

**EQUESTRIAN SECTION CONVENORS: Nancye Jack and Kristin  
Lawrence**

**PLEASE NOTE: NUMBER HOLDERS WILL BE  
REQUIRED BY ALL COMPETITORS FOR OUR  
EQUESTRIAN COMPETITORS (Excludes  
Showjumping)**

PLEASE NOTE: A limited amount of float parking will be available at the Eastern End of the Grounds.

PLEASE NOTE; Sections that are qualifiers for Horse of the Year (HOY) are listed as "Qualifying Section" including Riding classes

The following Sections are **Non Qualifying Section** events at this year's show: Led Ponies, Led Horse, Rider over Fences and Cobs.

**CONDITIONS:**

1. To be on the ground ready for judging by 8.00am.
2. To be eligible for District classes Horse or Pony must be owned by a resident of the Ashburton district and ridden by owner or a resident of the Ashburton district including Partnerships or lease- see Rule 22.
3. DEFINITION OF A NOVICE - A Novice is a HORSE or PONY that has not won 6 first in conformation classes (including Ladies & Gentlemen's Hack Classes) at any A&P show up to the first day of the Show. If 6 wins are gained after the close of entries, the Competitor must advise the Secretary's Office, and may transfer to an open class or a refund actioned after the show. A Novice Paced & Mannered Horse/Pony is one which has not won 6 first in Paced & Mannered classes.
  - 3a. Novice pony exhibits (except Novice Pony Stallions) may be ridden by a rider of any age, in novice pony classes only
  - 3b. All Novice pony classes are open to riders of any age, in novice pony classes only, except that special rules are in place for ridden stallions (see Age of Riders)
4. NOVICE CHEATING within three months of the show, a person found to have knowingly entered Novice ineligibly, that the A&P Association reserve the right to publicly withdraw those ribbons or prizes
5. Novice and Open Horses/Ponies must carry Height Certificates and Performance Cards, failure to do so will result in elimination. The Central Districts of the Royal Agricultural Society collates all A&P Show results to enable Secretaries to keep a record of all Novice Wins.
6. All riding classes to be ridden astride.
7. All horses entered must CARRY a current height certificate either;
  - (a) R.A.S. Life Certificate
  - (b) R.A.S. Annual Certificate
8. Horses entered in the Standardbred Classes must carry a recognized Standardbred brand.
9. Saddle Horses and Ponies may not exhibit as Cobs or vice versa.

10. Some overnight accommodation on the grounds is available on application (see entry form). The acceptance of your entry fee does not guarantee that stabling requirements will be allocated as requested Phone Kristin 027 712 4758

11. The use of temporary yards is prohibited at all times.

12. 80% refunds of entry fees will only be made on production of a Veterinary Certificate or Medical Certificate to be dated stating when injury or illness occurred. To be received by Show Secretary no later than seven days after last day of Show.

13. Only on the production of a Veterinary Certificate may an original entry be replaced by a substitute the name of the owner of the original entry on written notification to the Secretary.

14. Ponies under 3 years old may not be shown in saddle classes.

16. Grand Parade will be held in the judging rings at 2.00 p.m. on Saturday and all prize winners are required to parade.

17. Prize money will be handed out in the judging ring along with the award ribbons.

18. Prize money in ALL horse events (except ESNZ Jumping Classes) will be paid out on a ratio of 1 to 3 on entries received, up to 4 placings.

**19. HORSE MEASURING WILL BE BY PRIOR ARRANGEMENT ONLY - \$31.00 PER HORSE FOR NEW MEASURES. Phone Rachel Edmonstone 027 200 1538. Annual Measure \$21.00, Youngstock Measure \$11.00, Replacement Certificates (through RAS Head Office) \$76.00**

20. Clean Sport testing may be carried out under the Rules of the Royal Agricultural Society, Section CS 1-8. These Rules are available for inspection at the Horse Back Number Office.

21. The exhibitors entering or competing at the Show shall be deemed to accept and be bound by these Regulations, Bylaws and Procedures.

