



A combination of good weather, well manicured grounds and thirty immaculately groomed horses competing in the various classes on offer certainly had judge Jacqui Langfield from Cowra (NSW) very impressed at the annual SPPHAWA HOTY Show.

The Best Presented classes were keenly contested as usual with this year's Champion being awarded to the stallion Admiral's Christmas & Kristie Morrone and R/up to the mare winner Adina Park Phedora & Leonie Morrone. Lights Of Wembley & Catherine Macey was the winner of the very strong gelding class to also qualify.

The Led classes were divided into firstly age for the juniors and then height classes for the 4 year and over section that provided for a good even competition.

The Champion Mare was a very deserving winner in Angostura, superbly handled by Dave Turnbull. Not many people would appreciate the effort and time that has gone into this mare let alone the perseverance both Cindy and Dave endure each day to keep a happy medium with this mare. Adina Park Phedora again showed her consistency in taking Reserve Champion Mare.

The gelding classes were the best supported on the day with the big black gelding Adina Park Darcy Woods adding another big show Champion to his growing reputation. The stunning chestnut Kimaley Blazing Sun brought a tear to his handler, Tara Tweedie's eye when awarded Reserve Champion gelding at his very first show together. The Supreme Standardbred exhibit was awarded to the well decorated stallion Admiral's Christmas.

The Partbred competition had five entries with the delightful B An Aristocrat, even though not having full show preparation proved he is all class when again claiming the Supreme Led and Champion Ridden Partbred titles. Along with his rider, Julie Howe, this combination also claimed victories in Smartest On Parade, Champion Rider and Reserve Champion Show Hunter. What an inspiration this horse is to us all.

Adina Park Phedora displayed her wonderful constitution when winning the Supreme Standardbred Ridden along with a Champion Show Horse victory and was justifiably awarded the Ultimate Standardbred.

Light Of Wembley and Catherine Macey put together one of their career best performances under saddle when claiming Reserve Champion Ridden Gelding and winning the Show Hunter Champion. The judge wanted to see the horses moved out in a manner capable of leading up a hunt. The powerful gelding executed the workout to perfection. Lights Of Wembley also capped of a fine day of feats when awarded the Runner Up Ultimate Standardbred.

The judge has kindly forwarded her comments for the day to share with the members and competitors.

"It definitely was quite an honour to be invited to judge at the 2009 SPPHAWA Horse of the Year Show.

The first classes for the day were the Partbred's, with the Supreme being the gelding B An Aristocrat, who was an outstanding saddle type and presented beautifully. I was also very impressed with the lovely young colt Rumble Hill Dipped In White who won the Best Presented class. Unfortunately he was showing unevenness in his movement in his led class. I feel he will develop into a very lovely horse.

The Best Presented Purebred classes were certainly an eye opener and I was very impressed with the thought, time and effort that each competitor had put into themselves and their animals. Eastern state competitors could easily learn a thing or two from watching quality classes like this. The Champion and Reserve, Admiral's Christmas and Adina Park Phedora, along with their handlers looked absolutely stunning.

The Purebred stallion, Admiral's Christmas, was an extremely exceptional animal with lovely manners that would easily hold his own in any open company. His hindquarter propelled him forward into an even massive stride that covered the ground easily.

The mare classes were quite strong. My Champion, Angostura, was a feminine type with balanced athletic movement, good length and a lovely turn of front. The Reserve, Adina Park Phedora, also showed lovely movement and even though stronger built had a lovely fine leg and was also very feminine.

The gelding classes were full of lovely types. The eventual Champion, Adina Park Darcy Woods, boy oh boy, was a truly outstanding looking animal with a strong hindquarter, good length of back and an exceptional neck and shoulder that produced a big stride. The Reserve, Kimaley Blazing Sun was placed second in his class to the Champion and although only new to the show ring proved he has the qualities and movement to be very competitive.

The line up for Supreme was a pleasure to judge, with the stallion, Admiral's Christmas taking the honors.

Although the saddle classes were a little light in numbers the quality was not lacking. the two standouts for the day were the Champion Ridden Partbred (B An Aristocrat) and the Supreme Ridden Purebred (Adina Park Phedora). Both horses worked impeccably and were ridden kindly in a forward manner.

Heat took it's toll on some of the horses, who worked a little flat by the time of the Ultimate judging at the end of the day. The Ultimate winner (Adina Park Phedora) is an outstanding type showing a wonderful temperament as a saddle horse and also scored very favourably once stripped in the led section. A very worthy winner for such a prestigious award.

It was a pleasure to judge throughout the day, as competitors were always polite and not scared to have a joke with the judge! Such a friendly committee, I wish them and all their members the best of luck for upcoming events."

RESULTS

PARTBRED STANDARDBRED LED

Best Presented Partbred (5)

- 1st Rumble Hill Dipped In White (K Morrone)
- 2nd B An Aristocrat (J Howe)
- =3rd Pleasant Surprise (H Kemp) & Special Edition (L Styner)

Partbred Colt/Gelding 3yrs & under (2)

- 1st Special Edition
- 2nd Rumble Hill Dipped In White
- Champion P/Bred Male – B An Aristocrat**
- Reserve Champion – Devils Choice**

Partbred Male 4yrs & over (2)

- 1st B An Aristocrat
- 2nd Devils Choice

Partbred Mare 4yrs & over (1)

- 1st Pleasant Surprise
- Champion P/Bred Mare – Pleasant Surprise**

SUPREME P/BRED EXHIBIT – B AN ARISTOCRAT

PUREBRED STANDARDBRED LED

Best Presented Stallion/Colt (1)

- 1st Admiral's Christmas (K Morrone)

Best Presented Mare/Filly (8)

