

The Commonwealth Clydesdale Horse Society Queensland Branch inc.

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Some of 2015's Supreme Champion Clydesdales in Queensland

Left: **Duneske Flash Pearl**, five years old, Supreme Champion Clydesdale, and Supreme of All Breeds for her third time at Gatton Field Days, also Champion Mare at Brisbane Royal for her third time, for the Stewart-Koster family. *Photo courtesy Teresa McCoombes*



Above Right: **Glengallan Montana Sun**, three years old, Champion for his age, and Supreme Champion Over 2 Years, Qld Branch CCHS Junior Championships, Laidley, for Pete Lowry & Clare Gorwyn., and pictured with judge Barbara Ford, Vic. *Photo courtesy Teresa McCoombes.*

Right: **Oscarville Troy**, five years old, Champion Clydesdale Stallion, and Supreme Champion, Brisbane Royal Show, for his first time, for Judy Peters. *Photo courtesy Katy Driver.*



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Qld Branch Notices

Would ALL Qld Branch members please email through their email addresses to the secretary on **info@clydesdalesqld.com.au** – they have been deleted from the CCHS laptop.

After the 2015 AGM all correspondence will ONLY be email out (if people don't have an email address, there will be a charge of \$25 per year to receive correspondence via 'snail mail'.)

Federal News

Constitution: For the last eighteen months a sub-committee of Rob Ronzio, Rod Bowles, Colin Brown, Bob Pierce, Marian Bangay and Louise Beer have been working on a new constitution to propose to CCHS members.

Copies can be requested by email from the Branch Secretary. (info@clydesdalesqld.com.au)

The Committee has put considerable time into the document and the basis of the constitution is what is required under the Victorian incorporations act and also factoring in clauses to hopefully address issues that continue to be of concern at branch level.

The Society will also have another document called the By-Laws which will include the rules for the stud-book and all other aspects of the CCHS.

Comments are welcome.

Regards

Rod Bowles – Federal Secretary

If You Breed Clydesdales...

“If you breed Clydesdales, then who buys them?”

“That’s a very good question, and it was put to me in a conversation with George Simmons of Ashburn Clydesdale Stud, New Zealand, when he visited Brisbane Royal Show (the Ekka) in 1988. George was enjoying continuing his family’s clydesdale breeding legacy, begun in 1946 by his father. Australia has a few similar clydesdale families – breeding for over half a century, as well as newer breeders, plus some who just like to own one horse.

So, where do the on average 300 foals that are registered every year with the CCHS (the Commonwealth Clydesdale Horse Society) go to, or end up?” *That was the introduction to a story I was asked the night before we left to go to the Ekka, to write for the September 2015 issue of Horses & People magazine. They wanted a 3500 word essay covering a range of subjects, general and specific questions about this great breed, and its history here and abroad, plus photos in high resolution.*

However, this newsletter isn’t going to carry any more of that H&P story for now, but it will go back to the gist of original story I wrote in a 1988 Qld Branch newsletter.

George Simmonds sent me his thoughts on the subject: “The society has been through **the age of the horse** as the only motive power, with no other option available; through to **the age of change**, where it was acceptable to use either the horse, or machinery, or a combination of each; though to **the super age** full of mechanisation, where only the so-called nutters, hippies, oddities and old timers still used horses.”

“What is going to happen to all these horses we are breeding? What use are they? It is unlikely we will see a complete revert back to the use of the horse the way it was, and what a terrible thing for the horses if it did happen - the poor underfed, abused and ignorantly handled creatures, in the hands of many who hated them...

If we, as a breed society do not expect to see a return to the past, then what are we doing to see that we do actually have a future? If you supply a product, then surely you must have a market? Demand must exceed supply...if not, then there is a surplus. What happens when there is a surplus? Excesses are dumped, and if there is no market, prices fall, and quality is lost.”

“We need to create markets...(many options exist). Whether you work or breed horses full time, or part time or on only odd occasions these days, you are doing it because you are genuinely interested in Clydesdales. It is by your choice, and not because there is no alternative.

Promotions - it is **essential for the future of the Clydesdale Horse**, and the society, that each and every member does his or her bit towards promotions. Have YOU found a new member for the society? Have YOU encouraged a new owner, or a newcomer to the show ring? Have you had an item in your local newspaper? Do you bring your horses out for the public to see them - to local shows, parades, processions, schools... or do you leave all this up to someone else to do and then moan because of the lack of activity within the society?” What are YOU doing to help promote this wonderful breed and help to ensure its future?

George raises many pertinent points that are still relevant 27 years later on - food for good thought. The late Keith Chivers from UK, author of that great 834 page tome “The Shire Horse” also published a book circa 1988 called “History With a Future” which was a study into the possible direction heavy horse societies would best take. Upon reflection, we have traversed a quarter of a century since that book was printed, and since that conversation with George, but what of the next 25 years... What part can YOU play to help?

Ian Stewart-Koster, Aug. 2015

Editor, this issue of the Qld Branch CCHS Newsletter

Handy Hints...

Winter is past us - almost - and clydesdales are typically quite hairy coming into spring. You can try all sorts of curry combs and brushes if you wish, to try and groom out some of the moulting winter coat to make things a bit more pleasant for them, but I've found the following 'contraption' outperforms all of them. Some people call it a shedder, but I call it a hacksaw blade thingummy, because that's what it is. I made one up six years ago from a piece of old house skirting board, and a hacksaw blade. It survived being trod on, rained on, thrown at a pup, and I can't think of how many kg of hair it's pulled out of the clydies over the years but it somehow went missing this month so I decided to make a couple more for this article.



OK, sure you can buy them from overseas, but why would you when you see how simple it is to make your own, with items most horsey people would have access to - a bit of wood, a horse rasp, a hand-saw, a hacksaw blade, and a bit of 5-minute epoxy resin or araldite from the \$2 cheapy shops. The only area in which you should not skimp is the blade - use a decent quality hacksaw 22 tooth-per-inch blade, not a cheap chinese one. The price of a good one is only about \$2.50 anyhow.



1. Gather the materials - a chunk of pine or similar scrap, a rasp (or an electric sander if you must), hacksaw blade, glue, handsaw.
2. Put the timber in the vice, and with a tenon saw or ordinary handsaw, cut a slot all along one skinny side, about 1 cm deep, or a tad less.
3. Test the hacksaw blade for fit, as you progress. Make a couple of spares while you are in the mood - you can always give them away or get someone else to help groom a horse at the same time as you, instead of queueing up to use just the one thingummy.
4. Mix up some glue, and spread it in the slot, and on the blade, and place the blade in so about 3 to 4 mm protrudes. Don't worry if the blade is too long at either end, you can break the excess off.

