

2020 Teams Schedule

FRIDAY 28 February Course walks & questions will be at Judge's discretion

Group	6.30.	7.30.	8.30.	9.30.	10.30.	11.30.	12.30.	1.1.30.	2.30.	3.30.	4.30.	5.30.
Black	V&G	Packhorse/Stockhandling					Whipcrack			Bareback		
Orange	V&G			Packhorse/Stockhandling				JUDGES' LUNCH	Whipcrack			
Pink		V&G			Packhorse/Stockhandling					Whipcrack		
Red		V&G			Packhorse/Stockhandling	Whipcrack		BREAK	Packhorse/Stockhandling			
Blue		V&G			Whipcrack	Bareback					Packhorse/Stockhandling	
Yellow		V&G		Whipcrack					Shoeing		Bareback	
Green	V&G	Whipcrack			Bareback					Shoeing		

SATURDAY 29 February

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Black				Shoeing						X/Country		
Orange		Shoeing			Bareback					Open &		
Pink		Bareback			Shoeing					Ladies in		
Red				Bareback		Shoeing				Colour		
Blue										Groups at		
Yellow					Packhorse/Stockhandling					1 minute		
Green					Packhorse/Stockhandling					Intervals		
							Unmounted Optional X/C course walk & briefing					



**27 February-1 March 2020**  
**ROSEDALE HORSE COMPLEX**  
**MURRURUNDI NSW**

## **STOCKMAN'S CHALLENGE**

### **RULES AND JUDGING CRITERIA**

- *Competitors must familiarise themselves with all changes and amendments to previous Rules, Conditions and Judging Criteria*
- *The Challenge Committee reserves the right to further amend Rules*
- *The Challenge Committee reserves the right to change any event at any time for safety or any other reason.*
- *For any further information regarding the Rules and Judging Criteria*

*Please contact the Challenge Coordinator*

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*Welcome to the 17th*

**KING OF THE RANGES STOCKMAN'S CHALLENGE**

The King of the Ranges Challenge Committee invites you to be part of one of the country's premier Challenge Events. The aim of the Stockman's Challenge Committee is to ensure that the Challenge reflects the everyday tasks of Australian stockmen & women.

The Challenge Committee advises Competitors to read through all the rules carefully noting any amendments and is very happy to answer questions. Should you have concerns, there will also be opportunity to raise these at the Riders' Briefing. We are committed to ensuring the best possible experience for all participants in the Stockman's Challenge!

Without our wonderful Sponsors there would not be a Challenge, so we ask you to support and acknowledge them wherever possible

Throughout the weekend our Bush Festival has something for all the family with a full program of activities, competitions, demonstrations and entertainment.

*So welcome to Murrurundi the Crown of the Hunter and Good Luck!*

*Earl Kelaker*

**President**



Australian Stock Horse

**The Australian Stockhorse Society has sponsored generous prizes for the Leading Eligible Registered Stockhorse in each of the 2020 Challenges**

***Open.... Ladies....Novice....Junior***

*King of the Ranges Stockman's Challenge appreciates this support.  
Competitors with a Stockhorse are urged to ensure eligibility*

**ANIMAL WELFARE**

***The KOTR Committee follows strict animal welfare guidelines***

**Any act of inhumane treatment or abuse of a horse at any time whilst on the Rosedale Complex or in the vicinity, will not be tolerated and if discovered the Committee may immediately bar the responsible party and horse from further participation in the event**

THURSDAY 27<sup>th</sup> February 2020

## REGISTRATION 10am -7pm

- Open Competitors must nominate if wishing to enter the 'Wild Card' draw. *(refer P4)*
- Course Maps will be available at Registration

*Riders must Register & collect Bib Numbers before walking any courses*

*Bib Numbers must be worn visibly at all times when competing or walking courses*

**NOTE: Vet and Gear Checks are scheduled for Friday starting 6.30am (ref Teams Schedule)**

## WARM UP AREA

Near the Cross Country Start/Finish. Available anytime

Ring 2 Available Thursday 6-10am or until course builders require to start.

