

Administrator Appointed Equestrian Australia Show Horse Committee: UPDATE

Microsoft TEAMS Meeting held 18 September 2020 Below is a summary of proceedings at the recent EASHC for EA member information

MEETING DISCUSSION

Opening and Welcome:

All Delegates were in attendance.

Mr Peter Heagney, Chair Show Horse Victoria was invited to attend part of the meeting as Ex-officio to provide an update on plans for the 2020 EA Australasian Show Horse and Rider Championships.

Australian Championships

Plans for holding both the Covid-19 (VIC State of Disaster) postponed 2020 Championships and the 2021 Championships in the same year during 2021, by Show Horse Victoria was presented to the EASHC.

The Committee were fully supportive of the approach presented to hold two major events in the one year. Organisational concerns and problems had already been addressed by SHV and would continue to be evaluated and shared to EASHC to allow for best outcomes for the events.

Australian Championship Tender Document

EOI tender policy for the 3-year period 2022-2024 will be advertised with a 6 week return due 20th November for submissions. The EASHC will review submissions at their December 2020 meeting.

2021 Sport Rule Review

Summary of 2021 rule reviews will be added to the EA website in October where they will remain for review by members until December.

Officials and Officiating

• EA are currently reviewing rules and Guidebooks on Officials, which will help to refine and update the Show Horse Pathway.

- EASHC delegates to encourage interested Judges from other Organisations as per guidelines in the rules for recognition of current competency.
- Reaccreditation requirements follow National Pathway for all Discipline Officials. Seminars to cover topics to meet directives from insurance, OH&S and retaining quality informed Judges.
- The committee congratulate Therese Higgins whose application to National Judge status has been approved.

State HOTY Updates.

The committee were pleased to hear from OC's that, despite covid-19 regional issues:

- QLD reported that they had 165 horses competing
- WA reported that they had 111 horses competing
- Both said the use of "Local" Judges only due to the interim rule during Covid-19/Border closures worked well
- NSW reported strong entry numbers for their October event
- SA was preparing for their HOTY in December.

Show Horse Clubs/Events – Special Feature

EASHC encourage local Show Horse Clubs to put forward an article and pictures highlighting their Club (competition, training, measuring for some ideas) which may feature in a new monthly series showcasing grassroots participation by publication on the EA Website Show Horse pages, facebook and Equestrazine.

Next meeting proposed: 15 December 2020.

Agenda items due: 7 December 2020 (contact di.saunders@equestrian.org.au)