



Several milestones were achieved at this year's HOTA show when a record amount of entries were received for both Pure and Partbred classes. Another first was the offering of Partbred ridden classes. Along with the weather conditions being ideal the scene was set for a wonderful weekend of competition.

The Champion Best Presented was awarded to Adina Park Darcy Woods over Adina Park Phedora for Reserve. The Junior Champion was awarded to yearling colt Adina Park Rufus over the three year old filly Summertime Lily for Reserve Champion. The yearling colt claimed further scalps when defeating the older stallions for champion with Admiral's Christmas being awarded Reserve Champion.

Adina Park Phedora and Dynamite Trunkey were successful in their respective mare classes and again went head to head for champion honors. Adina Park Phedora got the judges nod as she was deemed more expressive.

Ifonlytheynu claimed the Champion gelding award over Mister Recall in a strong line up of geldings. The mare Adina Park Phedora was awarded Supreme Led Exhibit.

Six Partbred entries were received but unfortunately the two mares were late withdrawals leaving four geldings to fight out the contest. This line up was most intriguing with a Friesian, Warmblood, Palomino and Pinto presented for judging. The impressive Friesian cross B An Aristocrat was awarded the Supreme Led Partbred Exhibit for Julie Howe. After watching this horse under saddle, what an acquisition a horse of this quality will be for our association.

The harness only had the two competitors but the judge was fascinated and intrigued with both exhibits and their movement. Adina Park Phedora was driven by late inclusion driver Kristy Padberg when awarded Grand Champion over her less experienced stable mate Adina Park Darcy Woods for Runner Up.

The ridden classes on Sunday produced some eye catching performances. Again the stunning Glyding Moments produced top quality work to be awarded Champion Ridden Gelding before claiming the Grand Champion Ridden award. Runner Up was awarded to the big moving Dynamite Trunkey who was ridden superbly by renowned "Hackie" Ms Karen Bowman.

The Show Horse Champion was also awarded to Glyding Moments and Adina Park Phedora had that "show horse" quality in the judge's opinion even though not executing a perfect workout to be awarded the Reserve.

The Show Hunter Champion was awarded to B An Aristocrat who displayed all the chrematistics of a true Hunter. The Reserve went to Fire On Dodie with his explosive movement.

The Ultimate Standardbred class that consists of horses being judged on a set ridden workout and then in hand had Glyding Moments making a clean sweep of all the major awards for the day when sashed Ultimate Standardbred for 2008. Adina Park Phedora performed creditably and was awarded R/Up along with Dynamite Trunkey picking up the Finalist sash.

Judge Sheryl Ackerly has provided the following comments for the weekend.

"To the committee and exhibitors of the Standardbred HOTA show. I would like to express my sincere thanks for inviting me to judge your 2008 show and I would like to express my sincerest gratitude for the efficient manner in getting me here and back. I have enjoyed immensely judging your horses and sharing the on going learning process of your lovely breed. It is a joy to me to see these horses being loved by you all and given another opportunity in life to bring happiness to us the horse owners. They are a breed that is most commonly overlooked as "show" horses and you should all be very very proud of your efforts in their rehabilitation.

The standard at which they were presented to me was excellent; the handlers were courteous and happy – nice to see. The type (show horse type), conformation and presentation was absolutely outstanding. Unfortunately, in some cases blemishes were fairly prevalent. In particular the Champion Best Presented Horse of the show was a gelding of exceptional type who drew me in with his presence and stature. He really was quite exquisite, but unfortunately, as told to his handler his blemish went against him in his confirmation class that was a great disappointment as he would have most definitely been my pick of the show. Perhaps we need to encourage trainers to use some form of protection on their legs to prevent such injuries.

Your horses were wonderful types exhibiting their fantastic temperaments which I am sure is the reason you all have them. The Supreme Led Exhibit a black mare was an outstanding type with wonderful movement who proved throughout the weekend the versatility of the breed when at the tender age of 4years she won Grand Champion Harness along with being R/Up Ultimate Standardbred after exciting me with beautiful movement under saddle. I would like to mention that along with the Champion Ridden Mare, the movement of both of these mares is something myself as an Instructor, competitor and judge love to see. With further training I have no doubt they will excel at the top level in open company and have bright futures ahead of them.

The Grand Champion Ridden and Ultimate was a beautifully schooled horse that had better transitions than his less experienced rivals. I was astounded when told he is 18 years of age and possibly heading for the retirement paddock as his young rider would like to pursue a career in the hack ring. I would love to see this horse passed onto another young rider and give them the opportunity of partnering a horse of this quality.

