

**COMMONWEALTH CLYDESDALE HORSE SOCIETY
AUSTRALIA**

(Federal Council) Incorporated
Reg.No. A0019631A ABN 24 748 123 650



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Dear Member,

MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS - Please find enclosed your Membership renewal notice for the coming year 2016/2017. The Society appreciates your support as a Member and emphasizes that it is important that you are financial when competing at events for insurance purposes or attending CCHS meetings to have the right to vote. Also if you let your membership lapse there is a rejoining fee of \$20 if you have been previously a member and wish to renew your Membership. **PLEASE NOTE: A CCHS MEMBERSHIP COVERS THE NOMINATED PERSON ONLY UNDER A SINGLE OR JOINT MEMBERSHIP FOR INSURANCE AND ENTITLES ONE VOTE ONLY AT CCHS MEETINGS.**

Payment of your Membership can be processed by Cheque, Money Order or Direct Deposit. The CCHS **does not** have credit card facilities. Details for Direct Deposit are as per the following and are also printed on your renewal notice:

BSB: 633 000 **Account Number:** 130 462 211 **Account Name:** CCHS

Bank: Bendigo Bank **Reference:** Your Membership No (located on your renewal notice)

If you don't follow the reference requirements your membership will not be processed as there is no other way of identifying your payment from the bank statement. If you have not received your membership card back in the mail within 2 weeks of payment please contact the Federal Office.

It is important that you check all relevant details to keep your Membership information up to date as this information is passed on to State Secretaries.

STUD BOOK Volume 39 - Stud Book 39 will close off as of the 31st July 2016 so I urge you to submit your registration applications well prior to this date to be included in the next volume. If you require a Stallion to be vet checked or DNA tested for registration of progeny please attend to this as soon as possible to avoid holding up the registration for inclusion in the stud book. Included in your information is an order form for stud book Volume 39 at a reduced rate ordered prior to 31st October 2016 which a discount rate applies.

DECEASED HORSE AMNESTY – At the recent Federal Council meeting it was decided to have an amnesty on deceased horses to enable the Society to have a more accurate figure of active horses on the database. If a list is enclosed of the horses that are registered to your membership number could you please check the list and where possible the normal procedure be followed: Send back the original Certificate of Registration to the Federal office with the back of the certificate completed (*if exact date unknown an approximate date will be sufficient*) and signed. If you no longer have the original certificate or are unable to locate it you can mark the horse as deceased on the supplied list (*please only mark deceased horses if you know they are definitely deceased*) and **sign** the list and return to the Federal office prior to **31st July 2016**.

STALLION REGISTER – Federal Council would like to introduce a register of stallions standing at stud to be available to members as the office gets regular inquiry for information on stallions. It is proposed to create a list to be available on the CCHS website which would include a photo of the stallion, registration number, pedigree, and contact details of owner. Please contact the office for an application form to be included on the register.

PART BRED REGISTER – Federal Council has a Sub Committee working on the regulations for a part bred register which will be available to Members in the near future.

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GRADING UP PROPOSAL – Information has been received at the Federal Council level for the consideration of a grading up system. It is only a concept at this point under consideration at a future meeting.

WEBSITE – The Federal Office is responsible for the content and maintenance of the CCHS website. We welcome any photos or show results, field day reports, and most importantly coming events so that we can promote. www.clydesdalehorse.com.au

REGISTRATION DOCUMENTATION - Important: It is evident to the Federal Office that original registration papers or documentation is not being submitted. The Federal office **will not** process any registrations, transfers until the **original** is supplied along with payment and signed by the current registered owner of the horse.

It is also becoming evident that some breeders are trying to forgo the transfer fee to the new owner during the registration process. All new registrations must be sent back to the breeder to complete the transfer requirements therefore relevant fees apply. Written letters or emails will not substitute for signatures appearing on the back of the original certificate. Service Certificates where applicable must be submitted with the application of registration and not sent separately. The application **will not** be processed unless the application is complete.

TRANSFERS and LEASES - The transfer form is on the back of the registration certificate. Please ensure all relevant details are completed, the form signed and returned with the **appropriate fee**. I encourage the current registered owner to return the certificate with the fee to ensure the transfer proceeds. There is also provision on the back of the registration certificate to record a lease. The process is similar to that of a transfer, and the transfer fee is applicable. **Termination of a lease is not recorded automatically.** When a lease ends, the Secretary should be formally notified, by sending back the registration certificate with the relative transfer/owner details and fee.

