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## EQUESTRIAN NSW

Equestrian NSW was established in 1951 and incorporated in 1990.

We are the state branch of Equestrian Australia, which is the peak body for equestrian sports in Australia. The main function of Equestrian NSW and Equestrian Australia is to provide a structured and regulated framework for equestrian competitions with fair rules and regulations for competitors and to promote, develop and grow the sport. Our aim is to improve facilities and access to competitions and training throughout NSW. We are also here to encourage and promote equestrian sport, increase spectator levels, administer coach and officials education and attract sponsorship funding.

Equestrian NSW is a non-profit organisation. It comprises individual members, affiliated clubs, constituents, coaches and officials. Membership throughout NSW exceeds 8,000, with more than 130 affiliated clubs offering Equestrian Australia competitions.

The vision of Equestrian NSW is to provide leadership for equestrian sport in NSW, promoting participation and the pursuit of excellence from the grass roots through to the elite levels of the sport, based on a foundation of fair and safe competition and the welfare of its human and equine athletes.

Equestrian NSW also maintains affiliations with relevant state government and non-government agencies such as the NSW Office of Sport, NSW Department of Education, NSW Department of Sport and Recreation and the NSW Institute of Sport.

Equestrian NSW embraces the following sports:

- Driving (an international sport)
- Dressage (an international and Olympic sport)
- Eventing (an international and Olympic sport)
- Interschool (a national school sport)
- Show Horse (a national sport)
- Jumping (an international and Olympic sport)
- Vaulting (an international sport)

The Equestrian NSW office is situated on the grounds of the Sydney International Equestrian Centre based at Horsley Park.



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### Peter Dingwall

I am pleased to report that for Equestrian NSW 2016-17 has been a year of steady progress towards achieving greater participation in Equestrian and better and safer competitions for our members.

The progress towards ensuring safer competitions, particularly in eventing, is detailed in the Chief Executive Officer's report. This is an area on which the Board and the CEO have placed particular focus, and will continue to do so. It is also an area in which all members, be they competitors, officials, volunteers or organising committees, need to pay particular attention and be always alert to identify areas where improvement can be made and, perhaps more importantly, ensure that the safety measures already in place are continually monitored and applied. It is vitally important that organising committees have a risk management plan, but it is far more important that the plan is reviewed and strictly applied at every event.

It is pleasing to report that membership of Equestrian NSW continues to grow at a steady rate. This indicates that people see a benefit in being a member. Unfortunately, I occasionally hear of members questioning the benefit they receive. Those who ask this question should take a moment of pause at the next event they are attending and consider all the activity around them. They will see officials whose qualifications have been obtained and maintained by Equestrian NSW and Australia, the competition will be running in accordance with rules developed and constantly reviewed and revised by ENSW and Equestrian Australia, in many cases the equipment being used has been purchased with financial help from Equestrian NSW and all those participating have insurance obtained through Equestrian NSW and Equestrian Australia.

Equestrian NSW continues to operate on a sound financial basis because of a carefully constructed budget and close monitoring of expenditure. This position has been achieved because we have the benefit of a very capable Chief Executive Officer and Finance, Audit & Risk Management Committee. As a result, Equestrian NSW has been able to continue providing significant financial support to disciplines and high-performance development.

During the year, a significant amount of work was done by our CEO which has resulted in the NSW Government agreeing to provide the money needed to upgrade competition surfaces at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre. These improvements will greatly enhance the events held at SIEC and attract more high-level events at the venue.

I congratulate the members who have attained high levels of achievement during the year. This has been your reward for all your hard effort and expense in time and money over many years. Your achievements have also allowed the rest of our membership to bask

in your glory and, more importantly, motivate them to continue striving to achieve their own goals and aspirations. I particularly congratulate our NSW based Olympians: Shane Rose, Stuart Tinney, Sue Hearn, Katie Umback and Lisa Martin. The performance of our eventers was especially outstanding in such a highly competitive field. In this regard, the efforts of Prue Barrett as Director of the eventing team were outstanding and have been duly recognised by Equestrian NSW and Equestrian Australia awards.

The Board of Equestrian NSW continues to work as a very cohesive, collaborative, and professional group – each member bringing to the meetings their unique skills and experience. I thank all my fellow Board members for their contributions and cooperation.

Sadly, at the 2017 Annual General Meeting Derek Major and Vicki Roycroft will stand down as Directors of the Board. I thank them both for their time, commitment, and contributions to the work of the Board. Both have provided, and will no doubt continue to provide in one capacity or another, valuable service to the membership of Equestrian NSW.

At the time of writing this report, Suzanne Doyle had resigned as a Director to take up a position as an elected Director of Equestrian Australia. Suzanne was nominated for this position by the Board of Equestrian NSW. Whilst the Board recognised that it would be losing Suzanne's valuable skills, particularly in financial management, it considered that it would benefit equestrian sport in Australia generally for her to be able to apply those skills to the business of the EA Board. I wish Suzanne well in her new role and assure her of continued support from Equestrian NSW.

Finally, I thank our Chief Executive Officer, Bruce Farrar, and the staff of the ENSW office – Nicole Knox, Andrea Webb, Elysha Sargent, Sue Birch, Susie Burns and Tina Mougios – for their hard work, commitment, and professionalism during the year. Their continued and sustained efforts, often in difficult circumstances, make being a member of the Board an enjoyable and rewarding experience. I also thank those many hundred volunteers throughout NSW who on almost every weekend of the year selflessly give their time to enable our members to pursue their love of horses. Without your involvement, there would simply be no equestrian competition in New South Wales.





## CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

### Bruce Farrar

Equestrian NSW and the wider equestrian community entered 2016-17 with determined resolve to improve horse and rider welfare following the tragic deaths of Olivia Inglis and Caitlyn Fisher at Eventing competitions in 2016. Much has been done, including the drafting of the investigation reports, rolling out MIMs fittings to reduce the risk of rotational falls and improvements to the risk management and incident management plans for our major events. More is needed and the Equestrian NSW Board and Management Team are committed to continuously improving safety in our sport.

In 2016-17, Equestrian NSW membership increased by 4% to 8,400 and all financial objectives (ie a modest surplus, minimum cash holding and equity) were achieved. This couldn't have been done without the dedication and close cooperation of our Discipline Councils and Committees and the Organising Committees staging our events.

The past twelve months have also been an exciting time for equestrian in NSW. The Rio di Janeiro Olympic Games and our domestic major championships showcased world class performances of our NSW horses and riders.

Equestrian NSW staged the Sydney International Horse Trials, the Australian Dressage Championships and the NSW and Australian Interschool Championships. A massive thank you is due to the riders, the Organising Committees and the army of volunteers who made these events such a success.



NSW based riders proudly represented Australia at the 2016 Rio Di Janeiro Olympic Games. Stuart Tinney and Shane Rose (Bronze in the team Eventing), Sue Hearn (Dressage) and Katie Umback and Lisa Martin (Para) all worked really hard to get to Rio, so can be justifiably satisfied with their achievements. Prue Barrett was awarded the Equestrian NSW and Equestrian Australia High Performance Coach of the year, in recognition of her development and leadership of the Olympic Eventing team.

Hazel Shannon, riding Wendy Ward's Clifford, won the prestigious Adelaide International Horse Trials CCI4\* and Jamie Kermond, aboard John and Kerrie Winning's Yandoo Oaks Constellation, was crowned the Australian Senior Show Jumping Champion. Eighteen year old, emerging superstar Mary Warren, riding her own Mindarah Park Ramadan won the CDI-W Grand Prix Freestyle at the Australian Dressage Championships and the indefatigable Heath Ryan, riding Anthony Thornhill's Utopian Cardinal, was the 2016 Australian Dressage Grand Prix Champion.

Gemma Tinney and Olivia Barton were half of the Trans Tasman Young Rider team that were victorious over the New Zealand team at Melbourne International Horse Trials.

The Equestrian NSW Interschools team triumphed at the Australian Interschools Championships, with many fine performances from our junior competitors. NSW were champion team at the Australian Show Horse and Rider Championships, with Jess Stones and Michael Christie leading the charge.

More generally, NSW riders comprised nearly half of the Equestrian Australia High Performance Squads, which is a testament to the talent and commitment of our riders, the quality of their horses, the generosity of their owners, support of their coaches and the high performance programs funded by Equestrian NSW.

How to better service and communicate with our members, how to develop and grow our sport, how to support our volunteer-based clubs and organising committees and how to attract, train and retain officials and coaches are the major challenges that will face Equestrian NSW in the year ahead and beyond. Work is well advanced to draft and execute plans to achieve these objectives.

We look forward to working with the NSW Office of Sport to upgrade the arenas at Sydney International Equestrian Centre and providing assistance to other equestrian centres to ensure we have world class competition surfaces.

Our Show Horse Committee will take on the challenge of staging five major competitions in FY18, when only one was available just four years ago. Driving NSW will again welcome World Champion Boyd Exell to Tamworth, to conduct clinics around the FEI competition and Vaulting NSW will stage the Australian Vaulting Championships at Sydney in October.

Equestrian NSW is committed to working with Equestrian Australia to deliver the programs and performance expected by our members. The "Behave as One" mantra, detailed in the Equestrian Australia Strategic Plan, will be critical if we are to succeed. Practical planning, good relationships, regular communication and being accountable across all levels of equestrian will determine our future.

As CEO of Equestrian NSW, I am indeed fortunate to have a competent and supportive Board, led by President Peter Dingwall. Each Board Director has a unique set of skills, qualifications and background, so that I always have someone to turn to, across a diverse range of situations and challenges.

Our office team – Andrea Webb, Elysha Sargent, Sue Birch, Susie Burns and recent recruit Tina Mougios, continued to provide high levels of customer service and to assist with the staging of major events. Behind the scenes, our Finance Manager, Nichole Knox was efficient and professional, so that our financial reporting was accurate, timely and relevant.

On behalf of the Equestrian NSW Board and Service Team, I thank our members for your continued support and wish you every success for the coming year.



