



## ENDURANCE

**The following four questions must be answered by Board candidates and returned with nomination form.**

**As a Board we need to work together and to fill this this position we are looking for someone who will roll up their sleeves and get stuck in. We have members who are already doing great work in specific areas so we are looking for someone who can help with some administration duties.**

1. What are your objectives or goals for joining the Endurance Board?  
My goal is to bring a younger and more novice perspective to the endurance board. I am aware we are trying to encourage new riders to join and having not been in it for as long as the other board members have been, I hope to bring that voice to the table. As someone who is still learning but also has aspirations to fly the New Zealand flag in overseas competition I feel I can bring this energy to the board.
2. If you were to join the Endurance Board – what would you like to achieve during your time on the Board?
  - Help to create a better understanding of endurance in the NZ equine world. Consequently increasing numbers of participants.
  - Encourage discussion to change direction in some aspects of the sport to create a more competitive environment at all levels and encourage more camaraderie.
3. What skills, connections, resources and expertise do you have to offer to the Endurance Board?  
I work for a business networking/digital marketing company so understanding what people need and connect with is important to me. I have worked in endurance stables in Australia, Scotland and Spain and grew contacts whilst over there. Strapped at the European Championships in England 2019 and Tom Quilty. Competed in a national team competition whilst in Spain at the Raid De Ademuz. This has given me a small look at how endurance is run in other countries, which I'm sure varies in every one. Took part in pony club for 9 years. I am open minded and good at viewing every angle and analyzing them before jumping to decisions. I have been on the Waikato Endurance club committee since 2020 and have competed up to 120km and have helped riders in their 160km whilst also riding a varied amount of horses in different distances.
4. What do you see as the top priorities for the Endurance Board?
  - As we covered in the forum meetings(which covered some really good points and had good conclusions which I hope will be followed up), growing numbers is very important. With more numbers we also get more parents and family members on the sideline to fill in volunteering gaps and consequently another issue we need to deal with:
    - officials which is our biggest weakness at the moment. Without the officials events can't be held and the same people are always being asked. Something needs to be done about the requirements for officials.
    - Whilst building the lower level end of the sport we cannot sacrifice the higher level