



KIWARRAK ENDURANCE RIDE EVENT PROGRAM 2ND-3RD AUGUST 2025

 **Kiwarraak Endurance Ride August 25**

The Kiwarraak Endurance Ride Committee welcome all new and experienced endurance riders to join us for our 2025 ride. The committee is very happy to be able to bring the event to fruition after the recent flood event locally caused quite a few hiccups. We thank our lovely ride base hosts, the Forsayth family. Please respect their property so we get invited back. We have a great weekend of riding planned, some terrific sponsor stalls, great local catering, a monsta raffle with a ton of prizes to giveaway and a fun social gathering around a communal fire so you can network and meet other local riders or just catch up with old friends.

RIDE BASE: PROPERTY PIC# NE266473

133 Careys Road Hillville (near Taree). Follow Google Maps from nswera ride calendar (nswera.asn.au) or Apple Maps etc - the roads are all bitumen except for a short section on Careys Road. We recommend those towing take the Taree turn-off from M1, follow the sign to Bucketts Way (Wingham direction) and then turn left into Hillville Road and right into Careys Road. The road from Possum Brush is not tarred and is hilly so suitable for 4WD cars only.

ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON AERAONLINE from 9th-25th July. No entries can be processed on the weekend.

Saturday: The individual 20km and 40km rides are also the first day of the combined both-day macro marathon events. If riding the same horse both days you can double up and save money by entering either a 20km x both days, a 40km x both days, or a combination of the 20km one day and the 40km one day.

Saturday Start Times: 11am 40km and midday 20km.

Sunday: Start Times: 6am* 80km / 7am 40km / 8am 20km.

RIDE BASE OPENS: Friday 1st midday. **RIDE BASE CLOSSES:** Monday 4th 10.00am.

We welcome riders to come on Friday and set up early. We may open the office for a short period of time to get some entries done early. We will have a few ROC on site on Friday night and will be having a communal fire and social get together both nights and will be holding the Monsta Raffle Draw on Saturday night after pre-ride.

Please have your Horse Health Declarations ready before you enter the ride base as the Gate Steward will check them before allowing you onto the Ride Base. Do not hand them over - bring them to the office.

Day Riders will have their own camping zone close to the entrance/exit. See Map on Page 3.

Camping (\$10 flat fee per horse covers 1 or 2 nights). Saturday riders have a choice to camp over or go home.

All vetting must be done on Saturday.

Entries will close on Sunday 27th July. Contact the Ride Secretary if you need help with AERAonline.

TRACK:

The 40/80km tracks all start and end with approx 3km of lovely forest track. There are short sections on this track that have deep ruts from 4WDs. Ride steadily in single file and obey all caution signs. We will start the ride in daylight to assist with visibility but 80km riders must take care when navigating this stretch of track. There is one water crossing which may be two feet deep in parts. Stay near the log. Once off this track it is mainly open forestry roads which are wider. We have reduced the normal Kiwarraak 42km leg to 40km, so eliminated 4km of steep work from the 80km event, and 2km from the 40km event. The tracks are undulating. Boots or shoes are recommended although there are limited rocky sections and the gravel roads have had some rain to soften the top layer.

The 20km ride is a loop and is the same as above. Approx 8km to the checkpoint#1 and then you will be directed to the 12km trail back to base.

OFFICE: Friday: We may open the office for a few hours early afternoon to get a head-start on entries.

Saturday: 8:30am: Riders for Saturday 20km, then 40km will be prioritised on Saturday morning.

Sunday riders please wait till after our 20km riders have ridden out on Saturday before coming to office.

Sunday: 8:00am

RIDER INFORMATION:

VETTING TEAM: Chris Dowey (Head Vet), Tony Parker & Evie Millar, Chief Stewards: Marylou & Bob Locke

PRE-RIDE TALKS: COMPULSORY ATTENDANCE

SATURDAY 40KM: 10:45 near timekeeper tent.

SATURDAY 20KM: 11:45 near timekeeper tent.

PRESENTATION FOR SATURDAY RIDES: 5:00pm at communal fire area - along with nibblies around the fire, and the monster raffle draw, before pre-ride at 6pm.