*Bruce Farrar*



## KEY RESULT AREAS

### HORSE AND RIDER WELFARE

In 2016, following the deaths of Olivia Inglis and Caitlyn Fisher, the Olivia Inglis Foundation was established through the Australian Sports Foundation. Over \$170k has been raised. To date, funds have been allocated to a new water complex at Berrima Pony Club and 100 MIM fitting oxer sets were purchased, to help prevent rotational falls on Eventing cross country courses. Further grants will be made in 2017-18.

Right across NSW, the responsibility for risk management lies heavily with the competition volunteer organising committees. The experience in managing serious incidents varies greatly. First

responder actions, liaising with medical support, collecting the relevant information for authorities and insurance companies, dealing with the media and looking after all the people involved in and affected by the incident is a major undertaking. Eventing NSW and the Equestrian Australia Eventing Safety Committee have made good progress with training videos and risk management plan templates distributed to organising committees. Recent serious incidents in Jumping have also highlighted the need to have good risk management across all our Disciplines.

Equestrian NSW will continue to work with Equestrian Australia and our Discipline Councils and Committees to ensure that risks in our sport are managed to be as low as reasonably practical.



### MEMBERSHIP AND SERVICES

Category	FY14	FY15	FY16	FY17	Change
Competitor	3,581	3,506	3,400	3,593	5.7%
Competitor Junior	1,751	1,939	2,116	2,001	-5.5%
Participant	1,509	1,705	1,745	1,952	11.9%
Supporter	355	374	337	376	11.6%
Supporter Official	222	239	238	239	0.0%
Groups	243	247	259	259	0.0%
Total	7,661	8,010	8,095	8,420	4.2%

Overall membership numbers increased by 4% from the previous year. Participant membership increased by a healthy 11.9%, suggesting that competitive personal accident and public liability insurance whilst doing equestrian activities and access to affordable entry level competitions are important to many people coming into equestrian sport.

The number of Senior Members increased by 5.7% and Juniors decreased by 5.5%. This is partly explained by 160 Juniors turning 18 in FY17 and moving into the Senior ranks.



### Membership Fees

Based on feedback from members last year, the following tables show the breakdown of Equestrian NSW membership fees.

2016-17 MEMBERSHIP FEES	Paid to Equestrian Australia				Retained by ENSW	Total member fee
	Admin	ICDF	Insurance	Total		
Competitor - Senior	\$49.26	\$11.29	\$46.00	\$106.54	\$133.46	\$240.00
% of Membership Fee	21%	5%	19%	44%	56%	
Competitor - Junior	\$16.42	\$7.18	\$17.50	\$41.10	\$80.90	\$122.00
% of Membership Fee	13%	6%	14%	34%	66%	
Participant	\$16.42	\$10.77	\$46.00	\$73.19	\$95.81	\$169.00
% of Membership Fee	10%	6%	27%	43%	57%	
Supporter – Official	\$16.42	\$7.18	\$46.00	\$69.60	\$47.40	\$117.00
% of Membership Fee	14%	6%	39%	59%	41%	
Supporter - Owner/Coach	\$24.63	\$7.18	\$46.00	\$77.81	\$74.19	\$152.00
% of Membership Fee	16%	5%	30%	51%	49%	



### FINANCE AND GOVERNANCE

Please refer to the Financial Report for a detailed analysis.

	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Revenue	\$2,004	\$2,205	\$3,097	\$3,053
Expenses	\$1,907	\$2,258	\$3,253	\$3,049
Surplus/(Deficit)	\$97	(\$52)	(\$156)	\$4

The financial results for 2016-17 were closely in line with the budget and expectations set by the Board, which were to:

- Return to a breakeven position (actual - \$4k surplus).
- Maintain a minimum cash holding of \$800k (actual - \$1,512k, including \$402k for 2017-18 membership prepayments and \$153k held in the Olivia Inglis Foundation, resulting in a net position of \$957k).
- Protect equity of \$730k (actual - \$734k).



### Competition Licenses

Equestrian NSW receives income for horse competition licenses (performance cards) for all the Disciplines, with the Olympic sports making up the majority, as shown in the table below.

Discipline	Number of Licenses	Cost per License	2016-17 Income
Dressage	2,380	\$35	\$83,300
Eventing	971	\$35	\$39,985
Jumping	1,607	\$40	\$64,280
Show Horse, Vaulting and Driving	518	\$21	\$10,878
Total	5,476		\$198,467

Equestrian NSW rebates \$16 of the \$40 Jumping license fee directly back to Jumping NSW under a longstanding annual funding arrangement.

### Member Benefits

Competition Pathways - being a member of Equestrian NSW means you can compete at events run by our affiliated clubs and commercial groups, overseen by accredited officials using rules and resources that are internationally recognised by the FEI.

Insurance – your membership provides you with competitive 24/7 personal accident and public liability insurance when you are doing equestrian activities.

Discipline Support – Equestrian NSW funds more than \$340k for our Disciplines, to assist with administration, officials education, swabbing, major events, high performance and club development.

Member Services – delivered by the customer focused service team based at Sydney International Equestrian Centre, using the MyEA IT platform.

Education – Equestrian NSW funds a range of education programs for officials, coaches and our Juniors.

High Performance – provides funding and support for our elite NSW-based horse and rider combinations towards representing Australia at international competitions.

Representation – Equestrian NSW represents its members' interests with State Government agencies, to secure grants, develop infrastructure and have input into equestrian related laws and legislation.



### ICDF Funding

The International Competition and Development Fund (ICDF) was introduced by Equestrian Australia in 1990. Its objective was to support international competition and sport development.

The table below shows some history about the contributions from Equestrian NSW members and the NSW events that received ICDF grants from Equestrian Australia in 2016-17.

ICDF	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Paid by ENSW to EA	\$61,066	\$63,577	\$65,997
EA Grants to NSW	\$45,000	\$41,000	\$58,500
Contribution to Other States	\$16,055	\$22,577	\$7,497

### EA 2016-17 ICDF Grants to NSW

Sydney CDI3*, CDI-Y	Dressage	\$9,000
Australian Dressage Championships	Dressage	\$9,000
NSW Dressage Championships	Dressage	\$1,000
Sydney International Horse Trials	Eventing	\$15,000
Lynton Horse Trials (Goulburn)	Eventing	\$3,000
Equestriad (Camden)	Eventing	\$2,500
Equifest	Jumping/Dressage	\$6,000
Sydney Summer Show Jumping Classic	Jumping	\$5,000
'In and Out of the Circle' Clinic Vaulting NSW	Vaulting	\$2,000
Tamworth Horse Driving Trials	Carriage Driving	\$3,000
Witwood International Classic	Carriage Driving	\$3,000

## Discipline Support

Discipline support decreased in 2016-17, following two years when Equestrian NSW drew down on its strong cash reserves to grow and develop our sport. The 2016-17 funding levels are likely to be sustained in future years.

Taking into account the timing of payments, some of which occurred before and after the financial year, the 2016-17 figures should be re-stated to reflect a more practical picture of the support given to the Disciplines, as shown in the tables on the next page.

Discipline	2013-14	2014-15	2015-16	2016-17
Dressage	\$109,126	\$116,591	\$129,769	\$135,932
Driving	\$6,034	\$18,000	\$21,327	\$43,755
Eventing	\$147,137	\$174,625	\$165,249	\$106,133
Jumping	\$97,258	\$149,954	\$115,865	\$80,543
Show Horse	\$3,228	-\$17,513	\$14,910	\$24,928
Vaulting	\$15,615	\$16,261	\$12,059	-\$21,618
Individuals	\$5,000	\$5,461	\$0	\$0
Interschools	-\$9,434	\$56,367	\$6,014	-\$25,226
Total	\$373,964	\$519,745	\$465,193	\$344,337

## Dressage

<i>Income</i>	
Australian Championships	\$244,265
Total	\$244,265
<i>Expenditure</i>	
Administration Support	\$13,000
Officials Support	\$19,000
Swabbing	\$4,000
Club Affiliation Rebate	\$4,240
Sydney CDI Sponsorship	\$20,000
Australian Championships	\$250,681
State Championships Sponsorship	\$20,000
Youth Championships Sponsorship	\$2,000
High Performance	\$21,939
Club Development Grants	\$12,000
Total	\$366,860
Net Support	\$122,595

## Eventing

<i>Income</i>	
Sydney International Horse Trials Clinics	\$28,309
Sydney International Horse Trials	\$174,760
High Performance	\$1,745
Total	\$204,814
<i>Expenditure</i>	
Administration Support	\$15,000
Officials Support	\$10,000
Sydney International Horse Trials	\$195,460
State Championships Sponsorship (Scone)	\$5,000
Sydney International Horse Trials Clinics	\$12,391
Cross Country Funding	\$15,000
Spirafix Cross Country Anchors	\$10,000
High Performance	\$27,508
Club Development Grants	\$10,000
Scone Hores Trials (\$3,000)	
Berrima Horse Trials (\$3,000)	
Albury Wadonga Horse Trials (\$3,000)	
Camden Equestriad (\$1,000)	
Trauma Counselling	\$11,742
Total	\$312,101
Support	\$107,287

## Jumping

<i>Income</i>	
Total	\$0
<i>Expenditure</i>	
Administration Support	\$18,340
Officials Support	\$2,961
Swabbing	\$2,600
Club Affiliation Rebate (\$88)	\$3,921
Performance Cards Rebate (\$16)	\$26,385
Summer Classic Sponsorship	\$20,000
State Championships Sponsorship	\$20,000
Showcase Sponsorship	\$10,000
Youth Festival Sponsorship	\$3,000
Sydney Royal Sponsorship	\$2,727
High Performance	\$6,136
Club Development Grants	\$5,136
Lachlan Valley Equestrian Club (\$1,000)	
ACT Showjumping Club (\$2,000)	
Monaro Equestrian Club (\$1,000)	
Tweed & District Show Jumping Club (\$1,136)	
Total	\$121,206
Net Support	\$121,206

