

## Wallangarra Adult Riders Club (WARC)

### Enrolment Form 2020

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ DOB: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ EA or PC n°: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any medical conditions you would like the first aider or paramedic to know in an emergency: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any relevant allergies: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mobile: \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you hold a current Senior First Aid Certificate:  Yes  No

I understand that part of my membership includes helping out for at least 1 of the fundraising events during the year  Yes

I understand that part of my membership includes setting up or packing away at each rally I attend  Yes

Interests:  Dressage  Showjumping  Cross Country  Western  
 Trail Rides  Games  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Conditions of Membership:

WARC is a club for riders who would like to enjoy different aspects of horse riding in a non-competitive and social atmosphere. As a member, you will be required to comply with the following:

- Riders must be a minimum of 18 years old. Horses must be a minimum of 4 years old (unless committee deems the horse suitable)
- Attend meetings, held on some of our rally days, to help organise club activities
- Assist at a minimum of 1 of the (max) 2 fundraising events run during the year (date/s TBA)
- Assist in set up and pack away at each rally, and any other job you volunteer for during the year
- Members are expected to remain at the grounds for the duration of the rally, as apart from the social atmosphere, the rally days are **by** our members **for** our members to enjoy, so setting up and packing away arenas and poles/jumps is part of the day
- Abide by the club's code of practice (provided to all members on initial enrolment)
- EWA or PCAWA membership is not compulsory, but we strongly recommend a recreational membership with or without private health insurance so you are covered if you are injured

at a club event. **Please note:** WARC has public liability insurance **ONLY**, members do not get personal accident insurance via the club.

- Sign the disclaimer. Copies available with the enrolment pack and at rallies. Please take the time to read and understand this document before signing. **Once signed this affects your legal rights.**
- Your WARC membership entitles you to free use of the grounds when not booked for events/club days. This must be arranged via Wallangarra Pony Club, please contact Linda Fletcher on 9399 2388. Conditions apply.
- **ALL MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE:** in the event of a fall or incident; it is the decision of the first aider, and **NOT** the injured person, as to whether or not an ambulance is required. **ALL riders/visitors who are injured and have concussion-like symptoms will be transported via ambulance to an emergency department, as per the EA WA concussion policy.** In the event of a rider or visitor requiring an ambulance, the cost of the ambulance will be borne by the injured party, and **NOT** by the club. This is a condition of membership, and is not negotiable. WARC recommends all members have either private health insurance with ambulance cover, or separate ambulance insurance.

#### **2020 Enrolment Fee**

- \$150** Full Membership

#### **2020 Rally Fees** (to be paid a minimum of 1 week prior to the rally, EFT only)

- \$40** per rally (includes 2 lessons – 1 flatwork/dressage and 1 poles/jumping/cross country when course available. Note minimum horse/rider abilities apply for cross country only)

#### **Payment Details**

Account Name: Wallangarra Adult Riders Inc

BSB: 066-162 Account: 10471711

Please use your name and item (ie rally, t-shirt, etc) for online payments. Email enrolment form and risk waiver to the Membership Officer at [wallangarraarc@gmail.com](mailto:wallangarraarc@gmail.com)

All payments must be EFT. No cheques, no cash on the day. If you need to send your enrolment form via post, please email the Membership Officer to arrange

Name of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## RISK WARNING & WAIVER

Wallangarra Adult Riders Group Inc. ('Group'), its office bearers, management committee, members, judges, officials, stewards and volunteers (past and present) (individually and together 'Provider'), the owner of the land known as Fletcher Park, Moore Street, Armadale, Western Australia ('Property') and the Provider's employees, agents and contractors, warn the rider ('You') whose signature appears below, now and forever, that:

1. a horse is a large, heavy, herd animal, a creature of flight and can react without warning. It has highly developed senses of hearing, sight and smell, which can make its behaviour towards sounds, sudden movement, and unfamiliar objects, people or other animals (like kangaroos and snakes), unpredictable and potentially harmful to You;

2. a horse can bite, bolt, buck, fall, jump, kick, pig-root, rear, roll, shy, slip, stumble, or stand on You, while You are on or near it ('Risks'). The Risks increase in a variety of circumstances, including (but not limited to): if more than one horse is ridden/handled at the same time *eg* in an arena or ring; other riders/handlers are unable to control their horses safely for want of skill/experience; other riders/handlers breach applicable rules or are negligent; the condition of the venue is affected by weather; or when the horse is lead on to or off a float or trailer;

3. the following may be present or occur on or close to the Property or any other venue where the Provider conducts its horse-related activities ('Activities') and can increase the Risks: horses, alone or in groups; vehicles, motorbikes, tractors and trains, stationary or moving; border, paddock and arena fencing of various types; equipment used for training horses in show jumping, cross country jumping, dressage and games; slippery, rocky, and water-logged terrain; rabbit holes; dogs on the loose; raucous children; gum nuts and fallen tree branches; and

4. because of the Risks, You will be exposed, by riding and/or handling a horse, to the possibility of death, serious personal injury or disability (including paralysis and brain injury) or lesser injury, even if You act safely and wear an approved riding helmet and heeled boots.

In return for permitting You to participate in the Activities, your spouse or domestic partner and next of kin and the owner of your horse (for whom You are taken to enter this agreement as agent), and You, agree together and individually with the Provider, its employees, agents and contractors (for whom it enters this agreement as agent and trustee), that each time You participate in the Activities:

5. You ride and/or handle your horse at your own risk;

6. the Provider, its employees, agents and contractors will not be liable for the death of, or personal injury (including, but not limited to, impairment of physical or mental condition and disease) to You, or the death of or injury to your horse, because of:

(a) a breach of a warranty or condition implied by statute or the general law that the Activities will be rendered with reasonable care and skill;

(b) a breach of a warranty implied by s.74 *Trade Practices Act 1974* (Cth) but limited to liability for death or personal injury for the purposes of s. 68B of that Act;

(c) the negligence or default of the Provider or its employees, agents or contractors under the general law; or (d) the materialisation of any of the Risks.

