



# Good Hands Challenge Trophy

*Open to girls and boys aged 10 years and under 15 years on the day of the Local Show*

## Rules & Regulations – Local Show

1. The VAS Good Hands Challenge Trophy is open to boys and girls aged 10 years and under 15 years on the day of the Local Show.
2. All VAS Affiliated Shows are invited to hold the qualifying competitions. Show societies are encouraged to run one class at the Local Show which includes girls and boys.
3. The competitors shall be judged solely on their riding ability - mount, saddlery or costume will not be taken into account.
4. Special attention will be paid to hands and seat, general management and control of the horse or pony.
5. Competitors must ride using an ordinary snaffle, single jointed in the centre. The mouthpiece must be smooth and made of the same type of metal, with or without a cavesson on the noseband.
6. A gear check may take place.
7. **Please note straight bar snaffle, drop nosebands, whips and spurs are not allowed.**

## Rules & Regulations – State Final

1. The VAS Good Hands Challenge Trophy is conducted at the VAS Saddle Horse Championships as one class for girls and boys.
2. No entry fee will be charged but the entrant must fill out VAS Saddle Horse Championships entry form.
3. The VAS 'Good Hands Challenge Trophy' Competition shall be judged on the same basis as the qualifying competitions, but the Judge shall require: Five Finalists to execute a figure 8 at a canter, ride away from the Judge, return at a slow canter, stop at the Judge's signal and back.
4. Equipment used must be as for the Qualifying Competition as specified above.
5. The names of the winner will be engraved on the perpetual trophy.
6. The winners of the 'Good Hands Challenge Trophy' will be eligible to compete in future years, subject to the age of the competitor.
7. VAS Ltd may, at its discretion, vary the conditions governing the qualifying and Championship Competitions.

### State Final Prizes

**Winner:** Receives VAS Ltd State Final Trophy

**Top 5:** Sashes and Prize Pack



# Off The Track Ridden Series



**Racing  
Victoria**

Show Level & State Final will now be split into Open & Show Hunter Qualifiers.

*Racing Victoria's Off The Track  
Ridden Open Series*

Show Level

Sash & \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified. (Prize pack collected at State Final).

*Racing Victoria's Off The Track  
Ridden Show Hunter Series*

Show Level

Sash & \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified. (Prize pack collected at State Final).

## Series Qualifier Regulations

1. **Open to any thoroughbred horse bred to race that has been stud book registered, either domestically with the Australian Stud Book or Internationally.** Registrations will be checked by VAS office.
2. Racing name to be used where appropriate. When entering if name is different to racing name, please provide the following details (if known)
  - Racing name
  - Microchip number
  - Aust ID
  - Dam and Sire
  - Date horse retired
3. Riders to be 12 years and over on day of qualifying Show.
4. Colts/Stallions are not permitted to contest a series qualifier.
5. Qualifying Shows must be VAS Ltd Affiliated.
6. Qualifying classes will be judged ridden.
7. Once a horse has won a ridden qualifier, the horse cannot compete at another ridden show qualifier in that calendar year.
8. All qualifying winners gain automatic entry into the Racing Victoria's Off The Track Ridden Open or Show Hunter Series State Final to be held at the VAS Ltd Saddle Horse Championships.
9. To be judged as a good example of an Off the Track Thoroughbred, (rather than riding horse/hunter types), with the following being taken into consideration:
  - Thoroughbred qualities
  - Conformation
  - Manners, paces and performance
  - Injuries caused through racing such as blemishes are allowed
10. Judge's decision is Final in Qualifiers and State Final.
11. Show Qualifier Prizes: Sash, \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified by Racing Victoria (Prize pack collected at State Final).



# Off The Track Led Series



**Racing  
Victoria**

Show Level & State Final will now be split into Open & Show Hunter Qualifiers.

## *Racing Victoria's Off The Track Led Open Series*

### Show Level

Sash & \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified. (Prize pack collected at State Final).

## *Racing Victoria's Off The Track Led Show Hunter Series*

### Show Level

Sash & \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified. (Prize pack collected at State Final).

## Series Qualifier Regulations

1. **Open to any thoroughbred horse bred to race that has been stud book registered, either domestically with the Australian Stud Book or Internationally.** Registrations will be checked by VAS office.
2. Racing name to be used where appropriate. When entering if name is different to racing name, please provide the following details (if known)
  - Racing name
  - Microchip number
  - Aust ID
  - Dam and Sire
  - Date horse retired
3. Colts/Stallions are not permitted to contest a series qualifier.
4. Qualifying Shows must be VAS Ltd affiliated.
5. Qualifying classes will be judged led.
6. Once a horse has won a ridden qualifier, the horse cannot compete at another ridden show qualifier in that calendar year.
7. All qualifying winners gain automatic entry into the Racing Victoria's Off The Track Led Open or Show Hunter Series State Final to be held at the VAS Ltd Saddle Horse Championships.
8. To be judged as a good example of an Off the Track Thoroughbred, (rather than riding horse/hunter types), with the following being taken into consideration:
  - Thoroughbred qualities
  - Conformation
  - Manners, paces and performance
  - Injuries caused through racing such as blemishes are allowed
9. Judge's decision is Final in Qualifiers and State Final.
10. Qualifier Prizes: Sash, \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified by Racing Victoria (Prize pack collected at State Final).



# Alabar HERO Series



## Series Qualifier Regulations

1. **Open to all purebred freeze branded or microchipped Standardbreds registered with Harness Racing Australia. Raced or unraced. Registrations will be verified.**
2. Registered/Racing name to be used where available. Freeze brand number or microchip number must be provided.
3. Horse does not need to be registered with any other Association or Breed Society other than Harness Racing Australia to be eligible to compete.
4. Riders to be aged 12 years and over on the day of the Qualifying Show.
5. Colts/Stallions are not permitted to contest a series qualifier.
6. Qualifying Shows must be VAS Ltd affiliated.
7. Qualifying classes will be judged ridden.
8. Once a horse has won a qualifier, the horse cannot compete at another Show qualifier in that calendar year.
9. All qualifying winners gain automatic entry into the Alabar HERO Series Final to be held at the VAS Ltd Saddle Horse Championships.
10. To be judged as a good example of a Standardbred rather than a riding horse/hunter type with the following being taken into consideration:
  - Standardbred qualities
  - Conformation
  - Manners, paces and performance
  - Racing related injuries and/or blemishes are permitted
11. The Judge's Decision is Final in the Qualifiers and State Final.
12. Qualifier Prizes: Sash, \$50.00 Prizemoney sent out once qualification has been verified and HERO Gift Pack (Prize Pack collected at State Final).