



Gulgong Heritage Harness Association Inc



# 2025 NSW ACDS SHOW DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS

Presented by Gulgong Heritage Harness Club  
On behalf of the NSW Branch of ACDS

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2024  
Gulgong Showground  
86 Grevillea ST Gulgong

Judges: Jo Dorman & Dean Rheinberger



## EXHIBITOR INFORMATION SUMMARY

### **Contact**

Entries & General Enquiries:

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### **ACDS Members Please Note**

Your membership form and fees for the current year must have been received by your club secretary prior to the pre-entry closing date otherwise One Activity Membership fees will apply.

Please send a copy of your membership card with your entries.

The driver of exhibits must be an ACDS member otherwise OAM of \$30.00 is payable.

### **Entry Fees**

Received by 13<sup>th</sup> November 2025 - ACDS member \$10.00 per class.

Non ACDS Members - \$10.00 per class plus \$30.00 for One Activity Member (OAM).  
(OAM Form to be completed and signed).

Received after 13<sup>th</sup> November 2025 - including on show day.

ACDS member: \$15.00 per class.

Non ACDS Members \$15.00 per class plus \$30.00 for One Activity Member (OAM).  
(OAM Form to be completed and signed).

### **Camping & Yards available**

There are toilets, showers and powered camping sites available.

Camping is \$25/night. **Must Be Booked and Paid to Gulgong showground directly**

Yards are \$5/night. **Must Be Booked and Paid to Gulgong showground directly**

### **Canteen**

Will be available on the day, please support the canteen. TBC

### **Entries close**

Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> November 2025



## CLASS DEFINITIONS

- **Novice:** horse, pony or driver who has not won a similar class at a show.
- **Two or four wheeled hard tyred turnout:** any two or four wheeled vehicle with solid rubber or iron tyres (not pneumatic) of a traditional style (sulky, buggy etc), rather than purpose built for CDEs, and excluding trades or delivery vehicles.
- **Trades/delivery turnout:** horse or pony, vehicle, harness, dress and accessories to be in Australian traditional commercial style (class 105).
- **CDE turnout:** two or four wheeled vehicle and harness suitable for all phases of a CDE. Turnout to be presented as for Dressage phase.
- **Drive & Ride:** Entries to drive as per show class then leave the ring and return ridden in suitable tack.

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. All drivers must be either current financial members of an ACDS affiliated club or have completed and signed a One Activity Membership Form and paid the \$30.00 fee (over and above the entry fees).
2. Adult drivers are 18 years and over.
3. It is recommended that all drivers, grooms, passengers wear protective headwear.
4. **Junior Drivers and junior passengers must wear approved accredited safety standard protective headwear whenever in a horse drawn vehicle.**
  - \* 6-7yrs (inclusive) must always be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult driver member (an experience driving person) seated alongside and holding a second set of reins attached to the bit.
  - \* 8-15yrs (inclusive) must be accompanied in the vehicle by an ACDS adult driver (an experienced driving person) who must be facing forward. A second set of reins optional.
  - \* 16-17yrs driving a single horse or pony, may carry a groom or passenger at his/her discretion. May also drive a pony (not horse) pair or tandem, and at show organisers' discretion may drive a stallion.
5. All drivers are responsible for knowledge of and compliance with the ACDS Show Driving Rules.
6. All horses/ponies must be at least 3 years old, be reasonably fit and compete drug free.
7. Grading of classes is taken at the closing date of entry.
8. Cruelty to or abuse of, any animal may result in the offender being withdrawn from any further classes.
9. An exhibitor showing an animal which does not appear to be sound, or shows evidence of lameness, exhaustion or distress, may be asked to withdraw it immediately from further competition. This may include horses or ponies which appear to be distressed or exhausted due to the weight of the turnout being pulled. Recommended ratio horse: weight being pulled is 1:1.
10. The organisers reserve the right to request the withdrawal of any horse, pony or turnout which appears unsafe.
11. Bitless bridles, running or standing martingales, side reins, trotting type over checks and running reins, boots or bandages are **not permitted** on horses or ponies whilst competing.
12. The tying of tails to harness or vehicles is not permitted.
13. **All horses and ponies must wear conventional winkers with winker cups permanently attached to the cheek pieces.**
14. Horses and ponies may be measured on the day at the discretion of the organisers.
15. Competitors shall at all times compete at their own risk. Neither the ACDS, the Gulgong Showground, the Gulgong Heritage Harness Club nor their appointed officials accept any liability for any accident, theft, illness or damage to horses, drivers, grooms or any person or property whatsoever. All competitors, by entering this competition, agree to be bound by this regulation.
16. The organisers reserve the right to alter the program according to conditions on the day.
17. Any protest to be in writing to the Ground Jury and submitted within 20 minutes of the conclusion of the relevant class, accompanied by \$50.00 (non-refundable if protest is dismissed).
18. **Handlers in the arena must be dressed appropriately i.e. to the same standard as the driver. Handlers who are not deemed to be dressed appropriately may not be permitted to enter the arena.**
19. There must be an adult driver in the vehicle holding the reins, whenever the horse or pony is attached to the vehicle.
20. Whilst the organisers will endeavour to accommodate all competitors, classes may not be delayed.
21. Dogs must be restrained on leashes at all times.
22. You must be aware of, and agree to pay, the excess that applies to any insurance claim, which may arise from your participation at this event.

