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President's Message

Dear APRDA Community,

As we embark on a new term, I am thrilled to extend a warm welcome to all of you and reflect on the remarkable achievements of our organisation during Term 3.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to our dedicated committee members who work tirelessly behind the scenes. They have been diligently crafting our Strategic Plan, engaging in fundraising efforts, and reaching out to our local community to foster a sense of togetherness. Please know that all these hours are volunteered, and your commitment is genuinely appreciated.

To wrap up Term 3, we had a blast with a fun-filled Karaoke night. I'd like to express my gratitude to everyone who attended. Moving forward, we plan on organizing more end-of-term events, and I want to emphasize that these gatherings are for everyone—our dedicated volunteers, families and friends of our participants, committee members, and staff alike.

Looking ahead to Term 4, as the weather warms up, let's remember to stay hydrated and keep the office informed of your availability. We are all united in our mission to make APRDA the best centre in Queensland, if not all of Australia.

Lastly, I'm excited to share that our committee is actively seeking individuals to join our sub-committees. We are particularly interested in people who are experts in their field or are eager to learn and contribute in areas such as Fundraising, Sponsorship, Finance, Grant Writing, Land, and Maintenance. Stay tuned for more details!

In closing, I want to express my deep appreciation for each and every one of you. Your dedication and hard work continue to shape APRDA's success and impact on the community. Together, we will achieve great things in the term ahead.

Katie Lister
APRDA Club President



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Welcome to APRDA

Introducing Amy Hopkins, Our New Centre Manager at APRDA!

We are thrilled to welcome Amy Hopkins as our new Centre Manager at APRDA. With over a decade of experience, Amy brings a wealth of knowledge and expertise to our team, having spent 12 successful years at Gisborne RDA. She also holds a Level 5 Equine Coach qualification, further emphasizing her dedication and proficiency in the field.

Amy has hit the ground running since joining us, and her impact on our programs and operational efficiency has been nothing short of impressive. Her commitment to streamlining our systems and enhancing our overall operations is already making a noticeable difference. We are excited about the positive changes she is bringing to APRDA. We encourage everyone to take a moment to meet Amy and extend a warm welcome to her. She is eager to get to know each and every one of you and is excited to become an integral part of our team.

Amy Hopkins, welcome to the APRDA family! We look forward to the future of our RDA under your leadership.



Amy Hopkins
APRDA Centre Manager

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

A sincere thank you to our remarkable volunteers. Your selfless dedication and tireless efforts have made a world of difference. We are immensely grateful for your invaluable contributions and extend our heartfelt gratitude to the extraordinary volunteers who have made our holiday program a resounding success. Your dedication and kindness have brightened the lives of many during the term and over the holiday break.

Thank you
APRDA Management &
Committee



NEW to the Herd

APRDA is thrilled to introduce our newest additions to the herd: Stan and Jimmy, two new standard breeds, have joined us, along with Merlin, a Clydesdale Cross who made the long journey from South Australia. We also have Diamond, our beautiful grey pony, who is used for both carriage and ridden activities. They are all adapting nicely to their new environment and we will slowly be integrating them into our programs. We look forward to seeing the new friendships formed with these newbies.



Merlin





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APRDA Coaches

Team APRDA has had a fantastic term, with the joy of watching our participants thrive in their riding and horsemanship programs. Our devoted staff remains committed to providing challenging and skill-advancing experiences for all.

Coach Morgen is no longer working with us as she is following a different career path.

A BIG welcome back to Coach Rio who will be joining our Monday sessions in Term 4.

This term we will be focusing on our coaches in training and will be implementing new programs and session plans-A Massive thank you to Volunteer Lucy Barrow with her teaching background she brings some amazing ideas and resources to our programs.



Participants & Support staff - If you have any goals you would like to work towards going into term 4, please reach out to your coach and we will work together to achieve these.

TERM 4 DATES

TERM 4 STARTS: Tuesday 3rd OCT

TWILIGHT PAINT & SIP: 14th OCT

EQUINE PATHWAYS: 21ST - 22ND OCT

MELBOURNE CUP: Tuesday 7th NOV

VOLUNTEER XMAS PARTY: 1st DEC

TERM 4 ENDS: Saturday 9th DEC

DEC HOLIDAY PROGRAM: TBC

OFFICE DETAILS

OFFICE HOURS:

8.30am - 4.00pm Monday - Friday

9.00am - 2.00pm Saturday

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September Holiday Program

APRDA September school holiday program was a phenomenal success and a sell out event. The participants had a truly enriching and joyful experience during their time at our centre and with the horses.

We were also delighted to welcome back Tweed Tabatinga, with 47 children joining us for another momentous day. Children enjoyed grooming, riding, lassoing & admiring the horses.

Big shout-out goes to our exceptional coaches, whose expertise and care made each session memorable and enjoyable for our riders. Your commitment is truly commendable.

Last but not least, we want to express our gratitude to our volunteers who consistently support our riders and programs. Your dedication is invaluable, and we couldn't do it without you.

Thank you to our amazing community for making the program a resounding success. We look forward to even more memorable experiences in the future!

