new PCA Syllabus and the introduction of the Equine Science to Pony Club will bring a new set of challenges to the Panel as we work to find the best way to deliver these changes to the club coaches. 2021 will also see the launch of the Pony Club Academy which will utilise the Moodle learning software.

The Panel is also planning to get out to all of the Zones across WA to deliver rider and coach development schools to more of our members throughout the year.

With a variety of learning options available, including webinars and online courses, as well as the traditional face to face schools, the Pony Club WA State Coaching Panel anticipates being able to provide a higher level of support to a wider audience of coaches, both metropolitan and regional.

***So, hold on tight – 2021 promises to be a great year!***

# Milne Feeds State Coaching School

## Event Report

Thanks to everyone who participated in the Survey Monkey to give feedback on the 2020 State Coaching School. It has given us lots of honest thoughts and opinions, plus some fabulous suggestions for 2021. Here's a summary of what you told us ...

### GENERAL (REGISTRATION, VENUE etc.)

- First of all, the registration via the My Pony Club portal went fairly well, with only a few mentioning they had trouble logging in or registering this way.

*"It was much easier this year doing the individual entries rather than club-based ones".*

One person made mention of the timing in the registration not matching the timing of the school (8am - 4pm) so we'll correct that for next year. And the program lanyards were a hit!

- Like us, you loved the venue! And whilst it was great that the weather was perfect this year, there were comments received about the lack of shade when watching the show jumping. We'll make a note of that one and see what we can do for next year.
- Roxanne's catering is always excellent, but we did receive some comments about "over packaging" as well as some other food ideas, so we'll pass these suggestions on to her.
- Some of the practical sessions were difficult to hear at times. We'll keep working with our presenters to try and improve again next year.

### COACHING SESSIONS

- The first thing to note is all sessions received comments that there were often side conversations (i.e.: talking in the audience) and many attendees found this distracting.
- General consensus is that all the lessons were relevant and interesting (yes, even school figures!) but all would like to see more riders of varying levels in the demonstrations, as we don't all get groups of two riders.
- The Equitation Science sessions received quite a bit of mixed feedback and it seems that whilst many are still working to understand some of the changes, everyone wants more information and sessions to be made available. We are already looking into other ways of distributing information and upskilling our coaches and hope to be able to roll these out very soon.
- Attendees were able to connect with the Managing Large and Mixed Groups as it relevant to pony club groupings and had a good mix of common sense and humour. And whilst Di was able to engage the coaches in discussion about what works for them, many would like to see a practical lesson next time.
- The show jumping session (solving problems) was well received by all and some suggestions were received about what you would like to see next year. Nell is always a popular coach to watch, and this year was no exception.
- Dan Foster's active riding lesson seemed to be enjoyed by all and the tips given about what to use and how to make some cheap and easy games equipment was well received.

*"A good demo on how to do games activities without actually doing games. Very helpful because I usually don't coach games".*

Again, a few suggestions were made on areas that coaches would like to see next year ... noted!

## INFORMATION SESSIONS

- Whilst most felt the sessions on feeding and worming were interesting and informative, some asked how these related back to the syllabus. A few also felt that these sessions were a little rushed ... so we'll take these points into account when planning for next year.
- The Gear Checking Update and Bitting sessions were also generally enjoyed by most and some suggestions were received about how to further improve these sections.

*"Maybe pick a topic (or two) in the manual and bring in the gear that's allowed & what's not allowed & have a hands-on demonstration & discussion about it. Pictures don't always serve a purpose as to seeing the actual use of the gear".*

Both presenters were seen as being very knowledgeable and passionate about their subjects (well done Teagan and Di!)

- Kim Lindsay's presentation on Jump Safety and Setting up a Course was also very well received, with her information being "down to earth" and practical with some good safety tips! Attendees also said that the course walk and discussing lines to fences was clearly explained and very beneficial.
- Without a doubt, everybody loved the Career in Racing presentation ...

*"How fabulous to have 2 of our former Pony Club riders up there presenting and doing so well in their professional lives!! Loved the presentation and the demonstration of riding the horse in the trailer."*

Don't forget you can arrange for Madi and the trailer to visit your club/zone or visit them at their display at racecourses around WA.

- And then there was Sally Davis' little talk about Coaching in China ... I think you all liked it.

*"Very entertaining, funny. Was very interesting seeing how things are done in another country. Fantastic presenter. Loved it."*

*"There are not enough words to describe how amazing this presentation was. Sally is a delight to watch, she kept us all laughing and engaged, and her slides were very professional. Definitely my favourite presentation of the weekend!!!"*

*"This was absolutely brilliant. Sally is such a good speaker and obviously enjoyed her trips away. Not sure I could go through; the mere thought of chicken feet makes my dry retch!"*

## PLANNING FOR 2021 STATE COACHING SCHOOL

We asked what topics you would like to be covered at the 2021 State Coaching School and you certainly gave us some fabulous ideas! All of these ideas and suggestions will be reviewed when planning next year's School.

Finally, I would like to thank you all for your honest and productive feedback. The State Coaching Panel puts a lot of work into this event and whilst this information has highlighted some areas that need improvement, it gives us a lot of encouragement and makes it so much easier to go forward when we know what our audience wants. Thank you!



Report by  
**Heather Wyllie**  
Event Coordinator



# STATE SPORT COMMITTEE REPORTS

## State Active Riding Committee

### MISSION

Active Riding is a great equestrian sport at Pony Club and develops riding skills, teamwork and partnership with your horse. It is fun for competitors and exciting for spectators. Our mission is to continue to offer exciting events in the discipline and try to expand our rider participation numbers by offering new events such as the pairs competition and highlighting opportunities in active riding.

### LEADERSHIP

The committee has been run by a strong band of loyal games enthusiasts with Kylie Hall as our Chairperson doing a very good job.

Jaq Dahlstrom and Candice McNab retired from the committee and we thank them for many years of loyal support. Juanita will also be retiring from the committee as secretary.

### HIGHLIGHTS

Unfortunately, due to COVID the highlight of our 2021 calendar the 2021 International Mounted Games Exchange had to be cancelled. We have declined to Host this event in 2021.

