



Incorporating the  
EQUESTRIAN VICTORIA STATE HORSE AND RIDER SHOW HORSE AND RIDER TITLES

### COMPETITOR INFORMATION

Thank you for entering the 2024 Barastoc Horse of the Year show.

To ensure the smooth running of the show we ask that you read the following information carefully and please convey the information to all children taking part.

**SHOW HORSE RULES available:**

[https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/MARKED%20NATIONAL\\_SHOW%20HORSE\\_RULES%20JAN%202024.pdf](https://www.equestrian.org.au/sites/default/files/MARKED%20NATIONAL_SHOW%20HORSE_RULES%20JAN%202024.pdf)

### COMPETITION OFFICE HOURS

The Competition Office/Marquee will be situated next to the Announcer's Van during the days of the show. Competition Office hours will be:

Thursday 8 February	Marquee office main arena 3pm – 6.00pm
Friday 9 February	Marquee office main arena 7.00am - conclusion
Saturday 10 February	Marquee office main arena 7.00am - conclusion
Sunday 11 February	Marquee Office main arena 7.00am - conclusion

### COMPETITOR EXHIBIT NUMBERS

Breastplate numbers will be provided for this show and must be collected from the Competition Office, **ONLY ON PRESENTATION OF A CURRENT EA HEIGHT CERTIFICATE** whereupon the horse's height will be stamped on the number.

Horses without a current height certificate must be measured before obtaining a breastplate number and the certificate issued by the measurers on the day must be taken to the Competition Office to facilitate number collection.

**NO HEIGHT CERTIFICATE / NO NUMBER / NO START / NO EXCEPTIONS**

### MEASURING

The measuring bays are situated at the western end of Indoor Arena 2

**All horses must be registered for measuring at**

<https://nominate.com.au/EquestDn/Event.aspx?e=7E5F05D1E34D4C3EAF1DDEA86E0449BE&eventlist=48>

**Please book measuring early, there will be no 'walk ups'. Bookings open on 15 January and close on Sunday 4 February 9.00pm**

Measurers will be in attendance at the following times:

Thursday 8 February 2.00pm - 6.00pm

Friday 9 February 7.00am - 12.00pm

Saturday 10 February 7.30am - 10.30am

Sunday 11 February no measuring

Horses must be in the care of an adult, bitted, and you must have your registration papers with you. Please bring any expired certificates as your horse may be eligible for a Life Height Certificate if it meets the criteria. (\$50 fee)

**EQUIPMENT**

**Exhibitors must be aware of and comply with Section 3 of the National Show Horse Rules effective from 1/1/21, (EA Website) in particular the description of a bit and bradoon. Curb chains must be worn as shown in the diagram of bits.**

**A lip strap is not a curb chain.**

**Random checking of equipment will take place.**

**WORK AREAS**

Exhibitors – please DO NOT use the Barastoc Main Arenas 1 and 2 & 3 for working horses.

A familiarisation time has been allocated for Thursday 9 February from 4.00pm to 5.00pm

Other familiarisation times will be on Friday, Saturday and Sunday from 7.00am to 7.45am

This time is allocated for the convenience of exhibitors for familiarisation only and is not intended for working horses down.

**Therefore, riders are restricted to WALKING ONLY DURING ALL FAMILIARISATION TIMES to preserve the surface for 3 days of competition. HORSES MUST BE MOUNTED (not led).**

- No lunging will be allowed on the main arenas.
- Horses are prohibited from the main arenas at night.
- Both indoor arenas will be closed for use by show horses.
- The WPNEC sand dressage arenas are not available for working horses.
- **The Polo Fields are strictly out of bounds.**
- All Saturday's breed rings are available for working horses on Friday.
- On Saturday any Breed arena is available for working once the classes in those arenas have finished.
- On Sunday Breed arenas from Saturday will be available for working horses.

## **STATE TITLE CLASSES**

All three judges will contribute to the selection of the Top Ten exhibits and at the same time choose their winner, runner-up and third placegetter in accordance with EA Rules for State Championships.

All horses in State Title classes will be viewed briefly on the circle together. If there are more than 12 exhibits there will be heats. When the last horse in the last heat exits the horses will commence their individual workouts. Every horse or rider in the class will do an individual workout which will be posted on the website prior to the show.

