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About Us

Equestrian Western Australia (EWA) is the state sporting organisation for equestrian sports. The organisation was established in 1951 with the support of Equestrian Australia, the national equestrian sporting body, and the Royal Agricultural Society. EWA has successfully operated as an organisation for over 60 years and is the custodian for many horse sports in Western Australia (WA), including Dressage, Para-Equestrian, Eventing, Jumping, Show Horse and Vaulting.

EWA is administered in Western Australia by a Board of Directors, a Chief Executive Officer, a small team of administration staff, and various discipline committees. EWA is sustained mainly by hard-working and dedicated volunteers, including committee members, officials, event organisers and helpers at events.

Our roles and responsibilities include:

- Serve individual members and clubs.

- Implement and develop rules, policies, processes and systems.
- Provide education, development opportunities, support and financial assistance to elite riders through the High Performance Pathway.
- Contribute to developing the next generation of equestrians through youth-specific development programs and events.
- Provide education and training to riders, coaches and officials.
- Promote and advocate for horse sport in WA.
- Regulate and increase participation in equestrian activities in WA.
- Operate the State Equestrian Centre in Brigadoon as the "Home of Equestrian Sport in WA".



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Organisational Listing

2024 Board

Chair	Anne Wilkins
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	Kelly Kent
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Eventing	Jacinta Withoud
Jumping	Sophie Parkes
Show Horse	Eileen Morris
Coaching	Rebecca Thomas

Chair's Report

2024 has been a year of growth, resilience, and renewed momentum for equestrian sport in Western Australia. Across all disciplines and levels, our community has demonstrated passion, commitment, and an unwavering drive to elevate our sport. We are proud to reflect on the many achievements of the past year and extend our sincere thanks to the volunteers, officials, members, clubs, parents, and competitors who contribute so much to the vibrant spirit of equestrian sport in WA.

One of the most significant developments this year was the commitment of \$300,000 from the State Government to develop a business case for revitalising the State Equestrian Centre (SEC). This initiative, due for completion by June 2025, will provide a strategic pathway toward a sustainable, fit-for-purpose venue that reflects the ambition of our sport. The announcement of a further \$1 million in funding for upgrades at the SEC highlights the government's confidence in our vision and the vital role of the SEC in WA's sporting landscape.

We are also pleased to have achieved steady membership growth alongside progress in commercial partnerships and revenue diversification, together strengthening EWA's financial sustainability.

WA's strong presence on Equestrian Australia's national committees ensures that our voice is heard where it matters most.

- Gill Botten
Chair, EA National Dressage Committee
- Rory Hovell
Chair, EA National Show Jumping Committee
- Lisa Baker
Chair, EA Para Dressage Committee [AWI]
- Corien Ridley
Chair, EA National Interschool Committee

At the same time, the proposed EA structural reform sparked necessary conversations across the country. While we support modernisation and long-term sustainability, we believe that any reform must be transparent, consultative, and truly reflective of the needs of all states and disciplines. We remain committed to representing WA's interests and advocating for a balanced, inclusive approach to national governance.

The Paris 2024 Olympic and Paralympic Games reminded us of the incredible talent and dedication within our community. WA athletes and horses were proudly represented on the world stage, an achievement that inspires us all. William Matthew competed in Dressage, while Para rider Stella Barton (VIC) rode Lord



Larmarque owned by WA's Jade Edwards and Alan Moody, and trained by Sharon Jarvis - to represent Australia in Para Dressage.

We also acknowledge several outstanding WA member combinations who were shortlisted for Olympic selection:

- Kenya Wilson and Sandros Salute (Eventing)
- Sonya Johnson and Parkiarrup Showtime (Eventing)
- Alinta Veenvliet and Desperanza (Dressage)
- Sharon Jarvis and Furst Crusador (Para Dressage)
- Chelsea De Jonge and Don Dancier (Para Dressage)

Our Board election in November brought welcome continuity to our makeup, with Kelly Kent elected, PollyAnn Huntington re-elected, and Geoff Edwards appointed. Vice Chair Rory Hovell and Finance Director Roslyn O'Halloran will also continue in their roles. Together, with the Board Chair and Ali Daniels their collective expertise and shared vision are instrumental in guiding EWA's strategic direction.

We express our sincere thanks to the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries for their ongoing support, the City of Swan for its partnership, and Racing and Wagering WA for their continued investment through the Off the Track program.

Finally, we thank our staff, every member, volunteer, coach, official, club, and supporter. Your passion fuels our progress, and together, we will continue to build a stronger, more inclusive future for equestrian sport in Western Australia.

Thank you for being part of our journey.

ANNE WILKINS

Chair, Equestrian WA



Chief Executive Officer's Report

I am proud to present the 2024 Annual Report for Equestrian Western Australia, a year in which we continued to build momentum, strengthen connections, and invest in our sport's future.

Our membership base continued its steady growth, finishing the year just shy of 2,700 members. This figure reflects the strength, resilience, and passion of our equestrian community in Western Australia. Our members remain our most valuable asset, and I want to assure each of you that the EWA Board, staff, and committees hold your interests at the core of every decision we make. Your commitment is what drives our organisation forward.

This year, we proudly acknowledged the exceptional contributions of Kerrie Robbins (pictured right) by awarding her Equestrian WA Life Membership at the Annual General Meeting. Kerrie's long-standing service to the sport exemplifies the values we continue to promote across the organisation.

2024 marked the ongoing implementation of our Strategic Plan and our commitment to the Equestrian WA values: Teamwork, Integrity, Inclusion, Excellence, and Fun & Enjoyment. These principles are embedded in everything we do and guide our continued development as an inclusive, dynamic and sustainable sporting body.

Growing Our Community

To better serve our members and affiliated clubs—particularly in our regional areas—we launched two significant initiatives in 2024:

- **The Carriage Driving Working Group**, reflecting our commitment to supporting the full breadth of equestrian disciplines.
- **The Regional Advisory Working Group**, composed of volunteers representing WA's



diverse regions. This group plays a pivotal role in identifying and responding to the unique needs of regional clubs and members.

In addition, we welcomed a new full-time **Club Development Manager** to our team. This role was created to support club sustainability, enhance safety and equine welfare practices, and assist with the development of pathways for officials. This appointment represents a strategic investment in strengthening the foundations of our sport across all levels and regions.

Partnerships

2024 also saw the addition of several valued partners to the EWA family, including Barbagallo Maserati, Ramsay's Horse Transport and Low Loader Logistics, Ovarit Jumps, Bubbles & Bites and Schaffer Loaders.

We extend our heartfelt thanks to our 2024 Principal Partners—Off the Track WA (OTTWA) and Racing and Wagering Western Australia

(RWWA)—whose continued support of our community, grants programs, and events makes a significant impact across all levels of the sport.

We also thank the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries for their enduring support, along with all of our long-standing sponsors who continue to believe in and invest in the future of equestrian sport in WA.

State Equestrian Centre (SEC)

The State Equestrian Centre continued to thrive in 2024 as the home of equestrian sport in Western Australia. This year:

- Phase 1 of the electrical and lighting upgrades was successfully completed.
- Work began on the SEC Infrastructure Business Case, which is under review and will be progressed further in 2025.
- The Ramsay's Sports Bar was launched, and our new fortnightly Fridays at the SEC initiative brought vibrancy and community to the venue.

The Centre played host to a full and exciting calendar of events, including Dressage WA State Championships, Interschool WA State Championships, WASJA Patrons Cup, Perth Showjumping League, FEI events: WAYER and Brigadoon, as well as, High Performance Clinics and Masterclasses.

We closed the season with a spectacular Olympian William Matthew Masterclass (pictured right), attracting over 800 attendees and showcasing the calibre and excitement of our sport.

We sincerely thank the State Government through the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries for enabling these continued upgrades. Without their support, the ongoing development of this important venue would not be possible.



Acknowledgments

I extend my sincere thanks to the EWA Board for their leadership and continued guidance throughout the year. Their strategic direction is instrumental in driving our organisation forward. I also acknowledge the dedication and hard work of our EWA staff, who consistently go above and beyond to support our members, clubs, and stakeholders. Their commitment underpins everything we do. Finally, thank you to our Sport Committees, whose voluntary efforts ensure the smooth delivery of our sport across all disciplines. Your passion and expertise are vital to the ongoing success of equestrian sport in Western Australia.

Looking Ahead

As we close out 2024, I am inspired by the progress we've made and the foundation we have built. In 2025, we will continue to focus on delivering key projects under the Strategic Plan, improving member services, and advocating for infrastructure investment and growth across all levels of our sport.

Together, we will ensure that equestrian sport in WA not only thrives today—but endures and inspires for generations to come.

ZAC ACOTT

Chief Executive Officer, Equestrian WA

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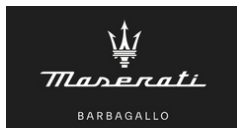
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2024 EWA Affiliates

Equestrian WA would like to acknowledge our Club, Sport and Commercial Affiliates across the state.

