

## MEMBERSHIP PACK

August 2023

Marlborough Equestrian Park is a multi-discipline equestrian venue for use by competitive and recreational riders. It was developed in 2014 and is managed by Marlborough Equestrian Park (NZ) Incorporated, a not-for-profit incorporated society, on an entirely voluntary basis. Our objective is to provide good quality, well-maintained equestrian sport and recreational facilities for people living in or visiting Marlborough.

### Facilities as at 1<sup>st</sup> August 2023:

- 16 hectare site secure site, truck and float parking (no powered sites as yet)
- All-weather dressage surface 90 x 75 metre (generally two 60x20m arenas in place, room for three)
- All-weather 80 x 40 metre show hunter arena with jumps available for members use at all times
- Jumping turf approx. 300 x 110 metres
- Multi-purpose 90 x 60 metre grass warm-up arena
- Areas for general riding / hacking; river and hacking trail access at gate.
- Toilet / shower block (flushing toilets, hot shower)
- 194 substantial standard yards plus two stallion yards (all 4 x 4 metres)
- Four washdown bays, muck and sawdust pits
- Clubrooms with full kitchen and decks, officials / scorers Porta-com, full-access toilet adjacent

## MEMBERSHIP TYPES

Full details of membership types are detailed on the following page.

### Individual Rider    Riding Family    Friend of the Park

General/casual use of Marlborough Equestrian Park is available from 1 August 2023 through membership of Marlborough Equestrian Park (NZ) Inc. The Membership Year runs from 1 August to 31 July on an annual basis. Subsequent membership renewals will become due on 1 August each following year.

MEP is not currently available for 'casual' use of the park to non-members; however members may host up to 2 (non-member) guests at any one time. Ground fee (GF) \$12 applies per guest. See page 3 for further info.

**Lesson/Clinic/Event Bookings:** Please contact via MEP for bookings of the park facilities for events, clinics and lessons. Definitions below:

- Local Instructors using to conduct lessons - more than two persons in a row/same day, required to book arena (no charge) and must be an MEP member - only non MEP members having lessons to pay ground fees
- Other instructors - more than two persons in a row/same day - required to book arena (no charge) but all riders (MEP members or not) must pay \$12 GF
- Bodyworkers/tack fitters etc - \$6 per person per horse (non ridden) and \$12 per horse (ridden) GF applies
- Events, competitions, non-competitive training days GF applies

**PLEASE NOTE - It is the responsibility of instructors/clinic organisers to collect ground fees from attendees of clinics/events/lessons and is to be paid to MEP in one lump sum**

TYPE	DESCRIPTION	MEMBERSHIP BENEFITS		MEMBERSHIP FEE Full year 1 Aug- 31 Jul
		Membership includes:	Membership does not include:	
<b>INDIVIDUAL RIDER</b>	Riding member of any age	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership of Marlborough Equestrian Park (NZ) Inc.</li> <li>Access to the park and use of all riding facilities (unless otherwise specified) during daylight hours other than when the park is fully booked for a particular event</li> <li>Use of wash-down bays</li> <li>Float and truck parking while using the park</li> <li>Ability to book arenas to hold lessons/clinics at MEP</li> </ul>	Riding facilities not available: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Any arenas or areas being used for clinics, or closed in preparation for events or for other reasons at discretion of MEP</li> </ul> <u>Available – additional fees apply:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of yards (daily yard fee, or long-term yard lease)</li> <li>Use of facilities during organised competitive events – event ground fee applies</li> <li>Overnighting (camping fee applies)</li> </ul>	\$120.00
<b>RIDING FAMILY</b>	One or two adults plus children to 18 years (a genuine family group)	As for Individual Rider Members	As for Individual Rider Members	\$240.00
<b>FRIEND OF THE PARK</b>	Non-riding supporter	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Membership of Marlborough Equestrian Park (NZ) Inc.</li> </ul>		\$30.00
<b>YARD LEASE</b>	Lease of one or more yards for the duration of the 12 month membership period.  <i>Yard numbers will be allocated so state your preference (if any).</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Use of your yard anytime you are at the park riding or at events. You do not pay for yards at events – but you must advise the event organiser of your yard number on your entry, if you wish to use it.</li> </ul>	Overnight use of yards is not permitted at any time unless associated with an event.	\$50.00 per yard (per year)

**Communication:** Check out our website [www.mepnz.co.nz](http://www.mepnz.co.nz) for info about the park including upcoming events plus membership forms. Most communication with members will be by email and our Facebook page.

