



# Dream RIG

## ROSALIE AND SIMON HUNT'S WADE EQUINE COACH

**When you live seven hours by car west of Sydney you become very aware of and dependent upon the vehicles that you drive.**

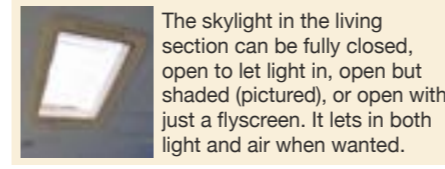
Rosalie, a keen horsewoman, like many before her, put showing on the back burner whilst focusing on three growing children and Euroa, the sheep and wheat property she and husband Simon have near Nevertire, two hours west of Dubbo NSW. "I have always been passionate about horses and have had and bred them here on the property and did some showing with the children when they were younger," explains Rosalie. "I had some success with hacks and galloways, but when the children went away to boarding school, the showing outings were limited. All the children rode when they were young, but now only my daughter, Rebecca rides and it has been hard for her, as she has been away at school and university. This is my first horse truck and I saw a Wade

at Equitana in 2013 and was really impressed with their attention to detail. We chose a practical truck, that is also very comfortable. All the children water ski and we have a ski boat, so we don't perceive it as just a horse truck, but envisage using it for family holidays."

The Wade Equine Coaches built in New Zealand are beautifully finished and designed by horse people for horse people, but as you can see they are not lacking in the creature comfort department and can easily become a mobile holiday home. The living area is spacious without the benefit of the now commonplace pop out. The double door opening from the living to the horse area gives a real feeling of spaciousness. The Wade Pioneer is a wonderful, safe and reliable vehicle from which Rosalie can launch her showing renaissance. "We can now get out to the shows, and it is to be hoped, qualify for some of the Royals, as well as use it as a holiday home for all the family to enjoy at the beach," she said.



There is no slide out on the Pioneer Series, but great design and a contemporary, light colour scheme creates a real feeling of space. It is a well appointed small apartment. In this photo we are looking down the coach from the horse section to the luton sleeping area.



The skylight in the living section can be fully closed, open to let light in, open but shaded (pictured), or open with just a flyscreen. It lets in both light and air when wanted.



A lovely place to rest and relax at a dusty or wet horse show. This Wade Equine Coach can sleep six. The luton (shown) can accommodate a super king bed or a double and a single, one can sleep in the Iveco sleeper and the living/dining area can become a double bed. There is plenty of room in the luton and no risk of claustrophobia. Notice the steps and handles for access to the luton.



The dining table is very neatly and conveniently stored next to the oven when not in use.



The full size fridge/freezer is opposite the cooking area with a microwave on top and a TV on top of that. More storage and the bathroom are located on this side heading down towards the horse section.



Everything you could want in a modern kitchen including a dish drawer dishwasher. There is a gas oven, grill and four burner hob, as well as plenty of bench space and storage. Also a view down the length of the coach from the lounge to the tail ramp. The stainless steel chest boxes in the horse section would make a wonderful smorgasbord bench.



All the gauges and switches necessary to run the coach are all together in their own cupboard for easy management.







The double width entry to the living section creates a real feeling of spaciousness and plenty of room for party guests.

The small but well designed bathroom is located on the passenger side of the coach. It has everything you could want. The hand basin, mirror and shower curtain are pictured here.



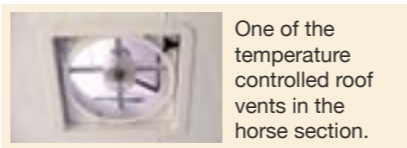
The enclosed rug storage strap in action, with the gas struts making opening and closing the boxes easy.



Pictured is the loo and the very New Zealand style stainless steel shower base.



The remote control for the temperature controlled roof vents in the horse section which suck warm air out and bring fresh air in.



One of the temperature controlled roof vents in the horse section.

