

The 17th state championships, leading with the 10th year anniversary since the inception of SPPHAWA was celebrated in fine style displaying again a fantastic number for horses competing over the two days at the pristine surroundings of the Wallangarra Pony club. The weather on the Saturday played a part in showcasing the gleaming coats of the exhibits on show whilst on the Sunday even though we didn't experience rain, the wind played havoc with some of the ridden horses.

Anette Vickery from New South Wales was invited to adjudicate for the weekend as the committee thought it appropriate to invite her back as part of the anniversary theme as she judged the championships in 2006. The decision to include a walk/trot invitation only ridden section on the Sunday also proved a winner that had 23 horses entered in total on the second day. Local identity Keith Lennon was the judge elected to officiate during the miscellaneous classes on Saturday and the walk/trot riding on Sunday.

Due to the wonderful effort from our committee and also the ongoing support of both old and new sponsors, each champion awarded was presented a rug and reserves in every class also honored with prizes. On top of this prize money was on offer to all participants placing 1st to 3rd in every class over the weekend. The SPPHAWA committee is extremely proud to announce that nearly on \$5000 made its way back to competitors over the competition. The competition was of a very high standard this year with great depth throughout the classes.

The show was opened with the Partbred classes and again unfortunately Adina Park Exquisite Elle was the sole entry. The judge commenting she was an outstanding individual that had a great future under saddle with her prettiness and appeal. Red Salute made a clean sweep of the race conditioned classes and even though raced the previous night was still in good state to take the champion honors over Master Flynn for reserve. The young Elsu gelding Valentino gave his handler a few hairy moments before regaining composure to be awarded Champion Junior Exhibit leaving Star of Destiny claiming Reserve champion. I am Zac always demands attention and even though the only stallion entered was a worthy recipient of his champion stallion award. The competition was about to step up with the volume of entries being in the senior mare and gelding classes. It was to be a repeat of last years result with the big moving mare AP Burlesque earning her second State Champion Mare title and Radial Pie securing Reserve champion for Fiona Attard.

The gelding classes were divided into three age groups with the same three winners from the previous year in Swagga (4-8yrs), Sexy beast (9-12yrs) and Scoot On By(13 years and over) being the winners of the respective classes. The former group 1 winner on the track Swagga again proved his aerial agility was a stunning as his four feet on the ground movement to claim his second Champion Gelding title. The Reserve gelding award was presented to the ever reliable Scoot On By and Ashlee Guagliardo. All five champion winners were presented for grand champion judging with the judge asking for an individual run into the ring by each exhibit followed by presentation on side profile. After a brief walk through the exhibits the aptly named Swagga was called forward to be sashed the Grand Champion Led Exhibit for 2017. The judge commenting that this horse displayed a wonderful balance body, good slope of shoulder, strong hindquarters and a charisma and exuberant character she thoroughly enjoyed judging.

The Champion Best Presented of the show followed with the immaculate Scoot On By and Ashlee Guagliardo winning Champion from AP Exquisite Elle and Kristie Morrone taking Reserve Champion with the judge commenting the standard of presentation throughout the classes was exceptional.

Local judge Keith Langon oversaw the proceedings during the lunch break beginning with OTT and WA Bred classes. The impressive stallion I Am Zac ticked all the boxes when successful in taking out Champion in both these sections with Scoot On By having to contend with Reserve on both occasions. The young gelding Vallentino was victorious in the Show Horse Champion class with I Am Zac taking Reserve and likewise Oakridge Benevolence was successful for Sam Cechner in the Show Hunter Championship and Jack awarded Reserve. The Handler classes followed with Champion Junior Handler going to Kaytlin Holland and young Lina Morrone was successful in being awarded Reserve. The Champion Senior handler went to Alex Markowski proving being away from the show ring for several years is no barrier when it comes to good handling skills, whilst Reserve Champion was awarded to Anna Brockless. After a somewhat lengthy lunch break waiting for the miscellaneous classes to finish, judge Annette Vickery took centre stage to judge the Harness classes. With only four horses competing all the classes leading up to the Champion worked on the ring with the Turnout being first up. The four horses looked superb that made for a difficult decision to what combination will be awarded top honours. The flashy Sexy Beast and Kristie Morrone were awarded the blue for this class and also successful in the over height class to qualify for the final. Likewise Scoot On By and Ash Guagliardo qualified by winning the under height class and as both these horses had a full ridden program the next day it was decided by both girls to not contest the other classes. This left both Master Flynn and Argent Treasure to contest the remaining classes that enabled both to qualify for the final workout. A free workout was offered to the four competitors with the judge asking for variance, balance and obedience to the driver. It would be the more experienced harness combination and the compliance of the lovely moving Scoot On By who was called forward for yet another major Harness award. Sexy Beast did his owner/driver Kristie Morrone proud in his first attempt at Harness in taking Reserve Champion.