- 1st Adina Park Phedora (L Morrone)
- 2nd Missy (S Suvaljko)
- 3rd Executive Dancer (B Abbott)
- 4th Lady Ameera (J Searies)

Best Presented Gelding (13)

1st Lights of Wembley (C Macey)
 2nd Beefiftytoo (D Perkins)
 3rd Adina Park Darcy Woods (K Morrone)
 4th Balthazar (T Hansen)

Champion Best Presented – Admirals Christmas (K Morrone)
Reserve Champion – Adina Park Phedora (L Morrone)

Colt 3yrs and under (0)**Stallion 4yrs and over (1)**

1st Admiral's Christmas
Champion Stallion/Colt – Admiral's Christmas

Filly 3yrs and under (2)

1st Missy
 2nd Lady Ameera

Mare 4yrs & over, 15.1hh & under (2)

1st Dynamite Trunkey
 2nd Executive Dancer

Mare 4yrs & over, over 15.1hh (5)

1st Angostura
 2nd Adina Park Phedora
 3rd Avoriaz
 =4th Brighter Image & Pain For Gain

Champion Mare/Filly – Angostura
Reserve Champion – Adina Park Phedora

Gelding 4yrs & over, under 15.1hh (7)

1st Satinka Park Ashtaar
 2nd Domino
 3rd Venturous Warrior
 4th Jasper County

Champion Gelding – Adina Park Darcy Woods
Reserve Champion – Kimaley Blazing Sun

Gelding 4yrs & over, over 15.1hh (7)

1st Adina Park Darcy Woods
 2nd Kimaley Blazing Sun
 3rd Lights Of Wembley
 4th Balthazar

SUPREME LED EXHIBIT – ADMIRAL'S CHRISTMAS**Junior Handler 17yrs & under (3)**

1st Letitia Barron
 2nd Cassie Abbott
 3rd Caitlin Stevenson

Champion Handler – Kristie Morrone
Reserve Champion – Laurie Kennedy

Handler 18 – 25yrs (1)

1st Amanda Nathaniel

Handler 26yrs & over (7)

1st Kristie Morrone
 2nd Laurie Kennedy
 3rd Heidi Kemp
 4th Catherine Macey

Smartest On Parade Mare (2)

1st Adina Park Phedora
 2nd Pleasant Surprise

Smartest on Parade – B An Aristocrat
Runner Up – Satinka Park Ashtaar

Smartest On Parade Gelding (8)

1st B An Aristocrat
 2nd Satinka Park Ashtaar
 3rd Lights Of Wembley
 =4th Domino/Devils Choice

Junior Rider 17yrs & under (2)

1st Caitlin Stevenson
 2nd Letitia Barron

Champion Rider – Julie Howe
Reserve Champion – Caitlin Stevenson

Senior Rider 18yrs & over (4)

1st Julie Howe
 2nd Amanda Nathaniel
 3rd Alex Markowski
 4th Catherine Macey

Ridden Partbred Male (2)

1st B An Aristocrat
 2nd Devils Choice
Champion P/Bred Ridden – B An Aristocrat
Reserve Champion – Pleasant Surprise

Ridden Partbred Mare (1)

1st Pleasant Surprise

Ridden Mare 15.1hh & under (1)

1st Dynamite Trunkey
Champion Ridden Mare – Adina Park Phedora
Reserve Champion – (not awarded)

Ridden Mare over 15.1hh (1)

1st Adina Park Phedora

Show Hack 15.1hh & under (4)

1st Royal Pride
 2nd SP Ashtaar
 3rd Jasper County
 4th Domino
Champ Show Hack – AP Phedora
Res. Show Hack – Devils Choice

Show Hack over 15.1hh (2)

1st Adina Park Phedora
 2nd Devils Choice

Show Hunter up to 15.1hh (2)

1st Pleasant Surprise
 2nd Beefiftytoo

Ch. Hunter – Lights Of Wembley
Res Show Hunter – B An Aristocrat

Show Hunter over 15.1hh (3)

1st Lights Of Wembley
 2nd B An Aristocrat
 3rd Fully Bombed

Ridden Gelding up to 15.1hh (5)

1st Royal Pride
 2nd Beefiftytoo
 =3rd Jasper County & Domino
 4th Satinka Park Ashtaar
Champion Gelding – Royal Pride
Reserve – Lights Of Wembley

Ridden Gelding over 15.1hh (2)

1st Lights Of Wembley
 2nd Fully Bombed

SUPREME CHAMPION RIDDEN - ADINA PARK PHEDORA

Runner Up – Royal Pride

ULTIMATE WINNER – ADINA PARK PHEDORA (167pts)

R/Up – Lights Of Wembley (160pts)

Finalist – Satinka Park Ashtaar (159pts)

2009 HORSE OF THE YEAR – PHOTO GALLERY



**Champion Led Partbred Male & SUPREME PARTBRED:
B AN ARISTOCRAT (Julie Howe)**



**Reserve Champion Partbred Mare:
PLEASANT SURPRISE (Heidi Kemp)**



**Champion Ridden Partbred:
B AN ARISTOCRAT (Julie Howe)**



**Reserve Champion Ridden Partbred:
PLEASANT SURPRISE (Alex Markowski / Heidi Kemp)**



**Champion Led Senior Mare:
ANGOSTURA (Cindy Turnbull)**



**Champion Led Stallion & SUPREME LED:
ADMIRALS CHRISTMAS (Kristie Morrone)**



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



**Reserve Champion Led Senior Gelding:
KIMALEY BLAZING SUN**



**Champion Ridden Gelding:
ROYAL PRIDE**



**Reserve Champion Ridden Mare:
LIGHTS OF WEMBLEY (Catherine Macey)**



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



**SUPREME RIDDEN EXHIBIT:
ADINA PARK PHEDORA (Kristie Morrone)**