



# Equestrian Australia Jumping Committee - UPDATE

Meeting held: 9-10 March 2020

Below is a summary of proceedings at the recent EAJC Committee meeting:

## MEETING DISCUSSION

### **Young Rider CSIJ-B:**

The possibility of seeking funding for a YR CSIJ-B was discussed as part of the pathway to the 2022 Youth Olympics.

### **Development of Selection Criteria for Borrowed Horse Events**

A Selection Criteria Policy for Borrowed Horse Events will be developed by the end of April.

### **TDs Pre- and Post- Event Reports**

The TDs Pre- and Post- event reports have been completed.

### **Swabbing**

Additional information on swabbing (Medication Control Testing) will be sought from Cate Plummer. It was noted that Swabbing at FEI events was the responsibility of the FEI and they selected which events are targeted.

### **Riders Ranking**

An initial proposal on a Riders Ranking system was reviewed. Some of the concerns were that it favoured the top-level riders and the larger States.

A second proposal was also reviewed, and it was suggested that the criteria should be FEI classes, National Championships, State Championships plus 10 identified competitions per State. Further work on the proposal would continue and an updated version would be presented at the next meeting.

### **EA National Jumping Rules**

Final review of the 2020 EA National Jumping Rules which will now be submitted to the EA Board for ratification. Once ratified, the proposed rules will be displayed on the EA website from April 2020 and will be effective 1 July 2020.

Clarification will be requested from the FEI to confirm if this includes the warm-up arena:

#### **Article 225 Unauthorised Assistance**

4. Earphones and/or other electronic communication devices are strictly prohibited in FEI Jumping Competitions, and such usage is penalised by elimination. For the avoidance of any doubt, Athletes, grooms or any other person may wear one earphone at any other time while mounted (see JRs Art. 256.1.10).

If this is confirmed, then the EA National Rules will be updated to say, “including the practice arena.”

Confirmation that the Rules, when amended must follow this process:

1. Review and agreement by the EA Jumping Committee
2. Ratification by the EA Board
3. Display the proposed changes on EA website (October 1 or April 1)
4. Rules effective January 1 or July 1

This means that any changes for January need to be finalised in early September to allow them to be ratified by the EA Board to meet this timeline.

### **Australian Jumping Championships**

Further development of the criteria for the appointment of a TD to continue.

A teleconference regarding the 2020 Australian Jumping Championships to be set up with the Boneo Park team.

### **2020 World Cup Rules**

The FEI World Cup Jumping Rules and Organisers Manual for 2020/2021 for the Australian League was reviewed and will now be sent to the EA Board for ratification. Once ratified, the proposed rules will be displayed on the EA website from April 2020 and will be effective 1 July 2020.

Bridle numbers for the 2020-2021 season will be allocated according to the horses' standing in the Golden Grand in the 2019-2020 season with horses who did not compete in the previous season will have a sequential number allocated by the Organising Committee and maintain this number for the rest of the season.

Clarification to be sought from the FEI regarding the 2021/2022 season dates. It was agreed that the 2021/2022 season will end in Australia in December 2021.

Coco Miles will continue to act as the World Cup Athletes' Representative.

The WC webpage be updated to show the winner, Chris Chugg and PSS Levilensky.

Reminder for WC Organising Committees:

- Results – these need to be sent to the FEI by the OC within 24 hours of the completion of the competition
- Results for the WC competition also need to be copied to the EA National Office
- Course Plan must also be sent to the EA National Office
- The Committee would like each OC to provide at least one photo (action or presentation) to the EA National Office following the completion of the competition, including the credit for the photographer so that the winner of each leg can be acknowledged. If possible, a short narrative to allow a News article to be published would also be appreciated.

### **WC Applications for 2021/2022 season**

Applications to host a World Cup Qualifier (CSI-W) event must be submitted to the EA office by 1<sup>st</sup> August of the calendar year prior to the commencement of the season.

### **National Jumping Calendar**

Each State Jumping Committee will be asked to provide details of events during the 2020 season which will then be collated and published on the EA Jumping website page. These events should include:

- FEI events
- National Championships
- State Championships
- Royal Shows
- Major events e.g. Willinga Showcase, Equitana, Boneo Cup, etc.

Updates will be requested on a quarterly or monthly basis to provide any changes, updates, additions. This calendar could be a rolling calendar which is updated as events are added into 2021.

### **Promotion to Level 3 CD Official**

The Committee will work with the Officials Pathways Administrator to further develop the CD Pathways documentation.

### **Mapping of Overseas FEI Officials to EA accredited roles**

The Committee agreed with the mapping of overseas FEI qualified CDs, Judges and Stewards to EA National accreditation presented by the Officials Pathways Administrator.

### **National Safety Manager (NSM)**

The NSM introduced herself to the Committee and discussed Concussion protocol, minimum medical requirements and fall reporting.

### **Jumping Steward General**

The role of stewards at FEI events was discussed. The FEI Stewards Manual was presented and a link to the manual will be added to the EA website as this is an excellent reference document for athletes.

### **Performance Pathways and High Performance**

A presentation by the High-Performance Manager was given with post-Tokyo funding discussed, including the upcoming 2022 Youth Olympics.

The teams competition at the Australian Championships was commended as the only team pathway and its continuation was supported.

### **EAJC Committee Vacancy**

Coco Miles was welcomed as the new member of the EAJC filling the current casual vacancy on the Committee, with her experience and expertise a great complement to the existing committee.

### **Acting CEO, Andrew Hamilton**

Andrew Hamilton introduced himself to the Committee in his current role as Acting CEO as well as his role as Business Operations and Integrity Manager.

EAJC requirements for the EA computer system were discussed and will be added to the current Requirements list. Any additional requirements should be provided to the EA Office for inclusion.

The combined EA National Discipline & Coaching Committee Chairs meeting was discussed with this meeting now being held on a quarterly basis.

### **Reference Groups**

The following Reference Groups are in place, reporting to the EAJC:

- Judges
- Stewards
- Course Designers

Reference group numbers and appointment terms were discussed. From 2021, the appointments terms and numbers will be aligned with appointment made yearly and each reference groups consisting of 3 members.