22. All entries must be made in the name of the bona fide owner of the exhibit. A bona fide owner shall include a PARTNERSHIP or LEASE registered with the R.A.S. prior to closing of entries A Lease must be for a term of not less than six months and must be registered with the R.A.S. Head Office

23. Restricted classes are excluded from points prizes.

24. Championship Judging First placegetters in Conformation Classes only to parade for Championship Judging. Second placegetters to standby. The second placegetters to the Champion only to parade for Reserve Champion judging with first placegetters.

25. Late entries in Show Jumping classes, a 50% penalty will apply, and such competitors will be required to ride first.

**26. All Equestrian Trophies will be engraved following the show and will remain at the showgrounds in the trophy cabinet. Some trophies may be able to be uplifted but this will be at the discretion of the association (due to damaged and lost trophies in recent years)**

**27. ALL CLASS TRANSFERS WILL BE CHARGED \$2 TRANSFER FEE PER CLASS.**

28. A \$5 fee will be charged for a Judges/Course Designers Fund, to be used at the discretion of the Ashburton A&P Association towards reimbursing equestrian Judges for some travel expenses incurred

29. Whips to be no longer than 76cms.

30. FEI entries for Friday and Saturday competition must be lodged on BOTH an A&P Association and ESNZ entry form.

31. "This show supports the RAS 'yellow card' system which will operate in the Equestrian Section of all RAS affiliated Shows and will be offered for any inappropriate behavior towards show officials, judges, fellow competitors or any other third party connected with the show bringing the equestrian discipline into disrepute, or cases which are of a less serious nature to the above in accordance with the conduct of members, owners, lessees, competitors and/or exhibitors as provided in the RAS equestrian competitors and judges rulebook. Implementation of the 'Yellow Card' will be in accordance of the RAS rules that accompanied this card, and full wording of the 'Yellow Card' system is available to view on the RAS website

**32 .RAS Rule J 20 - "No competitor/exhibitor or member of their family shall approach a Judge in regard to a decision unless they first obtain the permission of the Show/Event's - Convenor / Equestrian Convenor / Manager/Ring Master/Steward, the most senior of whom shall carry the decision on the day"** All protests must be in writing, and may be lodged with the Secretary either before or after the Judges have proceeded to their duties. The parties entering a protest must deposit \$50 cash, the deposit to be returned if the protest is sustained. If the protest is to be lodged before the Judges proceed to their duties, the onus of proof rests with the exhibitor, if after the judging is complete the onus of proof to rest with the party protesting. No protest will be received later than two hours after awards are made and the prize tickets are affixed. The Protest Committee will decide all protests as soon as practicable, and there shall be no appeal from their decision.

33. Equestrian Levy: All Equestrian Entry Fees include an RAS Levy of \$1 per Class,

#### **Stallions/Colts**

34.RAS Rule CDE 14

- a) All stallions and colts (with the exception of Foals and Miniature Horses and Shetland Pony Yearlings) must be shown in a bit.
- b) A Steward will order any stallion/colt considered out of control or to be causing undue disquiet to other horses from the ring without recourse from the stallion/colt's owner/exhibitor/competitor.
- c) It is compulsory for all stallions and colts, except foals, to wear two (2) official 'S' identification badges, one attached to each side of their bridle, at all Shows/Events at all times. The rider/handler must also wear two RAS official (2) armbands (one on each arm) when in the ring. 'S' badges to be purchased from RAS Head Office or ESNZ; armbands from RAS Head Office.
- d) Handlers and Riders of stallions/colts must wear an approved Hi Viz vest at Shows/Events when outside the showing ring. Vests can be purchased from RAS Head Office.

Refer to RAS Rule Book under Stallions

35. Committee reserves the right to combine, delete or amend classes at its discretion.

36.Stables, Covered Yards or Open Yards that remain uncleaned at the conclusion of the show will have an invoice sent for cleaning costs.

