



PCAV State Horse Trials Championships

'Tonimbuk'

1-2 May 2010



'Tonimbuk Equestrian Centre'

370 Sanders Road, Tonimbuk

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GENERAL RULES & REGULATIONS

INTRODUCTION

The West Gippsland Zone would like to welcome you Tonimbuk Equestrian Centre.

The West Gippsland Zone would like to thank the Mouser Family and the Tonimbuk Horse Trials Inc for their support and co-operation in staging these championships.

In 1955 the first inter-branch competition was held by Mornington Peninsula Pony Club. The horse trials state championships are conducted annually by one of the 10 zones in the Pony Club Association of Victoria, for qualified Grade 1 & Grade 2 combinations of horse and rider. The championships shall be held on the weekend containing the first Sunday in May.

In 1977, the state championships rotation began with North Eastern Zone conducting followed by the following Zones: Northern Metropolitan, Midland, West Gippsland, Wannon, Southern Metropolitan, Northern, Central, East Gippsland and Barwon. This sequence is now followed for the conduct of the Horse Trials State Championships.

OVERVIEW

The Horse Trials State Championships are preceded by individual qualifying competitions.

31.11.b Entrants must be minimum age 12 years of age, however riders 11 years of age may compete in accredited grade 1 and grade 2 competitions when qualifying for the state championships.

The championships comprise three disciplines, dressage, showjumping and cross country, which are conducted on the same weekend. Combinations compete in all three disciplines.

All dressage tests will be ridden on Saturday. At the completion of Grade 1 Dressage on Saturday, Grade 2 showjumping will commence.

Combinations of horse and rider must be qualified in grade 1 and/ or grade 2 eventing to be eligible to compete in the championships.

A rider may compete in both grade 1 and grade 2 horse trials.

The competition will be conducted on an individual basis. The organising committee will distribute riders from each zone as evenly as possible in the different dressage arenas to form sections for the event.

Club Teams: Teams will consist of three or four riders comprised of one Grade 1 Rider and one Grade 2 rider, and one or two additional riders from either grade.

The best 3 total point scores to count.

The competitions are conducted in accordance with the: -

- PCAV Dressage Rules (Nov 2006)
- PCAV Dressage Tests (July 2006)
- PCAV Horse Trials Rules (Feb 2010)
- PCAV Gear Rules (Feb 2010)
- PCAV Handbook of By-laws (Feb 2010)
- FEI Show Jumping Articles (as defined herein)
- PCAV, Sun Smart, Smoke Free and Alcohol Policies

DISCLAIMER

Neither the organising committee of this competition nor the PCAV, West Gippsland Zone nor Tonimbuk Equestrian Centre accepts any responsibility whatsoever for any accident, damage, injury or illness to horses, riders, ground spectators or any other person or property.

QUALIFYING CRITERIA

Any member who wishes to compete in the PCAV State Championships must qualify by completing two (Grade1) or three (Grade 2) Horse Trials without elimination or incurring more than 60 penalties on the cross country phase.

GRADE 1 must complete two Horse Trials made up of at least one accredited Pony Club Grade 1 event an EA CNC* or FEI CIC*/CCI* may be used as a second qualification.

GRADE 2 must complete three Horse Trials made up of at least two Pony Club Grade 2 Accredited events, an EA Pre Novice event may be used as the third qualification.

Rationale, while the height of the EA/FEI qualifications are greater than the corresponding PCAV grade the technical degree of difficulty is of an equivalent level which is considered the more important aspect of the qualification for a State Championship.

Qualifications must be gained during the 12 months preceeding the championships with one qualification in the calendar year of the championships. The previous year's championships shall not count as a qualification.

At the closing date for entries for the championships, ALL combinations of horse and rider must be qualified as per the rules, for the grade/s in which they wish to enter.

ENTRY FEES, CLOSING DATE

State Championships:

All entries must be paid on-line at www.nominate.com.au and then hard copy submitted on an official entry form, which will be mailed to Club Secretaries/DC's, Zone Secretaries in November 2009. Entry fees are \$80 per combination and the correct fees must accompany all entries. Late entries by fax, mail or telephone will not be accepted under any circumstances. Riders who enter a second horse will pay \$80.00 for the additional entry fee.

Note: meals, horse and camping fees are an additional fee and must be paid on-line using nominate at the time of entry.

Closing date for state championships is Monday 12th April 2010.

All entries are to be posted to

**State Horse Trials Event Secretary
PCAV West Gippsland Zone
17 Ford Rd
Emerald. Vic. 3782**

REFUNDS

The closing date for entry refund requests for all State Level Events will be up to 14 days after the last day of the competition.