Sunday's proceeding started with the SOP winners from the W/T Elementary, Intermediate and Open classes competing for Champion. Sexy Beast and Kristie Morrone were awarded 2017 SOP Champions followed very closely by

Caught On Camera and Elissa Kettlewell for Runner up. The rider classes were to be determined by ages with Hannah Griffiths winning her class and Kristy Padberg successful in the older class. Kristy Padberg was crowned Champion Rider keeping her impeccable State Champion Title record intact and Hannah Griffiths was successful in defeating the Reserve challenge from Trish Woolcock.

The Walk Trot Elementary ring and judge Keith Langon had ten competitors with Anna Brockless aboard Hydrotest winning the rider class and also successful in the over height class, medium/heavyweight class and show hunter class to qualify for the Champion work out. The experience of Rider Kristy Padberg piloting the least experienced horse in today's competition Sheeza Royal Star decided on after winning their first class they would not compete until the final as this mare is only a few months off the track and didn't want her getting tired or upset. Mr Aviator and Sharon Joyce looked stunning and worked well when winning the Senior Hack Class whilst the stallion I Am Zac topped the billings in the under height class, Lightweight and Show Hack class. With four horses qualifying for the championship it would be free workouts for all. Again the experience and wisdom of rider Kristy Padberg paid off hugely when she executed a very simple workout displaying obedience to rider, flexion and smooth transitions in a short but precise workout to take Sheeza Royal Star to Elementary Champion Hack. This is a wonderful effort considering this mare had only finished her racing career in November. Reserve Champion was awarded to Anna Brockless and Hydrotest who had worked very consistently all day. It was evident that some of the horses did become tired and rather unsettled towards the end of the competition.

The Intermediate classes had eight horses entered with only six competing on the day. AP Burlesque, Global Alliance and Rosemount Lustre were all prominent in winning various classes to qualify for the Championship work out. As with the harness the previous day the classes world be judged extensively on the circle with the Championship now being a free workout. The judge commenting that she wanted to see all gaits with variance shown. Global Alliance worked with his usual aplomb and displayed the traits of a perfect hunter type horse. The stunning Rosemount Lustre with a trot to die for improved with each class and gave a nice display of gaits in her final workout. AP Burlesque who had quite a few issues during the course of a competition with the wind and a ringside marquee executed a work out although not perfect, but with softness and true gaits that had her awarded Champion Intermediate Ridden Hack. Global Alliance was rewarded for his consistent performances throughout with Reserve Champion Intermediate Hack.

The Open classes had the five horses compete and with all horses winning classes (Sexy Beast-Junior Hack and Show Hack, Caught On Camera-Senior Hack, Overheight hack and Medium/Heavyweight, Prince Matao- Show Hunter, Radial Pie-Lightweight Hack and Scoot On By- Under Height class) making them all eligible for the final. This was now the highend and business part of the competition and all horses worked really well and this left the judge to study the horses in the lineup before her decision was made. It would be an overwhelmed Ashlee Guagliardo and Scoot On By who would be called forward for Champion Open Hack with judge describing this horse as just a really compliant and smooth going horse to watch go around. Sexy beast capped off one of his best performances when awarded Reserve Champion Open hack.

As in previous year when the Intermediate section was introduced at this event, the two winners of each section came together for a workout to determine the Grand Champion. Again a free workout was called for with Scoot On By going about his business in his usual non fuss manner for his rider. The inexperienced mare showed composure, softness and compliance to her rider demonstrating good variance in her gaits and executed a lovely extended trot to finish her work out. It would be the Intermediate graded horse AP Burlesque that would be called forward for the Grand Champion Ridden Exhibit. The judge commenting that the open horse was very compliant but the mare was a lovely gliding mover with a very nice degree of softness and very true gaited canter that was the deciding factor in today's decision. This is a huge success story for this mare and her rider Kristie Morrone in her first season under saddle in the canter ring since coming off the track from a brief racing career.

