



## **Berry Riding Club**

***12<sup>th</sup> Annual***

# **INTERSCHOOL EQUESTRIAN CHAMPIONSHIP**

**Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October to Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

**Dressage, Hacking, Show Jumping, Sporting,  
Inter-school Challenge & Hunter**

Venue:

**Worrigea Equestrian Common  
Worrigea Rd, Worrigea**

***Entries close Sunday 15 September 2019***

**Enter online at [www.nominate.com.au](http://www.nominate.com.au)**

**(note: only entries via Nominate will be accepted)**

This is not a Pony Club event. This event is run under the rules of Equestrian NSW

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### ENTRY FEES:

Horse/rider combination competing only one day:	\$45
Horse/rider combination competing on two days:	\$65
Horse/rider combination competing on three days:	\$100
Event membership /rider for non-EA members /non BRC members	\$10
Second and subsequent riders in a family may each claim a discount of	\$10
Yard Fee per horse per day:	\$10
Campsite: one vehicle/family (Wed, Thurs, Fri, Sat, Sun, Mon) per night	\$20
Administration fee – non refundable	\$12
<b>Late fee for entries received after closing date</b>	<b>\$30</b>

*Refunds will be given up until the closing date and after that time on production of veterinary or medical certificate received within 5 days of the start of competition. Should the total competition be cancelled all monies will be refunded less \$12.00 administration fee.*

**Care of riders:** Each school group should be in the charge of an authorised representative of the school (team manager) who may be a parent of a rider. The nominated person should be the sole contact for riders with the office or ground officials. Riders staying on site overnight at Worrigee Equestrian Common should be accompanied by a parent or care-giver.

Any adult who is not a parent and who may be supervising competitors overnight must provide the office with a signed **Prohibited Employment Declaration** form. Please email the BRC Sec [jasiy@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jasiy@bigpond.net.au) for a copy of the form.

**No fires** may be lit on the grounds.

**Competition disclaimer:** Neither the organisers, nor the owners of the grounds, nor the Management Committee of the Worrigee Common, nor Equestrian Australia accepts any liability for any accidents, damage, injury or illness to horses, owners, riders, spectators or any other person whatsoever.

**Reservation of Right:** The organisers reserve the right to cancel or change any class or event, divide or combine any classes, transfer competitors between sections of a class, to alter the advertised times and to refuse any entry with or without stating the reason.

**Insurance:** Ambulance cover is recommended for all riders who do not have this cover.

**Riders must be members of NSW or Berry Riding Club to compete.** Event membership (\$10) of Berry Riding Club is available. Event membership must be paid at the time of entering on Nominate.

**Enquiries:** To Mrs Judy Sweeney by email: [jasiy@bigpond.net.au](mailto:jasiy@bigpond.net.au). Phone information (for emergencies only): 4464 1143, 4464 2384 or mobiles 0410 506 143, 0408 685 878 during event.

**Wet Weather:** Should inclement weather force cancellation at the weekend, the event may be re-scheduled. Special arrangements for inclement weather will be posted on the Berry Riding Club website <http://www.berryridingclub.com>

**Catering:** FULL CANTEEN at the Clubhouse from 9am to 4pm Saturday and Sunday, and until 3pm Monday.

**SUMMARY OF ENSW RULES FOR INTERSCHOOL COMPETITION**

1. It is the responsibility of each rider to know the rules for competition.
2. A judge or other official may request a rider change divisions in a hacking or show jumping event where this combination is considered unsuitable for the division in which entered.
3. A judge has the right to eliminate a rider for the incorrect use of gear in any discipline.
4. An unsafe combination, or unsound horse or rider with unsafe gear may be referred to the office. Such cases will be reviewed by the *Event Committee, whose decision is final*.
5. A *first aid centre* and/or paramedic will be available on all days at the clubhouse.
6. Any rider falling from a horse on either day of competition will be checked by medical staff and may not be permitted to ride again that day.
7. No rider may compete with stirrup leathers under the saddle flap or tied to any part of the saddle.
8. All horses must be ridden at a walk when not in a nominated practice or competition area

**Uniform:**

1. A long-sleeved school shirt, school jumper, tie, saddlecloth & EA compliant safety helmet and boots. School sport sloppy-joe / jumper / t-shirt may be worn in events other than hacking and dressage.
2. Riders are to display their given rider number on the near side of the saddlecloth.

