What the heck is - OZ TREC?

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Where did the idea of Oz Trec originate?

- Geelong & District Carriage Drivers formally Bellarine Harness for Pleasure Club (Vic) started Oz Trec.
- Ridden TREC adventures started in the 1970s in France.
- Some years later the British Driving Society incorporated the principal of ridden Trec into a driven activity and Driven Trec began, it is now enjoyed in many countries around the world including the UK, Wales, Canada and America.
- Each country adapts the concept of TREC to suit their needs and circumstances, terrain etc. but it always follows the three sections.
- There is no ownership of rules as there are with CDE and the indoor etc. but as popularity has grown in each country TREC guidelines have been endorsed, adapted and adopted by the different driving societies.



What happens at an Oz Trec?

Oz Trec tests horse-and-driver combinations through a range of challenges, rather than focusing on one style or discipline. Safety is a huge priority. It is suitable for all breeds and sizes of horses/ponies along with all types of carriages and all levels of drivers.

Just think a bit of pleasure driving, showing, CDE, dressage and handy mount all thrown into one.

Points are gained or lost depending on the phase of the competition with the highest total score determining the winner of each section. There are no eliminations and if you want to skip something that's totally fine.

There is no cantering on any part of the course and the activities section are untimed.



The 3 phases



There are no sheep stations at stake.

This is a fun inclusive activity that everyone can enjoy. It is not a race, its about enjoying driving and being safe.

There are no eliminations.

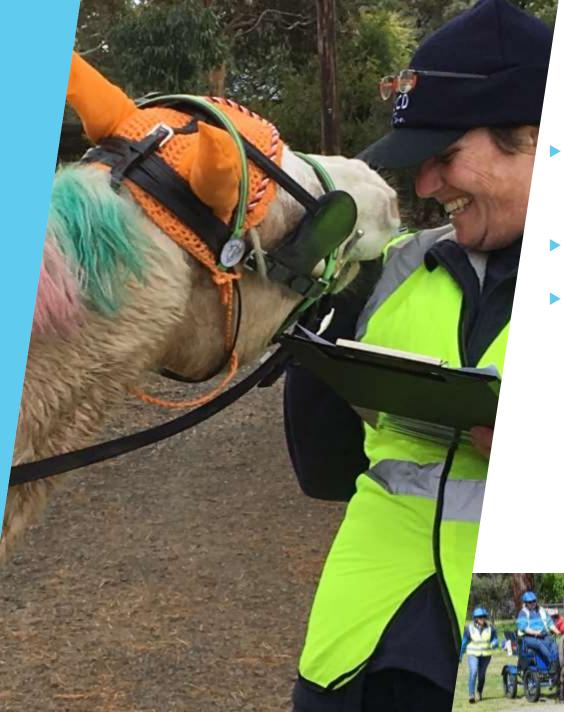




Before the driving starts

- A map of the area with the course clearly marked is put on display. Competitors will be given a copy of a map of the area without the tracks marked. Competitors can copy the map or make their own notes.
- Competitors will be able to explore the activities on foot (we usually have someone explain the course and each of the activities as people walk it).





Phase 1: Pre drive check

- Competitors will present themselves for a basic check, there are some compulsory items which if not present will prevent the competitor from starting.
- A basic harness/carriage safety check will also be done
- A total of 20 points can be awarded at this stage

MUST HAVES:

- High Vis vest or clothing
- Headstall and lead rope
- Helmet and whip
- Medical Information band (as per Vic Branch rules)
- Extra points are awarded for spares kits, extra high vis, chocolates/lollies, bribes for the volunteers and other emergency safety items.

From Me and my FURRY FRIEND to you, we want to say THANK-YOU for assisting at this event!

Hopefully you're not over worked today and you get to take a Break — have a KIT KAT!

I don't mean to be a SMARTY pants, but the organisers said this event would be a walk in a park, like a PICNIC. I think they are BANANA's — it's trickler than it looks © — Cheers Kirsty —



An example of the pre drive checklist that we have used.

No.	Harness safe and Fits	Vehicle Safe and fits	Hitched Correctly	Number, fluro vest, halter and lead rope Whip, Helmet & Medical info	Overall safety	Total	Comments BONUS POINTS FOR EXTRA FLUORO/ SAFETY EQUIPM SPARES KIT etc MAX 20 POINTS									
Out of	3	3	3	3 (half point for each item)	3	15										



Phase 3: Skills Activities

- Once returned from their drive or after a lunch break the drivers then begin to work their way around a skills course.
- These skills are to test the driver's skills, horse's obedience and teamwork.
- There is no cantering, driver must be able to always control the horse's pace.
- We set our activities out in groups, to minimize the number of helpers needed.
- Only one pony at a time was allowed into each section to avoid crowding and to allow the scorer time to score each one.
- Each activity has the potential to score 10 points.
- If you can't do an activity, you can skip it and no points will be scored for that activity but if you have a go (3 attempts are allowed) you will get at lease one point, sometimes more.