RESULTS

Best Presented Exhibit (1) 1st: AP Exquisite Elle (K Morrone)

Junior Partbred 3yrs & Under (1) 1st: AP Exquisite Elle Champion Partbred: Ap Exquisite Elle

Best Presented Junior Exhibit (2) 1st: Vallentino (A Markowski) 2nd: Star Of Destiny (R Lees)

Junior Gelding 3yrs & Under (1) 1st: Vallentino Champion Junior: Vallentino Reserve Champion Junior: Star Of Destiny

Best Presented Race Conditioned (2) 1st: Red Salute (J Hayman) 2nd: Master Flynn (A Ward)

Race Conditioned Male Any Age (2)Race1st:Red SaluteNo I2nd:Master FlynnChampion Race Conditioned: Red SaluteReserve Champion Race Conditioned: Master Flynn

Senior Partbred 4yrs & Over No Entries

PUREBRED CLASSES

Junior Filly 3yrs & Under (1) 1st: Star Of Destiny Junior Colt 3yrs & Under No Entries

Race Conditioned Mare Any Age No Entries

Best Presented Senior Stallion (1)

1st: I Am Zac (C Ramsey)

<u>Stallion 4yrs & Over (1)</u> 1st: I Am Zac

Champion Stallion: I Am Zac

Best Presented Senior Mare (11)

1st: AP Burlesque (K Morrone)2nd: Radial Pie (F Attard)3rd: Sheza Royal Star (A Guagliardo)4th: Angostura (D Turnbull)

<u>Mare 4 - 10yrs (4)</u>

1st: AP Burlesque
2nd: Sheza Royal Star
3rd: Reneesnotafella
4th: Indiana Go
Champion Mare: AP Burlesque
Reserve Champion Mare: Radial Pie

Best Presented Senior Gelding (14)

1st: Scoot On By (A Guagliardo) 2nd: Swagga (K Morrone) 3rd: Sexy Beast (L Morrone) 4th: Vettori (S Ambrose)

Gelding 4 - 8yrs (7)

1st:Swagga 2nd:Vettori 3rd:Hydrotest 4th:Oakrdidge Benevolence Champion Gelding: Swagga Reserve Champion Gelding: Scoot On By

Mare 11yrs & Over (7)

1st: Radial Pie 2nd: Angostura 3rd: Rosemount Lustre 4th: Daddys Paycheque

<u>Gelding 9 - 12yrs (9)</u> 1st:Sexy Beast 2nd:Jet Twentythree 3rd:Trunkey Daydream 4th:Prince Matao

Gelding 13yrs & Over (4)

1st:Scoot On By 2nd:All Style 3rd:Global Alliance 4th:Armbro Brave

GRAND CHAMPION LED: SWAGGA

CHAMPION BEST PRESENTED EXHIBIT: SCOOT ON BY RESERVE CHAMPION BEST PRESENTED EXHIBIT: AP EXQUISITE ELLE

Miscellaneous classes - Judge: Keith Langan (WA)

OTT Male up to 8yrs (8) 1st:I Am Zac 2nd:Swagga 3rd:Red Salute 4th:Vettori Champion OTT: I Am Zac

Reserve Champion OTT: Scoot On By

<u>WA Bred up to 6yrs (13)</u> 1st:I Am Zac 2nd:Swagga 3rd:Jet Twentythree 4th:Ziraz *Champion WA Bred: I Am Zac Reserve Champion WA Bred: Scoot On By*

Show Horse 15.11hh & Under (11)

1st:I Am Zac 2nd:Radial Pie 3rd:Jet Twentythree 4th:Rosemount Lustre *Champion Show Horse: Vallentino Reserve Champion: I Am Zac*

Show Hunter 15.11hh & Under (4)

1st:Oakridge Benevolence 2nd:Jack 3rd:All Style 4th:Armbro Brave **Champion Show Hunter: Oakridge Benevolence**

OTT Male 9yrs & Over (9) 1st:Scoot On By 2nd:Sexy Beast 3rd:All Style 4th:Global Alliance

OTT Mare Any Age (12)

1st:Radial Pie 2nd:Sheza Royal Star 3rd:AP Burlesque 4th:Rosemount Lustre

WA Bred 11yrs 7 Over (13)

1st:Scoot On By 2nd:Radial Pie 3rd:Rosemount Lustre 4th:All Style

Show Horse Over 15.11hh (5) 1st:Vallentino

2nd:Sexy Beast 3rd:Reneesnotafella 4th:Causin Terror

Show Horse Over 15.11hh (3)

