



# COLLIE WESTERN RIDING ASSOCIATION

SEPTEMBER 2022

Newsletter

## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Dear members

Wow what a fantastic weekend we've just had. It is safe to say that we can call it a success. A huge thankyou to WAQHA and WAPHA associations for their support in putting on our first joint venture ranch riding weekend. A ranch riding clinic was held on the Saturday hosted by Jacinta, Justin, Elise, and Carly with plenty of helpful instruction to all who participated with a show on Sunday judged by our Western Australian AQHA judge Karen Nicoletto who is an accomplished judge and competitor. On behalf of our club, I would sincerely like to thank all these people who were able to donate their time to help make our weekend the success that it was. Also thank you to all their members and other competitors generally who travelled from far and wide to our ground, we really do appreciate the effort that goes into traveling long distances to attend our weekends, and we were glad to hear you made it home safely and look forward to seeing you all again. Not to mention a sincere thankyou to our canteen manager and treasurer Chrystine and everyone else who donated their time and/or food items to the canteen, it's safe to say that having the continuance of our quality meals goes a long way to helping make all people welcome. Thank you to Bruce, Midge, Janine, Tim and Marie (anyone else I've missed I apologise) who helped out preparing the grounds and facilities and stewarded on the weekend and all of our membership who participated in the weekend it was wonderful to see you there.

Coming up.....on the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> of October we have our AQHA ranch versatility show on Saturday and our NRHA Reining show on the Sunday. Our Judge for this weekend is Leanne Bartlett who holds the quite rare distinction of holding both a current AQHA and NRHA judge's ticket. This is an opportunity not to be missed regardless of your chosen discipline. We are the only club in the state that we are aware of that is offering this type of show with a top-quality experienced judge and competitor on both sides of the fence, so don't miss out. Following on from this show we are hosting our NRHA State Championship show.

This show is being judged by Mr Anthony Ross who is vastly experienced both as a judge and competitor so why not come along and see where you are at.

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## Committee Members

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So, there you go. Once again we are putting on quality events throughout the remainder of the year with quality judges and clinicians for our membership. We hope you can participate in these events as well as our club days which have an endless variety. Should you feel that you have any other ideas to improve our club please feel free to bring them along to a club day or members meeting.

In closing I would like to welcome all our new members to the club and welcome back all of the old ones.

Best regards

Heath



**PENULTIMATE**  
**JACKPOT & RIBBON SHOW**

**AQHA RANCH RIDING  
VERSATILITY  
&  
NRHA REINING**

**8TH AND 9TH OCTOBER**

## Secretary Report

Wow! What a weekend it was last weekend! The Ranch versatility weekend with WAQHA and WAPHA was a massive success! Thank you for everyone for coming and enjoying a great weekend!

Thank you to our member who nominated CWRA for the Australia Post – People of the Post Grant! What a beautiful meal we had on the Saturday night!

Remember the Triple Crown Series! These two shows coming up!

So, its foot to the pedal and flat out at CWRA to the end of the year!

Only 3 weeks to go for the Hygain Penultimate AQHA Ranch Riding Versatility and NRHA Reining Show

The committee and members are busy preparing for The 2022 Bendigo Bank NRHA - Oceania Western Australian State Championships!

🏆 The one-of-a-kind trophies are in production

🧶 Rugs embroidered from Stitch Em On

🌸 Garlands getting made from Penrose

🏆 Rosettes and sashes ordered

📷 Photo booth under construction

The biggest Reining show ever offered in Western Australia is well on its way!

2 Days of Reining and Ranch Showing!

5th and 6th November 2022

NRHA - National Reining Horse Association World Judge Anthony Ross

- ✓ Broome Staircase Designs Pearl Gallery Best Presented Horse and Rider
- ✓ Elite Floats Australia Team Tournament
- ✓ Sliding Lodge Performance Horses Top Scoring NRHA Green Reiner Perpetual trophy
- ✓ WA Reining Horse Association and Collie Western Riding Association Highest Scoring NRHA Rider Perpetual Trophy
- ✓ Maximus Metallica Open Ranch Stakes
- ✓ Beyond Blue Bingo
- ✓ BT Saddlesfit Best Presented Youth Rider
- 🍽️ The traditional Collie Western Riders Feast on Saturday night
- ✓ NRHA - National Reining Horse Association Sanctioned Events
- ✓ Non-Sanctioned Reining, Ranch and Green Horse Classes
- ✓ Youth Classes
- ✓ Para Classes

Last chance to show on the CWRA grounds before the state show will be the Hygain Penultimate Jackpot and Ribbon Show weekend on 8th and 9th of October with dual accredited judge for the Australian Quarter Horse Association and NRHA - National Reining Horse Association Leanne Bartlett.

📍 Saturday - AQHA Ranch Riding Versatility

📍 Sunday - NRHA Reining!

