

Straight from the Horses Mouth

COMMONWEALTH CLYDESDALE HORSE SOCIETY
VICTORIAN BRANCH INC

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Editors Report

Well its hard to believe we are now into February with the year flying by fast as usual. January flew by with some hot dry days and for some the experience of a fire or two nearby just to keep us all on edge. Our thoughts and prayers go out to all our members and friends who have been affected by the fires and now also to our fellow members and friends in Queensland and NSW who are once again feeling the effects of flood waters.

Congratulations to Shirley & Noel Kerlin's 2 year old Filly, Ben-Koi Philadelphia who won Supreme Champion Clydesdale at the 2013 Royal Melbourne Horse Show. Congratulations and well done to all other exhibitors at the show.

Although numbers were down I would like to commend those who took the time and effort to participate in the show and represent the Clydesdale in such a professional way. I received two kinds of comments regarding the show which I feel compelled to comment on. Although these are not the exact words this is the gist of the comments. The first comment was from a fellow exhibitor who said, "Even if there is no other exhibitor in your class you still should feel proud of your win as you made the effort to participate where others did not." The next comments were made by a few members who were not exhibitors. " It is a waste of time attending this show, we now just attend the Heavy Horse Festival." " A few that win a Royal Broad Ribbon at this show are not always the best exhibit of the breed. Should just do away with it as not enough participation and just have RMS and NHHF."

When I pondered upon these comments which all seemed to have some merit, I stopped to visualize what would be the eventual outcome of allowing the classes to go bye bye. The effects I believe could be very devastating to the Clydesdale breed. Each show we loose is less publicity for the breed, less publicity creates less interest, less interest leads to less members and less members leads to a folded up association which leads to near extinction of the Clydesdale in Australia. A bit drastic a visualisation you say... Maybe ...maybe notBut can we afford to let anymore of our shows disappear or should we have the attitude of the exhibitor and get out there and show and be proud of the clydesdales we have.

regards

Junita Wiltshire

Royal Melbourne Horse Show 2013



Champion Stallion or Colt
Kardinia Moonlight Legend



Reserve Champion Stallion or Colt
Benwerrin Churchill



Champion Mare or Filly
Ben-Koi Philadelphia



Reserve Champion Mare or Filly
Valmont Liberty



Champion Gelding
Taloumbi Lodge Monarch



Supreme Champion Clydesdale
Ben-Koi Philadelphia

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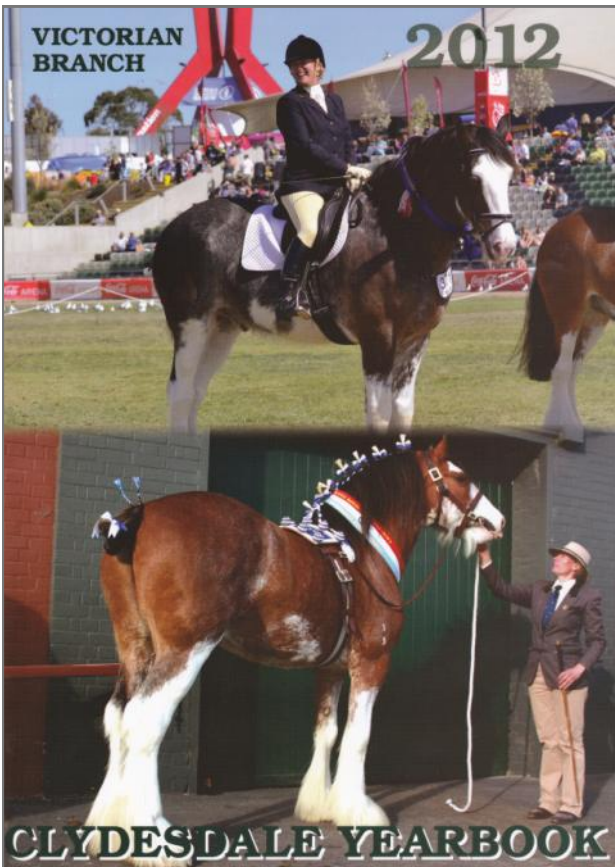
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Dookie College in the 1950's

Ross Hillis has kindly sent some old pics from the 1950's at Dookie College and a couple from RMS. You can check them out on the Vic Branch website's 'Memory Lane' page. Here is a sample to wet your appetite. Thank you Ross for this fantastic look into the past at Dookie. If anybody has anything they would like to share from the past please email it to me so it can be included on the website or newsletters:

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2012 Clydesdale Yearbook

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Royal Melbourne Horse Show 2013

Results

Best Presented Clydesdale (Led) (Special)

- 1st. Aarunga Glamour - Mrs B Ford
- 2nd. Valmont Liberty - Kardinia Clydesdale Stud
- 3rd. Benwerrin Churchill - W & B Jackson
- 4th. Kardinia Moonlight Legend - Kardinia Clydesdale Stud
- 5th. Valmont Odyssey - R & M Hyder
- 6th. Valmont Symphony - R & M Hyder (owned by Cox Family)

Clydesdale Colt, 2 and 3 years.

- 1st. Benwerrin Churchill - W & B Jackson
- 2nd. Valmont Oddysey - R & M Hyder

Clydesdale Colt, 1 year

- 1st. Kardinia Moonlight Legend - Kardinia Clydesdale Stud

Clydesdale Mare (Dry or Broodmare), 4 years and over.

- 1st. Valmont Symphony - R & M Hyder (owned by Cox Family)

Clydesdale Filly, 3 years.

- 1st. Valmont Liberty - Kardinia Clydesdale Stud
- 2nd. Aarunga Glamour - Mrs B Ford
- 3rd. Taloumbi Lodge Highland Lass - Mrs T Ronzio

Clydesdale Filly, 2 years

- 1st. Ben-Koi Philadelphia - B.M&S Filbay & N. Kerlin

Clydesdale Filly, 1 year.

- 1st. Taloumbi Lodge Flash Grace - Mr A Ronzio
- 2nd. Moonrise Shadow - R & M Hyder

Clydesdale Gelding, 3 to 6 years.

- 1st. Taloumbi Lodge Monarch - Mrs T Ronzio

Clydesdale Driven in Reins

- 1st. Taloumbi Lodge Monarch - Mrs T Ronzio

CHAMPION LED STALLION OR COLT - Kardinia Moonlight Legend

RESERVE CHAMPION LED STALLION OR COLT - Benwerrin Churchill

CHAMPION LED CLYDESDALE MARE OR FILLY - Ben-Koi Philadelphia

RESERVE CHAMPION LED CLYDESDALE MARE OR FILLY - Valmont Liberty

SUPREME CHAMPION LED CLYDESDALE - Ben-Koi Philadelphia

Coming Events.....

This is a guide only, please check with the relevant Society for more details.

2013

February

23-24th NHHF

23rd Rochester Show

25th Foster Show

March

21st Royal Sydney
Easter Show

23rd Tatura Show

April

6th Red Hill Show

28th Castlemaine Foal
& Mare Show

May

26th Dandenong
Scottish Heritage
Day

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NATIONAL CLYDESDALE & HEAVY HORSE FESTIVAL

23RD & 24TH FEBRUARY 2013

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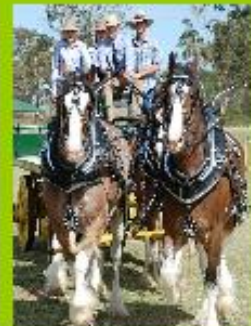
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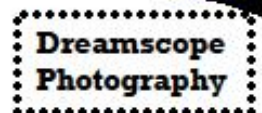
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