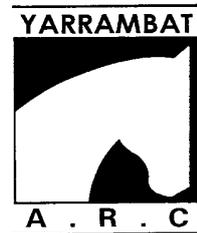


December 2021



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MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL OUR MEMBERS

Wishing all our member and their families a safe and happy Christmas



AGM

Thank you to the small number of people who attended or sent apologies for our AGM, Held on Tues 30th Nov.

Huge thank you to the committee for all their time and efforts over the last year. It has been a trying year with all the covid rules and restrictions having to be adhered to. Hopefully this year we will be back to normal, or as the politicians put it "Covid normal".

Thanks to our president Wayne Spence who works tirelessly behind the scenes. Putting his skills and man power into making the club look and run better.

Thanks to Laura Minichilli for her time in the role of Vice president over the last few years, we appreciate your efforts and all the laughs. We now welcome Sean Klinkradt into the Vice president role. Sean has been a huge part of our general committee for the last few years. Thanks, Sean, for accepting the role. As always thanks to Joanne Jamieson, our secretary, who also puts in more hours than any normal person could ever do for the club.

Thanks to Robyn Stephens, our treasurer, for keeping the books up to date, which is no mean feat.

Massive thanks to Lisa Utting, our Rally bookings extraordinaire. Lisa is amazing and makes everything she does, seem effortless. Even though we know it's a huge job.

Thanks to Louise Barry our Membership Obligations person. This can be a very challenging job, so we appreciate Louise putting her hand up again.

Thank you to Mel Howard for putting her hand up to be our new web person. We are very appreciative.

Thanks again to Eleri Dear for volunteering to be our TTT organiser, hopefully we will have some teams competing this financial year.

Thank you to our general committee members as well, Mark Voivodich, Liz Davies, Sal Spencer, Lisa Marchesi and Fiona Fleurie.

*The YARC committee meet every month (except for January and December) on the Tuesday following our Saturday rally at 7.30 pm
You don't have to be on the committee to attend the meetings. Any member who would like to know what goes on behind the scenes or would like to offer some suggestions you are welcome to attend.
Generally, our meetings are held at the Diamond Creek Tavern but just check with the Secretary on the day if you intend to attend to confirm location.*

YH Pony Club RALLY DAYS

Important: PLEASE read

On the day of YHPC rallies (normally the first Sunday of the month), no adult rider is permitted to ride at the grounds until after 4pm.

USAGE OF GROUNDS

To comply with the Sports Vic requirements, we have set up a **compulsory booking system**. It allows you to book in 1.5-hour blocks.

These bookings will be monitored by both club secretaries to ensure members are being fair to their other club members.

The system is open to both clubs and is on first in basis. We do ask that you be respectful and limit your bookings to 1 or 2 sessions

The booking system can be found on the YHPC website under the Grounds Booking tab <http://www.yhpc.org>. You will then receive a booking confirmation

This is exciting news ...please follow the same social distancing policies that are in place everywhere.

If you have the COVID-19 App it would be advisable to turn it on as you arrive ...just another way to keep you safe

Enjoy your return to riding.

Regards

Gen Brocksopp & Jo Jamieson

YHPC Secretary YARC Secretary

GUEST RIDERS.

Reminder that members must book in to use the grounds via the online booking form on the YHPC website. Also, members are not yet permitted to bring a guest to the grounds. Apart, from the grounds booking form they must also complete the Guest of a Member form on the YARC website and pay \$15

Please ensure the correct amount is transferred into the bank account **prior** to the ride.

Form and details available here: - http://yarc.com.au/?page_id=121

YARC Bendigo Bank Account
BSB - 633 000 Account Number - 152 990 503

SPECIAL COVID-19 RESTRICTION FOR RALLY

IF YOU ARE ATTENDING RALLY YOU MUST BE FULLY VACCINATED AND HAVE YOUR CERTIFICATE LOADED ONTO YOUR SERVICES VICTORIA APP, YOU WILL ALSO NEED TO SEND PROOF OF VACCINATION TO OUR SECRETARY, JO JAMIESON WHEN YOU BOOK INTO RALLY. THE QR CODE LOCATED ON THE FRONT GATE MUST ALSO BE SCANNED UPON ENTRY.