The Marsden Cup was very well supported being the first event to be run post COVID restrictions. We thank Horsemen's for hosting and Michele Wilkie and Wanda Longley for organising.

Thank you also goes to Avon Valley Showjumping and Pony Club for hosting our Qualifier and Serpentine the Championships, both events ran smoothly and were well supported.

### PARTICIPATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Running the Zone Selections at the Qualifier allowed more riders to enter the Novelties as a lot of Zones were unable to hold selections due to COVID restrictions.

We would like to host a session at the Annual State Coaching School and use the trailer to demonstrate equipment and give coaches advice on coaching riders at rallies.

Participation is always a challenge and we would like to encourage the clubs to promote games at Rallies.

## REWARD AND RECOGNITION

The Active Riding Committee is recognised for the many hours they have dedicated in organising and running the large number of events, we hold over the year. Without their efforts none of this would happen.

Thank you to our Chief Stewards Sean Corbin and Marc Fraser for safely running our events and coaches Sean Corbin and Dan Foster for running the Development Squad Training sessions and Nationals Camp training.

Thanks also to our sponsors and Pony Club WA office team for their support with the many requests we put to them.

Thank you to Avon Valley Showjumping and Pony Club as well as Serpentine Horse and Pony Club for hosting our Qualifier and Championships!

## OUR VISION FOR 2020

To increase the profile of Active Riding by continuing to hold events throughout the year and sending a junior and senior team to Nationals in Victoria.

We would also like to increase the leadership roles our Associate riders play in the sport perhaps, in the role of coaches and further develop our pool of Officials and Level 1 Coaches by continuing to offer training in this area.



# State Dressage Committee

## MISSION

Supporting and developing young riders by encouraging and giving them the opportunity to ride at the highest level. Our intention is to grow the number of young people wanting to be involved in Dressage.

## LEADERSHIP

The committee worked tirelessly to prepare for a championship that was uncertain due to Covid-19. We were committed to try and maintain all the classes that we had previously run from Prep, Pairs, Team Events, right through to PSG.



## HIGHLIGHTS

Freestyle test starting at 7.30am in the indoor arena these must be the most favourite classes for our competitors and the effort and detail that goes into costume making is truly outstanding. Every parent should be commended for this. The weekend ran smoothly and the VIP evening and the crowd favourite of the Musical Ride, we had 6 clubs entered which was a huge effort as training would have been limited due to covid. This class often hosts some of our youngest members, they all looked and rode so well in their amazing costumes.

## PARTICIPATION AND DEVELOPMENT

It's a prerequisite that all competitors must have a test with a qualifying score of 57% or above to enter the Championship Classes. We decided to ensure that all members would have an opportunity to enter and with limited competitions available to qualify we ran a virtual competition offering all levels of tests. We were thrilled that we had huge entries to this, and we were really pleased with the outcome.

The final result was record entries for the State Championships and over 700 tests being ridden over the two days.

A Dressage Judge Workshop held over two sessions was held at the end of the year. This was presented by Elaine Greene and Gill Botten which inspired a large enthusiastic group of participants with a focus on judging the child rider.

## REWARD AND RECOGNITION

We wanted to ensure we were able to offer our winners rugs or a similar prize for all the classes as per previous championships and were overwhelmed with the sponsorship support, we received from local businesses. Our "back to basics" package and we cannot thank the sponsors enough for their support it was truly outstanding.

## OUR VISION FOR 2021

The opportunity to be part of the inaugural 2021 State Dressage Squad which will host ongoing dressage coaching and training throughout the year to develop our state dressage riders in preparation for the 2021 Nationals and the future.

We have several plans underway in creating a clear pathway for officials in Pony Club Dressage.



# State Eventing Committee

## MISSION

The Eventing Committee is responsible for creating and implementing Eventing rules, supporting Pony Clubs who hold One Day Events and running the State Eventing Championships. We also implement programs aimed at attracting, retaining and training officials.

## LEADERSHIP

The 2020 committee has brought with its valuable knowledge and skills, which has culminated in a successful year for the sport. Rule changes have continued to make the sport safer, and processes have been developed that enable officials to deal with rule breaches and the code of conduct.

## HIGHLIGHTS

The State Championships at Capel Horse and Pony Club had increased numbers with the introduction of a non-championship 45 class. Course builder Chris Edwards presented a challenging cross-country course that was up to a championship standard from PC 65cm to PC 110cm.

The committee would like to thank this year's sponsors of the Eventing Championship and also thank the clubs that sponsored a phase or a cross-country jump and actively participated to help run a successful event.

## PARTICIPATION AND DEVELOPMENT

Due to COVID the number of events held for the year was very restricted. Most clubs were able to run events that were postponed early in the year later in the season.

We were unable to run the TD and CD seminars, but we provided information and assistance to those in need.

## VISION FOR 2021

To promote a rider squad for development of those competitors interested in competing in all levels of eventing.

To continue to support our existing TD's & CD's and promote cross country safety through training of our current and trainee cross country CD's and interested parties.

To provide support and advice to host clubs in running compliant and safe events that all competitors can continue to enjoy.

Encourage participation in the sport through a positive and supportive culture.





# State Showjumping Committee

## MISSION

The Showjumping Committee's mission is to develop riders in the discipline of Showjumping, developing officials, engaging Associate Members and those who have an interest to become course designers and judges and to encourage the next generation of WA showjumpers.

## COMMITTEE

The Showjumping Committee comprised of the following members in 2020: Wanda Longley, Kevin Gianatti, Tayla Short, Rachel Mason, Stephen Jones and Jeanette Hatch. We would like to thank two members who resigned from the Committee during 2020, Fred Freeman and Caz Bowman, your support and input has been appreciated.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### *State Championships*

The State Showjumping Championships were held at Serpentine Horse and Pony Club in September; the weather and grounds were perfect! The Showjumping Committee is very thankful to Serpentine Horse and Pony Club and their members, especially Sarah Suvaljko and Ann-Marie Lowry for making it happen at last minute, when COVID ended our plans of holding the Championships at the Perth Royal Show. We would like to thank all our sponsors including major Sponsor: Wanneroo Stockfeeders. Brigid Woss, Ovarit Jumps, Equine World, Kalamunda Pharmacy, Milne Feeds, Anitone, Heathway's, Western Hay and Horseland Perth.

