

The Southern Stars Young Horse Championships

Guidelines and Rules Governing these events.

The Event

The Australian Young Horse Endurance Challenge will be conducted as an annual series.

The Series will start on January 1st each year and will finish with the staging of the Final Challenge Event to be held during the month of December of the same year.

The Horse

The horse must be registered with a breed society

Age Minimum age: Must be 6yo on Jan the 1st in the year of nomination
Maximum age: Not to have reached its 9th birthday on the day of the final Challenge event.

Proof of Age: To be determined by an Australian recognised breed registration certificate.

Horse Welfare: All relevant AERA and FEI horse welfare rules will apply including the FEI Horse welfare Code of Conduct.

Elimination: Any horse that is entered in this series and requires invasive treatment that is directed by the Ride or Treatment Veterinarian at any AERA or FEI ride within Australia during the Series year will be eliminated from the series. Horses that receive preventative treatment at the request of the rider/responsible person will not be eliminated from the Series.

Any horse that vets out for any reason at two qualifiers is eliminated from the series.

The Rider

In all Divisions and Sections of these events, the Rider must be of Endurance Status, as defined in the AERA Members Handbook.

Qualifying Standards

All qualifying rides will be FEI 1* with distances to be of 90 km – 119km

Distance of Qualifiers: As of Jan 1st 2009, the distance for the qualifiers will be a 1* FEI ride of between 90-119 km

Heart Rates: Qualifiers: 64bpm to present within 20 minutes all legs
Final: 64bpm to present within 20 minutes all legs.

Weights: Minimum weight will be 70kgs in all Divisions and events.

Qualifications for Final:

- a) Horses must successfully complete one 1* Ride in the calendar year leading up to the final. Those eligible for the Final will be:
- b) The top 10 placed horses nominated in each AERA State Division.
- c) Non nominated horses may enter in the Challenge, however these horses will not count as top 10 in the classification of qualifiers.
- d) Horses may compete at one or more Qualifiers even if already qualified.
- e) Only qualified Series Young Horses are permitted to enter the Final event. Non Series horses will not be permitted to enter

Organizer and Beneficiary

The Australian Endurance Squad

Entry Information – Nomination for the Series is to be paid in full not later than 4 weeks prior to the first qualifying event in the Series. This nomination will be non refundable A late nomination fee will be charged if fees not paid by the due date.

Completion of applications will include copies of Log Book ID and summary of ride history together with copies of breed registration certificates will be required with nomination payments

Fees payable for entry to the SSYHC Series

Squad Members/Horses: \$60.00 per horse

Non Squad Members \$80.00 per horse

Any late fees \$20.00 per horse

The above amounts do not include entry to the rides

Young Riders –

Where a Young Riders Division is run by the Ride Organiser, those nominated Challenge horses in that Division may participate in the Young Horse Challenge provided they carry the min. weight of 70kg. The Young Rider participants will be ranked with the Open Division horses for Qualification for entry into the Final. The Final will not include a Young Riders Division.

For inquiries and information

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