

Equestrian Western Australia Bushfire Relief Fund

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EWA acknowledges the devastating effects of the fire on many in the equestrian community and would like to thank all that have contributed to the EWA Bushfire Relief Fund and other community fund raising efforts to support those effected by the fire, the total funds raised by the EWA appeal is \$44,032.

In considering the fair and equitable allocation of funds to applicants, the Equestrian Western Australia Bushfire Relief Fund committee of 3 appointed members the EWA Chair Mr Ron Fleming, EWA Finance Director Ms Roslyn O'Halloran and Mr Warwick Bradshaw, Executive Officer of the WA Racehorse Trainers Association have considered the following items:

1. 23 applicants have applied for funds
2. All applicants have suffered loss as a result of the Wooroloo & Hills fire
3. All applicants have been reviewed and deemed eligible
 - a. It was noted that parents/ children / siblings have applied via separate applications: these have been reviewed and it is noted each individual suffered individual loss and therefore is eligible to receive funds on an individual basis
4. Requested funds by individuals have been prepared on an inconsistent basis; for example certain parties have included all losses including fencing, stables etc where as other parties have specifically listed certain items they would like help with replacing, however have not listed all items lost or costs incurred;
5. All applicants have generally requested or noted losses greater than \$1,900
6. In considering the allocation of the funds across the applicants, it was noted proportionally allocating the funds based on the amount requested would not result in a fair and equitable allocation due to the inconsistent preparation of requested funds basis noted above. Consideration of other fair and equitable methods were discussed between the committee. It was decided that the fair and equitable distribution would be a direct split of the funds across the 23 applicants evenly, being \$1,915 per applicant.

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