5. When the glue has set, take the hoof rasp and round the timber edges to a comfortable fit in your hand





6. Finally, once you are content with the shape, and have tested it out on a horse, give the timber a coat or two of linseed oil for weather-proofing purposes - but then you have to wait a day or so for it to dry before you can use it again - but your horses will forgive you, and will eagerly await your next arrival with the new thingummy!

Item #2 in this Handy Hints saga, is what to do with a horse sweat scraper that has had its plastic handles perish and disintegrate. This happens often enough if you leave them out, and then the sharp edges can be a tad painful on wet horse-washed hands. You can make a duct tape handle, but that gets messy after a time in the weather.



An alternative is as shown here, find an old broken hammer handle, (or a bit of broken broomstick but hammer is better as it's wider), and with a handsaw, slot the ends enough to take the blade. Then drill out where the holes are with a 1/4" drill bit, and after glueing the slot up with spare epoxy from the previous project, put a 1/4" tank bolt in to help hold it firmly.





Finally the sweat scraper is ready for another few years' washbay use. Don't forget to dunk the wooden handles in a bit of linseed oil for preservation, before you decide to leave it out in the weather at the washbay for a few months.

Item #3 in this Handy Hints saga, is below: old 3 litre milk bottles, chocolate topping bottles, or 4 litre tomato sauce bottles make great feed scoops, good for pollard (as shown), oaten chaff, oats, barley, bran of just about any place where you might feel tempted to use a bought feed scoop - these have of course already been bought - but given a new lease of life in this recyclable world!



Best wishes, Ian



The Show Scene...



Queensland Agricultural Shows Roundup by Clare Gorwyn

The first Agricultural Show was held in Clermont in 1868 followed closely by Beenleigh in 1869. One by one other Show Societies were formed and currently there are 128 affiliated Shows in Queensland. (queenslandshows.com.au)

The local Agricultural Show is a highlight of the annual calendar for many rural towns. In the larger, metropolitan areas they provide an important link between town and country; a chance for the younger generation to experience some of the aspects of rural life and often a trip down memory lane for many of our older folk. Amongst fierce competition from other forms of entertainment, Agricultural Shows are still holding their own but it is a struggle for many of them. Staying relevant in our fast-moving, ever-changing world is a challenge.

Show Societies would love to have more heavy horses competing at their shows as they know the Clydesdale and other heavy breeds are a favourite of many spectators – even those people who are not particularly into horses will stop and watch the heavies in the ring. I was once told by a woman at our local show that watching Pete and I lead our Clydesdale stallion and mare through all the horses and ponies waiting around the edge of the ring was “like watching the Queen Mary sail though a whole lot of dinghies,” and that image has stuck with me.

So, in our ever-busy life that doesn't seem to be slowing down, if you can find some way of supporting you local Agricultural Show by competing, attending, sponsoring, promoting or even joining the committee then hopefully this wonderful institution will still be around for generations to come.

The Qld Show season kicks off at the end of January/beginning of February with Stanthorpe Show. It finishes in mid-September with Kenilworth and Tamborine Mountain Shows.

I often get asked by people, especially those new to heavies, what shows are around with classes for Clydesdales. This is an over-view of those in the Darling Downs & South-East Qld area (south & west of Brisbane) with heavy horse classes. I have included the major results from this year (if I have been able to find them out) and my apologies to anyone that I have missed. A number of shows have dropped the Heavy Horse events from their programme or have down-sized the number of classes due to lack of support.

For all information on Queensland Shows including dates and links to the different show societies, visit the Qld Shows website www.queenslandshows.com.au or follow them on Facebook – “Queensland Shows”.

Stanthorpe: A great show to start the season and was once well supported by working horses. It is a wonderful little show with a friendly, supportive atmosphere and they would love to see the numbers build back up again – possibly a 3-day show with the heavies on Sunday. Heavy Horse led classes, working and harness events are on the programme. 2015 Champion Heavy Horse and High Points Working Horse was our Montana Park Damon. Reserve Champion – Ballara LeRoi (Percheron)



Allora: Heavy Horse led classes only. It's our local show and often we are the only heavies there so it was great to welcome Ken Wigger with his lovely filly Wattavue Chardonnay to the show scene this year and hope we see them out and about next season. Champion Heavy Horse – Montana Park Damon; Reserve Champion – Glengallan Silhouette (Shire)

Clifton: Heavy Horse led classes. No Clydesdales entered this year

Killarney: Heavy Horse led, working and harness classes. This year cancelled due to a cyclone.

Cooyar: Show cancelled due to cyclone but usually a good programme of heavy horse events.

Left: Sarah Stewart-Koster driving Duneske Flash Beauty at Oakey Show Photo: Ian S-K

Oakey: Another show usually well supported. Heavy Horse led, working, under saddle and harness classes. Competitors included Neil Hall, the Stewart-

Koster family and Pete & I. Champion Heavy Horse – Duneske Rising Dawn; Reserve Champion – Montana Park Damon. MP Damon also won Champion In Harness ahead of about a dozen light horses and ponies. Sarah Stewart-Koster competed very well in the working and under saddle classes. Another talented youngster.

Toowoomba Royal: Unfortunately Toowoomba Royal has dropped the Heavy Horse classes from its schedule due to lack of support.

Warwick: This is currently the major Heavy Horse Agricultural Show for the region and often the best supported in Queensland (well-challenged by Callide Valley - Biloela). It offers classes for Clydesdales, Shires, Percherons and Draughts in led events, plus working and under saddle classes, with a full programme of harness events for light and heavy horses the previous day. **See full report on Warwick Show further in the Newsletter.**



Right: Dave Martin with Lavereen Banjo, Lavereen Clem and Coolibah Ridge Gambler at Goombungee Show. Photo courtesy Nicola Martin

Goombungee-Haden: Heavy Horse classes were re-introduced in 2014 for their 100th show and had a tremendous response with over 20 heavies competing. Unfortunately this year a number of competitors were unable to attend due to other commitments but I know many will be back next year. It's a lovely show – great grounds, friendly people and a full programme of led & working events as well as demonstration ploughing.

This year the Martin family flew the Clydesdale flag along with Angela Adams. Coolibah Ridge Jade with Dave won Champion Mare and Coolibah Ridge Charlotte with Michael took out Reserve Champion.

Marburg: Marburg Show Society would love to have Clydesdales at their show but for many years, it clashed with Gatton Heavy Horse Field Days. This year it moved to the week after Gatton but sadly there were still no Clydies. It's a great programme with plenty of Clydesdale-specific classes as well as for other heavy breeds. A good number of working events plus a harness programme make it a show to mark on the calendar for 2016.