This is an example of how we set out our activities for one of our Oz Trec Days. The following slides are some of the skills activities that we have used.

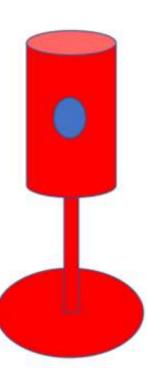
Activity 12 – Letter post

Stands at letterbox to post letter (even if they don't have a letter) (5 points, 1 point if attempted but doesn't stand))

Posts letter in letterbox
(5 points, 1 point if attempted but misses) driver to touch letterbox if they didn't collect letter













Activity 13 - Noodles

it through noodles, 5 points if makes it through)

calmly driven)





Activity 3 – Flag drop

Horse/pony stands to pick up Flag (1 point if attempted, 2 points if halt is maintained) Carries flag to drop off point
(6 points if done one handed at a trot, 4
Points if done 2 handed at a trot, 4 Points if done 1 handed at a walk, 2 Points if done 2 handed at a walk)

Stands to pla (1 point if att maintained)

Stands to place Flag in cone (1 point if attempted, 2 points if halt is maintained)







Activity 5 – Halt

Halt with horses nose between the cones (5 points if accurate, 2 points for attempting accuracy)

Halt with horses nose between the cones (5 points for 10 second halt, 2 points for attempting halt)

Activity 6 -Rein Back 5 step rein back 5 step rein back (1 point for each step,

(2 points if straight)

5 step rein back (3 points if no resistance shown)



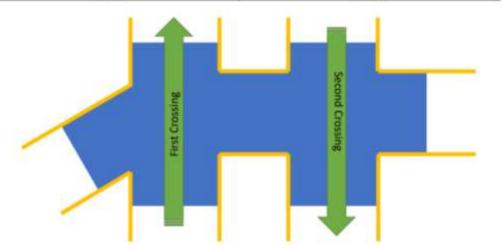
maximum of 5 points)



Activity 7 - Water

First crossing
(1 point if attempted but not crossed, 5 points if trotted, 3 points if walked)

Second crossing
(1 point if attempted but not crossed, 5 points if trotted, 3 points if walked)













Oz Trec provides members with an opportunity to show their horses the skills activities without a carriage also.

An example of the final results from one of GDCD's Oz Trec's

		pre drive check	Cross Country drive	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	15	total	
1	Ruby Lawrence	15.5	50	4	9	9	8	7	9	5	8	6	7.5	10	10	10	4	10	10	192	3rd
2	Gail Hoiles	16.5	44	6	6	6	6	6	4	10	9	8	8	10	10	10	6	9.5	10	185	7th
3	Suzanne Haldon	15.5	45	9	8	9	10	8	9	10	9	8	7	5	10	10	4	9.5	10	196	2nd
4	Janice Craven	21	45	9	8	9	10	6	8	10	8	7	5	10	10	10	5	9.75	10	200.75	1st
5	Ned Andrews	0	49	5	10	10	10	7	9	9	8	8	8	7	10	8	8	9.5	10	185.5	6th
7	Jennifer Cummins	18	44	8	10	9	8	7	8	10	6	7	5	10	10	5	5	9	10	189	4th
8	Sue Healey	21	43	6	10	9	7	5	9	9	4	3	3	10	7.5	5	5	10	10	176.5	8th
9	Debbie Cameron	19.5	47	10	10	9	10	7	9	10	5	4	3	5	10	4	6	9	10	187.5	5th
10	Maree Yates	21.5	45	9	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	Retired	
14	Pat Streefkerk	18	40	9	10	9	7	7	8	7	8.5	8.5	8	5	5	6	0	9.75	10	175.75	3rd
15	Jenny Heath	23.5	43	7	9	9	8	8	9	10	9	8	8	10	10	10	8	10	10	209.5	1st
16	Robyn Crommelin	20	50	8	9	9	8	9	7	8.5	7.5	9	8.5	10	10	10	11	5	10	209.5	1st
17	Peter Smith	21.5	50	8	9	9	8	8	9	10	9	8.5	10	10	10	8	8	10	10	216	1st
6	Elizabeth Lawerence	16	48																	Retired	
12	Elizabeth Lawerence	16	49								2							1 2		Retired	

Any Questions?