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PRESIDENTS REPORT

Greetings Members,

I hope this newsletter finds you all well & enjoying your barrel racing. Lots of ABHA events are happening around the country, & many more are planned for the near future, so good luck to all who are competing at them.

You will read about some of our generous sponsors in this newsletter who have already come on board for the 2016 finals, please take the time to thank them if you can & start saving for the auction of the very kindly donated lovely young horses next September.

Thank you to the board members who are caring for & training these horses for the ABHA.

Don't forget that 2016 memberships are due in January & you must compete in a minimum 5 relevant events at separate affiliated days to qualify for the finals in both the open & junior divisional barrel races. Classic horses must compete in a minimum 3 events at different affiliated days, with at least one of these being a classic event. Qualification started July 1st 2015 & finishes June 30th 2016



On behalf of myself & the Board of the ABHA, I would like to wish all our members a very safe & enjoyable Xmas, & all the best for the New Year.

Cheers,
Adele.

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2016 NATIONAL FINALS

The 2016 National Finals will once again be held at AELEC, Tamworth. 6th-11th September 2016

Qualifying criteria:

CLASSIC: The Classic horse must be 4, 5 or 6 years old. The HORSE is the qualifier and must compete in 3 (three) ABHA Affiliated Events at 3(three) separate ABHA Affiliated days, mini-

mum of 1(one) qualifying event must be an ABHA Affiliated Classic during the qualifying period of 1st July 2015 – 30th June 2016. Qualifying combinations can be: 3 ABHA Affiliated Classic Events 2 ABHA Affiliated Classic Events & 1 Divisional Barrel Race or 1 ABHA Affiliated Classic Event & 2 Divisional Barrel Races. Horse is permitted to turn 7

on 1st August 2016 and compete in the Classic event at the finals if the horse qualified during the said qualifying period. The Horse may be ridden by any rider, but said rider must be a current financial member of the ABHA.

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UPCOMING CLASSIC EVENTS

- * Flying H Invitational
- * Jan 2016 date TBA
- * 'Lisa Coates' Memorial Classic—Tarcutta
- * 5th March 2016

2016 NATIONAL FINALS CONTINUED....

DIVISIONAL: To qualify for the divisional event at the National Finals, it is the RIDER who qualifies and rider must have ridden in 1(one) ABHA affiliated event at 5 (five) separate ABHA affiliated days (excluding exhibition runs). Juniors may compete in Divisional Barrel Race



2015 Division 1 Winner
Jo Caldwell

provided they have ridden in 1(one) non-junior event at 5 (five) separate ABHA affiliated days during the qualifying period of 1st July 2015 – 31th June 2016. Once rider is qualified, they may enter any amount of horses in the 4D as they wish.

JUNIORS: To qualify for the junior divi-

sional event at the National Finals, it is the RIDER who qualifies and rider must have ridden in 1(one) junior event at 5 (five) separate ABHA affiliated days (excluding exhibition runs) during the qualifying period of 1st July 2015 – 31th June 2016. Once qualified, juniors may enter any amount of horses in the junior as they wish. Juniors who have turned 18 can ride in the finals in the junior event if their 5 (five) qualifying events were done before they turned 18.

2016 National Finals Auction Horses.

The ABHA Board of Directors would like to announce due to the kind generosity of Barry and Merle Elliott and Bek Knudsen, we will once again be able to offer at the 2016 National Finals, two horses for auction. All proceeds of the sale of these horses will go directly to the costs of running the national finals.

We would like to take this opportunity

to thank the Elliotts and Bek Knudsen for their ongoing support of the ABHA and barrel racing.



Roc N My Fame (pending)

D O B : 7 / 9 / 1 4

A yearling by Seductive Fame out of Windulka Roc Xy. Roc N My Fame has breeding that speaks for itself. Dash Ta Fame n Traditional Roc b l o o d l i n e s .

Roc N My Fame will be offered unbroken at the time of sale.

ABHA Rule Highlights

25. Dress rules – Members competing at ABHA affiliated events must wear suitable long sleeved shirt, hat/helmet, boots and jeans in the arena at all times. They must be neat and presentable.

26. Safety helmets – Junior or juvenile competitors under 18 years of age, must wear an Australian Standards Association approved helmet with the chin strap securely

fastened when competing in all events.

27. All stallions must be double tied by neck strap and halter on all grounds. Stallions will be allowed to be unrestrained in panel yards through daylight hours **ONLY**. Stallions must be double tied at night. Panels must be a minimum of 1500mm in height with a minimum of 4 bars. Panels must be construct-

ed of a minimum of 25mm box, or pipe equivalent. Panels must be anchored securely to a solid object ie: truck, post, tree.