## Driving

<i>Income</i>	
Total	\$0
<i>Expenditure</i>	
Administration Support	\$3,240
Tamworth Event and Clinic Sponsorship	\$9,684
Development Grants	\$1,988
Other Expenses	\$155
Total	\$15,067
Net Support	\$15,067

## Interschools

<i>Income</i>	
State Championships	\$262,053
National Championships	\$345,100
Total	\$607,153
<i>Expenditure</i>	
State Championships	\$221,709
National Championships	\$346,278
Other Event Support	\$2,328
Total	\$570,315
Net Support	-\$36,838



## Showhorse

Income	
Horse of the Year	\$93,964
State Championships	\$6,364
National Championships (Uniforms)	\$26,132
Training Days	\$5,228
Judges Seminar	\$536
Total	\$132,224
Expenditure	
Administration Support	\$5,000
Club Rebate	\$240
Horse of the Year	\$91,452
State Championships	\$8,099
National Championships (Uniforms)	\$24,507
Other Event Sponsorships	\$2,062
Training Days	\$4,712
Judges Seminar	\$668
Other Expenses	\$7,319
Total	\$144,059
Net Support	\$11,835

## Vaulting

Income	
State Championships	\$19,968
Workshops and Clinics	\$19,958
Other Event Income	\$200
Total	\$40,126
Expenditure	
Administration Support	\$3,240
State Championships	\$11,131
Other Event Support	\$4,180
Workshops and Clinics	\$20,462
Development Grants	\$6,000
Other Expenses	\$2,352
Total	\$47,365
Net Support	\$7,239



## GOVERNANCE

In 2016-17, the Equestrian NSW Board consisted of:

Board Member	Tenure	Board Meetings	
		Eligible	Attended
Peter Dingwall	Nov14-Nov18	11	10
Derek Major	Nov13-Nov17	11	9
Alex Townsend	Nov13-Jun16	11	10
David Lawrence	Nov13-Jun16	5	5
Prue Spurrett	Nov15-Nov17	11	9
Suzanne Doyle	Nov15-Nov17	11	9
Vicki Roycroft	Nov15-Nov17	11	6
Fiona Macleod	Nov16-Nov18	6	6

**Peter Dingwall** (Bachelor of Laws) - was elected to the Board at the 2014 AGM and has served as President since 2015. Until August 2016, Peter was a Magistrate at the ACT Magistrates Court and was Registrar of the ACT Supreme Court from 1985-90. He has been President of ACT Show Jumping Club since 2003, was Chef D'Equipe for the Australian Show Jumping Team in Korea in 2008 and has served on the ACT Rugby Union Judiciary. He was until recently the Chair of the National Show Horse Committee.

**Dr Derek Major** (Bachelor of Veterinary Science) - was elected to the Board at the 2013 AGM under the new Constitution. Until recently, Derek was a partner in Agnes Banks Equine Clinic and is a competitor in eventing and jumping as well as a breeder of performance horses. Derek is an accredited FEI vet, is a Chartered Member of the Australian Veterinary Association, former board member of the AVA and past president of Equine Veterinarians Australia.

**Alexandra Townsend** (Bachelor of Arts, Master of Journalism) - was re-elected to the Board at the 2014 AGM. Alex comes from a public relations and media background. She is director of The Animal Company and is the owner and event patron at Wallaby Hill Farm. Alex actively competes at three star level eventing and is a NCAS Level 2 Eventing instructor.

**David Lawrence** - was re-elected onto the Board at the 2014 AGM. David is an accredited Jumping Course Designer and was heavily involved in the federal and state governments regarding funding for events and industry relief packages.

**Prue Spurrett** - held senior roles in Investment Banking, was formerly the President of Dressage NSW, is a FEI 4\* Eventing Judge, National C Level Dressage Judge and is currently the Chair of the Equestrian Australia Dressage Committee.

**Suzanne Doyle** (Bachelor of Economics, PhD) - has over 20 years of executive experience in financial services, was previously the Treasurer and Vice President of Dressage NSW and has successfully competed in Dressage up to Inter 1. Suzanne resigned from the Equestrian NSW Board on 2 November 2017 to join the Equestrian Australia Board.

**Vicki Roycroft** - is a three-time Olympian, two-time Australian Senior Showjumping Champion, Australian Eventing Champion and served as Chair of the National Jumping Committee for seven years.

**Fiona MacLeod** (Bachelor of Business) - is currently the Strategic Business Manager with Visy Industries and was previously Regional Manager for Goodman Fielder. Fiona's core skills are in marketing and communication, along with a sharp focus on and involvement in OHS. She is an accredited FEI Jumping Official and has presided over most of the major Jumping and Eventing competitions in NSW.

## EDUCATION

Education is a strategic priority for Equestrian NSW. Our Education Subcommittee continued its role to review and support proposals and initiatives from Equestrian Australia and to provide the Board with advice about opportunities to improve education in NSW. Strategic projects included:

- running pilot Introductory and Level 1 coaching programs at Sydney International Equestrian Centre and Hawkesbury TAFE;
- having input to the Equestrian Australia consultative process to shape the new coaching training and accreditation scheme;
- attracting, training and supporting officials and coaches; and
- finding and adopting technology from Australia and overseas to assist with education.

We look forward to engaging with our coaches and officials to make education a core component of all our activities.



## LOOKING FORWARD TO 2017-18

Strategic focus areas for the Board and team in 2016-17 include:

### Horse Welfare and Performance:

- Roll out MIM fittings to Eventing Organising Committees with funds from the Olivia Inglis Foundation and EA Making Eventing Safer program.
- Work with EA and the NSW Discipline Councils and Committees to introduce random drug and alcohol testing at competitions.
- Work with EA and the NSW Discipline Councils and Committees to ensure that practical and relevant risk management and incident response plans are in place for all competitions.

### Member Services

- Roll out new electronic membership cards and benefits from Sports Pass.
- Grow membership by 2%.

### Governance and Finance

- In collaboration with other State Branches, re-negotiate the 2016-2020 Memorandum of Understanding with Equestrian Australia.
- Deliver a modest surplus and minimum \$800k cash holding.

### Participation and Competition

- Assist Equestrian Australia with the refining and expansion of our participation programs.
- Continue to support low barrier to entry classes at events.
- Support emerging Interschools competitions.

### Education

- Attract, train and support officials.
- Assist Equestrian Australia to refine their coaching program.

### High Performance

- Assist with the development of High Performance programs for all Disciplines.



## DISCIPLINE REPORTS

### DRESSAGE NSW

The 2016-17 year has been another very busy year for our committee and for NSW riders. In our second year of having dedicated financial support from Equestrian NSW and in conjunction with the success of our Clarendon competitions, we have been able to focus our funding on a number of key activities to promote and grow dressage in and throughout NSW.

Following on from last year, again one of our key activities has been on not only growing the overall number of judges and officials, but seeing them progress through the levels. In the course of the 2016-17 year we have dedicating over \$25k to this and achieved the following:

- Six seminars at Clarendon for judges, riders and coaches at all levels, with attendance being at a record 183 people
- Regional seminars and workshops at Manning Valley, Young Dressage Association and Mudgee with over 90 people in attendance
- Freestyle workshop with FEI 5\* judge Katrina Wurst
- Two steward training courses
- 45 shadow judging and exam opportunities and more than 80 sit in's at Clarendon competitions

In the 2016-17 year we saw 29 G level applicants registering their interest to judge, with 14 achieving their accreditation during the year. In addition, 17 candidates upgraded across the levels with one A level judge currently undertaking pre-requisites to upgrade to FEI level. We also have 4 FEI riders taking advantage of the fast-track process to medium (D) level. In addition, 8 new judge mentors were appointed. This has resulted in another very successful year in terms of both attracting new judges to sport and upgrading our existing pool of judges to meet the high demands of the NSW dressage calendar.

Over the weekend of 25 & 26th February, over 70 people, including representatives from Dressage and Riding Clubs from all over NSW came to Clarendon for the biannual Dressage NSW Clubs Forum. Organised by Sam Farrar and Pamela Bice, over 70 people from around the state attended the Forum, some from as far south as Bega and as far north as Taree. Participants discussed topics as varied as Worksafe requirements and risk assessment, hot weather and storm policies, stewarding and yellow cards, judges, scoring for competitions, navigating the Dressage NSW website and how to raise funds and source funding for clubs. Dressage NSW would like to thank Equestrian NSW for providing financial assistance to support the Forum.

In terms of High Performance and development squads, we entered out second year of having a revamped senior squad program and were pleased to launch our new-look Young Rider Development program and Squad. We started the year with 26 combinations on the senior squad and with Equestrian NSW, hosted 5 1-day clinics with both on and off horse programs. Back by popular demand were the protocol clinics with guest national and international judges, including Peter Holler and Ricky McMillan. In 2018 we are excited to welcome the return of US FEI 5\* Judge Lilo Fiore to host a High Performance senior squad training clinic and also renowned British FEI 5\* Judge Stephen Clarke.

The Young Rider program included a 3, 2-day clinics at Clarendon with a combination of on horse lessons conducted by our senior squad members, and off the horse activities, with some 55 riders attending the first two clinics. Feedback from those participating was very positive and another 3 2-day clinics are scheduled for 2018. Criteria for the Young Riders Squad was also released and resulted in 12 combinations being successfully accepted onto the Squad.

The amateur owner rider (AOR) category has been a hit with competitors and cemented itself in NSW at both local and state level competitions, with numerous club championships embracing the 'AOR' category. Testament to the popularity of the AOR category was evident at the 2016 NSW State Championships where we had a similar number of competitors in both the open and AOR classes from Preliminary through to Medium level. We are also pleased with other categories of competitor including Pony and Young Rider. The 2016 State Championships (incorporating CDI-W) was the largest ever held, with over 450 tests ridden at the event.

In terms of events, Dressage NSW has provided financial support to clubs in the form of Regional Dressage Festival events, conducted 9 Clarendon events in 2016-17 and hosted the iconic Sydney CDI and CDI-W at the NSW State Dressage Championships.