Crows Nest: It always follows Gatton (and with any luck the horses are still clean) but Crows Nest finishes off the Darling Downs show circuit. It has been very well supported over the years and has a full programme of led and working events. If you prefer, they also have harness classes for light & heavy horses running in the neighbouring ring. This year, 8 Clydesdales and 2 draught horses battled it out with Ian Stewart-Koster and Duneske Flash Pearl winning Champion Led Clydesdale and then Supreme All Breeds Led Exhibit of the Show. Coolibah Ridge Jade was Reserve Champion Clydesdale while Neil Hall's Carseldine Opal & Carseldine Liberty were also blue ribbon winners. Michael Martin was the shining light in the working events so I hear – more than a match for his father, Dave. Great to see talent in the younger generation.



Crows Nest Show – Photos Nicola Martin

Above Left: Neil Hall with Carseldine Opal; Above Right: Neil Hall with Carseldine Liberty and Ian Stewart-Koster with Duneske Ranger - Champion & Reserve Champion Colts

Below Left: Dave Martin with Coolibah Ridge Charlotte and Coolibah Ridge Gambler hill climbing in the obstacle course. Below Right: Michael Martin going clear in the log snig with Coolibah Ridge Gambler.



Ipswich: Ipswich has a number of led classes for registered Clydesdales as well as some driven events. Unfortunately it was not well supported this year with only 2 Clydesdales attending. Les & Brett Ehrich's Kuldene Jasper was Champion Stallion and Kuldene Kristen was Champion Mare or Filly (The result for Supreme was not listed on their website).

Boonah: This show has been a favourite of the Fassifern Clydesdale breeders in previous years but this year saw just two Clydesdales entered. Les & Brett Ehrich's Kudene Jasper & Kristen flew the Clydesdale flag with (I believe) Jasper taking top awards.

Kalbar: Also usually well supported by the local breeders and has a good programme of Clydesdale-specific led classes as well as working and harness events. A good show to mark down for 2016. Congratulations to Bradley Wood with Duncan Valley Ragnall winning just about all that they could –Champion Stallion & Supreme Clydesdale and then Supreme Led Exhibit. Brett & Les Ehrich, Graham & Nicky Ehrich, Warren & Mary-Ellen Muller and Lisa Hughes also exhibited Clydesdales.

Right: Bradley Wood with Duncan Valley Ragnall after a very successful Kalbar Show
Photo courtesy of Bradley Wood



Laidley: This year the Clydesdales were out-numbered by the Shires (2 to 1) with 6 young Shires and 3 Clydesdales. It was great to meet new Clydesdale owner, Lisa Hughes, with her gelding King Valley Lewis, shown by Tammy Stoker. Pete and I took two of our Clydesdales and I am pleased to say that my mare, Glengallan Mystic Maiden, won Supreme Heavy Horse. She then went on to win Champion Working Horse ahead of Pete's Montana Park Damon and Champion Heavy Horse Under Saddle with Tammy Stoker and K V Lewis Reserve Champion. MP Damon was the only heavy competing in harness events along with three light horses. Laidley has a great programme with plenty of classes for everyone. Parking is easy and we are well away from anything 'scary'. They would love to have more heavy horses attend.



Laidley Show – Photos: Donna Clarke

Above Left: Clare Gorwyn with Glengallan Mystic Maiden & Peter Lowry with Montana Park Damon waiting for the working classes. Above Right: Tammy Stoker riding Lisa Hughes' gelding, King Valley Lewis

Gatton: Another show that has down-sized their heavy horse programme due to lack of support. They now only have 3 led classes for all heavy horses. I do not know of any Clydesdales that entered this year.

Canungra: Held last weekend, Canungra has a number of led classes for Heavy Horses as well as an Under Saddle class. Two Clydesdales attended – both owned by Lisa Hughes. King Valley Lewis shown by Tammy Stoker, won Champion Gelding & Supreme Heavy Horse while Embee Grove Charlotte Rose (shown by Lisa) was the Champion Mare or Filly. Tammy also rode KV Lewis in the Under Saddle class.



Above: Tammy Stoker with King Valley Lewis and Lisa Hughes with Embee Grove Charlotte Rose at the recent Canungra Show. Photo courtesy of Lisa Hughes.

Beaudesert: This is another favourite show of heavy horse and harness competitors and the last one of the year to have heavy horse classes. Events are held away from the main ring so parking is easy and the atmosphere is less stressful. A great show for a young or green horse. This year's show is on the 5 September and all details can be found on their website www.beaudesertshow.org.au

Warwick Show

2015 was the 5th year since the reinstating of the Heavy Horse events at Warwick Show. Now, combined with the harness programme, there are 2 full days of the Heavy Horse & Harness Spectacular which has become a 'show within a show'; stepping up to fill much of the void left after the unfortunate demise of the Working Draught Horse Expo at Jondaryan.

Held away from the main arena in Evans Paddock, it is a favourite for many competitors. Usually 40+ heavy horses attend with quite a few from across the NSW border. Although numbers were down a little this year as it clashed with Sydney Royal, it was great to welcome Deb Timmins, Bob Rattray and Ben Sullivan to the Warwick Clydesdale ring for the first time.

This is a CCHS Qld Branch sponsored event and has the support of all four heavy horse breed societies for which the Warwick Show Heavy Horse & Harness team are extremely grateful and thankful. It is also very well supported by the local business and horse communities so better than average prize money is on offer to help cover the ever-increasing costs of getting horses to shows.

The schedule is comprehensive with all vehicle classes (for light & heavy horses) on the Saturday and led, working and under saddle events on Sunday. It also caters well for the younger competitors with 3 Junior Handler classes. There is a challenging long reining course for advanced competitors with extra prize money on offer as well as slide and log snig for singles and pairs. The Agricultural Implement Turnout class is also increasingly popular.

Saturday night is a perfect chance to catch up socially with many people choosing to stay for the weekend. The camping area is right next to the horse yards with an excellent wash bay and good shower & toilet facilities. Powered sites are available.

The Supreme Heavy Horse Exhibit went to the Shire mare, Glengallan Silhouette, but these are the major winners in the Clydesdale ring. The judge was Mr Harold Massam.

Champion Clydesdale Stallion or Colt: *Duneske Ranger - Stewart-Koster Family*

Reserve Champion Clydesdale Stallion or Colt: *Glengallan Montana Sun – Peter Lowry*

Champion Clydesdale Mare Or Filly: *Duneske Flash Pearl – Stewart- Koster Family*

Reserve Champion Clydesdale Mare or Filly: *Duneske Rising Dawn – Stewart- Koster Family*

Champion Clydesdale Gelding: *Duneske Sunray – Stewart- Koster Family*
Reserve Champion Clydesdale Gelding: *Montana Park Damon – Peter Lowry*
GRAND CHAMPION CLYDESDALE EXHIBIT: *Duneske Flash Pearl – Stewart-Koster Family*
Champion Turnout and Champion Equine In Harness: *Montana Park Damon – Clare Gorwyn*



Keep up to date with all the news on the Warwick Show Heavy Horse & Harness Spectacular by 'liking' our Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/pages/Warwick-Show-Qld-Heavy-Horse-Harness-Spectacular/507966989244554>

Mark the weekend of the 19th & 20th March, 2016 in your diaries and come and join the social, competitive, fun of Warwick Show.

