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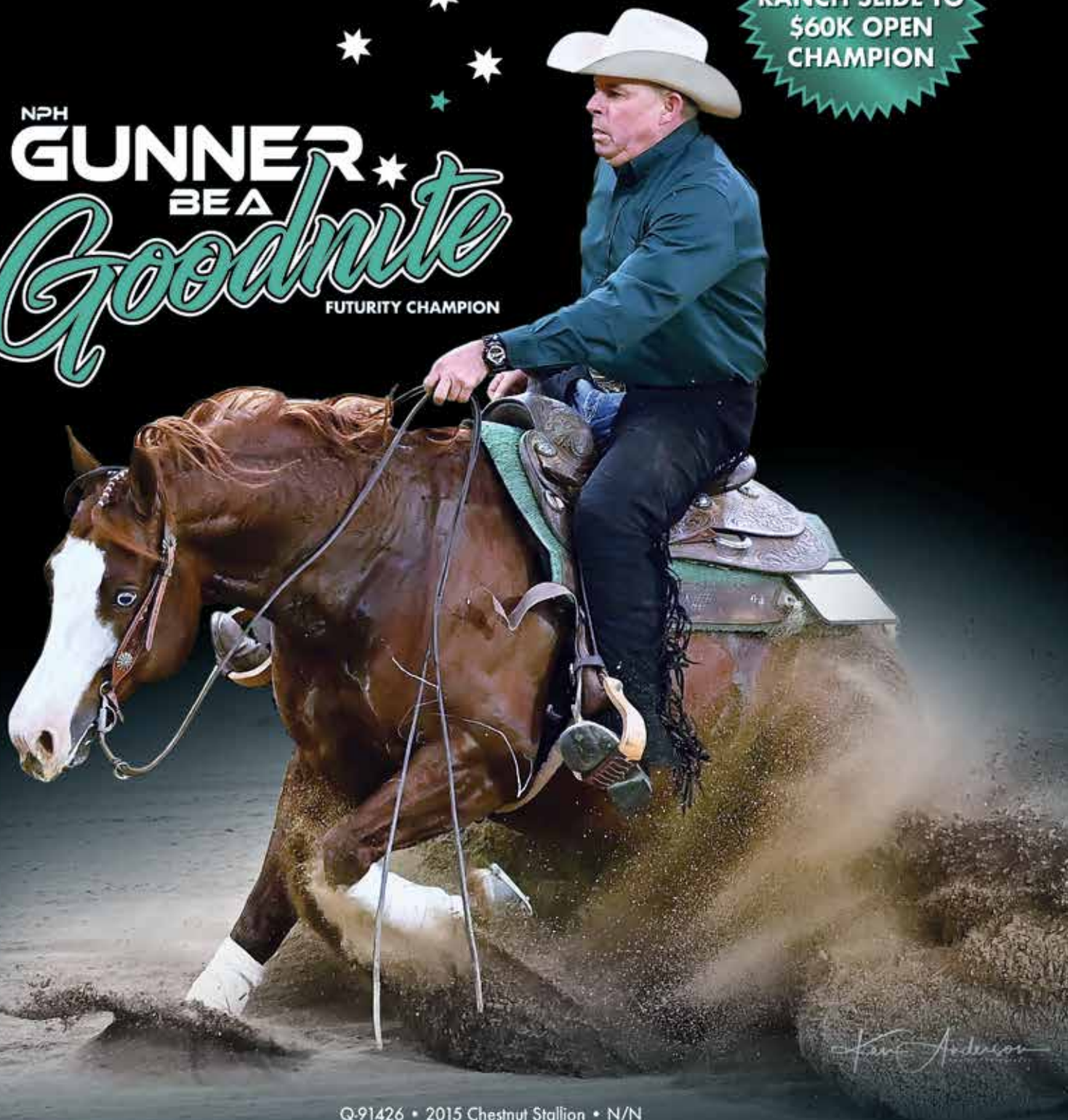
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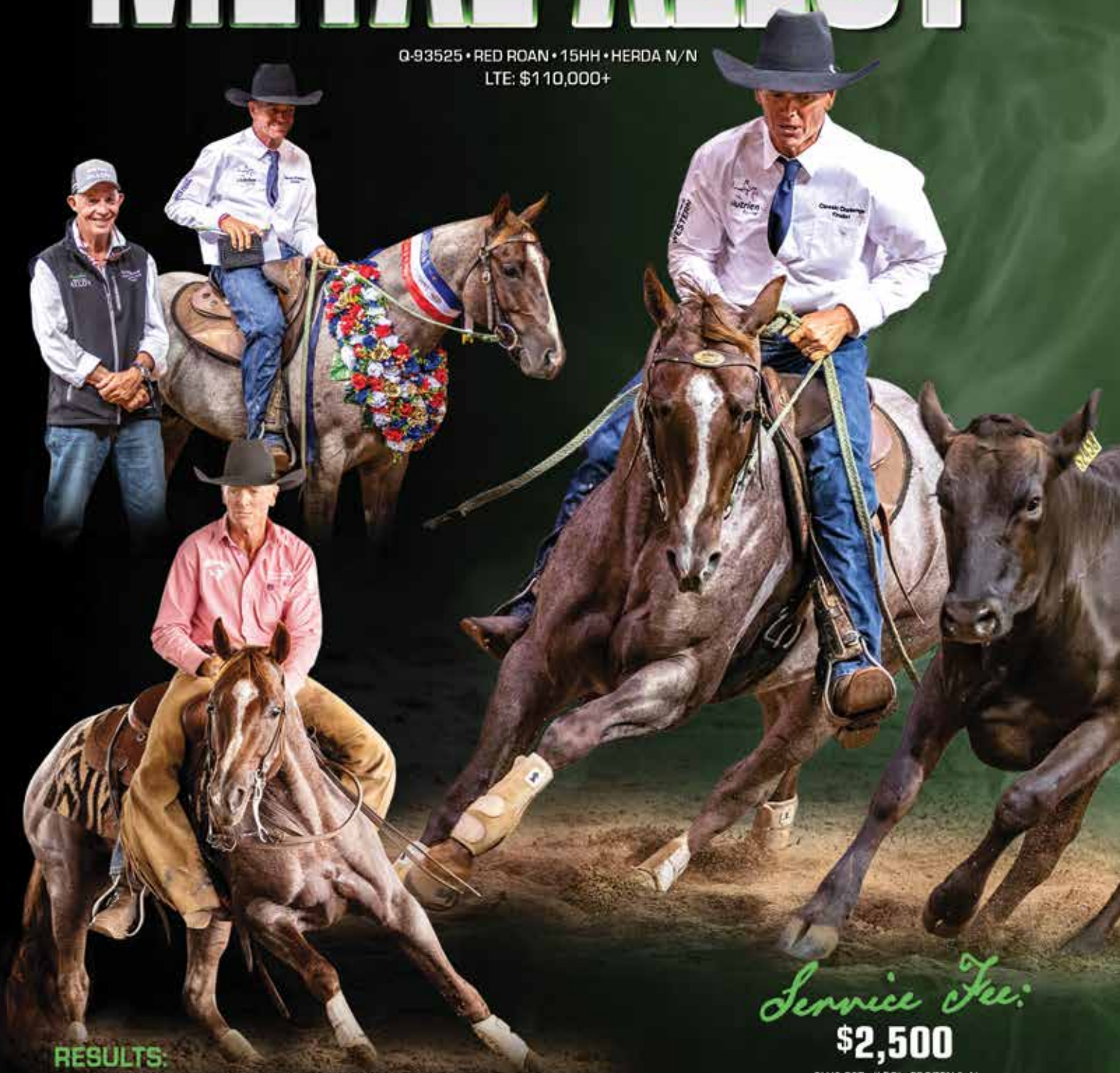
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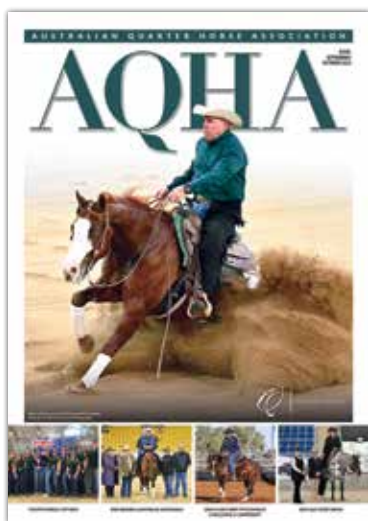
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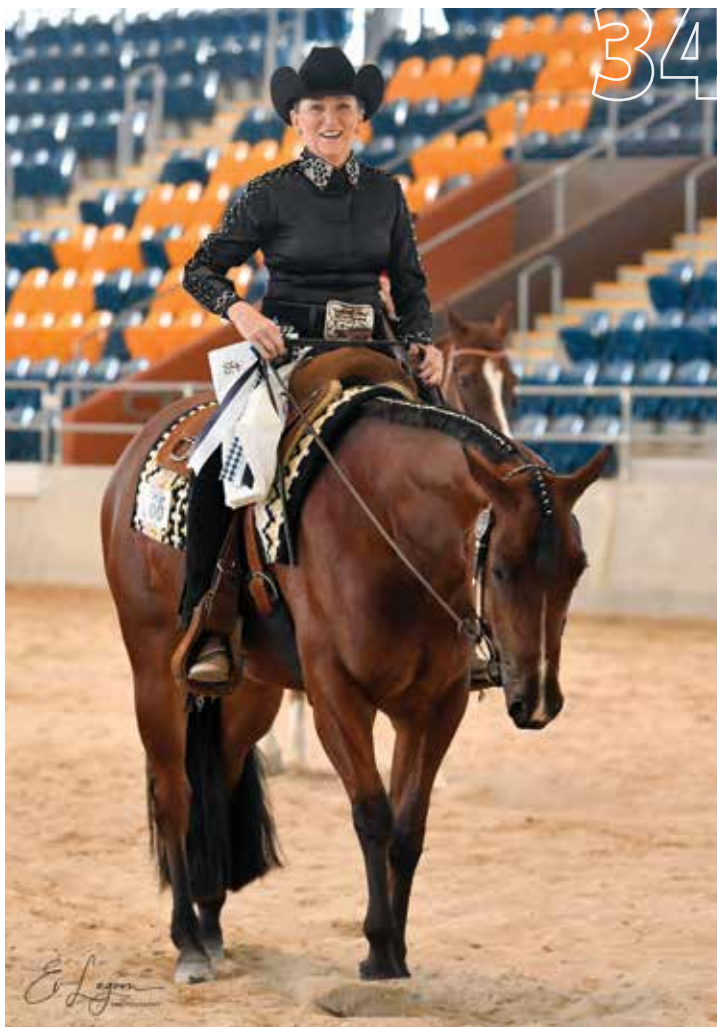
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## AQHA YOUTH REINER