PRE-RIDE TALK FOR SUNDAY RIDES 20KM/40KM/80KM: 6pm at communal fire. **COMPULSORY.**

MINIMUM/MAXIMUM TIMES:

20KM Minimum Time: 2 hours/Max Time: 3 hours

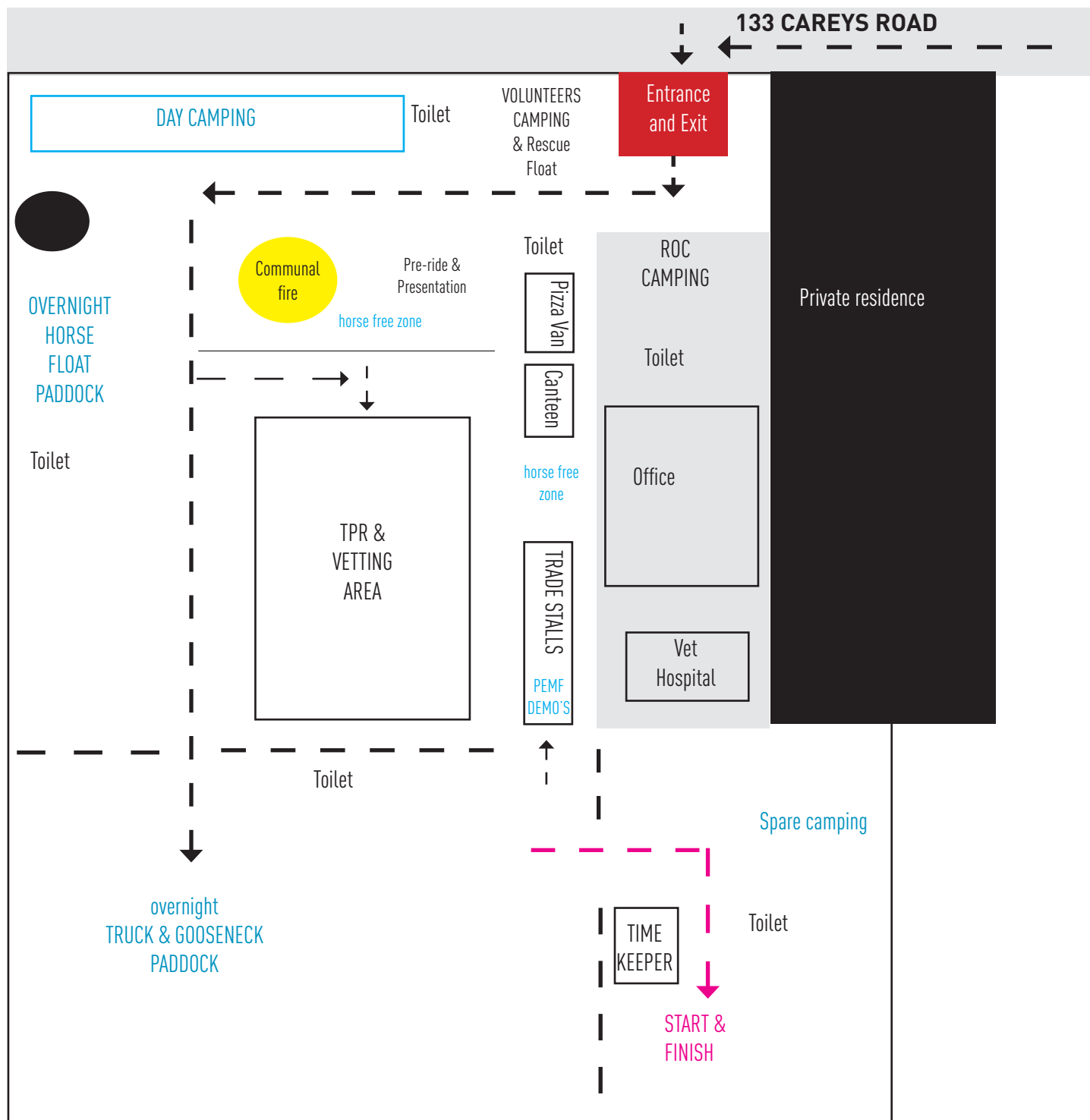
40KM Minimum Time: 3 hours/Max Time: 5 hours

80KM Minimum Time (Novices): 6 hours/Max Time (All): 9 hours

GENERAL RIDER INFO:

