

COMPETITOR INFORMATION

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**2009 Barastoc Horse of the Year Show
RUBY ANNIVERSARY
Thursday 12th - Sunday 15th February inclusive**

On behalf of the Barastoc Horse of the Year Show Planning Committee and the Victorian Branch of the Equestrian Federation, I would like to thank you for entering the 40th Barastoc Horse of the Year Show. Unless you have heard otherwise, all entries as nominated have been accepted for competition. Set out below are details of administrative arrangements for your information: -

1. STABLING

Contact: Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre direct – (03) 9741 7672

2. MEASURING

All exhibitors must be able to produce a current Height Certificate for their horse upon request. **See special conditions relating to Newcomer & Open Saddle Classes below.**

The Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria's 2008 Royal Show and 2009 Summer Show Measurement Certificates and/or EFA Official Measurements will be accepted on production of the relevant documents, provided the horse was 6 years old or over at the time of Measurement.

Special Conditions for Section 13 (Newcomer Saddle) and Section 16 (Open Saddle) Horses/Ponies – Horses/Ponies do not have to be measured prior to Preliminary Judging. However, all FINALISTS must be measured prior to entering the ring for FINAL Judging. If a Newcomer or Open Saddle FINALIST measures over or under the required height, the exhibit will not be permitted to transfer to the correct height class, and will therefore be eliminated from any further competition in the either Section

Horses and Ponies not measured prior to the Show must be presented for measuring prior to judging. In the event of a height variation, an exhibit will be transferred to the correct class.

All exhibitors may be requested to produce an Original Height Certificate on the day. Exhibitors not able to do so will have to be measured.

The Measuring Stand will be open as follows:-

Wednesday 11 th	-	9.00am – 5.00pm
Thursday 12 th	-	8.00am onwards
Friday 13 th	-	8.00 am onwards
Saturday 14 th	-	8.00 – 2.00pm
Sunday 15 th	-	8.00 – 11.00am

If you miss these times, measuring will only be done by agreement of the Measurers and the payment of a \$50 fee for the first horse/pony and \$20 for each additional horse/pony.

All exhibitors must carry their Height Certificate in their pocket whilst competing. The Steward will check Height Certificates. Any exhibitor unable to present a height certificate will not be permitted to compete.

3. COMMENTARY INFORMATION (Classes 54 – 58, 79 - 83 and 85 – 89 inclusive)

A form to provide information for the Commentator will be handed to finalists on the day of competition. This form must be completed and handed into the Secretary's Office at least thirty (30) minutes prior to the start of judging of the Final. **Commentary Forms are mandatory for classes as listed above and must be provided prior to participation in the finals.**

4. BARASTOC SADDLE HORSE CLASSES - FINALIST WORKOUTS

All workouts are on the Barastoc Website (www.BarastocShow.com) and will be printed in the Official Program, which will be available from the Gatekeeper and the Secretary's office.

5. OFFICIAL PROGRAM/HISTORY BOOK/SOUVINER POSTER

Prepaid programs, history books and souvenir posters will be distributed from the Secretary's office or by the Gatekeeper on presentation of the correct "Collection Voucher" enclosed.

If you misplace, lose or forget the "Collection Voucher", you may purchase any of the items at the standard sale price.

6. OFFICIAL DRAWS (Newcomers & Open Saddle Sections)

In classes where entries exceed forty (40), preliminary judging will take place in heats to minimise waiting time for competitors. The following classes will be judged in heats: -

<i>Class 79</i>	<i>Newcomers - Horse (Two Heats)</i>
<i>Class 85</i>	<i>Open Saddle - Horse (Three Heats)</i>
<i>Class 86</i>	<i>Open Saddle – Galloway (Two Heats)</i>
<i>Class 87</i>	<i>Open Saddle – Large Pony (Two Heats)</i>

Draws – www.BarastocShow.com or www.efavic.com.au

7. OWNER RIDER CHAMPIONSHIP - SECTION 17

Classes 90 – 93 inclusive will be judged as classes. Judging will commence immediately after the Preliminary Judging of the Barastoc Saddle Classes on Sunday 15th February. Due to the number of entries, there will be two (2) Judges used as follows:

Judge 1	Hacks & Small Ponies
Judge 2	Galloways & Large Ponies

Also –

* Any Horse, Galloway or Pony which places as champion or reserve in the Newcomer (Section 13), Show Hunter under Saddle (Section 10) or Open Saddle (Section 16) classes at the current Barastoc Horse of the Year Show is not eligible to compete in any of the Owner Rider Classes.

* Any competitor who rides a Horse, Galloway or Pony which places as champion or reserve in the Newcomer (Section 13), Show Hunter under Saddle (Section 10) or Open Saddle (Section 16) classes at the current Barastoc Horse of the Year Show is not eligible to ride a horse in any of the Owner Rider Classes

8. JUNIOR SADDLE - SECTION 4

Classes 35 – 38 inclusive will be judged as classes in Indoor Arena No 1 (Ring 4) on Thursday 12th February commencing at 5.00pm.

9. FODDER/BEDDING

Enquiries: Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre – (03) 9741 7672

10. EQUIPMENT

Exhibitors are requested to bring their own gear for watering, feeding and cleaning of exhibits and yards. There will be a limited number of horse washes (8) at Werribee Park available for use.

11. DRESS

For all events, exhibits and exhibitors are required to turnout in Royal Show standard.

12. AWARDS

Awards will be made in accordance with the Schedule of Prizes and Official Catalogue. Awards may not be made in classes where less than two competitors start.

13. CATERING

Catering outlets will operate from 7.00am daily, offering a full range of snack foods and refreshments for competitors and the public.