For more information on Warwick Show please contact Clare Gorwyn :
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Left: Hannah Stewart-Koster riding Duneske Sunray at Warwick Show
Photo: T J McCoombes Photography



Clockwise from Below Left: Clare Gorwyn & Montana Park Damon – both Champion Turnout & Champion In Harness during the Saturday Harness events. Deb Timmins with her yearling filly, Glengallan Flanders Flower – first time for both in the show ring. Ian Stewart-Koster and Duneske Flash Pearl being presented with the Grand Champion Clydesdale sash by judge, Harold Massam. Bob Rattray with his gelding, Craighall Mr Darcy.

Photos: T J McCoombes Photography





Above & Below, Ben Sullivan's team of three abreast, pulling an orchard cultivator at Warwick Show



Above, the Junior Handler class of four, and below a few competitors lined up awaiting their turn in the Novice Long Reins obstacle course at Warwick Show. - Photos Ian S-K





Above, the ridden class at Warwick - both horses in step - photo by Donna Clarke- and part of the Advanced Long Reins obstacle course

National Show Driving CHAMPIONSHIPS



26 September

Toowoomba Showgrounds

**Free Entry for
Spectators**

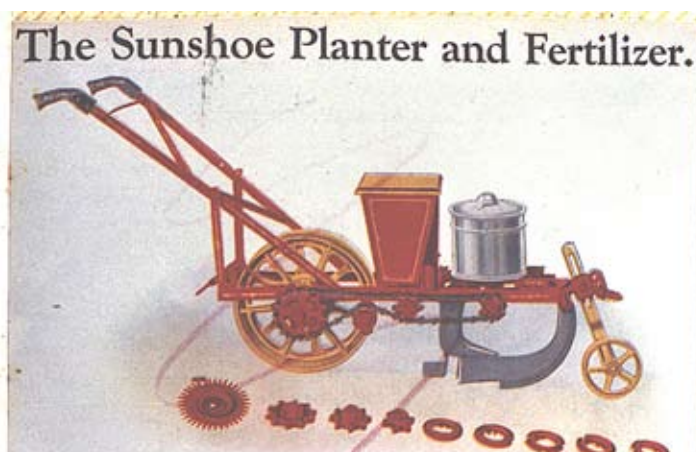
Range Carriage Club is proud to be hosting the 2015 ACDS National Show Driving Championships at the Toowoomba Showgrounds on Saturday, 26 September. This event has not been held in Queensland for a decade so it is a rare chance to see the best of Queensland's Show Drivers on display. It will be followed by Driven Dressage and Cones Classic events on the Sunday.

The CCHS Qld Branch is sponsoring the High-Point Clydesdale award so it would be great to see many Clydesdales entered. All information is on the ACDS Qld Branch website calendar <https://sites.google.com/site/acdsqueenslandbranch/Home/state-calendar-2009-10> or contact Club Secretary, Wendy Petrie on 4630 8792 or email terrypetrie@bigpond.com



Late nominations are being accepted but be quick to be included in the souvenir programme. Drivers do NOT need to be ACDS members as One Activity Membership is available for insurance purposes.

"Range Carriage Club"



Gatton

Judge for the led-in Clydesdales at the 38th annual CHHFDA this year was John O'Sullivan from Vic.

Results:

Clydesdale Gelding under 3 years

1st Lenore Park Ringo Star J & M Reedy

Clydesdale Gelding over 3 years

1st Rosbercon Casanova T & A Barton
 2nd Duneske Sunray Stewart-Koster Family
 3rd Dondale Dreamer T & A Barton
 4th Eucalypt Park Chiefain T & A Barton

Champion Clydesdale Gelding

Rosbercon Casanova T & A Barton

Reserve Champion Clydesdale Gelding

Duneske Sunray Stewart-Koster Family

Clydesdale Mare 3 Years

1st Duneske Flash Jessica Stewart-Koster Family

Clydesdale Broodmare over 4 years

1st Duneske Flash Pearl Stewart-Koster Family
 2nd Duneske Flash Beauty Stewart-Koster Family

Champion Clydesdale Mare

Duneske Flash Pearl Stewart-Koster Family

Reserve Champion Clydesdale Mare

Duneske Flash Beauty Stewart-Koster Family

Clydesdale Colt under 1 year

1st Carseldine Liberty

N & V Hall

Clydesdale Colt 2 Years

1st Glengowrie Celtic Lad

G & N Ehrich

Champion Clydesdale Colt

Glengowrie Celtic Lad

G & N Ehrich

Reserve Champion Colt

Carseldine Liberty N & V Hall

Clydesdale Filly 1 Year

1st Coolibah Ridge Jade

D & N Martin

2nd Duneske Rising Dawn Stewart-Koster Family

3rd Lenore Park Shining Star J & M Reedy

BEST CLYDESDALE EXHIBIT UNDER 2 YEARS

COOLIBAH RIDGE JADE

D & N MAR-

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Clydesdale Filly 2 years old

1st Windsor Park Coco Chanel

T & A Barton

2nd Carseldine Opal

N & V Hall

3rd Birkwood Laura Flash

B Wood

Champion Clydesdale Filly

Coolibah Ridge Jade D & N Martin

Reserve Champion Clydesdale Filly

Windsor Park Coco Chanel T & A Barton

SUPREME CHAMPION CLYDESDALE, and later Supreme Champion of All Breeds - see front cover photo- DUNESKE FLASH PEARL, the S-K family.

Many exhibitors competed in harness in turnouts or working events, or various obstacle courses, as the following photos will show.



Above Neil Hall & Judge John O'Sullivan with Carseldine Liberty, winner of the Lee Grover Memorial Trophy



Above Duneske Flash Jesssica, 1st, 3 year old Mare



Above, Coolibah Ridge Jade, best Exhibit Under Two Years, with Dave Martin,
 Right, two Junior Handlers in the Junior Decorator class - Helen & Sarah putting some adults to shame!
 Below Montana Park Damon & Clare Gorwyn in Lady Whip class on Sunday at Gatton
 Left photos courtesy T.McCoombes





Above: Lavereen Banjo, Lavereen Clement, and Coolibah Ridge Gambler with D Martin and the spring tine harrows in the Multiple Soil Tilling Agricultural Implement class

Right: Lavereen Banjo & Lavereen Clement with Michael Martin, ploughing at Gatton.