Dear Members

Please read below, this is from Council. Note that this may also change before we attend the rally.

NO MASKS NEED TO BE WORN AT THIS TIME UNLESS SOCIAL DISTANCING IS UNABLE TO BE ATTAINED

To all sporting clubs,

Thank you for your continued patience as we all work through the changes to restrictions imposed by the State Government in response to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Council can now confirm that access to change rooms, club rooms and canteens are now permitted, provided the attached conditions can be met.

The conditions around reopening these facilities follow State Government advice, which at this stage includes:

- No more than 20 participants per space (for example 20 per clubroom, 20 per change room) subject to the four-square meter rule – no more than one person per 4sqm of space.
- Indoor sports centres and venues (for example, gyms, health clubs, class-based fitness studios, dance studios) can open. No more than 20 participants are allowed per separate space, subject to the four-square metre rule, with up to 10 people per group activity or class.
- For adults, indoor and outdoor sport and exercise activities are allowed if participants can maintain a distance of 1.5 metres between and there are no more than 20 participants, or no more than 10 participants per group.
- Organised non-contact competitions are allowed for all age groups if participants can keep 1.5 metres between them and there are no more than 20 participants in the competition.
- For people aged 18 years and under, full-contact training and competition may resume. There are no limits on the number of people per group activity or class if all participants are 18 years old or younger.
- Spectators for training and competitions must abide by public gathering restrictions—spectators should be in groups of no more than 10 people in open, outdoor venues and spread out around the ground or venue.
- If indoors, no spectators are allowed – just those necessary for the competition or training and to support the participants (e.g., supervising parents)
- Canteens can re-open, and will be subject to the same conditions imposed by the State Government on cafés and restaurants.
 - The limit will remain at a limit of 20 patrons per enclosed space, subject to the four-square metre rule
 - Groups of up to 10 people can dine or drink together. They can be seated at the same table.
 - Tables must continue to be spaced so that there is 1.5 metres between seated patrons at neighbouring tables

- Cleaning protocols of the State Government, and the attached documents must be adhered to (titled “Guideline 2 – Cleaning”)
- DHHS posters must be printed and attached to entries and trafficked areas (titled “DHHS Poster”)
- Record keeping of all visitors to the site, including all participants, volunteers, staff, club officials and spectators, using document titled “Sign in Sheet”

While there are a number of practical, cleaning and record keeping controls being imposed, they are in place in an attempt to best mitigate risk of transmission, and to aid tracing should an outbreak occur.

The document “Guideline 1 – Sports Facilities” is an overview of requirements and can be used as a checklist to assist clubs in returning safely.

Further information can be found here:

<https://www.worksafe.vic.gov.au/coronavirus-covid-19>

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/coronavirus>

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/how-stay-safe-and-well-covid-19>

<https://www.dhhs.vic.gov.au/restaurants-and-cafes-covid19>

We trust that Clubs will adhere to the provided advice, as well as any additional advice from their State Sporting Association, Leagues or State Government. We will update you, should there be any changes from the Victorian Government to this advice.

The attached document and posters are provided to give a framework for safely opening facilities, and provide an audit trail in the event an outbreak occurs.

Everyone must do their part to ensure these protocols are met, and become accepted practice amongst your clubs.

We urge everyone to remain vigilant regarding these protocols and the social distancing measures already in place.

We only need to look at the current predicament the AFL is in, having had its first positive (and subsequently negative) COVID-19 test to see that even elite level sport is battling with this situation.

We will be seeking your ongoing assurance these protocols are being met. Council may require you to provide this completed sign in sheets or other relevant documentation upon request. Please ensure you keep them and have them ready if required.

Should you have any questions, please contact Recreation and Leisure on 9433 3111.