The State Showjumping Championships highest event is the Zones teams, there are four prestigious championship classes with four heights from 80cm for ponies to 110cm for horses. Our congratulations go to all combinations who competed at Zones and our 2020 winners were: 80cm: Composite team from Northern and Swan Zone, 90cm: West Coastal/Central/Hills, 100cm: Great Southern Zone, 110cm: Individual: Kayley Brahim on Master Delight from West Coastal.

The Committee appreciates the hard work and dedication shown by all the accredited Judges and Course Designers over the weekend. Congratulations to all riders, their equine partners, parents and associates who attended, as a Committee we are proud of the positive feedback we received. A special thanks needs to go to all the Volunteers who completed helper duties over the weekend. Showjumping is an intensive sport, and we could not hold the Championships without all of your help!

### *Nationals*

Pony Club WA State Showjumping was represented by Fred Freeman on the Pony Club Australia Showjumping Committee. Fred attended all virtual meetings held and is engaged with this Committee to ensure WA is well placed for the next Nationals campaign.

### *Showjumping Squad*

The Showjumping Committee launched a High Performance Showjumping Squad in 2020 to provide an opportunity for Showjumping combinations to be supported by mentoring and to assist with increasing skills, knowledge and experiences. The aim is to increase participation in the Showjumping discipline and encourage combinations with potential to compete at higher levels. Sophie Warren was appointed as Chief Coach and what a fantastic job she has done. Three squad days including at Baldivis EPC, Taminga Jump Club and Yalambi (Margaret River) in 2020. Instructors included Portland Jones



(Sustainable Equitation), Les Bunning (Showjumping Instruction), Fred Freeman (Course design techniques and critique, course walking skills), Ben Teague (Equine Vet), Rory Hovell (Showjumping instruction), Gabby Pithers (Successful Young Rider), Charlotte Pugh (Goal Setting). The Squad has been a great success and the Committee are looking forward to nurturing Showjumping riders in 2021.

### **Other Events**

The Showjumping Committee Annual Zone Showjumping was held at Peel Metropolitan Horse and Pony Club. This is a fundraiser for the State Championships and was an official Zones selection event for the championships. Our numbers were down on previous years, but the Showjumping Committee are planning for 2021 to hold two training events, one in the metro area and one in the south (Capel). We hope many riders will attend to support.

### **DEVELOPMENT**

In 2020 Woodridge Horse and Pony Club partnered with the Showjumping Committee to hold a "Country" Officials Training. FEI Course Designer, Fred Freeman, conducted the training covering Course Designing and basic Judging. Our thanks go to Racing & Wagering WA who sponsored some of the expenses of the Officials Training.

The "City" Development of Officials Workshop was held at Peel Horse and Pony Club with excellent attendance on 13 and 14 March. Fred Freeman and Judy Rose were the presenters. Our sincere appreciation goes to Peel for offering their facilities.

The Showjumping Committee continued focusing on Training of Officials this year, using the Officials pathway that was established in 2019. All Showjumping Officials need to be reaccredited every three years.

This includes attending an Official Training Workshop within the 3-year period and minimum standards need to be attained. We are encouraging more individuals to become accredited, and we will match you with a mentor to assist you with your progress along the pathway to accreditation. Application forms are available on the pony club website.

### **RULES**

Showjumping use the EA and FEI jumping rules with the exception being that at pony club events, the speeds have been adjusted. The speeds are available in the Pony Club WA Showjumping Reference document. The 2021 Showjumping Reference Document will be available early 2021 on the Pony Club WA website, this will also outline the Zone, team and possible individual classes that will be held at the state Showjumping Championships. We remind all members, clubs and zones to refer regularly to the website, as updates will be posted as we get closer to the Championships.

### **OUR VISION FOR 2021**

Pony Club WA State Showjumping Championships are pencilled to be held on the 22-23 May 2020, at the State Equestrian Centre.

The Showjumping Committee are putting together an "Organisers pack" to assist pony club Showjumping Committees. Look out for this new resource early in 2021!

Continue to support our riders in the discipline of Showjumping by encouraging squad applications and attendance at Squad days.



# State Tetrathlon Committee

## MISSION

To grow the sport of Tetrathlon in WA and Australia.

## LEADERSHIP

State Tetrathlon Committee: Charis Neumann, Vikki Goss, Eliza Dowling, Nikita Mawhirt, Georgia Goss, Bill Wiese. Chairperson: Sarah Wiese. Significant and much appreciated support from the Pony Club WA State Office in particular Tanya Appleby and Trudi Hall.

## HIGHLIGHTS

### *State*

The 2020 State Tetrathlon Championships at Dryandra saw lower participation numbers after rescheduling to the end of November with 56 competitors. However, the calibre of competitors was extremely high with 26 competitors having a total score in excess of 4000, a really positive sign as the sport builds towards Nationals in 2021. Also positive was the number of boys. Tetrathlon has been able to attract and retain, with 10 very competitive boys taking part. The National Competition in 2021 is split into separate boys' and girls' competitions, fielding a team of 4 boys in each age is looking increasingly achievable.

### *Club*

In a difficult year for hosting competition, the calendar included four Club Tetrathlons as well as the State Championships. These were held at Mortlock, Dryandra, York, and Swan Valley. It was great to have Mortlock and Swan Valley run their first tetrathlons this year and both clubs are committed to running events again next year. Wallangarra and Warren are planning to hold their first Tetrathlon events next year, which will extend the calendar to a total of seven events over the year.

## PARTICIPATION AND DEVELOPMENT

This year has seen the development of the National Tetrathlon Rule Book. WA has been an active contributor to the process through Sarah Wiese on the National Tetrathlon Committee. The rulebook is largely focussed on the rules for the National Championship with appendices with allowable variations for State and Club events.

A High Performance State Tetrathlon Squad has been formed this year and currently has 25 members. An unmounted training camp was held at Dryandra Woodland on the 9/10 October and was a great opportunity for both squad members and their parents to get to know each other and knit together as a Tetrathlon family.

The majority of the squad also attended the High-Performance camp which was a great leadup to the State Championships. A summer training program is being developed and will be provided to squad members.