1st:Vettori 2nd:Hydrotest 3rd:That Wild Thang **Reserve Champion Show Hunter: Jack**

Junior Handler: 12yrs & Under (2)

1st:Lina Morrone 2nd:Taj Morrone

Champion Junior Handler: Kaytlin Hollands Reserve Junior Handler: Lina Morrone

Senior Handler: 18 - 25yrs (7)

1st:Anna Brockless 2nd:Amie Stanhope **3rd:Renee Kestel** 4th:Sam Cechner Champion Senior Handler: Alex Markowski **Reserve Senior Handler: Anna Brockless**

Harness Turnout (4)

1st:Sexy Beast (K Morrone) 2nd:Scoot On By (A Guagliardo) 3rd:Master Flynn (A Ward) 4th:Argent Treasure (J Hayman)

Harness Horse 15.1hh & Under (1)

1st:Scoot On By

Harness Horse Over 15.1hh (3) 1st:Sexy Beast 2nd:Master Flynn **3rd:Argent Treasure**

Lightweight Harness Horse (2)

1st:Argent Treasure 2nd:Master Flynn

Race Conditioned Harness Horse (1) 1st:Master Flynn

Senior Driver 1st:Alison Ward 2nd:Jemma Hayman

Champion Harness Horse: Scoot On By **Reserve Champion Harness Horse: Sexy Beast**

RIDDEN CLASSES

Smartest On Parade: Elementary (7)

1st:Sheza Royal Star (K Padberg) 2nd:Mr Aviator (S Joyce) Kettlewell) 3rd:I Am Zac (C Ramsey) 4th:Vettori (Z Badger)

1st:AP Burlesque (K Morrone)

3rd:Wemen Earl (A Lantzke) 4th:Jack (E Grayshon)

Smartest On Parade: Sexy Beast (K Morrone) Runner Up: Caught On Camera (E Kettlewell)

Junior Rider 17yrs & Under **No Entries**

Senior Rider 18 - 25yrs (2) **1st:Hannah Griffiths** 2nd:Elissa Kettlewell

Champion Rider: Kristy Padberg Reserve Rider: Hannah Griffiths

INTERMEDIATE & OPEN HACK CLASSES

Intermediate Junior Hack (1) 1st:AP Burlesque

Intermediate Senior Hack (5) 1st:Global Alliance

2nd:Angostura

3rd:Rosemount Lustre

Open Junior Hack (2) 1st:Sexy Beast 2nd:Radial Pie

Junior Handler: 13 - 17yrs (3) 1st:Kaytlin Hollands 2nd:Sophie Graco 3rd:Olivia Clark

Senior Handler: 26yrs & Over (8) 1st:Alex Markowski 2nd:Naomi Mead 3rd:Zita Badger

HARNESS CLASSES

Medium\Heavyweight Harness **No Entries**

Smartest On Parade: Open (4) 1st:Sexy Beast (K Morrone) 2nd:Caught On Camera (E

3rd:Scoot On By (A Guagliardo) 4th:Prince Matao (H Griffiths)

Senior Rider 26yrs & Over (5)

1st:Kristy Padberg 2nd:Trish Woolcock **3rd:Fiona Attard** 4th:Naomi Mead

Smartest On Parade: Intermediate (4)

2nd:Rosemount Lustre (N Mead)

Open Senior Hack (2) (3) 1st:Caught On Camera 2nd:Prince Matao

Open Hack 15.1hh & Under (2) 1st:Scoot On By 2nd:Radial Pie

Intermediate Medium/Heavy (1) 1st:Global Alliance

Intermediate Show Horse (3) 1st:AP Burlesque 2nd:Rosemount Lustre 3rd:Angostura

Open Show Horse (3) 1st:Sexy Beast 2nd:Caught On Camera 3rd:Radial Pie

Intermediate Hack 15.1hh & Under (3)

1st:Global Alliance 2nd:Rosemount Lustre 3rd:Jack

Open Hack Over 15.1hh (2) 1st:Caught On Camera 2nd:Prince Matao

Open Lightweight Hack (1) 1st:Radial Pie

Intermediate Show Hunter (2) 1st:Global Alliance 2nd:Wemen Earl

Open Show Hunter (1) 1st:Prince Matao

Champion Intermediate Hack: Ap Burlesque Reserve Champion Intermediate: Global Alliance

> Champion Open Hack: Scoot On By Reserve Champion Open: Sexy Beast

GRAND CHAMPION RIDDEN: AP BURLESQUE

ELEMENTARY HACK CLASSES

OTT Qualifier (5)