# Clare NEYLON

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Clare Neylon began riding around the same time she'd learned how to walk. Like many country kids, her first steed was a little pony. Her mother, Erin Neylon, says that from around the age of only four, Clare showed early determination and confidence, even to the point where she began 'training' that little grey pony in reining maneuvers! She shared that patient pony with her brother, and even though her feet didn't even reach below the saddle pad, she would try to train him to perform spins and stops.

**L**iving on the family property at Woodford, Queensland, where her parents, Erin and Dennis, operate Neylon Performance Horses, Clare would later advance onto a trained Reining horse, the very trustworthy Quarter horse, Doc's Leo Tivio Q-26676, also known as Jake. Over the course of his many years in Reining, Jake had already carried plenty of Non-Pro and Youth riders around the Reining pen. When Clare started her Reining journey, Jake was a 22 year old gelding—a horse her parents felt would carry her safely through her first lot of reining classes.

Her first competitive Reining show was great, but also hard for Clare at the same time. She really wanted to ride in the Youth Reining, a one handed event, but had not yet progressed to actually riding one handed. Erin explained to Clare that when any rider rides two-handed in a one-handed class, they are scored a zero. Understanding this, Erin says, made Clare so much more determined, and from a young age, a very serious little competitor emerged. Much to her parent's surprise, Clare was soon riding and competing one-handed!

While she was growing up, Clare had watched her parents ride and train their Reining horses almost every day, and then she'd head off to a show with them, to watch them compete. Understandably, she's now doing the same. Currently competing in every class she's eligible for, right up to State and National Level, Clare rides and shows various horses, year to year, depending on what mares her parents put in foal.

Clare's current Reining horse is the lovely chestnut mare, Lilmissnoitall Q-61888. Bindi, as she's known, was bred by Ray Gabbert of Onya Quarter Horses, and is by Freckles Gay Doc Q-36969, and out of Yugilbar Ineka Chex Q-314846. Both her sire and dam are Reining Australia Hall of Fame inductees.

It's the second time that Bindi's been brought out of retirement. Originally trained and shown by Warren Backhouse, Bindi was Reserve Champion in the National Futurity and won the National Derby the following year. Bindi's signature moves would be her fast turns and powerful stops.



*'While Bindi is beautiful and sweet,' Clare says. 'She really knows her job in the show pen, so I really have to be on my game when I show her. Bindi is our little firecracker and one of our best producing mares. One thing I especially love about this mare is that she really wants to try her best for you. She has a lot of heart, but is also a horse that always keeps you focused and thinking.'*

Clare has a relatively simple, but effective training and exercise schedule, riding at home most days during the week. This helps to keep both Clare and her horse, fit and tuned up for showing, until they head off, at least once a month, to a Reining show with the family.

*'Reining is my favourite discipline,' Clare admits. 'It's a fantastic sport, and I love the challenges it offers. It's a sport that really makes a rider think, especially when they're in the arena in front of the Judge. It all happens so quickly in the show pen, so you really need to be on the ball and just go with it. A lot of trust needs to be built between the horse and rider, and for me, it's when all my riding and training that I do during the week, comes back into it.'*



ARBC Youth Reining Clare Neylon riding Lil Miss Genius Q-74417



Rookie L1 and L2 Clare Neylon riding Lil Miss Genius Q-74417

Clare attends Reining clinics whenever they're available, but most of the time she'll ride and train at home in the arena with her parents.

*'At home,' Clare's mum, Erin, adds. 'There are usually three of us riding in the arena at the same time. We'll watch each other's runs and give each other a bit of advice and encouragement, where and when it's needed.'*

Clare says that she is very much inspired by the well-known American Reining trainer and rider, Andrea Fappani. She thinks he is a great horseman and loves the way his horses go around the Reining pen during competition. In 2021, Fappani became the NRHA Leading All-Time Rider after passing the \$7 Million milestone; definitely someone, and something, to aspire to.

Driven by her great love of Quarter horses and the sport of Reining, Clare not only attends Reining





Clare Neylon - ARBC Green Rider  
Level 2 Champion

shows at Caboolture and Gatton, in Queensland, but also the National Reining Show in Tamworth, NSW. She's had some major Reining achievements herself, these being National and State Titles.

So far, 2023 has been one very exciting year for Clare, especially recently, when she and her family travelled to the USA. She rode with trainer, Trent Harvey, of Whitesboro, Texas, and competed in a few classes at the 6666 NRHA Derby Show, in Oklahoma, on the very nice little mare, 'Cowgirls Dont Spook'. One of the highlights there was being able to ride with 2 & 3 million dollar riders. Whilst in the USA, Clare also qualified for the Run-For-A-Million Rookies Class, to be run during the prestigious Run-For-A-Million event, which will be held in Las Vegas in August, 2023.

After leaving the NRHA Show, in Oklahoma, Clare and her family headed to Fort Worth, Texas, to join the Australian Youth World Cup Team at

Bryan - College Station, to attend and compete at the AQHA Youth World Cup, 2023. At the Youth World Cup, Clare competed on a mare named Jersey Queen, and was awarded 3rd place under Judge 1, and 2nd place under Judge 2, bringing home the Bronze Medal for Reining for Australia. That journey, the competition, the memories and many great friendships formed will be something that will definitely stay with Clare forever.

In order to move forward in the direction she needs to go to achieve, Clare has set herself some ambitious Reining goals, with a focus over the next couple of years to ride and work for a Reining Trainer in the USA. She's also keen to work in the field of Equine Veterinary Science, and with goals like hers, backed by her winning determination, it'll be hard for Clare Neylon not to taste even more great success.





Youth World Cup Team: LEFT TO RIGHT: Holly Skopp - Coach, Sebastian Mundy - Leadership, Faith Green - Leadership, Clare Neyson - Rider, Lacey Lalor - Reserve Cora Potter - Rider, Olivia MacCallum - Rider, Tirra Ewers - Leadership, Maddi Allen - Rider, Charley Lalor - Rider, Liz Keating - Manager



# YOUTH WORLD CUP 2023

**RIDERS: CHARLEY LALOR, CORA POTTER, MADDI ALLEN, CLARE NEYLON, OLIVIA MACCALLUM.**

**RESERVE: LACEY LALOR**

**LEADERSHIP: SEBASTIAN MUNDY, TIRRA EWERS, FAITH GREEN.**

**COACH: HOLLY SKOPP / MANAGER: LIZ KEATING**

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It was decided to take our Aussie team the preceding week for our riders to have some coaching prior to the YWC event. The kids fundraised the amount needed for the week, which included accommodation, hire car, clinician costs and all meals etc. Some of the team were already in the USA, so we organized to meet at our hotel, and then our adventure started. We were now a TEAM! We had hired a 12 seater van, which Holly drove perfectly on the wrong side of the road, through all of the freeway ring roads, while I navigated with the help of Google maps!





