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Mini-Strategic Review Questionnaire to Centre:

Your Centre: COONABARABRAN

1) ESTIMATED NUMBER OF; Riders including Carriage Drivers, Coaches and Whips, Volunteers for the following years:

Year	Riders	Carriage Drivers	Coaches	Whips	Volunteers
2019	14	NIL	1	1	8
2020	NIL	NIL	1	1	8
2021	10	NIL	2	1	5
2022	10	NIL	2	1	9

2) IMPACTS OF COVID IN 2020 & 2021 to your Centre across Riders, Carriage Drivers, Coaches, Whips and Volunteers. Max 50 words:

OUR CLIENTS STOPPED COMING! OUR VOLUNTEERS ACTUALLY INCREASED EARLY COVID TO ENABLE THE CENTRE TO REBUILD AND MODIFY OUR ARENAS AND HOLDING YARDS. THE MONEY FOR THE PROJECT WAS A LATE APPLICATION TO A MAJOR PHILANTHROPIST THAT GAVE ENOUGH TO PURCHASE MATERIALS AND OUR CENTRE VOLUNTEERS DID THE WORK CONVERTING ROTTEN TIMBER TO STEEL

3) RIDERS AND CARRIAGE DRIVERS:

3a) Impacts on 2022; whether your numbers are up or down against previous years? Max 20 words:

OUR NUMBERS ONLY THIS YEAR HAVE RESUMED TO PREVIOUS COVID LEVELS DUE TO INTENSIVE ALMOST HARASSMENT LOBBYING TO AGENCIES/SCHOOLS

3b) Are the rider/carriage driver weight limits impacting your numbers? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one.

3c) Are riders joining the Centre because of NDIS? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one

3d) Are riders leaving the Centre because they have more choice through NDIS funding? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one

3e) Do you believe that RDA NSW needs to change its programs to attract more riders? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one

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To Centres

CC: Regional Representatives
Key Committees
RDA NSW Board

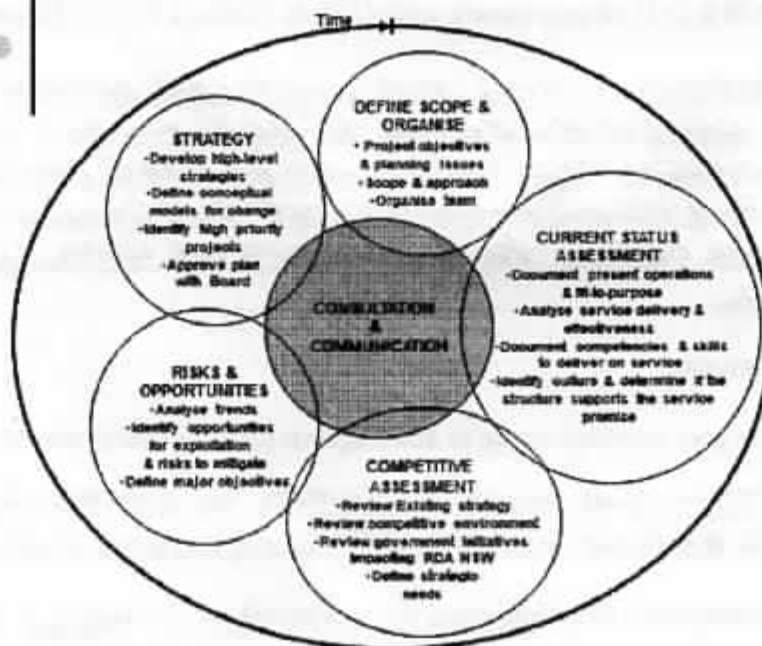
RE: Min-Strategic Review Letter to Centres and Questionnaire

Later this year I'll be engaging representatives from all Centres, Regional Representatives, Key Committees such as CASP, State Office, and the Board to provide further input and discussion; that will lead to a revision of the RDA NSW Strategic Plan.

The first step towards that goal is to collect data from the Centres that will inform and help understand the trends, threats and opportunities that may need to be accommodated within the revised plan.

The diagram below outlines broadly the processes that will be undertaken to arrive at the revised plan.

Strategic Review Process Model



Please assist by completing the questionnaire over page on behalf of your Centre, and return it to State Office by **5PM Monday 19 September**? When completing the questions keep it simple, estimates are fine for the numeric answers, and key words will help the analysis more than long drawn out sentences. If you need help then call me for a quick chat.

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3f) If your answer to question 3e was Yes, please provide a brief explanation of how the programs might be changed? Max 20 words

I HAVEN'T SEEN TWO CENTRES OPERATE THE SAME. IT APPEARS TO BE LEFT TO THE COACHES AS TO WHICH METHOD THEY USE

4) COACHES AND WHIPS:

4a) What impacts (external or internal) are driving your Coaching or Whip numbers up or down? Max 20 words

LACK OF ASSESSORS TO CONTACT PERSONALLY, AND VISIT CENTRES REGULARLY. A HIGHER MILEAGE RATE WOULD HELP OFFSET VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

4b) Do you think that the training for RDA Coaches is too extensive? Yes ☒ No circle one.

4c) Do you think that the training for RDA Coaches is just about right? Yes ☒ No circle one.

4d) What changes should be made to the training? Max 20 words

STOP DUPLICATION OF ASSESSMENTS FOR TRAINEE COACH AND COACH TRAINEE COACH TERM SHOULD BE CHANGED TO ASSISTANT COACH WITH LESS MODULES FOR ATTAINMENT

5) VOLUNTEERS:

5a) What impacts (external or internal) are driving your Volunteer numbers up or down? Max 20 words

COMPETITION FROM OTHER NFP. LACK OF PUBLICITY FOR RDA

5b) What actions can your Centre take to increase and sustain Volunteer numbers? Max 20 words

KEEP PRESSING STATE OFFICE TO ALLOW A MEDIA BUDGET AND NOMINATE A BOARD MEMBER TO THAT PORTFOLIO

5c) What actions should RDA NSW take to increase and sustain Volunteer numbers? Max 20 words

SEE ABOVE

6) FUNDRAISING (Excluding Infrastructure and Capital Equipment Grants):

6a) Are your fundraising efforts covering your expenditures? Yes ☒ No circle one.

6b) If your answer to question 6a was No; how long can your Centre continue to operate based on your current savings? Max 20 words *MAYBE 12 MONTHS*



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6c) Are you finding it more difficult to fundraise since COVID? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one. Please explain? Max 20 words

WE ALWAYS USING DAY BY DAY - OURS IS NOT A WEAK DAY TOWN
WE RAFFLE AND CANVAS BUSINESSES.

7) SITE AND INFRASTRUCTURE:

7a) Is your Centre located on an RDA NSW owned property? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one.

7b) Does your Centre have a riding or dressage arena? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one.

7c) If your answer to question 7b was Yes, is your arena covered? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one.

7d) Do you have enough paddock space to house and feed your horses; accepting that they may need supplements? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one.

7e) Do you require assistance when applying for Grants? Yes ☒ No ☐ circle one.

For and on behalf of the RDA NSW Board,

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MY OPINION. IF RDANSW WERE TO PROMOTE ITSELF MORE
ALL THE CENTRES WOULD DO BETTER THAN THE
ADHOC PUBLICITY WE DO SEPERATELY.

GRANTS WE HAVE APPLIED FOR ALL COME BACK WITH,
YOUR CENTRE DOESN'T GIVE US ENOUGH EXPOSURE, TOO SMALL
THIS IS WHY WE NEED A WHOLE OF ENTERPRISE APPROACH