Ring 1 Not available for warm up

## COURSES

**Vet & Gear** Marsh Carney Tent

**Shoeing** Marsh Carney Tent

**Whipcrack** Ring 1

**Packhorse** Ring 2 *(NB Warm up area before 10am Thursday)*

**Stockhandling** Ring2

**Bareback** Beyond the Caravan/Camping area *(Pursehouse Rural Marquee)*

**Cross Country** No part of the Cross Country course is available for warm up at any time

## COURSE WALKS

Courses will be open for individual walking from 11am Thursday *(or as announced on PA)*

Designers & Judges will be available some of the time for questions.

- Further questions can be raised at the Riders' Briefing
- Additional course walk times for Preliminary Events will be at the Judge's discretion
- Optional *conducted/unmounted* Cross Country Course walk is on Saturday 12.30pm

## WELCOME SAUSAGE SIZZLE 6pm *(Marquee)*

## RIDERS' BRIEFING *(following the sausage sizzle)*

All competitors & support persons are invited to join the KOTR Committee

The Bar will be open – **No BYO alcohol**

## BYO Alcohol

- Competitors are reminded BYO alcohol is only permitted within your campsite.  
*This is a Licence condition.*
- The Rosedale Complex is a glass free area  
*This is a Council condition*

## WILD CARD 2020

**Any eligible Open Competitor who does not make the Top 10 will go in a draw for the 'Wild Card' to take part in the Wild Horse Catch and Stock Saddle Buckjump with opportunity to win the Prize Money for these Final Events.**

- *Competitors who made Open Top 10 in 2019 are NOT eligible*
- *Competitors must nominate at Registration*
- *The Wild Card will be drawn on Saturday Evening before the Top 10 Calcutta*
- *Whatever the 'Wild Card' Competitor scores in these events is totally independent of the Top 10 Scores and will not affect the final places of the Open Challenge.*

## STOCK WHIPS

**UNLESS SPECIFIED IN THE RULES Challenge Events require a stockwhip to be carried ready for use**

- Carrying a stockwhip in any way other than ready for use **20 penalties**
- Forgetting/dropping a stockwhip in an event/retrieving before finishing **20 penalties**
- Forgetting/dropping a stockwhip during an event and **not** retrieving it **50 penalties**

## EVENT MANAGERS

**HORSE & RIDER GEAR** Sarah Connley **STOCKHANDLING** Dean Taylor **PACKHORSE** Stephen Hunt  
**WHIPCRACK** Steve Kemp **CROSS COUNTRY** Louise Tuner **BAREBACK** Len Perry **SHOEING** Earl Kelaher

## SCORES

- Competitors have a 10minute opportunity to view their own score & speak to the specific Event Manager immediately after the last member of each team completes an event, before scores are sent to the Scorer for validation.
- The Event Manager will respond to any initial query.
- At the discretion of an Event Manager, a Judge/s may be consulted
- Competitors must not approach a Judge unless requested to do so.

**NB** *After riding the WHIPCRACK course each competitor walks the course with the Judge.*

## PROTESTS

If a competitor has further concerns and wishes to protest then the formal process must be adhered to

- A protest must be in writing on a KOTR Form and accompanied by \$100 fee
- Any protest must first be taken to the Riders' Representative who will refer it to the Protest Committee (*before 6pm that day*)
- The Protest Committee of three will be named at the Rider's Briefing and will include  
1) *\*Riders' Representative* 2) *Challenge Committee Member* 3) *An Independent*

## STOCKMAN'S VET AND GEAR CHECK

**FRIDAY 28<sup>th</sup> February 2020 6.30am–8am Shoeing Tent (Refer Teams Schedule)**

**Competitors & Horses must walk to Marshalling Area 15 minutes before allotted time**

- Horse to be fully saddled with halter, stock whip and oilskin etc
- Horse to be tied up in the designated area and stand alone for 15 minutes
- Competitors are to dress according to the appropriate stockman's theme which is required in each event
- Competitors do not need to present with their shoeing materials