**General:**

1. **Welfare of the horse is paramount.**
2. Unsportsmanlike behaviour will not be tolerated.
3. All Judges' decisions must be respected, but queries may be made in writing to the Event Committee.
4. The Event Committee (comprising representatives from ENSW and the host club) will determine all queries and their decision is final.
5. Any rider who does not abide by ENSW and/or his/her School's Code of Conduct may be reported to the Management Committee and may be disqualified from further competition.
6. Riders, their parents and other connections are expected to treat all officials and fellow competitors with respect and assist where possible in the smooth, happy running of the competition. In the case of failure to show respect, the rider, their parents and other connections will be required to leave the grounds for the remainder of the competition by order of the organising committee.

**SUMMARY OF LOCAL RULES FOR INTERSCHOOL COMPETITION**

**Horses:**

1. Riders may only compete on one horse over the three days. In the case of lameness a substitute horse may be brought and the team manager should advise the office in writing.
2. A rider may only ride his or her horse in a maximum of three rounds of jumping on any one day.
3. Only the nominated rider may ride/school the horse at the venue but a horse may be lunged by someone other than the rider. Failure to abide by this rule will mean disqualification of the horse from the rest of the event.
4. Led riders both mounted and unmounted must be under the supervision of a responsible adult at all times.

**Draw and Interpretation:**

1. The draw /s and other information pertaining to this Championship will be posted on the Berry Riding Club website.
2. A rider wishing to change section or times in any draw, must advise the organisers in writing as soon as possible and before the day starts.
3. Workouts for Hunter, Horsemanship and Challenge classes will be posted on the Notice Board at the clubhouse.
4. Interschool Challenge: Riders should read the Rules on the Equestrian (NSW) website. This competition is run in divisions of 'No Jumping' and 'Jumping' (two height options offered).

**Other:**

1. Camping is allowed on the Clubhouse level and the PC grounds but **NOT** amongst the trees. Horse-free parking is available at rear of clubhouse. Vehicles without a float should be parked behind the clubhouse overnight to avoid paying an additional \$20 camping fee.
2. Powered sites and yards are not available for day stay competitors. All power cords are to have an electrician's approved tag attached. Power points are limited. Power will be allocated in order of receipt of entry forms. Only riders who have paid for power will be allowed to park near the power outlets. It is best to bring your own generator if possible.
3. Yards booked will be allocated prior to the competition and emailed to competitors.
4. Any temporary yard erected must be constructed of metal. No rope or tape yards may be used at any time.
5. Wash bays are available near the horse yards (bring your own hose & attachment).

# COMPETITION PROGRAM

**Saturday 5 October 2019**

## DRESSAGE

Riders may enter only one horse in flatwork on the day. Riders must choose to compete in either Dressage or Hacking, not both. A horse may compete in three different tests over two consecutive levels. Gloves are to be worn. First test may start at 8am. Riders must report at their allotted time as per the draw. The time draw will be displayed on the Berry Riding Club website.

### **All Competitors:**

EA Preparatory E  
EA Preparatory C  
EA Preliminary 1B  
EA Preliminary 1C  
EA Novice 2B  
EA Novice 2C

### **Secondary School Competitors only:**

EA Elementary 3A  
EA Elementary 3B

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## HACKING

Hacking will be run in Divisions. Start time 9:00am in all rings except the Beginner/Led ring. This ring will start at 10:00am. Riders may enter only in hacking or dressage. Riders must compete in their nominated Division all day except in a case where the judge requests a competitor be moved up/down in the interest of safety or fairness.

**Open (Division 1):** rider/horse combinations competing regularly at agricultural shows, royal shows and HOTY shows.

**Intermediate (Division 2):** rider/horse combinations who compete regularly at agricultural shows and zone pony club gymkhanas but have not competed in similar events at a royal show or HOTY.

**Novice (Division 3):** rider/horse combinations who have not placed regularly at agricultural shows or zone pony club gymkhanas in similar events. Must be able to walk, trot and canter in a controlled manner. Horse must be shown with a single rein bridle.