Regards,

Nillumbik Recreation and Leisure Team

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**PLEASE BOOK FOR OUR DECEMBER 11TH XMAS RALLY
BY FRIDAY DECEMBER 3RD**

We will be having our Xmas break up BBQ at 1pm. If you have any dietary requirements, please email our secretary, Jo Jamieson, *asap* so we can organize the catering. secretary@yarc.com.au

This year we will offer two dressage tests (one if you are doing the trail ride). You can ride your assessed level and one level above. The test will be the .2 test, which can be found on the HRC AV web page.

You can also choose to do a trail ride on our newly opened Plenty gorge trail. Riders will go out in pairs, 15 mins apart. If you do the whole trail, it will take about 2 hours to complete. You also have the option to take the shorter loop. We will start the trail ride from 9am.

Please book using the book in form on our web page. Just indicate in the message box what you would like to do, your dressage levels and also who your partner will be on the trail. If you don't have anyone specific to ride with, we can allocate a partner for you (which is also a lovely way to meet other members of the club)

Booking forms available from the club website www.yarc.com.au

Click on the forms tab, scroll down to "Rally booking form"

Fill out your details, which discipline you require and your level, press send.

There is also a comments section on the bottom for you to let Lisa know any special requests (i.e., Level 5 Dressage for Lisa Bray, or specific instructor)

This is the reply you will receive once you have submitted your rally booking form – if you do not receive this booking confirmation email – your rally booking form has not been received – please try again or contact Lisa 0411 027 656

Thank you for submitting your rally booking form - I confirm that it has been received.

The Rally Schedule will be sent out on the Tuesday prior to the Rally.

With kind regards,

YARC

Saturday Rally Co-Ordinator

RALLY DUTY ROSTER CHANGES

Thanks to Louise for looking after the duty roster. This isn't an easy job to keep track of, so please check the roster below and note the month you have been allocated.

Members are required to find their own duty roster replacements. It is not up to the committee to find your replacement, although we will do our best to help. Letting a committee member know that you can't fulfil your duty isn't enough. You must find your own replacement. We feel it isn't fair on the other members who then have to do twice the work for their duty.

We have recently found it easier to keep track of the changes if you find your replacement via the Facebook page and tag Louise Barry and Lisa Utting into the post, please. This saves numerous emails and phone messages back and forth

If you swap via any other method, please email Louise Barry at alford.a@bigpond.net.au

PLEASE CHECK THE RALLY DATES BELOW AND KINDLY PUT YOUR HAND UP FOR A MONTH TO DO YOUR DUTY AND LET LOUISE BARRY KNOW VIA THE FACEBOOK PAGE.

DUTY ROSTER

| Rally Duty Roster Nov 2021 to Oct 2022 | | | | | HARROW PERSON BEFORE RALLY | HARROW PERSON AFTER RALLY |
|--|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|----------------------------|---------------------------|
| 13th Nov Rally | Tara McDonald | Kaitlin Boddy | Siobhan Burford | Gabby Page | Sharlene Wright | Amy Sinclair |
| | | | | | | |
| Saturday 11th Dec 2021 | EVERYBODY attending | IS ON DUTY IN | DECEMBER | | | |
| Saturday 12 th Feb 2022 | Donna Hope | Linda Western | Lisa Marchesi | Natalie Gunn | Georgia Munro | Sarah Handscomb |
| Saturday 12 th March 2022 | Maddie Huckel | Mel Wickliffe | Alison Mead | Kylie Parker | Sally Spurgeon | Sharlene Wright |
| Saturday 9 th April 2022 | Chantelle Armet | Sharon Lorman | Sue McLennan | | Samantha McKinley | Annalise Turner |
| Saturday 14 th May 2022 | | | | | Tanaya Watts | Jeanine Batchelor |
| Saturday 11 th June 2022 | Chris Smith | James Pettigrew | | | Steph Newman | Jenny Racovalis |
| Saturday 9 th July 2022 | Leah Rodwell | Jenny Bowker | Loretta Truscott | | Carly Adams | Ashley Valkenburg |
| Saturday 13 th Aug 2022 | Suzanne Shubart | Lisa Veitch | Susan Lawson | | Arty Brennan | Fiona Fleurie |
| Saturday 10 th Sept 2022 | | | | | Eleri Dear | Lorraine Hall |
| Saturday 8 th Oct 2022 | | | | | Miki Strasser | Eloise Barton |
| Saturday 12 th Nov 2022 | | | | | | |