## VET CHECK

- Horses are to be fit and sound as determined by the Vet (not girth-galled /saddle sore)
- The horse *must* be able to be lead at a trot to the satisfaction of the vet.
- Should a horse be 'vetted out', the competitor may use a spare horse as long as it is presented to the Vet within 30 minutes and is determined to be sound.
- Horse's standing heart rate will be taken after the horse has been standing for at least 15 minutes and will be taken into consideration when the horse's recovery time is assessed for scoring on completion of the Cross Country event.
- The same horse must be used throughout the competition
- ***A horse with Ring Worm will not be permitted to stay on the Grounds at Rosedale***

***NO EXCEPTIONS!***

## STOCKMAN'S GEAR CHECK

**10% of this score will count towards the overall Challenge Score**  
**There will be an award for the highest score in each Challenge (O, L, N, J)**

- Riders' & Horses' gear and accessories must be in good condition and well maintained throughout the events.
- Gear must comply with recognised criteria of Australian stockmen's gear.
- Gear must be deemed by the judges to be safe and suited to rugged bush riding.
- Gear intended for use in the competition must be on the horse at the inspection.

**NB: Judges are entitled ask Competitors to replace any gear deemed to be unsafe or unsuitable.**

**DRESS CODE (50 points): 10% of the score will count towards Challenge score**  
**Assessed on appropriateness to the image of the traditional Australian Stockman**

- Collared shirt with sleeves
- Appropriate style hat
- Safe riding boots
- Approved safety helmet for X/Country
- *EA standards*  
(ASNZ 3838, AEB HS 2012, ASTM F1163, PAS 015, SNELL E2001, VGI)

**NB: It is recommended that all riders have their own helmets**

- Juniors **must** wear a safety helmet for all events  
Juniors **must** wear a protective vest for Cross Country
- A full-length oilskin **must** be carried on the horse throughout all the events *Exceptions: Shoeing, Bareback Obstacle, Wild Horse Catch, Stock Saddle-Buckjump*
- Stockwhip

**HORSE GEAR (50 points): 10% of the score will count towards Challenge Score**  
**Assessed on well presented and maintained gear that complies with the recognised criteria of Australian stockmen's gear for daily work**

- All gear must be in good, safe order and, if not, must be replaced and re-presented to the Judges or Competitor will not be allowed to continue with the competition
- Breastplates, surcingles and cruppers are recommended but are optional
- A correctly fitted running martingale (rings) is **only** permissible for the Cross Country
- Head checks are not permitted in any part of the competition
- Saddles and bridles presented during this event will be marked and the same gear must be used in all subsequent events (except the Bareback Obstacle & Shoeing)
- Should a bridle be broken during the Challenge, it may be replaced but the Competitor's **must** notify the Challenge Committee and request re-inspection

**PACK HORSE & STOCK HANDLING**

**FRIDAY & SATURDAY 28-29 February 2020**

**Ring 2 (ref Teams Schedule for times)**

***There will be a prizemoney for the highest score in each Challenge (O, L, N, J)  
for both the Packhorse & Stockhandling events***

*Course Maps will be available at Registration.*

*Competitors able to walk the Course & talk to Designers/Judge on Thursday (Time on P.A.)*

*\*Short time available to walk this course on Friday at 6-7.00am and again after 5.30pm*

