



## 2020 Australian Hay Mini Nationals

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2020 Australian Hay Mini Nationals organisers statement.

The threat posed by the Covid 19 virus remains, and requirements imposed by the federal and state governments are becoming more stringent.

Our intent to run a modified 2020 Australian Hay Mini Nationals is still current, but is totally dependant on borders re opening, and outdoor gatherings of several hundred people being both legal and ethical. For this to happen we need the current situation to improve. It may, which is why our plans are staying in place.

If the situation does not improve by the beginning of May, we will very likely move to our fall back plan, which is to run the 2020 Australian Hay Mini Nationals on the October long weekend (Friday the 2<sup>nd</sup> to Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> October).

We understand that Monday the 5<sup>th</sup> is not a Victorian holiday, but unfortunately are faced with no alternative, and hope that our Victorian attendees can make necessary arrangements to make the event.

This is obviously a very dynamic situation with rules, recommendations and instructions changing almost daily. Our intent remains. We will do everything we can to keep the 53 years of tradition and competition unbroken by running the 2020 Australian Hay Mini Nationals.

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