Arriving on the Saturday the 24th of June, we hit the ground running, Sunday morning we headed to see John Mitchell at Slate River Ranch Weatherford, where he schooled our 2 cutting kids. Monday we headed to Whitesboro to see Bud Lyon of Bud Lyon Performance Horses, where our Reiners and Ranchers rode and practiced the patterns for the YWC competition. We also caught up with fellow former Aussie Kodi Kyle (Anderson) who kindly had loaned us some of her show gear for the competition. Tuesday and Wednesday we headed to Tioga to ride with Brad Ost and Troy Lehn of Empyre Show Horses, where our soft event girls were put through their paces with the patterns for the YWC show. The weather was HOT!, some days 110 degrees with 100% humidity, so we were riding early, then we spent the afternoons at the saddlery shops. We were lucky enough to visit Charlie Cole at Highpoint Performance Horses, where he showed us around all of his exotic animals! This was such a treat for the kids. Thanks also goes to Charlie for lending us some gear to take to use the competition. We also had a chance to spend an afternoon at the Will Rogers Coliseum Fort Worth to watch the youth horsemanship at the Paint World Show. Thursday morning was spent cleaning gear and preparing to head down to College Station. We had a coach pick us up at 12pm to drive us the three plus hours to the event. It was funny to see 11 of us in such a big bus, but we had so much gear to take, we needed the biggest coach.

The YWC 2023 event was held at Brazos County Expo Complex, College Station, Bryan, Texas. Our team arrived at our hotel, which was to be home for the next 11 days, along with 17 other teams from all over the world who were all staying at the same hotel. Needless to say the hotel was a buzz with many different





excited chattering dialogues that could be heard morning and night, especially in the one and only lift that serviced the whole hotel as they were under renovations! Each team was allotted a host family who met us at the hotel. Our host family Steve and Mardi who were very welcoming, they supplied us with chairs, tables, eskys and water for our tack room, came to watch the kids ride and compete, and then Steve drove a 6 hour round trip to take Holly, Olivia and myself back to Dallas on the last day.

Arriving at 3pm, to the hotel, with just enough time to get checked in and settled into our rooms, then we were whisked away (on one of the many) bus rides to the Brazos Expo to join in on a dinner and dance held by the American AQHYA that also incorporated the YES seminar (Youth Excellence Seminar) that was running at the complex at the same time as the clinics were being conducted. Back on the bus at 10pm with a 20 minute ride back to the hotel.

Friday morning we were back on the busses to the Expo for breakfast and the all important Welcome Ceremony and Horse Draw!! Once we received our horse list we headed down to meet our fine steeds. It was HOT, but the barn was well ventilated with each horse, all 180 of them, having their own personal fans blowing on them. There were huge big overhead fans that kept the air moving, but as you can imagine everyone was sweating. Australia had a great bunch of horses, but were soon to discover that only three from the five were ridden horses. One came to us that was only for Showmanship, however the owner soon said that she felt confident that our team would be able to get him ridden, which we did for trail, he was as quirky as the owner had suggested lol! One of our other horses had sore front feet, so she could only be used for Showmanship, an event she had never done before, so Holly and the team had 10 days to teach her, while also teaching another horse that had never done Showmanship as well. We had an all-rounder college horse, a ranch horse that was also a great all-rounder,

and a little reiner/rancher that learned to be a HUS, HSE, Horsemanship as well as doing the ranch classes.

The first two days were filled with HSE, Trail and Horsemanship clinics and free ride time where Holly got to organize her riders and horses. Monday we headed to Steelcreek Ranch where the cutting competition was to be held. The day consisted of clinic 1 and first cutting show, lunch, then clinic 2 and the second cutting show. Olivia receiving a 6th and 4th then Cora receiving 4th then 6th, starting our tally with a great 44 points!

Tuesday was filled with Ranch, Showmanship and Trail clinics and free time, then the Reining horses arrived. Wednesday the first draw for the Reining class, then the first Trail show seeing Cora place 13th, then onto the first reining show which saw Clare place 2nd under judge one and 3rd under judge two. Thursday was show one for Showmanship, Charley 2nd and Maddi 9th, HUS Cora 10th and Maddi 5th, and no placings in the HSE. Horsemanship Cora 8th, Maddi 6th and Charley 5th. Then Ranch Riding Cora 2nd, and Maddi 8th.

Friday the second show reining horses were drawn with a reining clinic to follow, then the second reining show where Charley placed 9th and 11th. Then we had the second Trail show where Cora placed 10th and Charley placed 13th.

Saturday was the second show for Showmanship Charley 3rd and Maddie 10th, HUS Cora 15th Chaley 6th Maddi 5th, HSE Charley 2nd (on our little rancher) and Maddi 10th. Horsemanship Charley 3rd and Cora 14th. Followed by the last class of the event Ranch with Cora 3rd and Maddi 15th.

Sunday was our Awards Brunch, where we were awarded runner for YWC 2023. Congratulations goes to Team American for their win, but our Aussies certainly made them work for the it.





With 20 points in front at the end of Friday, it was all down to the last few events, and from all accounts it was very close indeed.

Congratulations also goes to all of the international teams, with the great sportsman's you all are, made for a great fun packed and friendly competition. To our Aussie Team, a huge congratulation to each and every one of you, as this achievement would not have been possible without everyone's help and input. You all worked like a well oiled machine, polite, courteous, helpful, respectful of the horses and supportive of your fellow team mates and under very hot and conditions, and with 4.30am starts every morning, your enthusiasm never stopped!

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# ASTHMA & ALLERGIES IN HORSES

Studies show that 11-17% of horses have severe asthma and up to 80% of horses although difficult to detect show signs of mild to moderate forms of asthma. Triggered by allergic reactions to allergens, including mould spores in straw and hay, pollen, house-dust mites and dust.



**T**he respiratory system's primary function is to conduct air to and from the cells of the lungs. This allows the body to absorb oxygen into the bloodstream and to

excrete carbon dioxide, we call this process gas exchange. The respiratory system can be broken down into two main areas, the upper respiratory tract and the lower respiratory tract.

The upper tract area consists of nasal passages, sinus, oral cavity, pharynx and larynx, membranes lined with a mucous that allows air to travel from the nose all the way to the lower respiratory tract. The mucous acts as a protectant from debris. The lower tract includes the trachea, bronchi, and lungs.

Chronic Obstructive Pulmonary Disease (COPD), Heaves, Alveolar Emphysema, Equine Asthma. No matter what name or terminology you use they all refer to allergies and inflammation of the lungs that impairs breathing. They represent chronic respiratory conditions due to organic dust allergens in the environment causing the horse to develop pulmonary hypersensitivity. It is a common cause of the cough in the horse.

Commonly found in horses that are in dusty environments, stabled, mouldy hay or bedding and can be in the warmer

months when pollen from trees or grasses are present.

**Clinical signs**

Horses from the age of 2 and above but is more common in older horses. Depending on the severity of the condition the signs and symptoms can differ. Horses will generally start off with a mild cough that is intermittent and their respiratory rate slightly increases. Their capacity for exercise will be reduced and they will show an increased respiratory rate.

When the condition is more active will cough more frequently and can be accompanied with a thick yellow mucous. Their respiratory rate increases to 20 breaths per minute with more forceful abdominal respiratory movements of heaves line. The nostrils will be flared, wheezing, breathlessness and the horse will appear dull.

Horses diagnosed with COPD will actually have a normal temperature, normal appetite unless they are in severe distress. The horse will suffer attacks which can develop rapidly as quick as 30-60 minutes after being exposed but will usually take 5-10 hours after exposure. The horses symptoms can persist at the same severity for the time of exposure to the allergen. Changes to the lungs will occur including inflammation of the airways, mucous



*With the appropriate treatment, equine asthma can be controlled, and susceptible horses health and wellbeing can be suitably managed*

production that is very thick and the muscles of the walls of the airways will spasm. The horse will make considerable effort to breath as the narrow airways prevent adequate volume of air in or out. The pressure that the horse will need to exert will be considerable and will cause the airways to narrow even more and cause complete collapse.

An increase volume of air is held in the alveoli. The lungs will appear overinflated and on scans it was previously thought that the horse was suffering from emphysema but recent studies have shown that the alveoli do not go through destructive changes.



So what can we do to treat a horse that has COPD or asthma?

Once your horse has been diagnosed by a veterinarian:

- Removing environmental factors that are triggering the horse such as pollen/ trees, cleaning out stables and replacing with clean straw, ventilation, removal of dust where possible.
- Reducing inflammation in the lung, either with with corticosteroid therapy or supplement.
- Bronchospasm relief by using bronchodilators or assistance with anti-inflammatory supplementation



So here at Hi Form Australia we have developed a supplement to assist with conditions such as Asthma, COPD, chronic coughing, Pneumonia, Swelling & inflammation of the bronchial tubes.

This product is called RespiraFix and is made with human grade herbal extracts and they include Marshmallow, Rosehip, Curcuma longa, Peppermint, aloe vera, Maritime pine, Chamomile, Garlic, Licorice root, Rosemary, Coltsfoot, Thyme and Vitamin C. Due to the antioxidant, anti-inflammatory, anti-spasmodic, anti-allergic and demulcent effects it has shown to soothe irritated and inflamed airways, reduce allergic reactions, rid the body of causative agents of respiratory infections due to its anti-microbial and anti-bacterial properties.



