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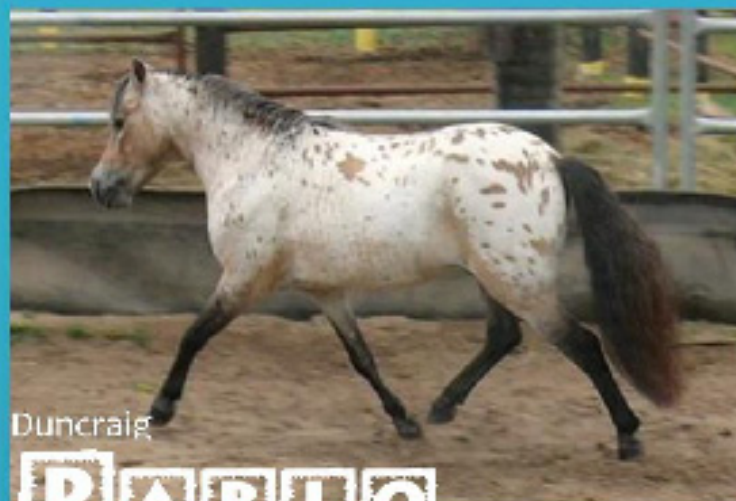


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Miniature Horse & Pony Stud

Breeding Conformation, Colour & Character



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Position Vacant - Contact Secretary to nominate

Presidents Report

AGM date is 26th November @ 7pm

at Taree Showground

(Saturday night of the Spring Carnival). Followed by fun raffles, drinks and nibbles.

We have lots of shows and events coming up - please contact us if you would like events in your area. We would love assistance in organising shows and promotions so if you are able to help it would be appreciated.

We are thrilled to announce we have exceeded the 1000 member mark. What an achievement ! Well done everyone - you have all made IMHR the association of choice for miniature horse owners in Australia.

IMHR will continue to support YOUR industry by:

- Increase visibility of the breed to the wider horse community at events such as Equitana
- FREE online studbook to confirm horse details
- FREE registration and FREE National Show entries for geldings
- Regular promotion in magazines and publications such as Horse Deals and Equine News
- Online shopping including membership renewals
- Lots of quality feature shows and events to promote and enjoy your horses with the public
- Continued education programs for judges and exhibitors
- Supporting community and relief organisations such as QLD Floods, RSPCA and Cancer Council
- Up to date information via social networking (Facebook, Twitter), website and email newsletters
- Coming soon - online registrations, eLearning and so much more..

IMHR - Educate | Innovate | Inspire...

Leanne Williams
President IMHR

Welcome New Members

946	Rebecca Hughes	975	Jade Raines
947	NFP	976	Susanne Clarke
948	Wendy Joyner	977	Stephanie Clements
949	Diane Daff	978	NFP
950	Sabrina Chaffey & Anthony Moore	979	Leanita Jeffery & Lesley Ratcliff
951	Helen Healey	980	NFP
952	Kylie / Viv & Marie Raines	981	Shannon Louise Marschke
953	Cheryl Grant	982	NFP
954	Kerry Hounslow	983	Amanda & Erin Cooke
955	Desmond Dean	984	Jasmine, Gizela & Tara Mezes
956	Alexia Saffioti	985	Michelle & Glenys Morrison
957	Suzanne Mazuran	986	Debbie Childs
958	NFP	987	NFP
959	Sandra & Barry Sargeant	988	Chris & Makalah Wishart
960	Tom Cooper	989	Lynette Gampe
961	NFP	990	Julie Jackson
962	Christina Wilson	991	Julie & Melvyn Jackson
963	Melinda Czerny	992	Sandra Hancock
964	Rebecca & Vincent Quinn	993	Aleisha Sutton
965	Sandy Dods	994	Cassandra Morris
966	John McDonnell	995	Sabrina Hull
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968	Roslyn Wilson	997	Meleeka McGregor
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970	Kelsey O'Connor	999	Yvonne Sloan
971	Kerry Webb	1000	Krysten Mills
972	Carissa Clarke		
973	Zoe Taylor		
974	Brett Pazsa		

NFP - Not for Publication

...from the Editor...

To all the members of IMHR (Inc)

After a great deal of thought it has come that I must resign from being the editor of the Miniature Horse Quarterly.

I have enjoyed my time as editor very much but all good things must come to an end. My volunteer work and working from home leaves me very little time now for anything else and there is only so many hours in the day. I have found over the last several issues I have not been getting to bed before 1am which makes it hard for me to concentrate on my volunteer work the following days (the elderly need me to be alert and not 'nanna napping' along with them LOL.

Thank you so much to IMHR for allowing me to be editor since Issue #12, it has been a wonderful 3 years. I have watched IMHR grow quickly and steadily and am proud to be a member.

All the very best to you all for the continued success of your horses, the association and the magazine!

Kind regards
Trisha Blinkhorn



WIN A HORSE FLOAT !!



WITH THANKS TO NICOLE KELLY OF SAPPHIRE PARK MINIATURES
AND CAMERONS FLOATS, IMHR IS PROUD TO OFFER THIS
AWESOME PRIZE TO ONE LUCKY WINNER !

TICKETS ARE \$20 EACH.

RAFFLE WILL BE DRAWN WHEN ALL 750 TICKETS ARE SOLD.

CONTACT IMHR FOR MORE INFORMATION

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IMHR is proud to be part of such a fantastic promotional opportunity. We have a stand in the Breeders Village and will be hosting a Mini-Tana competition on Saturday and Sunday.

IMHR will be handing out special information packs to interested persons containing our Miniature Horse brochure, business cards, stickers and much more...

Gold Supporter

\$ 200



1000 business cards

- Professionally printed (artwork must be supplied)

A5 full colour ad in brochure

- Brochure will be full colour and contain information about Miniature Horses.
- Artwork must be supplied.
- Gold advertisers get preference on ad placement.

Silver Supporter

\$ 100



1000 business cards

- Professionally printed (artwork must be supplied)

OR

A5 full colour ad in brochure

- Brochure will be full colour and contain information about Miniature Horses.
- Artwork must be supplied.

Bronze Supporter

\$ 50



Product Placement

- Designed for those who already have promotional cards, flyers or samples.
- Flyers or cards placed in show bags and available on stand
- Product samples placed in show bags and available on stand



Contact IMHR to book your package.

WELCOMING AMHA USA

We are also looking for volunteers (and horses) to help out on the stand. If you have a passion for promoting Miniature Horses, please contact us.

Thank you to everyone who has already committed to this fantastic promotional opportunity.



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These events are to be held in the Regupol Stadium during Equitana at Sydney Showground and will be judged by Wayne Hipsley (USA). All classes will have full commentary on placings so will also be an educational opportunity for spectators and exhibitors.

Miniature and Small Horse – Halter

Saturday 12th November - 2pm – 3:30pm

1. Foal/Weanling (any sex – eligible Supreme)
2. Yearling Filly
3. Two Year Old Filly
Champion and Reserve Junior Filly
4. Three Year Old Mare
5. Mare Four Years & Over
Champion and Reserve Senior Mare
6. Yearling Colt
7. Two Year Old Colt
Champion and Reserve Junior Colt
8. Three Year Old Stallion
9. Stallion Four Years & Over
Champion and Reserve Senior Stallion

Supreme Miniature Horse Exhibit
Best of Opposite Sex

10. Yearling Gelding
11. Two Year Old Gelding
Champion and Reserve Junior Gelding
12. Three Year Old Gelding
13. Gelding Four Years & Over
Champion and Reserve Senior Gelding
Supreme Gelding Exhibit

Small Horses

14. Filly / Mare
15. Colt / Stallion
16. Gelding
Champion and Reserve Small Horse

Miniature and Small Horse - Performance

Sunday 13th November - 12:30pm – 2pm

17. Youth Handler
18. Open Trail
19. Miniature Six Bar
20. Small Horse Six Bar
21. Miniature Fault & Out (BIG Jump !)
22. Small Horse Fault & Out (BIG Jump !)
23. Fancy Dress

Exhibitors Please Note:

All handlers must be members of IMHR and all horses must be registered with IMHR.

\$\$ PRIZEMONEY for Fault & Out

Entry Fees:

Saturday - \$50 flat fee*

Sunday - \$50 flat fee*

Both days \$80

** Includes Day Pass to Equitana and day stables (if available)*

There is limited stabling onsite for Saturday night at \$40 per stable.

Due to time constraints, IMHR reserves the right to limit the amount of horses competing (maximum 5 per horses per class)



Imprinting the newborn foal

by Robert N. Oglesby DVM

Introduction

What if there was a way to practically insure your newborn foal would be manageable and easy to train later in his life and it would take about two hours on the day he was born?

Well this is the promise made by Dr. Robert Miller if you follow his imprinting plan. My personal experiences with other folk's imprinted foals had not been that encouraging, I find many are poorly trained to lead and a bit aggressive.

This was not an indication of the lack of worth of imprinting just that it was not the final word. Foals still needed to learn to lead without resistance. Just as important is that the foal learns early on that he always stands below humans in the herd dominance issue.

Dr Miller has added a few lessons to the initial imprinting process that he says will address these issues making later training a breeze.

The Goals

The goals of the process are:

- Bonding with humans
- Desensitization to certain stimuli
- Sensitization to other stimuli
- Submission to humans

The Technique

Timing

It is important to understand that if done improperly the imprinting process can do more harm than good. Imprinting must be done at birth, the process is lost after day one and maybe within hours of birthing. You can train a foal after birth but this is a bit different. If the foal is not imprinted at birth the imprinting technique makes a wonderful training tool and can be used that way.

Persistence

It is not difficult to do, you just must be persistent at each step to accomplish the goal, acceptance of the stimulation, before moving on to the next step. Quitting before acceptance is achieved may result in the opposite effect, increased sensitivity.

Bonding / Submission

Start by kneeling at the back of the foal and grasping the muzzle flex it back gently to the withers, this will prevent the foal from standing. Begin toweling the foal dry. During this time the mare is allowed unrestrained access to the foal. The foal is also prevented from standing. This procedure allows the foal to get to know you and establishes you as a dominant player in the foals life. This is not fear but respect you are establishing.