I was looking forward to judging these horses under saddle and I was not disappointed. I found on the whole the horses performed creditably and were fun to judge. Exhibitors were capable and very polite. This group shows an opportunity for growth in the sport and is in very good and capable hands. Thank you again for a lovely time. Sheryl Ackerly"

RESULTS

PARTBRED LED STANDARDBRED

Best Presented Partbred Exhibit (4)

1st: B An Aristocrat (J. Howe)
2nd: Special Edition (H. Kemp)
3rd: Pepsea Park Firestarter (E. Brandreth)
4th: Devils Choice (C. Fawcett)

Partbred Male Any Age (4)

1st: B An Aristocrat
2nd: Devils Choice
3rd: Pepsea Park Firestarter
4th: Special Edition

Champion Partbred Male: B An Aristocrat

Reserve Partbred Male: Devils Choice

Partbred Female Any Age

No Entries

SUPREME LED PARTBRED EXHIBIT: B AN ARISTOCRAT

PUREBRED LED STANDARDBRED

Best Presented Stallion Colt (2)

1st: Admiral's Christmas (K. Morrone)
2nd: My Smilin Assassin (K. Padberg)

Best Presented Gelding (6)

1st: Adina Park Darcy Woods (K. Morrone)
2nd: Mister Recall (M. Jones)
3rd: Ifonlytheynu (K. Padberg)
4th: Phoenix Modena (M. Price)

Champion Best Presented Exhibit: Adina Park Darcy Woods (K. Morrone)

Reserve Best Presented Exhibit: Adina Park Phedora (L. Morrone)

Best Presented Mare/Filly (6)

1st: Adina Park Phedora (L. Morrone)
2nd: Dynamite Trunkey (J. Searies)
3rd: Destiny Dejavu (T. Davies)
4th: Summertime Lily (S. Jones)

Colt 3yrs & Under (1)

1st: Adina Park Rufus

Filly 3yrs & Under (1)

1st: Summertime Lily

Gelding 3yrs & Under (1)

1st: Rememberance Silver Battle*

Champion Junior Exhibit: Adina Park Rufus

Reserve Junior Exhibit: Summertime Lily

Stallion 4yrs & Over (2)

1st: Admiral's Christmas
2nd: My Smilin Assassin

Champion: Adina Park Rufus

Reserve: Admiral's Christmas

Mare 4yrs & Over, 15hh & Under (2)

1st: Dynamite Trunkey
2nd: USA Legacy

Champion: Adina Park Phedora

Reserve: Dynamite Trunkey

Mare 4yrs & Over, Over 15hh (2)

1st: Adina Park Phedora
2nd: Banyan View

Gelding 4yrs & Over, 15hh & Under (3)

1st: Class Master
2nd: Phoenix Modena
3rd: Beefiftytoo

Champion: Ifonlytheynu

Reserve: Mister Recall

Gelding 4yrs & Over, Over 15hh (4)

1st: Ifonlytheynu
2nd: Mister Recall
3rd: Adina Park Darcy Woods
4th: Lights Of Wembley

SUPREME CHAMPION: ADINA PARK PHEDORA

Junior Handler 17yrs & Under (1)

1st: Price, Megan

Senior Handler 18 – 25yrs (3)

1st: Jones, Sheree
2nd: Markowski, Alex
3rd: Fawcett, Carly

Senior Handler 26yrs & Over (9)

1st: Padberg, Kristy
2nd: Searies, Jackie
3rd: Morrone, Kristy
4th: Macey, Catherine

Champion Handler: Padberg, Kristy

Reserve Handler: Searies, Jackie

HARNESS CLASSES

Turnout Harness (2)

1st: Adina Park Phedora

2nd: Adina Park Darcy Woods

Harness Male (1)

Champion: Adina Park Darcy Woods

Harness Mare (1)

Champion: Adina Park Phedora

GRAND CHAMPION HARNESS EXHIBIT OTY: ADINA PARK PHEDORA

Runner Up: Adina Park Darcy Woods

RIDDEN CLASSES

Smartest On Parade - Stallion (1)

1st: My Smilin Assassin (K. Padberg)

Smartest On Parade – Gelding (7)

1st: Mr Buckley (H. Woodley)

2nd: Devils Choice (C. Fawcett)

3rd: Lights Of Wembley (C. Macey)