*RespiraFix has been shown to assist as a preventative product as well as a treatment product.*

# ALLERGIES IN HORSES



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So, what about the other allergies in horses?

Allergies generally occur when the horse's body overreacts to an allergen.

Well, the most common allergies are insect bites,

and it is usually the saliva of the insect that causes the reaction. A common insect is the midge (*Culicoides* spp.) and it is their saliva that can cause a severe reaction to the skin of the horse.



*Skin reaction to biting insects producing a raised lump that can have heat and itchiness associate with it.*

Allergies can also be from feeds, weeds and toxins. Now that we will be coming into Spring we need to watch out for for sign and symptoms of our horses such as nasal discharge, inflamed or watery eyes, skin welts or hives, cough, shortness of breath or wheezing (such as asthma).

You will need to remove the horse from the area where they have been triggered. If we are looking at the skin and hives have started to show up you can wash your horse down with cold tap water you can do a chamomile wash where you mix a couple of handfuls of chamomile flower heads in a bucket with 2-3 cups of boiling water and let steep for 5 minutes, then fill the bucket up with cold water. Make sure that the water has cooled and with a sponge you can apply to the affected areas. This will assist with the itching, inflammation anti-allergic and anti-spasmodic properties.

So, what if our horse has eaten a toxic weed or had mouldy feed or has breathed in too much pollen. Well, we can look at doing a detox for your horse. That's right just like with human we can detox a horse.

Hi Form has a product called exactly that, Detox and it is a formula that is a balanced herbal blend containing herbs which may assist detoxification of the liver, large intestine, kidneys, lymphatic system, lungs, and the skin. So the elimination systems of your horse will all benefit from this one little product.

I recommend to detox all horses at the start of every season, if they are coming back in to work, post illness, spring grass overload, fertility/ pre-conception, inflammations & swellings, stringhalt, staggers or any signs of allergies. This formula contains human grade herbal extracts including Burdock, Dandelion, Licorice, Marshmallow, St Mary's Thistle, Fenugreek, Echinacea, Ginger, Nettle, Peppermint & *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*.

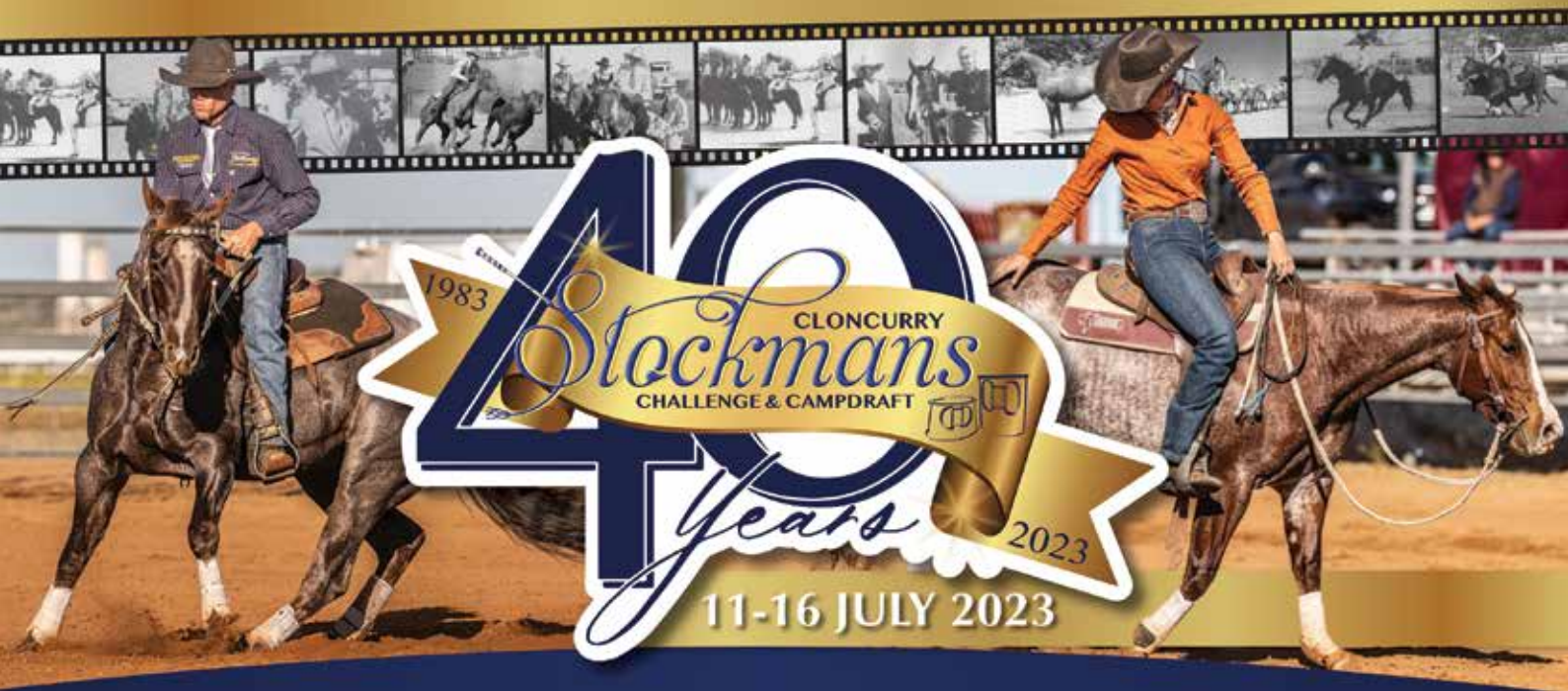
*If you're worried about your animal's health, please call your vet.*



For a free equine nutritional consult or to work out what would be best suited to you horse please contact Hi Form Australia on (03) 9775 6422, or you can email [karyn@hiform.com.au](mailto:karyn@hiform.com.au)

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July of this year saw the Cloncurry Stockman's Challenge and Campdraft Association hold the 40th Anniversary of the conception of the Stockman's Challenge. The "Curry Challenge". And what a competition it was.

With competitors travelling from as far away as Derby in WA, Burrumbuttock NSW and across Queensland the quality of competition was exceptional. With a full roster of events from the Campdrafts to the Challenges there was something for every level of competitor.

By the time nominations closed in June over 2000 nominations were accepted by the committee and 95 Classic Challenge horses were entered in to run for their share of the \$70,000 prize pool and the \$40,000 first place prize, and with \$140,000 prize money on offer across all the events competitors also had the opportunity to win various incentives on offer. From the Rising Star Award, Highest Scoring Locals in the Challenge events and Campdraft events for the riders, to the Horse and Breeders awards from Boonara Performance Horses and the Australian Quarters Horse Association.

Winning the Highest Placed Registered Quarters Horse & Breeder of the Highest Placed Registered Quarter Horse for the Classic Challenge was "Pete's Pet Squirrel Q-96577", bred by Peter and Debbie Gesler – an emotional win for the connections.

She was an impressive little mare all week long. And after attracting some spirited bidding, motivated by an effortless cutting demonstration, in the Calcutta she went on to not only win the round outright, but was also the Curley Cattle Transport Classic Stockman's Challenge Champion with rider Mark Buttsworth. Backing up from his win last year.

Second Highest Placed Registered Quarter Horse in the Classic Challenge went to "Lethal King Cole Q-94012" ridden by Leah Read. This handsome upcoming sire certainly put on a show and was fantastic in every stage of the competition. A real credit to the connections and one to watch in the coming years.





Cameron Moore (left), Rebecca Buttsworth, Mark Buttsworth on Pete's Pet Squirrel Q-96577 & Kimberley Robertson (right)

Mark Buttsworth on Pete's Pet Squirrel Q-96577



The Australian Quarters Horse Association also offered incentives to the Open Challenge horses and its no surprise that Hardy "GI M Hard Q-90093" took out the Evolution Mining Open Challenge, with both Highest Placed Registered Quarter Horse for the Open Challenge & Breeder of the Highest Placed Registered Quarter Horse for the Classic Challenge going to JND Ventures.

Hardy has a great History with Cloncurry, having won the Classic as a 3 year old in 2019 and then going on the win the Inaugural Ron Wall Memorial Derby Challenge in 2021. Definitely a horse to look for year after year.

We would like to thank everyone who headed to Cloncurry and joined us for the 40th Anniversary of the Cloncurry Stockman's Challenge & Campdraft.

A big thank you to everyone who helps to ensure our event ran as smoothly as possible over the week - from our Committee Members, competitors, gate openers, backyard crew, timers, scorers, announcers, security, bar staff, food vendors and of course our fantastic cattle/stock contractors.