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| Emergency | All members not listed above to please put your hand up if someone is unable to do their roster. | | If for any reason you're not able to do your duty, please ask for a swap on Facebook. This worked well in 2019. | | | |
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Please note that Harrowing must be done no faster than 15 kph, due to the Harrow becoming tangled at higher speed.

Trail Riding Access to Plenty Gorge Park

Proposal for limited access to Plenty Gorge Park for recreational horse trail riding has finally been approved.

Thanks to Joanne Jamieson for her dogged determination to get this trail up and running. With help from our President Wayne Spence. Massive thanks got to Bendigo Bank Diamond Creek, Parks Vic, Nillumbik Council, The Wurundjeri Cultural Heritage Group, Cathy Giles from NAGG, Yarrambat golf course and the Aero club for getting onboard and helping to get this project across the line.

Following are the rules for using the trail. A map has been sent to all members but it can also be found on the Plenty-Gorge-Yarrambat Horse Riding Trail, Facebook page.

Plenty Gorge – Yarrambat Horse Riding Trail

Conditions of use of the Trail

1. All riders will use the existing designated trail route and follow the horse markers.

Note: - There are rabbit and wombat burrows in this area. Please stay on the designated track to avoid

damage to the area or injury to you or your horse

2. This trail is only to be ridden during daylight hours and horses must not be left unattended

3. No riders to use the trail during or immediately after periods of heavy rain

4. Trail Riding can be a dangerous activity. Riders will ride at their own risk

5. All riders to wear appropriate and properly fitted safety helmet and footwear

6. Be aware of cyclists and pedestrians as this is a shared use space. Golfers could be on the

greens or in bunkers near the trail when at the rear of the golf course

7. Your comments would be appreciated on the Plenty Gorge – Yarrambat Horse Riding Trail

Facebook page.

<https://www.facebook.com/Plenty-Gorge-Yarrambat-Horse-Riding-Trail-108204774937395>

First Aid Kits & Request

Please note: All the first aid kits have just been updated and if a member uses an item could you please record it on the spread sheet in the kit. Thank you for your cooperation.

An email was sent out as a requirement from HRC AV to identify our members First Aid qualification. We are now required to have a first aider on the grounds at all competitions and rally days. Please ensure you reply to secretary@yarc.com.au whether you have a qualification or not.

USAGE OF GROUNDS

Please note the following dates that our grounds will be totally unavailable or no-go zones.

4TH December 2021– YHPC rally all day exclusive

5th March 2022– YHPC Show Jumping day set up.....time to be advised.

6th March 2022– YHPC Show jumping day, exclusive use

19 & 20 February 2022– YHPC have the PC Games squad practising. This is not exclusive. They will only need the dressage area. The XC and the show jumping arena can still be used. People using the trail may need to park outside the grounds due to some campers using the parking area.

From HRC AV –

“Lifetime traceability of horses is going to be an area of increased activity over the next few years. Remember, if you have a horse on your property, you need a Property Identification Code (PIC) and ideally, your horses should be identified”.

The HRC AV are seeing a growing number of issues with abuse of social media. Members should be aware that we are not like America, where free speech is a right created by their constitution. In Australia (and most of the rest of the developed world) the law takes a different view. Members should make sure they read the article about social media and defamation in December Chaff Chat. The HRC AV will continue to take action where members make inappropriate comments in social media. Hopefully they won't need to take action in the future.

