



# SPRING NEWSLETTER

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## 2011 SHCV MASTERS HOTY Update . . .

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### VOLUNTEERS WANTED

We are looking for volunteers to assist at the 2011 SHCV Masters HOTY. We will pay each approved volunteer \$50 per day for their help. If you are interested in helping (we'll provide any training), please email [shcv@eques.com.au](mailto:shcv@eques.com.au) or contact:  
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After each hosted event, the Executive of the SHCV undertakes a review of the program. It looks at the number of entries per class, time-tabling problems, and listens to feedback provided by our competitors, members, spectators and judges. From this, it makes changes to the event the following year.

The 2011 SHCV Masters HOTY will see some subtle changes to the Schedule: Debutante Galloway has now been split into Large and Small height classes, along with the Intermediate Galloway class.

Shetlands entered in the Shetland Pony Leading Rein class can also enter the Pony Leading Rein class.

The winner and place-getters of all Open Rider Classes will now be determined by three judges utilising the SHCV point-score system. This is the same system used to determine the winner and runner-up of the Open and Show Hunter saddle classes.

The Gilt Edge Cup was held for the first time last year and caused much debate as to the intention of the class. As stated in the rules, this is a class designed to select a show horse that best displays the qualities of a thoroughbred. This is not a Thoroughbred Class, hence, there is no requirement for the horse to be a pure thoroughbred or to have raced.

The Gilt Edge Cup this year will be determined by four judges, instead of three. The importance and value of a great groom cannot be overlooked, and, in this class, each horse is to be assigned a groom. A slight change this year will see an Award given to the best-presented groom.

Online entries this year can be submitted at [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au). This website appears to user-friendly and better suits our needs. Unfortunately, you will still be required to mail some information to the SHCV in support of your online entry. Entries via mail will be accepted as per normal.

SHCV Membership and HOTY entry fees have not altered from last year, although you will note a slight increase to the WPNEC Foot Levy.

Horses competing at the 2011 SHCV Masters HOTY, if not already registered, **must** have their horse registration papers lodged with the SHCA Registrar by **14 October 2011**. NO EXCEPTION.

We also welcome back the Victorian Pinto Society who will be holding their inaugural 2011 Showcase Pinto of the Year in conjunction with our event.

We wish you all a fun and competitor-friendly SHCV Masters HOTY. We look forward to your feedback.

### HOTY reminders . . .

The following information is provided to try and make things easier for you:

**SHCV Memberships:** These are sent to the— SHCV, PO Box 5374, Cranbourne VIC 3977

**SHCA Horse Registrations:** Your horse registration papers and transfers etc are to be forwarded to—Show Horse Council Registrar, PO Box 776, Richmond NSW 2753.

**Please note:** You must be a member of an SHCA Affiliate to register a horse. If you have sent your membership payment to SHCV, make a note on the registration papers you are sending to Registrar that you have done so. Your papers will not be issued unless we can confirm your membership.

Furthermore, your papers **MUST** be lodged with the Registrar by 14 October 2011 or the

horse cannot attend the show.

**2011 SHCV Masters HOTY—** entry and payment can be completed online at [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au) or via mail to the SHCV. If you complete your entries online, you are still required to send in the paperwork.

## SHCV updates . . .

I attended the reconvened SHCA AGM at Richmond NSW on Tuesday 6 September 2011.

SHCA Election results were as follows:

- Bruce Flood—President
- Eileen Gibson—Vice President
- Helen Kirton—Junior Vice Pres.
- Roma Stonestreet— Secretary
- Sandra James—Treasurer
- Helen Kirton—Chief Measurer

As you may be aware, these roles are not available to anyone outside NSW.

The issue of the SHCA constitution was raised and considerable discussion resulted in everyone agreeing that the voting rights of interstate Constituent Affiliates (such as the SHCV) should be reviewed. Each non-NSW state (Constituent Affiliate) is only

entitled to one vote; whereas, NSW clubs are entitled to more votes depending on the number of financial members. eg: A NSW club with 52 members is entitled to three votes; however, the SHCV with in excess of 440 members is only entitled to one vote. I can assure you, we will be working very hard to change this anomaly and encourage the SHCA to become a truly national body.