Photos courtesy Nicola Martin.





Above & Right: T & A Barton's entry in the Heavy Horse Turnout class, with Dondale Dreamer.



Above: Hannah Hermann planting potatoes with her father in the spud planter.



Above, a proud Sarah with Duneske Flash Beauty, Reserve Champion Clydesdale Mare - Photo courtesy T McCoombes



Above, the 4 older led geldings Rosbercon Casanova, Duneske Sunray Dondale Dreamer & Eucalypt Park Chie-fain

Scenic Rim Clydesdale Spectacular

The *Scenic Rim Clydesdale Spectacular* Committee are very happy to report that the 2015 Spectacular was again a resounding success, in perfect weather conditions. A huge crowd appreciated more than 40 Clydesdale exhibits, featuring some of the finest, and expertly groomed stock from S.E. Qld and northern N.S.W. Mr Max Marriott (Benalla, Victoria), eminent in this field, commended the standard of exhibits in the Led Classes. We were honoured to have Richard Geldard judge the Harness Classes, and Murray Goodall judge the Plough Classes. Both Richard and Murray, icons of the Clydesdale world, are known for their astute eye for the performance of a great working horse.

The inaugural *Fassifern Highland Gathering* incorporated into this year's Spectacular proved very popular, offering the big crowd another entertaining dimension, along with the Queensland Championship Whip Cracking and the World Championship Billy Boiling events. The authentic Scottish Food prepared by Chef John Doncaster was a winner, selling out quite early. The crowd was treated to glimpses of a bygone era. First was the horse works demonstration with a corn husker and sheller, the shelled corn was later ground and cooked to make a delicious damper. Wheelwright Rick Stanfield created fire and steam to tyre wooden spoked wheels for a traditional German wagon.

As popular as ever was the night time entertainment around the Wheelwright's Campfire Spit-roast Dinner. Ceilidh Band "Don McKay & Rebecca Wright with Ishka" provided live music for the "old hands" leading the novices in Scottish folkdance jigs and reels. A professional troupe of Scottish Fire Dancers wowed the crowd with their skill and precision, their mesmerizing demonstration culminating in the illumination by fire of an effigy of *Clydebuilt* that stands as a permanent art sculpture at Coronation Park, Boonah.

The Organizers of the event couldn't have been more rewarded for their efforts than by the wonderful support of the community, and a growing contingent of generous, dependable sponsors who make the event possible.



Scenic Rim Clydesdale Spectacular



2015 RESULTS

REGISTERED CLYDESDALES

Judge:
Mr Max Marriott
(Benalla, VIC)



Pat & Evie Ehrich Memorial Trophy Supreme Champion Clydesdale

Won by: *Glengowrie Celtic Lad*
Exhibited by: G.S & N.J. Ehrich

Champion Mare or Stallion

Won by: *Dugandan Emily*
Exhibited by: R.J., G.E. & E.J. Stanfield

Champion Filly or Colt

Won by: *Glengowrie Celtic Lad*
Exhibited by: G.S. & N.J. Ehrich

Harry King Memorial Trophy Champion Gelding

Won by: *Rosbercon Casanova*
Exhibited by: Windsor Park Clydesdales

SPECIAL AWARDS

Jo Chorny Award

(Awarded to the best female exhibit of the day)

Won by: *Kuldene Kristen*
Exhibited by: L.J. & B.J. Ehrich

Clydesdale & Clan Class

Won by: *Clan Stewart*
Exhibitors: V. Blacksmith & C. Stewart

HEAVY HORSES IN HARNESS

Judge:
Mr Richard Geldard
(Seymour, VIC)



Champion Single Turnout

Won by: *Billy*
Exhibited by: Ross Porter

Champion Delivery Horse

Won by: *Billy*
Exhibited by: Ross Porter

PLOUGHING

Judge:
Mr Murray Goodall
(Toowoomba, QLD)



Championship Ploughing Event

Won by: *Pancho & Jackson*
Exhibited by: Barry & Leyvaine Schaefer

SIRE OF THE DAY

Muller Family Sire of the Day

Won by: *Kirara Park Prince*
Owned by: W.J. & M. Muller



Some assorted 'Spectacular' photos, courtesy Teresa McCoombes:



Junior Championships

34 clydesdales were entered, and 25 were paraded before judge Barbara Ford from Victoria, for the Qld Branch's 14th Junior Championships, plus Gelding show on 20th June at Laidley showgrounds.

Colt Foal born up to 15 Oct

1. Duncan Valley King Ryobi - Goodall Family
Champion foal
2. Madeegan Carson - M Pitstock Reserve Champion
3. Duneske Ranger - Stewart-Koster family
4. Carseldine Liberty - N & V Hall

Colt foal born after 15 Oct

1. Rainbow's End Pirate - O & M Geissler
2. Malken Scottish Pride - M Borg & K Bowden

Filly Foal born before 15 Oct - all entries scratched

Filly Foal born after 15 Oct

1. Malken Lady Morgaine - M Borg & K Bowden

Yearling Colt: no entries

Yearling Filly

1. Valhalla Vanessa - Valhalla Stud - Champion Yrlg.
2. Duncan Valley Princess Ruby - Goodall family Res.Ch.
3. Coolibah Ridge Jade - D & N Martin
4. Duneske Rising Dawn - Stewart-Koster family
5. Rainbow's End Cameo - O & M Geissler
6. Embeegrove Charlotte Rose - M Borg & K Bowden
7. Granadeb Park Miss Molly - D & G Teatoff
8. Balgowan Rumour - Balgowan Clydesdales

2 Yr Filly

1. Windsor Park Coco Chanel - Windsor park Clydesdales - Champion 2 year old
2. McMurchie Illana - G & D Teatoff
3. Birkwood Laura Flash - B Wood

Two Year Old Colt

1. Glengowrie Celtic lad - G & N Ehrich
Reserve Champion 2 yr Old.
2. Duncan Valley Raghnall - B Wood

Three Year old Colt

1. Glengallan Montana Sun - C Gorwyn & P Lowry
Champion 3 year old
2. Rainbow's End Sterling - O & M Geissler

Three Year Old Filly

1. Duneske Flash Jessica - Stewart-Koster family
Reserve Champion 3 year old
2. Valhalla Vera - Valhalla Clydesdales
3. Duneske Pride - Balgowan Clydesdales

SUPREME CHAMPION UNDER TWO YEARS

Valhalla Vanessa - Valhalla Stud

SUPREME CHAMPION TWO & OVER

Glengallan Montana Sun - C Gorwyn & P Lowry

Breeder's Group & Progeny Group

- | | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|
| 1. Duncan Valley | 1. Duncan Valley |
| 2. Valhalla Clydesdales | 2. Duneske Clydesdales |
| 3. Duneske Clydesdales | 3. Valhalla Clydesdales |
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Gelding 2 & Under - no entries

Gelding 3 & 4 Years Old

1. Dondale Dreamer - Windsor Park Clydesdales
Reserve Champion Gelding
2. Duneske Sunray - Stewart-Koster family
3. Valhalla Victor - Valhalla Clydesdales

Gelding 5 & Over

1. Duncan Valley Theodore - Goodall family
Champion Gelding
 2. Rosbercon Casanova - Windsor Park Clydesdales
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A very BIG thank you to Debbie, Grant & Leanne for organising the ribbons and trophies. Thanks to Barb Ford for flying up from Victoria to be our judge. Barb is a very passionate supporter of the Clydesdale breed. Thanks to Brad for organising the portable officeand thanks to all our sponsors and supporters of this year's Junior Championships 2015 and Gelding Show.