***The Pack Horse and Stock Handling events take place in succession***

***There will be a time allowed for each phase - Course 6 mins + 1min / Stockhandling 4 mins.***

***A signal will sound when the packhorse time is up and 1 minute is allowed to resaddle***

***At the next signal the Stockhandling time starts 4 minutes***

***Packhorse and Stockhandling will be scored and timed separately***

***Stockwhip must be carried ready for use for Packhorse Obstacle and for all Stockhandling***

**PACK HORSE RULES**

- The competition horse must be packed (*time allowed 6mins*)
- Lead horse must be saddled with Competitor's saddle (*any lead horse may be borrowed*)
- Competitor is to enter the start area on foot with both lead & competition horses.  
Bags & swag are to be packed, saddle horse & secure bags etc.  
Mount (*stockwhip ready for use*) & start Obstacle Course on signal. **20 points**
- Time start's on Judge's signal  
Electronic timer will signal 6 mins. ***If not finished there is 1 minute to re- saddle***  
As Competitor starts, his/her dog (*if being used*) will be released into the arena. (*Competitor must keep dog under control & discipline is judged from this point*)  
There are 4 obstacles to negotiate (*ref course map*) **60 points**  
Not completing an obstacle correctly will incur penalties (*ref course map*)  
Missing or not attempting an obstacle incurs loss of those points *plus 2 penalties*
- On entering the campsite the competitor must unpack, roll out swag & set up camp, saddle the competition horse, mount and be ready to start stockhandling  
Judge will raise a flag when rider is resaddled etc (*Time is taken at this point*) **20 points**  
**Total 100 points**

***If finished under time Competitor must wait at start line for the Stockhandling time signal***

**NOTE:**

- ***Packhorse time is taken when Judge signals that the competitor has resaddled and is ready to start the Stockhandling***
- ***At the 6min signal competitor must leave the obstacle course if not finished & go directly to the campsite to resaddle the competition horse.***
- ***After 1 minute to resaddle the signal sounds & Stockhandling time of 4mins starts***
- ***Count backs will be decided on the fastest time***

***NB: Packsaddle & lead horse will remain at the campsite & be removed by a Steward***

## STOCKHANDLING RULES

1. Stockhandling time starts with the *electronic buzzer*
2. Time allowed is 4 minutes
3. Dog is in arena from the start of the Packhorse obstacle & dog discipline points apply
4. It is compulsory to carry a whip ready for use (*ref P3*)
5. Competitor must enter the camp and cut out one of the three beasts using campdraft format
6. Maximum for cut out is 20 points (*strictly at judge's discretion*)  
*Competitors may choose what to do with their dog during the Cut Out*  
*Competitor may chain the dog at the Camp for a loss of 4 dog points*
7. When cut-out is complete the competitor is to signal for cattle to be released from the camp (Note: *if dog is chained Competitor must release*) and will continue around the course in a controlled manner.
8. There are four obstacles, 2@10 points 2@7points – a total of 34 course points.

**All cattle must pass through an obstacle to gain points for that obstacle\***

\*Obstacle 1 and 2 *Half points (5) for easy route Max points (10) for harder route*

- There are no horse-work points as per Campdrafting.  
 Stockmanship points will be allocated for the way riders control stock using horse and dog to achieve the desired outcome.
- The competitor **must ride each obstacle in succession** otherwise no course points will be given - only stockmanship points.
- Using a dog is not compulsory but dog work carries a possible 22 pts
- Outside help working the dog is not allowed and will incur loss of all dog points
- Count backs will be decided on the fastest time

<b>Course Section</b>	<b>Maximum Points</b>
Cut Out	20 points
On Course	34 points
Dog Work	22 points
Stockman ship	24 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>100 POINTS</b>

<b>Dogs</b>	<b>Points</b>	<b>*Penalties</b>
Work	14 points	
Discipline	8 points	
<i>Wet on ground</i>		-3 points
<i>Foul ground</i>		-5 points
<i>Excessive wandering or leave ground</i>		-5 points
<i>Use of chain</i>		-4 points

**Unused points carry over to work points**

**. 2020 KOTR CATTLE DOG CHAMPIONSHIP**

**15 Competitors      7 Dogs from the Challenge\* plus 8 Invited Dogs**

**\*(Top 7 dogs in the Stock Handling will have first option)**

**PRELIMINARY ROUND Ring 1 Saturday 4.00pm      FINAL (Top 5) Ring 1 Sunday 9.00am**

**Entry Fee \$50      Prize Money 1<sup>st</sup> \$250 2<sup>nd</sup> \$125 3<sup>rd</sup> \$100 4<sup>th</sup> \$50 5<sup>th</sup> \$25**

**All dogs in the Competition will receive Dog Biscuits donated by  
 Ashley Auto, BlackHawk Pet Foods, Pursehouse Rural**



## HORSESHOEING

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 28-29 February 2020

*There will be prize money for the highest score in each Challenge (O, L, N, J)*

Stall jacks have replaced anvils for all competitors

Horse shoes, nails and stall jacks will be supplied by the Challenge Committee.