Albany Adult Riders Club
Albany Equestrian Centre Association Inc.
Albany Horsemens Association Inc
Australian National Working Equitation WA
Avon Valley Adult Riding Club Inc
Bakers Hill Adult Riding Club
Brookleigh Adult Riding Club Inc
Brookleigh Dressage Club
Brookleigh Working Equitation Club Inc
Broome Horse Riders Club Inc
Bunbury Horse & Pony Club Inc
Busselton Horse & Pony Club Inc
Capel Adult Riding Club Inc.
Capel Horse & Pony Club
Dardanup Horse & Pony
Dressage Association Of WA Inc
Dryandra Pony Club
Dryandra Regional Equestrian Association Inc
Eastern Hills Horse & Pony Club
Eastern Wheatbelt Riding Club Inc
Esperance Equestrian Club Inc
Eventing WA Promotions Inc.
Future Eventing Inc
Geraldton Combined Equestrian Club
Gidgegannup Dressage Club Inc
Gidgegannup Equestrian Association Inc
Gidgegannup Horse & Pony Club
Golden Mile Equestrian Club
Gosnells Riding & Pony Club Inc
Henty Riding Club
Hills Showjumping Association
Horse Competitions Online
Horsemens Adult Riding Club Inc

Jurien Bay Horse Club
Kalamunda Dressage Association
Lake Hunt WA
Magenup Management Committee
Margaret River Horse & Pony Club Inc
Moora & District Horsemans Association
Murray Eventing Incorporation
Murray Horse & Pony Club Inc
Murray Riding Club Inc
Natural Horseplayers Inc.
Northam Agricultural Society
Northampton District Ag Society
Oakford Vaulting Team
Orange Grove Adult Riders Club Inc
Orange Grove Horse & Pony Club
Peel Regional Carriage Drivers
Perth Dressage Club
Perth Horse & Pony Club
Perth Horse Trials Association Inc.
Perth Regional Appaloosa Club Inc
Perth Showjumping League Inc.
Pony Club WA
Ravensthorpe Equestrian Club Inc
Riding for the Disabled Association of WA
Riverside Riding Club
Serpentine Horse & Pony Club
Serpentine Jarrahdale Adult Riders Club
South West Horse Trials Club
Southern Districts Dressage Club
Southern Districts Working Equitation Club Inc
Southside Jump Club Incorporated
Swan River Dressage Inc
Swan River Horse Trials Club Inc

Swan River Show Jumping Club Inc
 Swan Valley Dressage Association
 Swan Valley Equestrian Club Inc
 Swan View & Districts Agricultural & Arts Society
 Taminga Jump Club
 The Pinto Horse Society WA Inc
 The W.A. Show Jumping Association
 The West Australian Hunt Club Inc
 Transitions Inc
 Wallangarra Adult Riding Club
 Wanneroo Adult Equestrian Club Inc
 Wanneroo Agricultural Society
 Welsh Pony & Cob Society

West Australian Quarter Horse Association
 West Australian Young Event Riders Inc
 West Plantagenet Pony Club
 Western Australian Dressage Young Riders Assoc
 WGSB Inc.
 Wheatbelt Regional Carriage Driving Club Inc
 Winning Bush Gymkhana
 Woodridge Horse Association
 Wooroloo Adult Riding Club
 Yarloop Equestrian Association Inc.
 Youth Eventing Squad WA Inc
 Zamia Adult Riding Club

CONGRATULATIONS

We are proud to recognise the outstanding achievements of the following clubs, who won the Club of the Year awards in the Metro and Regional categories proudly sponsored by AFGRI Equipment at the 2024 EWA Annual Awards Night.



Oakford Vaulting Team

Oakford Vaulting Team earned the 2024 EWA Club of the Year for its outstanding commitment to athlete development, community engagement, and club spirit. The club hosted clinics with EA-accredited coaches, including Matilda Yates and Darryn Fedrick, offering top-tier training for members. Beyond sport, Oakford Vaulting strengthened community ties through events like quiz nights, movie nights, and market demonstrations. These activities not only showcased vaulting but also fostered new interest in the discipline. With a focus on excellence, inclusion, and connection, Oakford Vaulting Team continues to elevate the sport.



Henty Riding Club

Henty Riding Club won the 2024 EWA Club of the Year (Regional) for its dedication to rider development, horsemanship, and inclusivity. With over 350 official members and many more through family memberships, the club supports all levels—from grassroots to elite and para-equestrians. Regular clinics with experienced coaches, a strong social culture, and a focus on safety and happiness for horse and rider define the club. Backed by solid governance, strategic partnerships, and a forward-thinking strategic plan, Henty RC sets a benchmark for excellence in the WA equestrian community.

2024 Equestrian WA Awards Night

On Friday, 14th February, the equestrian community gathered at the Ritz Carlton Perth for the 2024 EWA Awards Night. Thank you to everyone who joined us and spent Valentine's Day celebrating the achievements, spirit, and dedication of our sport.

The evening, expertly hosted by MC Tim Gossage, brought together athletes, officials, volunteers, coaches, and clubs from across the state to reflect on another outstanding year. The program included presentations across numerous prestigious categories, including the Chair's Award, Patron's Awards, Maitland Park JEDS Awards, Off the Track WA Horse of the Year, and Lifetime Service to the Sport.

Also acknowledged on the night were awards for Volunteer, Official, Coach, Club, Event, Horse, Junior Rider and Rider of the Year. Each category recognised the exceptional contributions and performances that have shaped the success of equestrian sport in WA throughout 2024.

A heartfelt thank you to all our sponsors and association partners for their ongoing support of these awards and the broader equestrian community.

Congratulations to all nominees across the night. Your commitment and passion are what make our sport so special. We look forward to an exciting and successful 2025 season ahead!



Chair's Award

Winner **Gill Botten**

Patron's Awards

Dressage **Stephanie Munro**

Jumping **Rosemary Inglis**

Eventing **Vaz McLaughlan**

Show Horse **Paul Cooke**

Maitland Park JEDS Citizenship Award

Winner **Meg Fowler**

Maitland Park JEDS Fairest and Best Award

Dressage Jorja Wareham

Eventing Serena Smith

Jumping Rosie Webster

Off Horse Education Payton Hattingh

Maitland Park JEDS Most Improved Award

Dressage Marni Bercene

Eventing Lana Scully

Jumping Caitlin Godfrey

Off Horse Education Ryleigh Conway

Off the Track WA Horse of the Year

1st Place The Diamond Thief

Katherine Joyce

2nd Place SV Supermaxi

Charlee Morton-Sharp

3rd Place Allwest

Sophie Stott

Lifetime Service to the Sport

Sponsored by D'Arcy Slater Foundation

Winner **Rosemary Inglis**

Breeder of the Year

Sponsored by Maserati Barbagallo

Winner **Cimeron Pony Stud**

Volunteer of the Year

Sponsored by Horseland WA

Winner **Debra King**

Official of the Year

Sponsored by Di Candilo Steel City

Winner **Elaine Greene**

Coach of the Year (Community Club)

Sponsored by Quickmail

Winner **Rebecca Thomas**

Coach of the Year (Performance)

Sponsored by Horseland WA

Dressage **Stephanie Spencer**

Eventing Philippa Collier

Jumping Les Bunning

Show Horse Bayley Thomas

Para-Equestrian Marjorie Radford

Club of the Year - Regional & Metro

Sponsored by AFGRI Equipment

Regional **Henty Riding Club Inc**

Metro **Oakford Vaulting Team**

Event of the Year - Club

Sponsored by Hills Gas Supply

Winner **Woorloo Interschol 3 Day
Event 2024**

Event of the Year - Special Event

Sponsored by SKG Radiology

Winner **2024 Cavallo Equestrian WA
State Dressage Championship**

Horse of the Year

Sponsored by Milne Feeds

Dressage Desperanza

Eventing The Diamond Thief

Jumping Espionage

Show Horse over 14hh Cimeron King of Pop

Para-Equestrian **Lord Lamarque**

Vaulting Mackerson

Pony Dressage Rosalie WE

Show Horse under 14hh Mallawa Park Hashtag

Junior Rider of the Year

Sponsored by Ramsay's Horse Transport

Dressage **Sarah Inglis**

Eventing Charlee Morton-Sharp

Jumping Zenniah Albonetti

Show Horse Leshae Itzstein

Interschools Marni Bercene

Vaulting Yindi Falconbridge

Rider of the Year

Sponsored by Low Loader Logistics

Dressage **William Matthew**

Eventing Kenya Wilson

Jumping Chad Donovan

Show Horse Anna Duffy

Para-Equestrian Chelsea De Jonge

Vaulting Matilda Yates

Junior Equestrian Development Program

Maitland Park Junior Equestrian Development Squad (JEDS)

The 2024 Maitland Park Junior Equestrian Development Squad was a dynamic and successful program, bringing together 35 talented young riders from across the region. Maitland Park were kind enough to continue their sponsorship of the Junior Squad. Over the course of the year, the squad participated in four multi-day training camps and three intensive one-day clinics, offering a rich variety of learning opportunities and riding experiences.

A key strength of the program was the diverse coaching team, which included 19 highly experienced equestrian professionals. Among them were respected names such as Philippa Collier, Les Bunning, and Liesl Wilding, whose guidance and mentorship played a vital role in the development of each rider's skills and confidence. The wide range of coaching styles and expertise ensured that riders were exposed to a broad spectrum of techniques across disciplines such as dressage, show jumping, and cross-country.

The camps provided a supportive and immersive environment for growth, fostering both technical ability and strong camaraderie among participants. The one-day clinics served as valuable touchpoints throughout the year, allowing riders to reinforce their progress and focus on specific areas of improvement.

In addition to equestrian training, the squad emphasised sportsmanship, horsemanship, and personal development. The commitment and enthusiasm of the riders were evident throughout.