Requests for a refund must be accompanied by a Medical or Veterinary Certificate.

The organizing committee may withhold an administration fee of up to 25% of the total entry fee as stated on the Event Entry Schedule.

ELIGIBILITY

PCAV Club Member cards are not required at the state competition but they must be inspected thoroughly at qualifying competitions and by the zone representative who authorises the entry to ensure eligibility is in accordance with the *PCAV Handbook of By-laws* and *PCAV Horse Trials Rules*.

Each combination (horse and rider) may enter and compete in one grade.

31.8.b A rider may nominate multiple mounts for the event. These may be in Grade 1 and/or Grade 2.

The organising committee reserves the right to ballot entries. Second nominated mounts will only be accepted subject to sufficient space being available after all first nominated mounts have been accommodated. Riders must nominate their first preferred mount on the entry form, in case the second mount cannot be accepted.

31.11.a Club members who have been in pony club for more than two years and are over the age of 13 years (eg this means riders who have had their 14th birthday) must have attained their 'C' Certificate in order to compete at the state championships in accordance with criteria for state events in the *PCAV Handbook of By-laws*.

SUBSTITUTIONS

If a combination that has been entered into the state championships is subsequently unable to compete, another eligible combination may be substituted. However, the substitution must be: -

- Endorsed by the zone representative
- Notified by the zone representative, to the organising secretary, not later than one hour before the commencement of the first event of the state competition.

Gear

Gear as per PCAV Gear Rules (Feb 2010)

Gear check required prior to each discipline.

COMPETITOR NUMBERS

Back number holders must be used in the Cross Country phase, bridle/saddle cloth numbers may be used for Dressage and Showjumping phases. Riders are to supply their own back number holder and the organising committee will supply numbers.

CONDUCT OF A PCAV MEMBER

PCAV Code of Conduct applies. Any conduct unbecoming of a competitor – including bad language, is a reportable incident and may lead to a Team or Individual disqualification on the day.

QUERIES AND PROTESTS

As per *PCAV Handbook of By-laws*

AWARDS

Presentations will be unmounted and full uniform must be worn.

Individual Competitions:

Each section of Grade 1 and 2

- PCAV Medallion & Sash to winning combinations; sashes for 1st to 6th.

Club Teams Competitions:

Each rider of club team

- PCAV Medallions to each winning team member; sashes for 1st to 6th.

CATERING

Catering for the dinner on Saturday night will be as per attached menu. Competitor's entry fees do not include the cost of the dinner. Competitors and Non-competitors who wish to attend can do so at a cost of \$20, which should be forwarded to the WGZ organising committee with the Entry by 12th April 2010. Please specify if vegetarian or special diet meals are required.

Food vans will be operating on both days providing breakfast and lunch.

STABLING AND YARDS

Riders must bring their own secure yards. Electric tape MUST be energised. There are separate float/truck parking areas for overnight and day visitors. These must be booked with www.nominate.com.au

Stables \$55 weekend

Covered yards \$45 weekend

BYO Yard \$5 weekend

CAMPING AND ACCOMMODATION

Camping is permitted on-site at a cost of \$15 per night which includes power, BYO long power lead. Indoor arena has mens and womens shower and toilet facilities.

Please Note :-

- **No campfires**
- **DOGS must be restrained at all times and are not permitted in the indoor arenas.**

Entry Fees do not include camping or horse accommodation fees, these must be paid with the entry.

HORSE FEED

NO Straw in stables please use shavings/sawdust

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info@pakenhamproduce.com.au

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VETERINARIAN AND FARRIER

Vet available on-call. Terms – payment at time of consultation. 0359 972 222

Farrier available on-call both days. Terms – strictly cash on the day. 0427 517 175

MERCHANDISE

Will be available as designated on the Merchandise Order Form.

DRESSAGE TESTS

Grade 1: HT2

Grade 2: HT1

SCORING

PCAV POINTS SYSTEM

Once rankings have been determined for each competition, this points system is used to determine the final overall places for teams only.

Scoring: - Individual

The winner of each section will be based on the Horse Trials Rules

B.15.2. Scoring

B.15.2.1. The total score is reached by adding together the penalty marks incurred in each of the three tests. The winner is the competitor with the lowest total of penalty marks. In the case of an equality of points, refer to *PCAV Handbook of By-laws*.

Handbook of Bylaws – Separating equality of Scores

35.2.a Individual:

- i Lowest cross-country penalties including faults at obstacles and time penalties
- ii Cross-country time closest to the allowed time without time penalties (this means only riders who come in at or under the allowed time)
- iii Best score in the dressage test
- iv If these figures are equal, the placing remains tied.