This will be the last show before the 2022 Collie & Districts Community Bank Branch NRHA - Oceania WA State Championships in 5th and 6th November!

The program for the Hygain Penultimate Jackpot and Ribbon Show is now available on the CWRA website.

## Why You Must Know Your Horse's Limits

Knowing your horse's limits and evaluating his physical and mental capabilities will help set you up for success.

**BY BRAD BARKEMEYER, WITH NICHOLE CHIRICO** | SEPTEMBER 20, 2022 | 3 MINUTES READ

A horse has many moving parts and they need to work in unison in order for things to come together. Which is why you constantly hear me talk about the importance of doing fundamental drills with your horse every time you ride, whether he's a seasoned show veteran or a 2-year-old that's still learning. Those fundamentals might change depending on what you do with your horse, but there are a few factors that are worth evaluating regardless of what you plan on doing with your horse so you can better know your horse's limits and what he's physically (and mentally) capable of doing. By evaluating those two things, you will avoid frustration and be able to figure out the best path for your horse.

I'm going to go over those two factors and what you need to keep in mind to help you avoid frustration and figure out the best path for your horse.

### **Athletic Ability**

The first thing you need to consider is how athletic your horse truly is. How your horse is made and what his conformation is like is a big part of his athletic ability and what he can or can't do. If he isn't physically built to do the job, you can't expect him to do it well. Just how some people run faster than others, or jump higher, some horses are just better built to do certain events. If your horse isn't built to sliding stop, or spin at a fast rate of speed, respect his physical limits.

There are things you can do to strengthen those weaknesses and make them better when you're riding. But at the same time you need to recognize his weaknesses and where his limits are. For example, if your horse struggles spinning, you can improve it. However, you need to set realistic expectations and realize he might never be a plus one-and-a-half spinner.

Remember, when you're in the show pen you should always focus on highlighting your horse's strengths and minimizing his weaknesses. Getting hung up on his weaknesses and trying to make them better than what they can be will only make things worse. Instead, make sure you plus all those maneuvers your horse excels at. And then do your best to zero the maneuvers he struggles with.

### **Willingness and Mental Capability**

Another factor to consider when working with your horse is his willingness to do the event you want to do and his mental capability. What you want to accomplish as a rider must be something your horse is willing to do as well. You can't force him to do something he's unable to handle.

If your horse's demeanor is completely opposite of yours, doing a certain event might not be in the cards. You have to realize you're going to need to adjust your plan and find an event your horse enjoys. Or you're going to have to part ways and find a four-legged partner that is a better fit.

It's easy to feel like you're giving up on your horse, especially when you develop an emotional bond and want so badly to do something together. But at some point it's not good for your horse or you to try and force the issue. It's like trying to fit a square peg into a round hole.

Working with a professional is a great way to evaluate your horse's ability to do a certain event. They can also help you find a horse that will fit your needs, if your horse isn't physically capable of doing so.

### **Time for Fundamentals**

Once you evaluate your horse to better understand his physical and mental limits, it's time to get to work.

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5th and 6th November 2022



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# THE COIN BUCKET





**WE WOULD LIKE TO WISH THE FOLLOWING  
MEMBERS A VERY HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

**SEPTEMBER** — Bec, Montana & Melissa

**OCTOBER** — Tim, Nathan, Dale, Susan, Hannah & Thomas

Welcome to our club for all of our new members. I look forward to meeting you all and catching up with all the familiar faces 😊

*IMPORTANT NEWS AND COMING EVENTS..*

- \* Looking for something interesting to watch? Head to the NRHA–Oceania Facebook page and check out 'In The Spin' to catch up with what is happening in the reining world in Australia, Oceania and around the world.
- \* Get your entries in now for our Ranch Versatility and NRHA Reining show happening on October 8/9th. Contact Liz for entry details
- \* Anthony Ross will be our Judge for the upcoming NRHA Oceania WA State Championship. This show will on November 5 & 6th
- \* Thank you to everyone who helped with the busy bee. Our yards are amazing and already have been at full capacity.
- \* Payment: Payments for membership and clinics can be spread out to reduce the burden. Contact our Treasurer if you wish to make partial payments.
- \* Our members can hire the arena for a small fee. Arena Usage Fee: \$10.00 for senior and \$5.00 for youth members per use per horse. Contact Tim Elliott 0429016445 or Bruce Whiteaker 0417487482 to open the ground. Arena use is for members only.
- \* Are you looking for forms or information regarding CWRA? Follow this link to our website: <https://colliewesternriding.org.au/club-documentation>

Until next time,

*Jill*

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*When nothing goes right, go left.  
Anon*

***DATES TO REMEMBER***

**SEPT**

◆ 17th Club day 1pm Jill

**OCT**

◆ 1st Club day-obstacle course 1pm Tim  
◆ 15th Club day 1pm Heath  
◆ 29th Club day 1pm Nicky

**NOV**

◆ 12th Members meeting & Club day 12noon Bruce