

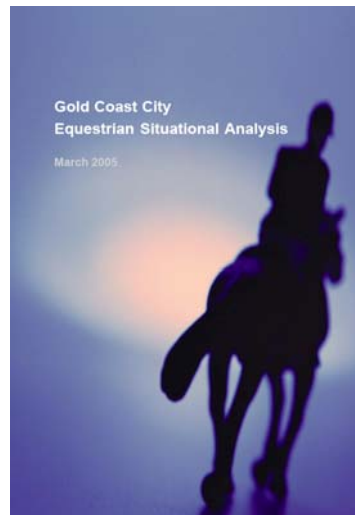
Gold Coast Equestrian Situational Analysis

Project Outline

The situational analysis was primarily concerned with 'fact finding', to determine the current status existing and potential future facility needs over a range of equestrian disciplines currently undertaken within the Gold Coast City Local Government Area (GCCLGA).

Equestrian disciplines covered within the analysis included:

- Polo;
- Polocrosse;
- Pony Club;
- Show Jumping / Dressage;
- Riding for Disabled; and
- Eventing / Carriage Driving.



Findings

Existing and future needs included but are not limited to:

- ➔ Limited State / Regional level equestrian venues exist within the GCCLGA resulting in the Gold Coast not being able to host a range of State and Regional events;
- ➔ In most cases existing club premises are well supported by Council. Room exists for additional field renovation management to take place. Southport Club conducts yearly national training programs and has been sited as the primary 'showcase' and as such, additional ground maintenance programs should be initiated prior to conducting the national training programs.
- ➔ That future planning directions for Carrara Sports Complex are indicating that the Carrara Complex may no longer be available as a venue for equestrian events.