Leah Read on Lethal King Cole Q-90230



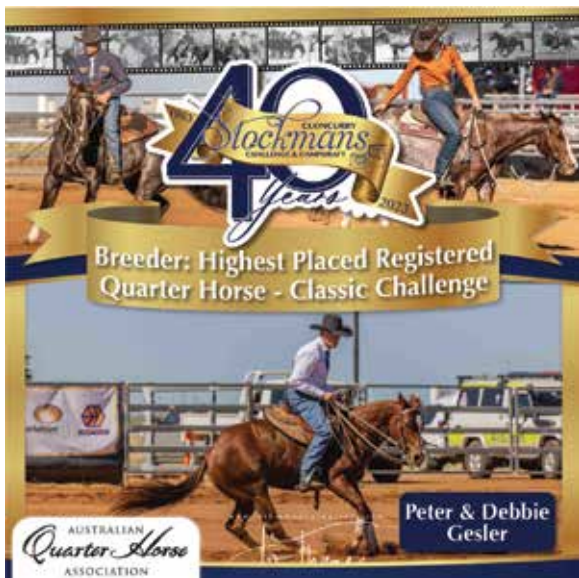
Mick Connelly on Eskdale West Con The Kat A1-12830



Cloncurry Stockmans Challenge Beautiful Garland

We couldn't do it without you all. And we would particularly like to say thank you to our valued Event Partners: Curley Cattle Transport Pty Ltd., Cloncurry Shire Council, Ernest Henry Mine, MMG, Bezuma Pastoral Co., Jo Thieme Photography, Keyes Cattle Co., Lemmons Store, McMillan Pastoral Company, Melinda Downs, MDH Pty Ltd, Paraway Pastoral Company Limited, Riverina Australia, Southern Cross Austerio, AEG Vet Services, Agricon Products, APA Group (APA), Bell & Moir Toyota, CBSL Accountants, Cloncurry Tyres & Batteries Pty Ltd, Cloncurry Vet Services, Country Trucker Caps, Curry's Diesel & Machinery, Desert Ice and Water, Gough Plastics, Hastings Deering, Hawkins Transport, KD Mining, Korella Fertilizers, Mick & Inga Connolly, Mitech Mount Isa, Normech Equipment & Repairs, Northern Stock Water, Nutrien Ag Solutions - Cloncurry, Portsmith Fuel & Oil, Ringers Western, Total Generators, Tutts Transport, Boonara Performance Horses, Brodie Hardware & Rural, Cloncurry Mitre 10, Burnett Contracting, Burton Veterinary Contracting, CHUTE 9, Cloncurry Laundry Service, Cloncurry Roadhouse PUMA, C.M Pastoral Co., Coffee Road Mobile Café, Daley Family, Daniels Pastoral Holdings, Dippy's Horse Transport, Ede Shade Solutions, Elanco, Fearnedale Hay & Chaff, Forshaw Performance Horses, Gidgee Equestrian Eyewear, JNS Diesel, John & Katrina Paine, Kent Saddlery, Kimberley

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DAVE SMITH ON GI M HARD Q-67747





Open Challenge Line Up



Sophie Stallman on Rathcool Zync A1-13153



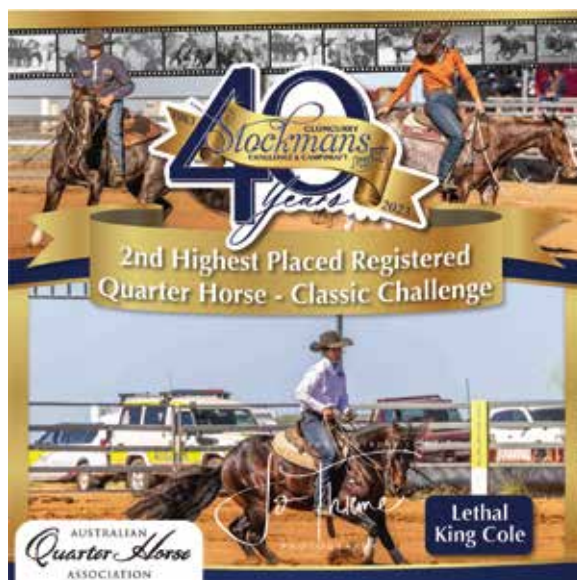
Dave Smith on GIM Hard Q-67747



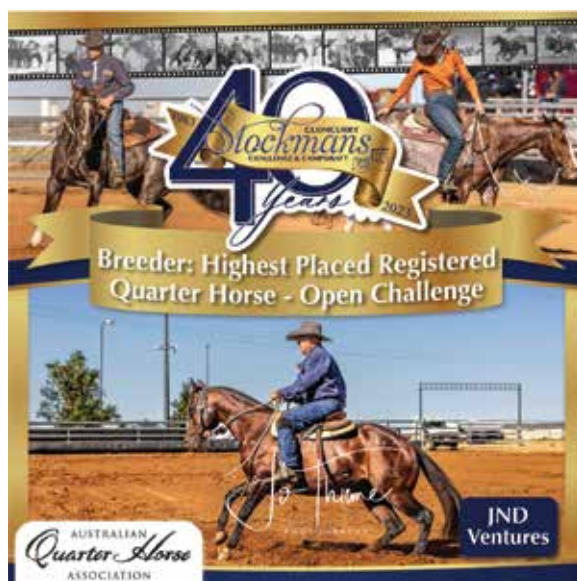
Matt Moffat on Springsteen Q-95128



MARK BUTTSWORTH ON PETE'S PET SQUIRREL Q-96577



LEAH READ ON LETHAL KING COLE Q-90230



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# BREEDING YOUR MARE

## FROM A BREEDER WHO'S BEEN THERE

### Turning Heartache & Headaches into fulfillment

**Growing up I did not have the opportunity to be in the horse industry but my love for horses kept drawing me to become a breeder. I dreamed of foaling out mares and raising the most extraordinary horses. I researched bloodlines and generally stayed away from what everyone else was doing because I wanted a unique program.**

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It has taken me a decade to find what I have been looking for and it did not come easy. From losing foals, crooked legs, and many unsettled mares, to investing hundreds of thousands of dollars. At one point I felt defeated, I almost quit because of the heartache and anxiety. I am so glad I stuck to it, because my dreams are coming true. It has been joyful and full of connection with horses and humans. There is no better feeling than that true connection with a horse.

Currently, I own a few top-notch mares and I am a stallion owner who is involved in all aspects of standing a stallion, including answering every single message, post and email that comes my way. Being a stallion owner is very rewarding for me because of the connection that I have with mare owners. Often folks will ask questions about breeding and I have had the opportunity to hear the good and no so good part of being in the breeding industry. This is exactly why I decided to write this article. I want to share what I know and the lessons I have learned, in hopes this article may help your dreams come true and that it be fun, rewarding, and exciting adventure breeding your mare.

First, no one wins if your mare does not settle. It is not beneficial to the stallion station, the stallion owner, or the reproductive veterinarian.

I was having a conversation with my friend Gita Thomas, about our mares being a big asset and a financial investment. We do our research, looking at dams, conformation, pour through pedigrees, performance records, and watch show videos when choosing the perfect stallions. Prior to choosing a stallion, we ensure we have a clear understanding that breeding our mare can cost thousands of dollars beyond the stallion fee. We ensure our budget for our breeding endeavors are sound so that we can go into this in a positive manner.

When ready, we have our high quality mares and a high quality stallion chosen and we are well informed. In 11 months our hopes and dreams come true when that new foal hits the ground. The waiting seems like forever as we anticipate what color will it be, will it be a filly or a colt, what will I name it? Hold your horses! What is a very important piece that is missing here? I will answer that question in a second.

Did you know that the conception rate for the equine industry is 65%? That means out of 100 mares 35 mares will be open at the end of the season. Yes 35 mares. There are many factors that contribute to this percentage including the mares health. According to Barry Ball, DVM, PhD, Dipl. ACT (reproduction specialist), University of California, Davis, showed early embryonic loss occurred at a rate of nine percent in young, fertile mares. Therefore, rechecks of the pregnancy are necessary so if an early loss occurs, re-breeding is an option. With a 65% conception rate and a 9 % embryonic loss, the chance of a viable foal just went down to 56%. The statistics are alarming, but something you need to be prepared for financially and emotionally. <https://aaep.org/horsehealth/pregnant-mares>

The fundamental piece missing above is the need to research and utilize a top quality reproductive equine veterinarian. This cannot be stated enough. The difference between your general vet and the reproductive vet maybe the difference between you ending up with a healthy foal or not. Do your research and find the best reproductive facility that best suits your needs. Building a relationship with your equine reproductive facility is also important. Ask questions and follow all best practices for the care of your mare. Do not cut corners and budget for all costs including potential added costs. (more budgeting information in another article). If cost is an issue consider waiting until you have money set aside.

The highest success rate for getting your mare safely settled in foal is to utilize fresh semen and to ensure your mare has a healthy uterus. This means taking your mare directly to the stallion station. If it means having your mare transported a fair distance, do that. If you have a mare that is difficult to settle, take her to the stallion station and let them know her history. Frozen semen is handled differently and therefore another reason to take your mare to an equine reproductive center. If this is not possible, find the best equine REPRODUCTIVE VET that is educated in equine reproduction.