Competitors are to supply all other shoeing gear.

Competitors are required to provide a quiet horse & someone to hold it - *no tying to fence*

All horses' feet must be in reasonable condition with *at least 5-6 weeks growth*.

Mistreatment of a shoeing horse will result in disqualification from the Horseshoeing

***\*Should any blood from the horse result from the use of tools or a driven nail - zero points***

A stockwhip is not required to be carried.

**OPEN      LADIES      NOVICE      TIME ALLOWED: 40 MINUTES**

- Tools allowed at the Stall Jack will be a **shaping hammer** and **pritchel** only
- Shoeing apron, hoof stand, tool box or wrap with **tools of your choice** allowed at the horse
- Competitors are required to demonstrate the ability to prepare and apply a shoe to one front and one back hoof within 40 minutes ***\*Assessed on suitability for Mountain Riding***
- One front foot and one hind foot are to be prepared for shoeing. Then the competitor must call the Judge who will view the prepared feet
- Select appropriate size shoes (one front, one hind) supplied by Stockman's Supplies
- Cold shape and fit shoes ***\*Shoe to the foot***
- Nail shoes on, clinch nails and finish, then call the judge to view the finished work
- Competitors will be judged on the balance and serviceability of the job.
- NB: ***Forging is how well the shoe has been shaped without hammer marks all over it, nail- holes haven't been closed up, the clip is set and the shoe is level***

<u>OPEN / LADIES / NOVICE</u>					
Trim	Front	15	Hind	15	30 points
Shoe Fit	Front	10	Hind	10	20 points
Forging	Front	10	Hind	10	20 points
Nail & Finish	Front	15	Hind	15	30 points
<i>(There will be 2 Judges and an average score given)</i>					<b><u>TOTAL 100 POINTS</u></b>

***\*Count-backs will be decided on the highest points in the Nail & Finish***

**JUNIOR      TIME ALLOWED: 40 MINUTES**

- Clean and trim either a front or hind foot, then call the Judge.
- Judged on level, sole & frog prep with knife & rasp work on front of hoof
- Select a front or a hind shoe supplied by Stockman's Supplies.
- Using the stall jack provided shape the shoe to fit the trimmed foot
- Under supervision of a peer use 4 nails to nail shoe on ***\*This phase is optional***

<u>JUNIOR</u>		
Trim	Front or Hind	15 points
Shoe Fit		10 points
Forging		15 points
Nail & Finish		10 points
<i>(2 Judges' scores will be added together)</i>		<b><u>TOTAL 50 POINTS</u></b>

***\*A fully shod horse will be available for inspection & questions at the Rider briefing***

## BAREBACK

FRIDAY & SATURDAY 28-29 February 2020

The Bareback Area is beyond Caravan & Camping (*Refer to venue map*)

There will be a prize money for the best score in each Challenge (O, L, N, J)

### Obstacle Course

#### REQUIREMENTS AND JUDGING CRITERIA

- Course map available at Registration. Course open for walking from 11am Thurs
- Horse's head gear may be bridle, halter, rope or nothing.
- There are no specific headgear points, but the headgear used will be considered when awarding Horsemanship points
- A bell will mark the start of the obstacle course
- Riders are to complete the course as quickly and neatly as possible. They will be judged on riding style and the horse's ability to accept the tasks before them.
- Two Judges will determine whether the obstacles have been negotiated in a manner that in their view was correct and precise (*the quicker & neater the better*)
- In case of a fall from the horse, the rider may remount and continue but will lose twenty (20) points as well as some horsemanship points

Course	70 points
Horsemanship	20 points
Freestyle	10 points
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b><u>100 points</u></b>

#### **Note:**

- Judges will not confer when awarding Horsemanship points
- The 2 scores will be added and averaged
- In case of equal top points, a count back will be on fastest time on course.