...continued overleaf

Desensitization

Of course the first desensitization is done using the towel. Once dry start at the head and gently begin rubbing the face and head and begin handling the ears. You should stick your finger, gently, into the mouth and nostrils. This may have to be repeated up to a hundred times, but be persistent, remember the goal: complete acceptance and relaxation. The foal will resist these procedures and he should be gently but firmly restrained until he quits wiggling. Watch those feet!

Continue the handling and rubbing until the foal accepts it completely, then move down the body. Taking the body in easily handled sections and work on each until acceptance is established. When you first start, the foal will be very reactive and tense but as you go along the foal relaxes and each new section desensitizes a little quicker, until you get to the point that the foal remains relaxed no matter where you rub. Go back and recheck old areas to be sure they are truly desensitized.

One area to avoid desensitizing is the area of the barrel where the heels of a rider will contact to urge the horse onward.

The legs are handled and rubbed starting at the body and working your way down. The legs should be repeatedly flexed and straightened until the foal becomes passive to the process. The bottom of the foot can be gently tapped with the palm of the hand to get use to being shod.

Areas where you might be shy are just under the tail head, the perineum, and the groin, but these areas are important to desensitize also. Be sure to spend time on the teats, scrotum, and penis. Since rectals are important parts of reproduction and some exams it is best to get him use to it now. You can take a plastic or rubber glove, lubricate it with mineral oil, KY jelly, or enema solution and, yes, get the foal use to having its anus manipulated. Start by inserting a lubricated finger into the anus gently and then wiggling it about until the foal relaxes and accepts the procedure.

Once the foal is accepting totally of these procedures, the foal should be turned over and with you still working at the back of the foal, start the procedure on the other side.

Time

The time for the desensitization procedure may take an hour or more after which the foal is allowed to stand an nurse. Do not rush it. continue to work with each area until the foal is completely relaxed. Only then move on to the next area.

The Results

Following this procedure the foal is compliant, accepting of human companionship, and easily led and trained. Dr Miller says this imprinting is permanent and results in an unafraid but respectful foal.

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(Original article from horseadvice.com)



IMHR is Proud to Announce Our New National Youth Hi Point Award

Kindly Sponsored By Shikinah Miniature Performance Horses

“Our Youth are the Future“



All youth from Tiny Tots to 17 years of age are eligible and will be awarded a gift when they reach 50 points.

A High Achievement Award will be also given at 100 points.

No need to register we have done that for you 😊

Points are allocated from IMHR National Show Results only for the following events:

- Youth Showmanship, Youth Trail, Youth Hunter
- Youth Harness and Youth Longreining classes.
- (Excluding Novice and Best Presented events)

We will be back dating points to the first IMHR Nationals held at Tamworth in 2006.

Please do not contact the office regarding points.

Points will be calculated and the first awards will be announced at the 2012 IMHR Nationals.

Points will be awarded as follows

Champion	6
Res	4
3 rd – 5 th	2
6 th – 10 th	1
Grand Champion	8
Res Grand Champion	4

More National Hi Point Winners

Congratulations Minya Park Ixion Owned By Chris and Dalene Nobbs

Performance Level “Ruby “

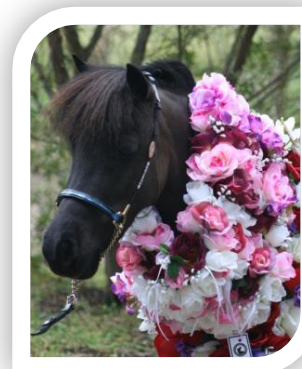
Halter Level “Ruby “and Versatility Level “Ruby”

Congratulations Atlanta Rebel Scout

Owned By Donna Gilroy

Performance Level “Ruby “

And Versatility Level “Ruby”



Versatility Ruby Awards are achieved by gaining 50 points in Halter & 50 points in any other section. Join the Hi Points program open to all IMHR members and IMHR registered horses.

Points never expire and you will receive awards and certificates as you reach each level. Record your wins in your personalized record book included with your Hi Point fee.

There is one Hi Point fee per category (Halter, Performance and Harness). Nomination forms are easily printed from the IMHR web site.

NSW Youth, Gelding & Performance Fun Show

Camden Equestrian Park – 3rd October 2011 – 9am



Youth Best Presented

1. Best Presented – Novice
2. Best Presented – 8 Years & Under
3. Best Presented – 9 to 13 Years
4. Best Presented – 14 to 17 Years

Champion & Reserve Champion + Judges Encouragement Award

Youth Showmanship

5. Youth Showmanship – Novice
6. Youth Showmanship – 8 Years & Under
7. Youth Showmanship – 9 to 13 Years
8. Youth Showmanship – 14 to 17 Years

Champion & Reserve Champion + Judges Encouragement Award

Miniature Horse Gelding Halter

9. Gelding Weanling – 28" & under
10. Gelding Weanling – over 28" to 30"

Champion & Reserve Champion

11. Gelding Yearling – 28" & under
12. Gelding Yearling – over 28" to 30"
13. Gelding Yearling – over 30" to 32"

Champion & Reserve Champion

14. Gelding Two Years Old – 31 & under
15. Gelding Two Years Old – over 31" to 33"

Champion & Reserve Champion

Grand Champion Junior Gelding & Reserve

16. Gelding Three Years Old – 32" & under
17. Gelding Three Years Old – over 32" to 34.5"

Champion & Reserve Champion

18. Gelding Four & Over – 32" & under
19. Gelding Four & Over – over 32" to 34.5"

Champion & Reserve Champion

Grand Champion Senior Gelding & Reserve

Supreme Miniature Horse Gelding & Runner Up

Small Horse Gelding Halter

20. Gelding Weanling – over 30" to 32"
21. Gelding Weanling – over 32" to 34"

Champion & Reserve Champion

22. Gelding Yearling – over 32" to 34"
23. Gelding Yearling – over 34" to 36"

Champion & Reserve Champion

24. Gelding Two Years Old – over 33" to 35"
25. Gelding Two Years Old – over 35" to 37"

Champion & Reserve Champion

Grand Champion Junior Gelding & Reserve

26. Gelding Three Years Old – over 34.5" to 36"
27. Gelding Three Years Old – over 36" to 38.5"

Champion & Reserve Champion

28. Gelding Four & Over – over 34.5" to 36"
29. Gelding Four & Over – over 36" to 38.5"

Champion & Reserve Champion

Grand Champion Senior Gelding & Reserve

Supreme Small Horse Gelding & Runner Up

Gelding Head Classes

30. Classic Head Junior Miniature Horse Gelding
31. Classic Head Senior Miniature Horse Gelding
32. Classic Head Junior Small Horse Gelding
33. Classic Head Senior Small Horse Gelding

Champion & Reserve Champion

Gelding Colour Classes

34. Best Dilute Colour
35. Best Solid Colour
36. Best Broken Colour
37. Best Spotted Colour
38. Best Taffy Colour
39. Best Any Other Colour

Champion & Reserve Champion

Gelding Trot Classes

40. Classic Trot Junior Miniature Horse
41. Classic Trot Senior Miniature Horse
42. Classic Trot Junior Small Horse
43. Classic Trot Senior Small Horse

Champion & Reserve Champion

IMHR Show Rules including Height for Age apply
Visit www.imhr.com.au for more information

Gelding Group Classes

44. Owners Group of Two
45. Get of Sire (2 exhibits by same sire)
46. Produce of Dam (2 exhibits out of same dam)

Performance Events

47. Youth Trail – Novice
48. Youth Trail – 8 Years & Under
49. Youth Trail – over 8 Years to 13 Years
50. Youth Trail – over 13 Years to 17 Years
51. Junior Miniature Horse Gelding Trail
52. Senior Miniature Horse Gelding Trail
53. Mare/Stallion Miniature Trail
54. Junior Small Horse Gelding Trail
55. Senior Small Horse Gelding Trail
56. Mare/Stallion Small Horse Trail
57. Youth Hunter – Novice
58. Youth Hunter – 8 Years & Under
59. Youth Hunter – over 8 Years to 13 Years
60. Youth Hunter – over 13 Years to 17 Years
61. Junior Miniature Gelding Hunter
62. Senior Miniature Gelding Hunter
63. Mare/Stallion Miniature Hunter
64. Junior Small Horse Gelding Hunter
65. Senior Small Horse Gelding Hunter
66. Mare/Stallion Small Horse Hunter
67. Fancy Dress

Champion & Reserve Youth Performance – Novice

Champion & Reserve Youth Performance – 8 Years & Under

Champion & Reserve Youth Performance – over 8 Years to 13 Years

Champion & Reserve Youth Performance – over 13 Years to 17 Years

Judges Encouragement Award – Youth Trail

Judges Encouragement Award – Youth Hunter

Champion & Reserve Junior Miniature Horse Gelding Performance

Champion & Reserve Senior Miniature Horse Gelding Performance

Champion & Reserve Mare/Stallion Miniature Horse Performance

Champion & Reserve Junior Small Horse Gelding Performance

Champion & Reserve Senior Small Horse Gelding Performance

Champion & Reserve Mare/Stallion Small Horse Performance

68. Miniature Gelding Lungeline
69. Mare/Stallion Miniature Lungeline
70. Small Horse Gelding Lungeline
71. Mare/Stallion Small Horse Lungeline

Champion & Reserve Champion

72. Gelding Long reining
73. Mare/Stallion Long reining
74. Gelding in Harness
75. Mare/Stallion Harness

Champion & Reserve Champion

76. Miniature Horse Gelding Show Jumper
77. Mare/Stallion Miniature Horse Show Jumper
78. Small Horse Gelding Show Jumper
79. Mare/Stallion Small Horse Show Jumper

80. Miniature Horse Gelding Six Bar
81. Mare/Stallion Miniature Horse Six Bar
82. Small Horse Gelding Six Bar
83. Mare/Stallion Small Horse Six Bar

84. Miniature Horse Gelding Fault & Out
85. Mare/Stallion Miniature Fault & Out
86. Small Horse Gelding Fault & Out
87. Mare/Stallion Small Horse Gelding Fault & Out

Champion & Reserve Miniature Gelding Show Jumper

Champion & Reserve Mare/Stallion Miniature Show Jumper

Champion & Reserve Small Horse Gelding Show Jumper

Champion & Reserve Mare/Stallion Small Horse Show Jumper

Horses used in Youth classes may be mares or geldings.