### RIDER MEMBERS – SPECIFIC CONDITIONS FOR USE

1. Comply with all General Conditions of Use for Marlborough Equestrian Park (see opposite).
2. **HORSE AND HUMAN WELFARE** The welfare of horses and ponies, and the safety of riders and other persons, comes first. Report any concerns to MEP.
3. **GATE ACCESS** You will be issued with a combination number to the gate lock (will change at least annually). Do not divulge this number to anyone else. Always close the gate, and lock it if you are the last one to leave.
4. **HOURS OF OPERATION** Access to members is from dawn to dusk, i.e. half an hour before sunrise to half an hour after sunset.
5. **SUPERVISION OF YOUNG RIDERS** Riders under 18 years of age must be accompanied by an adult who accepts responsibility for that rider (one adult may take responsibility for multiple young riders).
6. **TAKING VISITORS TO THE PARK** As a member, you may host visitors at MEP:
  - Maximum of two non-member riders/horse handlers may be hosted by you at the park at any one time
  - As the Hosting Member, you are responsible for ensuring that your visitors are aware of, and conform to, all of the Conditions of Use contained within this document. You are also responsible for any fees due from your guests.
  - **The member must be onsite at the same time. You cannot give your guests the gate code & leave them to it.**
  - Each riding visitor/horse handler must pay a ground fee of \$12 within 24 hours – internet banking details provided elsewhere on this form
  - Other persons (spectators or supporters) may accompany you at no cost.
7. **RESPECT OTHER USERS OF THE PARK.** Often there will be organised events on at the same time as the park is also open to members for general use. Please be considerate and do not ride in any way that will interfere with these activities or with other riders. If you ride around in the area being used for the event you may be asked to register and pay the event ground levy.
8. **IF YOUR HORSE DIGS A HOLE;** fill it in – and please make a good job of it! This keeps other horses, riders, people and vehicles safe.
9. MEP reserves absolute discretion to revoke membership of any person who does not comply with these conditions of use.

### MARLBOROUGH EQUESTRIAN PARK GENERAL CONDITIONS OF USE

1. **APPROVED SAFETY HELMETS** must be worn at all times when mounted.
2. **JUMP SCHOOLING** Anyone schooling over jumps must be accompanied by a second person.
3. Please do not use any arenas or other areas marked as 'closed'; use only marked vehicle and arena access points; read and comply with all signage.
4. **NO LUNGEING** in any of the arena's.
5. **CLEAN FACILITIES; RUBBISH** Leave all facilities including yards, ablutions areas and other buildings clean (any extra cleaning will be on-charged to individuals or event organisers). Collect all manure and hay and place in the muck bins provided (including from yards, arenas, competition and other turfs, and truck/float parking areas). Remove all other rubbish.
6. **DAMAGE** Report any damage of MEP facilities to MEP immediately.
7. **SMOKE-FREE** Our lease with Marlborough District Council requires that MEP operates as a 'Smoke Free' venue. Please respect our obligations and refrain from smoking anywhere within the Park boundaries.
8. **DOGS** are welcome at MEP and must be on a leash or in a ventilated vehicle at all times. Dog owners / handlers are responsible for removal of all dog muck. The priority of the Park is for safe and enjoyable equestrian activity; MEP reserves absolute discretion to insist on removal or non-attendance of any dog whose behaviour or management by its owner is not consistent with this priority.
9. **DISCLAIMER: LOSS, DAMAGE, INJURY, SECURITY** Neither MEP nor any representative, agent or employee of MEP accepts any liability for any accident, loss, damage, injury or illness to any horse/pony/rider/spectator, vehicle or personal property – whether caused by their negligence, breach of contract, or in any way whatsoever. MEP shall not be liable for the safety/security of any goods or equipment or the loss or damage of same; brought in or stored at the venue.
10. MEP reserves absolute discretion to refuse entry or insist on removal of any person whose behaviour is considered dangerous or objectionable to the safe and appropriate operation of the Park.

## MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM

Complete and return to: Email: [membership@mepnz.co.nz](mailto:membership@mepnz.co.nz)  
or mail c/-145 Shandon Road, RD6, Blenheim.

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (✓)		Individual Rider (\$120 to 31/7/2024)	Riding Family (\$240 to 31/7/2024)	Friend of the Park (\$30 to 31/7/2024)
NAME(S) <i>Family: list all names; include age and date of birth for those under 18</i>				
YARD LEASE @\$50 per yard	Number of Yards	State preferred yard number (if known)		
ADDRESS				
If you are under 18, Age:	Date of Birth:			
EMAIL	Do you Facebook? (✓/*)			
☎ Home	☎ Cell			
PAYMENT Amount Due:	Payment Method(✓) Direct payments to <b>031355 0753639 00</b> (Use name and 'member' as reference)	Cheque enclosed		
		Direct to bank (preferred)		

EQUESTRIAN INTERESTS (✓ all that apply)							
Recreational		Showjumping		Dressage		Endurance / Trail	
Pony Club		Eventing		Western		Hunting	
Other (please detail):							

Marlborough Equestrian Park was developed and operates thanks to a strong volunteer ethic within the Marlborough equestrian community. We hope that as part of your membership, you might choose to assist us by volunteering in some way. Please indicate how you might be interested (✓), and we will get in touch:

- I could sometimes help with working bees for grounds / landscaping
- I could sometimes help with working bees for doing up the buildings
- I would be happy to help in some other way (please elaborate):

**"I hereby apply to become a Member of Marlborough Equestrian Park (NZ) Incorporated and declare that the details supplied in this form are correct. I have read and understand the contents of this membership pack. I agree to comply with the Conditions of Membership set out herein, and to pay any membership or other fees owing to Marlborough Equestrian Park promptly."**

Signature:

Date:

(Parent or guardian to sign if under 18 years)  
Name of parent/guardian:

Contact phone: