



ANNUAL REPORT

Assisting those who have served
to get back in the saddle and
reconnect through horsemanship





OVERVIEW

Since commencing operations in 2016 Remount has hosted over 550 people

Remount Limited is an Australian company limited by Guarantee governed by a Board of Directors.

Remount provides horsemanship programs to veterans, first responders and their families and carers at no charge. It is fully staffed by volunteers and no one is paid to deliver the service.

A REGISTERED CHARITY

Remount is a registered charity and endorsed as a deductible gift recipient by the Australian Tax office. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

At Remount, participants stay on-farm at “GUNBEN”, where they learn to connect through the language of the horse before applying those skills in a team setting to muster cattle.

A MENTAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

While based on horsemanship, Remount is fundamentally a mental health initiative delivering meaningful outcomes for people, regardless of their levels of stress, trauma, or experience.

It is our way of saying thank you to those who have served and are currently serving: and in doing so make significant sacrifices for which we are eternally grateful.

TESTIMONIALS



EQUUS (EQ) × ACTION (AQ)
= RESILIENCE (RQ)

At Remount, we believe in the profound healing power of horses.

Our equation sums up this transformative journey:

- Equus (EQ): Engaging with horses fosters emotional connection, presence, and trust
- Action (AQ): Participating in structured horsemanship activities encourages purposeful movement and personal growth
- Resilience (RQ): The synergy of connection and action cultivates resilience, empowering individuals to adapt and thrive

Working with horses (EQ) creates a unique emotional connection that fosters presence, trust, and self-awareness. When this connection is combined with purposeful, supported action (AQ), individuals begin to shift physiologically, emotionally, and mentally.

The outcome is increased resilience (RQ): the ability to adapt, recover, and thrive in the face of challenge. This is not just about horsemanship, it is about healing, growth, and sustained personal strength.



HORSES TRANSFORM LIVES

Their innate sensitivity and non-judgemental nature offer a powerful, circuit-breaking experience for those suffering from PTSD, depression, isolation, or low self-worth, often as a result of military or service-related experiences.

Instinct meets insight: As hyper-vigilant prey animals with sophisticated sensory awareness, horses respond immediately to the emotional state of those around them. This forces humans to slow down, be present, and regulate their emotions which is a key step in healing.

Connection over control: Horses don't respond to force; they respond to trust, clarity, and calm leadership. This dynamic allows people to rebuild confidence, purpose, and connection often for the first time in years.

Mirrors, not judges: Horses reflect human behaviour and emotion. In working with a horse, individuals receive immediate, honest feedback about how they show up in the world without fear of judgment.

Our horsemanship training is delivered by a team with many decades of coaching, leadership and horsemanship experience. The hospitality and catering is of the highest quality, the experiences for our visitors is excellent and people are mounted on quality well-bred and well-trained Australian Stock horses and quarter horses.

At its core, horsemanship is healing by teaching presence, emotional regulation, and compassion. These are the foundations for rebuilding lives.

THE REMOUNT APPROACH:

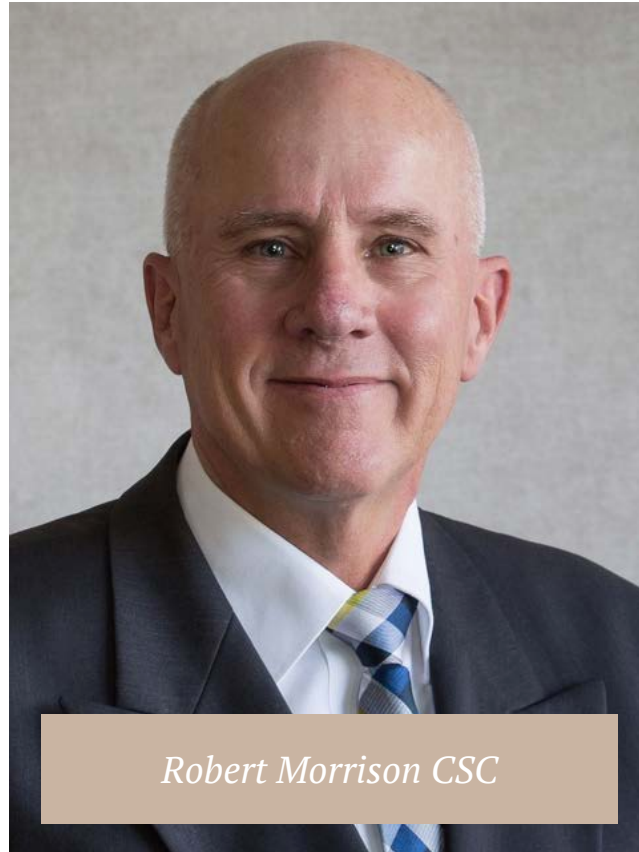
- Focuses on horsemanship, not just riding
- Helps people rediscover confidence and clarity

Guides riders to step into leadership roles, building mutual trust and respect with their horse

Breakthrough outcomes often include:

- Reduced PTSD symptoms
- Increased motivation and self-worth
- Improved social connection and optimism
- Renewed pride in one's service
- A sense of being valued, seen, and safe





Robert Morrison CSC

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I am proud to present this annual report for Remount Limited.

This year, Remount has continued to grow its impact and deepen its national reputation as a trusted and effective support service for veterans, first responders, and their families. At the heart of this success is our dedicated volunteer base, who have again contributed over 2,000 hours of their time, and much more in-kind including horses, equipment, fuel, accommodation, and personal resources.

Remount is deeply honoured to have Her Excellency the Honourable Ms Sam Mostyn AC recently announced as our Patron. Her commitment to social impact and community wellbeing aligns perfectly with Remount's mission. This recognition is not just for our organisation but for the hundreds of veterans and first responders whose lives have been transformed through our programs. We look forward to working with Her Excellency at future events to showcase the power of the horse to heal and the work we do.

Another key highlight this year was Remount's presence at the Bungendore Campdraft held over the Easter weekend in April. The event showcased not only our horsemanship but the strength and resilience that comes from the Remount approach. It was a moment of pride and community connection, reinforcing the relevance of our mission in both rural and veteran communities.

It was our honour to host the Vice Chief of Defence Air Marshal Robert Chipman AO and his wife Alyce who came to lend their support to this magnificent event. My sincere appreciation also goes to Steve Hart and the entire Bungendore Campdraft committee who not only hosted Remount, but they also gave their time to provide coaching in the lead up to the event.



As Remount approaches its 10th anniversary in 2026, I reflect with pride on the dedicated team who continue to deliver an outstanding program for veterans, first responders, and their families. Of course, none of this would be possible without the incredible vision and never-ending support from our wonderful founders, Ben and Marina Maguire. Thank you for another awesome year on your property @Gunben.

To those who place their trust in us, thank you for your courage, your service, and your strength. Remount exists to walk beside you, and it is your journey that gives our work purpose. We are here. Always.

Robert Morrison CSC
Chairman

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MARKETING & MEDIA

The Remount Facebook and Instagram pages continue to provide a source of inspiration and connection for attendees and people who are considering coming to Remount.

 **5.7K**
Followers
570,000 Views

 **3.3K**
Followers
160,000 Accounts Reached

 **536**
Followers

REMOUNT.ORG.AU

14.5K
Page views 

7.2K
Sessions 





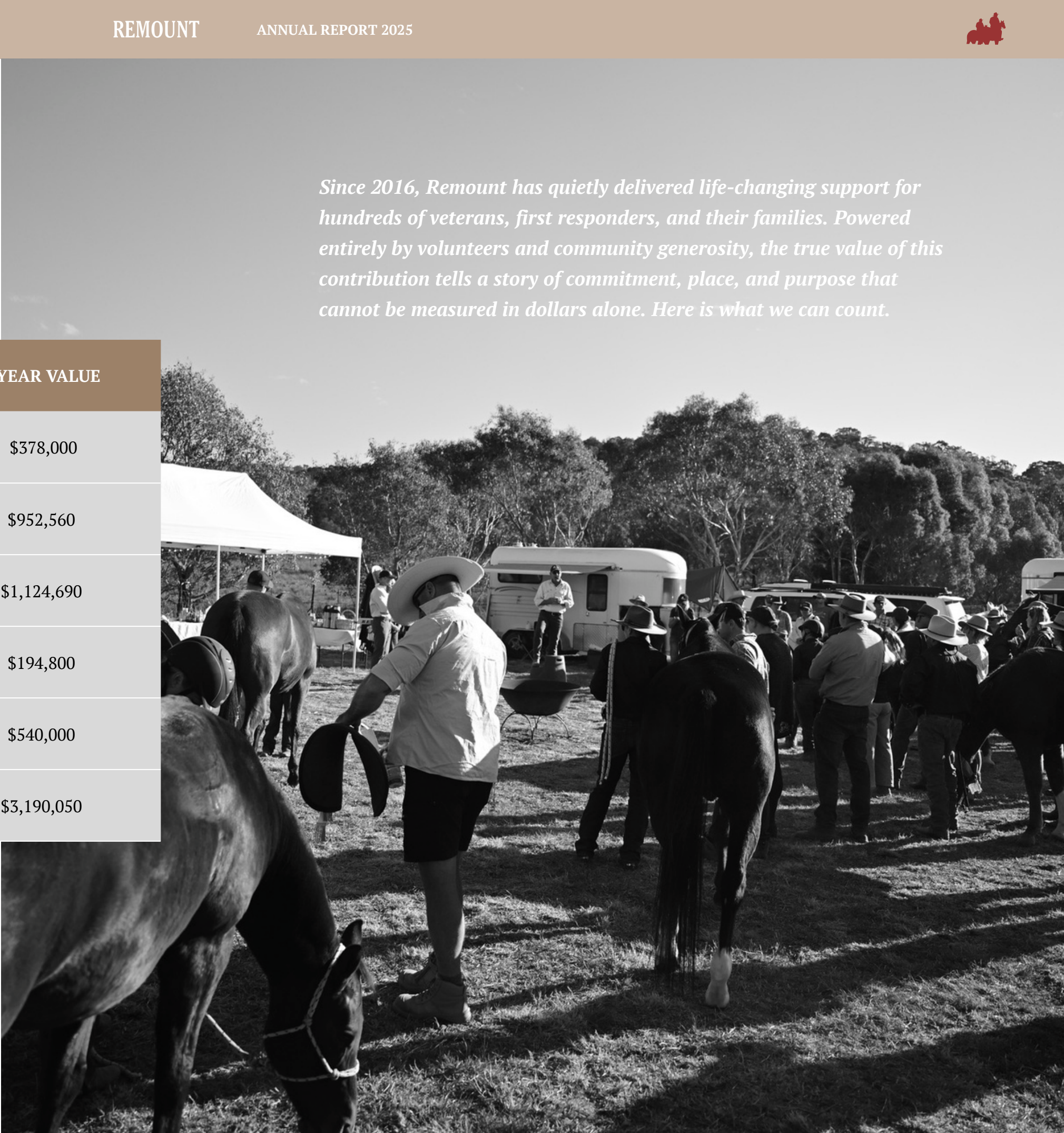
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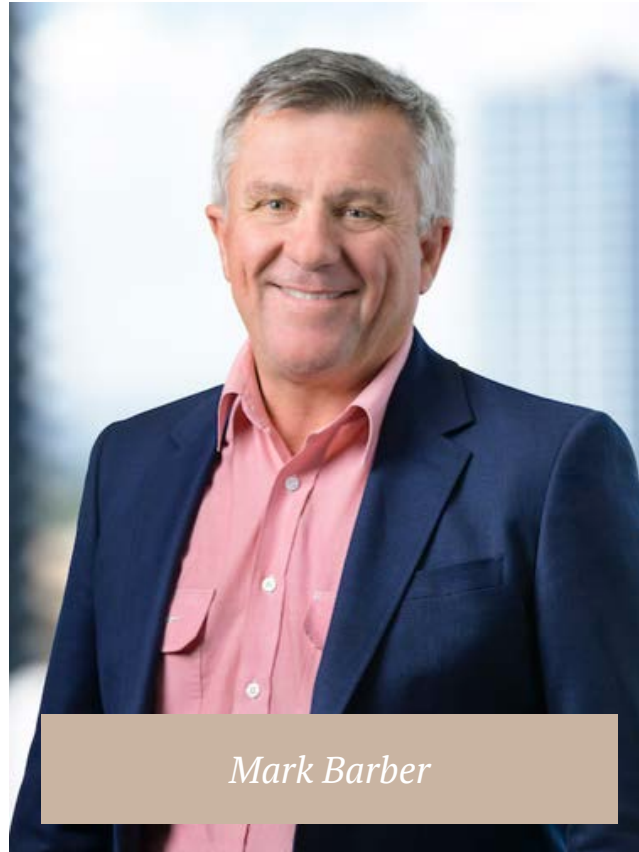
9 years of service and contribution

Since 2016, Remount has quietly delivered life-changing support for hundreds of veterans, first responders, and their families. Powered entirely by volunteers and community generosity, the true value of this contribution tells a story of commitment, place, and purpose that cannot be measured in dollars alone. Here is what we can count.

CATEGORY	ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION	9 YEAR VALUE
Management & Admin	\$42,000	\$378,000
Volunteer Team	\$105,840	\$952,560
Cash	\$121,772	\$1,124,690
In-kind support	\$22,200	\$194,800
Venue Hire	\$60,000	\$540,000
Total	\$351,812	\$3,190,050

This financial summary illustrates the scale of commitment behind Remount’s mission. The program has operated for nearly a decade without government funding or salaried staff, relying on community generosity and volunteerism to deliver proven outcomes for participants.





Mark Barber

TREASURERS REPORT

It is with great pleasure that I present to Remount Stakeholders the 2025 Treasurers Report. As we approach 10 years of operations, Remount continues to grow posting a profit of \$22,993 for 2025. Remount's cash reserves have increased from \$166,234 at the end of June 2024 to \$182,017 on 30 June 2025.

Remount's revenue was \$76,795 lower in 2025 totalling \$126,432 down from \$203,227 in 2024. The difference is largely due to a one-off donation of \$52,527 raised by Hugh Rainger when he was sponsored to walk the Kokoda Track 2024. Since inception, Remount has raised sufficient donations to fund its operating expenses, with generous large ad hoc donations contributing to capital expenses and raising our cash reserves.

In 2025, Remount's expenses increased by \$19,073 mainly due to an increase in depreciation - \$10,243, insurance costs - \$7,107, and challenging seasonal conditions. Remount's depreciation has increase as we have acquired more horses, tack, equipment, and accommodation – all necessary to ensure a safe and high- quality experience for our program participants and volunteers. Remount incurred a larger share of the insurance costs this year as it conducted a larger share of the activities at Gunben (Remount shares the facilities at Gunben and the insurance cost is prorated based on facility use).

The Yass region experienced challenging seasonal conditions with below average rainfall in autumn leading to the need to feed horses to supplement their paddock feed. Our horse feeding and health costs increased by \$3,030 and \$5,721 respectively in 2025. Keeping our horses healthy and in good condition is a top priority for the team and essential for the delivery of our programs.

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Remount is financially resilient, poised for growth, and able to explore new opportunities to deliver an exceptional horse experience for ex and serving men and women and first responders.

It with great pride that I present the 9th Treasurers report for Remount.

Mark Barber
Treasurer



COMMUNITY SUPPORT & DONATIONS

This incredible community support is vital to the sustainability of Remount and shows the level of commitment and care from the team.



Bill & Marg Mackay from “Brookfield” donated sheep

Scott & Desnee Schlunke from “Hillgrove” donate their land and cattle for mustering experiences

Ryan & Natasha Walsh from “Springfield Park” provide cattle for mustering experiences and sourcing horses

Steven & Toni Hart from Steven Hart Performance Horses for sourcing horses and providing campdraft tuition

Bungendore Campdraft Committee for hosting Remount, providing campdraft tuition and donating \$6,990



Livermore family for providing four of the campdraft horses at Bungendore

The Weller, Williams, Miller and Lawler families for hosting and caring for the Remount team of horses

Paul & Skye Regan donated “Graphite” who is a magnificent horse

Jim & Sally Hutton from Yass provide quality hand-made signage and ongoing mentoring support

Skye Reagan provided a yoga session for the lady drover’s program

Emma Ritchard for providing 1st Aid Training



Maree Livermore & Emma Ritchard provided Friday night welcome meals

Bruce Austin from “Gayton” at Canowindra donated hay

Darren Kopacz from Challenge Coins who donated some beautiful coins to Remount

Trent Hubber for photography at the Bungendore Campdraft

Emma Brown from Reefnbeefphotography for photography at the Bungendore Campdraft



CORPORATE SPONSORS

RB SELLARS



Remount would like to thank all our sponsors and supporters for your generosity

Without your time and donations our programs would not be possible

Navantia Australia donated \$5,000

x-RD donated \$5,000

Keane Consulting donated \$5,000

RB Sellars continues to supply quality embroidered work wear at less than cost price

Yass Valley Veterinary continues to provide discounted services to all Remount owned horses. This value is immeasurable.

Keith Kerridge through the Kerridge Foundation donated \$50,000

The Lord Mayors Charitable Foundation provided \$25,000 through the Eldon Anne Foote Grant program

Doc Ross Foundation donated \$11,000

The Goodwin Monash Craft Group donated \$8,197

Burns Club donated \$2,500





TESTIMONIALS

A sample of our Drover feedback is listed below. These excerpts are intended to give the reader a sense of the impact Remount has had on visitors and their families. Names have been removed to remain confidential. We thank all Drovers for showing the courage to come to Remount and appreciate them taking the time to share their thoughts with us.



“Being involved with veterans and first responders through this program has been one of the most rewarding experiences of my life. It’s not just about horses or campdrafting — it’s about healing, purpose, connection, and creating space for people to reconnect with themselves and each other”

“Thanks for putting your trust in me this weekend, and for teaching me some valuable lessons. Remount and the Remount Family have altered the course of my life and improved my well-being immeasurably”

“Words can’t thank you enough for this weekend as it was so far beyond how good I thought it would be”

“I had an amazing time. It’s been a while since my head felt that calm, and I was able to focus on one thing at a time. You have all created something very special, and I feel quite honoured to be a part of the family. I’ll forever be grateful”



“To truly connect with a horse, we must first see the world through their eyes. Horses, as prey animals, are masters of awareness and intuition. By understanding their perspective, we unlock the key to compassionate leadership and authentic connection.”

“We will be forever grateful and we appreciate you all beyond words. You literally bought Joe and I back to life and we cannot thank you enough”

“I wanted to say thank you for changing my life in November 2023, that switch was turned back on in my mind thanks to Missy and all your helpers. I came home Sunday a different person changing so many aspects of my life for good”

“I was lucky enough to come to Remount mid last year. Seeing you guys on Better Homes and Gardens has reminded me of a fantastic experience and how much it helped me. Thank you. And please keep helping veterans - we absolutely appreciate you all”

“this weekend has helped me heal parts of my broken heart I never thought fixable. What a true blessing this has been. I walk away with a belief in myself I have been searching for.”



“THE CAMPDRAFT”

By Craig Crossan

Twelve of us were given the nod to fly the flag once more, not for country or community but to try and get a score.

For the Bungendore Campdraft was calling Remount to show case the power of the horse.

We twelve felt pride and honour to be asked (and a little bit scared of course!)

With a group of drovers whose paths were different all carried a common thread, they all wore many battle scars that were mostly within their head.

For trauma comes in many forms and manifests in many ways, Remount provides a safe place, so we can find hope in another day.

So at the clinic we learnt some tricks to keep us on our horse, ‘toes out, heals down, look forward, lead out (and call for gate of course!)’.

Ride up and turn, stop and check and do that two more times, call for gate and watch the bike and stay within the lines.

We were given quad bike track to follow, to keep us on our way, hands down, chin up, “sit deep on your pocket” that’s what the Boss would say.

Campdrafting is a partnership with your head, your heart your horse, to try and chase a little beast around the dusty course.

At the end of the day, we gathered to fest and drink and chat, to our new extended family who we knew would have our back.

For horsemanship is about teamwork, sharing knowledge, a laugh and thoughts, it’s about turning up, being present and kind to yourself (and calling gate of course!).

After a few hours in the saddle with great company, strong bonds were being formed, The Remount family grew into a team ready to perform.

With brand a new cap, a shirt and saddle pad we were ready to display, the courage, skill and horsemanship we’d learnt the Remount way.

Time had come to saddle up as part of the Remount team, the crowd was growing with anticipation it still felt like a dream.

We rode together two by two all feeling proud as punch, to be showcasing Remount and what it means to us.

It wasn’t just the twelve of us who were riding out that day, the cooks, the grooms the Stockmen, all the Remount family were with us all the way.

For Remount not only helps our head, it fills our hearts with glee, to stand shoulder to shoulder in uniform with mates means a lot to me.

As the National Anthem sounded out, we remembered fallen friends, we think about their families and the good times we thought never end.

We were in the camp listening to our stories choking back the tears, remembering about our lives and how it brought us here.



The judge calls “righto” and you give the man a nod, its game on, its showtime it time to cowboy up.

We drive the beast, turn it twice and call the gate to go, we chase the cattle round the pegs its done before we know.

Watching my mates ride so well gave me such a thrill, seeing their joy of accomplishments gives me goosebumps still. For on that day pride was restored to many who thought it was gone and Remount was the reason for them to carry on.

To this day I count my blessings for the honour Remount gave me, the pride, I feel the gratitude to the entire Remount family.

The opportunity to compete at Bungendore is only just the start, for the mateship, horsemanship and teamwork is etched firmly in my heart.

As the dust settles on that day, and the memories I have stand firm, I reflect on my equine journey and things that I have learned.

Heals down, toes out, remember to breath of course, soft hands, lead out and be gentle to your horse.

Be kind to yourself, be proud and know you’re part of something great, standing, sitting, yarning, riding with a mate.

Remount for me it something special, and Bungendore Campdraft is too, for without my Remount family I wouldn’t know what to do.



Remount is our way of saying thank you to those who have served and are currently serving; and in doing so make significant sacrifices for which we are eternally grateful

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