**Beginner (Division 4):** these classes will be conducted at walk/trot (no cantering). Beginner Rider only applies to the hacking classes on Saturday. These riders are not so restricted on Sunday or Monday.

**Led Rider (Division 5):** these riders must be supervised by a responsible adult at all times.

Within each division classes will be divided as appropriate into Height Classes in which the horse is the primary focus of judging and into School Year Classes where the rider is the primary focus.

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Classes will be equal in numbers where possible. This will be determined after the close of entries and published on the website. Primary and Secondary riders will be judged in separate sections for each of hacking and riding classes where points are given.

### ***Horse height definitions:***

Small Pony Hack (u 12.2hh)  
Large Pony Hack (12.2hh & u 14hh)  
Galloway Hack (14hh & u 15hh)  
Hack (15hh & over)

### ***Classes to be run for Divisions will be:***

Hack Class (in horse heights, Div 1-3)  
Best Presented, Saddled and Ridden (in horse heights, Div 1-3)  
Educated Mount (in horse height, Div 1,2)  
Quietest Mount (Div 3)  
Rider (in School Year groups Div 1-3)  
Bareback rider (in School year groups Div 1-3)  
Consolation Rider (no ribbons in earlier classes, no points)  
Pair of Riders (no points)

### **Classes to be run for Division 4, \*Beginner Riders**

Best presented mount and rider  
Best beginner mount  
Best hands and seat  
Pair of beginner riders  
Consolation rider  
Bending  
Cup transfer game  
Stuffed toy drop  
One handed bending

### **Classes to be run for Division 5, \*Led Riders**

Best matched rider and leader  
Best walking pony  
Pony with best decorated mane in school colours  
Best hands and seat  
Bending  
Cup transfer game  
Stuffed toy drop  
One handed bending

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### **FANCY DRESS for PRIMARY RIDERS only**

to be judged mid afternoon. **Costumes identified to start with T.**

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\* NB: Riders and team managers are encouraged to take photos of the results on the scoreboard using their phone for use in school newsletters and for future reference. Only the major winners will be published on the Berry Riding Club website and Berry Interschools Facebook page

# COMPETITION PROGRAM

**Sunday 6 October 2019**

## SHOWJUMPING

*Riders need to be competent at the nominated height.* Judges reserve the right to withdraw a combination deemed to be unsafe at the nominated height. Course Walk for the first competition of the day will be 7:30am.

- ◆ Maximum heights are for first round of the day only at each height class but will not exceed 15cm above that stated for subsequent classes.
- ◆ The height classes will be 45cm, 60cm, 75cm, 90cm, 1.05m. **Note** that 45cm is restricted to Primary competitors only. 45cm riders are restricted to two classes only.
- ◆ No optimum time.
- ◆ Horses may compete in a maximum of three competition rounds in heights other than 45cm. No two rounds should be in the same event and at the same height. Show jumping rounds must be of the same or consecutive levels.

### Fault & Out

#### Super Phase (Power & Speed)

#### Immediate Jump off competition (AM7)

#### **FAULT-AND-OUT COMPETITION (Article 266)**

This competition takes place against the clock over a course without any combination obstacles. The round finishes at the first fault committed (obstacle knocked down, any disobedience, fall etc) or when the rider has jumped the last obstacle at which point the time is taken. Points are awarded with 2 points for an obstacle jumped correctly and 1 point for an obstacle knocked down. The winner of the competition is the athlete who obtains the greatest number of points. In the event of equality, the rider with the fastest time will be declared the winner. In the event of equality of points and time for first place only, there will be a Fault-and-Out jump-off over a limited number of obstacles. Note that when an obstacle is knocked down or when the fixed time is reached, the bell is rung. The rider must then jump the next obstacle but no points are given for this.

#### **SUPER PHASE COMPETITION (Art 274.2)**

Two phases run without interruption with the finishing phase for the first phase being the starting line for the second phase. Athletes penalised in the first phase continue on carrying their penalties from the first round. The second phase only will be timed and penalties accumulated as 1 for every 4 commenced seconds after the time allowed for this round.