2020 is the first year Tetrathlon has been part of the Pony Club WA Sports Leaderboards, and we look forward to recognising the outstanding tetrathletes at the Annual Pony Club WA Awards Night.

Selection for Pony Club Australia Nationals in both the Senior and Junior Girls teams looks likely to be hotly contested so in 2021. Selection in the State Team will be the recognition and reward many riders will strive for.

## OUR VISION FOR 2021

To encourage participation and recognition of Tetrathlon. We aim to do this by:

1. Hosting a successful State Championship.
2. Supporting and encouraging clubs to host club Tetrathlon events.
3. Improving the performance of individuals in Tetrathlon through increased competition opportunity, increased recognition of tetrathlon as a discipline and the development of high-performance pathways.
4. Support the training and development of officials to increase knowledge of coaching and officiating the Tetrathlon disciplines.
5. Build on the perception of Tetrathlon as a fun sport to be involved in and an enjoyable group of people to be associated with.



# State Hickstead and Hunter Trials Committee

## **MISSION**

To promote more clubs to run Hickstead and Hunter Trials as an alternative to One Day Events. Also demonstrate how easy they are to run and organize for clubs with limited or no cross-country courses. To increase the number of Hickstead/Hunter Trials Inspectors through social media to parents, Associate members, and members of the equestrian community.

To increase riders to apply for inclusion into the Hickstead/Hunter Trials Leaderboard.

## **LEADERSHIP**

The Hickstead/Hunter Trials Sports Committee is small, but effective in the reviewing of the rules annually to make sure that we provide a user-friendly document for parents, riders, organisers, and officials. Our Chairperson, Dianne Ould has been a great “go to person” for our new Inspectors.

## **HIGHLIGHTS**

The one highlight during a year of few events due to COVID-19 is the inclusion of Hickstead and Hunter Trials on the Leaderboard Program.

## **PARTICIPATION AND DEVELOPMENT**

Due to restrictions on gatherings imposed at the beginning of the year, participation by riders, clubs and development of officials was limited.

## **REWARD AND RECOGNITION**

The committee would like to acknowledge the work done by our Inspectors over the past year and those that have mentored our new accredited Inspectors.

## **OUR VISION FOR 2020**

Our vision for 2021, is to have a succession plan for our sports committee by inviting parents, officials, and associate members to join the group from the participating club. This year we have utilized GoTo Meeting format, which has proved successful in accommodating our country members.

The committee have submitted a date for a State Hickstead Event at Log Fence in the latter part of September 2021. We hope that demonstrating the ease of holding a Hickstead that other clubs will come on board – thus increasing the participation of riders and clubs and the development of future Inspectors.

We also hope to place the calendar dates for workshops, so that those interested can plan their yearly calendar.

With our new Facebook page, we would invite all clubs holding their Hickstead/Hunter Trials to advertise their events to increase participation and exposure to the wider Pony Club community. We hope this page will also be used as a discussion forum to grow the sport – participation, the number of clubs running the events, and an increase of accredited Inspectors.



## ZONE REPORTS

### Eastern Zone

Once again I would like to sincerely thank all our volunteers within the Zone for their efforts in 2020.

Our Committee – Linda Vernon as Treasurer, Emma Wilson as Secretary and everyone who has made an effort during the year to come to meetings or sign up for our online meetings. 2020 was an unprecedented year with Covid-19 closing down a fair chunk of our pony club season, however we were very lucky to emerge largely unscathed by the pandemic in WA. It was a good year to perhaps regroup and take a breath as most events within the zone were cancelled.

We were able to hold one zone camp at Kellerberrin organised by Linda and myself which was well supported by 27 riders utilizing local instructors. Learning about harness driving with Peter Arthur was a hit with all and a huge highlight – poor Peter thought he would be doing a midday demonstration with the whole group but instead had 2 full days with groups rotating through. Thanks to all involved and to those who supported the camp. Bruce Rock Pony Club also hosted a C/C\* examination day with 2 riders achieving their C certificate and 1 successfully completing her C\*. Well done to all it is a huge achievement.

Bonnie Rock hosted a preliminary coaching school facilitated by Dianne Colley which was well attended with 7 participants, all of whom learnt a lot and will continue to work towards completing their qualifications.

As we had to cancel the Eastern Zone Horse Trials and had a full year to put some work into the cross-country course, we decided to contact Noel Mustchin to allow a fresh set of eyes and different skill set to design the 2021 course. A huge thank goes to Bethanie Moore for the countless hours that she has put into her course designing and building over the past 5 years, it is very much appreciated by all.

We will continue to support and encourage each club within the zone, between us we have a lot of different skills and experience. With the willingness to contribute and collaborate we can be a strong body which will ensure the future of Pony Club and our zone for years to come.

Thank you to everyone who attended our AGM, and those who took time to send their apologies, looking forward to another great year with some fantastic people involved in a truly amazing sport. Thank you!

Report by

**Suzi Sprigg**  
*Zone President*

# Central Zone

Despite the challenges of 2020 the Central Zone has been busy providing opportunities for their members to learn and to compete. The Central Zone only comprises of two clubs, Wagin and Dryandra.

## **DRYANDRA**

In 2020 Dryandra had 17 riding members and held 4 rallies and 2 camps. After a big year for certificates last year, there were no riders ready to take their next certificate, particularly given the limited number of rallies and coaching opportunities.

Dryandra hosted three major events in 2020: a successful Tetrathlon in February, an ODE in October with 130 riders and the State Tetrathlon Championships in November. These events all went smoothly and were successful fundraisers for the club.

Dryandra has been well represented at State Championships with Annalyce and Jenaveve Page attending the State Dressage Championships and placing in several classes. Annalyce and Jenaveve also put on a vaulting display at the Pony Club WA High Performance Camp.

Four riders attended the Pony Club WA State Showjumping Championships with Emma Wiese part of a winning composite team in the 90cm Zone Team event, an all-Central Zone Team of Danee Bairstow and Bill Wiese placing fourth in the 1m Zone Team Event and a composite Dryandra and Albany team of Emma Wiese, Danee Bairstow and Sharney Vanrooy winning the Brigid Woss Equitation Team Event.

