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# NARC NEWS

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### *JANUARY, 2025*

**January 19** Rally – Junction Farm Equestrian Park, Hadspen  
**NOTE** change from our regular day due to Public Holiday

### *FEBRUARY, 2025*

**February 22-23** Annual Camp at Harveydale

### *MARCH, 2025*

**March 30** Rally

### *APRIL, 2025*

**April 27** Gymkhana – Members Only  
Westbury Showgrounds

**TO PROTECT THE SPREAD OF WEEDS, PLEASE ENSURE ALL HAY FED OUTSIDE OF YOUR FLOAT IS ONLY FED IN HAY BAGS. THIS APPLIES TO ALL NARC EVENTS**

### **BOOKING PROCEDURE**

Bookings must be made via the website  
<http://www.northernadultridingclub.org.au>

Bookings open at 9.00am on the first day of the month.

You will receive an email acknowledgement of your booking.

Rally bookings close on the Tuesday before the rally. Most other events on the Tuesday before.

Fees are non-refundable after bookings close.

Membership must be current at time of booking or an Event Membership of \$15 is payable (limit of twice before membership is required). Not available to previous members.

Please have your membership number handy (to use in the Promo Code) when you go to book.

## **MONTHLY RALLIES**

### **February Rally**

#### **Harveydale Camp - Members Only**



Our Sunday rally in February at Harveydale includes the option to ride on Saturday afternoon and camp Saturday night. A mini trailride is planned for Saturday afternoon and you can free ride in the area surrounding the camp as well.

This is a Members only event, however new memberships will be accepted up until bookings close.

The rally on Sunday can be booked separately for those not wanting to camp.

Sunday morning we have TEXCA showcasing their activities and obstacles, culminating with a mini competition, along with a Reegan Heathcote taking us through a drill riding exercise. The afternoon will see our annual Harveydale Challenge which is fun for all abilities including ridden and non-ridden activities. We have some great prizes in store for all participants.

#### Settling In Class

Our regular settling-in class will be conducted separately to the morning session and participants are welcome to join in the afternoon class as well. Suitable for horses and/or riders not ready to join a larger group or may want to do in hand work before riding later in the lesson.

If you require more information on our Settling In class or how the format will work, please contact Norma Cormican

Definitely NO DOGS (as per Harveydale conditions of hire).

Contact Norma Cormican with any enquiries Ph: 0412 845 375

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### **March Rally**

#### **VenueTBC**

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### **April Rally**

#### **Westbury Showgrounds**

Members Only Gymkhana

Get your glad rags out and polish up your ponies for our biennial Gymkhana. There is something for everyone on a low key competition day. Plaiting is optional. A program of event will be published closer to the time.