Beverly Servi with Bet Hesa Cat (Q-96453) (IS) Photo by: Quealy Probst



There are no guarantees but there are ways in which you can increase your mares chance of having a healthy foal.

#### Here are the top tips to increase your mare settling in foal

1. Read your stallion contract and understand all your responsibilities as mare owner. Live foal guarantee can be limited. (another article on this).
2. Have your mare evaluated by a reproductive vet including a culture, swabbed and biopsy.
3. Have your mare tested for all equine diseases before breeding and ensure stallion is not a carrier.
4. Provide excellent care of your mare including all vaccines and mare supplements before, during and after.
5. Higher percentage of mares settle if you take them directly to the stallion station.
6. Utilize a reproductive veterinarian specializing in AI (artificial Insemination) and ensure they know how to inseminate your mare if using frozen semen because the timing is different.
7. Leave your mare at the reproductive center until the heart beat check or better yet until 46 days.
8. Give mare regimate ON TIME and according to your veterinarian instructions, when necessary.
9. Give mare pneumabort EHV-1 vaccine 3,5,7,9 months and according to your Repro Vet  
-VIP to lower risk of abortion.
10. Limit stress and changes and do not separate mares from best buddies.
11. Support your mare with proper nutrition at all times before, during and after birth.
12. Proactive care and strongly recommended core vaccines.
13. Have your mare checked at 14 days and every 30 days to at least 120 days.
14. Breed early in the season, if possible, so you can rebreed if necessary.
15. Have your mare foaled out by the reproductive center so they can administer proper plasma.
16. Always quarantine new animals coming onto property.
17. Healthy Age.
18. Educate yourself on breeding and do not just put your future in someone else's hands.

There are many lessons I have learned since I began on my journey in the horse industry. It is my goal to help others make their own dreams come true and that you get the opportunity to feel the pure joy and connections of raising your equine family and increasing your connections with horses and humans.

Being prepared and knowledgeable increases your chances of fulfillment and decreases your stress and heartache.

Beverly Servi is a western equine breeder and stallion owner, as well as a retired CPA and financial consultant.





# - REINING AUSTRALIA -

## OUTSTANDING 2023 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW

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Once again, Reining Australia backed up their National show with a prize money purse of over \$90,000 plus prizes including the coveted Gold Buckle Futurity with a whopping \$50,000 purse for the Open level 4 division.



**T**he Thomas Arena Products Futurity was highly anticipated with a strong field of horses and riders looking to take home the Ridetuff Gold Buckle, Simply Sensational Garland, Onya QH's Gold Ring and that \$25,000 winners cheque.

After introducing the contenders, competition was underway with some fantastic runs put together. Coming out on top was Warren Backhouse on Onya Gunnagetthecash Q-96183, taking home an eighth Gold Buckle Futurity title and taking his Reining Australia lifetime earnings over the \$600,000 mark!

The Ray Gabbert bred entry is by Lil Joe Cash (USA) out of Onya Gunnergetya making it back to back Futurity wins for Lil Joe Cash progeny after 88 Reining's 'Whizalilcash' took home the 2022 title.



Warren Backhouse and NPH Gunner Be A Goodnite Q-91426 taking out the trifecta including the Open Derby, Open Class & Futurity win





Open Futurity Champion - Warren Backhouse on Onya Gunnagetthecash Q-96183



Warren Backhouse and NPH Gunner Be A Goodnite Q-91426 champions of the taking Open Derby, Open Class & Futurity, with proud owners right Jane and David Manchon





Youth 14-18 + Green Rider - Indiana Kritikou riding Nu Shiney Oak Q-78118



Non Pro Derby - Cameron Halliwell riding Gunnerbeaglamour Q-91809 and Keiran Moses riding Finallygotagunner Q-85887



Rookie L2 - Tommi Rose Elliott riding QP Dun Gun It Q-83845

Warren also took out the AQHA sponsored event L4 Open Derby title on board David & Jane Manchon's 'NPH Gunner be a Goodnite' to make it a trifecta including his Open class & Futurity win.

In the Mick Taylor Reining Non Pro Futurity, Victorian rider Cameron Halliwell once again took honours on his home bred gelding 'I'll Be Riding Shotgun' making it RA Futurity number nine for the \$200,000 Non Pro. Cameron and his partner Keiran Moses shared accolades in the Central Steel Build Non Pro Derby the previous night, both on horses by their stallion Gottagetagunner (AQHA - Sniper Gun).

The 2023 National Champions were crowned in the ancillary classes with great representation from members throughout the country, even West Australian competitors making the big trek over to Tamworth NSW. The Reining Australia board wishes to thank all the sponsors for their support including Ken Anderson Equine Photography and to all the people behind the scenes, we are looking forward to a huge show at Tamworth AELEC in 2024, with organising currently underway.

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- Scribes: Paul Watson, Justine Brown & Nicole Finnigan
- Show Secretary: Liz Galliot
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- Show Manager: Natasha Lindberg
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- Program: Pro Verbo: Kathleen Murphy
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For full results visit: [www.reiningaustralia.com.au](http://www.reiningaustralia.com.au)







Michelle Halliwell Memorial Non Pro -  
Tim Hoffman riding NPH Dunitall Q-91562



Freestyle - Paisley Kritikou riding The Brand of the Cat Q-77612



Limited Open - Gita Thomas riding  
Q Vista Shooting Star Q-85537



Rookie L1 - Tasso Kritikou riding Sherons Shining Sonita  
& Indiana Kritikou riding Nu Shiney Oak



2 Handed Rookie  
- Angel Marsh riding Dunitallkindachic Q-91238



Para Reining - Charlotte Lawson riding Johill Catalina



Green Rider L2 - Isobel Hughes riding Seen The Light





Short Stirrup - Taylor Bailey riding Hollywood Black Jac



Green Rider Shootout - Paisely Kritikou riding Nu Shiney Oak



Mick Taylor Reining Non Pro Futurity Champion - Cameron Halliwell on I'll Be Riding Shotgun Q-94081



Limited Non Pro - Jo McConnell riding Ima Smokin Gun



Rookie Professional - Madison Gauci riding Spooky Little Step Q-91906



Intermediate Open - Matthew Clifford riding Sone Of RC Q-84053



Australian Quarter Horse Association

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**STATEMENT OF PROFIT OR LOSS AND OTHER COMPREHENSIVE INCOME**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2023**

		2023	2022
	Note	\$	\$
Revenue from contracts with customers	2	2,159,538	1,808,304
Other revenue	2	81,652	45,186
<b>Total revenue</b>		<b>2,241,190</b>	<b>1,853,490</b>
Administration		(398,794)	(285,244)
Board		(44,374)	(23,812)
Depreciation		(69,722)	(67,140)
Employee costs		(664,873)	(638,062)
Memberships		(23,014)	-
Other AQHA Divisions & Affiliates		(279,479)	(131,877)
Registry		(209,916)	(146,980)
Shows & Events		(358,699)	(337,374)
<b>Surplus for the year</b>		<b>192,319</b>	<b>223,001</b>
Net gain on revaluation of land and buildings		-	380,474
<b>Other comprehensive income</b>		<b>-</b>	<b>380,474</b>
<b>Total comprehensive income for the year</b>		<b>192,319</b>	<b>603,475</b>

**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**

AS AT 30 JUNE 2023

		2023	2022
	Note	\$	\$
<b>ASSETS</b>			
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Cash and cash equivalents	4	2,719,377	2,409,425
Trade and other receivables	5	1,403	5,076
Inventories	6	9,626	5,631
Other assets	7	5,967	32,650
<b>TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>2,736,373</b>	<b>2,452,782</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>			
Property, plant and equipment	8	2,272,033	2,334,615
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<b>2,272,033</b>	<b>2,334,615</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>5,008,406</b>	<b>4,787,397</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>			
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Trade and other payables	9	113,957	96,457
Employee benefits	10	60,178	53,242
<b>TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>174,135</b>	<b>149,699</b>
<b>NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>			
Long service leave provision	10	19,972	15,718
<b>TOTAL NON-CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<b>19,972</b>	<b>15,718</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>		<b>194,107</b>	<b>165,417</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>4,814,299</b>	<b>4,621,980</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>			
Land and Buildings revaluation reserve		1,187,648	1,187,648
Accumulated surpluses		3,626,651	3,434,332
<b>TOTAL EQUITY</b>		<b>4,814,299</b>	<b>4,621,980</b>



# 2023 QUEENSLAND QUARTER HORSE STATE SHOW

JUNE 28TH TO JULY 1ST 2023

HELD IN QSEC, CABOOLTURE QLD

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This year the QLD State Show was held at Caboolture QLD, with four exciting days of good weather and some great competition. There was good money up for grabs with over \$5,000 in prizemoney and the show featured 16 High Point Awards, 12 feature events including Highest Non Pro Awards. A big thank you to our judge Kathryn Kope (USA) and to our sponsors and people that helped behind the scenes to make the show a great success, we are looking forward to the 2024 show.

