



# 2015 Tasmanian Horse of the Year and Rider Championships National Qualifier

24<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> January 2015  
Pontville Equestrian Centre

**Major Sponsors – Hygain & Horseland Launceston**



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**ALL ENTRIES CLOSE**

Midnight Friday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2015 with [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)

**MEASURING**

**No measuring on the day – please contact Laurie Smith on 0417 651 477 if measuring required.**

**THE ARISTOCRAT SPORTSMAN AWARD**

(Sponsored by Leanne Moore) Awarded to both a Senior and Junior Member who in the opinion of the Judges displays sportsman qualities throughout the event.

**Perpetual Trophy to remain with Leanne, momento given to winners.**

## General Rules and Conditions

- 1. The 2015 Tasmanian Horse of the Year and Rider Championships** ( the “Event”) is to be run under the rules, regulations, policies and codes of Equestrian Australian (“EA”) and Equestrian Tasmanian (“ET”) insofar as they are applicable to this Event (the “Rules”). We strongly recommend that all competitors obtain a copy of the Rules from the Equestrian Australia website. Go to <http://www.equestrian.org.au/policies> for general rules and <http://www.equestrian.org.au/showhorse> for National Show Horse Rules. The Rules may change, be added or updated by EA as of 1/1/15
- 2. Specific rules also apply to State Horse of the Year and Rider Championship classes that qualify for the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships (see pages 5 to 7).**
- 3. Conflicts of Interest**

The Event will also be run in accordance with the EA Conflict of Interest Policy and the selection of judges by the EA National Office has been undertaken in accordance with that policy and the Rules. A copy of the EA Conflicts of Interest policy can be found at <http://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/Equestrian%20Australia%20Conflict%20of%20Interest%20policy.pdf>
- 4. Online entries only will be accepted.** Entry for this year’s Event will be by Credit Card or Direct Deposit only at time of entry. To enter go online to [www.nominate.com](http://www.nominate.com) Please see back of schedule on what to do. Horses must be EA registered and Owners/riders financial at time of time.
- 5. Close of Entries**

Midnight 09/01/2015. No entry will be accepted after this time or date.
- 6. Acceptances**

An acceptance list and timetable will be posted on the ET Website by 17/1/2015.
- 7. Changes to submitted entries**

Will incur a fee of \$20 after close of entries until 20th January 2014. After this, no changes are permitted.
- 8. Refund Policy**

Entry fees will not be refunded after the close of entries. Scratchings prior to the close of entries will incur a \$20 administration fee. In the event of a horse or rider being unfit to compete, a medical or vet certificate must be received by the office within the preceding 72hours of competition. Certificates can be emailed or posted to the ET office [manger.tas@equestrian.org.au](mailto:manger.tas@equestrian.org.au)
- 9. Administration Fee**

All Competitors must pay the compulsory, non-refundable administration fee of \$10.00 PER COMPETITOR at the time of entry.
- 10. Protests**

Protests will be handled in accordance with Section 1.5 of the EA National Show Horse Rules.
- 11. Measuring**

There is no measuring on the day due to unavailability of EA-compliant measuring facilities. Please contact Laurie Smith on 0417 651 477 prior to closing date of entries so that arrangements can be

made to have your Horse/Pony measured.

**All members are required to carry the Horse's Certificate of Registration, current Height certificates and membership cards at official EA events.**

## **12. Membership and Horse Registration**

All Horses and Ponies must be registered with Equestrian Australia Ltd and at least any one owner/lessee must be a current financial member of Equestrian Tasmania at the time of entry and registration papers must also be in the name of the owner or lessee at the time of entry.

Forms can be downloaded from [www.tas.equestrian.org.au](http://www.tas.equestrian.org.au), or membership can be applied for online.

All persons riding on the grounds [whether competing or not] on either day of competition are required to be financial ET members.

**All riders in all classes must be current ET members at the time of entry. INTERSTATE RIDERS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO RIDE AT THIS EVENT.**

## **13. Swabbing**

The use of prohibited substances in your horse is not tolerated. Swabbing of horses will be conducted in accordance with the EA Medication Control Policy.

## **14. Class restrictions**

Horses are to be shown as either Show Horse or Show Hunter with the exception of Show Hunters being allowed to compete in the Leading Rein, First Ridden, Intermediate and Rising Star sections.

## **15. Rider classes**

Riders may only compete in the class for which they are eligible.

Age of Rider is as at 1 January in the year of competition.

Riders must be a current Equestrian Tasmania member at time of entry.

If a rider has competed in an EA Rider of the Year in the current year, they are not eligible to compete in another EA Rider of the Year show in the same year.

Riding class mounts are to be EA registered.

## **16. Horse/Pony classes (Including leading rein and show hunters)**

With the exception of Rider Class mounts and Newcomer classes, Horses and Ponies must be domiciled in Tasmania for 3 months immediately prior to the event.