**PLEASE NOTE: ALL ARE WELCOME!!**

**YOU DON'T HAVE TO BE A CURRENT FINANCIAL MEMBER OF THE ACDS TO COMPETE – ONE ACTIVITY MEMBERSHIP IS AVAILABLE FOR \$30.00**

**NSW ACDS SHOW DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS**  
**Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2025 at Gulgong Showground**  
**Start Time: 9:00am**

**Ring 1 – Both Judges - Jo Dorman & Dean Rheinberger**

**TURNOUTS – Open to Single & Multiple Exhibits.**

**Class 101** Pneumatic tyred turnout (including joggers but excluding viceroys)

**Class 102** Viceroy Turnout

**Class 103** Two or Four Wheeled Hard Tyred Turnout – traditional style (eg sulky/buggy)  
(excluding trades/delivery vehicles)

**Class 104** CDE Turnout (as for dressage)

**Class 105** Trades/Delivery Turnout - Australian Traditional Commercial style (two or four wheeled)

**Class 106** Period Turnout

**Class 107** Pony Turnout ne 10.2hh (any vehicle)

**Class 108** Non-Traditional Turnout for Delivery Horse/s (two or four wheeled)

**S1: Champion & Reserve Champion Turnout**

Following completion of Turnout classes, Rings 1 and 2 to run concurrently.

| <b>Ring 1 - Jo Dorman</b>                                                      | <b>Ring 2 – Dean Rheinberger</b>                                                        |
|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Non-Hackney Ponies ne 10.2hh</b>                                            | <b>Light, Medium &amp; Heavy Delivery Horses<br/>(not eligible for classes 205-213)</b> |
| <b>Class 109</b> Novice Pony ne 10.2hh                                         | <b>Class 201</b> Novice Delivery Horse                                                  |
| <b>Class 110</b> Pony ne 8.2hh                                                 | <b>Class 202</b> Light Delivery Horse                                                   |
| <b>Class 111</b> Pony o 8.2hh ne 9.2hh                                         | <b>Class 203</b> Medium Delivery Horse                                                  |
| <b>Class 112</b> Pony o 9.2hh ne 10.2hh                                        | <b>Class 204</b> Heavy Delivery Horse                                                   |
| <b>S2: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion<br/>Non-Hackney Pony ne 10.2hh</b>      | <b>S7: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion Delivery<br/>Horse</b>                           |
| <b>Non-Hackney Ponies o 10.2hh ne 14hh</b>                                     | <b>NON-HACKNEY HORSES<br/>(not eligible for classes 201-204)</b>                        |
| <b>Class 113</b> Novice Pony o 10.2hh ne 14hh                                  | <b>Class 205</b> Novice Non-Hackney Horse                                               |
| <b>Class 114</b> Pony o 10.2hh ne 12.2hh                                       | <b>Class 206</b> Non-Hackney Horse ne 15hh                                              |
| <b>Class 115</b> Pony o 12.2hh ne 14hh                                         | <b>Class 207</b> Non-Hackney Horse o 15hh                                               |
| <b>S3: Champion and Reserve Champion<br/>Non-Hackney Pony o 10.2hh ne 14hh</b> | <b>S8: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion<br/>Non-Hackney Horse</b>                        |
| <b>HACKNEY PONIES</b>                                                          | <b>STANDARD BRED HORSE<br/>(not eligible for classes 201-204)</b>                       |
| <b>Class 116</b> Novice Hackney Pony                                           | <b>Class 208</b> Novice Standardbred                                                    |
| <b>Class 117</b> Hackney Pony ne 12.2hh                                        | <b>Class 209</b> Standardbred ne 15hh                                                   |
| <b>Class 118</b> Hackney Pony o 12.2hh ne 14hh                                 | <b>Class 210</b> Standardbred o 15hh                                                    |
| <b>S4: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion Hackney<br/>Pony</b>                    | <b>S9: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion<br/>Standardbred</b>                             |
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| <b>WELSH PONIES &amp; COB</b>                                                  |                                                                                         |
| <b>Proof of Registration Required</b>                                          |                                                                                         |
| <b>Class 119</b> Welsh A In Harness                                            |                                                                                         |
| <b>Class 120</b> Welsh B In Harness                                            |                                                                                         |
| <b>Class 121</b> Welsh C or D In Harness                                       |                                                                                         |
| <b>Class 122</b> Part bread Welsh In Harness                                   |                                                                                         |