These procedures need to be followed in order to maintain accurate records, and also form the basis of formal agreement between the relative parties. The office should also be notified when a horse dies, or a male is gelded, by returning the original certificate filled out accordingly.

VETERINARY CERTIFICATES OF SOUNDNESS - New inspection forms have been implemented. While the new form is quite different from previous versions, each form is numbered and will be recorded against a specific stallion and therefore is **not transferable** for another stallion's use. On the form there is provision for a microchip number to be recorded **if found**, under current CCHS rules it is **not compulsory** to have your horse microchipped. All **OLD** forms **will not** be accepted so please contact Federal Office for the new one when required so it can be recorded against the stallion. **REMINDER:** All Stallions serving mares **must** have a Veterinary Certificate of Soundness & DNA number attached to their registration before their progeny can be registered. A stallion may be inspected at 2 years of age and prior to 5 years old for a Provisional Certificate. A DNA sample must be taken at this time and sample kits are available from the Secretary, and at 5 years a further inspection is required for a Life Certificate. The provisional inspection is not required if the colt/stallion is not used for breeding purposes until 5 years of age or over.

CCHS FEES - The following list of fees are current and include GST:

Membership (1 July – 30 June)	\$60-00
Rejoining Fee (if previous membership has lapsed)	\$20.00
Registrations (Male, Female)	\$60-00
Registration (Gelding)	\$35.00
Transfers (Members)	\$25-00
Transfers (within 60 days/Non-members)	\$60-00
Transfers (after 60 days/Non-members)	\$80-00
Service Certificate (book of 10)	\$25-00
Issue of Duplicate Certificate	\$25-00
Penalty Fee for late Registrations – (Male/Female)	
This is in addition to the registration fee	\$120-00
Penalty Fee for late Registrations – (Gelding)	
This is in addition to the registration fee	\$70.00
(Registered during the following two seasons)	
DNA Kits	\$90.00

CCHS CONSTITUTION – The Federal Council has finally completed a new constitution for the CCHS which will have all members and branches working under the one set of rules. This has been a major task with Members of the subcommittee providing several hours and the adoption of the new constitution was endorsed at the last CCHS Annual General meeting.

INSURANCE – PLEASE NOTE: A CCHS MEMBERSHIP COVERS THE NOMINATED PERSON ONLY UNDER A SINGLE OR JOINT MEMBERSHIP FOR INSURANCE AND ENTITLES ONE VOTE ONLY AT CCHS MEETINGS. The CCHS Public Liability Insurance provides the opportunity of casual day insurance for non-Members to attend events but the fee is \$20 per day for each event and is only available to people that have not been previous Members. Once you pay your Membership you are covered under the CCHS Public Liability insurance cover. The Insurance covers Members at all CCHS events, meetings, or field days, training day activities or any other branch sanctioned activity.

CCHS UPCOMING EVENTS

FEDERAL COUNCIL MEETING

Saturday, 24th September Annual General Meeting & Council Meeting – 9am Melbourne Showgrounds

NSW

6th – 19th April 2017 Sydney Easter Show

VICTORIA

August	Heathcote Driving Day
TBA	Judging Training Day
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17 th – 27 th September	Royal Melbourne Show - 23 rd September Clydesdale Judging Day
13 th -16 th October	Royal Geelong Show

QUEENSLAND

Saturday, 2 nd July	Junior Championships and Gelding Show - Laidley
5 th -14 th August	Royal Queensland Show – Brisbane
August	Training Day - North Queensland

SOUTH AUSTRALIA

Sunday, 31 st July	Showmanship Workshop - Mount Jagged
Sunday, 21 st August	Branch Annual General Meeting - Murray Bridge
2 nd -11 th September	Royal Adelaide Show

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

24th September-1st October Royal Perth Show

TASMANIA

6 th -8 th October	Royal Launceston Show
19 th -22 nd October	Royal Hobart Show

OFFICE HOURS - CCHS Federal office hours are **9am – 1pm Monday – Friday**. Answering machine service is available outside of these hours and we will endeavour to get back to you as soon as possible. I look forward to you renewing your Membership, and your support of the Commonwealth Clydesdale Horse Society Australia.

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