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## Equestrian Australia Vaulting Committee Meeting Summary

Meeting held: 29<sup>th</sup> March 2021

Below is a summary of proceedings at the recent EAVC meeting

### MEETING DISCUSSION

#### State Update

South Australia –

- First competition on the 28<sup>th</sup> of March consisting of 28 vaulters and 10 horses. With a few clinics held so far, the year is looking good.
- The progress and preparation for Nationals is well under way, with the schedule to soon be sent out.

New South Wales –

- Lunging clinics with Sarah Venamore and 10 horses have been a great success.
- Coaching Clinics/Workshops for senior vaulters in Canberra to go through safety and body movement are being held, however spots have been limited due to COVID-19 restrictions.
- The clinic in May being modified to a volunteer clinic and will be a feedback and training session. Interschools and state competitions coming up in June.

#### Rule Changes

The EAVC discussed the potential to only have a singular rule update in January rather than the regular two updates (January and July). All committee members were in favour of this movement, and the discussion will be further heard in August with the state committees and then forwarded to the EAVC for finalisation and approval of the Rule Changes / Recommendations. July rule changes are specific for emergency repair, horse welfare, or safety issues.

#### Lungers to Coaches

The EAVC has identified that there is a significant gap regarding developing lungers into coaches. One issue was identified, the coaching program is aimed at vaulters rather than including non-vaulters who want to enter the sport, with a proactive approach needing to be implemented to encourage members to become coaches. The EAVC identified that the process to become a coach is lengthy and costly.

The EAVC identifies that encouraging the states to hold accreditation clinics and running training days for people interested in becoming coaches could give people more confidence to do the process. This issue will be further discussed in the May meeting, with the Coaching pathways strategy for vaulting examined.

**Sport participation development**

- The EAVC suggests getting information back to the public to support with knowledge and to gain feedback from the public/clubs.
- An identified limitation was that Vaulters and Horses are only getting one go. Barrell classes are popular as the participants have fun and get more than one go.
- The committee will discuss with the states and investigate having a more innovative event schedule and finding solutions to participation development.

**Next meeting**

Scheduled for the 10<sup>th</sup> of May 2021.