

# Two Day Workshop with Max Pearce

-EA/NCAS Level 2 Coach & Coach Educator
-EA Carriage Driving official
-Chairman of National Carriage Driving
Committee

7 & 8 March 2015



Max Pearce competing with Beauwood Rocky Road at FEI 1\* 2014.



# Hosted by: Warwick & District Carriage Driving Club

Venue: "Strongfield Stud" 440 Linthorpe Valley Road, Southbrook – QLD



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#### **Workshop Information**

Carriage Driving Queensland, through Warwick and District Carriage Driving Club Inc., is offering a seminar workshop weekend for carriage drivers, officials and potential officials on Saturday 7 & Sunday 8 March 2015 at 'Strongfield Stud' Southbrook to tune up their understandings and skills. Workshop facilitator for the weekend is National Carriage Driving Chair, Max Pearce (see more about Max on the following page).

Content discussed over the weekend will relate to EA/FEI carriage driving (combined driving) and will include the technical aspects of competition carriage driving and training, a review of current FEI rule interpretations and what judges are looking for, understanding course design, driving safely and risk management at events.

Carriage driving workshop will include:

- Developing a horse's mouth to improve performance in competition.
- Lunging and long reining.
- Dressage, cones and marathon driving.

The weekend will have a mix of group and individual sessions and each day will start at 8am. Fence sitters are welcome and Max will be using a wireless microphone.

**Venue :** Strongfield Stud, 440 Linthorpe Valley Road, Southbrook (No dogs allowed) Camping and yards are available and people are welcome to camp Friday and Saturday night.

**Entry Fees:** 

Driving \$50 (both days) Fence Sitting \$10 (per day)

Camping and yards free

**Direct Deposit** 

Account Name: Warwick & District Carriage

Driving Club Inc

Account Number: 03 755 5683 BSB: 084 983

Please use your name as the description/

reference.

Cheque

Payable to: Warwick and District Carriage

Driving Club Inc.

Post to: Karyn Dillmann (440 Linthorpe Valley

Road, Southbrook 4363)

#### **Conditions of Entry:**

-Drivers must be Warwick Club members or EA members. A restricted membership form (\$10) for this event must be completed for drivers who are not Warwick Club members or EA members.

-All grooms who are not Warwick Club or EA members must complete dangerous activity acknowledgement form.

- -All competitors and their navigators/grooms compete at their own risk. The organising committee and land holders accept no responsibility for loss or damage to horses, owners, passengers, equipment, drivers, grooms or spectators, or any other person or property whatsoever, whilst at or near the venue, during the course of this event. All competitors, by entering this event, agree to be bound by this regulation.
- -The wearing of equestrian helmets complying with one of the three standards listed below is mandatory in the marathon and medical arm bands are recommended.

Equestrian helmets standards AS/NZS 3838,, European Standard EN1384, United States Standard ASTN F1163

- It is a condition of entry that competitors hand to the organisers a Horse Health Declaration Form.

**ENTRIES CLOSE: 2 March 2015** 

For further information and to confirm your participation in this event, please contact: Karyn Dillmann Ph: (07) 4691 0402 warwickcarriagedriving@gmail.com

Carriage Driving Queensland and Warwick and District Carriage Driving Club wish to acknowledge Equestrian Queensland for endorsement and funding toward this activity.





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#### **About Max Pearce**

Max is an EA/NCAS Level 2
Coach and Coach Educator. He is an EA carriage driving official (Judge, Technical Delegate and Course Designer). Max is the current chairman of the National Carriage Driving Committee and is a regular competitor at show driving and combined driving events.



Max Pearce grew up in Bega NSW and had his first experience at harness driving at age 8 when his great grandfather (George Pearce) lost his licence at age 96. He borrowed Max's riding horse (Flicker), harnessed her up, put her in a sulky and drove with Max back home, a distance of 10km. After a wobbly start, Flicker was "educated to harness" by the time they got home.

Max's passion for all things harness and carriage driving began in that instant.

After starting his engineering business in Bega in the 1980s, Max then had the resources to engage his carriage driving passion further and he started his horse drawn vehicle collection for competition and for restoration. Max bought his first Hackney Makari Dimitrious in 1979 and he was then "hooked on hackneys".

Boyd Exell then came along (Boyd was 8 years old at the time) and Boyd and his brother Kent spent the next 10 years helping Max with his horses after school, on weekends and later (with Boyd doing his apprenticeship in Max's engineering business), every afternoon after work was spent working with the horses. They were always seen together at shows and competitions, with Boyd eventually driving Max's pony team in competitions while Max began to concentrate on Show Driving.

For anyone who know Max and Boyd, I guess the rest is history!

Max bought his property "Beauwood Stud" in Goulburn in 2006 and has been working together to establish a solid breeding program for their Hackneys and other harness type horses. He is now diversifying into Warmblood/Hackney crosses for the ridden competition market as well.