Horses entering classes stipulated for geldings must be geldings.

Pre-entries \$5.00 per class by 26th September (includes show bag).
Entries on the day \$6.00 per class. Fancy dress is FREE.

2011 IMHR NSW Youngstock Show

Best Presented Miniature Pony

1. West End Grand Prince
2. West End Tiny Toneya
3. Manchurian Prairie Dust

Two Year Old Filly

1. West End Tiny Toneya

Champion Filly - West End Tiny Toneya

Foal/Weanling Colt

1. West End Grand Duke
2. Badlands Forever Young

Yearling Colt

1. Manchurian Prairie Dust

Champion - Manchurian Prairie Dust

Reserve Champion - West End Grand Duke

Yearling Gelding

1. West End Grand Prince

Champion - West End Grand Prince

Supreme Miniature Pony - West End Grand Prince (pic)



Best Presented Miniature Horse

1. Southern Cross Rainstorm

Foal/Weanling Filly 26" & under

1. Almighty SC Twilight Rose
2. Mapleleaf DP Rebelicious

Foal/Weaning Filly over 28" to 30"

1. Almighty Em's Imogen Rose
2. Almighty Aloha Sunset
3. Beau Cheval Private Show

Yearling Filly 30" & under

1. Mapleleaf DP Sheer Elegance
2. Kirriemuir PA Top Secret

Yearling Filly 30" to 32"

1. Fantasy Farm Penelope Priss
2. Sedona Summer Breeze
3. Almighty Russian Princess

Champion - Almighty SC Twilight Rose

Reserve Champion - Fantasy Farm Penelope Priss

Foal/Weanling Colt 28" to 30"

1. Mapleleaf DP Raisinaruckus
2. Chevelier Park RA Deja Vu

Yearling Colt

1. ALMS Champagne N Celebrations

Two Year Old Colt

1. Ariat Park Aristocrat

Champion - Maple Leaf DP Raisinaruckus

Reserve Champion - Chevelier Park RA Deja Vu

Foal/Weanling Gelding

1. Southern Cross Rainstorm

Yearling Gelding

1. Sapphire Park Jays Just Fab
2. Harrington Park Dream About Me

Champion - Sapphire Park Jays Just Fab

Reserve Champion - Harrington Park Dream About Me

Supreme Miniature - Sapphire Park Jays Just Fab

(Pic on back cover)

Photos by Danna Lingard - Cheap Shotz Photography

Full results on the IMHR website - www.imhr.com.au

Best Presented Small Horse

1. Blue Kestroll Aleenas Angel
2. Wenalan Orions Moondust
3. Hope Park The Queen Bee
4. Blue Kestroll Golden Boy

Foal/Weanling Filly - 30" - 32"

1. Harrington park Kiss N Tell
2. Enchanted Park Star By Chance

Foal/Weanlignn Filly - 32" - 34"

1. Blue Kestroll Aleenas Angel
2. Raylee Park Pandora

Yearling Filly

1. Campion Destiny Rose

Two Year Old Filly

1. Hope Park The Queen Bee

Champion - Blue Kestroll Aleenas Angel

Reserve - Harrington Park Kiss N Tell

Foal/Weanling Colt 30" - 32"

1. Coomba Heaven Sent
2. Wenalan Orions Moondust

Foal/Weanling Colt 32" - 34"

1. Silver Oak DQ Monte Carlo
2. Rhy-Al In Ya Dreams
3. Ravensbrooke That's Hollywood
4. Raylee Park Silver Knight

Two Year Old Colt 35" & under

1. Silver Oak DP Hershey Kisses
2. Coleview Supremacy
3. Blue Kestroll Golden Boy

Two Year Old Colt 35" - 37"

1. Aziz Taraq

Champion - Silver Oak DP Hershey Kisses

Reserve - Silver Oak DQ Monte Carlo

Two Year Old Gelding

1. Rapidash Blackberry Magic

Champion - Rapidash Blackberry Magic

Supreme Small Horse - Silver Oak DP Hershey Kisses



Yearling Filly

1. Badlands Disco Diva

Two Year Old Filly

1. Cagra Park Black Betty

Champion - Cagra Park Black Betty

Reserve - Badlands Disco Diva

Yearling Colt

1. Rapidash Redi 4 Rehab

Champion - Rapidash Redi 4 Rehab

Supreme Little Horse - Rapidash Redi 4 Rehab





IMHR Wide Bay Regional Championship Show

8th October 2011 @ 9am – Judge: Kay Slattery

Fraser Coast Showgrounds, Maryborough

Pre-Entries close 26th September 2011

Miniature Halter

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4. Mare 3 yr old
5. Mare 4 yr & over
- Champion & Reserve Senior Mare
6. Colt Foal/Weanling
7. Colt Yearling
8. Colt 2 yr old
- Champion & Reserve Junior Colt
9. Stallion 3 yr old
10. Stallion 4 yr & over
- Champion Reserve Senior Stallion
11. Gelding 1yr & under
12. Gelding 2 yr old
- Champion & Reserve Junior Gelding
13. Gelding 3 yr old
14. Gelding 4 yr & over
- Champion & Reserve Senior Gelding
- Supreme Miniature Horse

Small Horse Halter

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46. Junior Small Horse Trail
47. Senior Miniature Trail
48. Senior Small Horse Trail
49. Junior Miniature Hunter
50. Junior Small Horse Hunter
51. Senior Miniature Hunter
52. Senior Small Horse Hunter
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Options for pregnancy testing a mare

What options do owners have in determining if their mare is pregnant? Dr Keith Henderson explains the options to Horsetalk.

Is my mare pregnant? It's a question any breeder will be asking themselves in the days and weeks after their mare has been put to a stallion.

Few owners will be content playing the waiting game. With an average gestation period of 342 days, it could be a long and, ultimately, disappointing wait to discover a mare is empty.

Determining whether a mare is in foal without testing can be difficult, even quite late in pregnancy.

Most owners will want to know the status of their mare as soon as practically possible. Today, there are more options than ever, including home-based kits that can determine pregnancy by the testing of urine or blood.

Veterinarians can also conduct an examination to determine whether a mare is pregnant, or take a blood sample for sending off for laboratory analysis.

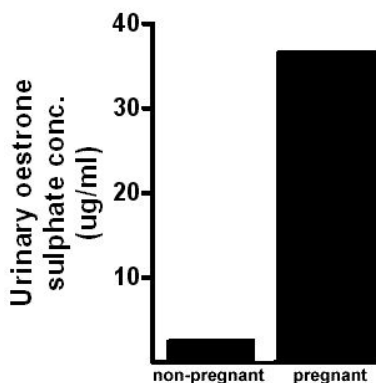
How owners proceed will depend upon their budget and the number of broodmares in their care. Having a vet turn up to check multiple mares will naturally be more cost-effective than just one or two.

Home-based tests have the potential to save money, but it is important owners understand their application and ensure they are using the test kit in the optimal window.

Different tests measure different substances associated with pregnancy, and the circulating levels of these change throughout gestation. Incorrect application of a pregnancy test can result in an incorrect diagnosis.



The best result of a breeding programme: a healthy mare and foal



The graph shows how urine samples from pregnant mares have much higher concentrations of oestrone sulphate than non-pregnant mares.

Dr Keith Henderson, a research scientist for AgResearch's Reproduction Group, based at the Hopkirk Research Institute at New Zealand's Massey University, is an expert in the pregnancy testing of mares.

He has so far led the development of two pregnancy tests for mares in current use, and is continuing work in the field.

His laboratory is responsible for all the blood oestrone sulphate testing in New Zealand to determine mare pregnancy status. It recently produced a urinary version of this test called Wee-Foal-Checker, which allows breeders to pregnancy test mares themselves with a non-invasive test.

Dr Henderson says accurately determining whether a mare is pregnant is an important part of broodmare management.

"Given the relatively short breeding season and the desire by owners to get mares in foal early on, it is important to be able to determine as early as possible whether or not conception has occurred," he says.

Many breeders also want to verify the status of mares later in gestation - five to seven months into pregnancy - to ensure the mare hasn't slipped her foal.

"Unfortunately, in contrast to the human situation, it is not straightforward, even late in gestation, to gauge mare pregnancy status by simple visual observation," he says.

So what options do owners have? There are several non-chemical and chemical methods available, suitable for different stages of pregnancy.

Non-chemical methods

Behavioural changes: The mare's behaviour towards a stallion can be a good indicator. From about 14 days after serving, a pregnant mare should reject a stallion's advances. That is, they will not display the characteristic behaviour, which includes welcoming his advances and "showing" their rear.

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If a mare does not begin her oestrus cycle within 21 days of being served, it can be assumed she is pregnant. Experienced breeders may also notice other subtle changes in the behaviour of their mare(s) as she starts to "bloom" in pregnancy.

Transrectal palpation: A veterinarian puts a hand in the rectum and feels the uterus for signs of pregnancy. These include uterine tone, the shape of the uterus, and the presence and size of the small sac containing the foetus, called the amnionic vesicle.

This method can be used from as early as 16 to 19 days of pregnancy, but it does require considerable expertise on the part of the veterinarian.

Ultrasound: A vet places a probe in the rectum of the mare and sound waves are used to generate a picture of the uterus, the foetus and placenta. It can also detect the foetal heartbeat.

Ultrasound can be used to detect pregnancy from about day 16, and can even reveal gender from about 55 to 70 days. Like palpation, ultrasound requires a highly skilled operator, and the equipment itself is expensive.

Chemical methods

While transrectal palpation and ultrasound are accurate ways of determining pregnancy, there are many times when the mare is too irritable to be examined, or its rectum is simply too small for a manual examination. Blood samples can be taken from the mare by a veterinarian and sent to a laboratory to be tested for the presence of chemical hormones associated with pregnancy.