The 2024 season not only advanced the riders' equestrian capabilities but also nurtured future ambassadors for the sport. The squad now looks forward to building on this strong foundation in 2025. For the 2025 season, we will be including a newly introduced virtual seminars... and thank Maitland Park for their continued support.

KAELEIGH BROWN

Sport Development Manager, Equestrian WA



Interschool



2024 Equestrian WA Interschool State Championships

Proudly sponsored by co major partners Ramsay's Horse Transport and Low Loader Logistics



The 2024 Equestrian WA Interschool State Championships, proudly supported by Co-Major Partners Ramsays Horse Transport and Low Loader Logistics, were held from April 10-13 at the State Equestrian Centre in Brigadoon. Under perfect autumn skies, the event kicked off with a colourful opening parade, setting the stage for four thrilling days of competition.

Over 170 riders representing schools from across WA competed with 196 horses across 509 classes, including 30 Vaulting classes involving 18 riders and 8 horses—reflecting the continued growth of this exciting discipline. Across five key disciplines, the event was made possible thanks to dedicated officials, volunteers, and parent helpers.

A unique challenge this year came in the form of a solar eclipse, which required last-minute logistical changes that were handled seamlessly by the event team.

Winners were recognised at a special Awards Ceremony proudly presented by Saddles Plus, which offered celebration of riders with rosettes, trophies, garlands, and cupcakes.

Major honours included:

- Ruby Rae (Australian Christian College) - Champion Secondary Rider
- Josie Day (Our Lady of the Cape) - Champion Primary Rider
- Australian Christian College - Champion Secondary School
- Guildford Grammar - Reserve Champion Secondary School

The WA State Team was announced, led by Team Manager Corien Ridley. A squad of 33 riders travelled to Tamworth for the Marcus Oldham Australian Interschool Championships, with 14 horses making the journey. Highlights included Marni Bercene's win in the National Secondary Combined Training 60cm.

Interschools continues to be a vital pathway for aspiring riders. Special thanks to our event partners and sponsors, whose support is key to the future of equestrian sport in WA.

MEREDITH TENDER

Interschool WA Event Organiser



Off the Track WA



The 2024 Equestrian WA and Off The Track WA clinic series was a resounding success, with an impressive 539 riders and 550 horses participating across 18 clinics held throughout the year. The program continued to play a key role in supporting riders and retrained thoroughbreds across Western Australia, delivering high-quality coaching and education in a welcoming, inclusive environment.

Clinics were hosted at a range of venues to ensure broad accessibility, including Serpentine, Coolup, Northam, and the State Equestrian Centre, as well as several metro locations. This geographic spread allowed participants from across the state to benefit from expert instruction without the need for extensive travel.



The clinics catered to a wide variety of disciplines and skill levels, with a strong focus on developing the partnership between rider and horse—particularly Off The Track thoroughbreds and standardbreds making the transition to new careers in equestrian sport. Riders received tailored coaching and support to build confidence, refine techniques, and progress towards their individual goals.

Equestrian WA extends its sincere thanks to Off The Track WA for their ongoing and generous support of this initiative. Their commitment to the welfare and future of retired racehorses continues to create meaningful opportunities for education, training, and community engagement across the state.

The strong participation numbers and positive feedback from riders and coaches alike highlight the importance of these clinics within WA's equestrian calendar. Planning is already underway to expand and enhance the program further in 2025.

KAELEIGH BROWN

Sport Development Manager, Equestrian WA



SUPPORTING RETIRED RACEHORSES

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Supporting, educating and rehoming retired Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds in their second careers as companion, pleasure or performance horses.

Partnered with Equestrian WA since 2020, Off the Track WA now proudly provide owners of retired racehorses a 10% discount off their Equestrian WA membership.

We thank Equestrian WA for aiding us in supporting and promoting retired racehorses in their second careers and homes.

OTTWA HERD HEROES

An exciting array of businesses who have joined Off the Track WA in providing support to retired racehorses.

To learn about these businesses and what they have generously offered to OTTWA Passport holders, scan the QR code.



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Supporting, educating and rehoming retired Thoroughbreds and Standardbreds in their second careers as companion, pleasure or performance horses.

- Eligibility for 10% off your Equestrian WA membership
- Access to OTTWA Clinics and sponsored events
- Opportunities for sponsorship to compete nationally and/or internationally
- Access to OTTWA Herd Hero discounts and benefits
- Inclusion within a wide-spread community of OTT enthusiasts

This passport initiative provides Racing WA valuable insight to see what retired racehorses are up to and where they are throughout their life-cycle.



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Coaches

In 2024, Equestrian WA (EWA) made significant strides in supporting coaches at all levels, with an emphasis on education, professional development, and strengthening pathways for both new and experienced coaches.

Key Developments and Achievements

One of the highlights of the year was the Coach Professional Development program. On April 19, 2024, EWA hosted the Start to Coach Day, led by Coach Educators Wendy Barker and Liz Tollarzo. This day was designed to support individuals interested in beginning their Intro Coach certification or continuing their progress through the system. Six participants took part, with financial subsidies provided from the EWA Coaching Committee budget, reflecting the organisation's commitment to lowering barriers and fostering new talent.

Two important Coach Update events were also delivered in 2024. The first, the Annual Coach Update on March 11, brought together coaches from across the state to refresh their skills and stay up to date with national requirements. The second, held on November 18, was tailored specifically for Coach Educators (CEs) and Skill-Specific Training Assessors (SSTAs), ensuring that those mentoring and assessing coaches are equipped with the latest knowledge and tools to maintain high standards.

An outstanding achievement this year was the continued collaboration with Racing and Wagering Western Australia (RWAA). EWA delivered a Coach Certification Course for RWAA-nominated Off the Track (OTT) retrainers, resulting in one retrainer achieving Level 1 Coach status and another completing their Intro Coach certification. This initiative is critical in ensuring that OTT horses have the best possible post-racing retraining experience, enhancing



horse welfare outcomes and creating new opportunities for these horses across equestrian disciplines.

Coach Educators also continued their longstanding partnership with the WA Mounted Police, providing assessment and development support to Mounted Police coaches. This collaboration highlights the broad reach and versatility of EWA's coaching network, which extends well beyond the traditional equestrian sport environment.

Positive Changes and Impacts

The efforts of 2024 have had a wide-reaching impact on the WA equestrian community. Through targeted professional development opportunities, more coaches are gaining access to structured training pathways, which in turn lifts the standard of coaching across clubs and disciplines.

The strengthened partnership with RWAA has delivered tangible welfare benefits for Off the Track horses, helping to ensure that retrainers are well-equipped to transition horses successfully into new careers. Meanwhile, ongoing work with the WA Mounted Police has further reinforced EWA's reputation for excellence and adaptability, demonstrating the relevance of equestrian coaching beyond the competitive arena.

Notable People and Stories

A major milestone in 2024 was the retirement of Anne Battley, who stepped down after an incredible 42 years as an official EA Coach and Coach Educator. Anne's contribution to coaching in WA has been immense, with countless coaches, riders, and horses benefiting from her experience, mentorship, and passion over the decades. Her legacy will continue to influence WA equestrian sport for years to come.

Another highlight was the recognition of Rebecca Thomas, who was awarded the EWA Community Coach of the Year for 2024. Rebecca's dedication, skill, and tireless work within the community have been exemplary, making her a highly deserving recipient of this award.

Acknowledgements

The EWA coaching community extends its gratitude to former EWA CEO, Zac Acott, whose leadership and support played a key role in advancing coaching initiatives across the state. Thanks are also due to the many Coach Educators, Assessors, and volunteers who contribute their time and expertise to developing WA's coaches. Their efforts ensure that WA continues to build a strong, qualified coaching workforce that serves riders and horses at every level.

Looking Ahead to 2025

The future for coaching in WA is focused on accessibility, regional development, and targeted support for coaches at all stages of their careers. Plans for 2025 include:

- Expanding coach development in regional WA, helping to ensure that riders and clubs outside the metropolitan area have access to quality coaching and education.
- Developing online coaching education resources to provide flexible, accessible learning for EWA members.
- Hosting a Level 1 Coach Development Day, specifically designed to meet the needs of Level 1 coaches.
- Delivering an Intro Coach Development Day, tailored to support new and aspiring coaches on their certification journey.

These initiatives reflect EWA's commitment to lifting coaching standards across the state, fostering a culture of learning and improvement, and supporting the next generation of equestrian athletes and horses.

GAIL SIMMS

Vice Chair, EWA Coaching Committee



Equestrian WA Coach of the Year 2024 -
Community Nominees



Equestrian WA Coach of the Year 2024 -
Performance Nominees

Dressage



The 2024 season has been a landmark year for Dressage WA, marked by continued growth, increased educational initiatives, and a commitment to fostering our community at all levels of dressage. Building on a successful 2023, we have enhanced our programs, expanded our events, and strengthened our partnerships to ensure a vibrant future for dressage in Western Australia.

Strategic Focus and Achievements

Our core priorities in 2024 centered around supporting our clubs, advancing judge and steward education, and promoting competitive and recreational dressage. With a dedicated and expanding committee, we introduced new incentive programs, further developed our Horse of the Year awards, supported our pony, youth riders, para dressage competitors and rising young horse stars in their respective events—highlighting our commitment to innovation, inclusivity and progression for the sport of dressage in WA.

Support for Clubs & Community Engagement

This year, Dressage WA continued to foster a strong club network, providing financial incentives, hosting clinics, and facilitating competitions that cater to riders of all levels. The inaugural WA Youth Dressage Festival in April attracted enthusiastic participation and showcased our commitment to developing young talent. The event featured FEI Youth tests, a first for WA, offering a vital stepping stone for future national and international competitors.

