# **NEWS & VIEWS**

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## 2005 SHOW HORSE COUNCIL HORSE OF THE YEAR SHOW

Drizzling rain on the final day of judging failed to dampen the sprits of competitors competing at 2005 Show Horse Council of Australasia's NSW HOTY Show held on the weekend of the 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup> October at the Sydney International Equestrian Centre Horsley Park. While not record entries the quality of horses present before the highly experienced eyes of the Open Section Judges Mrs Val Mayger of WA, Mrs Nancy Miller of Vic and Mrs Carmel Perkins of Qld was of the absolute highest standard.

### **Pony Hacks**

The 2005 Small Saddle Pony of the Year went to the Woodbury Park Showtime gelding Raleigh Toy Soldier for the Drayton Family of Tamworth and breeder Mrs Lesley Paxton, this lovely chestnut look sweet in a snaffle, moving softy forward into the bridle for rider Jessica Drayton – Runner Up went to Lisa Cleary & S Muratore of Albion Park Rail with the very nice moving Rainbury Master James. Royalwood Merry Music and Joanne Prestwidge of Wilberforce continue on their 'merry way' when the absolutely exquisite black mare was awarded the 2005 Large Saddle Pony of the Year, completing the prestigious double for 2005 having previously been awarded the equivalent at the EFA Horse of the Year Show. Runner Up to Merry Music went to the stunning bay mare LJS Heavens Above for Lisa Cleary and S Muratore this outstanding mare was also runner Up to Merry Music at the EFA Horse of the Year.

### **Galloway Hacks**

An exceptional line up of Small Galloway's paraded for the judging of Small Galloway of the Year - probably producing the strongest class of the day with little separating the top few horses. The 2005 title going the way of Beaufort Heiress for Sue Peters and Beaufort Nutrition Pty Ltd of Belimbla Park, this lovely chestnut mare has had a remarkable year sweeping all before her and was as always ridden a treat by Trinette Crawford. Runner Up went to the equally impressive Headley Park Cassanova for Graham Colvin, Vicki Kearney and Jan Lyons of Tamworth, this beautifully presented gelding sat up in front, worked forward into the bridle for his experienced rider Vicki Kearney and certainly caught my eye. It also was a case of deja vieu for these two horse with the same result posted at the EFA Horse of the Year Show in September. The Large Galloway of the Year title went to the top line performer Elmcroft Star Attraction who produced a lovely flowing workout with clear transitions for rider Edwina Wilkes for herself and Jenny Wilkes of Glenorie, Runner Up went to a new horse on the scene Commands Attention for Mrs J Rands and Gina Beck, this very nice moving chestnut mare certainly has a lot of improvement in her and as one would expect was ridden to perfection by 'best in the game' Gina Beck.

### **Hack Classes**

Gina Beck stole all the limelight in the judging of the Small and Large Saddle Hack of the Year – with Small Hack of the Year going the way of the seasoned campaigner Denzel for K Walden and Gina Beck – Denzel produced flowing faultless work, clear transitions and just simple outworked them. Runner Up went to a very impressive type in Hush for the Ellis Family of Glenquarie. Jane Smith was 'over the moon' when hers and J De Wakker's lovely chestnut mare Stroke of Fortune was call forward as the 2005 Large Saddle Hack of the Year, this outstanding mare is a classic example of the Thoroughbred breed – was ridden an absolute treat by Gina, and she appears to me as a mare who could continue to perform exceptionally well at the elite level. Runner Up going to Anthony Hurley's big black thoroughbred gelding Brettony Park What-Eva.