#### **AM7 IMMEDIATE JUMP OFF COMPETITION (Art 245.3)**

Athletes who have completed their preliminary round without penalties must proceed to the jump-off without leaving the arena. The bell will be rung again to signal the athlete to start the jump-off course. The 45 second count-down applies.

## SPORTING

Ribbons will be awarded in each of the school year groups. All events will be timed for individual placings for each year. The fastest times for both Primary and Secondary for each competition will also be rewarded with a rosette.

## Snakes and Ladders

## Bend Bar Aft

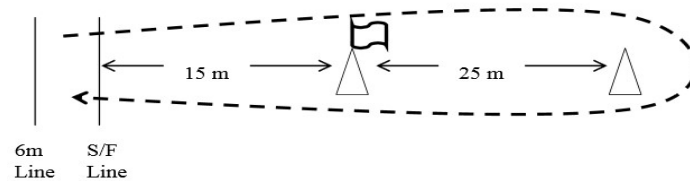
## Scudahoe

## Double Slalom

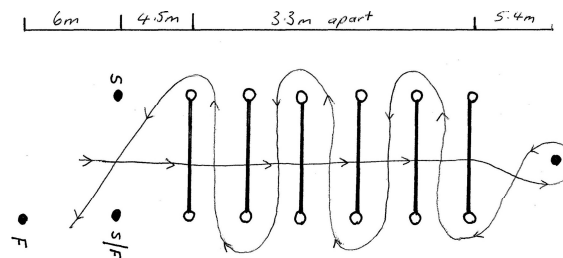
## One Flag Race

## Western Bending

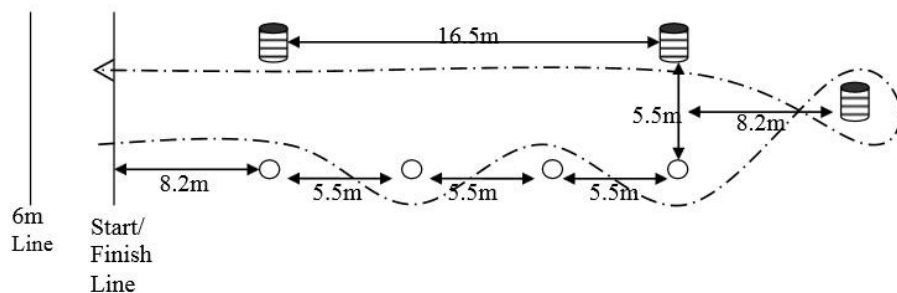
**One Flag Race** - The riders will start with a flag in their hand and ride to the first road cone and place the flag in it. They then ride around the marker at the end of the arena, and pick up the flag from the road cone on the way back to the finish line. If a rider drops a flag they can dismount, but must place the flag in the road cone from the mounted position.



**Snakes & Ladders** - The rider will ride down a set of small jumps around the top peg then proceed back to the finish line by weaving in and out of the small jumps. The finish line will be located at 90 degrees to the starting line. Failure to ride through the finish line will mean elimination. Elimination will also occur if a hurdle is knocked down, horse runs out of the course 3 times, bypasses a hurdle and does not retake it or spreads any two or more hurdles & fall of horse or rider.

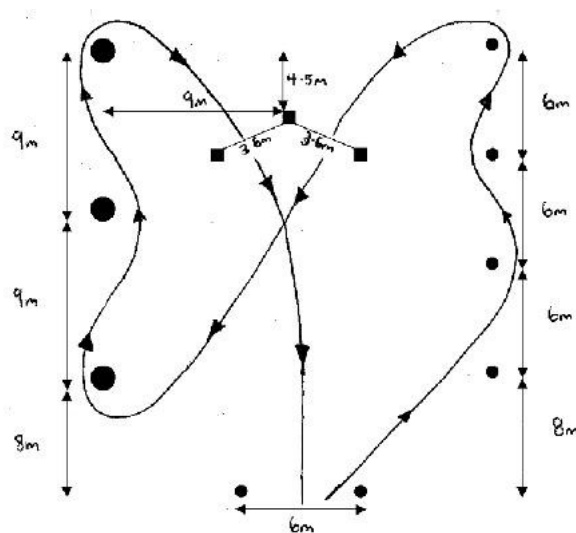


**Bend Bar Aft** - the rider bends through poles, circles a barrel then picks up a flag, then exchanges it for another flag, races to the finish lines with the flag.