Scoring: - Teams

1. Teams consist of 3 or 4 riders with the best three placing point scores to count for the team. Teams with less than 3 riders with placing point scores will be ineligible.

Rider equalities will be separated within the section before placing points are awarded.

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35.2.a Individual:

- i Lowest cross-country penalties including faults at obstacles and time penalties
- ii Cross-country time closest to the allowed time without time penalties (this means only riders who come in at or under the allowed time)
- iii Best score (lowest) in the dressage test
- iv If these figures are equal, the placing remains tied.

2. Every team member will score placing points according to their place against other team riders only in their section.

Eg. Section 1 30 individual riders Riders 1 to 14 in draw belong to teams

1st place 15 points (14 points plus 1 bonus point)

2nd place 13 points

3rd place 12 points

The number of teams entered at the commencement of the competition will determine the basis for points for team scoring.

Eg 14 teams entered will have 1st place = 15 points (14 points plus 1)

3. In case of equality of placing points, the winning team is the one whose lowest classified competitor out of the three has the best points. If tied, use second rider, then first. If these figures remain equal, the placing remains tied. If the placing remains tied, the two teams' points are added together and halved.

4. Eliminated Riders

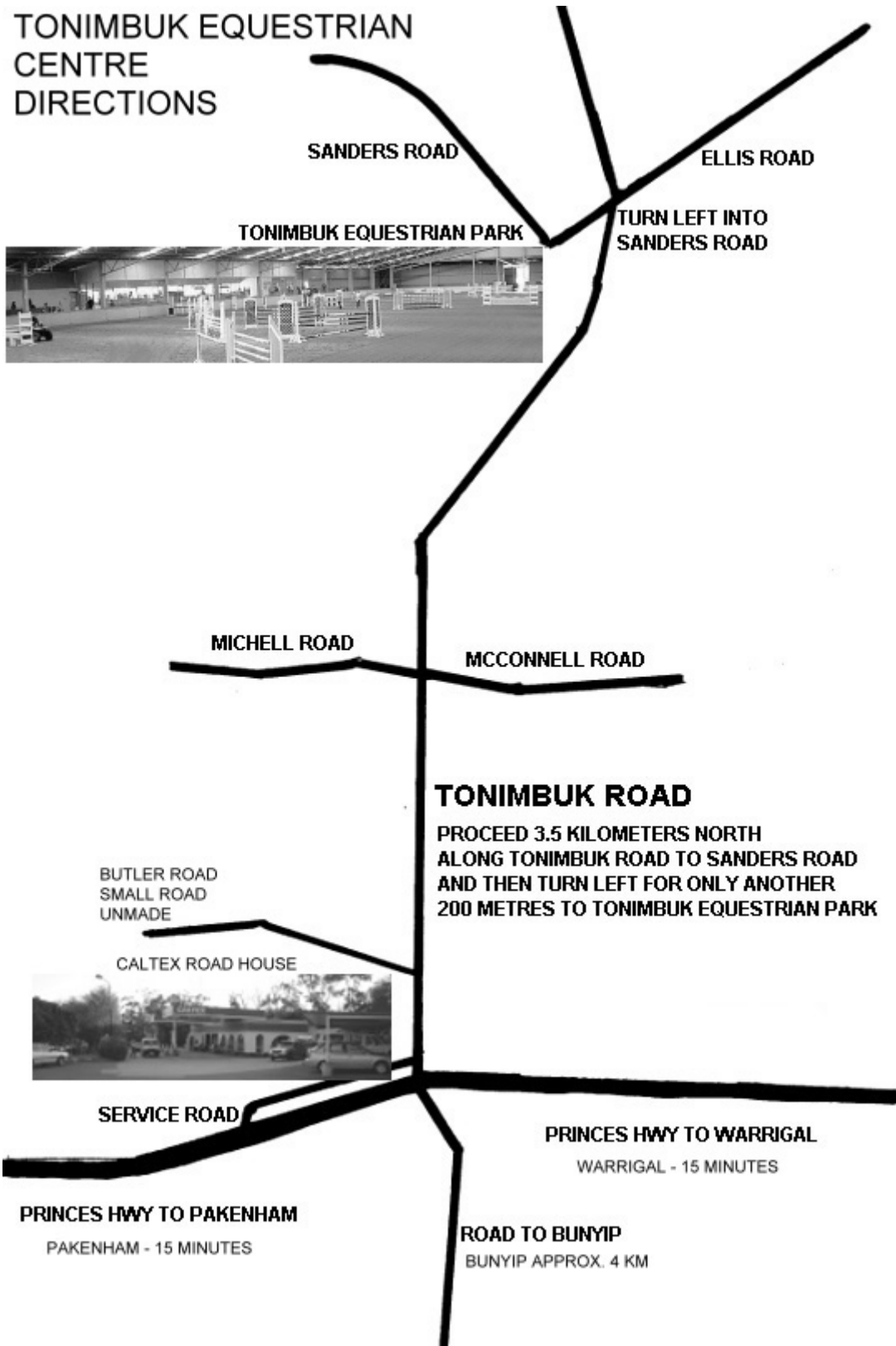
A rider who has been eliminated will not count towards the team score. Teams must have at least three riders' placing points to receive a team score.