The Sydney CDI 3\* event is now in its 25th year, and continues to be a highlight on the Australian dressage calendar attracting FEI and Young horse competitors from across Australia to compete in front of some of the best international and national judges. This year we were fortunate to have FEI 5\* Katrina Wurst from Germany and Melanie Campbell was again the guest rider in the Young Horse final rounds and did a great job putting the final placegetters through their paces in front of the panel of judges to determine the winner of each class. The Advanced Tournament was again a popular class attracting record number of entries (45) and for the first time a CDI-P (international pony competition) was offered for riders between 12 and 16 years with 6 combinations taking part.

This year the Sydney CDI 3\* gave the audience the chance to put themselves in the judges' seats, with a new "Spectator Judging" app presented by SAP, allowing spectators to score competitors. In a first for the Australasian region, spectators could download the free app and experience judging first hand as they unofficially "score" each competitor as if they were in the judges' boxes.

The Grand Prix Freestyle at the Australian Dressage Championships offered a great moment in our sport when the 18-year-old Mary Warren and her horse Mindarah Park Ramadan were crowned the winners of the Freestyle on a score of 71.00%, making Mary the youngest rider to win a Freestyle CDI-W in Australia.

The Regional Dressage Festival is growing in popularity, with 6 clubs hosting an RDF in the 2016-17 year. This includes ACT Dressage Association, Tamworth, Young, Wagga Wagga, Manning Valley and Alexander Park. Over \$6K p.a. has been allocated to the RDF and we are so pleased to see the support for this initiative and hope that more and more riders support out regional clubs in the 2017-18 year by participating in the RDF.

Clarendon continued to provide competition opportunities for riders at all levels, with 9 2&3-day competitions held and over 2,300 tests ridden (down on the previous year due to hot and wet weather cancellations). The protocol days have proved to be very successful, providing riders at all levels the opportunity to practice their tests under the watchful eyes of a judge and receive instant feedback. Unfortunately wet weather early in the 2017 year saw many clubs (not just Clarendon) having to cancel their competitions and the Clarendon Winter Festival was also a victim with the competition being rescheduled to November 2017. In total, over 11,000 dressage tests were ridden, judged and scored in NSW in 2016/17.

It goes without saying that all the events that run in NSW, from the local club level event all the way through to the Marques events such as the Sydney CDI, would not be possible without the hard work and commitment of our volunteers and various committee members. A big thank-you to all who dedicate their time to running dressage events in NSW. Without our army of volunteers, it would not be possible to achieve these outstanding results. So to all of you.... A big thank you!

**Helen Lawson - President**



## DRIVING

With the new committee elected and a face to face meeting organised with Bruce Farrar and Andrea Webb we were keen to get productive. Early on in the piece we had lost one committee member through a lack of understanding as to what our committee was really here to do.

What an exciting year it was shaping up to be with carriage driving kicking off the season in Grafton with an event held by Horse Driving Trials Club. This event was well attended by local members for participation classes with both horses and ponies.

With several singles and multiple combinations making the trip from QLD, Patsy Wicks and her many helpers made this a very welcoming event.

Moving into the month of October drivers took advantage of our very own world champion four in hand driver Boyd Exell as he made a flying visit to Tamworth to train many of the squad drivers and share his knowledge with fence sitters by answering questions.

Many drivers showed their skills at the next event of the season hosted again by the Horse Driving Trials Club. AELEC CAI FEI 1\* & 2\* held over two days of competition for not only the international classes but participation/unofficial classes. Competitors came from SA, Victoria, QLD, WA and NSW.

This was the first year Children Classes (under 21) were on offer in the FEI 1\*. With local driver Ethan Jones and Niamh Tester from WA borrowing a pony from the Meredith Family we look forward to this being a regular class on offer.

International judge Sarah Mullins (GB) and Technical Delegate Ed Young (USA) assisted Judy Meredith and her team to successfully bring together yet another international event.

It's exciting to hear lessons with Boyd are already sold out for the 2017 and the event will be bigger and better than last year.

The awards night was very well attended by all our nominated winners and yet again we partied well into the night.

So I should have seen it coming but no I don't own a crystal ball. With the resignation of Lyn Callagen (who was both pro ACDS and EA) sighting family reasons our committee was down to four.

It hasn't been all roses for Carriage Driving this year with cancellation of the FEI event to be held at Witwood. It came as no surprise to me but very disappointing for competitors who had trained up horses and put countless hours and dollars into preparation. This not only effected competitors but also officials and judges who had organised family members and friend to look after children, animals and their own personal businesses.

It comes to question whether Equestrian Australia and the ACDS can co-exist holding joint events. Personally I would say no and we need to keep chipping away, holding events, schools and training days with one or two international events a year.

This brings me to the subject of funding. Clubs should not receive Equestrian Australia funding without committing to running events under Equestrian Australia rules. This explains why my committee voted no to granting funding to these clubs. I received many calls in regards to the funding that had been granted to the Witwood Event for the new cones numbers and what would happen.

To finish on a positive note it is exciting to see many NSW FEI judges, officials and stewards heading overseas to fulfil positions around the world.

Australia is making its mark on the world stage of Carriage Driving in an official and judging capacity.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my Committee, Bruce Farrar and Andrea Webb for all their help and support in the last 12 months as chairperson of the Carriage Committee. This position has taken me way out of my comfort zone but that's what we do as equestrians.

**Jennifer Nichols - Chair**



## EVENTING

2016 will long be remembered by many Australian eventers as a tragically sad year, following the deaths that occurred in our sport. These accidents have been well documented and we believe this report should not make any other comment. Instead we would like to reflect on how our sport and our riders managed to pick themselves up and continue enjoying a sport that is their passion. We are sure that those riders who lost their lives would have expected nothing less.

The Rio Olympics was, of course, a major part of all Eventers' year. The run off effect of the 'Games' was felt from the lower levels of Eventing to those involved at top level and it gave riders and organisers alike a much needed boost.

Many of our Eventing community attended Rio, while some made the trip to the CCI at Aachen. Although many of these trips are done for pleasure, the knowledge gained from watching how big events run is always a bonus and our home events certainly benefit from this input.

2016 was also a year where it seemed that the young children of our elite riders came to the fore. Young William Bates (son of Christine and Mathew) began his Eventing career with a win at Denman Horse Trials while Oliver Barrett (son of Prue and Craig) continued to clock up some good results and was joined by his younger brother, Jesper, in the family 'firm'. It is always encouraging to see the next generation coming through our sport and it is a sure sign that the sport is in a healthy state.

Berrima Horse Trials celebrated its 25th year in 2016 and marked the occasion with a lunch party for past and present volunteers and friends. This was a really good demonstration of how each event brings together people who become part of, in this instance, the Berrima family. All the volunteers agreed it had been lovely to spend a day together reminiscing over the past 25 years!

2016 was a great year for Hazel Shannon who rode Clifford to victory at Lynton CIC3\* and went on win the Australian International CCI4\* at Adelaide. Hazel, from Queensland, is based with Heath and Rozzie Ryan who have been and continue to be a huge support for this young rider.

Andrew Cooper enjoyed a good win at Canberra CIC3\* while Stuart Tinney took out the CCI3\* at Wallaby Hill at the end of the year. Stuart was also the course designer at Wallaby Hill, designing the CCI2\*, CCI1\* and Eva105 courses.

During the year \$65,000 was allocated to cross country jump construction with financial assistance of \$15,000 from Equestrian NSW. The remaining \$45,000 was funded by the Eventing NSW horse Levy. This will be continued in 2017-18.

\$20,000 was spent on Spirafix anchors for portable jumps and all clubs received an allocation. This was funded 50/50 by Eventing NSW and Equestrian NSW. In the 2017/2018 period all clubs will have received all needed anchors.

Eventing NSW continues to be committed to looking after our horses and improving their longevity in the sport and to that end over \$20,000 was spent on 'Footing Funding' to improve the going. This was funded by the Eventing NSW non-member levy.

Communication is vital to the running of a good, safe, event and to help with this Eventing NSW is now providing their clubs with VHF radios. The change has been very successful, with 50 radios arriving at every venue. It is a great benefit for the organisers and officials to have the private VHF radios which are paid for with a small \$3 levy. The radios and all other Eventing NSW equipment are delivered by Casey-Lee from the Red Radio Girls.

Eventing NSW is committed to providing the best, challenging, enjoyable and safest events possible and will continue to work with others in the Eventing equestrian world to make that happen.

**Shane Rose - President**



## JUMPING

The sport of Showjumping is as busy as ever with numbers of horses and riders at shows growing year on year.

2016-17 was a great year for competition and we saw a very strong influence of Regional Riders taking out the major events. History has shown great talent from the country. There are a great number of people in the country areas who have horses and ride and we aim to encourage and help support more of them into our sport.

Each year, now for the last five years Jumping NSW has run a series for the Amateur Rider of the Year. Around 20 shows across NSW host an NSW Amateur of the Year Class that goes towards a point score. The best six scores by a horse and rider combination are tallied to decide the winner of the Jumping NSW Amateur of the Series award and 2016 winner was Damien Churchill from Wagga Wagga.

Jumping NSW membership increased from 2015-16 which also saw an increase in clubs.

Jumping NSW is working towards adding a new membership category. A supporter's membership for anyone who is interested in jumping and would like to receive information but are not a rider or official, this membership won't have voting rights and will be offered at a cheaper rate. Also to promote our Corporate membership, that has similar rights as a Club membership ie. the hiring of Jumping NSW equipment etc. As the Supporters' membership is a new category it will be an addition to the constitution and will need to be passed at a Special General meeting to implement the inclusion.

High priority on the committee's agenda is Officials Education and Regional Support.

A number of Officials clinics are being held around NSW, and more are on the agenda to be conducted this year and next. Jumping NSW is not only providing education for the introductory and beginning levels of Officials but is actively trying to support the higher accredited Judges and Course Designers to achieve an even higher level of accreditation. Updating for most officials will occur next year and planning is underway for another Super Clinic that was supported by Equestrian NSW is now in the pipeline. Thanks go to Equestrian NSW for their ongoing support for riders and officials training.