Bar - The Friends of Werribee Park Equestrian Centre will operate a bar in the Indoor Arena No 1 on Thursday 12th & Friday 13th February from 5pm.

Note: There will be a free sausage sizzle for competitors in Indoor Arena No 1 on Thursday 12th & Friday 13th from 6.00pm – 8.30pm.

14. EXHIBIT NUMBERS

Exhibit numbers **will be** provided by the Organising Committee and competitors must collect their numbers from the Secretary's Office.

It is strongly recommended that competitors purchase an Exhibit Number holder (from your local Saddlery Store), for both Led & Saddle Classes. This will ensure your exhibit number lasts the whole Show. A charge of \$5.00 per number, will apply for replacement numbers.

15. COMPETITOR PACK (Open Saddle Section Only)

Barastoc souvenir packs (classes 85 – 89 only) will be distributed from the Event Office on presentation of the "collection form". If you misplace, lose or forget the "collection form", the Barastoc souvenir pack will not be issued.

16. EXERCISING OF EXHIBITS

Exhibitors must not exercise horses on the Polo Field; any exhibitor found to be doing so will be eliminated. Exhibitors are asked to use discretion when exercising in order not to interfere with any judging that may be in process or due to take place.

The Indoor Arenas will also be available for exercising horses (no lunging) as follows: -

Wednesday 11 th	2.00pm – 7.00pm (Indoor Arena 1)
Thursday 12 th	6.00am – 1.00pm (Indoor Arena 1)
Friday 13 th	5.00am – 6.30am (Indoor Arena 1)

Friday 13 th	10.00pm - 3.00am (Indoor Arena 2) (International Challenge Horses/Ponies only)
Saturday 14 th	5.00am - 1.00pm (Indoor Arena 1)
Sunday 15 th	5.00am - 7.00am (Indoor Arena 1)

If you are not sure where you may exercise your horse, please check at the Event Office.

17. LUNGING

See special notice regarding Lunging.

18. SCRATCHINGS

Scratchings may be notified at/to:

- (a) The EFA Branch Office before 4.30pm on Wednesday 11th February 2009.
 Fax: (03) 9974 0577
 Email: michelle@efavic.com.au
 Address: P O Box 616, Werribee, 3030
- (b) The Secretary's Office –
 * Thursday 12th from 7.00 am
 * Friday 13th to Sunday 15th February from 7.00am.
 Ph: 0417 512093

There will be no refund of entry fees under any circumstances, now that entries have closed.

17. ADMISSION TICKETS

Pre-purchased Exhibitor Passes are enclosed. An Exhibitors Pass will admit an exhibitor's vehicle and its occupants. Only exhibitors able to produce the pass will be allowed automatic entry to the venue. Passes will not be available on the day and those not able to produce the pass will be required to pay general admission fees.

	<i>One Day</i>	<i>Season</i>
<i>Adult</i>	\$15	\$25
<i>Child (under 16 years)</i>	\$5	\$10
<i>Pensioner</i>	\$5	\$10
<i>Family</i>	\$30	\$45
<i>(2 adults & any no. of children)</i>		
<i>Program</i>	\$8	

18. DRUG TESTING AND SWABBING

The Committee reserves the right to take blood and/or urine samples from all or any exhibit in accordance with the FEI Rules and/or relevant regulations contained in the Royal Agricultural Society of Victoria's Prize Schedule for Horse Events.

19. VETERINARY SERVICES

A twenty-four (24) hour Veterinary Service is available through –

* The University of Melbourne Veterinary Clinic, Princes Hwy, Werribee. This is not a visiting service. Contact number for Veterinary Surgeon on duty is:

BH: (03) 9731 2268 AH: (03) 9731 2268

* The Derrimut Road Veterinary Clinic. Contact Nick Robson – 0418 385223. Nick is happy to come to WPNEC, however he is not sitting around waiting on your call. Expect delays.

21. TIMETABLE

Exhibitors with horses in more than one ring should report to the Stewards as early as possible on the day of competition. Every effort will be made to allow exhibitors to compete in all classes entered. However, under no circumstances will the timetable be delayed.

Full Timetable – www.BarastocShow.com

22. VENUE PLAN

Go to – www.BarastocShow.com

23. PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

The presentation of awards for all classes will be made in their respective rings, unless otherwise announced on the day.

24. PARADE OF CHAMPIONS

The winner of each Horse of the Year Award will be required in the Main Arena at 4.30pm on Sunday 15th February, for the Parade of Champions.

- *Saddle Horses, Galloways, Ponies & Shetlands
- *H.R.C.A.V Showing *Owner Riders
- *Welsh Ponies *Arabians
- *Mountain & Moorland * Miniature Ponies

Note: Thursday, Friday & Saturday Champions are welcome to parade.

25. OBJECTIONS

Any objections or protests must be made in writing and signed, and handed to the Secretary with a deposit of AUS\$100.00 prior to the commencement of judging for the class concerned or within thirty (30) minutes after presentation of sashes/ribbons. The Committee or their appointed representative/s shall determine the objection and will call such evidence, as they think fit. If the decision goes against the objector, he/she will forfeit his/her deposit of AUS\$100.00 and be liable for any expenses occasioned by the objection. Should the Committee allow the objection, the deposit will be refunded.

Should the objector wish to appeal the Committee's decision, he/she must lodge an appeal in accordance with the rules of The Equestrian Federation of Australia Limited

Wishing all competitors a happy and rewarding show.

Yours sincerely

Allan Bruno

Show Coordinator

on behalf of the Barastoc Horse of the Year Show Organising Committee.