### **Show Hunters**

Queensland Judge Mr Tom Edwards of Marburg had to work through very large classes in the Open Show Hunter section to find his winners. His choice for the Small Show Hunter Pony of the year was Cherrington Sir Jacob for Stacey Thatcher of Marsden Park – with Runner Up going the way of Lauramy Top Gun for E & C & C Morelli of Dapto. The 2005 Large Show Hunter Pony of the Year and the Runner up went to two very successful Show Hunter Ponies in Owendale Lemon Twist named Show Hunter Large Pony of the Year for Kate Treneman and Family of Rossmore and Runner Up going the way of Daisy Patch Brave Heart for the Daisy Patch Stud and the Doyle Family of

The Oaks. The Ellis Family went one better in the Show Hunters when their talented bay gelding Rothwell Kind Regards produced faultless work to take out Show Hunter Galloway of the Year. The Walker Family's Marena Fanfare also worked up to the mark to be named Runner Up. The judging of Show Hunter Hack of the Year was quite a crowd pleaser with the appearance of Skyview Brydie ridden sidesaddle by the accomplished Angela Maree Latter of Luskintyre – also impressing Judge Tom Edwards as Skyview Brydie was his choice as the 2005 Show Hunter Horse of the Year over Runner up Bridget Sell's Universal Law.

### **Riding Classes**

Judges Carmel Perkins, Val Mayger and Nancy Miller did an excellent job adjudicating over very strong Riding Classes. The 2005 Junior Rider of the Year was Annabelle Mulready from Bowral with Runner Up going to Katelyn Stansfield of Tingira Heights. The 12 years & under 15 years class was very strong class – Lauren Tomasi of Jindabyne was extremely happy when she was named Rider of the Year – Runner Up going the way of Nellie Evans. The 2005 rider of the Year for the 15 years & under 17 years section went to Patrick Salway of Cobargo with Runner Up Eliza Meiklejohn of Cowra. The 17 years & under 21 years Rider of the Year completed a double for the boys when Ben Rodgers of Bowral was chosen for the coveted title over Emma Corrigan of Kenthurst. Lady or Gent Rider 21 years and over bought together a exceptionally strong group of riders, finally setting on the experienced Christie Hall of Unanderra for the title of Adult Rider of the Year. Runner Up went the way of Mark Tarrent of Bargo. You can view full results of this show on the Show Horse Council's web page www.showhorsecouncilaust.com.au

# 2005 HYGAIN MASTERS PACIFIC COAST CHAMPIONSHIPS

Special appreciation goes to our four Interstate Judges Donna Button, Toni Harper-Purcell, Frank Thomson & David Ross; Stewards Felicity King, Jody Winning, Trich Korreris & Judy Chapman; Ringmaster Joe Charnock & Marshals John Kosseris & Peter Ryan & all our other helpers who managed to endure the worst of weather conditions to keep faith with those hardy competitors who braved the elements and went out and competed. I have to say that the attitude of all involved on the day was great which really helped a lot.

It was disappointing that conditions did not allow Garlands, Rugs etc. to be awarded in the Presentation Area. Despite this our Winners did have the opportunity to meet & speak with Hygain's National Sales Manager Mr Martin Connell who provided them with their terrific prize of Hygain Feed products. Others who also visited the Hygain Product Display were greatly impressed with the quality and range of their produce and products.

Reward Draw \$200 Hygain Products - Winner was Mastin Family

Winner of D.S.R. Made-To-Measure Bridle was Ms A. Sadnick, Duffys Forest

#### RESULTS

Rider under 12 years; Champion Billie McEvoy – Runner Up Brittanie Dalley

Rider 12 years & under 15 years; Champion Kate Rodgers – Runner Up Charlotte Mastin

Rider 15 years & under 17 years; Champion Alyssa Walsh – Runner Up Maia Murray

Rider 17 years & under 21 years; Champion Rebecca Loveday Runner Up Jemma Lloyd

Rider 21 years & over; Champion Jade Pollard – Runner Up Danielle Colvin

**Hygain Masters Small Pony;** Champion Mystic Dreams C & C Morelli – Runner Up Elvonara Park Georgie Porgie Dalley Family.

**Hygain Masters Large Pony;** Champion Northamptondale Storybook C & B Hall – Runner Up Headley Park Fancy Me K Stansfield, G Colvin & Headley Park.