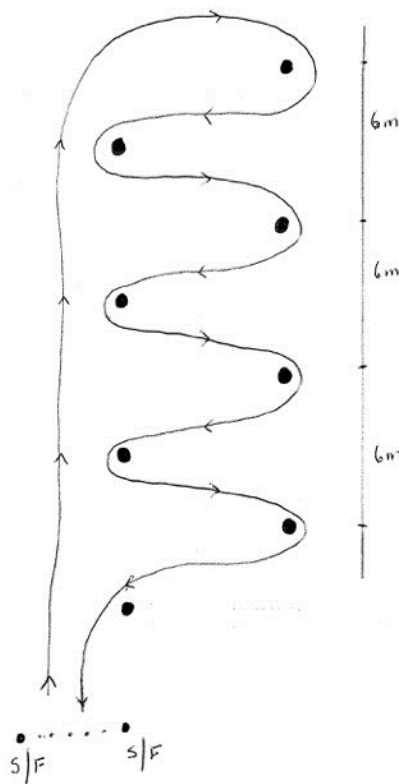




**Scudahoe** - Rider goes to right and bends through the 4 poles, jumps a rail and then bends around the 3 drums, jumping the other rail before finishing.



**Double Slalom** - Rider leaves bending poles to his right and gallops to last pole, turns and weaves through 2 sets of poles and back to the finish line. The poles are set 6m apart on both sides.



# COMPETITION PROGRAM

**Monday 7 October 2019**

## INTERSCHOOL CHALLENGE

This competition aims to promote rider development and provide a basis from which riders can move into other disciplines. The Challenge is run as a two phase (non-jumping) or three phase (jumping) competition. A draw for the jumping phase will be published prior to this event. Failure to compete at the allocated time or failure to present to the judge when called will result in elimination. There will be no draw for the Ridden & In Hand Phases. Riders must complete these phases prior to 12:00 noon.

### General Conditions:

- ◆ Spurs are allowed. Whip must not exceed 75cm and may be carried in all phases.
- ◆ Only snaffle bridles with hanoverian, flash, drop or cavesson nosebands are permitted.
- ◆ Martingales, bearing, side or running reins of any kind are NOT permitted.
- ◆ Same saddlery must be used for all phases.
- ◆ Back protectors, tendon boots may be added for the jumping phase.
- ◆ Numbers should be on bridles for in hand phase.
- ◆ Riders may compete in short or long boots.
- ◆ Each horse and rider combination must complete all phases to obtain a score.
- ◆ The phases each have an equal weighting.

### Phase 1: Individual Ridden Display

To be judged on rider's position, aids and ability to present the horse as well as on the horse's way of going.

### Phase 2: Jumping

To be judged as a working hunter competition ie riders awarded marks out of 10 for each jump.

### Phase 3: In Hand Presentation *(completed after phases 1 and 2).*

Competitors will present the horse in hand with saddles not removed. Riders must ride into the ring, dismount and proceed to the judge to commence their In Hand Presentation.

### Attitude & Conduct marks

True showmen behave with dignity in the ring and understand that they are on show at every moment. Competitors begin each phase with a maximum of 10 marks for attitude and conduct. By simply behaving in a respectful and cooperative manner, all competitors should retain their maximum of 10 marks.

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## HUNTER COMPETITION

*This event is not for beginners. Horses are expected to be able to jump their nominated height competently and at speed. A draw will be published on the Berry Interschools Facebook page.*

This class is judged on the rider and the horse as a hunter. It is marked with points in a manner similar to Jumping Equitation. All tack and clothing is to be neat and workmanlike. Decorations, bright colours and artificial aids are not appropriate. Severe bits and aids may be penalized but should be used only if required for safety reasons. EA compliant helmets, a back protector and appropriate footwear must be worn. Riders will be required to ride a simple workout on the flat then, without stopping, proceed in a more forward canter and jump 8 fences, consisting of both show jumps and solid x/country fences. The course will have no combinations. The two judges will mark concurrently:

**Rider on the flat** – judged on the rider's ability to ride in rhythm on the flat at various gaits, at an appropriate speed with the correct use of 2-and 3-point seats.