Two and Over Lungeline feature winner,  
DP Flash Code Q-98721 and Nevilel Jones

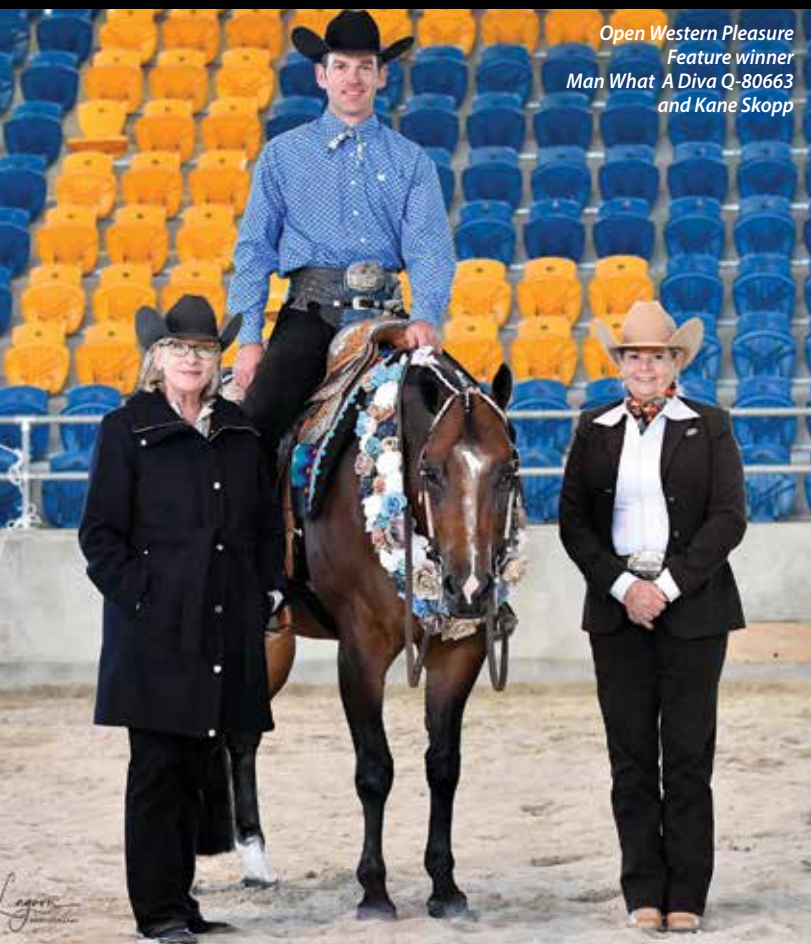


3 Yo Western Pleasure Feature winner,  
Only The Brave Q-95876,  
shown by Kane Skopp



Amateur Hunter Under Saddle  
Feature winner Tamsin Beard  
and VS Pawsitively A Code Red  
Q-95017





Open Western Pleasure  
Feature winner  
Man What A Diva Q-80663  
and Kane Skopp



Thereisa Witheridge showing  
Amazen Lace Q-94470 in the  
AmQHA mare 4 years and over



Open Feature Trail and also  
Murray Tambllyn Memorial Senior  
Horse Trail winner Rosemary  
Webb and Reach For The Roan  
Q-81103, with judges Kathryn  
Kope (USA) and Debra Howes

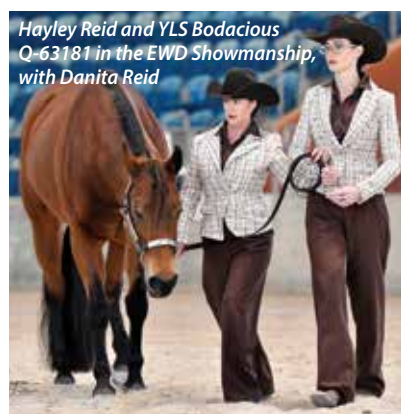
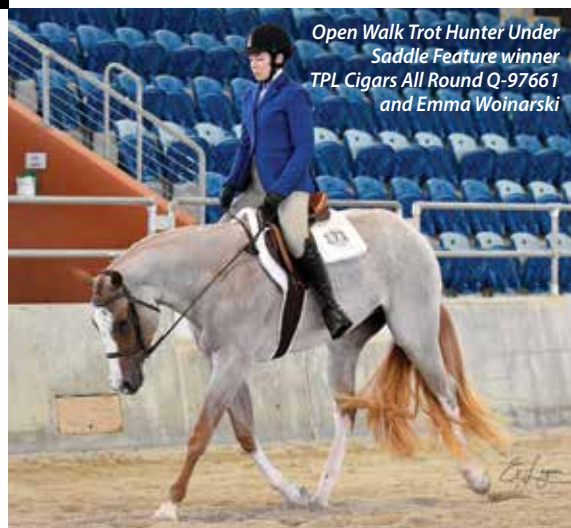


3 Yo Hunter Under Saddle  
Feature winner  
Hot N Southern Q-96252  
and Taj Carson



Open Hunter Under  
Saddle Feature winner  
TPL Out Of Reach Q-94067,  
with Emma Woinarski







Indigo Sidwell and KND Skippin  
Thru The Zone Q-91167 in the Junior  
Youth 5-13 years  
Showmanship



Jess Voss Memorial  
3 YO Mare class winner  
RSQ Sheza Touch Unique  
Q-94257 and Nick Simpson



Open Ranch Riding Feature winner Slim Dunit Q-59724 ridden  
by Michelle Delbridge and Res Ch Michelle Norton on Toms No Fool Q-80137



Open Walk Jog  
Trail winner  
Carla Cox  
and DDD  
A Lazy Twist  
Q-93368



Grand Champion Mare or filly,  
HMF Indulgence Q-92970 and Kevin Mills



2 YO Western Pleasure  
Feature winner,  
Michelle Garrett and  
GP Iza Fancy Cat  
Q-99804



Novice Horse Hunter  
Under Saddle Feature  
winner Lyn Fry and  
Celebrity Q-81838



## DIRECTOR REPORTS - 2022/2023

### CAROL RICKETTS - PRESIDENT

#### - National

The Quarter Horse is a diverse breed of horse, and we are grateful to our breeders for their continual breeding programs that produce such exceptional horses.

To our competitors, Judges, Affiliates, all members, and breeders, you are the AQHA, and your continued support of this association, now and in the future, will

strengthen the quarter horse industry in Australia well into the future.

Thank you to the Board of Directors who have worked diligently to keep the Association in a viable financial position, and our General Manager & staff for all the hard work and services you give to our members.

**Carol Ricketts**  
- AQHA President

### KIM JOHNSON - DEPUTY PRESIDENT

#### - Portfolio: International

Firstly, I would like to thank all of my fellow directors for their hard work; Gemma and the office staff, its been very busy; I thank all of you for your support of me in my position on the board.

Internationally we have had two new International Executive Officers in 2022-2023 year, we have done our business plan and have attended some virtual meetings with AMQHA for better communications.

We have a new head of International activities, see AMQHA website for all information.

AMQHA is the largest equine breeding registry in

the world 13 countries with approximately 31,000 members and 440,000 registered Quarter Horses, they are keen to develop more communications with all international affiliates.

We are members of 2 task forces, one on registry and other looking at the different drug rules Internationally. We have a regular Affiliate communication meeting every 3 months, with the elections of new directors for 2023. I have enjoyed being your International portfolio, and Deputy President. We have had an outstanding year and I look forward to 2023-2024, thank you to you the members for your support throughout 2022-2023. AQHA PROUD.

**Kim Johnson**

### LIZ KEATING

#### - Portfolio: Youth

I am pleased to bring you my report for the Youth Portfolio.

At the time of writing this report we are only weeks post our YWC trip to Bryan College Station, Texas USA, where I am ecstatic to report team Australia finished 'Second in the World' from 17 countries! Five riders, one reserve rider, three leadership kids, a coach and manager made the journey to represent our country. To say I am proud of all of the kids is an understatement! Congratulations goes to each and ever one of them for their part played in the Silver Medal, Holly Skopp our coach did an amazing job with the kids and horses, while I managed the team. Thanks goes to the AQHA and all of the sponsors, partners, supporters and families who all came together to help make these lifetime memories for our kids!

The Trans Tasman, another international competition was held at Benalla, Victoria in September 2022, and I am pleased to announce our Australian Youth team were awarded the gold medal. Congratulations goes

to the hard working kids, and thanks goes to the organisers, horse donors, supporters, families and thanks to Kane Skopp for steering our kids to the win. In January 2024, we will be organising and running a kids cutting and cow horse camp in the Tamworth region over the school holidays, so keep a watch out for the details to come.

Application documents for the Trans Tasman 2024 and YWC 2025 will be available to download from the website soon, so keep a look out for them.

Our AQHA marketing portfolio in conjunction with the Youth are planning on revamping the Camp QH for youth Australia wide, so keep a look out for these.

I would like to thank my 2022-23 sub committee 2ic Kane Skopp, Kim Johnson, Pauline Stuart-Fox and Shelley Lalor for your ongoing support, President Carol Ricketts, Gemma Clarke our General Manager and the BOD, for supporting me as the Youth portfolio director and hope to keep our momentum moving forward into the following year.