A number of officials give up their time to mentor and encourage up and coming officials and we thank them very much for their time, effort and dedication to the sport.

Jumping NSW support a number of events throughout NSW including the NSW State Championships, NSW Indoor Championships that were held in Tamworth and Country Championships at Charles Sturt University in Wagga.

Jumping NSW run one of the biggest Showjumping Events in Australia, The Summer Showjumping Classic, held each year at The Sydney International Equestrian Centre on the 2nd weekend in December.

Jumping NSW hosted its first Event Organisers meeting in April at the Royal Easter Show. This seemed like an ideal time to be able to have as many Event organisers attend and it proved to be the case. A number of clubs attended as well as private event organisers, some committee members, and representation from Equestrian NSW. A wide range of topics were covered from safe work practices, late entries at shows, grading cards and entry systems.

Another item, that is going to be taking high priority this year is to finalise the structure for the NSW events calendar. It is becoming more and more crucial for events to have their dates in place early for riders to plan their year but also to try and avoid dates clashing. Having said that, it has been disappointing, to have established shows with dates that are set from year to year having new shows coming in and running against them. This is both unfair for the organisers of the shows and also for the riders, instead of having two shows to attend, they then only have one particularly when we still have gaps in the calendar.

The Riders Series of shows have been a great inclusion into the calendar and the reasoning behind these shows was for this very reason.

NSW saw three World Cup Shows run in 2016. Two relatively new World Cup Shows, Tamworth World Cup in its second year, a great indoor event at AELEC and Showcase of Showjumping, a World Cup and 2 Star event held at Richmond on the picturesque Polo fields. These shows host a number of classes for a wide range of horses and competitors and also are providing a great spectacle for the general public.

Jumping NSW hosted the NSW Showjumpers Ball in June. It was a great evening and is to become an annual event on the calendar. This along with the cocktail party held before Summer Classic, they have been very successful social events and I am sure they will only grow in popularity.

Also 2016 saw the induction of two new life members. David Willis and Margot Meredith, longtime supporters and volunteers for the sport. Even though both have children that live and compete overseas these devoted parents still work very hard for the sport of Showjumping here in NSW. Rowan competing in England and Ben in the USA. David and Margot were acknowledged for all their time and effort at a presentation at the 2016 Summer Showjumping Classic.

Showjumping in NSW is on the move and each year we see more and more talented horses and riders achieving great success.

**Jane Frankum - President**



## SHOW HORSE

On behalf of the Equestrian NSW Show Horse Committee I am pleased to submit this report for 2016-17.

Qualifying from their successes at the Equestrian NSW, "Elizabeth Farm 2016 Horse Of The Year Show", the Equestrian NSW Show Horse Team of 54 members & horses, travelled to Werribee, last December, to compete and represent NSW at the "Sunsense 2016 EA National Show Horse & Rider Championships". Many of the team were successful, with NSW being awarded the overall most successful State.

The NSW SH Committee has been very active during the past year, we held the "Elizabeth Farm 2017 Equestrian NSW Horse Of The Year Show" in March at SIEC. This year saw an increase in Competitor numbers for the 5th consecutive year, with over 250 entrants taking part. The qualifiers from this show will again form the Equestrian NSW Show Horse Team, to compete in the "2017 Sunsense EA National Show Horse & Rider Championships" to be held at Werribee in December 2017, we wish the NSW Team all the best for this event.

The Show Horse Committee was also actively involved in assisting with the Show Horse Section, of the ever growing and popular Interschool's NSW State Titles held in June 2017.

All Show Horse events over the past year have been well supported, including the "Equestrian NSW 2017 Junior Rider Show" held in August at SIEC on the grass arena. This arena proved to be a popular choice with over 110 junior's travelling from all parts of NSW to compete.

We are holding a Judges seminar on the 17th June 2018 as the next 3 year period for re-accreditation commences.

We look forward to a bright future for Show Horse, in addition to the "2018 Elizabeth Farm EA NSW Horse of the Year" to be held at SIEC in February, plans underway to conduct some new & exciting events, this includes the "Equestrian NSW Elizabeth Farm Newcomer Horse of the Year" and the "Equestrian NSW Show Horse Championships" on the 16th & 17th September at SIEC, entries are in & up by 30% compared to last year's event.

The "Canberra Country Show Horse Championships" will be held November 2017, providing an event for our regional members, the "Willinga Park Summer Show Horse Championships" to be held the 19th to 21st January 2018 is open to all EA members, regardless of what State EA membership they hold.

This will be followed by a very exciting inaugural event, "The Southern Cross Show Horse Spectacular", to be held at SIEC in March 2018, this event is open to all EA members & registered horses, from any State that qualify from placing 1st 2nd or 3rd in open Show Horse classes, at selected & approved EA Show Horse events held throughout Australia.

### Robin Bland - Chair



## VAULTING

2017 was a very busy year for vaulting in NSW. The year began with two new committee members stepping on to the VNSW Committee, growing the committee from 5 to 7 members.

The first event for the year was the Annual National Vaulting Workshop held in Canberra at the National Equestrian Centre. Two international coaches, Nicolas Andreani from France and Claire De Ridder from, came over to train our passionate vaulters in a weeklong camp.

Later in the year, further training was provided by VNSW with three lunging clinics, focusing on development of our lungers and horses. Vaulters and coaches were included in the program at our final clinic for the year. Several participants successfully completed their official EA manuals towards both lunging and coach accreditation. A coaching upgrade was also provided by EA.

Further training was held for our volunteers with a workshop focusing on scoring, pencilling and the use of Nominat.

A training workshop for EA Vaulting Stewards was conducted and, in November, an FEI Stewards Training Course and an FEI Vaulting Judges Course were held at SIEC. Three stewards earned their national accreditation, one steward upgraded to Level 3 FEI Steward and one judge was accredited to FEI Level 3 Vaulting Judge.

This was also a busy year for competitions. In April, the Southern Cross CVI3\* event was held at K-Ranch near Sydney. A week later, vaulters competed at the Royal Agricultural Show during the Easter holidays. In early May, the Scone Vaulting competition was held during the Scone Horse Festival. In June, the Interschools Vaulting Competition was held at SIEC, where the NSW State Championships were also held in July. The National Vaulting Championships and CVI3\* were also held at SIEC this year at the end of September. A small group of vaulters then performed a display at the World Championship Polo event in Richmond. The final event for the year, the Christmas Competition, was held in Newcastle.

This year, several Australian vaulters headed overseas to compete. Rebecca Higgins competed in the Pacific Cup in California, USA. A group of vaulters from the Southern Highlands Vaulting Team and the Sydney Vaulting group undertook a four week training tour through Europe, and competed in the Krumke Vaulting competition. We commend Isabella Naphthali for winning the CVI11\* Female championship, Bronagh Miskelly for her sixth place in the CVI11\* female competition and Jamie Haste for third in the CVI11\*J male competition.

At the National Vaulting Championships in September, the Advanced Squad Class was won by Sydney Vaulting Group, consisting of Bronagh Miskelly, Caitlin Fraser, Erin Ryan, Megan Cousins, Rebecca Higgins and Sarah Grayson, with Nicole Collett as Reserve, and lunged by Lyn Lynch on Kingston Legato. In individual classes, Jamie Haste won the CVI11\*JM on Macquarie View Jamal lunged by Mike Winwood, Rachel Barlow won the CVI11\*F on Crème Brulee lunged by Robyn Boyle, Sabine Osmotherly won the CVI11\*F on WF Indigo lunged by Nicole Connor, Bronagh Miskelly won the CVI2\*JF on Kingston Legato lunged by Lyn Lynch and Ginger Kennett won the CVI2\*JF on Donati 3 lunged by Georgie Kennett. Frank, belonging to Robyn Boyle, was named National Champion Horse.

In NSW in 2017, a large number of competitions, clinics, and workshops were conducted and where vaulters, lungers and coaches were provided with a considerable amount of education and training. The VNSW committee and the Organising Committees of all of these events worked tirelessly to offer these activities, and their efforts should be recognized. We are already looking forward to a busy and productive year in 2018.

### Gillian Burns- Chair



## INTERSCHOOLS

The Interschool discipline is seeing a growth in the number of competitors as it becomes increasingly popular among junior riders. The pathway provided by the interschool competitions is critical to the development of athletes as they participate and move towards official competitions and participation in the various disciplines.

The Godolphin 2016 Australian Interschool Championships was held from the 25-29 September at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre for the second year in a row. Strong entry numbers again provided a logistical challenge at the venue. Class sizes were on par with 2015 with increases in some disciplines due to the addition of extra classes.

Godolphin, the global thoroughbred breeding and horseracing stable were the naming rights sponsors for the 2016 Australian Interschool Championships. We also thank our discipline sponsors; Eventing - FDC Construction & Fit Out, Combined Training - Gow Gates Insurance, Dressage - Rivenlee Floats, Show Horse - Prydes Feeds, and Show Jumping - Oz Shotz Photography.

State teams were well represented with Victoria, Queensland and New South Wales having over 100 team members. Western Australia had a strong team due to the increase in pool horse requests. Pool horses were also offered to Northern Territory riders. It was also good to see a larger representation from Tasmania and the consistent team numbers from South Australia.

With nearly 400 horses to be stabled, additional stables were brought in to accommodate the extra requirements. Again the camping areas were full with the venue filled to capacity with extra amenities bought in for the camping areas. The management and staff at SIEC once again did an amazing job ensuring that every arena and area was ready for the Championships.

A strong NSW team of over 100 riders and their horses saw some exceptional results across all disciplines. Team New South Wales dominated classes and eventually took the top honours by winning the Champion State ahead of Victoria and Queensland.

The 2016 State Interschool Championships were held in June, with over 650 competitors from 48 Primary and 146 Secondary Schools.

The State Interschool Championships welcomed new sponsors Coolmore Stud, Icon Building Group and the McKenzie Family whilst still maintaining a strong association with FDC Construction & Fit Out and Oz Shotz Photography.