All Horses/Ponies entered must be 3 years of age or over – age taken as at 1 August 2014.

## **17. Prizes**

Winners and runners up in the relevant classes are eligible to represent Tasmania at the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships in December 2015.

All Prizes must be collected on the day; if they are not collected, you forfeit your prize.

## **18. Newcomer Classes - Guidelines**

Definition of "Newcomer" - A Horse or Pony that has not competed in ANY SADDLE CLASS, EVENT, OR DISCIPLINE UNDER SADDLE in any State/Territory prior to a date determined by each State/Territory in which the horse resides and is registered (horse racing is exempt).

For Tas HOTY 2015, not to have been shown prior to 27/1/2014.

A Pony that has only competed in Leading Rein or Miniature Turnouts and has not competed off the lead is eligible to be considered a Newcomer.

A horse that has competed in breed classes under saddle is not eligible to be considered a Newcomer prior to 27/1/2014.

Any horse competing in Newcomers must be registered with ET prior to closing date of entries.

The horse's first competition under saddle must be in the state whose HOTY it will compete in.  
The owner and rider must be a financial member of the EA prior to closing date of entries.  
The horse must have a current EA measurement certificate.  
The horse must be shown in a snaffle bridle.  
The horse may compete in the relevant State HOTY event as its first competition.  
The horse may compete in the Open section at the HOTY subject to State/Territory qualifying rules and domicile rules where applicable.  
Stallions are ineligible to compete.  
Exhibits entering the Newcomer Section/s must complete the attached Statutory Declaration stating that the exhibit meets the criteria to be eligible to compete and has not been shown under saddle prior to 27/1/2014. This needs to be returned to the ET office by the closing date of entries.

**19. Intermediate**

"Intermediate" means a Horse or Pony that has not won a first place at a Royal or National Show or placed in the top 5 at a Horse of the Year event. However if the horse placed top five at a HOTY event with only 5 in the event, and all other parameters are met, the horse will be considered an intermediate.

**20. Leading Rein Pony**

Leading Rein Ponies must be 12hh and under. Rider must be 5 years and under the age of 8 years.

**21. Rising Star**

"Rising Star" means a Horse or Pony that is between its first and third year of showing.

**22. First Ridden Pony**

First Ridden Pony must not exceed 12.2hh.

Age of rider to be 12 years and under on day of show.

Ponies to be ridden in a snaffle bridle, ponies are expected to walk and trot on the circle. A work out will be given on the day that MAY include canter at the judge's discretion. No qualifications are required for this class.

**23. Owner/Rider**

"Owner/Rider" means a Horse or Pony that is ridden by a person who is also one of the EA registered owners or lessees of that Horse/Pony, and who is also a financial member of ET.

**24. Thoroughbred Cups**

Entry open to all Horses that display Thoroughbred qualities.

**25. Cruelty**

No cruelty will be tolerated. Any rider/handler engaging in practices that the ground jury/organizing committee consider to be cruel or any practice that falls within the EA guidelines for cruelty will be asked to leave the event whether they have competed in their respective class or not.

**26. Disclaimer of Liability**

To the maximum extent permitted under law, neither EA, ET, the Pontville Equestrian Centre, the Event organisers or the Brighton Council liability for any accident, damage, loss, theft, injury or illness caused to owners, riders, horses, spectators or any person or property whatsoever.

**MEMBERS NB:** The ET office will be closed for the Christmas break from December 19th and will reopen on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> January 2015. Online membership and Horse Registration will be available during this period. Please forward a copy of your receipt with your entry as proof of membership and registration.

# Rules for State Horse of the Year and Rider Championships (as at 8 August 2014)

These rules are to be adhered to by the State Organising Committees in the conduct of State Horse of the Year and Rider Championships and only refer to those classes that qualify horses/riders for the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships. All State HOTY Programs are to refer to the EA Conflicts of Interest Policy (which can be obtained from the EA website [www.equestrian.org.au](http://www.equestrian.org.au)).

1. The event is to be conducted under the rules and by-laws of Equestrian Australia.
2. Horses must be registered with Equestrian Australia Ltd and at least one owner/lessee must be a current financial member of that State and registration papers be in the name of the owner or lessee at the time of entry.
3. Horses can only be shown at a State HOTY by a financial member of that State.
4. Show Horse, Show Hunter, Leading Rein Classes - all horses must have a current Equestrian Australia height certificate.
5. Rider of the Year Classes – Riders may only compete in the class for which they are eligible. Age is as of 1<sup>st</sup> January in the year of competition.
6. Show Horse, Show Hunter, Leading Rein and Rider of the Year Classes - All riders must be members of EA in the State in which the event is being held.
7. **Show Horse, Show Hunter and Leading Rein Classes:**  
Horses/Ponies must be:
  - a. currently financial EA registered at time of entry;
  - b. domiciled in that State (including, where appropriate within a 100 km radius of a border) for a total period of 3 months immediately preceding the date of that State's Horse of the Year Event;
  - c. 3 years of age or over as at 1 August.
8. **Rider Classes**  
Horses/Ponies must be:
  - a. currently financial EA registered at time of entry;
  - b. 3 years of age or over as at 1 August.
9. **Newcomer Classes**  
Horses/Ponies must be:
  - a. Currently financial EA registered at time of entry;
  - b. 3 years of age or over as at 1 August.