**Liz Keating**



## DIRECTOR REPORTS - 2022/2023

### RICKY GLEN

#### - Portfolio: Hall of Fame

Dear Members,  
2023 will see the 1st AQHA dinner to be held post Covid to induct and recognise the horses and people inducted into the AQHA Hall Of Fame over the past 3 years.

The Hall of Fame is the most prestigious award a horse or member may receive from the AQHA as it recognises the contribution that these inductees have made to have the AQHA one of the leading registries of horses in Australia today.

Nominations are received and are looked at by the sub committee and then their recommendations are put to the AQHA board to be ratified.

Not all nominations make the HOF which upsets some people but the sub committee looks at past

nominations and compares them to the new ones as well as looking at a persons or horses contribution to the AQHA industry over all.

You will see people or horses going into the Heritage Hall of Fame which means they were involved in the early years of our industry or they go into the Hall of Fame which covers the recent side of our industry.

I congratulate the inductees coming up for 2023 and welcome future nominations to be submitted for consideration.

I would like to thank my sub committee, Karen Thrun, Annie Boyd, Kim Johnson and Trish Wettenhall for giving their time and the AQHA board for recognising and supporting this portfolio and the AQHA office.

With Thanks  
**Ricky Glen**

### RICKY GLEN

#### - Portfolio: Cattle & Timed Events

Dear Members,  
The last year has been a bumper year for the cattle and timed events side of the AQHA with record entries being seen in Camp Draft events across the country and records being made at horse sales relating to this part of our industry.

The AQHA has again supported this side of our industry with cash incentives being paid out across the camp draft, cutting, challenge, reined cowhorse, roping and barrel racing events.

The Willinga Open Draft again paid out 100,000 to the winner with over 300 horses again this year entering in this event.

The 2 NUTRIEN sales selling mainly horses which will go into the camp draft and cutting industries again resulted in close to 15 million dollars in horses sold with mainly registered Quarter Horses and others with Quarter Horse breeding but registered with the ASHS topping these sales.

The ABHA has some exiting events in the pipeline with aged events starting to come into their industry

and the AQHA will be working close with them to ensure we have a close relationship with these events to come.

The Roping side is also in talks with running some aged events so stay tuned for more news on these to come.

The Stockmans Challenge side of the industry also has record entries and again Quarter Horses are sort after for these as well.

The 2024 AQHA nationals will feature camp drafts with record prize money on offer as well as a complete cutting program as well as other cattle and timed events. I would like to thank my sub committee, Kylie Barnett Tapp, Rob Leach, Phil Web and Kim Johnson for there effort to ensure the AQHA covers these important events within our industry and of course the AQHA board who recognises the importance to support and promote the cattle and timed events within the AQHA.

Also thank you to the AQHA office for their help over the last year.  
 With Thanks  
**Ricky Glen**



## DIRECTOR REPORTS - 2022/2023

### PAUL LORIMER

#### - Portfolio: Versatility Ranch

It has been pleasing to see an increase again this past year in the interest of Versatility Ranch showing. The AQHA is trying to incentivise Versatility Ranch by offering trophy buckles for every class and the High point Awards at the 2024 Nationals. Also the AQHA

will be providing Trophy Buckles for the High point awards at all State 2024 Versatility Ranch shows.

So can we urge all members to consider competing at any Versatility Ranch Shows in their area.

With thanks

**Paul Lorimer**

### JOANNE GREGORY

#### - Portfolio: Show & Performance

This year I have taken on the Show and Performance portfolio. I have found it to be both interesting and challenging at times during the year. The next rule book is due to be released in Aug 2024 and myself and the Show and Performance subcommittee have been working on rule changes/enhancements for this upcoming rule book.

all of them have been considered, subcommittee recommendations recorded and any rule changes are ready to be sent to the Board of Directors for consideration.

I would encourage any member to submit a rule change form if they feel a change is warranted.

This is about all I can think of to write about this portfolio, if you have any further ideas I am happy for you to change anything.

I would like to thank my subcommittee for their hard work and commitment to the AQHA. We have had a few members submit rule change request forms and

With thanks

**Joanne Gregory**

### RACHEL TURNER

#### - Portfolio: Amateur Report

This year I have taken on the Show and Performance Amateur report 2023. 2022/2023 saw the introduction of a Super Select incentive at Q23. The Super Select is to recognise our older riders (65 years old & over) in our pattern classes. In 2023/2024, we will see this incentive extended to our state shows and Q24 and we encourage clubs to adopt this incentive where the memberships support it.

With Covid restrictions seeming to be behind us, the Amateur Division are looking to restart our Amateur clinics across the states. Please ensure you have selected the option for your contact details to be shared so the Amateur Division can continue to send surveys out to members. Affiliates will be able to apply for a subsidy from the Amateur Division to assist in running these clinics.

2022 saw the return of the Trans-Tasman Challenge which was held in Australia. The next Trans-Tasman Challenge will be held in New Zealand in Sept 2024 with applications closing in Nov 2023. It is a brilliant opportunity to grow on your horsemanship skills as well as making new friendships all whilst being able to represent your country.

We continued to get good numbers supporting our Teams' Challenges at state and nationals, in most states team numbers increased from the previous year. We will continue running these to further encourage camaraderie within our membership.

I encourage any feedback, suggestions, or initiatives you may have so we can look into these for the benefit of our wider membership.

Last year we assisted the AQHA in the Breed Village at Equitana. It was a fantastic opportunity to showcase our breed and interact with the public answering questions and sharing our love of horses. I encourage any amateurs that would like to get involved at Equitana 2024 to get in contact with myself.

Happy showing in the 2023/2024 season.

With thanks

**Rachel Turner**

### PETER J BELLDEN

#### - Portfolio: Treasurers Report

The financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the mandatory Australian Accounting Standards.

board and the members show a very strong bottom line for the business. The improved trading was directly attributed to the increase in registrations and transfers on a day-to-day basis. Strong growth was evident in the sales market with record prices being delivered to the vendors.

The EOY results for the association presented to the



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This mixed with improved volumes post pandemic exceeded the budget forecast set by the board with an uplift of 19.42% in turnover.

Furthermore, I would like to draw your attention to our strong balance sheet currently standing at an impressive \$4,814,299 with a provision of \$96,460 member guarantee.

The overall financial health of the business is outstanding and serves the entire membership as per our constitution.

I would like to thank Gemma Clarke our General Manager for consistent management of the Respective

**Peter J Bellden**

### LORELI PAYNE

- Portfolio: Affiliate

Hi to all. This year has been exceptionally hard for the horse industry with rising costs with fuel, food, horse feed and hay. Well showing is very tuff and sometimes it not a priority.

The AQHA Affiliate Portfolio phone runs hot nearly every day with worried clubs and questions trying to

be answered between the office which is listening to requests of different natures all the time.

I have a fine group of people helping me in the next few months with face to face meetings at Victoria in August, NSW in September at Tamworth and Qld at Caboolture in October. SA Tasmanian and WA may hook up with Zoom as well.

**Loreli Payne**

### LORELI PAYNE

- Portfolio: Affiliate

We are waiting on The hard drive from the AQHA Nationals Video footage to create the Video Package

of the difference between Show Hacks and Show Hunters for AQHA members for Judges and Riders.

**Loreli Payne**



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 Hastings Performance & Quarter Horse Club  
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 North West Team Penning Quarter Horse Assoc.  
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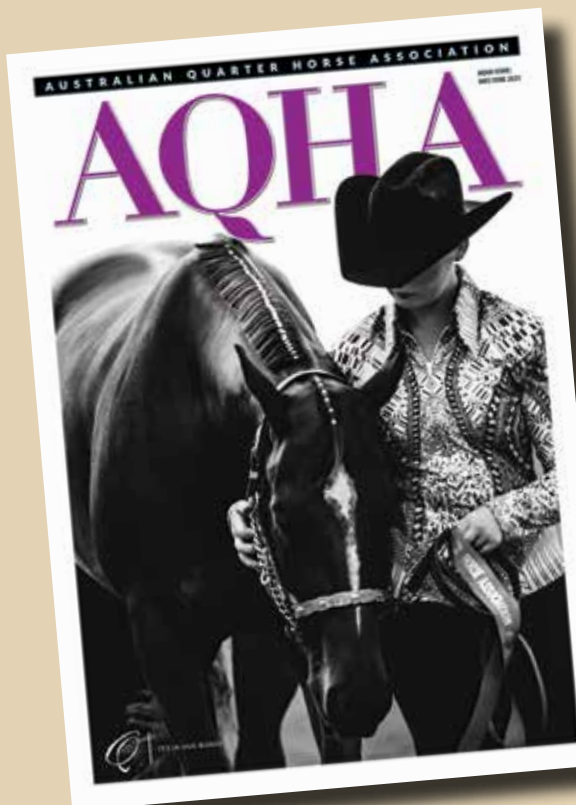
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