We welcomed the Australian Stock Horse Association who provided wonderful prizes for the Best Placed registered Stock Horse in each discipline.

The popular Off The Track Thoroughbred award was this year provided by the generosity of some of the largest NSW Thoroughbred Studs including Arrowfield Stud, Coolmore Australia, Widden Stud, Yarraman Park Stud and William Inglis & Son Ltd.

In the Primary Schools Championship, Gib Gate in Mittagong took out the Primary School Championship for another year with Frensham proving too strong in the secondary division winning overall Champion Secondary School.

### Andrea Webb - Event Director



## 2016 EQUESTRIAN NSW AWARDS FOR EXCELLENCE

### INTERSCHOOL CHAMPIONS

Primary Combined Training Champion	Trista Mitchell
Secondary Combined Training Champion	Georgia Cottle
Primary Vaulting Champion	Charlotte Lee
Secondary Vaulting Champion	Emily Jones
Primary Dressage Champion	Shelley Kleven
Secondary Dressage Champion	Tanisha Ryan
Primary Show Horse Champion	Emma Hutchinson
Secondary Show Horse Champion	Sarah Olsen
Primary Jumping Champion	Aria Baker
Secondary Jumping Champion	Emily Baldwin
Primary Eventing Champion	Hayley Robl
Secondary Eventing Champion	Isobel Guinness
Champion Primary Rider	Shelley Kleven
Champion Secondary Rider	Sarah Olsen
Champion Primary School	Gib Gate
Champion Secondary School	Frensham

### DRESSAGE AWARDS

Dressage Young Rider Encouragement Award	Brianna Burgess
Dressage Young Athlete of the Year	Mary Warren
Dressage Horse of the Year	Diamond Star owned by Vicki Newham
Dressage Athlete of the Year	Matthew Dowsley

### SHOW HORSE AWARDS

Show Horse of the Year	Taittinger I owned by Jessica Stalling
Show Hunter of the Year	Royal Queen of Sefton owned by Brae Digney
Show Horse Senior Athlete of the Year	Jessica Stones
Show Horse Young Athlete of the Year	Georgia Dalley

### EVENTING AWARDS

Eventing Junior Pre Novice Rider	Thea Horsley
Eventing Young Athlete of the Year	Ashleigh Wiseman
Eventing Horse of the Year	Clifford owned by Wendy Ward
Eventing Athlete of the Year	Stuart Tinney OAM

### VAULTING AWARDS

Vaulting Young Athlete of the Year	Emily Jones
Vaulting Female Athlete of the Year	Sarah Grayson
Vaulting Male Athlete of the Year	Justin Boyle
Vaulting Horse of the Year	Huntermview Sinatra owned by Robyn Boyle

### DRIVING AWARDS

Carriage Driving Young Athlete of the Year	Molli Mercer
Carriage Driving Encouragement Award	Anna Meredith
Carriage Driving Horse of the Year	Cherrington Harlequin owned by Amanda See
Carriage Driving Athlete of the Year	David Rozynski

### JUMPING AWARDS

Jumping Young Athlete of the Year	Madeline Sinderberry
Best Show with Jumping	Showcase of Showjumping
Jumping Horse of the Year	Emmaville Jitterbug owned by Warren Beresford
Jumping Athlete of the Year	Clint Beresford



### EQUESTRIAN AUSTRALIA NOMINATIONS

Official of the Year	Matthew Bates
Administrator of the Year	Kerrie Stapleton
Event of the Year	Australian Interschool Championships

### COACHING AWARDS

High Performance Coach of the Year	Prue Barrett
Community Coach of the Year	Megan Joerg

### GOW GATES SERVICE TO SPORT AWARDS

Service to Sport – Eventing	Jane Robinson
Service to Sport – Dressage	Bruce McVey
Service to Sport - Show Horse	Ermond Morelli
Service to Sport – Driving	Ty Nichols
Service to Sport - Jumping	Amber Fuller
Service to Sport - Vaulting	Chris Wicks

### VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Eventing Volunteer of the Year	Ben Smith
Dressage Volunteer of the Year	Mary Houghton
Show Horse Volunteer of the Year	Neil Carpenter
Jumping Volunteer of the Year	Karen Higgins
Vaulting Volunteer of the Year	Lindsay Collett
Driving Volunteer of the Year	Margaret O'Brien
NSW Volunteer of the Year	Neil Carpenter



# EQUESTRIAN NSW FINANCIAL REPORT

For the Year ended 30 June 2017

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## EQUESTRIAN NSW INCORPORATED ABN 17 157 619 696

### STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
<b>Revenue</b>			
Membership Income		1,307,006	1,268,873
Horse Related Income		356,135	344,816
NCAS Income		9,825	3,936
Discipline Councils/Committees Income	5	1,237,091	1,343,955
Marketing and Promotion		15,854	9,155
Funding Received	5	48,500	48,500
Management Fee Received		57,079	51,711
Interest Received		18,118	21,710
Other Income		4,291	4,100
		<u>3,053,898</u>	<u>3,096,756</u>
<b>Expenses</b>			
Administration Costs		164,212	156,566
Auditors Fee		6,500	6,500
Bad Debts written off		710	3,211
Council Employment Expense		57,079	51,711
Depreciation		17,886	24,568
Discipline Councils/Committees Expense	6	1,581,427	1,809,148
Financial Expense		4,412	6,004
Marketing and Promotion		61,506	64,281
National Expense		527,327	526,843
NCAS Expense		17,537	682
Services & IT		19,877	19,256
Wages & Salaries		591,385	584,617
		<u>3,049,858</u>	<u>3,253,387</u>
<b>Net current year surplus/(deficit)</b>		<u>4,040</u>	<u>(156,631)</u>
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>		<u>\$-</u>	<u>\$-</u>
<b>Total Comprehensive Income</b>		<u><b>4,040</b></u>	<u><b>(156,631)</b></u>

The accompanying notes on pages 37 to 45 form an integral part of this financial report

EQUESTRIAN NSW INCORPORATED  
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STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	1,512,747	1,424,267
Trade and other receivables	8	43,417	80,235
Other Assets	9	-	120
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<u>1,556,164</u>	<u>1,504,622</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	10	<u>45,654</u>	<u>57,926</u>
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<u>45,654</u>	<u>57,926</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<u>1,601,818</u>	<u>1,562,549</u>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other payables	11	232,300	197,731
Borrowings	12	-	20,127
Provisions	13	51,376	49,899
Other liabilities	14	555,249	541,847
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<u>838,925</u>	<u>809,604</u>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Provisions	13	28,735	22,825
<b>Total Non-Current Liabilities</b>		<u>28,735</u>	<u>22,825</u>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<u>867,660</u>	<u>832,430</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u><b>734,159</b></u>	<u><b>730,119</b></u>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Reserves		-	-
Retained surplus	15	<u>734,159</u>	<u>730,119</u>
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<u><b>734,159</b></u>	<u><b>730,119</b></u>

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	Reserves	Retained surplus	Total Equity
		\$	\$	\$
Balance as at 1 July 2015		-	880,114	<b>880,114</b>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year attributable to members of the entity		-	( 156,631 )	<b>( 156,631 )</b>
Prior period retained earnings of SIE acquired			6,636	<b>6,636</b>
Balance as at 30 June 2016		-	730,119	<b>730,119</b>
Balance as at 1 July 2016		-	730,119	<b>730,119</b>
Surplus/(Deficit) for the year attributable to members of the entity			4,040	<b>4,040</b>
Balance as at 30 June 2017		-	734,159	<b>734,159</b>

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STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS AS AT 30 JUNE 2017

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
<b>Cash flows from operating activities</b>			
Funding received		48,500	48,500
Other receipts in the course of operations		3,037,499	3,125,888
Payments to suppliers and employees		(2,989,302)	(3,096,906)
Interest received		18,118	21,710
<b>Net cash provided by/(unused in) operating activities</b>	16(ii)	<b>114,816</b>	<b>99,192</b>
<b>Cash flows from investing activities</b>			
Proceeds from sale of property, plant and equipment		-	-
Payments for property, plant and equipment		(5,614)	(6,793)
<b>Net cash provided by/(used in) investing activities</b>		<b>(5,614)</b>	<b>(6,793)</b>
<b>Cash flows from financing activities</b>			
Payments for borrowings	12	(20,722)	(9,230)
<b>Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities</b>		<b>(20,722)</b>	<b>(9,230)</b>
<b>Net increase (decrease) in cash held</b>		<b>88,480</b>	<b>83,169</b>
Cash on hand beginning of the financial year		1,424,267	1,341,098
<b>Cash at end of the financial year</b>		<b>1,512,747</b>	<b>1,424,267</b>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2017

I STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, Reduced Disclosure Requirements, Interpretations and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001.

The financial report was approved by the directors as at the date of the directors' declaration.

The financial report is for the entity Equestrian NSW as an individual entity. Equestrian NSW is an organisation limited by guarantee, incorporated and domiciled in Australia. Equestrian NSW is a not for profit entity for the purpose of preparing the financial statements.

The following is a summary of the material accounting policies adopted by the organisation in the preparation and presentation of the financial report. The accounting policies have been consistently applied, unless otherwise stated.

(a) Basis of preparation of the financial report

Historical Cost Convention

The financial report has been prepared under the historical cost convention, as modified by revaluations to fair value for certain classes of assets as described in the accounting policies.

(b) Revenue

Revenue from sale of goods is recognised when the significant risks and rewards of ownership of the goods have passed to the buyer and the costs incurred or to be incurred in respect of the transaction can be measured reliably. Risks and rewards of ownership are considered passed to the buyer at the time of delivery of the goods to the customer.

Sponsorships revenue is recognised as and when received.

Revenue from organising and hosting events is recognised in the period in which the events are held.

Interest revenue is recognised when it becomes receivable on a proportional basis taking into account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

All revenue is stated net of the amount of goods and services tax (GST).

(c) Foreign currency translations and balances

Functional and presentation currency

The financial statements are presented in Australian dollars which is the organisation's functional and presentation currency.