#### **Freestyle**

- Competitors have 1 minute to perform a trick worth a possible 10 points
- **No whip cracking is allowed** (*There is a Freestyle Whip Cracking section for this*)
- Props are allowed but **must** be on hand and easily accessible
- Two Judges will score without conferring and their scores will be averaged

**WHIPCRACK**

FRIDAY 28 FEBRUARY 2020

Ring 1 (See Teams Schedule for times)

There will be prize money for the best score in each Challenge (O, L, N, J)

**Whipcrack Target**

**Requirements:**

- Competitors will attempt to cleanly cut targets with a stock whip within a set time
- Time will be based on a fast canter and announced on Thursday
- A map will be provided to each Competitor at Registration showing course details
- More than one whip may be carried
- Either preferred hand may be used for targets
- Only one attempt at each target by a Competitor is allowed and must be on a downward stroke. Competitor is not allowed to stop.
- Failure to cross the line between the trees to start and finish results in **elimination**
- Should a Competitor fall he/she may remount and continue. However Competitors **must** stop once the time limit whistle is sounded and will be scored up to that point.

18 Targets @ 5 points each	90 points
Freestyle	10 points
<b>Total</b>	<b><u>100 points</u></b>

**NOTE:**      *If there are equal top points the fastest time on course will be used for a count back*

**Freestyle**

- Competitors will complete their Whipcrack Freestyle on horseback **standing still** immediately following the Whipcrack Target Course.
- The judge will give a signal to start
- Time allowed is 30 seconds

## CROSS COUNTRY COURSE

SATURDAY 29 FEBRUARY 2020

*There will be prize money for the best score in each Challenge (O, L, N, J)*

**NB:** Course maps available at Registration. Course will be open for walking from 11am Thursday  
 Competitors may walk the course (no horses) at any time prior to the X/Country Rider's Briefing  
 Sat 2.00pm *Optional* conducted unmounted course walk followed by *Compulsory* Rider's Briefing

### REQUIREMENTS & JUDGING CRITERIA

- Officials may ask competitors to replace any equipment found to be unsuitable or unsafe.
- All Competitors *must* wear a safety helmet
- Juniors *must* wear a protective vest and it is strongly advised for all Competitors
- Competitors must carry a full-length oilskin on the horse and stockwhip ready for use for the duration of the course.
- 20 obstacles (logs, ditches, tyres, gates etc) will be over a course of approx 2km.
- All jumps will be numbered and flagged, red on the right and white on the left.
- 4 points scored for each jump cleared (*one attempt only*) A refusal attracts a zero score.
- Competitors will only be scored on the first attempt at each jump. If unsuccessful, rider must move on to the next jump.
- Competitors may ride around an obstacle without elimination (*Nil points for that obstacle*)
- The Jump Judges may stop any competitor with a pink flag in the event of an emergency.  
 If a competitor is stopped on course, their 'down-time' will be recorded and subtracted from their total time on course.
- Following a fall of horse and/or rider as a result of a jump the competitor must retire  
 The jumping score to that point with 20 penalties will be recorded
- A fall of horse and/or rider on the flat (*not as a result of a jump*) does not incur penalties
- If a horse escapes following a fall on the flat or as a result of a jump the rider is eliminated
- Competitors must go to the cool-down area following completion of the course
- On finishing, Riders will be given a card with their Vet inspection time (10 minutes later)
- Horses are to be unsaddled and presented to the vets exactly 10 minutes after completion.
- Competitors must remain in the cool-down area until completion of the vet check
- The Vet will assess the horse's heart rate and recovery time after the course
- There will be an Optimum Time for the course with speed based on 425m per minute
- Time faults for being *over* this time are calculated at .4 fault/sec over
- More than 20 seconds *under the Optimum Time* also attracts faults.
- Watches are allowed.
- Excessive time wasting at the end of the course will reflect in the Equitation points awarded
- Jumping Equitation will be judged throughout the Cross-Country Course