Education & Development

In 2024, we increased funding for judge and steward training, aiming to elevate standards and ensure consistency across competitions. Our education programs included workshops seminars, and online modules, with a particular focus on preparing judges for A, B, and Young



Horse levels. We also hosted masterclasses with international clinicians, further elevating the skill levels of our community.

Competition Highlights

Dressage WA's 2024 calendar was full of standout events that celebrated the depth and diversity of talent in our state. The Cavallo Equestrian WA State Dressage Championships were the season's pinnacle, drawing top riders and horses from across WA and broadcast live via iVideo Production. The event received record sponsorship and exceptional feedback.

The Advanced Feeds Pony Showcase and Para Dressage classes attracted strong entries, cementing their place as premier platforms for inclusivity and talent development. A major addition in 2024 was the Advanced Feeds Youth Dressage Festival, which introduced FEI Youth tests to WA for the first time—providing international-standard experience to our rising stars.

Other key events included the HHG Rising Star Final and Horseland Midland Young Horse Gala, which highlighted emerging talent and the sport's future.

The Dressage WA Horse of the Year Awards recognised top combinations across multiple levels. Notable winners included Katelyn Williams and Rosevale Secret Dancer (Prelim & Novice), Mel Nixon and Matavia Fisher King (FEI Large Tour), and Sarah Inglis with Rosalie WE, who triumphed nationally.

The awards celebrated dedication, performance, and progress from grass roots to Grand Prix.

International Representation & Achievements

WA riders continued to shine on national and international stages in 2024. Will Matthew, crowned Equestrian WA Dressage Rider of the Year, proudly represented Australia at the Paris Olympic Games, and later returned to WA to deliver a hugely successful educational masterclass. Alinta Veenliet and Desperanza competed at major East Coast events, with Alinta earning a spot on the Paris Olympics long list. Meanwhile, Equestrian WA Junior Rider of the Year Sarah Inglis, riding Rosalie WE, swept all three CDI-Pony tests at the Victorian Dressage Festival, claiming the CDI-Pony Champion title. These achievements showcase the world-class talent emerging from WA and signal a bright future for dressage in the state.

Sponsorship & Community Support

Our partnerships remain vital to our success. In 2024, we secured ongoing sponsorship from key long term sponsorships partners; Cavallo Equestrian WA, HHG Legal Group, Ascot Equine Hospital, Acre Safe, Horseland Midland, Feed XL,



Leader Equine, Project Neon, The Saddle Solutions Company, Kingsfield Equestrian, Saddleworld, Kyamba Lodge, Lara Tweedie, Duncan Equine, Kick It Back, Elizabeth Reiss and Associates, Gypsum Supplies, Off the Track WA, Belle Equestrian and many others, which supported our events, clinics, and development programs. The generosity of our sponsors and supporters underpins the growth of our sport.

Looking Forward and Beyond

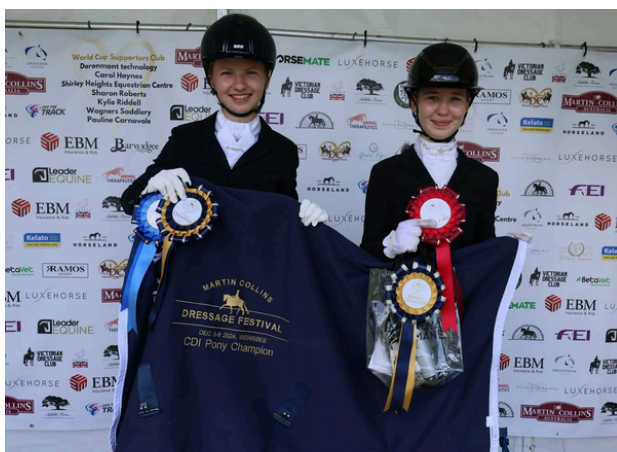
As we look ahead, Dressage WA is committed to:

- Expanding our Youth programs, including the annual Youth Dressage Festival.
- Continuing to develop our judge and steward education pathways.
- Increasing community engagement through clinics, masterclasses, and competitions.
- Strengthening our partnerships and sponsorships to support our growth.
- Enhancing our digital infrastructure, including live scoring and online education modules.

2024 has been a year of significant progress and exciting developments for Dressage WA. We thank our dedicated members, volunteers, judges, stewards, sponsors, and partners for their ongoing support. Together, we are shaping the future of WA dressage—one step at a time. Special thanks to our outgoing committee members for their contributions and to our new members for bringing fresh perspectives to our initiatives.

BELLA ROBSON

Chair, Dressage WA



Jumping



The 2024 season was a strong and exciting year for Jumping in Western Australia, marked by exceptional performances, increased participation, national recognition, and significant progress across athlete development, officiating, and event delivery.

From an on-horse perspective, the season was headlined by a dynamic competition calendar that spanned grassroots through to elite levels. The pinnacle event of the year—the 2024 Yalambi WA State Show Jumping Championships—delivered thrilling performances and highlighted the calibre of WA’s riders and horses. Chadd Donovan and Espionage were crowned Senior State Champions, cementing their standout season. Their success was further recognised at the EWA Awards, with Espionage named Horse of the Year and Chadd a finalist for Senior Rider of the Year.

The depth of talent in the sport was further reinforced with Leon Carroll receiving the Eric Marsden Trophy for Senior Rider of the Year, while Allira Bond was awarded the George Hall Trophy for Junior Rider of the Year. Rising star Zenniah Albonetti earned a nomination as an EWA Junior Rider of the Year finalist, reflecting the strength of WA’s junior pipeline.

Sophie Stott’s All West placed third in the Off The Track Horse of the Year category, while Rosemary Ingles was recognised with the prestigious Patron’s Award, a fitting tribute to her longstanding contribution to the sport.

WA riders proudly flew the state flag on the national stage, with strong performances from Caitlin Bolger, Nadia Gronow, Lauren Sheridan, and Zara Ward Leahy, all of whom travelled interstate to compete against some of the best combinations in the country. Their results speak to the effectiveness of WA’s development



pathways and the resilience of our competitive riders.

The Jumping WA Series continued to provide a well-structured and inclusive framework for competition across all rider levels. It served as a key developmental platform and highlighted consistency, sportsmanship, and progression across the state.



The 2024 series winners were:

- JWA BRONZE Series Winner: Emma Hellier on Coltina JSE
- JWA SILVER Series Winner: Rebecca Donovan on JEP Hallonah
- JWA Horse of the Year (HOTY) Series Winner: Leon Carroll on YHP Picasso
- JWA AMATEUR RIDER Series Winner: Nikki Oliver on Centime
- JWA JUNIOR RIDER Series Winner: Zenniah Albonetti on Sorento
- JWA YOUNG RIDER Series Winner: Leah Possingham on Barrabadean Centre Stage
- JWA GRASS ROOTS A – Under 18 Series Winner: Nate Kelly on Bensons Trinket
- JWA GRASS ROOTS B – Open Series Winner: Elizabeth Wilson on Comanche's Honour
- JWA FOUNDATION A – 12-14 Year Olds Series Winner: Chayse Kelly on Diamond B Carino
- JWA FOUNDATION B – Open Series Winner: Elizabeth Wilson on Comanche's Honour

These results highlight the depth and commitment of WA riders and the positive impact of the tiered series structure in supporting development and rewarding consistency.

Off the horse, the sport also achieved major milestones in 2024. The EWA Awards served as a platform to recognise the immense contribution of individuals behind the scenes. Rosemary Ingles was honoured with the Lifetime

Service Award, while Lucy Galovicova (Kentaur Australia) was a finalist for Breeder of the Year, acknowledging her efforts in breeding top-quality jumping horses in WA. Penny Dodd was also recognised as an Official of the Year finalist, reflecting her enduring contribution to fair and professional competition standards.

Jumping was strongly represented in the Special Event of the Year category, with three of the five finalists being jumping-focused: the Perth Show Jumping League, WASJA Patrons Cup, and the Yalambi Jumping Classic. These events not only drew strong competitor entries but also engaged local communities and showcased jumping as an exciting spectator sport.

To support officiating development, Jumping WA delivered a Judges Seminar and Course Designers Course, both of which were well attended. These initiatives strengthened the sport's official base by welcoming new volunteers and offering upgrade opportunities for existing officials—crucial for delivering high-quality events into the future.

Significant progress was made through athlete development programs. High Performance Clinics led by esteemed coach David Finch brought elite coaching directly to WA riders, while the Next Gen Clinics with Alison Roland supported emerging athletes with structured training and clear pathways. These programs have become essential tools in bridging the gap between junior riders and elite competition.

Communication and transparency also saw improvement, with better clarity around series points, event schedules, and committee updates. This helped foster a more informed and engaged community.

One of the standout stories of the year was the success of the Yalambi WA State Showjumping Championships, held in October. The Australian Underground Drilling 1.40m Grand Prix was a highlight, attracting top combinations and delivering thrilling rounds in front of a large and enthusiastic crowd. The event reflected the professionalism and dedication of organisers and reinforced Yalambi's position as a key venue in WA's jumping landscape.

Jumping WA would like to extend sincere thanks to the many individuals and groups who make this sport possible. The Jumping WA Committee, composed entirely of volunteers, dedicates countless hours to strategic planning, calendar coordination, and program delivery. Our event volunteers, stewards, club administrators, and coaches all play vital roles in creating a safe and professional environment for competition.