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SUPREME CHAMPION UNDER TWO YEARS Valhalla Vanessa - Valhalla Stud

Photos courtesy Teresa McCoombes



(NOTE for SUPREME CHAMPION Two & Over - see centre front page.)



Duncan Valley King Ryobi - Goodall Family



Madeegan Carson - M Pitstock



Duncan Valley Princess Ruby - Goodall family
Reserve Champion Yearling



. Glengowrie Celtic Lad - G & N Ehrich
Reserve Champion 2 yr Old.



Windsor Park Coco Chanel - Windsor park
Clydesdales - Champion 2 year old



Duncan Valley Theodore - Goodall family
Champion Gelding



Dondale Dreamer - Windsor Park Clydesdales
Reserve Champion Gelding



Glengallan Montana Sun - C Gorwyn & P Lowry
Champion 3 year old & Supreme Champion



Rainbow's End Sterling - O & M Geissler



Duneske Pride - J Hughston



Duneske Flash Jessica - Stewart-Koster family
1st & Reserve Champion 3 year old



Duneske Sunray - 2nd 3-4 Years Gelding



The Yearling Filly Class, circling...

Central Qld

Wowan Show 2015

The Wowan show was held on 15th August, 2015. After a very icy start, the day warmed up and it was a perfect day to be out and about with the horses. There were good numbers with 25 heavy horses in total, made up of 20 registered Clydesdales, 2 shires, 2 percherons, and 1 Clydesdale cross. The judge for the day was Mr Brian Eichmann from Kyogle in New South Wales.

Clydesdale Yearling Filly (8) -

1st K & M Lang - Brendallan Zerelda

2nd K & M Lang - Brendallan Esther

3rd B Matschoss - Shiralee Dawn's Moment

Clydesdale Yearling Colt (1) -

1st W Patterson – King's Ransom Houston

Champion Yearling

K & M Lang - Brendallan Zerelda

Clydesdale Filly 2 Years (3) –

1st N & W Jones - Earlsfield Delilah

2nd B Matschoss - Shiralee Anastasia

3rd N & W Jones - Earlsfield Audrey

Clydesdale Colt 2 Years (0)

Champion 2 Year Old

N & W Jones – Earlsfield Delilah

Clydesdale Filly 3 Years (3) –

1st N & W Jones – Benwerrin Chrystal

2nd N & W Jones – Benwerrin Ebony

3rd K & M Lang – Brendallan Deidre

Clydesdale Colt 3 Years (0)

Champion 3 Year Old

N & W Jones – Benwerrin Chrystal

Supreme Junior Champion

K & M Lang – Brendallan Zerelda

Heavy Horse Filly up to 3 years –

1st M Hayward – Grand Shire Pink Lily

Heavy Horse Mare 4 years and over –

1st K & M Lang – Brendallan Wilow

2nd M Sowden – Derri Vale Lady Isabella

3rd M & L Colyer – Dakota Eliza Marie

Heavy Horse Gelding any age (5) –

1st B Cahill – King's Ransom Titan

2nd N & W Jones – Earlsfield Stanley

3rd K & M Lang – Kamilaroi Grenadier

Champion Heavy Horse Mare or Filly –

M Hayward – Grand Shire Pink Lily

Champion Heavy Horse Stallion or Colt –

W Patterson – King's Ransom Houston

Supreme Champion Heavy Horse – M Hayward

– Grand Shire Pink Lily

Junior Handler (under 17 years) –

Emily Hodda with Earlsfield Delilah

Heavy Horse Driven in Long Reins –

1st B Matschoss – Brendallan Wills

2nd M Colyer – Dakota Eliza Marie

3rd K McMahon – Constellation

Heavy Horse Ridden in Flag Race –

1st K McMahon – Constellation

Trade Turnout – 1st R Fleming – Buttons

2nd J Dalliston – Taj

Champion Harness Turnout – R Fleming – Buttons

Reserve Champion Harness Turnout – J Dalliston

– Taj

Slide Obstacle Course, Single –

1st S Krafft – Brendallan Wills

2nd M Sowden – Dakota Eliza Marie

3rd M Sowden – Lady Isabella

Slide Obstacle Course, Double –

1st T Warner – Pearl and Bubbles

Novelty Slide, Open – 1st S Krafft and T Madden

Champion Working Horse – Brendallan Wills

Reserve Champion Working Horse – Constellation

(Thanks to Wendy Jones for sending those results in)



Above, the line-up of yearling fillies at Wowan - Photo courtesy Clare Gorwyn

Below left, Wowan Supreme Junior Champion Brendallan Zerelda - Photo courtesy Mary Lang

Below right, Biloela Supreme Champion, Brendallan Esther - also Supreme of All Breeds - courtesy M Lang



Callide Valley Show - Biloela 2015

Judge Ian Stewart-Koster, 32 Heavy Horses

Colt under 1 Year –

1st Shiralee Seize the Moment – Shiralee Clydesdales

2nd Kings Ransom Houston – Wyomie Patterson

Filly under 1 Year -

1st Brendallan Esther – K & M Lang

2nd Brendallan Zerelda – K & M Lang

3rd Brendallan Anabelle – M Sowden

(9 in the class?)