Transactions and Balances

Foreign currency monetary items that are outstanding at the reporting date (other than monetary items arising under foreign currency contracts where the exchange rate for that monetary item is fixed in the contract) are translated using the spot rate at the end of the financial year.

Except for certain foreign currency hedges, all resulting exchange differences arising on settlement or statement are recognised as revenues and expenses for the financial year.

(d) Contributions, Government Grants and Donations

A non reciprocal contribution or grant is recognised when the entity obtains control of the contribution or grant and it is probable that the economic benefits will flow to the entity, and the amount of the contribution or grant can be measured reliably.

If conditions are attached to the contribution or grant that must be satisfied before the entity is eligible to receive the contribution, recognition of contribution or income is deferred until those conditions are met.

A non reciprocal donation is recognised when the right to receive a donation has been established.

When the entity receives grants but is obliged to give directly approximately equal value to the contributor, recognition of grant income will be deferred until the delivery of service.

(e) Income tax

No provision for income tax has been raised as the organisation is exempt from income tax under Division 50 of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997.

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I STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES continues

(f) Financial instruments

*Classification*

The organisation classifies its financial assets into the following categories: financial assets at fair value through profit and loss, loans and receivables, held to maturity investments, and available for sale financial assets. The classification depends on the purpose for which the instruments were acquired. Management determines the classification of its financial instruments at initial recognition. The organisation does not hold derivative financial instruments.

*Financial instruments*

Financial instruments consist of investments in equity and debt securities, trade and other receivables, cash and cash equivalents, loans and borrowings, and trade and other payables.

Financial instruments are initially recognised at fair value, plus directly attributable transaction costs (if any), except for instruments recorded at fair value through profit and loss. After initial recognition, financial instruments are measured as described below.

*Loans and receivables*

Loans and receivables are measured at fair value at inception and subsequently at amortised cost using the effective interest rate method.

*Available for sale*

Available for sale financial assets include any financial assets not included in the above categories and are measured at fair value. Unrealised gains and losses arising from changes in fair value are taken directly to equity. The cumulative gain or loss is held in equity until the financial asset is de recognised, at which time the cumulative gain or loss held in equity is recognised in profit and loss.

*Donated financial assets*

Financial assets donated to the organisation are recognised at fair value at the date the organisation obtains control of the assets.

*Financial liabilities*

Financial liabilities include trade payables, other creditors and loans from third parties, including balances and loans from, or other amounts due, to director related entities.

Non derivative financial liabilities are recognised at amortised cost, comprising original debt less principal payments and amortisation. Financial liabilities are classified as current liabilities unless the organisation has an unconditional right to defer settlement of the liability for at least twelve months after the reporting period.

(g) 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 any accumulated impairment losses.

*Property*

The organisation does not hold ownership or interest in any freehold land and buildings.

*Plant and equipment*

Plant and equipment is measured on the cost basis.

*Depreciation and amortisation*

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets is depreciated over their estimated useful lives commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Land and the land component of any class of fixed asset is not depreciated.

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

Class of Fixed Asset	Depreciation Rates	Depreciation basis
Plant and equipment	10% to 40%	Diminishing value
Furniture and fittings	30%	Diminishing value
Computer and office equipment	40%	Diminishing value
Motor Vehicle	22.5%	Diminishing value

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I STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES (continued)

(h) Impairment of Assets

Assets with an indefinite useful life are not amortised but are tested annually for impairment in accordance with AASB 136. Assets subject to annual depreciation or amortisation are reviewed for impairment whenever events or circumstances arise that indicate that the carrying amount of the asset may be impaired.

An impairment loss is recognised where the carrying amount of the asset exceeds its recoverable amount. The recoverable amount of an asset is defined as the higher of its fair value less costs to sell and value in use.

The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows which will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have been discounted to present values in determining recoverable amounts.

(i) Leases

Lease payments for operating leases, where substantially all the risks and benefits remain with the lessor, are recognised as an expense on a straight-line basis over the term of the lease.

Lease incentives received under operating leases are recognised as a liability and amortised on a straight-line basis over the life of the lease term.

(j) Employee Benefits

(i) Short term employee benefit obligations

Liabilities arising in respect of wages and salaries, annual leave and any other employee benefits expected to be settled within twelve months of the reporting date are measured at their nominal amounts based on remuneration rates which are expected to be paid when the liability is settled. The expected cost of short term employee benefits in the form of compensated absences such as annual leave is recognised in the provision for employee benefits. All other short term employee benefit obligations are presented as payables.(ii) Long term employee benefit obligations

Liabilities arising in respect of long service leave and annual leave which is not expected to be settled within twelve months of the reporting date are measured at the present value of the estimated future cash outflow to be made in respect of services provided by employees up to the reporting date.

Employee benefit obligations are presented as current liabilities in the balance sheet if the entity does not have an unconditional right to defer settlement for at least twelve months after the reporting date, regardless of when the actual settlement is expected to occur. Contributions made by the organisation to Superannuation funds are charged as expenses when incurred.

(k) Provisions

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

(l) 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 Tax 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.

(m) Comparatives

Where necessary, comparative information has been reclassified and repositioned for consistency with current year disclosures.

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2 CRITICAL ACCOUNTING ESTIMATES AND JUDGEMENTS

Certain accounting estimates include assumptions concerning the future, which, by definition, will seldom represent actual results. Estimates and assumptions based on future events have a significant inherent risk, and where future events are not as anticipated there could be a material impact on the carrying amounts of the assets and liabilities discussed below.

(a) Annual leave and long service leave

Net present value calculations are used to estimate the annual leave and long service leave provisions

3 ACCOUNTING STANDARDS AND INTERPRETATIONS ISSUED BUT NOT OPERATIVE AT JUNE 2017

There is not expected to be any significant impact on the organisation's financial report due to the initial application of Australian Accounting Standards issued at reporting date but not yet effective.

4 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT

The organisation's financial instruments consist mainly of deposits with banks, accounts receivable and payable, and hire purchase contracts.

The organisation is exposed to a variety of financial risks comprising:

- (a) Funding risk
- (b) Interest rate risk
- (c) Credit risk
- (d) Liquidity risk

The board of directors have overall responsibility for identifying and managing operational and financial risks. These risks are managed by the board and / or committees consented by the board.

(a) Funding risk

The organisation receives minimal outside funding to operate many of its services. Government and Equestrian Australia funding contributed % (2016: 3.5%) of the organisation's revenues in the 2015 financial year. The risk of loss of these funding streams is considered to be minimal to the organisation.

With the use of a cash forecast tool, Equestrian NSW have modelled what happens if the Government cuts the funding, and have a broad plan of action should this occur.

(b) Interest rate risk

Interest rate risk is the risk that the fair value or future cash flows of a financial instrument will fluctuate as a result of changes in market interest rates. Interest rate risk is minimal as the organisation has limited borrowings. Subject to consideration of liquidity risk, cash is held in fixed interest rate accounts to maximise returns.

(c) Credit risk

Credit risk is the risk that one party to a financial instrument will cause a financial loss for the other party by failing to discharge an obligation.

The maximum exposure to credit risk, excluding the value of any collateral or other security, at balance date of recognised financial assets is the carrying amount of those assets, net of any provisions for impairment of those assets, as disclosed in statement of financial position and notes to financial statements.

The organisation does not have any material credit risk exposure to any single debtor or group of debtors under financial instruments entered into by the organisation.

The organisation does not have any material credit risk in respect of cash and cash equivalents as these are held with Authorised Deposit-taking Institutions (ADIs) regulated by APRA.

(d) Liquidity risk

Liquidity risk is the risk that an entity will encounter difficulty in meeting obligations associated with financial liabilities.

The organisation manages liquidity risk by monitoring forecast cash flows and ensuring that adequate cash and cash equivalents and / or unutilised borrowing facilities are maintained.

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4 FINANCIAL RISK MANAGEMENT (continued)

The carrying amounts for each category of financial instruments measured in accordance with the accounting policies to these financial statements, are as follows.

	Note	2017 \$	2016 \$
<b>Financial assets</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	7	1,512,747	1,424,267
Loans and receivables	8	43,417	80,235
<b>Total financial assets</b>		<b>1,556,164</b>	<b>1,504,502</b>
<b>Financial liabilities</b>			
Financial liabilities at amortised cost:			
Trade and other payables	11	232,300	197,731
Borrowings	12	-	20,127
<b>Total Financial Liabilities</b>		<b>232,300</b>	<b>217,858</b>

Fair Values

(i) For listed available-for-sale financial assets and financial assets at fair value through profit or loss, the fair values have been based on closing quoted bid prices at the end of the reporting period. In determining the fair values of the unlisted available-for-sale financial assets, the directors have used inputs that are observable either directly (as prices) or indirectly (derived from prices).

(ii) Fair Values of held-to maturity investments are based on quoted market prices at the end of the reporting period.

5	REVENUE	2017 \$	2016 \$
	Revenue from Discipline Councils and Committees:		
	Dressage Council	243,505	274,708
	Eventing Council	206,495	289,042
	Jumping Council	40,307	27,675
	Show Horse Committee	117,464	104,463
	Interschool's Committee	595,632	641,666
	Vaulting Committee	33,446	6,241
	Driving Committee	240	160
		<b>1,237,091</b>	<b>1,343,955</b>

**Management Fee Received:**

Equestrian NSW employs the Secretaries for Dressage NSW and Eventing NSW, with all employment costs reimbursed.

