

Gisborne & District Adult Riding Club

How We Set our Prices



Introduction

Prices are determined by the GDARC Committee and this guide explains how we set prices for different club activities and items.

Rallies

We run a monthly rally for our members as well as additional rallies where possible. The rally prices are designed to be straightforward, fair and to cover the costs we incur to run the rally. These costs include:

- **Instructor fees and travel expenses:** We select instructors to help educate, train, coach and encourage our members¹. We work with qualified and experienced instructors who have in depth knowledge relevant to the discipline/s. We use member feedback to inform instructor choices going forward.
- **Venue / facility fees:** Wherever possible, we use our club grounds. However, we use third party facilities if the club grounds cannot be used e.g. due to (actual or potential) weather events or because the club grounds are already booked. If we use alternative facilities, you will usually see some, or all, of the venue hire costs included in the rally price when you book.
- **Lunch:** We aim to provide lunch for all who ride at our rallies as it's a chance to socialise and support each other.

Uniforms

We order and hold stock of GDARC uniform for members to buy. Club uniform is optional for rallies but, must be worn for HRCVA competitions². The uniform prices reflect the item and recover the costs we incur in purchasing the items, shipping them to the grounds and storing them. We monitor stock and balance the need to avoid excess stock levels, hold sufficient stock to cater for everyone's needs as well as being able to take advantage of bulk ordering deals where we can to keep uniform prices low.

Competitions

Competitions are our main form of fund raising. We raise money to contribute towards running and improving your club. Our competition entry fees/prices align to HRCVA rules and cover the costs involved in running the competition as well as a contribution to the club. Costs involved in running competitions include:

- Venue/facility fees
- Medical levy to recover costs of first aid arrangements
- Medical levy to recover costs of equine veterinary arrangements (where applicable)
- Judge (dressage/jump) fees and travel expenses
- Equipment hire if applicable
- HRCVA administrative fee.

Membership

Annual membership fees are set by the GDARC Committee each year once HRCVA fees are determined³. Your membership fee includes the HRCVA levy and member personal accident and public liability insurance, as well as a club fee. If you are a member of another club affiliated with HRCVA and join GDARC, just the club fee applies. The club fee contributes towards running and improving your club.

¹ GDARC Constitution

² HRCVA Rules

³ GDARC Constitution