1st: Caught On Camera 2nd: Prince Matao 3rd: Global Alliance 4th: Wemen Earl

Senior Rider 26yrs & Over (5)

1st: Anna Brockless 2nd: Corrie Ramsey 3rd: Phoebe Bernacki-Long 4th: Blissy Watters-Lydiard

Junior Hack (6)

1st: Sheza Royal Star 2nd: I Am Zac 3rd: Hydrotest 4th: Phoenix

Hack 15.1hh & Under (4) 1st:I Am Zac 2nd:Trunkey Daydream 3rd:Phoenix 4th:Oakrdige Benevolence

Show Horse (3)

1st:l Am Zac 2nd:Trunkey Daydream 3rd:Phoenix

Champion Elementary Hack: Sheza Royal Star Reserve Champion Elementary: Hydrotest

Senior Hack (4)

1st: Mr Aviator 2nd: Trunkey Daydream 3rd: That Wild Thang 4th: McGintysgoat

Hack Over 15.1hh (6)

1st:Hydrotest 2nd:Mr Aviator 3rd:McGintysgoat 4th:That Wild Thang/Vettori

Show Hunter (6)

1st:Hydrotest 2nd:Mr Aviator 3rd:McGintysgoat 4th:Oakridge Benevolence

Intermediate Hack Over 15.1hh

1st:AP Burlesque 2nd:Angostura 3rd:Wemen Earl

Intermediate Lightweight Hack (1) 1st:Rosemount Lustre

Open Medium/Heavy Hack (2) 1st:Caught On Camera 2nd:Prince Matao

Lightweight Hack (3) 1st: I Am Zac

2nd: Trunkey Daydream 3rd: Phoenix

Medium/Heavy (6)

1st:Hydrotest 2nd:Oakridge Benevolence 3rd:McGintysgoat 4th:Mr Aviator

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Reserve Champion Best Presented & SUPREME PARTBRED: AP EXQUISITE ELLE (Kristie Morrone)



VALLENTINO (Alex Markowski)



Champion Led Race Conditioned: RED SALUTE (Jemma Hayman)



Reserve Champion Led Race Conditioned: MASTER FLYNN (Alison Ward)



AP BURLESQUE (Kristie Morrone)



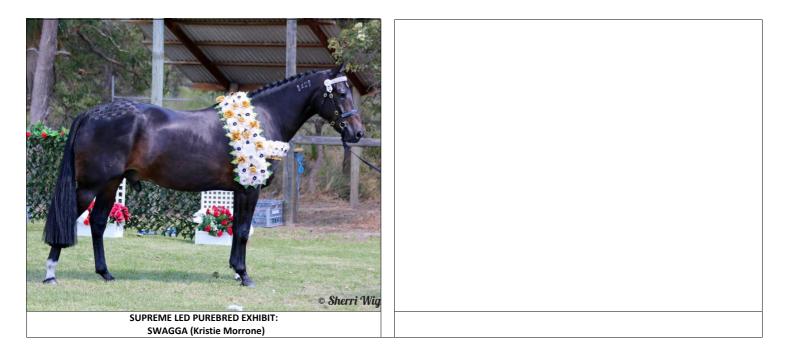
Reserve Champion Led Senior Mare: RADIAL PIE (Fiona Attard)



Champion Led Senior Gelding: SWAGGA (Kristie Morrone)



Champion Best Presented & Reserve Champion Led Senior Gelding: SCOOT ON BY (Ashlee Guagliardo)







Champion Walk\Trot Hack: SHEZA ROYAL STAR (Kristy Padberg\Ashlee Guagliardo)



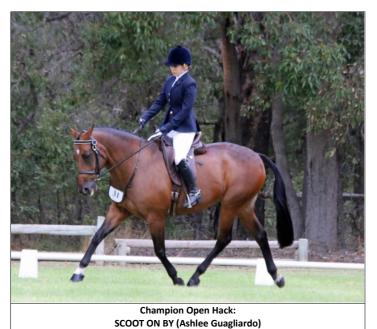
Reserve Champion Walk\Trot Hack: HYDROTEST (Anna Brockless)



Champion Intermediate Hack: AP BURLESQUE (Kristie Morrone)



Reserve Champion Intermediate Hack: GLOBAL ALLIANCE (Trish Woolcock)





Reserve Champion Open Hack: SEXY BEAST (Kristie Morrone)