Six club members were selected to participate in the High Performance Camp and had an instructional and fun weekend at Serpentine Horse and Pony Club.

Five riders competed in the Pony Club WA State Tetrathlon Championship with the Dryandra Team of Bill Wiese, Dan Wiese and Emma Wiese winning the Championship Class and a composite team including Lottie Dowling winning the 60cm team event. Dan Wiese and Lottie Dowling were also individual winners.

Ground's development and upgrades have been largely focussed around paying for the purchase of the additional land and some surface improvement on the cross-country course.

## **WAGIN**

Wagin has had a quiet year taking a much-needed breather while the viability of hosting events was uncertain. The Woolorama just managed to be completed before the lockdown but with only 14 competitors there are plans for this to be restructured next year to include some in hand classes.

Although the Wagin membership was small, the inclusion of adult riding members has been positive, and this looks likely to grow in 2021. In 2020 there were 3 adult members, 5 D\*/C level riders and 3 leadline riders. Seven rallies were held during the year with most members attending these rallies. Several riders are ready to complete their C certificate, and these are planned for early in the new year.

Ground's development has included the resurfacing of the show jump arena to make a more even and softer surface. There may be opportunities in the near future to inherit the tennis clubrooms as tennis moves to a new location, which would be a big asset for the club.

*Report by*

**Noelene Marley**  
*Central Zone Secretary*

# Metropolitan Zone

2020 was certainly a year of challenges. No-one has escaped impact and I congratulate all of our riders, parents, committees, clubs and associated friends and family for holding everything together and persevering through COVID19 and all that has come since. The Pony Club WA community has once again shown how strong everyone can be working together.

Despite only holding one formal Committee Meeting in February 2020, which happened to coincide with the AGM, Metropolitan Zone managed to continue to engage with riders and we achieved a lot in this year.

## **CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS**

Metropolitan Zone was represented at the Pony Club WA State Dressage and Active Riding Championships.

## **CERTIFICATE**

Metropolitan Zone had 4 riders successfully complete their C\* and the Clubs pulled together to support 11 riders through to their C assessment. The Committee made the decision for the Zone to fund the costs of both the C\* and C assessments and refunds will be made to all of those riders.

## **SPORTS COMMITTEES**

Metropolitan Zone members have also served and continue to serve on Pony Club WA State Dressage, Active Riding and Eventing Sport Committees.

## **PONY CLUB WA AND ZONES**

Surveys and meetings were held during the year to work on Zone collaboration, discussing Zone restructure, combined Zone meetings, Club governance and funding sources available for Zones.

## **2021**

Metropolitan Zone has already set aside dates for the Zone Quadrathlon and Zone Showjumping Fun Day, a Zone Coaching School on the new syllabus and a Gear Checking Clinic/Assessment. Pony Club WA members have faced the devastation of bushfires and been supported by Clubs and their members.

Regardless of the challenges we will face moving forward, I am confident Metropolitan Zone will continue in the positive and supportive manner we faced 2020. Congratulations everyone and thank you!

Report by

**Margaret Barnesby-Johnson**  
*Zone President*



# South West Zone

The South West Zone enjoys strong attendance at our bi-monthly meetings with 80-90% of clubs sending representatives. We work collaboratively to ensure that zone events are run efficiently and provide a support network for our clubs and coaches.

Our ever-popular South West Zone gymkhana was delayed by Covid-19 and we were delighted to be able to hold it at Dardanup Pony Club in November with around 100 riders attending. There were smiles, ribbons and trophies everywhere with Busselton winning the High Point Club and Wellington the Handicap Trophy.

Many thanks to our C\* Coordinator Veronica Nix who guided 3 riders through the C\* learning and examination processes successfully. It has been some years since we have held intra zone C\* exams,

We were also very pleased to send South West Zone teams to participate at the Pony Club WA State Dressage and Showjumping Championships. Our teams enjoyed both events and showed great sportsmanship and camaraderie.

Report by

**Clare d'Espeisis**  
*Zone Chairperson*

# West Coastal Zone

Well it has certainly been an interesting year and I don't think we will stop talking about 2020 and COVID for a while. The impact COVID had in WA, although much more dilute than in other parts of Australia, and the world, has still been profound.

From an encouraging start in February, we were rapidly "shut down" and from mid- March we started on the new "norm" which included virtual horse shows and the memorable toilet paper challenge – how will we ever forget! But somehow, we got through, many riders enjoying time to further their horses' skills, and often learning new things themselves.

Fortunately, things did get up and running again and WOW – what a busy second half of the year we have had. Clubs statewide, and particularly in our Zone, did an amazing job fitting in rallies, shows and clinics and we even managed to squeeze in all our state events – what an achievement. I know I am proud of all that we achieved within our zone and state.

The State events, although a little smaller than in years past, were wonderful, well run and enjoyable. West Coastal Zone was well represented at all state events and achieved some excellent results. The sportsmanship demonstrated amongst the riders was lovely and I know from dressage how supportive the riders were of each other, particularly in the face of riding in some very heavy rain.

I believe as a committee we have "made it work" even when it was hard to meet, and we became even more reliant on electronic communication. Thank you all for your involvement and willingness to step up. To Lenne Williamson who took over as secretary this year, and Chelsea Reynolds who has taken over the treasurer role, I would like to say a huge thanks you. It takes a lot of time behind the scenes to keep control of the paperwork.

We are all looking forward to an easier 2021!

Report by

**Kathy Mallory**  
*Zone President*



**PONY CLUB**  
WESTERN AUSTRALIA

# Financial Statements

Pony Club Western Australia Incorporated

ABN: 24 154 398 757

For the year ended 31 December 2020

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# Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income

For the year ended 31 December 2020

	NOTES	2020	2019
Other income		389	144
Sporting income		63,299	121,521
Host fees		17,080	14,975
Levies		23,703	35,416
Association Income		289,891	302,594
Donations received		1,739	1,437
Development income		27,805	18,220
Government grants received including COVID stimulus		183,076	56,000
Profit/(loss) merchandise sales		3,508	10,337
Sponsorship & fundraising income		79,749	79,481
Interest received		1,785	4,767
<b>Total Income</b>		<b>692,025</b>	<b>644,893</b>
Accountancy & auditing		29,500	31,538
Administration fees & charges		-	-
Advertising & promotion		1,413	1,393
Bad debts		487	64
Bank fees		1,695	454
Bank merchant fees		479	2,117
Catering expenses		12,254	8,517
Coaches, Judges & Officials expenses		32,348	34,289
Computer expenses		4,928	3,618
Depreciation		6,834	21,777
Donations		700	-
Employment expenses		710	246
Equipment lease – Photocopier		364	5,159
Event expenses		13,629	41,719
First aid expenses		11,983	10,402
Grants given by PCWA sponsorship		3,855	10,913
Hire/Rent of plant & equipment		1,314	4,780

Host fee expense		22,317	23,388
Insurance		51,484	54,296
Inventory write off		-	6,987
Licences & permits		537	675
Office expenses		5,425	3,433
Postage		3,801	2,975
Printing & stationery		2,531	6,702
Professional development		2,291	8,202
Repairs & maintenance		8,917	1,720
Rent		21,625	21,487
Sporting awards		23,126	29,446
Subscriptions		14,960	11,631
Superannuation		17,219	16,807
Telephone		2,867	5,316
Travel, accommodation		2,841	12,560
Uniforms		2,511	4,251
Venue hire expenses		11,513	19,318
Veterinary expenses		-	782
Wages		204,857	181,063
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>521,313</b>	<b>588,023</b>
<b>Profit for the year</b>		<b>170,712</b>	<b>56,869</b>
<b>Net profit attributable to the Association</b>		<b>170,712</b>	<b>56,869</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of Financial Position

As at 31 December 2020

	NOTES	2020	2019
Current assets			
Cash and cash equivalents	2	599,610	425,528
Trade and other receivables		3,410	2,224
Inventories		0	0
Other current assets		6,306	4,825
<b>Total current assets</b>		<b>609,326</b>	<b>432,577</b>
Non-current assets			
Property, plant and equipment	3	10,498	12,956
Right of use asset		14,225	-
<b>Total non-current assets</b>		<b>24,723</b>	<b>12,956</b>
<b>Total assets</b>		<b>634,048</b>	<b>445,532</b>
Current liabilities			
Trade and other payables	4	42,407	29,537
Lease liability		4,306	-
Provisions	5	7,460	17,409
<b>Total current liabilities</b>		<b>54,172</b>	<b>46,947</b>
<b>Lease liability</b>		<b>10,580</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total non-current liabilities</b>		<b>10,580</b>	<b>-</b>
<b>Total liabilities</b>		<b>64,752</b>	<b>46,947</b>
<b>Net assets</b>		<b>569,296</b>	<b>398,585</b>
Equity			
Accumulated surplus/(deficit)		569,296	398,585
<b>Total equity</b>		<b>569,296</b>	<b>398,585</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Statement of Changes in Equity

For year ended 31 December 2020

	NOTES	RETAINED EARNINGS	TOTAL
Balance at 1 January 2019		341,717	341,717
Profit for the year		56,868	56,868
<b>Balance at 31 December 2019</b>		<b>398,585</b>	<b>398,585</b>
Profit for the year		170,712	170,712
<b>Balance at 31 December 2020</b>		<b>569,296</b>	<b>569,296</b>

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.



# Statement of Cash Flows

For year ended 31 December 2020

	NOTES	2020	2019
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from customers		696,071	666,125
Payments to suppliers and employees		(517,349)	(567,928)
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>178,722</b>	<b>98,198</b>
Cash flows from investing activities			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	810
<b>Net cash (used in) investing activities</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>810</b>
Cash flows from financing activities			
Repayment of lease liability		(4,640)	-
Net cash (used in) financing activities		(4,640)	-
<b>Net change in cash and cash equivalents held</b>		<b>174,082</b>	<b>99,008</b>
<b>Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year</b>		<b>425,528</b>	<b>326,518</b>
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	2	599,610	425,528

This statement should be read in conjunction with the notes to the financial statements.

# Notes to the Financial Statements

## 1. Statement of significant accounting policies

The Board have prepared the financial statements on the basis that the Association is a non-reporting entity because there are no users dependent on a general purpose financial report. The financial report is therefore a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in order to meet the requirements of the Association Incorporations Act 2015.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the recognition and measurement requirements specified by the Australian Accounting Standards and Interpretations and the disclosure requirements of AASB 101 Presentation of Financial Statements, AASB 107 Statement of Cash Flows, AASB 108 Accounting Policies, Changes in Accounting Estimates and Errors, and AASB 1054 Australian Additional Disclosures.

### 1.1 Basis of preparation

The financial statements have been prepared on an accruals basis and are based on historical costs modified by the revaluation of selected non-current assets and financial instruments for which the fair value basis of accounting has been applied.

### 1.2 New and amended standards adopted by the Association

The Association has adopted all the amendments to Australian Accounting Standards issued by the Australian Accounting Standards Board, which are relevant to and effective for the Association's financial statements for the annual period beginning 1 January 2020.

None of the amendments have had an impact on the Association.

### 1.3 Significant accounting policies

#### Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. The cost of manufactured products includes direct materials, direct labour and an appropriate portion of variable and fixed overheads. Overheads are applied on the basis of normal operating capacity. Costs are assigned on the basis of weighted average costs.

Net realisable value represents the estimated selling price for inventories less all estimated costs of completion and costs necessary to make the sale.

#### Property, plant and equipment

Each class of property, plant and equipment is carried at cost or fair value less, where applicable, any accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Plant and equipment are measured at cost less depreciation and impairment losses.

Subsequent costs are included in the asset's carrying amount or recognised as a separate asset, as appropriate, only when it is probable that future economic benefits associated with the item will flow to the Association and the cost of the item can be measured reliably. All other repairs and maintenance are charged to the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income during the financial period in which they are incurred.

## Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including building and capitalised leased assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives to the Association commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Leased assets and leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the assets.

The depreciation rates used for each class of depreciable assets are:

<i>Class of fixed asset</i>	<i>Depreciation rate</i>
Computer software & hardware:	40%
Plant and equipment:	10%-50%

The assets' residual values and useful lives are reviewed, and adjusted if appropriate, at each reporting period date.

An asset's carrying amount is written down immediately to its recoverable amount if the asset's carrying amount is greater than its estimated recoverable amount.

Gains and losses on disposals are determined by comparing proceeds with the carrying amount. These gains or losses are included in the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

When revalued assets are sold, amounts included in the revaluation reserve relating to that asset are transferred to retained earnings.

## Impairment of non-financial assets

At each reporting date, the Association reviews the carrying values of its tangible and intangible assets to determine whether there is any indication that those assets have been impaired. If such an indication exists, the recoverable amount of the asset, being the higher of the asset's fair value less costs to sell and value in use, is compared to the asset's carrying value. In assessing value in use, the estimated future cash flows are discounted to their present value using a pre-tax discount rate that reflects current market assessments of the time value of money and the risks specific to the asset for which the estimates of future cash flows have not been adjusted.

Any excess of the asset's carrying value over its recoverable amount is expensed to the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income.

## Employee benefits

### *Short-term employee benefits*

Short-term employee benefits are benefits, other than termination benefits, that are expected to be settled wholly within twelve (12) months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. Examples of such benefits include wages and salaries, non-monetary benefits and accumulating sick leave. Short-term employee benefits are measured at the undiscounted amounts expected to be paid when the liabilities are settled.

### *Other long-term employee benefits*

The Association's liabilities for annual leave and long service leave are included in other long-term benefits as they are not expected to be settled wholly within twelve (12) months after the end of the period in which the employees render the related service. They are measured at the present value of the expected future payments to be made to employees. The expected future payments incorporate anticipated future wage and salary levels, experience of employee departures and periods of service,

and are discounted at rates determined by reference to market yields at the end of the reporting period on high quality corporate bonds that have maturity dates that approximate the timing of the estimated future cash outflows.

Any re-measurements arising from experience adjustments and changes in assumptions are recognised in profit or loss in the periods in which the changes occur.

The Association presents employee benefit obligations as current liabilities in the statement of financial position if the Association does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve (12) months after the reporting period, irrespective of when the actual settlement is expected to take place.

### **Provisions**

Provisions are recognised when the Association has a legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will result and that outflow can be reliably measured.

Provisions are measured using the best estimate of amounts required to settle the obligation at the end of the reporting period.

### **Cash and cash equivalents**

Cash comprises cash on hand and demand deposits. Cash equivalents are short-term, highly liquid investments that are readily convertible to known amounts of cash and which are subject to an insignificant risk of changes in value.

### **Revenue**

Revenue arises mainly from fees received from members and revenue from sporting events.

To determine whether to recognise revenue, the Association follows a 5-step process:

- 1 Identifying the contract with a customer
- 2 Identifying the performance obligations
- 3 Determining the transaction price
- 4 Allocating the transaction price to the performance obligations
- 5 Recognising revenue when/as performance obligation(s) are satisfied.

The total transaction price for a contract is allocated amongst the various performance obligations based on their relative stand-alone selling prices. The transaction price for a contract excludes any amounts collected on behalf of third parties.

Revenue is recognised either at a point in time or over time, when (or as) the Association satisfies performance obligations by transferring the promised goods or services to its members. The Association recognises contract liabilities for consideration received in respect of unsatisfied performance obligations and reports these amounts as other liabilities in the statement of financial position. Similarly, if the Association satisfies a performance obligation before it receives the consideration, the Association recognises either a contract asset or a receivable in its statement of financial position, depending on whether something other than the passage of time is required before the consideration is due.

Interest revenue is accrued on a time basis, by reference to the principal outstanding and at the effective interest rate applicable, which is the rate that exactly discounts estimated future cash receipts through the expected life of the financial asset to that asset's net carrying amount.

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

### **Leases**

In the year ended 31 December 2019, lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are recognized as expenses on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

For any new contracts entered into on or after 1 January 2019, the Entity considers whether a contract is, or contains a lease. A lease is defined as 'a contract, or part of a contract, that conveys the right to use an asset (the underlying asset) for a period of time in exchange for consideration'.

To apply this definition the Entity assesses whether the contract meets three key evaluations which are whether:

- the contract contains an identified asset, which is either explicitly identified in the contract or implicitly specified by being identified at the time the asset is made available to the Entity
- the Entity has the right to obtain substantially all of the economic benefits from use of the identified asset throughout the period of use, considering its rights within the defined scope of the contract
- the Entity has the right to direct the use of the identified asset throughout the period of use. The Entity assess whether it has the right to direct 'how and for what purpose' the asset is used throughout the period of use.

### **Measurement and recognition of leases as a lessee**

At lease commencement date, the Entity recognises a right-of-use asset and a lease liability on the balance sheet. The right-of-use asset is measured at cost, which is made up of the initial measurement of the lease liability, any initial direct costs incurred by the Entity, an estimate of any costs to dismantle and remove the asset at the end of the lease, and any lease payments made in advance of the lease commencement date (net of any incentives received).

The Entity depreciates the right-of-use assets on a straight-line basis from the lease commencement date to the earlier of the end of the useful life of the right-of-use asset or the end of the lease term. The Entity also assesses the right-of-use asset for impairment when such indicators exist.

At the commencement date, the Entity measures the lease liability at the present value of the lease payments unpaid at that date, discounted using the interest rate implicit in the lease if that rate is readily available or the Entity's incremental borrowing rate.

Lease payments included in the measurement of the lease liability are made up of fixed payments (including in substance fixed), variable payments based on an index or rate, amounts expected to be payable under a residual value guarantee and payments arising from options reasonably certain to be exercised.

Subsequent to initial measurement, the liability will be reduced for payments made and increased for interest. It is remeasured to reflect any reassessment or modification, or if there are changes in in-substance fixed payments. When the lease liability is remeasured, the corresponding adjustment is reflected in the right-of-use asset or profit and loss if the right-of-use asset is already reduced to zero.

The Entity has elected to account for short-term leases and leases of low-value assets using the practical expedients. Instead of recognising a right-of-use asset and lease liability, the payments in

relation to these are recognised as an expense in profit or loss on a straight-line basis over the lease term.

**Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian Taxation Office. In these circumstances, the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense.