**Hygain Masters Small Galloway;** Champion Helden Park De La Hoya B & G Johnston – Runner Up Glenbrae Festivity K Pet

**Hygain Masters Large Galloway;** Champion Bayview Midnight Jazz Mastin Family – Runner Up The Meadows Tipperary E & S Corrigan

Hygain Masters Small Hack; Champion Mayfly S & C James – Runner Up Headly Park Allure D Colvin

Hygain Masters Large Hack; Champion D.P. Splash S Abraham – Runner Up Intelligent Star M Oven

**Hygain Masters Small Show Hunter Pony;** Champion Cherrington Sir Jacob S Thatcher – Runner Up Lauramy Top Gun C & E Morelli

**Hygain Masters Large Show Hunter Pony;** Champion Murrum Park Phantom Marfleet Family – Runner Up Teeona Swansong J Parry

**Hygain Masters Show Hunter Galloway;** Champion Sanburn Park Savannah D & C McClelland – Runner Up Willowcroft Wentworth L Kowalczyk

Hygain Masters Show Hunter Hack; Champion Large As Life J Maunder

For full results on the Hygain Masters Pacific Coast Hack Championships visit www.showhorsecouncilaust.com.au

# HORSE OF THE YEAR SURVEY

Results of the recent member's survey that took place to ascertain the most favored location to hold future Horse of the Year events resulted in Hawkesbury Showground being strongly favored over Canberra with SIEC 3<sup>rd</sup> choice. With this in mind, Council at the December meeting passed to move the 2006 Horse of the Year Show back to the Hawkesbury Showground which this year will be held on the 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> October. We thank the member's who took part in the survey and look forward to staging a successful 2006 show at Hawkesbury showground.

# 2006 HORSELAND NORTHERN NSW HACK CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Northern NSW Show Horse Association Inc. formally the Alstonville Allbreeds Inc. has revamped the program for their Grand National Qualifying 2006 Horseland Northern NSW Hack Championships to be held on the 26<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> May at the Lismore Showgrounds.

This year they have added a full Show Hunter program which includes First Season (Newcomer) Led and Ridden, Open Led, Amateur and Preliminary Ridden as well as the Grand National Qualifying Open Ridden Show Hunters. They have also retained the full program for the Show Horses. Due to the time frame needed to accommodate the changes and the system that they use to Judge all the Grand National Qualifying classes (No heats, 3 Judges on a point score) they have decided to start at 1pm on Friday the 26<sup>th</sup> with the Judging of all the Led Classes and the Ridden First Season Classes. Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> will commence at 8am with the Open Riding Classes followed by the Open Show Hunters, Amateur and Preliminary. The Open Hack Classes will commence at 8am on Sunday the 28<sup>th</sup>, they anticipate finishing by 2.30pm. The program for this event will be available mid February on either www.showhorsecouncilaust.com.au or www.emmasshowhorses.com.au

Or email the President Garry.Robson@bigpond.com

# SHOW HORSE COUNCIL YOUTH DEVELOPMENT TRAINING DAY

The SHC Youth coordinator Sharon Molloy reports that the SHC Youth Development Training Day held at Bathurst on the 13<sup>th</sup> January, this year in conjunction with the CTSHA Young Rider's Show and Training Day Weekend was an outstanding success.

20 young riders attended all gaining valuable riding tuition from the experienced and highly respected coaches — Francene Treneman, Pete Richardson, Chris Stevenson and Eileen Gibson. The smaller numbers enabled each rider the opportunity to have a lesson with each of the coaches. The riders and coaches had to endure extremely hot weather and it was a full time job keeping the esky's full of ice and water for their refreshments. The BBQ lunch supplied to all the riders was very much appreciated and special thanks must go to Sue East for preparing the lunches for the coaches.

Sharon would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all riders who participated and thank the coaches – Francene Treneman, Pete Richardson, Chris Stevenson and Eileen Gibson for making this day a successful one, particularly in such extreme weather conditions. Sharon said "it does make all the organizing worth while when you see our young riders smiling faces".

# YOUNG RIDERS SHOW & TRAINING WEEKEND

Central Tablelands Show Horse Association Inc. Young Riders Show and Training Day weekend was held on the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> January at the Bathurst Showground.