The two hormones most commonly measured are pregnant mare serum gonadotrophin (PMSG), which is now often called equine chorionic gonadotrophin (eCG), and oestrone sulphate.

Pregnancy testing by measuring PMSG: This is best performed between 40 and 100 days after breeding. PMSG is a protein produced by the endometrial cups - a group of cells from the embryo that temporarily colonise the lining of the mare's uterus.

The endometrial cups last for 60 to 100 days. They form between about days 36 to 38 of pregnancy and the PMSG they secrete is first detectable in the mare's blood from about day 40.

Concentrations then rise quickly and peak around day 70. Levels in the blood gradually fall as the cups start to regress.

By about day 130, PMSG production has ceased, and it is no longer detectable in blood. It is generally not recommended to test for PMSG after 120 days of pregnancy as levels can be very low in some mares by then, and thus difficult to detect.

Normally, a veterinarian takes a blood sample from the mare being pregnancy tested and sends it off to veterinary diagnostic laboratory for measurement of the PMSG concentrations.

However, there is also a test kit available called Pregnamare, which allows breeders to test for PMSG themselves without the need for a veterinarian. The test requires a small quantity of blood taken from the nose or lip of the mare. Dr Henderson says one problem with the PMSG blood test is that it can return a "false positive" result if the mare has been pregnant but slips the foetus.

This happens because the endometrial cups remain functional, and continue to produce PMSG for a time, even if the foetus dies.

If the foetus is lost after the cups have formed, the high concentrations of PMSG also act to suppress the normal breeding cycle of non-pregnant mares.

It is only when the cups have ceased to function, and PMSG has disappeared from the mare's blood, that she resumes displaying oestrus behaviour and ovulation recommences.

It is advisable to re-test a mare diagnosed as pregnant by a PMSG test some time after 100 days after breeding to check that the foetus is intact.

Dr Henderson says it is best to use a test for oestrone sulphate after the 100-day mark.

"This oestrogen is produced by the foetal-placental unit, and measuring its blood concentration is a well-established, reliable and accurate method for pregnancy-testing mares from 100 days post-breeding right through to the expected time of foaling," Dr Henderson says.



With some mares there is little doubt that they are in foal. But some mares seem to be able to fool their owners into thinking they are indeed in foal when they are not.

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Oestrone sulphate is a hormone present in small amounts in the blood of non-pregnant mares.

From about the 40th day of pregnancy, the foetal-placental unit of pregnant mares start to produce increasing amounts of oestrone sulphate, which enters the mare's blood and urine. By day 100 of pregnancy, the mare's blood concentrations of oestrone sulphate are consistently at least twice, and generally more than five times, the highest concentrations found in non-pregnant mares.

Elevated levels are totally dependent on the presence of a live foetus. Levels remain elevated for the rest of gestation unless the foetus dies, whereupon concentrations fall within a few days to levels normally found in non-pregnant mares.

"Measuring oestrone sulphate concentrations in a blood sample taken 100 or more days after breeding is a very accurate method of determining pregnancy status," Dr Henderson says.

"Unlike the PMSG test, it will not return a false positive diagnosis.

"Measuring blood oestrone sulphate concentrations earlier than 100 days post-breeding is not recommended, as a false negative diagnosis could arise if the pregnant mare still has blood oestrone sulphate concentrations in the upper part of the normal non-pregnant range.

"However, the likelihood of returning a false negative lessens the closer to 100 days post-breeding the mare is," he says.

Vets follow the same procedure as they would a PMSG test. They take a blood sample from the mare and send it to a veterinary diagnostic laboratory for measurement of the oestrone sulphate concentrations. In New Zealand, it is Dr Henderson's laboratory which conducts this test, with other diagnostic laboratories also forwarding blood samples they receive for this analysis.

Urine-based pregnancy testing

Oestrone sulphate produced by the foetal-placental unit not only finds its way into the maternal bloodstream, but also into the mare's urine.

Urine-based oestrone sulphate tests have been available for some time, but have required the collected sample to be sent by the breeder to a laboratory for testing.

Recently, Dr Henderson and his research associate, Kim Wearne, developed a mare-side version of the laboratory urine test called Wee-Foal-Checker. This 10 minute, \$30 test allows breeders themselves to non-invasively pregnancy test mares with the same accuracy as the laboratory test. It requires less than 1ml of urine and can be used from 110 to 300 days post-breeding.

He said the decision to develop the 10-minute home test acknowledged the fact that engaging a veterinarian to do a test can be expensive.

"The cost factor is often enough to discourage owners from pregnancy-testing their mare, in particular a confirmation test later in gestation, after an early pregnancy test."

How to collect urine

A home-based urine test presents only one issue for horse owners: how to collect the sample.

Dr Keith Henderson says some breeders find it easy while others struggle. "Many owners," he says, "know the habits of their mares and are aware that they will pass a urine sample at a regular time, for example after a feed or after exercise.

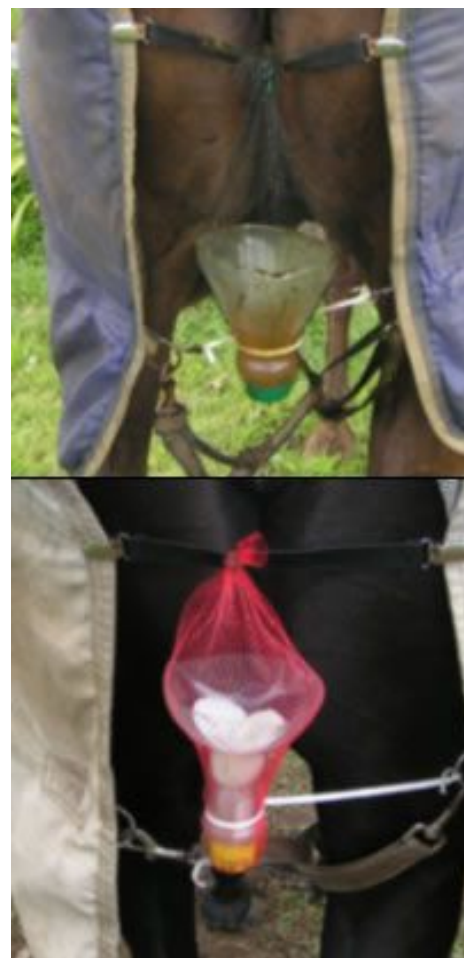
"Collection of a urine sample under these circumstances is not so difficult. Not all the urine volume voided needs to be collected. Even if most falls on the ground, a sample can still be collected by dropping a paper towel on to it and recovering the urine."

Other ways of encouraging urination are to put the mare into a stable stall with fresh straw and/or to whistle at her.

Another method is a simple device devised by Gill Booth, of KeriKeri.

The pictures reveal its construction - a collection bottle held in a netting container which attaches to the mare's cover. Mares, he says, are barely aware of its presence.

The best collection bottle has been found to be a 2-litre juice container cut in half. Using a little cotton wool in the container ensures some urine will be retained, even if there is a spillage before you have a chance to collect it.



They are now working on a urine-based test that can be used from around 40 days after breeding - one that will measure PMSG levels.

Important considerations

Horse owners have the options of having a veterinarian pregnancy test their mare or undertaking the testing themselves. If owners decide to do it themselves, they have the option of blood or urine-based tests.

Owners undertaking home tests must be sure they understand the nature of the test and use it only within the time-frame recommended by the test's manufacturers. To do otherwise risks an incorrect result.

Some might consider home-testing to be an affordable option for, say, a second test to ensure the mare has not slipped the foetus in the first 100 or so days.

Others will prefer to have an early veterinary check to rule out the possibility their mare is carrying twins.

Home-based test kits are not about to put equine veterinarians out of business. Used sensibly, they provide horse owners with an opportunity not only to save some money but, with a later second test, prove that their mare's gently rounding tummy is because of a foal - and not the spring grass.

Eleven months is a long time to wait to be ultimately disappointed.



11 months can be a long wait for no foal.

Pregnancy testing miniature horses

The small size of miniature horses makes it impractical to pregnancy test them by traditional methods used for full-size mares such as manual palpation via the rectum, or with ultrasound technology using a rectal probe.

Measurement of chemical hormones associated with pregnancy, which are found in the blood and/or urine of pregnant mares, provides an alternative and reliable means of pregnancy testing miniature horses, and monitoring of pregnancy throughout the gestation period.

The two chemical hormones commonly measured to provide information on the pregnancy status of miniature mares are pregnant mare serum gonadotrophin (PMSG), which is frequently now called chorionic gonadotrophin (eCG), and oestrone sulphate (see main story for more information).

For determining pregnancy status between 40 and 100 days after mating, measuring blood PMSG concentrations is recommended.

However, mares returning a positive PMSG test should be re-tested with a blood oestrone sulphate test after 100 days, or with the home-based urine Wee-Foal-Checker test after 110 days, to ensure the original result was not a false positive PMSG result.

Elevated levels of oestrone sulphate indicate the presence of a live foetus.

Dr Henderson says measuring blood or urinary concentrations of oestrone sulphate is a very accurate way of determining pregnancy status from approximately 100 days to 300 days post breeding.