ACCOMMODATION

Accommodation

Name	Address	Contact
Pakenham		
Pakenham Caravan Park	Cnr Princes Highway & Racecourse Rd Pakenham	5941 2004
Pakenham Park Motel	14 Toomuc Valley Rd Pakenham	5941 2785
Castellos Pakenham Hotel	226 Princes Highway Pakenham	5941 1233
Warragul		
Edinburgh Motor Inn	61 Princes Highway Warragul	5622 3339
Best Western Warragul Motel	1829 Princes Highway Warragul	5623 2189
Freeway Motor Inn	50 Rulemont Rd Warragul	5623 5222
Warragul Gardens Holiday Park	44 Bourke Rd Warragul	5623 2707
Southside B and B	20 Korumburra Rd Warragul	5623 6885
Lilleys Guesthouse	41 Lilleys Rd Warragul	5622 3063
Crabapple Cottage	20 Hallyburton Grove Warragul	5623 6785
Balmedie Bed and Breakfast	218 Nilma Bona Vista Rd Bona Vista via Warragul	5622 0016
Club Hotel	51 Queen St Warragul	5623 1636
Commercial Hotel	115 Queen St Warragul	5623 1639
Orient Hotel	95 Queen St Warragul	5623 1643
Railway Hotel	81 Queen St Warragul	5623 1623
Beaconsfield		
Melaleuca Lodge	Princes Highway Beaconsfield	9796 1044
Blue Gum Park Eastside	Cnr Princes Highway & Brunt Rd Beaconsfield	9707 2753 email: wimpole@optusnet.com.au
Ripplebrook		
Ripplebrook Cottages	1855 Westernport Rd Ripplebrook	5627 6114 email: ripplebrookcottages@bigpond.com
Drouin		
Drouin Motor Inn	275 Princes Way Drouin	5625 3296
Robin Hood Hotel Motel General Store	Princes Highway Drouin West	5625 4884
Drouin Caravan Park	284 - 290 Princes Way Drouin	5625 2053
Helens at Parnassus	180 Ladners Track Drouin East	5626 8522
Glen Cromie Caravan Park	850 Main Neerim Rd Drouin West	5626 8212
El Paso Caravan Park	262 Princes Way Drouin	5625 1710
Gleeson Family Hotel	65 Princes Way Drouin	5625 2066
Royal Hotel	2 - 4 South Rd Drouin	5625 1620
Nar Nar Goon		
Nar Nar Goon Hotel	Main St Nar Nar Goon	5942 5221
Longwarry		
Longwarry Hotel	4 Kennedy St Longwarry	5629 9401
Neerim South		
Kings Arms Family Hotel Motel	Main Rd Neerim South	5628 1431
Janalli Gardens and Bed and Breakfast	285 Wagners Rd Neerim South	5628 1476
Gracefield Cottage	135 Latrobe River Rd Neerim South	5628 1062
Blerick Country Retreat - Spa Cottage	55 Mc Dougal Rd Neerim South	5628 1507
Bunyip		
Railway Hotel	14 Main St Bunyip	5629 5409

**TONIMBUK EQUESTRIAN
CENTRE
DIRECTIONS**



Tonimbuk Equestrian Centre

Melways Ref 512 T6

Tonimbuk Equestrian Centre is located on Sanders Rd off Princes Highway, approx 1 ½ hours south east of Melbourne.

Sanders Rd is off Ellis Rd via Tonimbuk Road as per the attached map. Follow the direction signs.

Camping is via the second gate and day floats/trucks and Parking is via the main entry, areas will be designated at the ground.



Entries and all accommodation online: www.nominate.com.au

**Then hard copy to:
State Horse Trials Event Secretary
PCAV West Gippsland Zone
17 Ford Rd
Emerald. Victoria 3782
0419 360 386**

email : boucher.darrellyn.G@edumail.vic.gov.au

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