Jumping	80 points
Equitation	10 points
Vet	<u>10 points</u>
TOTAL	100 points

**NOTE:** *If there are equal top points a count-back will go to the competitor who completes the course closest to the optimum time*

## CHALLENGE PRIZE MONEY

**OPEN CHAMPION** 1<sup>st</sup> \$10,000  
 2<sup>nd</sup> \$3,000 3<sup>rd</sup> \$1,500 4<sup>th</sup> \$1,000 5<sup>th</sup> \$500  
 6<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> Place \$400  
 Wild Horse Catch \$300  
 Buckjump \$300

**LADIES CHAMPION** 1<sup>st</sup> \$2,000  
 2<sup>nd</sup> \$700 3<sup>rd</sup> \$350 4<sup>th</sup> \$150 5<sup>th</sup> \$100  
 Wild Horse Catch \$100

**NOVICE CHAMPION** 1<sup>st</sup> \$1,000  
 2<sup>nd</sup> \$500 3<sup>rd</sup> \$250  
 Novice Final \$100

**JUNIOR CHAMPION** 1<sup>st</sup> \$600  
 2<sup>nd</sup> \$250 3<sup>rd</sup> \$150  
 Junior Final \$100

**Prizes for Leading Registered Australian Stockhorse in each Challenge**

**Trophy Saddle donated by  
 Marsh Carney Saddlery**



The MCS Cattleman saddle is designed for the Australian Horse and Rider. This saddle has proven to meet a successful balance of comfort, functionality and durability.



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**TROPHY BUCKLES**  
 Open Champion  
 Lady Champion  
 Novice Champion  
 Junior Champions



## PRELIMINARY EVENTS

*Prize Money for leading scores  
 in each Challenge*

<b>Bareback</b>	Open	\$250
	Ladies	\$200
	Novice	\$150
	Junior	\$100
<b>Whipcrack</b>	Open	\$250
	Ladies	\$200
	Novice	\$150
	Junior	\$100
<b>Shoeing</b>	Open	\$250
	Ladies	\$200
	Novice	\$150
	Junior	\$100
<b>Packsaddle</b>	Open	\$250
	Ladies	\$200
	Novice	\$150
	Junior	\$100
<b>Stockhandling</b>	Open	\$250
	Ladies	\$200
	Novice	\$150
	Junior	\$100
<b>Cross Country</b>	Open	\$250
	Ladies	\$200
	Novice	\$150
	Junior	\$100

**Prizes for leading scores in each Challenge  
 Horse & Rider Gear**

**Prizes for leading scores in  
 Veteran**  
 Rookie Rider  
 Rookie Horse  
 Local Rider  
 Working Dog  
 Colour Group  
 Encouragement Awards  
 Registered Quarter Horse  
 Retrained Thoroughbred

**NOVICE FINAL (TOP 3) and JUNIOR FINAL (TOP 3)**

**OBSTACLE COURSE RING 1 SATURDAY 6PM**

Finalists will be announced at 5pm (*or before*)

Course Maps & Rider Briefing will take place at the office

There will be a draw for order

**LADIES FINAL (TOP 5)**

**Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> March**

**WILD HORSE CATCH**

- Horses will be drawn on Sunday morning at the Secretary's Office. (*Time TBC*)  
Any competitor not present will have their horse drawn by a Committee member.
- ***There will be a Rider Briefing following the draw***
- Only a halter may be used to catch the horse. Catching ropes or any gear with a Honda at either end cannot be used.
- Competitors are to supply their own halters. ***All halters will be inspected. No modifications e.g. wire, allowed and halters must have a flat plait across poll.***
- Competitors will start inside the arena
- At the Judge's discretion, a **2 minute** time limit will commence after the horse has settled in the arena.
- In the event of a fall, a competitor may remount and continue. (*barring injury*)
- If a horse is caught and time allows, a competitor may attempt to lead the horse and show control
- If a Judge considers the horse being caught is over-stressed, he may stop the competitor but not disqualify them.
- If a substitute horse cannot be provided the competitor will be scored to that point.