4th: Glyding Moments (L. Carson)

Smartest On Parade: Mr Buckley (H. Woodley)

Runner Up: Dynamite Trunkey (K. Bowman)

Junior Rider 17yrs & Under (2)

Champion: Carson, Lisa

Reserve: Baptiste, Caitlin*

Senior Rider 18yrs & Over (8)

Champion: Howe, Julie

Reserve: Woodley, Heather

3rd: Criniti, Emma

4th: Macey, Catherine

Ridden Stallion (1)

Champion: My Smilin Assassin

Ridden Mare 15.1hh & Under (2)

1st: Dynamite Trunkey

2nd: Emal Park Stellar

Champion Ridden Mare: Dynamite Trunkey

Reserve Ridden Mare: Adina Park Phedora

Ridden Mare Over 15.1hh (1)

1st: Adina Park Phedora

Ridden Gelding 15.1hh & Under (3)

1st: Glyding Moments

2nd: Presidents Excuse

3rd: Little Red Rooster*

Champion Ridden Gelding: Glyding Moments

Reserve Ridden Gelding: Mr Buckley

Ridden Gelding Over 15.1hh (5)

1st: Mr Buckley

2nd: Royal Pride

3rd: Lights Of Wembley

4th: Fire On Dodie*

GRAND CHAMPION RIDDEN HOTY: GLYDING MOMENTS

Runner Up: Dynamite Trunkey

Ridden Partbred Male (2)

1st: B An Aristocrat

2nd: Devils Choice

Champion Ridden Partbred: B An Aristocrat

Reserve: Devils Choice

Ridden Partbred Mare

No Entries

Show Hack 15.1hh & Under (2)

1st: Glyding Moments

2nd: Dynamite Trunkey

Champion Show Hack: Glyding Moments

Reserve: Adina Park Phedora

Show Hack Over 15.1hh (2)

1st: Adina Park Phedora

2nd: Royal Pride

Show Hunter 15.1hh & Under (1)

1st: Little Red Rooster*

Champion Show Hunter: B An Aristocrat

Reserve: Fire On Dodie*

Show Hunter Over 15.1hh (6)

1st: B An Aristocrat

2nd: Fire On Dodie*

3rd: Lights Of Wembley

4th: Devils Choice

ULTIMATE STANDARD BRED: GLYDING MOMENTS

RUNNER UP ULTIMATE: Adina Park Phedora

FINALIST ULTIMATE: Dynamite Trunkey

* Denotes Non Member at time of show

2008 HORSE OF THE YEAR – PHOTO GALLERY



**Champion Best Presented:
ADINA DARCY WOODS (Kristie Morrone)**



**Reserve Champion Led Partbred:
DEVILS CHOICE (Carly Hockridge)**



**Champion Led Junior & Stallion\Colt:
ADINA PARK RUFUS (Kristie Morrone)**



**Reserve Champion Led Junior:
SUMMERTIME LILY (Jackie Searies)**



**Reserve Champion Led Senior Stallion:
ADMIRALS CHRISTMAS (Kristie Morrone)**



**SUPREME LED PARTBRED:
B AN ARISTOCRAT (Julie Howe)**



**Champion Led Senior Mare & SUPREME LED:
ADINA PARK PHEDORA (Kristie Morrone)**



**Reserve Champion Led Senior Mare:
DYNAMITE TRUNKEY (Jackie Searies)**



**Champion Led Senior Gelding:
IFONLYTHEYNU (Kristy Padberg)**



**Reserve Champion Led Senior Gelding:
MISTER RECALL (M Jones)**



**Champion Harness Gelding:
ADINA PARK DARCY WOODS (Kristie Morrone)**



**Champion Harness Mare & SUPREME Harness:
ADINA PARK PHEDORA (Kristy Padberg)**



**Champion Ridden Stallion:
MYSMILLIN ASSASSIN (Kristy Padberg)**



**CHAMPION RIDDEN PARTBRED:
B AN ARISTOCRAT (Julie Howe)**



**Champion Ridden Mare:
DYNAMITE TRUNKEY (Karen Bowman\Jackie Searies)**



**Reserve Champion Ridden Mare:
ADINA PARK PHEDORA (Kristie Morrone)**



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**Champion Ridden Gelding & SUPREME RIDDEN:
GLYDING MOMENTS (Lisa Carson)**



**Reserve Champion Ridden Gelding:
MR BUCKLEY (Heather Woodley)**