**Rider over fences** – judged on the rider's ability to negotiate fences at an appropriate safe speed, in rhythm and in the control when hunting or riding cross country.

**Hunter on the flat** – judged on the horse, which should be obedient and easy to handle, work at a relaxed trot through to a gallop in hand with complete control.

**Hunter over fences** – judged on the horse's ability to negotiate a course of fences in the most pleasurable, smoothest and eye-pleasing manner.

**Primary Riders** 60/65cm or 75/80cm

**Secondary Riders** 60/65cm or 75/80cm

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## RESCUE RELAY

This fun competition will be run while the point score is being finalised and doesn't feed to the point scores. It involves a pair of riders completing a course twice in the quickest time possible. Each team must have a primary age rider. The heights of the jumps will be set between 65cm and 80cm. Throughout the course a rider may take over from the other rider however if a rider has a penalty the other rider must jump the next obstacle.

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# AWARDS

## CHAMPION AND RESERVE CHAMPION SCHOOLS, Primary and Secondary CHAMPION RIDER, Primary and Secondary

*\*\* Primary Champion School proudly sponsored by **Regal Riding School – Shoalhaven Heads** \*\**

*\*\* Secondary Champion School proudly sponsored by **Saddleworld Nowra** \*\**

*\*\* Champion Primary Rider proudly sponsored by **Berry Vet Clinic** \*\**

*\*\* Champion Secondary Rider proudly sponsored by **Bishops Stockfeeds - South Nowra** \*\**

The best **three** total scores from riders in the same school will be used to determine the Champion School. In the event of an equal placing, a fourth rider's score will be used. All riders representing the winning school will receive a commemorative sash.

## SCHOOL YEAR CHAMPIONS & RESERVE CHAMPIONS, Primary and Secondary

*\*\* Proudly sponsored by **Independent Steel Company Nowra** \*\**

**Champion and Reserve Champion Interschool Rider for each school year group** will be the competitor obtaining the highest total score from *a single discipline on each of the three days*. The maximum points available for places in each of the disciplines are all the same.

## DISCIPLINE CHAMPIONS & RESERVE CHAMPIONS, Primary and Secondary

*\*\* Proudly sponsored by **Equine Miracle** \*\**

Dressage:	Highest aggregate weighted points from the two highest level tests ridden by the competitor
Hacking:	Highest point score from the Open Ring
Show jumping:	Highest point score from competitions at highest level offered for age
Inter-school Challenge:	Result from Challenge with jumping at highest level available for age
Hunter:	Highest point score taken from highest jumping heights offered for age
Sporting:	Highest point score from all six competitions

**ADDITIONAL AWARDS**

**ROSETTES FOR BEST PERFORMANCES IN INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS**

Best performed Primary & Secondary rider in each Dressage Test:  
proudly sponsored by **Illawarra Equine Centre**

Best performed Primary & Secondary rider in each Show Jumping Class:  
proudly sponsored by **Sheds n Homes**

Best performed Primary & Secondary rider in each Hunter Class:  
proudly sponsored by **Paul's Equine Dentistry**

Best performed Primary & Secondary rider of the two Challenge divisions:  
proudly sponsored by **Berry Vet Clinic**

Fastest time by Primary & Secondary rider in each Sporting Event:  
proudly sponsored by **Luke Masson Farrier**

Judges' Encouragement Award for each Preparatory Dressage Rider:  
sponsored by **Gladiator Floats**

Judges' Encouragement Award for each rider in the Beginner & Led Ring:  
sponsored by **Kurt Gacki Equine Rehabilitation**

All entrants in Fancy Dress:  
proudly sponsored by **Ausprint Ribbons**

Winners of the Rescue Relay  
proudly sponsored by **Ausprint Ribbons**

**RIBBONS FOR COMPETITORS IN INDIVIDUAL COMPETITIONS**

Ribbons / sashes to 4th place in every competition.

**Competitor show bags proudly donated by Horseland – Yallah**

**Lucky Door Prizes proudly donated by:**

**Bishops Stockfeeds South Nowra**

**Posiedon Equine – Digestive EQ**