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Harness

Grand Champion Miniature Harness - Meadowland Majesty's Falcon
Reserve Grand - TBA
Grand Champion Small Horse Harness - Kingston Stud Tommy Hawk
Reserve Grand - Goron Toron Silver Shadow

Miniature Halter

Grand Champion Junior Gelding - Withern Lodge Blue Moon
Reserve Grand - Country Rose Miniatures 143 Toy Soldier
Grand Champion Senior Gelding - Tlny Toy Enchanted Night
Reserve Grand - Puzzle Pieces Remember My Spirit
Grand Champion Junior Filly - RFM Signatures Dark Raven
Reserve Grand - Sapphire Park Sculptures Mirror Image
Grand Champion Senior Mare - CRM Black Velvet By Excellence
Reserve Grand - Ananaka Lodge Royal Destiny
Grand Champion Junior Colt - Tiny Toy One Special Night
Reserve Grand - Country Rose 143 Lets Dance
Grand Champion Senior Stallion - Sapphire Park Sculptures Can't Touch This
Reserve Grand - Meadowlane Majestys Falcon

Supreme Junior Exhibit - Tiny Toy One Special Night
Supreme Senior Exhibit - Sapphire Park Sculptures Can't Touch This

Small Horse Halter

Grand Champion Junior Gelding - Sapphire Park Sculptures Just Dreaming
Reserve Grand - TBA
Grand Champion Senior Gelding - Makasa Dejavu
Reserve Grand - Adhara Lodge Wellington Boots
Grand Champion Junior Filly - JRs Supreme Elegance
Reserve Grand - Totara Creek The Wonder of a Kiss
Grand Champion Senior Mare - Sherwood T4U It Must Be Magic
Reserve Grand - Trabyrne Fine Ice
Grand Champion Junior Colt - Totara Creek Ultimate Concept
Reserve Grand - Wildflower MG The Artist
Grand Champion Senior Stallion - Fantasy Farm Too Smooth
Reserve Grand - Shangrila SE Buckeroo Legacy

Supreme Junior Exhibit - Totara Creek Ultimate Concept
Supreme Senior Exhibit - Makasa Dejavu

Little Horse Halter

Grand Champion Gelding - F.L. Mystic Gambler
Grand Champion Mare - Coreyvale JD Midnight Secret
Reserve Grand - Atlanta Wind Song
Grand Champion Stallion - Keeland Park J's Artistic Trilogy

Supreme Little Horse Exhibit - Coreyvale JD Midnight Secret



Supreme of Supremes - Sapphire Park Sculptures Can't Touch This

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Performance

Grand Champion Miniature Show Jumper - Imperial Picasso Night Hawke
Reserve Grand - Tiny Toy Enchanted Night
Grand Champion Small Horse Show Jumper - Trabyrne Simply Awesome
Reserve Grand - Silver Star Hollywood Hero
Grand Champion Youth 8 Years & Under - Luke Sargeant
Reserve Grand - Jessie-Lee Kelly
Grand Champion Youth 9 Years to 13 Years - Madison Closter
Reserve Grand - Stephanie Clements
Grand Champion Youth 14 Years to 17 Years - Tahlia Kelly
Reserve Grand - Jessica Duffy
Grand Champion Junior Miniature Performance - Tiny Toy NC Prima Donna
Reserve Grand - Puzzle Pieces Show Girl
Grand Champion Senior Miniature Performance - Tiny Toy Enchanted Night
Reserve Grand - Meadowlane Majestys Falcon
Grand Champion Junior Small Horse Performance - Puzzle Pieces Legacys Painted Pride
Reserve Grand - Sapphire Park Sculptures Blonde Bombshell
Grand Champion Senior Small Horse Performance - Trabyrne Iceys Sheer LUCK
Reserve Grand - Silver Star Hollywood Hero
Grand Champion Little Horse Performance - Keeland Park Js Artistic Trilogy



Logan Mason with VIP Marked Elegance



Logan Mason (left) Bree-Anna Sanne (centre) and Drew Humphries (right) enjoying the fancy dress.



Sunburn and Photosensitivity in Horses

by: Kristen Slater, DVM - Article # 17669

The skin is the largest organ of the body. It serves to protect internal structures from a variety of environmental stimuli. In the summer months this is an especially vital organ for fending off a barrage of flies and the relenting summer sun.

Like humans, horses are susceptible to sunburn, especially on the non-pigmented pink-skinned areas of the body. Sunburn is most frequently seen around the eyes and on the muzzle of pale or white-faced horses. For this reason many of the breeds that most frequently suffer from sunburn include Paints, Pintos, and Appaloosas, as well as many cremellos and other horses with pale coat colours.

The skin condition photosensitization (a sensitivity to sun exposure) is different from sunburn in that it often affects both pigmented and non-pigmented areas of the body. Photosensitizing agents include, but are not limited to, St. John's wort, ragwort, buckwheat, perennial ryegrass, sulpha antibiotics, and tetracyclines.

Clover (mostly alsike and red) as well as alfalfa is linked to secondary photosensitivity due to liver damage, which can occur from heavy ingestion of these plants. Photosensitization also can secondarily result from liver damage due to bacterial, viral, or fungal infections and even liver cancers.

Skin lesions, primarily around the eyes and nostrils, are the first signs owners often see when sunburn or photosensitization occurs. Affected skin often peels or appears scaly and redder than surrounding pale skin (areas devoid of pigmentation). In severe cases horses might even develop blisters and leak serum (clear to yellowish fluid) from the damaged skin, just as with a deep sunburn in humans.

Most frequently I see sunburn when an owner complains that his or her horse is suddenly head shy. Anyone who has ever suffered the painful effects of sunburn should be able to understand easily why a horse suffering one on his face would be reluctant to wear a halter or bridle.

In addition to the painful aspect of sunburn, there are long-term consequences to consider in horses prone to recurrent sunburn. One of the most significant of these issues is an increased likelihood of developing squamous cell carcinoma (a cancer common to non-pigmented areas of the body).

There are many options available to help reduce the likelihood of sunburn in the horse. Just as in humans, the best advice is to avoid sun exposure when possible. This is often achieved by stabling the horse during the day and allowing him to graze from dusk to dawn. This way he is still able to get some sun, but not during peak exposure to ultraviolet (UV) rays. Another preventive measure many people have employed is the use of sunscreen. There are few options as far as equine-specific sunscreens, although some fly spray products do carry a small degree of UV protection. Many people use human products, such as children's sunscreens, on their horses, and colour-changing preparations are available so owners can see that areas are appropriately covered. However, in my experience, many people initiate sunscreen applications too late (i.e., after the horse has already suffered some ill effects of sunburn), and horses become resistant to application of the product. Furthermore, sunscreen needs to be reapplied, just as on people, to be fully effective. Another preventive option is the use of a full-face fly mask. Some come with UV protection and cover the entire face, including the ears. For horses with large areas of white over the back and trunk, however, it might be necessary to use a full-body flysheet.

If a horse sustains even a mild level of sunburn before these preventive measures are implemented, he might act head shy or unusually resistant to saddling (for those with sunburn over the back). Unfortunately, sunburn recovery in the horse can take months, so be patient and understand the horse is just showing his discomfort the only way he can.

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Champion & Reserve Champion Stallion/Colt

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Led Filly 2yrs & Under
Champion & Reserve Champion Mare/Filly

Led Gelding 3yrs & Over
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Champion & Reserve Champion Gelding

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Champion & Reserve Champion Stallion/Colt

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Led Filly 2yrs & under
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Champion & Reserve Champion Gelding

Supreme Small Horse Exhibit

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Champion & Reserve Champion Gelding

Supreme Small Pony Exhibit

Gotta Do It - Sheath Cleaning

If you own a male horse you'll probably need to clean his sheath periodically. Yech, you mean his ... unmentionable? Yep, that's the part. For breeding studs you would probably have this on your 'to do' list in preparation for breeding season. Gelding owners should make note too because it means for ALL male horses.

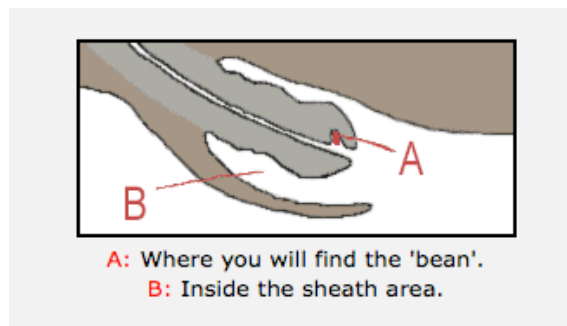
How To Tell If Your Horse's Sheath Needs Cleaning

Your horse could be rubbing his tail because he can't reach the sheath to clean it or if he makes 'squawking' noises when he trots it may be time for a sheath cleaning. The bean can get large enough that your horse might have problems passing urine. Some horses will need their sheaths cleaned every six months, others can be left a year or more.

The sheath is a protective tube of skin that surrounds the penis. Waxy secretions, dirt, dead skin cells, and bacteria can accumulate in the folds of the sheath. This black, foul smelling gunk is called smegma. Most male horses have at least a small amount, but large accumulations can lead to difficulty urinating and/or infections. Horses might also rub their tails .

You should check your horse at least once or twice a year to see if he needs cleaning. If so, you'll need to gather some supplies:

- warm water
- a hose
- a small bucket
- rubber gloves
- a tube sock
- a hand towel



In the past, experts recommended using a mild soap. However they've found that soap will remove the naturally occurring flora of organisms which actually increases the chance of infection. There are some commercial products available, but if you have to clean your horse more than once or twice a year I wouldn't recommend using anything except warm water. If your horse accumulates a lot of smegma, you may want to check with your veterinarian for help and advice.

Once you've gathered your supplies, you may want to exercise your horse until he is somewhat tired and relaxed. Warm weather may also make the procedure more comfortable. If your horse is touchy you can check with your veterinarian about tranquilizing your horse, however be careful as there are some tranquilizers that can affect a horse's ability to retract his penis. And it is often permanent.

To get started, put a rubber glove on your right hand and cover it with a large tube sock. (My apologies to left-handed people. You can substitute left for right in the directions that follow.) Although some people just use a tube sock or other fabric, I recommend using the rubber glove as well unless you want to carry the odor with you for hours.

Soak the sock in warm water, approach the horse, placing your left hand on his back and feeling around underneath with your right hand. Don't try to look! You are in a very vulnerable position. If something tickles a horse's belly or genitals, he will probably kick forward and he is capable of kicking his belly. You don't want your head in the way! Keep your arm tight up against his belly as you begin washing the sheath inside and out. You will probably find several large chunks and sheets of smegma. Just rinse the sock and keep feeling around until you have all the big pieces. Then rinse thoroughly with a hose using warm water and moderate to low pressure. If your horse is easy to work on, you can insert the hose about two to three inches to rinse.

You should also check for a ball of smegma, called a bean, at the end of the penis. There is a little pouch near the urethral opening where smegma accumulates and causes the most problems. It can even get big enough to interfere with urination. Removing this bean is easiest by "rolling" it out.

There you have it. If your horse has been cleaned before, he might have "dropped" for you to make it easier to clean his sheath. If this is his first time, he might have been a little apprehensive, but if you're gentle he will probably not mind very much which will make it easier for next time.

And who said 'spring cleaning' was just meant for the house!

Happy cleaning!



New method to calculate foal weight

It is often important to know how much a foal weighs. Records of body weight can be used to monitor growth rate and ensure accurate dosing of anthelmintics and other medications.

Obviously a weighbridge or scale that measures the weight accurately is the “gold standard”. But often scales are not available. Visual estimates are often inaccurate. Many weight tapes are not intended for use in foals under six months age. Various indirect methods of estimating the weight have been described. These usually involve a calculation based on measurements of parts of the body. While such systems might be practical in adult horses, they can present difficulties in uncooperative foals.

Researchers at the University of Concepcion in Chile have devised a formula that they claim provides a simple way of estimating a foal’s weight. A report of their research was published in the Veterinary Record.

The method requires only one measurement to be taken. The distance around the girth is measured just behind the elbow and 2.54cm behind the highest point of the withers. The measurement is taken just after the foal has exhaled.

Dr Rodriguez and colleagues measured 80 thoroughbred foals weighing between 50 and 250kg. Analysis of the data produced a formula that could be used to predict the weight from the heart girth.

**Estimated weight (kg) = $G^3 \times .090$
(where G = heart girth measurement in cms.)**

A more complex formula ($wt = G^{2.9945} \times 0.088$, where G is the girth measurement centimeters) was found to give a more accurate result, but the scientists suggest that this might prove too complicated for use on the farm.

They also found that their method was not quite as accurate as one previously described by Staniar and others. However, it does have the advantage of simplicity. In addition to heart girth measurement, Staniar’s formula also includes the length from point of shoulder to point of buttock, length of the left foreleg and circumference of the knee.

The scientists recommend their new formula for estimating a foal’s weight on the farm. Not only does it give acceptable results from a single measurement, it is relatively simple and can easily be remembered.

EG: a mini foal with the G measurement of 43cm would weigh approximately 11.6kg (43cm x 3 x .090 = 11.61)
(information sourced from internet)

Tribute to Chase

In our miniature horse industry it is considered normal to pay tribute to magnificent stallions that have passed on...

This article is a little bit different in the way it reflects on the life of a special young man...the life of 16 yr old Chase Mason of VIP Miniatures of Northern NSW. Chase was one of our youth, and known by many, in our miniature horse industry. A young man we lost at the beginning of the year. Chase was a victim in a horrific car crash where he lost his young life. The driver, a 44 yr old male, has been charged with manslaughter and the case is being heard in Supreme Court.



Even though Chase rarely shared the spotlight in the show ring with his mother Karel and little brother Logan, he was always a big contributing factor in the care and preparation of the family’s stud horses. His love for the horses was real and he went out of his way to help his family with the job at hand.

Where Chase made his mark was in the heart of our youth. He spent many hours with them behind the scenes after the show day had ended. Tamworth and Caboulture shows were his favourites. He made many friends with the youth in our industry; he held them high in his heart; and he couldn’t wait to reconnect with them on a regular basis 4 times a year every year for the past 9 years. It’s something that we don’t realise, that friendships in our industry not only grow and shape with the adults, but with the youth as well. I guess this is a way of letting his friends know how much they meant.

Those of you who knew Chase know of our loss.

Karel & family

Liver Failure in Horses

by: Erica Larson, News Editor - July 28 2011, Article # 18599

You might be hard-pressed to find a horse owner who hasn't heard of commonplace equine ailments such as colic, arthritis, or laminitis. But a less common concern that might not always be on owners' radars is liver failure. In fact, according to Thomas J. Divers, DVM, Dipl. ACVIM, ACVECC, professor and Chief of Large Animal Medicine at Cornell University, horses rarely experience liver failure. When they do, however, it's important to diagnose and treat them quickly and appropriately as this complex condition can be fatal. Divers presented on the topic at the 2011 Western Veterinary Conference, held Feb. 20-24 in Las Vegas, Nev.

The liver plays an important role in the equine digestive, endocrine, coagulation (clotting), and immune systems. Its primary function is detoxification, protein synthesis, and production of biochemicals necessary for digestion. The liver can typically still function adequately when it is partly damaged or diseased; however, a highly damaged liver can be a very serious problem.

Causes

Divers explained that horses and foals are most likely to develop liver damage or disease when they have a pre-existing septic, hypoxic (lacking oxygen), neoplastic (abnormal growths or tumors), toxic, or metabolic condition.

He added that the progression from liver disease to failure is rare, but causes of failure can include:

- Toxicity from alsike clover, Panicum grasses, or pyrrolizidine alkaloids (toxins found in weeds such as ragwort, fiddleneck, hound's tongue, and others);
- Cholangiohepatitis (inflammation and/or infection of the bile duct and liver tissue). Not all cases of cholangiohepatitis are infectious; they might also occur from toxic or immunologic causes;
- Tyzzer's disease (an acute, often fatal disease most commonly of foals caused by the bacterium *Clostridium piliforme*);
- Theiler's disease (also known as serum hepatitis);
- Chronic active hepatitis;
- Neoplasia (tumors);
- Hepatic lipidosis (a disorder involving deposition of fat in the liver);
- Biliary stones;
- Right dorsal colon displacement with obstruction of the bile ducts;
- Torsion (twisting) of the liver;
- Portal vein thrombosis (a blockage of the vein that leads to the liver); and
- Hyperammonemia (excess ammonia in the blood), which can also occur in horses without liver disease.

Clinical Signs

So how will you know if a horse is suffering liver failure? Divers explained there are several clinical signs of liver failure, and they tend to be specific to the cause.

The predominant signs of a horse experiencing acute (sudden) liver failure are likely neurologic deficits and jaundice. Horses suffering from chronic (ongoing) liver disease that is heading towards failure are likely to lose weight and have white areas of skin become sensitive to light. In both cases gastric impactions and bilateral laryngeal paralysis have been noted.

Liver failure caused mostly by abnormalities in the biliary system will present with marked jaundice, photosensitivity, and colic (often due to an obstruction in the bile duct and possible enlargement of the liver), Divers said. These horses do not commonly have neurologic deficits, he added.

Finally, he explained that some very specific causes of liver failure are accompanied by very specific clinical signs. Cholangiohepatitis, for example, will produce fever in horses; hepatic lipidosis will produce ventral edema (swelling); and right dorsal colon displacement will cause abdominal distention and abnormally tight colonic bands felt on rectal palpation.

Diagnosis

Although the causes of liver failure and the signs it can present are somewhat complicated, diagnostic methods are relatively straightforward.

"Biochemical testing is imperative in the diagnosis of ... liver failure," Divers explained. "The results can be helpful in narrowing the differential diagnosis for the liver failure and, when evaluated over time, can help predict prognosis."

Divers explained that biochemical tests are used to detect liver-specific enzymes and metabolites in the bloodstream, which, if abnormally high, are indicative of liver disease and sometimes failure.

Divers said an ultrasound examination and a liver biopsy are the two most common tests used to identify the type of liver disease. He noted that ultrasound also can reveal a number of abnormalities indicative of liver disease. Performed in conjunction with the ultrasound, a biopsy can aid in determining the type, location, and duration of disease and might pinpoint infectious agents.

Treatment and Prognosis

The treatment of liver disease and failure typically depends on the cause, Divers explained, but most cases will receive supportive treatment with intravenous fluids, dextrose (sugars), frequent feeding of a low protein diet along with medical treatments to decrease intestinal ammonia production, vitamins, and potassium. In some cases of liver failure, depending on the severity, veterinarians might employ different and specific forms of therapy depending upon the cause. These treatments include other intravenous and oral medications and in some cases surgery.

Divers explained that the prognosis for liver failure depends on the cause, amount of fibrosis (scarring), and how the horse responds to treatment. Horses with Theiler's disease, for instance, either die or are euthanized within days of liver failure or respond rather quickly to treatments. Toxic causes of liver failure generally have a guarded prognosis, while hepatic lipidosis can have a good prognosis if treated properly. Divers added that if fibrosis on the liver is present, the prognosis declines.

"In many cases, a causative reason for liver disease and failure and horses cannot be determined," Divers said. "Some types of liver disease can be easily diagnosed after considering history, biochemical findings, ultrasound examination, and liver biopsy if needed. Treatment is often successful for many causes as long as fibrosis is not prominent."

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Q: Why can horses jump so high?

A: They have frogs in their feet!!!!

EXPECTED FEED CONSUMPTION BY MARES (% OF BODY WEIGHT)			
	Forage	Concentrate	Total
Early Pregnancy	1.5-2.0	0.0-0.5	1.5-2.0
Late Pregnancy	1.0-1.5	0.5-1.0	1.5-2.0
Early Lactation	1.0-2.0	1.0-2.0	2.0-3.0
Late Lactation	1.0-2.0	0.5-1.5	2.0-2.5

SOURCE: ADAPTED FROM NUTRIENT REQUIREMENTS OF HORSES, NRC-NAS, 1989.