We are also deeply grateful to our sponsors, whose support—financial and in-kind—enables us to enhance event offerings and invest back into the sport. Your contributions are crucial to the continued growth of jumping in WA.

Looking ahead to 2025, Jumping WA is energised by the momentum of the past year.

A number of exciting developments are already in motion. New clubs, including Tyrooki Equestrian Park, are preparing to host their inaugural competitions, expanding access to events and increasing opportunities for riders across the state.

Officiating development remains a top priority, with plans to deliver more seminars and training opportunities to build the next generation of judges and course designers. The Jumping WA Series will continue, offering structured pathways across all rider levels.

For our High Performance Squad and Next Gen riders, Jumping WA aims to expand targeted support to help WA combinations transition successfully to national and international levels of competition.

Inclusivity and sustainability will also be key focus areas, with initiatives designed to broaden participation and safeguard horse and rider wellbeing.

In summary, 2024 was a year of consolidated growth, shared achievement, and renewed direction for jumping in Western Australia. With strong leadership, community collaboration, and a clear vision, 2025 is shaping up to be a year of even greater progress.

SOPHIE PARKES

Chair, Jumping WA



Eventing



The 2024 season has been a year of positive momentum and steady development for the sport of Eventing in Western Australia. Guided by the Eventing WA Committee under the umbrella of Equestrian WA (EWA), the sport has continued to evolve, with a focus on competition excellence, infrastructure, official development, and community engagement.

Eventing WA is responsible for the overall administration, governance, and promotion of the sport in WA. The committee meets monthly, predominantly online, to oversee the delivery of the eventing calendar, manage safety and risk, support officials, and allocate funding to ensure that both grassroots and high-performance levels of the sport are sustained and well-resourced.

From a sporting perspective, the 2024 calendar offered a well-rounded and diverse series of competitions, ranging from introductory levels right up to FEI 4* classes. These events provided riders and horses with critical opportunities to develop experience, achieve minimum eligibility requirements, and progress through the competition levels in a structured and supported environment.

One of the key highlights of the year was the welcome return of the Future Eventing competition, hosted at the Capel Equestrian Centre. This event was particularly valuable in setting the tone for the season, with course design delivered to the highest standards by internationally recognised designers Stuart Tinney and Chris Edwards. The early-season timing allowed combinations to gain competition miles or secure qualifications in a low-pressure setting, which in turn strengthened the overall depth of combinations competing throughout the remainder of the calendar.

The WA calendar remains an important stepping

stone within Australia's broader eventing landscape, feeding into national benchmark events such as the Adelaide, Melbourne, and Sydney International Three-Day Events. This pipeline supports the development of local combinations who aim to compete interstate or even internationally, helping to ensure that WA remains strongly represented on the national stage.

Western Australia proudly hosted four FEI-sanctioned competitions in 2024 — a significant achievement for the local eventing community. These competitions are critical in providing local athletes with the opportunity to compete at internationally recognised levels without the burden of cross-country travel, strengthening WA's role as a key player in the national sport. For 2025, five FEI competitions are already planned, reinforcing the sport's commitment to maintaining internationally aligned standards and opportunities here in WA.

At the heart of the season, the Perth Horse Trials at Wooroloo delivered another outstanding Three-Day-Event, including three long-format classes. Despite the challenge of stormy weather, the organising team delivered a seamless, high-quality competition that showcased the resilience and capability of WA's event organisers. It was no surprise that this event was named Event of the Year at the EWA Annual Awards, recognising the enormous volunteer effort and professional delivery behind the scenes.

The Eventing WA Committee recognises that the sustainability and growth of the sport depend not only on riders and competitions but on the robust development of the broader ecosystem — especially the officials who underpin every event. 2024 saw the successful qualification of a new Level 1 National Technical Delegate (TD),

bolstering the pool of accredited officials available to serve at WA competitions. Eventing WA continues to support a pipeline of trainee TDs and Course Designers, providing access to education, mentoring, and formal qualification pathways to ensure the ongoing strength of WA's officiating ranks.

Financially, Eventing WA operates primarily through two key revenue streams: rider start levies collected at each event, and the generous support of sponsors. This funding is reinvested directly into the sport to support shared resources — including the Eventing WA trailer, aerovator, radios, and cross-country safety equipment — and to facilitate the ongoing development of officials through the annual TD/CD seminar and subsidies for domestic and international qualification maintenance. The committee takes great pride in managing these funds responsibly, ensuring they deliver maximum impact for the sport as a whole.

A major highlight off the competition field was the success of the 2024 Eventing WA Awards Night, held at The Vines Resort. The event sold out, drawing enthusiastic participation from across the WA eventing community, and provided an opportunity to formally recognise the contributions of clubs, volunteers, officials, and sponsors. It also allowed the community to come together in celebration, reflecting on a year of achievements and building excitement for the future. The next edition is already set for Saturday, 6 December 2025, and promises to be another outstanding night for the sport.

The achievements of 2024 were only possible thanks to the collective efforts of the entire eventing community.

The Eventing WA Committee extends its sincere thanks to all event organisers, who dedicate countless hours of volunteer time and expertise to deliver competitions across the state. These individuals are the backbone of the sport, and their passion ensures that eventing remains accessible and vibrant in WA.



Thanks are also due to the sport's officials, whose commitment, professionalism, and constant pursuit of excellence are fundamental to ensuring the integrity and safety of every event. Without their contribution, eventing could not continue to operate at the high standards riders and spectators expect.

Finally, Eventing WA is deeply grateful to its sponsors, whose generous partnerships make it possible to elevate every aspect of the sport — from event delivery to equipment maintenance and athlete support. Their investment plays a crucial role in sustaining the sport's success, and we look forward to continuing these valuable partnerships into 2025 and beyond.

Looking ahead, the 2025 season offers a strong and exciting calendar that will continue to challenge, inspire, and develop WA's riders, horses, and officials. Eventing WA remains committed to nurturing a positive, performance-driven, and community-focused environment that enables the sport to thrive across all levels. Here's to another successful year of growth, achievement, and celebration for Eventing in Western Australia!

JACINTA WITHOUD
Chair, Eventing WA

Para-Equestrian



2024 has been an extraordinary year for Para-Equestrian in Western Australia, marked by growth, exceptional performances, and a deepening sense of community. We proudly welcomed several newly classified riders into the fold, expanding both our competitive ranks and our sense of inclusion.

Among the most outstanding achievements of the year was the international success of Virtus riders Luke and Bel, who represented Australia in England and both returned home with silver medals. Their performances were a testament to their dedication, skill, and hard work, and they have become powerful role models within the community.

Closer to home, Chelsea DeJonge was shortlisted for the Paralympics, a remarkable personal milestone and a testament to her perseverance and talent. Similarly, Sharon Jarvis was named as a Traveling Reserve for the Paris 2024 Paralympic Games, continuing her long and distinguished contribution to the sport.

At the State Dressage Championships, we saw excellent participation and strong performances. Standout results included Suzin Wells, who claimed the Highest FEI Percentage Championship and the Freestyle High Percentage Championship, as well as Fleur Lister, who was named High Percentage EA Champion. These results demonstrate the depth of talent we are nurturing within Western Australia.

Key Developments and Achievements

While we were disappointed to learn that the EPA will no longer be visiting WA, this challenge became an opportunity to focus on homegrown development. We are thrilled to announce the launch of the EA Para High-Performance Squad, which will bring together riders competing in EA, FEI, and Virtus classes. This squad, under the

guidance of High-Performance Coach Sharon Jarvis, will meet quarterly and access additional training opportunities via Zoom. It represents a significant step forward in providing elite development pathways for our riders.

Positive Changes and Impacts

This year saw us elevate inclusion and awareness across the sport. The introduction of the Most Inclusive Club Award recognised clubs that have gone above and beyond in creating welcoming environments for riders of all abilities. Congratulations to Swan River Dressage Club and Margaret River Horse and Pony Club, joint winners of this inaugural award. We also embraced a new social media strategy, which delivered impressive results – achieving over 500% growth in followers. This increased visibility has helped to raise the profile of Para-Equestrian sport in WA, celebrate our athletes' achievements, and inspire new participants to get involved.

The Para Working Group (WAPWG) had a highly successful first year, providing an invaluable platform for information-sharing, education, and collaboration between riders, officials, clubs, and Equestrian WA. The group's establishment marks an important milestone in strengthening the governance and growth of Para-Equestrian in the state.



Notable Stories and People

A particularly heartwarming story this year involved Sharon Jarvis's horse, Lord Lamarque ("Bug"), who represented Australia at the Paris Paralympic Games under the saddle of Grade One rider Stella Barton. This connection between WA and the national team reflects the calibre of horses and partnerships being developed here.

Additionally, we proudly celebrate the inclusion of Suzin Wells and Dani Loizou Lake in the National Australian Para Squad. With Sharon Jarvis and Chelsea DeJong already named in the squad, WA now has four riders on the national team — a remarkable achievement and a sign of the strength and depth of Para-Equestrian talent in the state.

Acknowledgements

None of these successes would have been possible without the generous support of our sponsors. We extend our heartfelt thanks to Always Caravan Hire, Neil and Paula Zammit, our long-time supporters at Heiniger Australia, Byfield Accounting, and Duncan Equine Group. Their belief in the power of Para Dressage and their commitment to supporting our athletes have made an enormous difference to our riders and their pathways.