After the last horse has completed their workout all horses will come back into the ring to line up before the judges for final inspection. Scores will then be collected and until the placings are ready for announcing judges must stand apart. If a rider is needed in another ring the horse may, at this stage, be held or led for presentation.

Workouts are available on the Barastoc website <https://barastochoty.org.au/>

Where possible competitors will work out in numerical order as per the program.

A rider may ride two separate exhibits in the workout only. Another rider must take the exhibit in the preliminary (circle) judging and into the presentation. The marshal must be advised of your intentions so adjustments can be made to the order of the individual workouts where time is short.

**State Title classes** – the 'go round' is compulsory. At the conclusion of individual workouts and after the judge's final horse inspection competitors will be asked to go on a circle at walk while scoring is finalised and the top ten will be called in.

## **CONFLICT OF TIMES**

The event timing does not allow for classes to be held at any time.

In a show of this size and time frame, we expect that some riders who are engaged in both rings simultaneously will have clashes and we ask that you help us to help you by advising the marshals of each arena when you will be required in another arena and leave your horse with an attendant. This way we can move you forward or back in the order of individual workouts.

With your co-operation we can ensure that all riders compete in their chosen classes. To our knowledge no competitor has ever missed their class at Barastoc.

## **SWABBING**

Random swabbing will take place on all three days.

If you are called back for swabbing, please take your registration papers and have an assistant with you to hold the horse for ID by the vet while paperwork is completed.

## **OFF THE TRACK CLASSES**

These classes will have one judge and be conducted in the conventional manner – i.e. all exhibits on the circle from which selections are made then a workout of selected competitors. The workout is available on the Barastoc website <https://barastochoty.org.au/>

## **BARASTOC SUPREME PERFORMER CLASSES**

These classes will have two judges rotating and will be judged in the conventional manner – i.e., all exhibits on the circle from which selections are made then an individual workout of selected competitors which has been chosen by the judge.

### **PETER GAHAN MEMORIAL TROPHY**

Peter Gahan Memorial Trophy will be judged by one judge. The workout is available on the Barastoc website: <https://barastochoty.org.au/>

### **OWNER RIDER HOME PRODUCED CLASSES**

These classes will be judged as per the state title class format. There will be a set workout, available on the Barastoc website <https://barastochoty.org.au/>

### **NEWCOMER CLASSES**

All horses in Newcomer classes will be viewed briefly on the circle together. If more than 12 exhibits there will be heats. When the last horse in the last heat exits the horses will commence their individual workouts. Every horse or rider in the class will do an individual workout which will be posted on the website prior to the show.

There will be a set workout, available on the Barastoc website <https://barastochoty.org.au/>

The judge will record their results and the results will go to the announcer while horses line up for presentation.

### **THE EA AUSTRALASIAN SHOW HORSE AND RIDER CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Equestrian Victoria will record all Barastoc Horse of the Year results. State Title class results provide a record of qualifications for The EA Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships will be run in December, 2024 in NSW.

All Winners, Runners-Up and Third placegetters of State Title Classes will qualify to compete at the EA Australasian Show Horse & Rider Championships.

**Exhibitors who have not advised the rider of their horse must do so by prior to 5 pm on Thursday, 8<sup>th</sup> February and must ensure that the rider meets the required membership level, or if there is a change of rider this must be advised also in the same time frame.**

### **PHOTO WALL**

There will be a Barastoc photo opportunity conveniently situated at the back of the marshalling area.

Equestrian Victoria has a strong **Membership Protection Policy and Anti Bullying Policy** and is committed to the **Victorian Government's Sport Child Safety**. Should any child feel threatened, bullied or unsafe they, accompanied by an adult, should notify the Competition Office at the Show.

*Please remember that this show is run by Volunteers who put in very long hours before, during and after the show. Their aim is to have a smoothly run, enjoyable show for all. Your co-operation and courtesy will be greatly appreciated. A simple "Thank you" means a lot to volunteers who have been on their feet all day and sometimes in uncomfortable weather.*

*Remember also that the show is heavily dependent on our wonderful sponsors. An email or word of thanks from competitors would be greatly appreciated as well as your patronage to their business.*