More pics from QLD State Show. Photos by Carissa :)



IMHR NSW State Championship Show

21st, 22nd & 23rd October 2011

Horseworld Stadium | Pre-entries close 4th October 2011

Day 1 – Friday 21st October – 12:30pm

Classics – Prizemoney to 3rd place

- 101 Miniature Yearling Classic - 28" & under
- 102 Miniature Yearling Classic - over 28" to 30"
- 103 Miniature Yearling Classic - over 30" to 32"
- 104 Miniature Two Year Old Classic - 31" & under
- 105 Miniature Two Year Old Classic - over 31" to 33"
- 106 Miniature Three Year Old Classic
- 107 Miniature Four Years & Over Classic
- 108 Small Horse Yearling Classic - over 32" to 34"
- 109 Small Horse Yearling Classic - over 34" to 36"
- 110 Small Horse Two Year Old Classic - over 33" to 35"
- 111 Small Horse Two Year Old Classic - over 35" to 37"
- 112 Small Horse Three Year Old Classic
- 113 Small Horse Four Years & Over Classic
- 114 Little Horse Two Years & Under Classic
- 115 Little Horse Three Years & Over Classic

Handler Classes

- 116 Youth Handler - 8 Years & Under (Free)
- 117 Youth Handler - 9 Years to 13 Years (Free)
- 118 Youth Handler - 14 Years to 17 Years (Free)
- 119 Youth Handler – Special Needs (Free)
- 120 Adult Handler
- 121 Adult Handler – Special Needs
- 122 Fancy Dress

Harness Classes

- 123 Novice Driver (any height)
- 124 Novice Miniature Harness
- 125 Open Miniature Harness
- 126 Open Miniature Turnout
- 127 Open Miniature Obstacle
- 128 Open Miniature Long-Reining
Grand & Reserve Champion Miniature Harness
- 129 Novice Small Horse Harness
- 130 Open Small Horse Harness
- 131 Open Small Horse Turnout
- 132 Open Small Horse Obstacle
- 133 Open Small Horse Long-Reining
Grand & Reserve Champion Small Horse Harness

Head/Colour/Group classes

- 134 Classic Head Junior Colt
- 135 Classic Head Senior Stallion
- 136 Classic Head Junior Filly
- 137 Classic Head Senior Mare
- 138 Classic Head Junior Gelding
- 139 Classic Head Senior Gelding
- 140 Best Dilute Colour
- 141 Best Solid Colour
- 142 Best Broken Colour
- 143 Best Spotted Colour
- 144 Best Taffy Colour
- 145 Best Any Other Colour
- 146 Owners Group Of Two
- 147 Get of Sire (3 exhibits by same sire)
- 148 Produce of Dam (2 exhibits out of same dam)

Day 2 – Saturday 22nd October – 9:00am

Miniature Pony Halter

- 201 Miniature Pony Gelding 2 Years & Under
- 202 Miniature Pony Gelding 3 Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Miniature Pony Gelding
- 203 Miniature Pony Filly Yearling
- 204 Miniature Pony Filly Two Year Old
- 205 Miniature Pony Mare Three Year Old
- 206 Miniature Pony Mare Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Miniature Pony Mare
- 207 Miniature Pony Colt Yearling
- 208 Miniature Pony Colt Two Year Old
- 209 Miniature Pony Stallion Three Years Old
- 210 Miniature Pony Stallion Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Miniature Pony Stallion
Supreme Miniature Pony Exhibit

Miniature Horse Halter

- 211 Miniature Gelding Yearling
- 212 Miniature Gelding Two Years Old
Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Miniature Gelding
- 213 Miniature Gelding Three Years Old
- 214 Miniature Gelding Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Miniature Gelding
- 215 Miniature Filly Yearling - 28" & under
- 216 Miniature Filly Yearling - over 28" to 30"
- 217 Miniature Filly Yearling - over 30" to 32"
- 218 Miniature Filly Two Year Old - 31" & under
- 219 Miniature Filly Two Year Old - over 31" to 33"
Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Miniature Filly
- 220 Miniature Mare Three Years Old
- 221 Miniature Mare Four Years & Over
- 222 Miniature Broodmare
Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Miniature Mare
- 223 Miniature Colt Yearling - 28" & under
- 224 Miniature Colt Yearling - over 28" to 30"
- 225 Miniature Colt Yearling - over 30" to 32"
- 226 Miniature Colt Two Year Old - 31" & under
- 227 Miniature Colt Two Year Old - over 31" to 33"
Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Miniature Colt
- 228 Miniature Stallion Three Years Old
- 229 Miniature Stallion Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Miniature Stallion
Supreme Junior Miniature Exhibit
Supreme Senior Miniature Exhibit

Small Horse Halter

- 230 Small Horse Gelding Yearling
- 231 Small Horse Gelding Two Years Old
Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Small Horse Gelding
- 232 Small Horse Gelding Three Years Old
- 233 Small Horse Gelding Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Small Horse Gelding
- 234 Small Horse Filly Yearling - over 32" to 34"
- 235 Small Horse Filly Yearling - over 34" to 36"



IMHR NSW State Championship Show

21st, 22nd & 23rd October 2011

Horseworld Stadium | Pre-entries close 4th October 2011

Day 2 continued.....

- 236 Small Horse Filly Two Year Old - 35" & under
- 237 Small Horse Filly Two Year Old - over 35" to 37"
Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Small Horse Filly
- 238 Small Horse Mare Three Years Old
- 239 Small Horse Mare Four Years & Over
- 240 Small Horse Broodmare
Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Small Horse Mare
- 241 Small Horse Colt Yearling - over 32" to 34"
- 242 Small Horse Colt Yearling - over 34" to 36"
- 243 Small Horse Colt Two Year Old - 35" & under
- 244 Small Horse Colt Two Year Old - over 35" to 37"
Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Small Horse Colt
- 245 Small Horse Stallion Three Years Old
- 246 Small Horse Stallion Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Small Horse Stallion
Supreme Junior Small Horse Exhibit
Supreme Senior Small Horse Exhibit
- Little Horse Halter**
- 247 Little Horse Gelding 2 Years & Under
- 248 Little Horse Gelding 3 Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Little Horse Gelding
- 249 Little Horse Filly Yearling
- 250 Little Horse Filly Two Year Old
- 251 Little Horse Mare Three Year Old
- 252 Little Horse Mare Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Little Horse Mare
- 253 Little Horse Colt Yearling
- 254 Little Horse Colt Two Year Old
- 255 Little Horse Stallion Three Years Old
- 256 Little Horse Stallion Four Years & Over
Grand & Reserve Champion Little Horse Stallion
Supreme Little Horse Exhibit
SUPREME of SUPREMES (all Supreme winners eligible)
- Liberty**
- 257 Miniature Horse Liberty
- 258 Small Horse Liberty
- 259 Little Horse Liberty

Day 3 – Sunday 23rd October – 9:00am

Trail

- 301 Youth Trail - 8 Years & Under (Free)
- 302 Youth Trail - 9 Years to 13 Years (Free)
- 303 Youth Trail - 14 Years to 17 Years (Free)
- 304 Junior Miniature Trail
- 305 Junior Small Horse Trail
- 306 Senior Miniature Trail
- 307 Senior Small Horse Trail
- 308 Little Horse Trail

Hunter

- 309 Youth Hunter - 8 Years & Under (Free)
- 310 Youth Hunter - 9 Years to 13 Years (Free)
- 311 Youth Hunter - 14 Years to 17 Years (Free)
- 312 Junior Miniature Hunter
- 313 Junior Small Horse Hunter
- 314 Senior Miniature Hunter
- 315 Senior Small Horse Hunter
- 316 Little Horse Hunter

Lungeline

- 317 Miniature Lungeline
- 318 Small Horse Lungeline
- 319 Little Horse Lungeline

Senior Jumping Events

- 320 Miniature Show Jumper
- 321 Small Horse Show Jumper
- 322 Little Horse Show Jumper
- 323 Miniature Six Bar
- 324 Small Horse Six Bar
- 325 Little Horse Six Bar
- 326 Miniature Fault & Out
- 327 Small Horse Fault & Out
- 328 Little Horse Fault & Out
- Grand & Reserve Champion Miniature Show Jumper
- Grand & Reserve Champion Small Horse Show Jumper
- Grand & Reserve Champion Little Horse Show Jumper
- Grand & Reserve Champion Youth - 8 Years & Under
- Grand & Reserve Champion Youth - 9 Years to 13 Years
- Grand & Reserve Champion Youth - 14 Years to 17 Years
- Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Miniature Performance
- Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Miniature Performance
- Grand & Reserve Champion Junior Small Horse Performance
- Grand & Reserve Champion Senior Small Horse Performance
- Grand & Reserve Champion Little Horse Performance

HEIGHT FOR AGE RULES (@ 1st August)

Miniature Horse

- Weanlings must not exceed 30"
- Yearlings must not exceed 32"
- Two Year Old must not exceed 33"
- Mature horses must not exceed 34.5"

Small Horse

- Weanlings must not exceed 34"
- Yearlings must not exceed 36"
- Two Year Olds must not exceed 37"
- Mature horses must not exceed 38.5"

Little Horse

- Weanlings must not exceed 38"
- Yearlings must not exceed 40"
- Two Year Olds must not exceed 41"
- Mature horses must not exceed 42"