#### **37. SADDLERY AND ACCESSORIES**

The following are not allowed when horses or ponies are being ridden on the grounds at an affiliated show/events, nor shall a rider be lunged on a Horse or Pony with any of the following equipment attached to a bridle. Nosebands other than caveseons combined with Double Bridles or running reins used in conjunction with Double Bridles or other curb bits, Market Harborough, Bearing reins, Tie downs, Gags, Aide reins, or any other equipment not specifically listed here that could force or tie a horse or pony into a frame, and thereby be deemed cruel or come under the mistreatment rule. also refer to RAS Rules GR5

#### **38. NOVICE CLASSIFICATIONS**

a) A Novice exhibit or rider is one that has yet to win six (6) classes in any division within the competitions provided at any A & P Show/Event.

Note: To clarify further, at time of first day of the Show/Event competition:

If you have 0, 1 or 2 wins - you can enter the 0-2 wins class

If you have 0,1, 2 or 3 wins you can enter the 0-3 class

If you have 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5 wins - you can enter the 0-5 wins class.

Once you have achieved 6 wins in Confirmation (and this includes Ladies & Gents classes) and/or Paced & Mannered classes, you can no longer enter in Novice classes in that category.

b) All wins, whether they be Novice or Open, at all affiliated RAS Shows/Events including the NZ Horse of the Year (HOY) show must be recorded on the RAS Certificate and/or Performance Card, until six wins are achieved.

### 39. GR4.. HATS AND SAFETY HELMETS

a)In all cases current Work Safe New Zealand rules prevail.

b) All riders, including harness drivers/with the exclusion of heavy horse (Clydesdale) working classes, competing at RAS affiliated A&P Shows/Events must wear protective headgear, which includes a retaining harness secured to the shell at more than two points. Such headgear must be worn with the chinstrap properly adjusted and fastened when in the arena or ring, the practice area, collecting rings or anywhere else within a Showgrounds or the grounds of an affiliated Event..

c)Hats/helmets must conform with one of the current approved safety standards and be tagged with an official NZPCA/ESNZ tag to show compliance with standard... These standards may be subject to change but the latest list can be found at <http://www.ras.org.nz> - equestrian. RAS will advise any changes via their website and Facebook.

d)All hats/helmets that conform as per c) must be identified by the current tag system implemented by NZPCA, ESNZ and RAS.

### 40. SCALE OF POINTS

Champ	Res Champ	1st	2nd	3rd	VHC
3	2	5	3	2	1

**FRIDAY**

### **HORSE EVENTS**

ANNOUNCERS: D Rawlinson Friday and Saturday, Susan Harvey Ring 2 Saturday

PHOTOGRAPHERS FOR EQUESTRIAN: Mayson Downie Photography, Elise Ford Photography and The Art of Michelle Clarke

SUPREME SADDLE HORSE & SUPREME SADDLE PONY will be presented with Horse Rugs kindly Sponsored by **THE TRUST ASHBURTON**

**BAYLEYS** kindly sponsor Ring 1

**MAINLAND COACHWORK LTD** kindly sponsor Ring 3

**TINWALD CANVAS AND UPHOLSTERY, SUPREME EQUINE HORSE FEEDS, DUNCAN NORRIE FARRIER, and CANTERBURY VETS** sponsor prize money in the Horse Showing sections.

**EVANS ANIMAL FEEDS** donate prize money in the Hunter section

????? Supreme Champion Horse Garland and **ELECTRASERVE** donate Armbands for Champion Horse Rider. **WHOLESALE SEEDS LTD** donate Supreme Champion Pony Garland and **TINWALD CANVAS AND UPHOLSTERY** donate an Armband for Champion Pony Rider

**LAKEWAY NURSERY** supply plants and D & E Tractors supply tractors to the Horse Section

**BELLA VISTA MOTELS** sponsors accommodation to our visiting judges

**FARRIER** services available

**ON CALL VET** Mountainview Equine 03 3071111

**VETLIFE ASHBURTON LUCKY BACK NUMBER** - 2 X \$50 vouchers will be available to equine exhibitors participating in the Grand Parade on Saturday at 2.00pm.

Committee reserves the right to combine, delete or amend classes at its discretion.

Novice Horses may enter in Open Classes.

***COMPETITORS PLEASE ENSURE YOU THANK OUR SPONSORS***