The Training Day was well attended with the numbers this year limited to the first 40 Young Riders who paid up. There were quite a few disappointed riders that forgot to pay up due to Christmas, but these riders still turned up on Show Day and had an enjoyable time. The weather over the weekend was extremely hot with horses, riders, coaches, iudges & stewards doing a great job in the extreme heat.

Training Day riders again had four great lessons with each of the coaches – Francene Treneman, Pete Richardson, Chris Stevenson & Eileen Gibson. I am sure that each rider thoroughly enjoyed their lessons and again was given a free BBQ lunch & cold drinks. The day finished early enough that horses could be washed & plaited ready for show day.

Show day awoke with bright sunshine, unlike last year when we received four-inches of rain in an electrical storm causing the show to be postponed to a later date, not so this year, everything went great. The Young Riders enjoyed receiving small prizes for every class winner & of course a big 'thank you' to all our sponsors especially Camelot Rugs for again making our lovely rugs for Champion & Reserve Hack, Galloway & Pony, & saddlecloths for Champion Riders.

Our major winners were:

Best Junior Handler under 9yrs: Annabelle Hoy

Best Junior Handler 9yrs & under 12yrs: Elizabeth Hoy Best Junior Handler 12yrs & under 15yrs: Teegan Marangoni Best Junior Handler 15yrs & under 18yrs: Rachel Molloy Best Junior Handler 18yrs & under 21yrs: Maryann O'Shea

Champion Rider under 12yrs: Elizabeth Hoy
Champion Rider 12yrs & under 15yrs: Lauren Tomasi
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Reserve: Stuart Lavelle
Reserve: Toby Farraway
Reserve: Cameron Wood

Champion Pony: Oaklands Park Momento, Jane Doak Reserve: Sanlirra Honey Pot, Elizabeth Hoy Champion Galloway: Green Gables Greetings, Rachel Molloy Reserve: Dunlem Royal Salute, Lauren Tomasi

Champion Hack: Idol Eyes, Andrew Stone Reserve: Lord Oliver, Cameron Wood

Encouragement Awards: Sarah Lavelle, Alice Godwin, Maryann O'Shea & Ellen Bolger-Rowe

# 2006 Trivett Land Rover Grand National Championships

Show Horse Council Secretary Roma Stonestreet reports preparations are well in hand for the 2006 Trivett Land Rover Grand National Hack and Riding Championships to be held at SIEC Horsley Park on the 31<sup>st</sup> March – 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> April. Roma said that entries are coming in from all States including the Northern Territory and she expects to have all acceptances posted out by early February.

Saturday is a great day for spectators to come along as the Program covers all the Open Hack Sections as well as the popular Show Hunter Hacks, added attractions will include the auction of the Kolbeach Stud Youngstock which will be staged during the Buffet Dinner on Saturday Night. Those wishing to book a seat or table for the Dinner should contact Edwina Cullen on 02 9653 3551 or 0418 115 464.

Your attendance at this 'showcase' of Australasia's finest Show Horses and Riders will also give you the opportunity to select from the vast array of top quality, fashionable merchandise available for both your horse and yourself from the many leading suppliers that will have Trade Stalls set up for the entire weekend.

# Australian Horse Industry Council Press Release

Bushfires are a threat to many horse properties. Are you prepared?

Unfortunately the combination of extreme weather conditions, high temperatures and limited summer rainfall that most of the state experiences, can more often than not produce conditions ideal for very high bushfire danger. Bushfires no matter how small can cause extensive damage to our properties and potentially maim or kill our horses and other livestock. Who can forget the devastation caused by the horrendous fires around the Canberra area a couple of years ago. Are you prepared in the case of a bushfire?

The Australian Horse Industry Council (AHIC) which represents the interests of all persons and the health and welfare of all horses in the Australian horse industry has recently released a Press Release to draw our attention that we as responsible horse owners need to take special precautions and be prepared in the case of bushfires.

On their webpage <a href="www.horsecouncil.org.au/content.asp">www.horsecouncil.org.au/content.asp</a> you can view or down load a host of informative information which includes, an informative article compiled by Dr Patricia Ellis and Hilary Pope on Horses and Bushfires. Also of interest is the Horse Safe Code of Practice which is a 31 page document.

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