Miniature Ponies

must meet Height For Age as above for Miniature Horses

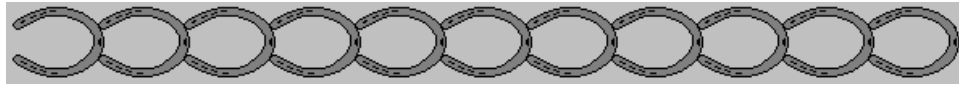


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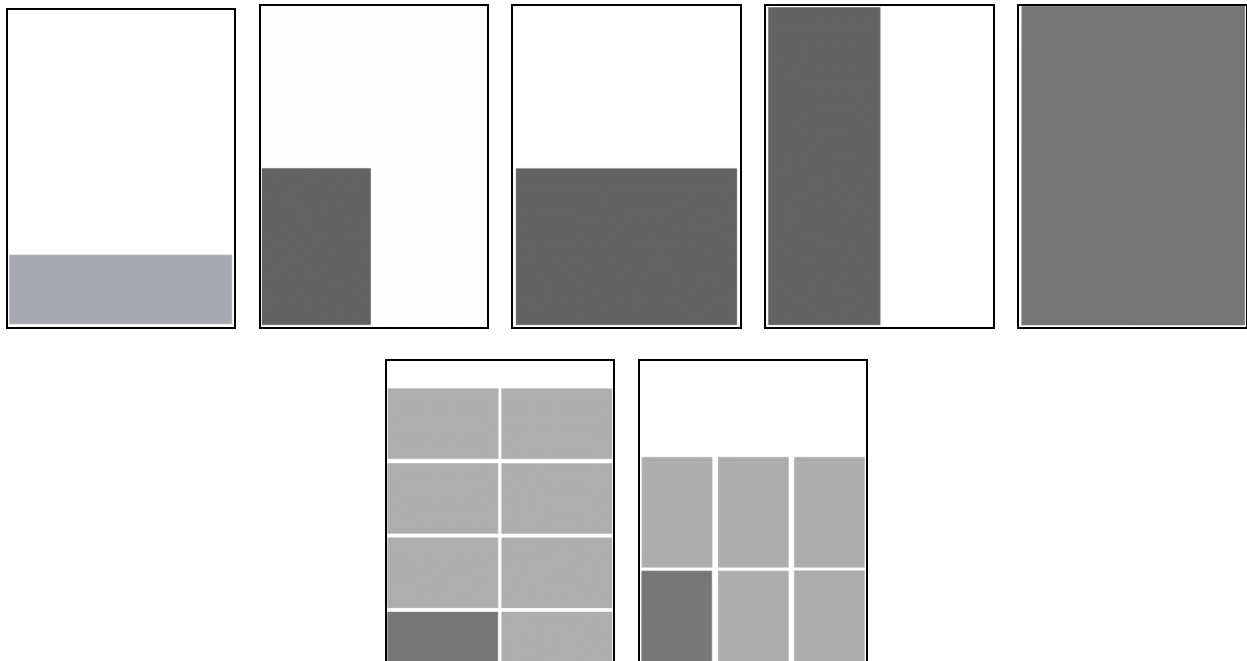
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Business Card	100 x 65	65 x 100
Classified Section (Text only)	100 X 65	

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It has become necessary for us to point out that over the last few issues, we have been receiving advertisements in sizes not compatible with our pages or sections.

To alleviate this, we have provided the guide above for size requirements. Please refer to this when doing your adverts.

Please note that business cards and classifieds must conform to a specific size. We realise that business cards can come in different sizes from different printing houses (or homebased ones) but we need to make our Business Directory a little more 'tidy' than it currently is.

Thank you for your help in this.

Saturday 26th November

Miniature Horse Halter Parade

1. Miniature - Filly Yearling
2. Miniature - Filly Two Year Old
Champion & Reserve Junior Filly
3. Miniature - Mare 3 Years old
4. Miniature - Mare 4 Years & over
Champion & Reserve Senior Mare
5. Miniature - Colt Yearling
6. Miniature - Colt Two Year Old
Champion & Reserve Junior Colt
7. Miniature - Stallion 3 Years old
8. Miniature - Stallion 4 Years & over
Champion & Reserve Senior Stallion
9. Miniature - Gelding Yearling
10. Miniature - Gelding 2 years old
Champion & Reserve Junior Gelding
11. Miniature - Gelding 3 Years Old
12. Miniature - Gelding 4 Years & Over
Champion & Reserve Senior Gelding

Supreme Junior | Supreme Senior Miniature Exhibit

Small Horse Halter Parade

13. Small Horse - Filly Yearling
14. Small Horse - Filly Two Year Old
Champion & Reserve Junior Small Horse Filly
15. Small Horse - Mare 3 Years old
16. Small Horse - Mare 4 Years & over
Champion & Reserve Senior Small Horse Mare
17. Small Horse - Colt Yearling
18. Small Horse - Colt Two Year Old
Champion & Reserve Junior Small Horse Colt
19. Small Horse - Stallion 3 Years old
20. Small Horse - Stallion 4 Years & over
Champion & Reserve Senior Small Horse Stallion
21. Small Horse - Gelding Yearling
22. Small Horse - Gelding 2 Years Old
Champion & Reserve Junior Small Horse Gelding
23. Small Horse - Gelding 3 Years Old
24. Small Horse - Gelding 4 Years & Over
Champion & Reserve Senior Small Horse Gelding

Supreme Junior | Supreme Senior Small Horse Exhibit

Little Horse

25. Little Horse Mare or Filly
26. Little Horse Colt or Stallion
27. Little Horse Gelding

Champion & Reserve Little Horse

Phar Lap Memorial Supreme Gelding of Show

28. Classic Head Junior Male
29. Classic Head Senior Male
30. Classic Head Junior Female
31. Classic Head Senior Female
32. Best Dilute Colour
33. Best Solid Colour
34. Best Broken Colour
35. Best Spotted Colour
36. Best Taffy Colour
37. Best Any Other Colour

Best Coloured Exhibit

38. Classic Trot Miniature
39. Classic Trot Small Horse
40. Classic Trot Little Horse
41. Owners Group of Two
42. Get of Sire (2 exhibits by same sire)
43. Produce of Dam (2 exhibits out of same dam)

Sunday 27th November

Miniature Pony

44. Miniature Pony Filly 2 years and under
45. Miniature Pony Mare 3 years and over
46. Miniature Pony Colt 2 years and under
47. Miniature Pony Stallion 3 years and over
48. Miniature Pony Gelding any age

Champion & Reserve Miniature Pony

Jockey Classes

(Novice classes – never won first place in handler class)

49. Novice Youth Handler
50. Youth Handler to 17 years
51. Novice Adult Handler
52. Adult Handler 18 Years & Over
53. Fancy Dress (free !)
54. Miniature Pony in Harness
55. Miniature Horse in Harness
56. Small Horse in Harness
57. Little Horse in Harness

Performance Events

58. Youth Trail
 59. Miniature Pony Trail
 60. Junior Miniature Horse Trail
 61. Senior Miniature Horse Trail
 62. Junior Small Horse Trail
 63. Senior Small Horse Trail
 64. Little Horse Trail
 65. Youth Hunter
 66. Miniature Pony Hunter
 67. Junior Miniature Horse Hunter
 68. Senior Miniature Horse Hunter
 69. Junior Small Horse Hunter
 70. Senior Small Horse Hunter
 71. Little Horse Hunter
 72. Miniature Pony Lungeline
 73. Miniature Horse Lungeline
 74. Small Horse Lungeline
 75. Little Horse Lungeline
 76. Miniature Show Jumper
 77. Small Horse Show Jumper
 78. Little Horse Show Jumper
 79. Miniature Six Bar
 80. Small Horse Six Bar
 81. Little Horse Six Bar
 82. Miniature Fault & Out
 83. Small Horse Fault & Out
 84. Little Horse Fault & Out
- Champion & Reserve Youth Exhibitor
Champion & Reserve Miniature Pony Performance
Champion & Reserve Junior Miniature Performance
Champion & Reserve Senior Miniature Performance
Champion & Reserve Junior Small Horse Performance
Champion & Reserve Senior Small Horse Performance
Champion & Reserve Little Horse Performance
Champion & Reserve Miniature Show Jumper
Champion & Reserve Small Horse Show Jumper
Champion & Reserve Little Horse Show Jumper

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Notice to Members for Registration

With the increasing number of registrations and transfers being received at the office, it becomes even more important to ensure that your paperwork is completed correctly and completely to speed up processing.

To assist with this, we have put together a handy reference guide to help you and give you useful tips to ensure that you have given us all the information we need.

The information is on the website www.imhr.com.au on the **FORMS** page. Please read this carefully and hopefully a lot of your questions will be answered. Do not hesitate to contact the Secretary if you require assistance.

Any incomplete or incorrect paperwork received at the office will incur a reprocessing fee.

Remember - do not email the office with your information - please print it and put it with your membership or registration paperwork. Due to the volumes, it is impossible for us to keep matching up the paperwork for you. You don't need to email us to tell us in advance that you have paid - just print the receipt and put it with your paperwork and post it in together.

Thank you all for your cooperation - it is very much appreciated.



HOW TO UPGRADE A HORSE WITH IMHR

If your horse currently holds temporary registration - that is any horse under 5 years of age - you will need to upgrade it to Permanent Status when it reaches the age of 5 years.

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- Step 1: Measure the horse
- Step 2: Take a photo of each side of the horse and print or put on CD
- Step 3: On the back of the original registration certificate is a Permanent Height section. Complete that section and sign it.
- Step 4: Fill out a work order
- Step 5: Send all of the above with the appropriate fee to IMHR.

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Regards,

Leanne Williams
President



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POLICY CHANGES

Members, please be advised that **all horses must hold IMHR Inc. registration** if they are advertised in this magazine.

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If you find that there are broken links or errors on our website, would you please report this to the webmaster on office@imhr.com.au If you have further requests, please also direct these to our office on office@imhr.com.au

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The deadline for advertising, articles etc is clearly written on page 3 of the magazine above the Table of Contents. Please note this and have all your information to the editor **BY THIS DATE**. Please also have all inclusions **PRINT READY**, the editor will not be proof-reading, altering and/or retyping any inclusions, they will be printed as received. Thank you for your efforts. If you do not have the facilities to create your own advert, IMHR office offers a design service, please contact us for details.

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REQUEST FOR SPONSORSHIP

We have been getting many requests for sponsorship of open agricultural shows. We now require a form to be completed for all requests to enable us to ensure we are tracking this sponsorship and that it is fairly distributed.

All forms are available for download from the website www.imhr.com.au or you may request a form from the office. You must be a current financial member to request sponsorship.

Please note: be aware that even though IMHR may sponsor classes at a show run by another organisation, we do not assume jurisdiction in the event of a protest. You must follow the rules set down by the RAS, RNA or Show Society running that show. If unsure, please check with the Show Management or Show Secretary at that show.



Reminder!

We can't find you if we don't have your correct or current details!

If you have changed or are planning on changing your address, email or phone number please let the office know at office@imhr.com.au

It is up to you to keep us updated, please take the time, it is only you who will miss out if you don't.

If anyone has any interesting articles they may have read or written and would like to share with other members, please send them to the editor to be included in future issues.

These could be health issues, natural remedies that are tried and true, foaling anecdotes or tips, show tips, breeding tips or something similar. Whatever you think may be of help to another member or a new person into the industry - send it along.

Let's share and help one another if we can.

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Cameras around and about at recent shows - this one is Lowood Agricultural Show Queensland held on 3-4 June 2011. Congratulations to all who exhibited over that weekend. Results could not be obtained at time of printing but I am sure you know who you are!
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