• Attendance at pre-ride briefings is compulsory for all riders

- There is a non-smoking zone around the office/vetting ring and anywhere near our hosts property. Please restrict smoking to your own campsite.
- Please bring enough horse water with you until Saturday if you are arriving Friday.
- Catering will commence from Saturday so if arriving early BYO food. There are no close local options.
- Please ensure your horse is used to having its temperature taken before you get to the ride.
- BIBS must be worn on the outside of any clothing so the numbers are visible at all times and they must be returned to the office when you collect your logbook/day cards after completion.
- Practice sensible biosecurity - don't share feed buckets and don't let your horse touch nose to nose with other horses.
- Please collect your manure and bag it up.
- Dogs are welcome but must be kept on leads at all times and cannot enter the vetting area.
- Fires are permitted - in firepits or drums. BYO firewood. We will be having a communal fire.
- All horse containment yards must comply with [AERA guidelines](#).
- Olga from EquiFit Pulse Therapy will be doing demonstrations over the weekend with her PEMF equipment on Saturday morning and afternoon. PEMF is also suitable for humans so call into her Stand and have a chat.
- Our Sponsors WorkWise Taree have offered to ensure our riders are well hydrated by manning a Rider Electrolyte station. Drop by and make sure you're looked after as well as your horse is.
- If you wish to leave on Sunday before the presentation please bear in mind our ride does not have the Electronic Timing System that other events have so our office volunteers need to manually enter all the ride data. We will do our best to accommodate you but it will interrupt our finalising the event data on aeraspace and will make our presentation and all other riders departure run late so please give us some notice and be patient.
- Di Denton from Seahorse Diamond Beach will be awarding a special encouragement rug to a rider in the Intro or Intermediate rides.
- SnazzyTwist Collars - locally hand made colourful halters/leads and dog collars & leads will be on site.
- WICEN from the Central Coast are running our checkpoints. We have hay (supplied by Elders Taree) and snakes (thanks to the Ryan family) and water for horse and rider if required.
- Animal Focus/Jo Arblaster is our official photographer. Jo will award the Spirit of Endurance Award.
- We have loads of prizes for our Monsta Raffle - the big prize is the Drone, there's a beautiful serving board, lots of CEN Oil and products, The Outback Rack have supplied prizes, the Foster family have donated, and much more!



EVENT BREAKDOWN - IN ORDER OF START TIMES

SATURDAY

Event 1: 40km single event

Event 2: 40km as first leg of two day event: 80km total. Event 7 is second leg. One horse/one rider both days.

Event 3: 20km single ride

Event 4: 20km as first leg of two day event: 40km total. Event 8 is second leg. One horse/one rider both days.

Event 5: 20km as first leg of two day 60km event: 1x20km/1x40km. Event 7 is second leg. One horse/one rider both days.

SUNDAY

Event 6: 80km endurance ride

Event 7: 40km single ride

Event 8: 20km single ride

CATERING:

CANTEEN: Wild Fig Catering Van will be in attendance Saturday from 11-4pm and Sunday from 7am-early afternoon. They offer Coffee & Hot Chocolate, Toasted Sourdough Sandwiches and home made Muffins & Cakes.

SATURDAY NIGHT DINNER

Everyone is welcome to join the communal bonfire for nibbles and bevies (BYO drinks & Chair) before pre-ride and dinner each night.

The Artisan Pizza Van will be supplying dinner Saturday night - \$22 for Pizza (x 6 types).

Pizzas need to be booked online with your ride entry. If ordered on the night they will be prepared **after** all the Volunteers and online bookings are cooked. The Artisan Pizza Van will set up outside the office near the pre-ride talk.

These pizzas are hand-crafted with a lovely "slow dough" sourdough base.

VOLUNTEER INFORMATION:

Please check in at the office when you arrive and make sure you complete our Volunteer Register.

The Office will brief you upon arrival.

We thank our crew of old and new volunteers and welcome more to help out over the weekend.

Please let us know if you or your strapper can assist for a few hours.

OUR VALUABLE SPONSORS:

CEN NUTRITION

TAREE VET HOSPITAL

THE OUTBACK RACK

WORKWISE CLOTHING TAREE

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EQUIFIT PULSE THERAPY

SYDNEY GLASS LIFTERS

DIAMOND ROAD ARABIAN STUD

WOOTTON ARABIAN STUD/HIPCAMP

SEAHORSE DIAMOND BEACH
(RIDER REWARD RUG)

THE RYAN FAMILY (SNAKES ON TRACK)

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OUR STATE SPONSORS:

FEEDXL - 4 X \$207 VOUCHER



SCOOTBOOTS \$250 VOUCHER



EQUINE KING - 1ST 80KM PLAQUE



CONTACTS:

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