**Funding Received:**

Office of Sport - Sport Development Program	<b>48,500</b>	<b>48,500</b>
<i>Funding applicable to specific disciplines has been included in "Discipline Income" above:</i>		
Office of Sport - Discipline Event Support	40,000	17,500
Equestrian Australia - High Performance Program	-	11,600
Equestrian Australia - Discipline Event Support	25,000	28,000
	65,000	57,100
Aggregate Funding received	113,500	105,600

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6	EXPENSES	2017	2016
		\$	\$
	Expenditure on Discipline Councils and Committees:		
	Dressage Council	379,437	404,477
	Eventing Council	312,628	454,291
	Jumping Council	120,850	143,540
	Show Horse Committee	142,392	119,373
	Interschool's Committee	570,296	647,680
	Driving Committee	43,995	21,487
	Vaulting Committee	11,828	18,300
	Individuals	-	-
		<b>1,581,427</b>	<b>1,809,148</b>
7	CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS		
	Cash at bank	1,504,033	1,414,942
	Cash on hand	3,714	4,325
	Bond deposit	5,000	5,000
		<b>1,512,747</b>	<b>1,424,267</b>
8	TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES		
	Trade Debtors	34,255	55,196
	Provision for doubtful debts	-	710
		34,255	55,906
	Other receivables		
	Prepaid expenses (future events)	7,381	2,773
	Sundry Debtors	1,782	21,557
		<b>43,417</b>	<b>80,235</b>
9	OTHER ASSETS		
	Borrowing Costs	-	121
		-	<b>121</b>
10	PROPERTY, PLANT & EQUIPMENT		
	Plant and Equipment - at cost	37,043	34,293
	Less accumulated depreciation	(21,037)	(16,906)
		16,006	17,387
	Furniture and Fittings - at cost	68,873	68,873
	Less accumulated depreciation	(65,477)	(64,017)
		3,396	4,856
	Computer Equipment - at cost	62,502	59,638
	Less accumulated depreciation	(47,666)	(38,688)
		14,836	20,950
	Motor Vehicles - at cost	42,545	42,545
	Less accumulated depreciation	(31,129)	(27,812)
		11,416	14,733
		<b>45,654</b>	<b>57,926</b>

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**Reconciliations**

Reconciliation of the carrying amounts of property, plant and equipment at the beginning and end of the current financial year.

	Plant and Equipment	Furniture and Fittings	Computer Equipment	Motor Vehicles	Total
Opening carrying amount	17,387	4,856	20,950	14,733	57,926
Additions	2,750	-	2,864	-	5,614
Disposals	-	-	-	-	-
Depreciation Expense	(4,131)	(1,460)	(8,978)	(3,317)	(17,886)
Closing Carrying amount	16,006	3,396	14,836	11,416	45,654

11 TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Current		
Trade creditors	194,221	182,720
Other creditors	-	225
Employee super	12,455	-
GST, FBT and PAYG payable	21,316	21,053
Credit card liability	4,308	(6,268)
	<b>232,300</b>	<b>197,731</b>

12 BORROWINGS

	2017	2016
	\$	\$
Current		
Hire Purchase Liability	-	20,722
Less: Unexpired Finance Charges	-	(595)
	-	<b>20,127</b>

13 PROVISIONS

Current		
Parental leave payable	-	<b>2,665</b>
Provision for annual leave	51,376	47,234
	51,376	49,899
Non Current		
Employee benefits	(a) 28,735	22,825
<b>Aggregate employee benefits liability</b>	<b>80,111</b>	<b>72,724</b>

(a) Reconciliations

	Employee Benefits	Total
<b>Non Current employee benefits:</b>		
<b>Opening balance as at 1 July 2016</b>	22,825	20,058
Additional provisions raised during year	5,910	2,767
Amounts Used	-	-
<b>Balance at 30 June 2017</b>	<b>28,735</b>	<b>22,825</b>

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14 OTHER LIABILITIES

<b>Current</b>	<b>2017</b>	<b>2016</b>
Australian Sports Foundation	20 153,505	155,862
Prepaid Income	401,743	385,985

PREPAID INCOME

Being membership's applicable to the current financial year, received prior to 1 July, and income invoiced/received for events to be held after 30 June 2017

15 RETAINED SURPLUS

Balance at 1 July	730,119	880,114
Surplus/(deficit) for the year	4,040	(156,631)
Prior period retained earnings of SIE acquired	-	6,636
Asset Revaluation Reserve		
<b>Balance as at 30 June</b>	<b>734,159</b>	<b>730,119</b>

16 CASH FLOW INFORMATION

(i) Reconciliation of cash

For the purposes the Statement of Cash Flows, cash includes cash on hand, cash at bank and short term deposits, net of any outstanding bank overdrafts.

Cash at bank, on deposit and on hand	1,512,747	1,424,267
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(ii) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with surplus/ (deficit) for the year

Surplus/ (deficit) for the year	4,040	(156,631)
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Adjustments and non cash items:

(Profit)/loss on disposal of Non-Current Assets	-	-
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Depreciation	17,886	24,568
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Borrowing costs written off	121	145
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Interest expense - Hire purchase	595	2,043
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Net cash provided before changes in assets and liabilities	22,641	(129,875)
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Changes in assets and liabilities during the financial year

(Increase) / decrease in receivables	36,816	(52,798)
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(Decrease) / increase in Olivia Inglis Scholarship Fund	(2,356)	155,862
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(Decrease) / increase in prepaid income	15,758	(10,358)
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(Decrease) / increase in payables	34,569	117,071
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(Decrease) / increase in employee provisions	7,387	19,842
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(Decrease) / increase in other liabilities	-	(7,188)
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(Decrease) / increase in prior period adjustments	-	6,636
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Cash flows from operating activities	114,816	99,192
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17 CAPITAL AND LEASING COMMITMENTS

Non-cancellable operating leases contracted for but not capitalised in the financial statements:

- payable not later than 1 year	4,620	4,620
- payable later than 1 year but no later than 5 years	1,540	6,160
	6,160	10,780

Lease commitments comprise payments to be made in relation to an operating lease for a photocopier acquired on 14 November 2013 under a 60 month term.

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18 MEMBER'S GUARANTEE

The organisation is limited by guarantee. If the organisation is wound up, the Constitution states that the liability of each member is limited to any outstanding monies due and payable to the Association, including the amount of the Annual Subscription payable in respect of the current Financial Year. No other amount shall be payable by the member.

19 ORGANISATION DETAILS

The Association was incorporated on 6 April 1984 under the Associations Corporations Act 1984. The registered office and principal place of business of the organisation is located at Sydney International Equestrian Centre, Saxony Road, Horsley Park, NSW, 2175

20 AUSTRALIAN SPORTS FOUNDATION

A scholarship fund was set up with the Australian Sports Foundation to accept taxable deductible donations for use in funding an Olivia Inglis Eventing scholarship each year.

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STATEMENT BY MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE

The committee has 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 outlined in Note 1 to the financial statements.

In the opinion of the committee the financial report:

1. Presents a true and fair view of the financial position of Equestrian NSW Incorporated as at 30 June 2017 and its performance for the year ended on that date.
2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that Equestrian NSW will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

This statement is made in accordance with the resolution of the committee and is signed for and on behalf of the committee by:



PETER DINGWALL  
Committee Member:



SUZANNE DOYLE  
Committee Member

Dated this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October 2017.

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF  
EQUESTRIAN NSW INCORPORATED  
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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT  
TO THE MEMBERS OF  
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**Scope**

**The Financial Report and Committee's Responsibility**

The financial report comprises the statement of financial position, income and expenditure statement, statement of cash flows, accompanying notes to the financial statements, and the statement by members of the committee for Equestrian NSW Incorporated (the association), for the year ended 30 June 2017.

The committee of the association is responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the financial report and have determined that the accounting policies used and described in Note 1 to the financial statements which form part of the financial report are consistent with the financial reporting requirements of the Associations Incorporations Act NSW and are appropriate to meet the needs of the members. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the financial report.

The financial report has been prepared for distribution to members for the purpose of fulfilling the committee's financial reporting requirements under the Associations Incorporations Act NSW. We disclaim any assumption of responsibility for any reliance on this report or on the financial report to which it relates to any person other than the members, or for any purpose other than that for which it was prepared.

**Audit Approach**

We conducted an independent audit in order to express an opinion to the members of the association. Our audit was conducted in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards, in order to provide reasonable assurance as to whether the financial report is free of material misstatement. The nature of an audit is influenced by factors such as the use of professional judgement, selective testing, the inherent limitations of internal control, and the availability of persuasive rather than conclusive evidence. Therefore, an audit cannot guarantee that all material misstatements have been detected.

We performed procedures to assess whether in all material respects the financial report presents fairly, in accordance with the accounting policies as described in Note 1, so as to present a view which is consistent with our understanding of the company's financial position, and of its performance as represented by the results of its operations. These policies do not require the application of all Accounting Standards and other mandatory professional reporting requirements in Australia. No opinion is expressed as to whether the accounting policies used, and described in Note 1, are appropriate for the needs of the members.

We formed our audit opinion on the basis of these procedures, which included:

examining, on a test basis, information to provide evidence supporting the amounts and -disclosures in the financial report, and

assessing the appropriateness of the accounting policies and disclosures used and the -reasonableness of significant accounting estimates made by the committee.

While we considered the effectiveness of management's internal controls over financial reporting when determining the nature and extent of our procedures, our audit was not designed to provide assurance on internal controls.

**Independence**

In conducting our audit, we followed applicable independence requirements of Australian professional ethical pronouncements.

**Audit Opinion**

In our opinion, the financial report of Equestrian NSW Incorporated presents a true and fair view in accordance with the accounting policies described in Note 1 to the financial statements, the financial position of Equestrian NSW Incorporated as at 30 June 2017 and the results of its operations and its cash flows for the year then ended.

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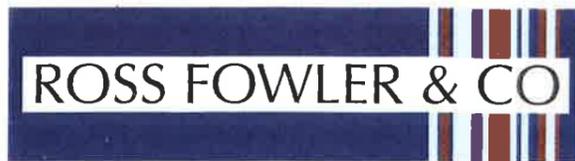


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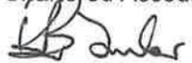


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**AUDITORS' INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION  
UNDER SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001  
TO THE DIRECTORS OF  
EQUESTRIAN NSW INCORPORATED**

We declare that, to the best of our knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2017 there have been:

- (i) no contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act 2001 in relation to the audit; and
- (ii) no contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.

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