Looking Ahead to 2025

Our vision for 2025 is bold and inclusive. We aim to make Western Australia the leading Para-Equestrian group in Australia, setting benchmarks for inclusion, opportunity, and excellence.

Key priorities include:

- Supporting riders and officials to develop their skills and confidence
- Strengthening relationships with stakeholders and sponsors to expand opportunities
- Promoting inclusion at every event, ensuring that riders with physical and intellectual impairments feel valued and supported alongside their able-bodied peers
- Helping riders to achieve their personal and sporting goals, always with a strong commitment to horse welfare

We are excited to build on the momentum of 2024 and continue working towards a future where every rider has the chance to thrive, compete, and belong.

SUZIN WELLS

Committee Member, Para-Equestrian Panel

Show Horse



The 2024 season for Show Horse WA was one of revitalisation, strong performances, and renewed community spirit—both in and out of the ring. With a new committee bringing fresh energy and a focus on financial sustainability and growth, this year has laid the foundations for an exciting future.

Season Highlights – On the Horse

The Show Horse WA Committee successfully hosted three cornerstone events in 2024: Autumn Pageant, Winter Gala, and the prestigious Horse of the Year.

The Autumn Pageant opened our season with a showcase of quality combinations. Among the standout performers were Leeara Park Xutopia, Cimeron Maserati, Cimeron King of Pop, and Tikallara Illusion, all of whom set the tone for a competitive year ahead.

The Winter Gala continued the season's momentum, featuring a strong line-up of elite show horses. Key performers included Tikallara Illusion, Aryline Platinum Edition, Mandalay Silk Road, Mirinda Minks Dynasty, and returning champions Cimeron Maserati and Cimeron King of Pop.

At the pinnacle of the calendar, the 2024 Horse of the Year crowned the state's top representatives. Simanda Park Indiano and Cimeron King of Pop impressed both judges and spectators with their polish and presence.



Western Australia also proudly sent a team of five horses and nine riders to the 2024 Nationals, showcasing our local talent on the national stage. Notable achievements included:

- Yarralea Minks Agent, ridden by Ava Bowles, named Runner-Up National Child's Large Pony
- Cimeron I Candy, placing 2nd Runner-Up in the Child's Medium Show Hunter Pony and 4th in the Open Medium Show Hunter Pony
- Lucy Jansan, finishing 4th in her Rider Class
- Julie Van De Sande and Roseden Chorister, winners of the Owner Rider in the Large Show Pony Class
- Kirralea Centrefold, placing 4th in the National Child's Medium Show Pony Class

These performances not only brought national recognition but demonstrated the strength and depth of WA's show horse talent.

Off-Horse Progress and Development

In 2024, we took major steps forward behind the scenes to support long-term development. A well-attended Judges Seminar was hosted, providing crucial opportunities for reaccreditation and upskilling. There is clear and growing interest in becoming a part of the officiating community, and this momentum will continue into 2025.



Planning is also underway to launch a Show Horse Development Squad, with the aim of identifying and nurturing emerging talent in a structured and supportive environment. This initiative is expected to further bolster participation and rider confidence at all levels.

Additionally, significant effort was put into raising the profile and professionalism of our events. We focused on financial management and increasing sponsorship opportunities, resulting in enhanced prizes and support for our competitors, including travel assistance for members attending Nationals.

Creating a Supportive Culture

A strong focus was placed this season on community values, particularly in promoting volunteer appreciation and good sportsmanship. This was reinforced through public recognition of volunteers via the EWA Volunteer of the Month initiative and through highly visible signage at events reminding all attendees of the standards expected.

Awareness around behavioural expectations was elevated, with the Committee taking proactive steps to address poor conduct and ensure future cases are managed transparently and fairly. These measures have already helped cultivate a more positive and inclusive environment.

Acknowledgements

The success of Show Horse WA in 2024 is due in no small part to the dedicated individuals and partners who contributed their time, expertise, and support. We wish to extend special thanks to Eileen Morris, Kym Brajkovich, Belinda Gray, Nikki Chivers and Kristy Angell.

Our sincere gratitude also goes to our naming rights sponsors for their generous support:

- Horse of the Year – Melville, Rockingham, Cockburn Toyota
- National Team – Eastside Concrete Contracting
- Autumn Pageant – Duncan Equine Group
- Winter Gala – Berrybank Stud



To all class sponsors, supporters, and behind-the-scenes helpers: thank you. Your belief in our sport makes everything possible.

We also acknowledge the dedicated riders and their support crews who made the long journey across the Nullarbor to represent Western Australia at the Nationals: Julie Van De Sande, Fiona White, Morgan Lane, Shannae Grantham, Lucy Jansan, Clara Dagostino, Ava Bowles, Leshae Itzstein, Kadance Langley, and Lauren King.

Looking Ahead to 2025

As a newly formed committee in 2024, much of our energy was focused on establishing a strong foundation—both financially and operationally. With those foundations now in place, 2025 will be a year of growth.

We plan to implement ideas from new committee members, introduce a Masterclass event, expand our official pathways for judges, and continue our focus on retaining and attracting new members, particularly young riders. Bringing back the fun to shows and supporting up-and-coming talent will be central themes in the year ahead.

By investing in people, pathways, and culture, the future of Show Horse WA is bright—and 2025 promises to deliver another exceptional chapter in our sport's journey.

KYM BRAJKOVICH

Vice Chair, Show Horse WA

Vaulting



The 2024 vaulting season in Western Australia was marked by strong growth, exciting competition, and outstanding achievements.

The year opened at the EWA Interschool Championships in April, with 17 vaulters and four horse-lunger combinations. Standout performances included Yindi Falconbridge (Senior Intermediate), Olivia Barry (Senior Prenovice), Skye Boschetti (Senior Preliminary), and Imelda Alembick (Junior Preliminary).

In July, the Oakford Rise Up Competition attracted 36 vaulters on eight horses, with Yindi Falconbridge achieving a qualifying score for Advanced in the Intermediate Individual Class.

The season wrapped up in August with the inaugural High Vaultage Competition, hosted by the EWA Vaulting Working Group, which saw 31 vaulters and five horse-lunger teams across introductory to advanced levels. Pas de deux and squad classes on both horse and barrel were highlights. Judges Abbie White (EA Level 2) and visiting EA Level 3 judge Darryn Fredrick provided valuable scores and feedback. Notably, four new horses were registered and debuted during the year, reflecting the sport's rising profile in WA.

Off-Horse Achievements

A major highlight of 2024 was the revival of the EWA Vaulting Working Group, aimed at developing the sport in WA.

In August, the vaulting community hosted Darryn Fredrick (EA Level 3, FEI 3* Vaulting Judge) for a pathways information evening and coaching clinics, which provided fresh insights for vaulters, coaches, and lungers.

Several WA officials advanced their qualifications this year: Kay Fowler began EA Vaulting Judge training; Kimberley Fowler started EA Stewarding training;



Lauren Stingemore and Helena Wills began lunging qualifications; and Olivia Curry, Zane Jakse, and Caidee Butler achieved Associate Lunger qualifications — all important steps in strengthening the sport's foundation.

Positive Changes and Impacts

For the first time, WA vaulting benefited from a regular competition calendar, giving athletes consistent opportunities to develop and creating stronger links between local and national vaulting communities.

The Fassifern video competition (QLD) was a standout innovation, drawing 71 entrants nationwide, including 46 from WA — offering local vaulters national exposure without interstate travel.

WA's increase in EA competitions led to more EA-registered horses, boosted participation, and strengthened club affiliation. Notably, Oakford Vaulting Group became the first WA vaulting club to win the EA Club of the Year award.

Notable Stories and Highlights

WA's Matilda Yates delivered a standout international performance, representing Australia at CVI Saumur in France. She placed second in the FEI 1* class and achieved a qualifying score for FEI 2*, while gaining valuable training experience with top European vaulting clubs.

Domestically, eight WA vaulters – Matilda Yates, Emilia Clarke, Jessica Dymock, Rhiannon Alembick, Imelda Alembick, Siri Spranz, Zara De Tongi, and Marianne Rothfuss – competed at the EA National Vaulting Championships in Boonah, QLD, with all finishing in the top six of their classes. These efforts deepened connections with the national vaulting community and provided invaluable competitive experience.

On the international stage, 2024 was a milestone year for Australian vaulting overall, with NSW's Ginger Kennet becoming the first Australian vaulter officially invited to the FEI World Cup Final in Switzerland in April 2025.



Acknowledgements

The WA vaulting community extends its thanks to Darryn Fredrick for his time and expertise during his WA visit. Thanks are also due to Zac, Meredith, Sharna, and the EWA team for their support in bringing the working group's initiatives to life. Most importantly, deep appreciation goes to the entire WA vaulting community – including clubs, lungers, coaches, parents, and volunteers – whose dedication underpins the sport's ongoing success.

Looking Ahead to 2025

The future looks bright, with an ambitious year ahead:

- Continuation and expansion of the EWA vaulting calendar.
- An exchange trip to Vaulting South Australia for coaching, barrel training, and competition.
- WA participation at the Great Southern CVI in February 2025.
- A protocol day to train competition volunteers.
- More officials and coaches pursuing EA qualifications.
- Development of a high-performance program in WA.
- Support from Off the Track to bring more horses into vaulting.
- Visits from eastern states' officials and coaches to boost training and competition standards.
- Events at varied venues to promote horse welfare and adaptability.
- An inaugural coaching clinic to unite coaches and encourage collaboration across WA clubs.