Great motto “if you haven't got anything nice to say, don't say anything at all”

4. PRIVACY

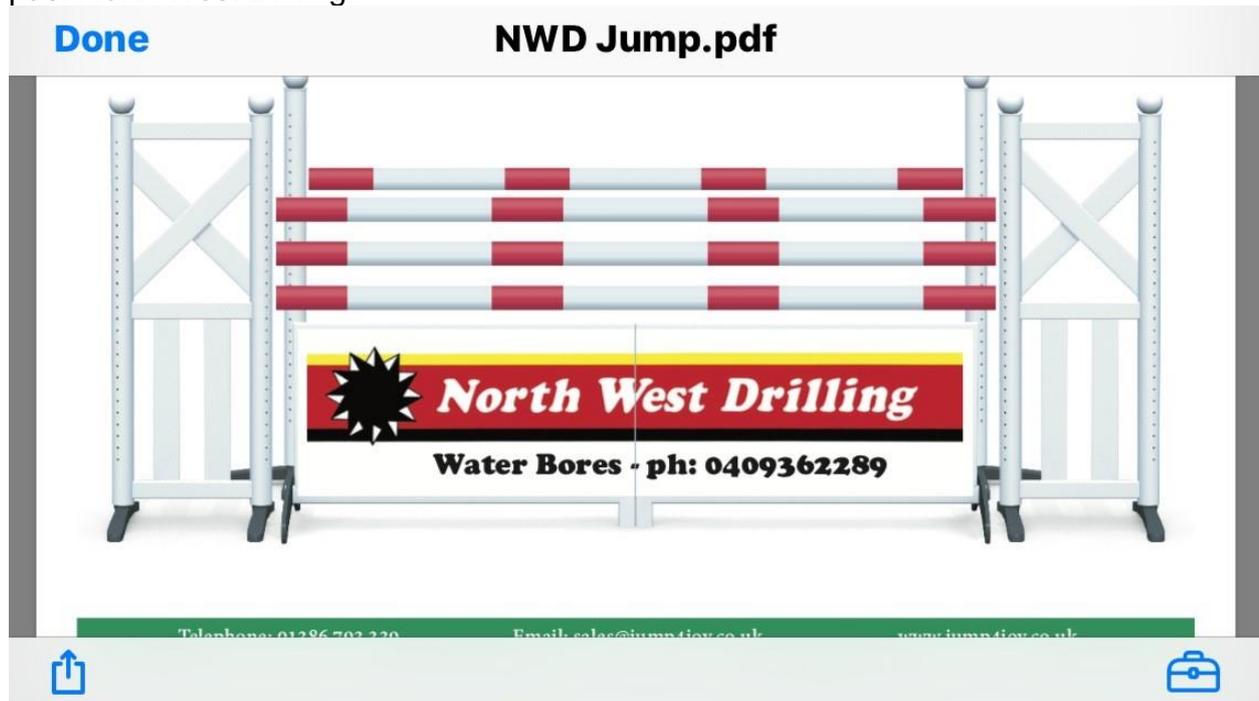
The HRC AV Privacy Policy can be viewed on the HRC AV website. Members' personal information provided by your Club is necessary for the conduct and management of the Association. Members may opt out of receiving promotional material from the HRC AV sponsors and third parties by notifying the office staff in writing. Email is fine. Any members who have concerns about the release of their information should phone the office and steps can be taken to ensure their details are not released.

MEMBERS OUT AND ABOUT

If any of our members have been out competing (or anything else interesting with your horse) and you would like to share your experience with our members, please email me at klicata@bigpond.net.au, with a spiel and maybe a photo.

NEW JUMPS

A huge thank you to **North West Drilling** for donating the following jump. It is very much appreciated. If any of our members need a water bore drilled, please don't look past North West Drilling.



We would like to thank the following sponsors for their support.

Plenty Gorge - Yarrambat Horse Riding Trail
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Don't forget to check the club website and Facebook page for all up to date information and dates of events and closures.

YARC WEB SITE - www.yarc.com.au

END OF NEWSLETTER