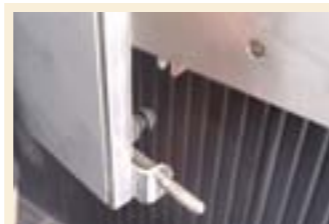
There is rubber on the floor, walls and all vertical surfaces are completely water tight and easy to scrub out. There is a thick marine grade aluminium floor under the rubber. This chequerplate step into the living area is not a permanent fixture and can be stored elsewhere in the coach. There is also an aluminium channel at the intersection of the horse section floor and living section wall so that the back of the coach can be hosed out no matter what angle it is on with no risk of flooding. In this photo you can also see two of the roof vents and the speakers which can be turned off in the horse section.



No chance of rust in this Coach. The stainless steel interior is easy to keep clean and the stainless steel behind the horses reduces the risk of friction and rubbing. The enclosed overhead rug compartments are completely dust free. The doors are on gas struts and the leads to aid opening and shutting are conveniently clipped up when travelling.



The partitions and head dividers are stainless steel as is the area directly behind the horses. It looks great now and will still look great in 7-8 years. There is a poly coated chain for tying the horses up and the horse bays are fully adjustable.



When open, the partitions are held safely so by the use of a magnet.



You can never have too much storage when travelling horses and the Wade Equine Pioneer has heaps of under living storage for feed, hay, yards, rugs - you name it. The combination of stainless steel and chequerplate enables it all to be cleaned out easily.



The exterior of the coach is fitted with stylish, state of the art LED lights which turn night into day.

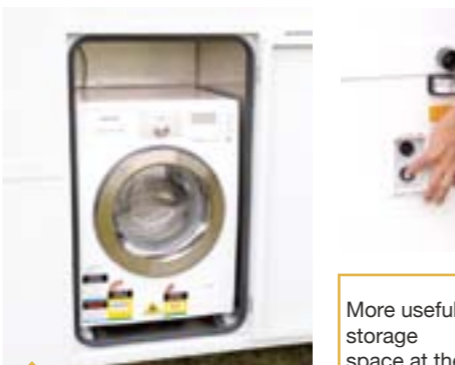


There is no shortage of power options on this Wade Equine Pioneer Series Coach, as there is also a 3KVA generator with a remote push button start from the living area.

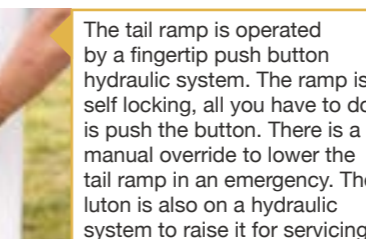


The external tack box carries six saddles. It is a Wade field trialled policy to have all the storage lockers on the exterior of the coach to avoid walking up and down the ramp all the time when tacking up.

The four batteries supplying the 12 volt power are charged up when the engine is running, they are also charged by solar panels on the roof, so the coach is totally independent of mains power. Everything can be turned on and the solar panels are still charging the batteries which effectively is free power. Wade is advocating solar panels on all their coaches. There is also a Battery Watering System attached to the batteries for easy and important maintenance.



For those long trips a washer/dryer is conveniently situated in its own box on the outside of the coach.



The tail ramp is operated by a fingertip push button hydraulic system. The ramp is self locking, all you have to do is push the button. There is a manual override to lower the tail ramp in an emergency. The luton is also on a hydraulic system to raise it for servicing.



More useful storage space at the moment just housing the protective poly curtain.



Both the steps and entry to the living area are manually operated. Electric steps and keyless entry are two of the little things that have not been included in this coach in an effort to keep the costs down. All these "little" extras add up.



The ramp leading to the spacious and airy horse section. The ceilings are kept as high as possible to enable good air circulation. In a hot climate, horses always travel better with good airflow.



The gas supply (more efficient than electricity) powers the fridge, the oven/hob and hot water. The gas bottle has its own easy to access external box.