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| <b>S5: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion Welsh</b><br><b>Sponsored by</b><br><b>WPCS Harness Promotional Group</b> |  |
| <b>HACKNEY HORSES</b><br>(not eligible for classes 201-204)                                                      |  |
| <b>Class 123</b> Novice Hackney Horse                                                                            |  |
| <b>Class 124</b> Hackney Horse ne 15hh                                                                           |  |
| <b>Class 125</b> Hackney Horse o 15hh                                                                            |  |
| <b>S6: Champion &amp; Reserve Champion</b><br><b>Hackney Horse</b>                                               |  |
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## **S12: SUPREME CHAMPION HORSE OR PONY** **THE PRESIDENT'S PERPETUAL TROPHY**

**To be judged at the completion of Rings 1 & 2 by both judges.**

**Champions eligible: Champion Non-Hackney Pony ne 10.2hh, Champion Non-Hackney Pony o 10.2hh ne 14hh, Champion Hackney Pony, Champion Standardbred, Champion Non-Hackney Horse, Champion Hackney Horse and Champion Delivery Horse**

## **S13: CONCOURS D'ELEGANCE PERPETUAL TROPHY** **to be judged during the day**

### **Ring 3 – to be judged after lunch break (back to one ring)**

#### **Each judge to judge a section of classes**

(The presentation of Supreme Champion and above Special Awards will be before lunch break).

#### **Multiple Class**

**Class 301** Multiple of horses or ponies (delivery horse entries eligible)

#### **Pleasure Classes ( not eligible for supreme)**

**Class 302** Pleasure turnout (not eligible for champion turnout)

**Class 303** Pleasure pony ne14hh

**Class 304** Pleasure horse o14hh

#### **S10: Champion and Reserve Champion Pleasure Horse or Pony**

**Sponsored by Rosemary Laing**

#### **Driver Classes**

**Class 305** Junior driver 6 years under 12 years

**Class 306** Junior driver 12 years under 18 years

**Class 307** Lady driver 18yrs & over

**Class 308** Gentleman driver 18yrs & over

#### **S14: Champion and Reserve Champion Driver**

#### **Drive and Ride**

**Class 309** Drive and Ride (see class definitions)  
(no jumping)

**ENTRY FORM**  
**NSW ACDS SHOW DRIVING CHAMPIONSHIPS 2025 GULGONG**

Exhibitor's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ \*PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

\_\_\_\_\_ P/C \_\_\_\_\_ Phone(       ) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Property PIC No: \_\_\_\_\_

**ENTRIES CLOSE: 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024**

| Class No. | Horse's Name | Height in hh | Driver's Name | ACDS Member No. | Entry Fee<br><i>\$10 per class before close of entry</i> |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|---------------|-----------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
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Total class entry fees    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

\*One Activity Member fee (\$30 per driver/family) if applicable    \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**                      \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**AII CAMPING AND YARD FEES BOOK AND PAY GULGONG**  
**SHOWGROUND DIRECTLY 0484531520**  
**EMAIL [showgroundlandmanager2852@gmail.com](mailto:showgroundlandmanager2852@gmail.com)**

Camping available - showers, toilets and power available - \$25 per night    **Book and Pay showground**

Yards - \$5 per night                      no. required .....                      **Book and pay Showground**

I have read and accept the Conditions of Entry contained in the program. I am aware that I may be personally liable for the excess amount in full applying to any claim against the ACDS which may arise as a result of my participation in this event. I also acknowledge that equestrian competition and activity of any sort involves inherent risk.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ (All adult drivers must sign. Parent/Guardian to sign for junior driver)

\_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please email Entry Form, copy of membership card (and completed OAM if applicable) to:

E: [eventsecgha@gmail.com](mailto:eventsecgha@gmail.com)

EFT Payment to BSB:112 879 , Account No:109 315 701, Gulgong Heritage Harness Association  
Reference: SD + surname.

\*Drivers who are not members of the ACDS need to complete a One Activity Membership Form and pay \$30 per driver or family over and above entry fees. OAM form is on the ACDS website or may be obtained from the show secretary.

Photocopy this form if more space is required for entries.