7. no claim or legal action will be made or brought against the Provider, its employees, agents or contractors relating to any liability excluded by clause 6; and

8. if any provision of this document is illegal, unenforceable or void by reason of any present or future law, it must be severed, and the document must be construed without it and the remainder given full effect.

**YOU ACKNOWLEDGE THAT YOU HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT, UNDERSTOOD IT, AND THAT BY SIGNING IT, IMPORTANT LEGAL RIGHTS ARE GIVEN UP**

Your signature: \_\_\_\_\_ For the Provider

Your name in letters: \_\_\_\_\_ Dated: \_\_\_\_\_

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## WALLANGARRA ADULT RIDERS GROUP INC

### CODE OF PRACTICE

1. Members only will be allowed to ride at club activities. Children of adult rider members are welcome to watch, but will not be permitted to ride at club activities.
2. EWA membership is not compulsory but we suggest Adult Riders membership as some instructors require this for their classes. We recommend **ALL** members have some form of personal accident insurance, as your club insurance is Public Liability only.
3. Safety of riders gear is each individual adult's responsibility. This includes helmets and horse gear (saddles, bridles, halters and lead ropes etc). Guidelines outlining safety standards will be available to all riders upon joining.
4. Prior to tuition, individual adult riders are responsible for ensuring the area for the riding activity is safe and suitable for the purpose.
5. Different areas are designated for parking of floats, horse activities, yards and spectators.
6. Perimeter fencing must be closed to stop a loose horse escaping.
7. The presence of a horse that shows dangerous behaviour to a rider, another horse, or spectators, will not be allowed. A horse showing these tendencies will be asked to leave the lesson for 10 minutes, during which time the rider can try to settle the horse. They can then re-join the lesson, if they have the horse under control.
8. A first aid kit must be present at each activity, and a means of communicating with emergency services must also be available.
9. All riders are strongly advised to carry on them or provide to the committee information on current medical conditions which could affect emergency treatment in the event of accidents (e.g. allergies, epilepsy, asthma).
10. An Incident Book must be kept. All incidents and accidents must be recorded, including names and addresses of witnesses.
11. NO DOGS are allowed on the grounds, by order of the City of Armadale. Please respect this rule, especially if using the grounds privately, as we do not want to jeopardise the use of the grounds.
12. There must be unobstructed access for emergency vehicles at all times.
13. Signs or other warnings should identify hazards that cannot be removed.
14. Stallions and rigs will only be permitted to participate in club activities with the permission of the committee.

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### Gear Safety Standards

#### **Helmets:**

**ALL** members must be wearing an EA approved helmet when mounted on a horse at all times. The accepted safety standards and more information can be found on the EA website.

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

Correct fitting results in the skin on your forehead moving with the helmet. The retention harness and chinstrap must be firmly fastened when mounted. Any helmet that receives a significant impact must be replaced immediately.

#### **Body Protectors (Safety Vests/Cross Country Vests)**

Body protectors are **compulsory** for any rider participating in a cross country lesson, regardless of height. **If you are not wearing a correctly-fitting body protector you may not ride in a cross country lesson at rallies.** EA has introduced a minimum standard as of January 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020, stating that during competitions all riders must be using a body protector manufactured after 2009 and complying with either EN13158 or BETA Level 3 standard.

**Please note:** WARC recommends all members ride with the highest level of safety gear as possible, to minimise the risk of injury during a fall. Currently EA's new standards only apply to competition, and not training or lessons, and PC has not yet changed their requirement that all riders must be wearing a correctly fitting vest. WARC members do not need to comply with the new standard for lessons, however anyone competing EA will need a vest that complies (this includes ARC classes at EA events), and we recommend all riders replace their vests as per the EA and manufacturer's recommendations.

#### **Boots (rider):**

Must have a low heel to stop the boot slipping through the stirrup. Must have a smooth sole. Light treads are usually alright.

#### **Boots (horse):**

Recommended but not compulsory for jumping and cross country. Must fit the horse well and be secured correctly, as per manufacturer's instructions.

**Saddles:**

Should be correctly fitted for both the horse and the rider. Treeless and Western saddles are permitted at rallies, but not recommended for jumping. Must have a girth with a minimum of 2 buckles, or girth with one buckle plus surcingle. Must be in good repair with no rotting stitching.

**Stirrups:**

Irons must allow 1cm. each side of riders boot at the broadest part. Leathers must be in good repair with no stripped holes or rotting stitching.

**Bridle:**

This must be correctly fitted and in good repair. May be English or Western.

**Reins:**

Should be of safe length; i.e. not long enough for riders foot to be caught in loop of reins.

**Girth:**

Person's fingers should be able to fit comfortably between the horse and the girth when the rider is mounted.

**Fly Veils:**

Should only be used under exceptional circumstances.

**Bandages:**

If worn, must be either stitched or taped with at least 3 rounds of tape, and under padding used. Taping of boots is optional.

**Club Uniform:**

Club shirts (long and short sleeved) and saddle blankets are available for purchase, but are not compulsory at rallies. Club Uniform is compulsory if you compete in an ARCA challenge or an ARC class at an event. When competing in uniform jodhpurs may be cream or white.

The above guidelines are taken from the PCAWA gear checking manual as well as the EA Website. A copy of the manual for further information can be obtained from the Secretary of the Wallangarra Adult Riders Group. For queries about permitted gear, please talk to a committee member, see the EA website gear manual for that discipline, or as one of our coaches.