Filly over 1 & under 4 Years -

1st Brendallan Deidre – K & M Lang

2nd Benwerrin Chrystal – N & W Jones

3rd Earlsfield Delilah – N & W Jones

Mare over 4 Years -

1st Brendallan Willow – K & M Lang

2nd Constellation – K McMahon

3rd Jenna – J Rackham

Gelding –

1st Kings Ransom Titan – B Harris

2nd Darcy – M Sowden

3rd – Brendallan Dougal – K & M Lang

Champion Heavy Horse -

Brendallan Esther – K & M Lang

Reserve Champion Heavy Horse -

Brendallan Deidre – K & M Lang

Heavy Horse driven in Long Reins -

1st Brendallan Willow – K Lang

2nd Bump – J Rackham

3rd Andy – M Russell

Heavy Horse ridden Flag Race -

1st Constellation – K McMahon

2nd Cindy – J Rackham

Slide Obstacle Course – Single

1st Jenna – J Rackham

2nd Bump – J Rackham

3rd Andy – M Russell

Slide Obstacle Course – Pairs

1st Merry & Bump – J Rackham

2nd Dollie & Trixie – S Russell

3rd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

Novelty Slide Open

1st Nevah Dominator – N Jones

2nd Brendallan Wills – K Lang

3rd Jenna – J Rackham

Pumpkin Cart Race

1st Nevah Dominator – N Jones

2nd Jenna – J Rackham

3rd Dolly – S Russell

Delivery Obstacle Course - 2 wheels

1st Cindy – J Rackham

2nd Constellation – K McMahon

3rd Jenna – J Rackham

Delivery Obstacle Course – 4 wheels

1st Merry – J Rackham

2nd Jenna – J Rackham

3rd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

Supreme Champion Working Horse

Jenna – J Rackham

Heavy Horse in Harness Turnout

1st Nevah Dominator – N Jones

2nd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

3rd Constellation – K McMahon

Trade Turnout

1st Nevah Dominator – N Jones

2nd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

3rd Trixie & Dolly – S Russell

Harness Horse Period Turnout

1st Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

2nd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

3rd Nevah Dominator – N Jones

Harness & Sulky Turnout

1st Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

2nd Constellation – K McMahon

Over 14 hands Harness Horse

1st Nevah Dominator – N Jones

2nd Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

3rd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

Champion Harness Turnout

Nevah Dominator – N Jones

Reserve Champion Harness Turnout

Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

Lady or Gent Whip Class – 2 wheels?

1st Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

2nd Nevah Dominator – N Jones

Lady or Gent Whip Class – 4 wheels?

1st Trixie & Dolly – S Russell

2nd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

Champion Lady or Gent Whip

Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

Reserve Champion Lady or Gent Whip

Trixie & Dolly – S Russell

Working Harness Classes

Over 14 Hands Working Harness Horse

1st Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

2nd Constellation – K McMahon

3rd Nevah Dominator – N Jones

14 Hands or Less Working Harness Horse

1st Merry – J Rackham

2nd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

Over 14 Hands Obstacle Class

1st Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

2nd Nevah Dominator – N Jones

3rd Jenna – J Rackham

14 Hands or less Obstacle Class

1st Merry – J Rackham

2nd Brendallan Wills & Charlie – K Lang

Open Barrel Race in Harness

1st Constellation – K McMahon

2nd Garnet Kailah – A McHugh

3rd Nevah Dominator – N Jones

(It was a long day, with big entries in every class, including 11 led geldings, 9 in the clydesdale filly foal class, and other led classes of 7 or more, and up to 12 in each of many of the working classes. Congratulations to the locals and all exhibitors for making it one of the biggest Clydesdale and Heavy Horse shows, numbers-wise, in Qld.)

Thanks again to Wendy Jones for sending those results in.

The Ekka

The Royal Queensland Show - The Ekka - had 20 Clydesdales paraded from 24 entries before the judge Mr D. Pitstock, of Goomeri, Qld.

Once again, the influence of the compulsory Hendra vaccinations takes its toll on entry numbers.

Results:

Class 111 - Stallion, 4 years old and over
Peters, Judy Oscarville Troy 1st
Samarah Park Clydesdale Stud Tullymore William 2nd

Class 112 - Stallion, 3 years old
Wood, Bradley Duncan Valley Ragnall 1st

Class 113 Colt 2 years - no entries

Class 114 - Colt, 1 year old and under
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud
Duncan Valley King Ryobi 1st
Samarah Park Clydesdale Stud Samarah Park Sovereign 2nd
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Ranger 3rd

Class 115 - Mare, 3 years old
Windsor Park Clydesdales Windsor Park Coco Channel 1st
Hall, Neil Carseldine Opal 2nd
Wood, Bradley Birkwood Laura Flash 3rd

Class 116 - Filly, 2 years old
Peters, Judy Misty Ridge Champagne Ruby 1st
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud
Duncan Valley Princess Ruby 2nd
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Rising Dawn 3rd

Class 118 - Brood Mare, visibly in foal, or foal at foot
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Pearl 1st
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Beauty 2nd

Class 119 - Dry Mare, 4 years old and over
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Jessica 1st
RJ, GE & EJ Stanfield Dugandan Emily 2nd

Class 121 - Gelding, 4 years old and over
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud
Duncan Valley Theodore 1st
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Sunray 2nd
Windsor Park Clydesdales Rosbercon Casanova 3rd

Class 122 - Group of Three, any age any sex
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud 1st
J M & I Stewart-Koster 2nd

Class 123 - Progeny Group
J M & I Stewart-Koster 1st
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud 2nd
J M & I Stewart-Koster 3rd

BEST CLYDESDALE JUNIOR COLT
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud
Duncan Valley King Ryobi

BEST CLYDESDALE JUNIOR FILLY
Peters, Judy Misty Ridge Champagne Ruby

CHAMPION CLYDESDALE STALLION
Peters, Judy Oscarville Troy

RESERVE CHAMPION CLYDESDALE STALLION
Samarah Park Clydesdale Stud Tullymore William

CHAMPION CLYDESDALE MARE
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Pearl

RESERVE CHAMPION CLYDESDALE MARE
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Beauty

CHAMPION CLYDESDALE GELDING
Goodall Family & Duncan Valley Clydesdale Stud
Duncan Valley Theodore

RESERVE CHAMPION CLYDESDALE GELDING
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Sunray

SUPREME CHAMPION CLYDESDALE
Peters, Judy Oscarville Troy
(SEE FRONT COVER PHOTO)

Class 124 - Mare or Gelding, to be driven
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Pearl

Class 126 - Clydesdale - Slide Drive Obstacle
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Pearl

UNDER SADDLE CLASS

Class 127 - Heavy/Medium Horse Under Saddle
J M & I Stewart-Koster Duneske Flash Beauty

(It is a big shame more do not enter in those three classes above...)