28. Junior members are permitted to ride stallions in single horse events only and when not competing, the stallion to be under adult supervision at all times.

2016 ABHA MEMBERSHIP DUE 1st January 2016 & GST

The ABHA will be registered for GST from 1st January 2016.

2016 ABHA Memberships Fees:

Seniors: \$ 45 gst inclusive

Juniors: \$ 17 gst inclusive

Run insurance \$2 per run

The ABHA Board of Directors would also like to announce the introduction of a day membership.

Day Membership \$11 gst inclusive

Day memberships will be limited to 3 affiliated days per calendar year.

Full ABHA membership fee will be required to be paid regardless of the number of day memberships paid should the member wish to take out a full ABHA membership. Day membership will not entitle the member to a qualifying event for the National Finals and will not qualify rider for club end of year awards for events competed at under a day membership.

2016 ABHA Membership form is attached or can be renewed online at

www.abha.com.au



ABHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES A VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS & HAPPY NEW YEAR

2015-16 ABHA BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The ABHA Board of Directors would like to thank retiring Director, Shona Tribe, for her many years of service on the Board. Shona has been involved in the ABHA since its inception in 1996.

Shona will still be actively barrel racing for many years to come.

Please welcome incoming Directors, Susan Keenan and Pat Collins and re-elected President Adele Edwards and board Directors Michelle O'Neill and Suzanne Dicks.

President: Adele Edwards

Vice President: Maree Oddy

Directors:

Sheree Bright

Pat Collins

Suzanne Dicks

Susan Keenan

Michelle O'Neill

Michelle Peters

Jane Stagg

Secretary: Jayne Lilley

The Board of Directors would like to congratulate all the ABHA members representing ABHA overseas. You have done us proud!

EQUITANA 2016 MELBOURNE

ABHA are excited to announce that we will be returning to Equitana Melbourne in 2016! The dates of Equitana will be the 17th to the 20th of November and we will again be taking 25 of our best riders to wow the crowds.

As in previous years, there will be qualifying events held all over the country. These will be announced in early 2016.



2016 NATIONAL FINALS

6TH -11TH SEPTEMBER 2016

AELEC—TAMWORTH NSW

Bump-in will be strictly from Tuesday 6th September, no exceptions.

2015 NATIONAL FINALS WINNERS

2015 PATSIE HOLDER MEMORIAL

CLASSIC RESULTS

Kate Benedict	Special Savannah
Wendy Caban	Bubby
Adele Edwards	Roc N Shakira
Tamlin Osborne	Elvis
Sharni Webb	Bluestone Berry
	Special
Cherie O'Donoghue	Roc N Sting

DIVISION 1 WINNERS

Jo Caldwell	Country Roc
Calla Matthews	Pekabo Perks Imp
Katina Matthews	Whispering Morn
Norm Stag	Nicks Mazerati
Emma Peters	Roc N Rolly
Sharna Little	Money
Catrina Hutton	Vegas
Paul Ralston	Vicki

DIVISION 2 WINNERS

Paula Mills	Epona
Cherie O'Donoghue	Roc N Sting
Jo Clarke	Warumbul Buffalo Bill
Jillian Burch	CK Jazzote
Mackenzie Raaen	Holly
Shona Tribe	Tiny

DIVISION 3 WINNERS

Rena Henderson	Fancy
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Tayla Berriman	Icon
Mackenzie Raaen	Cisco
Jacki Learmonth	Stryder
Danielle Foster	Casual
Sherry Farnham	Trigger
Lauren Smith	Fancy a
	Cowboy

DIVISION 4 WINNERS

Liza Longney	Locksley Lochinvar
Jane Stag	Miss Chiquita Morn
Suzanne Dicks	Oscar
Tania Shiller	Tyrone Spicey Acres
Leonie Martin	Hope
Jackie Wenzel	Kundra Manly Pride
Vicki Schiller	Tyrone Charlie Bob

JUNIOR DIVISION 1 WINNERS

Mackenzie Raaen	Holly
Renee Quinn	Amber
Ellie Granger	Lazy D MA
	Gold Cote
Dusty McPhee	Lindsay
Bianca Canham	Vegas
Kylie Coates	Keajura Spirit

JUNIOR DIVISION 2 WINNERS

Dusty Parkes	Meg
Sophie Crawley	Zena
Rebecca Roberts	Cruz
Tanisha Towner	Just Jazz
Dusty McPhee	Hustler
Thomas Hutton	JD

JUNIOR DIVISION 3 WINNERS

Matt Canham	One Buckalena
Oliva Priestly-Halliday	Satan
Dusty McPhee	Chester
Casey McCarthy	Misty
Briana Deaves	Diamond

ABHA NATIONAL FINALS SPONSORS



Barry & Merrie Elliott

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