Receivables and payables in the statement of financial position are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the statement of cash flows on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

### **Significant management judgement in applying accounting policies**

The following are significant management judgements in applying the accounting policies of the Association that have the most significant effect on the financial statements.

#### **Estimation uncertainty**

When preparing the financial statements management undertakes a number of judgements, estimates and assumptions about recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses.

The actual results may differ from the judgements, estimates and assumptions made by management, and will seldom equal the estimated results.

Information about significant judgements, estimates and assumptions that have the most significant effect on recognition and measurement of assets, liabilities, income and expenses is provided below.

#### *Useful lives of depreciable assets*

Management reviews the useful lives of depreciable assets at each reporting date, based on the expected utility of the assets to the Association. Actual results, however, may vary due to technical obsolescence, particularly relating to software and IT equipment.

#### *Inventories*

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. In estimating net realisable values, management takes into account the most reliable evidence available at the times the estimates are made.

#### *Provisions – Long service leave*

As discussed in Note 1.3, the liability for long service leave is recognised and measured at the present value of the estimated future cash flows to be made in respect of all employees at the reporting date. In determining the present value of the liability, attrition rates and pay increases through promotion and inflation have been taken into account.

## 6 Cash and cash equivalents

	2020	2019
Cash at bank and in hand	296,646	160,068
Short-term bank deposits	302,964	265,459
	<b>599,610</b>	<b>425,528</b>

## 7 Property, plant and equipment

	2020	2019
Property, plant and equipment		
At cost	129,826	129,825
Accumulated depreciation	(119,328)	(116,870)
<b>Total property, plant and equipment</b>	<b>10,498</b>	<b>12,955</b>

## 8 Trade and other payables

	2020	2019
Current		
Trade payables	6,161	4,784
Unearned income	17,917	24,753
Accrued expenses	12,200	-
ATO payables	6,127	-
	<b>42,407</b>	<b>29,537</b>

## 9 Provisions

	2020	2019
Current		
Annual leave	7,374	8,705
Long service leave	85	8,704
	<b>7,459</b>	<b>17,409</b>
Non-current		
Long service leave	-	-
	-	-

The current portion of these liabilities represents Pony Club Western Australia's obligations to which the employee has a current legal entitlement. These liabilities arise mainly from accrued annual leave entitlement at reporting date.



## 10 Cash flow information

	2020	2019
Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit / (loss) after income tax		
Profit / (Loss)	170,712	56,868
<b>Non-cash flows in profit / (loss):</b>		
Interest expense on leases	924	-
depreciation	6,834	21,777
inventory write off	-	6,887
<b>Changes in assets and liabilities:</b>		
(Increase)/decrease inventories	-	381
(Increase)/decrease in receivables	(1,186)	10,196
(Increase)/decrease in other assets	(1,481)	(3,920)
Increase/(decrease) in trade creditors and other creditors	12,870	2,116
Increase/(decrease) in provisions for employee entitlements	(9,949)	3,893
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) operating activities</b>	<b>178,724</b>	<b>98,198</b>

## 11 Events after the reporting date

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the Association, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the Association in future financial years.

## 12 Association details

The registered office and principal place of business of the Association is:  
Pony Club Western Australia Incorporated  
303 Cathedral Avenue  
Brigadoon WA 6069

## 13 COVID - 19

The COVID-19 pandemic is continuing to have a negative impact on world-wide business activities. The full extent of the impact, recovery and government initiatives is not yet known. The extent of the impact on future revenue and operating costs is not yet known.

## Directors' Declaration

The Directors have determined that the Association is not a reporting entity and that this special purpose financial report should be prepared in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements.

The Directors of the Association declare that:

- 1 The financial statements and notes, as set out on pages 2 to 14, are in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act 2015:
  - a Comply with Accounting Standards as described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the Associations Incorporation Act 2015 and other mandatory professional reporting requirements; and
  - b Give a true and fair view of the financial position as at 31 December 2020 and of the performance for the year ended on that date of the Association in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and
- 2 There are reasonable grounds to believe that the Association will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

**Chairperson**

Karl Stokes



Dated 9 March 2021

**Chair of Audit & Finance Committee**

Brooke Burgess



Dated 9 March 2021

**PONY CLUB WESTERN AUSTRALIA INCORPORATED  
INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT TO THE MEMBERS**



***Opinion***

We have audited the accompanying financial report, being a special purpose financial report of Pony Club Western Australia Inc, which comprises the Statement of Financial Position as at 31 December 2020, the Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, the Statement of Changes in Equity and the Statement of Cash Flows for the year then ended, notes comprising a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory information, and the Directors' declaration.

In our opinion,

- (i) the financial report presents a true and fair view, in all material respects the financial position of the Pony Club Western Australia Incorporated as at 31 December 2020 and of its financial performance for the year then ended in accordance with the Associations Incorporation Act (Western Australia) 2015 and the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements; and
- (ii) the financial statements satisfy the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act (Western Australia) 2015.

***Basis of Accounting and Restriction on Distribution***

Without modifying our opinion, we draw attention to Note 1 to the financial statements, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Directors' financial reporting responsibilities under the Associations Incorporation Act (Western Australia) 2015 and to meet the needs of the members. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose.

***Basis for Opinion***

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's Responsibilities for the audit of the Financial Report section of our report. We are independent of the Association in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (the Code) that are relevant to our audit of the financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

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*Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report*

The Directors of Pony Club Western Australia Incorporated are responsible for the preparation of the financial report that gives a true and fair view, and have determined that the basis of preparation described in Note 1 is appropriate to meet the requirements of the members and their reporting requirements under the Associations Incorporation Act (Western Australia) 2015. The directors' responsibility also includes such internal control as they determine necessary to enable the preparation and true and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial report, the directors are responsible for assessing the Association's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters relating to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Directors either intends to liquidate the Association or to cease operations, or has no realistic alternative to do so.

*Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Financial Report*

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial report as a whole is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in the aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of this financial report.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial report is located at the Auditing and Assurance Standards Board website at: <http://www.auasb.gov.au/Home.aspx>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.

**HTG PARTNERS**

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Timothy Turner", is written over a horizontal line.

**TIMOTHY TURNER  
PARTNER**

Dated this 10th day of March 2021



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