Ekka 2015 Successful Sires list

allocating 4,3,2 and 1 point for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th and no bonuses for championships or reserves

- 1st. 11 pts Duncan Valley Emanuel
2nd. 10 pts Box Valley Matthew
3rd. 4 pts equal tie between six:
Box Valley Banjo
Benwerrin Pete's Inspiration
Lisborne Park Scottish Legend
McMurchie Zeus
Oscarville Troy
Sarjon Park Lleyton

Ekka 2015 Successful Mares list

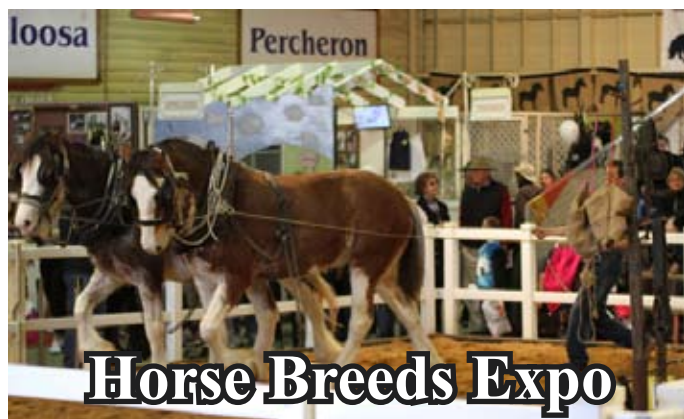
- Eq. 1st 11 pts Duneske Flash Princess
Murroka Rosemary
each with 3 progeny gaining two 1sts and one 2nd.
(No other mare had more than one progeny exhibited)
3rd. 4 pts equal tie between four:
Ben Koi Simone
Duncan Valley Tanamar
Oscarville Juliet
Valmont Katarina,



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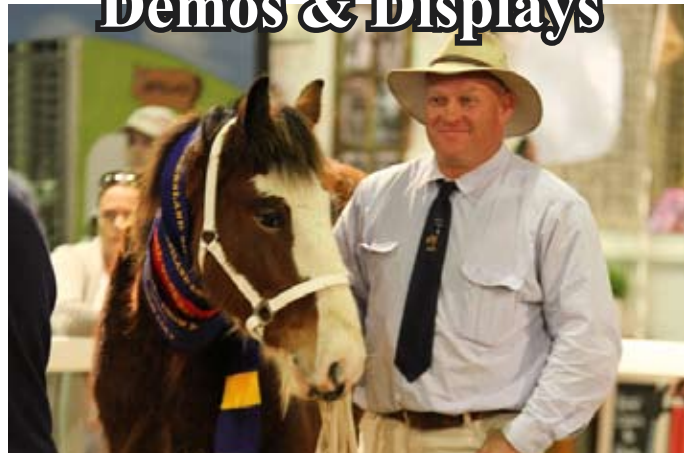


Demos & Displays



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Demos & Displays



Led Geldings at The 2015 Ekka

Left - Rosbercon Casanova

Below Left Duneske Sunray - Reserve Champion

Below Right Duncan Valley Theodore - Champion



Yearling Colts

Below Left Duncan Valley King Ryobi,

Below Right Samara Park Sovereign



All Photo credits: Katy Driver

Three 2 Year Old Fillies

Left Duncan Valley Princess Ruby
Below Left Duneske Rising Dawn
Below Misty Ridge Champagne Ruby



Three Year Old Mares

Below Carseldine Opal
Below left Birkwood Laura Flash





Assorted Female Class entries
 Above - 3 year old Windsor Park Coco Chanel
 Above Right Brood Mare Duneske Flash Beauty
 Right Dry Mare Dugandan Emily
 Below Right Dry Mare Duneske Flash Jessica
 Below Brood Mare Duneske Flash Pearl





Above Left, Duncan Valley Ragnall ,3 year Colt
Above & Below, Tullymore William
Left, Oscarville Troy
Below Left, Duneske Flash Beauty, Ridden



Upcoming Events...

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HEAVY HORSE HERTIAGE DAY

The Australian Draught Horse Central QLD branch proudly presents a heavy horse hertiage day to be held on sunday the 4Th of october 2015 at Apple tree creek grounds, Bruce highway just north of Childers. Entry will be a gold coin donation. Starting time will be 9am to 4pm.

We will be ploughing up memories of the past with QLD and Australian champions, single and pairs horses. There will be stud and breeds displays with Shires, Clydesdales, Suffolk punch and Australian draughts. Show talk with a national judge so all those questions you have allways wondered about may be ansered on the day.

Be amazed and see how the heavy horse shoes are made and fitted with a blacksmith and farrier display.

Join in and have some fun and see how far you can throw the heavy horse shoe in the throwing compettion to be held at lunch time. Champions recieve a keepsake for thier efforts.

A horse works will be grinding up corn and a working implements display is a must see for everyone to see how it was done in the good old days. A hay raking display will be done on the day.

Take a walk down memory lane and see horse drawn sulkies, drays, phatons and more being used as if it was only yesterday they were the main means of transport. See how to harness a horse and find out how it all works.

Watch a log and slide obstacle course being completed with single and pairs.

Listen to some yarns and bush poetry about the good old days.

Enjoy damper and billy tea cooked fresh on the camp fire in traditional camp ovens and billys. Golden syrup dripping from your fingers as you enjoy the special treat.

Other food and drinks available on the grounds.

So come turn back time with the CQ draught horses. This is an event not to be missed.

For more infomation Please contact, Maryann and Ollie Geissler at Barnyard Stockfeed, Childers. PH 41262956. email. barnyardstockfeed@gmail.com



SUN, 20 SEP to SUN, 27 SEP HORSE DRAWN TREK

Townsville & District Harness Club Invites you...

To join them on a **horse drawn / ride trek near Mackay**. This year's trek will be based on a clover leaf pattern. The following program is subject to change without notice:

- 20/09 - arrive at Kinchant Dam (3 nights camping).
- 21/09 – drive / ride to The 112 year old Mirani Hotel, Visit the Historical Museum. Return to Kinchant Dam.
- 22/09 – drive / ride to Old Hotel Eton and return to Kinchant Dam.
- 23/09 – pack up camp - drive / ride to Greenmount Homestead, set up camp.
- 24/09 - Rest day - take in Greenmount Homestead, Rest or help explore / organise the Dray Shed.
- 25/09 – Drive / ride to Melba House and return to Greenmount Homestead.

**Approx 20 km
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**Make great long
lasting friends.**

**Lunch catered
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and one you'll
always
remember....**

**Ride / Drive or
Rest - Choose
what you want to
join in...**

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Coming out of winter into spring, the Martin family at Gowrie Junction have been keeping their clydesdales at earning their keep, as this page of recent photos sent in by Nicola shows - Great work, Folks, there needs to be more of this!



Lavereen Clement & Lavereen Banjo with Dave Martin using a Daisy Reaper to mow and windrow the Footpath at home.

Lavereen Clement & Coolibah Ridge Gambler working the ground in preparation for Oats



Dave Martin & Lavereen Banjo using a single mower to cut some oats.



Michael Martin & Lavereen Banjo