The SHCV successfully moved that the AGM be held on a weekend to allow interstate travellers to attend without impacting their work commitments. This was supported by all, and it was further agreed that it be held near the airport for easy access. As from 2012, the National Subcommittee for Constituent Affiliates will also be held the same weekend instead of December.

The SHCV has requested the SHCA review its current insurance policy and as it is not meeting the needs of each of the States. The SHCV has been forced to cancel a num-

ber of training clinics this year and allow only SHCV members to attend due to new Insurance restrictions. As the strategy of the SHCV is to distribute its services across Victoria and to encourage up and coming show riders to join, the existing policy does not meet our needs. This is neither an easy nor quick process, but we are keen to have a policy that meets the needs of SHCA members Australia wide.

Although the SHCV has been granted a third Grand National qualifying event, we are still working through the options available. We have been approached by a couple of groups that support our vision and who are keen to assist us in hosting this event. We have a way to go at this stage until any announcement is made.

If you have any questions or comments, please do not hesitate in contacting me.

**Tony Norris**

**PRESIDENT**

## Grand National Qualifying Events — Victoria

The following is a list of competitions in Victoria that are Grand National qualifying events:

- ◆ SHCV Masters Horse of the Year
- ◆ SHCV Autumn Classic Show
- ◆ Royal Melbourne Show
- ◆ Royal Geelong Show
- ◆ VASA

The following is a list of Grand National Qualifying classes:

- ◆ Leading Rein Pony
- ◆ Show Hunter Small Pony

◆ Show Hunter Large Pony

◆ Show Hunter Small Galloway

◆ Show Hunter Large Galloway

◆ Show Hunter Small Hack

◆ Show Hunter Large hack

◆ Open Small Pony

◆ Open Large Pony

◆ Open Small Galloway

◆ Open Large Galloway

◆ Open Small Hack

◆ Open Large Hack

◆ Open Rider Under 12 Yrs

◆ Open Rider 12 and under 15 yrs

◆ Open rider 15 and under 17 yrs

◆ Open Rider 17 and under 21 yrs

◆ Open Rider 21 yrs and over  
Note—this class is split into two classes at the Grand Nationals but there are no separate qualifying classes. The two classes are 21 years and under 30 years, 30 years and over.

## Judges List —

The SHCV List of Judges has now been created and the inaugural Judges Workshop held in the beautiful RASV rooms at the Royal Melbourne Showground on Sunday 31 July 2011. Attendance was fantastic and the workshop a lot of fun. Presentations were made by Dale Plumb (Leading Rein & First Ridden Pony); Virginia Creed (Rider Position; Effective Riding), and Lara Tweedie (Soundness; confirmation issues to consider when Judging), with a number of people walking away with lucky door prizes.

The next workshop will held at the Showground on Sunday 11 December 2011. Additional information can be located on

our website: [www.shcv.com.au](http://www.shcv.com.au)

**Recognised Judging Qualifications:** If you are already on a recognised Judges List such as EV, Riding Pony etc, you are eligible for an immediate amnesty, but you must attend a Judges Workshop prior to 31 December 2011 to remain on the SHCV List of Judges beyond that date. This amnesty/offer will expire on 1 January 2012.

As the SHCV List of Judges has been created, you will not be able to accept SHC judging opportunities anywhere unless you are a financial member of the SHCV and on the List .

**Want to become a SHC Judge?** If you would like to become a Judge and be placed on the SHCV List of Judges you are required to complete an application form; attend a Judge's Workshop, and pass an examination. The examination is held immediately after the workshop and comprises two parts: Part A is taken from a list of Questions and Answers that will be provided; and Part B is from a number of sources as detailed on our website. The examination is NOT open book and takes approximately 60 minutes to complete. If you complete the required reading, you should achieve the 75% pass mark.