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## TRAIL RIDE

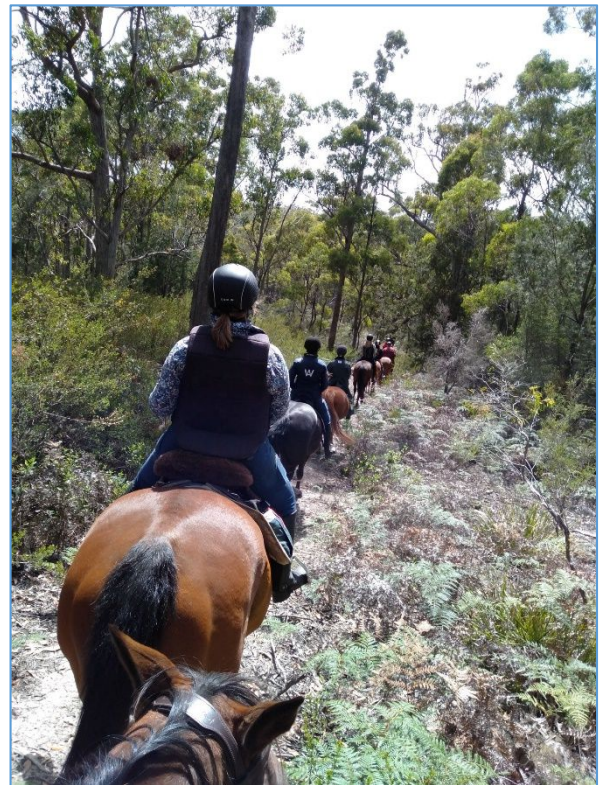
### Curries River Dam

*Nicola Faulkner*

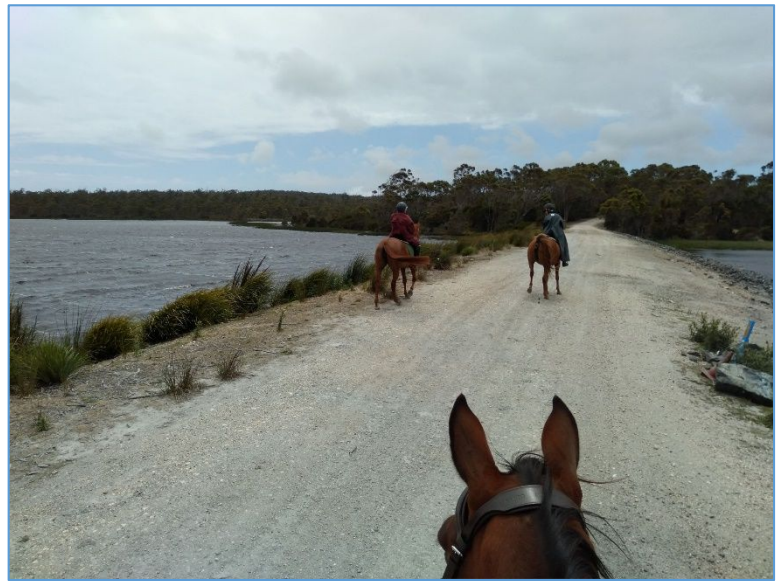
On Sunday 29th December riders from the club joined our Christmas ride at Curries River Dam.

A well mapped directions link had us all saddled and off to enjoy the best of the weather the day had to offer. Tracy had scouted a sheltered undulating ride, single file but with plenty of track room. The horses quickly settled into their spots in the group and we had occasional puddles for them to play in on the way home.

The ride day ended with the horses untacked and eating their lunch whilst we sat and chatted enjoying ours. Thank you to Tracy for organizing such a great ride and to all who attended, it seemed a great day had by all.







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## NAN CATMUR

### Obstacle Instruction, Building Partnerships and Confidence Lessons at Nan's Riding School, Longford

\*Private one on one lessons, or Group lessons available (Max 4 people)

These Lessons will help riders prepare their horses for success in Obstacle Work. In these sessions we will break down the basics required for manoeuvring your horse efficiently through a course of diverse obstacle challenges. We will be covering turning movements, effective desensitising strategies, timing and approach and retreat strategies for building confidence and a strong partnership with your horse. We will make sure you and your horse are on the same page.

For Private Bookings Contact Nan on 0428 578 779 or email: [nansridingschool@gmail.com](mailto:nansridingschool@gmail.com)

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## PLAY DAYS

NARC hold Play Days for current members at Westbury. The focus will be obstacles and desensitization. Dates are announced via the NARC Facebook page and will include midweek and weekends.

This is planned as a fun and relaxed outing for members to bring horses of any skill level. Young or even retired horses are welcome. Ridden or unriden, it is an outing to spend in the company of your equine and club friends.

Only one horse per person.

There is no formal instructor, rather two club committee members will be present to brief the attendees. The first hour will not be under saddle and the second hour is optional to be ridden.

Cost is \$10 for two hours usually 10am to 12pm. Please book and pay via the NARC website to ensure the day goes ahead.

Please be there by 9.30 to help set up equipment and help to dismantle is required.

Bring a packed lunch to enjoy after the activities. Check the club Facebook page by 8.00am on the day for cancellation notice if the weather looks questionable. Approved safety helmet and appropriate riding boots need to be worn.

Enquiries to Anna Hayward 0417 010 546

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## CONCUSSION POLICY

In line with Equestrian Australia recommendations, at all NARC events the Concussion Recognition Tool 5 ® will be used to screen all individuals who have potentially sustained a concussion.

It is NARC policy that following any fall at a NARC event is managed in accordance with the Equestrian Australia concussion guidelines and Incident Reporting. You will be asked to acknowledge and adhere to these guidelines when you book for an event.

If concussion is suspected, then the rider must not remount their horse or drive home. Their emergency contact will be contacted by the club to ensure their safety.

Further details are available on the Equestrian Australia website [www.equestrian.org.au](http://www.equestrian.org.au).

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## HELMET STANDARDS

At all NARC events, protective headgear must conform with one of the currently approved safety standards to comply with Equestrian Australia regulations.

- Current Australian standard AS/NZS 3838 (2006 onwards) provided they are SAI Global marked.
- New Australian standard ARB HS 2012 provided they are SAI Global marked
- Current American standard ASTM F1163 (2004a or 04a onwards) provided they are SEI marked
- Current American standard SNELL E2001
- Current British standard PAS 015 (1998 or 2011) provided they are BSI Kitemarked
- Interim European Standard VG1 (01.040: 2014-12) with or without BSI Kitemark

Helmet Manufacturers generally recommend replacing your helmet every 5 years or so.

If you have a hard-blow impact accident while wearing your helmet, it is recommended to immediately replace it for a new model. There may be damage to the helmet that is not visible to the naked eye