However, if the horse has not competed under saddle (with the exception of horse racing) in any state prior to purchase and is registered and eligible/qualified in the state in which it is to compete by closing date of entries it shall be eligible to compete in that respective state's HOTY.

## 10. Interstate HOTY

- a. Show Horse, Show Hunter and Leading Rein classes – if a horse has competed in a qualifying class at an EA HOTY in the current year in another State it is not eligible to compete in another HOTY competition in the same calendar year (excludes horses being used in rider competitions).

- b. Rider Classes - if a rider has competed in an EA HOTY in the current year in a qualifying class in another State they are not eligible to compete in another HOTY in the same calendar year.
- c. Show Hunters - if a horse/pony is entered in Show Hunter at a State HOTY, it will be precluded from entering the State Horse of the Year as a Show Horse.

#### **11. To judge State Horse of the Year**

- a. Judges must have a minimum of two years' experience on a State or National list.
- b. A maximum of two judges from any one state are permitted.
- c. Judges will be randomly selected by EA National Office.
- d. Selected Judges will need to accept or decline the offer to Judge at the State HOTY, by signing and returning the Judging Form to EA.

All State Committees that do not adhere to these rules render all riders and horses ineligible for competing at that year's Australasian Horse and Rider Championships.

#### **12. State Show Horse and Rider championships Classes**

##### **a. Show Horse Classes**

- i. Small Show Pony 12hh and under (rider 14 years and under)
- ii. Medium Show Pony over 12hh and not exceeding 13hh (Rider any age)
- iii. Large Show Pony over 13hh and not exceeding 14hh (Rider any age)
- iv. Small Galloway over 14hh and not exceeding 14.2hh
- v. Large Galloway over 14.2hh and not exceeding 15hh
- vi. Small Hack over 15hh and not exceeding 16hh
- vii. Large Hack over 16hh

##### **b. Show Hunter Classes**

- i. Small Show Hunter Pony 12hh and under (Rider 14 years and under)
- ii. Medium Show Hunter Pony over 12hh and not exceeding 13hh (Rider any age)
- iii. Large Show Hunter Pony over 13hh and not exceeding 14hh (Rider any age)
- iv. Galloway over 14hh and not exceeding 14.2hh
- v. Galloway over 14.2hh and not exceeding 15hh
- vi. Small Hack over 15hh and not exceeding 16hh
- vii. Large Hack over 16hh

##### **c. Rider Classes**

- i. Rider under 12 years
- ii. Rider 12, 13 & 14 years
- iii. Rider 15, 16 & 17 years
- iv. Rider 18 years and over

##### **d. Leading Rein Class**

- i. Rider 5 years & under 8 (Ponies not exceeding 12hh).

13. Random swabbing will take place in accordance with the EA Medication Control Policy.

14. Judges must be randomly selected by the EA National office from the EA Show Horse Judges Manual.
15. The Judge's decision is final.
16. As a minimum, a winner and runner-up is to be sashed and announced at the event.
17. In qualifying Show Horse, Show Hunter and Rider classes three judges must be used as per the majority rules.
18. Results of winners and runners-up, and the names of all Finalists (top 10) to be sent to the relevant EA State Branch Office. 3<sup>rd</sup> place getters may be invited, only if the Winner or Runner-up declines to go.
19. Judges who have accepted to Judge at a State Horse of the Year and Rider Championships will not accept a Judging appointment in similar classes for a Royal Show in the same State within a 12 month period.
20. The Ring Master and Judge's host must be independent and this must be reflected in the State's program.
21. A scorer may not officiate any class where they have a Conflict of Interest or in which the Conflict of Interest arises.