With these exciting plans, WA vaulting is well positioned to continue its upward momentum in 2025 and beyond.

MATILDA YATES

Chair, Vaulting Working Group

Equestrian Western Australia Inc

ABN 53 591 481 584

Financial Statements

For the year ended 31 December 2024

Equestrian Western Australia Inc
ABN 53 591 481 584
Board's Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Your board members submit the financial accounts of the Equestrian Western Australia Inc for the financial year ended 31 December 2024.

Board Members

The names of officeholders of the Board at the date of this report are:

Chairperson - Anne Wilkins

Vice Chairperson - Rory Hovell

Finance Director - Roslyn O'Halloran

Other members of the Board at the date of this report are:

Geoff Edwards

PollyAnn Huntington

Alexandra Daniels

Kelly Kent

Principal Activities

The principal activities of the association during the financial year were: Equestrian services.

Significant Changes

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the year.

Subsequent Events

To the best knowledge of the Equestrian Western Australia Directors, there has not been any material change in the financial position of Equestrian Western Australia since 31 December 2024.

Going Concern

Refer to Note 1 Statement of Significant Accounting Policies for details on items affecting the entity that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. The entity may therefore be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

Operating Result

The profit / (loss) from ordinary activities after providing for income tax amounted to:

	Year ended 31 December 2024	Year ended 31 December 2023
Profit / (loss) from ordinary activities	\$43,436	(\$54,348)

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Board's Report
For the year ended 31 December 2024

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the Members of the Board on : 22 May 2025

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Chairperson – Anne Wilkins

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Finance Director - Roslyn O'Halloran

Equestrian Western Australia Inc
ABN 53 591 481 584
Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income
For the year ended 31 December 2024

	Note	Year ended 31 December 2024 \$	Year ended 31 December 2023 \$
Revenue	2	3,008,169	2,999,921
Gross profit		3,008,169	2,999,921
SEC Grant Expended	3	(507,831)	(600,066)
Operating expenses	3	(2,456,904)	(2,454,203)
Profit (deficit) before income tax		43,435	(54,348)
Income tax expense		-	-
Profit (deficit) for the year		43,435	(54,348)
Other comprehensive income:			
Other comprehensive items		-	-
Total other comprehensive income		-	-
Total comprehensive income (loss) for the year		43,435	(54,348)

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Equestrian Western Australia Inc
ABN 53 591 481 584
Statement of Financial Position
As at 31 December 2024

	Note	2024 \$	2023 \$
Assets			
Current Assets			*
Cash assets	5	1,104,105	886,252
Trade and other receivables	6	356,561	304,320
Total Current Assets		1,460,666	1,190,572
Non-Current Assets			
Property, plant and equipment	7	1,863,209	1,870,718
Total Non-Current Assets		1,863,209	1,870,718
Total Assets		3,323,875	3,061,290
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Trade and other payables	8	537,166	388,183
Provisions	9	85,005	89,838
Total Current Liabilities		622,171	478,021
Total Liabilities		622,171	478,021
Net Assets		2,701,704	2,583,268
Equity			
Reserves	4	755,000	680,000
Retained profits	4	1,946,704	1,903,268
Total Members' Funds		2,701,704	2,583,268

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

Equestrian Western Australia Inc
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Statement of Cash Flows
For the year ended 31 December 2024

		2024	2023
	Note	\$	\$
Cash flow from operating activities			
Receipts from customers and government grants		3,086,552	2,942,651
Payments to suppliers and employees		(2,868,700)	(3,535,313)
Net cash provided by (used in) operating activities	11	217,853	(592,662)
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		217,853	(592,662)
Cash at the beginning of the year		886,252	1,478,914
Cash at the end of the year	5	1,104,105	886,252

The above statement should be read in conjunction with the accompanying notes.

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Note 1: Statement of Significant Accounting Policies

The financial report is a special purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Accounting Standards and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the requirements of the Associations Incorporation Act 2015.

The financial report covers Equestrian Western Australia Inc as an individual entity. Equestrian Western Australia Inc is an association incorporated in Western Australia under the Associations Incorporation Act 2015.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs and does not take into account changing money values or, except where stated, current valuations of non-current assets. Cost is based on the fair values of the consideration given in exchange for assets.

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

Income tax

Equestrian Western Australia Inc is a not for profit association and management has self-assessed that its operations are exempt from income tax under the provisions of the Income Tax Assessment Act (1997) as amended.

Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Australian 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.

Inventories

Inventories are measured at the lower of cost and net realisable value. Costs are assigned on a first-in first-out basis.

Property, Plant and Equipment

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

a) Property

Freehold land and buildings are measured on the fair value basis, being the amount for which an asset could be exchanged between knowledgeable willing parties in an arm's length transaction.

The revaluation of freehold land and buildings has not taken account of the potential capital gains tax on assets acquired after the introduction of capital gains tax.

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b) Plant and equipment

The carrying amount of plant and equipment is reviewed annually to ensure it is not in excess of the recoverable amount from those assets. The recoverable amount is assessed on the basis of the expected net cash flows that will be received from the assets employment and subsequent disposal. The expected net cash flows have not been discounted to present values in determining the recoverable amounts.

c) Depreciation

The depreciable amount of all fixed assets including buildings and capitalised leased assets, but excluding freehold land, is depreciated on a straight line basis over their useful lives to Equestrian Western Australia Inc commencing from the time the asset is held ready for use. Properties held for investment purposes are not subject to a depreciation charge. Leasehold improvements are depreciated over the shorter of either the unexpired period of the lease or the estimated useful lives of the improvements.

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

Class of Asset	Rate %
Leasehold improvements	2.5% - 15%
Plant and equipment	5% - 50%
Office equipment	20%
Motor vehicles	22.5%

Employee entitlements

Provision is made for the liability for employee entitlements arising from services rendered by employees to balance date. Employee entitlements expected to be settled within one year together with entitlements arising from wages and salaries, annual leave and sick leave which will be settled after one year, have been measured at their nominal amount. Other employee entitlements payable later than one year have been measured at the present value of the estimated future cash out flows to be made for those entitlements.

Contributions are made by Equestrian Western Australia Inc to an employee superannuation fund and are charged as expenses when incurred.

Equestrian Western Australia Inc does not have an employer established defined benefit superannuation scheme.

Equestrian Western Australia Inc does not operate an ownership-based remuneration scheme, nor any similar scheme.

Cash

For the purpose of the statement of cash flows, cash includes cash on hand and in all call deposits with banks or financial institutions, investments in money market instruments maturing within less than two months, net of bank overdrafts.

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Comparative Figures

Where required by Accounting Standards comparative figures have been adjusted to conform with changes in presentation for the current financial year.

Revenue

Revenue from the sale of goods is recognised upon the delivery of goods to customers.

Interest revenue is recognised on a proportional basis taking in to account the interest rates applicable to the financial assets.

Dividend revenue is recognised when the right to receive a dividend has been established. Dividends received from associates and joint venture entities are accounted for in accordance with the equity method of accounting.

Revenue from the rendering of a service is recognised upon the delivery of the service to the customers.

Volunteer services are not recognised in the financial statements.

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

Government Grants

Grants from the government are recognised at their fair value where there is a reasonable assurance that the grant will be received and the group will comply with all attached conditions.

Deferral and presentation of government grants

Government grants relating to costs are deferred and recognised in profit or loss over the period necessary to match them with the costs that they are intended to compensate.

Leases

EWA's lease of the State Equestrian Centre from the City of Swan is recognised at its contract value.

Subsequent Event(s)

To the best knowledge of the Equestrian Western Australia Directors, there has not been any material change in the financial position of Equestrian Western Australia since 31 December 2024.

Going Concern

A. Reliance on continued government support

EWA receives grants from the WA Government Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries ('DLGSC') to support equestrian sport activities and for capital improvements of the SEC, including the following upgrades/ improvements:

- 2023:** completion of the indoor arena surface upgrade, fire emergency services, lighting upgrades. Commencement of solar panel installation and main switchboard upgrade (completed in 2024); and
- 2024:** switchboard upgrades, replacement of indoor arena emergency doors, replacement of certain lighting poles and LED lights and other miscellaneous expenditure.

Subsequent to 31 December 2024, EWA has further received further funds from the DLGSC to support capital projects at the State Equestrian Centre.

Continued support from the State Government is required for the organisation to continue its current level of operations and activities. The Board is currently unable to determine the level of Government support going forward.

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B. Lease of Land (lot 43 on Plan 15100 and Lot 31 on Plan 15620)

EWA's lease of the State Equestrian Centre from the City of Swan is currently in a holding over status. The Board intends to renew the SEC lease and has no indication the City of Swan will not extend the lease, nor that the terms of a lease would be more onerous than those currently incurred.

During 2024, EWA was granted funds from the Department of Local Government, Sport and Culture to undertake a review of the State Equestrian Centre business plan ('SEC Business Plan'). This project is continuing in 2025 with the business plan expected to be finalised mid-2025.

C. Equestrian Australia Limited

The board of Equestrian Australia Limited is investigating restructure options for equestrian sports in Australia. Some of the proposed options may have an effect on the operations of Equestrian Western Australia Inc in the future.

Conclusion

The financial statements have been prepared on a going concern basis. At the date of these statements there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due over the next 12 months. However the Board is currently unable to determine the future level of government support, outcome from the SEC Business Plan and the impact of Equestrian Australia's proposed reform on the association, as a result there is a material uncertainty related to events or conditions that may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern. The entity may therefore be unable to realise its assets and discharge its liabilities in the normal course of business.

