

SECTION F1 - DONKEYS

Enquires to Mrs. M. Reichardt, 97 Charlick Rd, Crafrers West. 5152

Entries to The Secretary Box 141 Mt Pleasant SA 5235

by Friday. March 9th

NO LATE ENTRIES WILL BE ACCEPTED.

Judging commences 10am

Membership \$16.00 (Inc GST)

Prize money: First \$2, Second \$1 Entry Fee: 55c (Inc GST).

No rider under the age of 3 years.

All riders must wear approved (Australian, or European standard) helmets. All riders and handlers must have suitable footwear. (If riders use stirrups, suitable boots with smooth tops and soles; all handlers must have shoes with closed toes.)

All gear (including halters, bridles, saddles and harness) must be in good safe repair and fit correctly and safely. The judge or a designated safety officer may require a competitor withdraw from competition if gear is not safe.

Harsh treatment of donkeys or mules will not be tolerated. Any harsh treatment which includes more than 2 strikes with a whip or crop or rope will lead to disqualification from that event or from the show, at the judge's discretion. (Light taps are allow if the donkey or mule is not showing signs of distress.)

All competitors must remember that animals can be unpredictable and this can lead to danger.

Competitors enter at their own risk.

(1) **Smartest on Parade** - led (judged on neat, clean and appropriate presentation of both donkey / mule and handler)

(2) **Led donkey foal under 2 years any sex** (judged on conformation - age is actual age of the donkey - no ungelded males over the age of 9 months are allowed)

(3) **Led jenny 2 years and over** (judged on conformation)

(4) **Led gelding 2 years and over** (judged on conformation)

Champion and Reserve Champion Donkeys (judged from 1st place getters in classes 2,3 and 4; once Champion is awarded the donkey that was 2nd to that one comes in to contend Reserve Champion)

(5) **Led mule** (this class may be divided by age and sex if there are sufficient entries). (No ungelded male mules above the age of 6 months) (judged on conformation)

Champion Mule

Classes 6 to 14 may be divided into separate competitions for donkeys and mules depending on entry numbers and the judge's discretion.

(6) **Led rider any age (this rider is not then eligible for any other ridden class)** - (judged on the rider's ability to participate in riding and the donkey or mule's suitability as a beginner's mount)

(7) **Independent child rider under 15 years** (judged on rider's ability)

(8) **Adult rider 15 years and older** (judged on rider's ability)

(9) **Open rider - rider of any age** (judged on rider's ability) (this class might only be held if riders from both age groups have entered, or a more difficult test may be set, at the judge's discretion)

(10) **Barrel race - led or ridden - timed**

In obstacle courses there will be points for each obstacle negotiated and a time limit at each obstacle. (points are 1 for a try (e.g. one foot on), 2 for doing the obstacle poorly (e.g. walking over it diagonally instead of straight across), 3 for doing the obstacle correctly; no points if attempting an obstacle for more than 10 seconds)

(11) **Led obstacle course**

(12) **Ridden obstacle course** - the donkey must not be led, i.e. **independent rider**

(13) **Long-reined obstacle course**

(14) **High jump - led, starts at ground level**, (the competitor to retire if the pole is knocked down by their animal or the donkey or mule has 2 refusals at that height)

Champion performance donkey or mule (together or separately) is calculated on points from classes 6 to 14 (an animal can only gain one set of points from each class, even if it has gone through twice e.g. with different children) **High point handler** is calculated on points from classes 6 to 14

(15) **Costume class** (judged on the overall picture of donkey and handler)"

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