



Introducing *Competitive Trail Riding*

What is it?

Competitive Trail Riding (CTRs) is trail riding with a twist! Uniquely Australian, CTRs offer competitors a marked track to follow within a specified ride time, and a number of tasks to complete along the way. These tasks are known as *judge points*, and competitors are challenged to complete each task in front of a judge to earn points.



Judges assess both the rider's skills and the horses ability and award scores for both.

CTR ride pace is approximately 8km per hour. This is a steady pace but not a dawdle so horses need to be reasonably fit. CTRs are not a race, in fact time penalties are accrued if competitors complete the course too quickly.

Winners are decided by combining total judge points scores and deducting any time penalties – the highest score wins.



Who can do it?

Anyone with a horse! CTRs offer riders of all disciplines the opportunity to compete fairly. It doesn't matter what type of horse you have, saddle you have, or what your skill level is – CTRs are for everyone.

While CTRs are competitive – they are mostly a lot of fun.

I want to do a CTR – what do I need?

1. **A horse** - obviously! They must be over 3yo (no stallions), and fit enough to complete a track between 16 – 24 km at a pace of 8km per hour.
2. **A saddle and helmet** – riders must compete in a saddle and wear a helmet
3. **A thermometer** - all horses must pass a health check before and after the CTR by SCATER Horse Health Officials. Part of the pre-ride health check is to assess and record your horse's temperature. You will be required to do this yourself under the observation of officials with your own thermometer.
4. **A willingness to have a go and have fun !**

To know more see these Fact sheets available at www.SCATER.com.au

1. *CTRs - what are the Rules?*
2. *CTRs - what happens on the day?*

If you love trail riding, and enjoy a challenge – CTRs are for you!