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	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Note 2: Revenue and other income		
Membership & Registrations	652,088	614,521
Horse Cards, Registrations, Transfers	117,907	100,772
Facility Fees SEC	586,870	570,647
Events & Activities EWA	477,773	541,610
Sponsorship & Fundraising	382,724	323,626
Operating Grants	242,994	223,025
Capital Grants	507,831	600,066
Other income	39,982	25,654
Revenue and other income	3,008,169	2,999,921

Note 3: Total expenses

Profit (loss) from ordinary activities before income tax has been determined after:

Charging as Expense:

Audit fees	7,200	7,550
Capital grant expended	507,831	600,066
Depreciation of non-current assets:	105,494	113,158
Financial Costs	3,277	3,370
Insurance	194,616	177,540
Insurance - EA	142,725	119,097
EA Membership Cost	122,783	111,223
SEC Direct Costs	278,959	330,352
Events & Activities	499,766	497,971
Supplies - Food, Beverage, Uniforms	80,354	54,537
Office & Administration	165,780	215,122
Gifts in kind expenses	72,275	73,037
Rates & land taxes	13,354	13,144
Wage Related Costs	59,621	54,544
Wages EWA	314,257	306,207
Wages SEC	396,443	377,351
Total expenses	2,964,734	3,054,269

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	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Note 4: Reserves and Retained profits		
Assets revaluation reserve		
Balance at the beginning of the reporting period	755,000	680,000
Increase (decrease) in reserves during the reporting period:	0	0
Balance at the reporting date	755,000	680,000
Opening retained profits	1,903,268	1,957,616
Net profit (loss) attributable to the association	43,435	(54,348)
Closing retained profits	1,946,704	1,903,268
Note 5: Cash assets		
Cash and cash equivalents (*)	1,104,105	886,252
(*) Cash and cash equivalents include cash in bank accounts, prepaid cash cards, cash on hand and short term deposits.		
Note 6: Trade and other receivables		
Trade debtors (#)	171,509	176,609
Prepayments	143,253	115,638
Other receivables	41,799	12,073
Trade and other receivables	356,561	304,320
(#) Trade debtors includes the following receivables: DLGSC of \$110,000 (2023: \$110,000).		
Note 7: Property, plant and equipment		
Freehold land:		
- At Valuation (Note: An independent desktop valuation of the land being Lot 33 adjacent to the main pavilion was obtained in March 2025 and is shown at this value.)	825,000	750,000
Leasehold improvements		
- At cost	1,652,476	1,649,790
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(794,475)	(726,219)
	858,001	923,571
Plant and equipment:		
- At cost	619,318	599,019
- Less: Accumulated depreciation	(439,110)	(401,872)
	180,208	197,147
	1,863,209	1,870,718

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	2024	2023
	\$	\$
Note 8: Trade and other payables		
Unsecured:		
- Trade creditors	65,541	61,597
- Other creditors (^)	463,922	290,434
- GST control account	7,703	36,152
	537,166	388,183

(^) includes unexpended grants of \$287,569 (2023: \$87,045)
and memberships paid in advance of \$146,989 (2023: \$152,764)

Note 9: Provisions

Current

Employee entitlements	85,005	89,838
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There were 14 (FTE of 9.4 plus 3 casual employees) (2023:14, FTE of 8.9 plus 4 casual employees) employees at the end of the year.

Note 10: Contingent liabilities

During 2022, EWA arranged a private donation to support the funding of consultants fees engaged to further investigate opportunities for the SEC. The consultants fees are \$30,000 (excl GST) and the private donation will cover 50% (\$15,000) of these fees with the remainder to be funded directly by EWA. To the extent, EWA recovers these fees from future government funding or grants, EWA will reimburse the private donors for the funds received. This arrangement will cease within 5 years at which point the funding provided will be considered a donation to EWA.

**Note 11: Reconciliation Of Net Cash Provided By /
Used In Operating Activities To Operating Profit After
Income Tax**

Operating profit after income tax	43,435	(54,348)
Depreciation	105,494	113,158
Changes in assets and liabilities:		
(Increase) decrease in plant, improvements	(22,985)	(58,426)
(Increase) decrease in trade and other receivables	(52,241)	(22,873)
Increase (decrease) in trade and other payables	148,983	(554,411)
Increase (decrease) in provisions	(4,833)	(15,762)
Net cash provided by operating activities	217,853	(592,662)

Note 12: Auditors' Remuneration

Remuneration of the auditor of the company for:

Auditing or reviewing the financial report	7,200	7,550
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Note 13: Related Parties Disclosure

All transactions with key management personnel during the period were on no different terms to those applying to EWA members or the general public.

Note 14: Segment information

	EWA	SEC	Gifts in kind	Inter-segment elim.	Total
2024					
Revenue (excl. capital grant and donated gifts) (#)	1,795,918	656,145		(24,000)	2,428,063
Revenue (capital grant)	-	507,831			507,831
Revenue (donated gifts for sponsorship)	-	-	72,275		72,275
Expenditure (excl. capital grant and donated gifts)	(1,395,641)	(1,012,988)		24,000	(2,384,629)
Gifts in kind (donated gifts for sponsorship)	-	-	(72,275)		(72,275)
Expenditure (SEC Grant Expended)	-	(507,831)			(507,831)
Net profit (#)	400,277	(356,843)	-	-	43,435
Segment cash and cash equivalents (*)	816,536	287,569	-	-	1,104,105
2023					
Revenue (excl. capital grant and donated gifts) (#)	1,698,253	652,565	-	(24,000)	2,326,818
Revenue - capital grant	-	600,066	-	-	600,066
Revenue - donated gifts for sponsorship	-	-	73,037	-	73,037
Expenditure (excl. capital grant and donated gifts)	(1,391,957)	(1,013,209)	-	24,000	(2,381,166)
Gifts in kind - donated gifts for sponsorship	-	-	(73,037)	-	(73,037)
Expenditure - SEC Grant Expended	-	(600,066)	-	-	(600,066)
Net profit (#)	306,296	(360,644)	-	-	(54,348)
Segment cash and cash equivalents (*)	799,207	87,045	-	-	886,252

(*) EWA cash and cash equivalents includes cash held on behalf sporting committees, membership fees paid in advance and other operating funds.

(#) EWA membership fees are reflected in the EWA segment – not split between the EWA and SEC segments.

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Statement by Members of the Board
For the year ended 31 December 2024

In the opinion of the Board the Statement of Financial Position, Statement of Profit or Loss and Other Comprehensive Income, Statement of Cash Flows and Notes to the Financial Statements:

1. Presents fairly the financial position of Equestrian Western Australia Inc as at 31 December 2024 and its performance for the year ended on that date in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards, mandatory professional reporting requirements and other authoritative pronouncements of the Australian Accounting Standards Board. The reports are special purpose financial reports and have been prepared in accordance with the accounting policies in Note 1 to the financial statements.

2. At the date of this statement, there are reasonable grounds to believe that the association will be able to pay its debts as and when they fall due.

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



Chairperson – Anne Wilkins

22 May 2025

Date



Finance Director - Roslyn O'Halloran

22 May 2025

Date

INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT

The Members
Equestrian Western Australia Inc.
303 Cathedral Avenue
BRIGADOON WA 6069

Opinion

We have audited the special purpose financial report of Equestrian Western Australia Inc. which comprises the statement of financial position as at 31 December 2024, the statement of comprehensive income, statement of cash flows for the year then ended, and notes to the financial statements, including a summary of significant accounting policies.

In our opinion, the accompanying special purpose financial report presents fairly, in all material respects, the financial position of the Equestrian Western Australia Inc. as at 31 December 2024, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year then ended in accordance with Australian accounting standards to the extent described in Note 1.

Basis for opinion

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

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

Emphasis of matter – basis of accounting

We draw attention to Note 1 of the financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The financial report has been prepared to assist Equestrian Western Australia Inc. to meet the requirements of the Association Incorporations Act 2015 and the reporting requirements as set out in the constitution of Equestrian Western Australia Inc. As a result, the financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of management and those charged with governance for the financial report

Management is responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with the financial reporting requirements of the applicable legislation and for such internal control as management determines is necessary to enable the preparation and fair presentation of a financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

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

Those charged with governance are responsible for overseeing the entity's financial reporting process.

Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial report

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


Dennis B. Yagmich
Registered Company Auditor - 13597
D B Yagmich & Co

Dated this 22 day of May 2025

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Independent Auditor's Report to the Members

The Members
Equestrian Western Australia Inc.
303 Cathedral Avenue
BRIGADOON WA 6069

Auditor's Independence Declaration

This declaration is made in connection with my audit of the financial report of the Equestrian Western Australia Inc. for the year ended 31 December 2024 and in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001.

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, there have been:

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



Dennis B Yagmich
Registered Company Auditor - 13597

Dated this *22* of *May* 2025

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**Certificate by Member of the Board
For the year ended 31 December 2024**

I, Chairperson – Anne Wilkins, and I, Finance Director - Roslyn O'Halloran certify that:

- a. We will attend the annual general meeting of the association to be held.
- b. The financial statements for the year ended 31 December 2024 will be submitted to the members of the association at its annual general meeting.

Dated : 22 May 2025



Chairperson – Anne Wilkins



Finance Director - Roslyn O'Halloran



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