## Classes

**\*Denotes a qualifying class for the Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships**

### Show Horse Classes

- 1 Newcomer Show Pony not exceeding 14hh
- 2 Newcomer Show Galloway over 14hh and not exceeding 15hh
- 3 Newcomer Show Hack over 15hh
- 4 Owner/Rider Show Pony not exceeding 14hh
- 5 Owner/Rider Show Galloway over 14hh and not exceeding 15hh
- 6 Owner/Rider Show Hack over 15hh and not exceeding 16hh
- 7 Hygain Small Show Pony 12 hh and under (Rider 14 years and under)\*
- 8 Hygain Medium Show Pony over 12hh and not exceeding 13hh (Rider any age)\*
- 9 Hygain Large Show Pony over 13hh and not exceeding 14hh (Rider any age)\*
- 10 Hygain Small Show Galloway over 14 hh and not exceeding 14.2hh\*
- 11 Large Show Galloway over 14.2 hh and not exceeding 15hh\*
- 12 Hygain Small Show Hack 15hh and not exceeding 16 hh\*
- 13 Hygain Large Show Hack over 16 hh\*
- 14 Thoroughbred Open Cup – Garland and Rug Proudly Sponsored by Bowthorpe Stud

### Show Hunter Classes

- 15 Newcomer Show Hunter Pony not exceeding 14hh
- 16 Newcomer Show Hunter Galloway over 14hh & not exceeding 15hh
- 17 Newcomer Show Hunter Hack over 15hh
- 18 Owner/Rider Show Hunter Pony not exceeding 14hh
- 19 Owner/Rider Show Hunter Galloway over 14hh & not exceeding 15hh
- 20 Owner/Rider Show Hunter Hack over 15hh
- 21 Horseland Launceston Small Show Hunter Pony 12 hh & under (Rider 14 years and under)\*
- 22 Horseland Launceston Medium Show Hunter Pony over 12hh & not exceeding 13hh (Rider any age)\*
- 23 Horseland Launceston Large Show Hunter Pony over 13 hh & not exceeding 14 hh (Rider any age)\*
- 24 Horseland Launceston Small Show Hunter Galloway over 14hh and not exceeding 14.2hh\*
- 25 Horseland Launceston Large Show Hunter Galloway over 14.2hh & not exceeding 15hh\*
- 26 Horseland Launceston Small Show Hunter Hack over 15hh & not exceeding 16hh\*

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27 Horseland Launceston Large Show Hunter Hack over 16hh\*

28 Thoroughbred Hunter Cup – Sponsored by LeFevre Equine

### Leading Rein/First Ridden

29 Leading Rein Pony 12hh and under (riders must be between 5 and 8 Years of age)\*

30 First Ridden – Pony not exceeding 12.2hh/ Rider under 12yrs

### Rising Star/Intermediate Classes (open to both Show Horse and Show Hunter)

31 Rising Star Pony not exceeding 14hh

32 Rising Star Galloway over 14hh and not exceeding 15hh

33 Rising Star Hack over 15hh and not exceeding 16hh

34 Intermediate Pony not exceeding 14hh

35 Intermediate Galloway 14hh and not exceeding 15hh

36 Intermediate Hack 15hh and not exceeding 16hh

### Rider Classes

37 Junior Championship under 12 years\*

38 Intermediate Championship: 12, 13 & 14 years\*

39 Intermediate Senior Championship: 15, 16 & 17 years\*

40 Senior Rider Championship 18 years and over\*

#### FEES

Newcomer:	\$25
Owner/Rider:	\$25
Rising Star:	\$25
Intermediate:	\$25
Riding:	\$40
Show Horse:	\$40
Hunters:	\$40
First Ridden:	\$25
Leading Rein:	\$40
TB Cups:	\$25

## How to Enter

Go to [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)

1. Choose Equestrian from the right hand side of the screen.
2. Choose Show Horse from the left hand side of the screen.
3. Click on the Events tab at the top of the screen.
4. This will bring up a list of current events.
5. Find Tasmanian Horse of the Year and Rider Championship event. You can click on the event name for more information or click on Nominate at the right hand side of the screen to enter.
6. Once in the entry form, on the first page, enter all of your personal details. You will also need to choose stabling on this page. Click next at the bottom right hand side of the screen to move forward.
7. This will take you to the class/horse entry page. Tick the box beside each class that you wish to enter for this horse. You can only enter 1 horse at a time, but can enter multiple horses on the same entry form. Once classes are chosen, enter the horse name and EA number, exhibitor details and owner details. If you are only entering 1 horse, click next to move forward. If you are entering multiple horses or different exhibitors, click Add horse/class button. This will save this horse's classes and allow you to add the next horse's classes. Keep adding until all have been entered and then click next to move forward.
8. You will be taken to the indemnity/waiver page. Click I accept to move forward.
9. This will take you to the payment page and the final stage of the entry. Enter your credit card details and hit pay now. Once payment has been processed, you will be taken to a receipt page. Your entry is now in and finalised. You will also receive a receipt via email.
10. If you are paying via direct deposit, please contact Nominate on 07 3118 9555 or [nominate@nominate.com.au](mailto:nominate@nominate.com.au) for further information.

**STATUTORY DECLARATION**  
***OATHS ACT 2001***

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I make this solemn declaration under the *Oaths Act 2001*.

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Before me.....

*(Justice, Commissioner for Declarations or authorised person)*