**Disqualifications**

- There will be no wraps or dallys around any part of the saddle or riding horse with halter lead. This will result in disqualification.
- Deliberate mistreatment of either horse will result in disqualification.
- Foul language will result in disqualification.

**Judging Criteria**

- There will be two Judges.
- **Unlimited attempts are allowed.**  
(*An attempt is considered when the halter leaves the throwing hand.*)
- A straight halter catch will gain more points than a neck- catch.

<b>Horse and Rider combination</b>	<b>25 points (each Judge) Maximum 50 points</b>
<b>Degree of difficulty</b>	<b>25 points (each Judge) Maximum 50 points</b>
	<b>TOTAL 100 POINTS</b>

***\*Should there be equal top scores, there will be a countback on the fastest full catch***

**OPEN FINAL (TOP 10)**

**SUNDAY 1st March 2020**

**WILD HORSE CATCH**

- Horses will be drawn on Sunday morning at the Secretary's Office.  
Any competitor not present will have their horse drawn by a Committee member.
- Only a halter may be used to catch the horse. Catching ropes or any gear with a Honda at either end cannot be used.
- Competitors are to supply their own halters. **All halters will be inspected.**  
**No modifications e.g. wire, allowed and halters must have a flat plait across poll.**
- Competitors will start inside the arena
- At the Judge's discretion, a **3 minute** time limit will commence after the horse has settled in the arena.
- In the event of a fall, a competitor may remount and continue. (barring injury)
- If a horse is caught and time allows, a competitor must attempt to lead the horse and show control
- If a Judge considers the horse being caught is over-stressed, he may stop the competitor
- but not disqualify them
- If a substitute horse cannot be provided the competitor will be scored to that point.

**Disqualifications**

- There will be no wraps or dallys around any part of the saddle or riding horse with halter lead. This will result in disqualification.
- Deliberate mistreatment of either horse will result in disqualification.
- Foul language will result in disqualification.

**Judging Criteria**

- There will be two Judges.
- **Three attempts only are allowed.**  
(An attempt is considered to be the halter leaving the throwing hand.)
- A straight halter catch will gain more points than a neck catch.

<b>Horse and Rider combination</b>	<b>25 points (each Judge) Maximum 50 points</b>
<b>Degree of difficulty</b>	<b>25 points (each Judge) Maximum 50 points</b>
	<b>TOTAL 100 POINTS</b>

**Scores will be announced as each competitor finishes**

**Should there be equal top scores, there will be a countback on the fastest full catch**

**OPEN FINAL (TOP 10)**  
**SUNDAY 1st March 2020**  
**STOCK SADDLE BUCKJUMP**

Horses will be drawn on Sunday morning at the Secretary's Office following the WHC Draw.

***NB: All care possible will be taken by The King of the Ranges Committee to provide the competitors with safe bucking stock. However, this is a hazardous sport and again it is stressed that competitors continue at their own risk.***

**Gear will be checked prior to riding**

- Saddle used in the Final must be same saddle used throughout the Competition.
- No back girths allowed
- No breast-plate allowed
- No bind between the stirrups allowed
- Crupper is optional
- Chaps are optional
- Regulation spurs only **(No side rollers, fixed or sharpened spurs are allowed)**

**Judging Criteria**

- There will be two Judges.
- Competitors are judged on an 8 second ride
- Mark out rule does not apply
- No grab down allowed
- Riders will attempt to crack a stockwhip & show control during the ride.
- Re-rides are at the Judges' discretion.

There will be no re-ride given if a competitor's gear breaks

	<b>Ride</b>	<b>25 points (each Judge)</b>	<b>Maximum 50 points</b>
	<b>Horse (degree of difficulty)</b>	<b>25 points (each Judge)</b>	<b>Maximum 50 points</b>
			<b>TOTAL 100 POINTS</b>

***Scores will be announced as each competitor finishes***  
***Should there be equal top points, a countback will be decided on the number of full whip cracks***

*In the interest of a fair and just event any queries or concerns that Competitors have about this event MUST be put to the Committee BEFORE not AFTER the event*