

AUSTRALIAN CART CLASSIC SERIES

ENTRANTS/MEMBERS

Entry Fee \$250.00 per horse for the year. This membership fee will be combined for the total prize pool for the ACC final, less 15% for admin costs.

To conduct an Australian East Coast competition (competitors from NSW, VIC, QLD) series to encourage horses to be driven in two-wheeled show vehicle.

Competitors to attend nominated AG Show's or Heavy horse Events from NSW, VIC, QLD throughout the year to gain points to qualify for the final. Competitors MUST compete in a minimum of 3 shows in the 12 months but **not** limited in the amount they attend. If a competitor chooses to show at more than 3 shows, the points from the top 3 shows will be the overall point score.

Once membership paid you will be allocated a member number/horse number which each show/event class host will receive a list of, and mark place receivers then send back to ACC admin.

The final series, based on their horse's performance, will be held at The Australian Heavy Horse Spectacular each year unless otherwise stated. Each finalist will go into the final with a clean score sheet i.e. NO POINTS will be carried into the final round/s.

The finalists to compete at the AHHS will be based on recorded performance from 1st July 2025 to 30th June 2026 and each year thereafter.

The final would incorporate 3 heats judged by 2 different selected harness judges simultaneously, where points will be awarded to each entrant. At the completion of the 3 heats judges scores will be tallied to determine final placings. In the event of a tie for individual places a drive off maybe required for judges to determine the separation of places.

Prize Money will be an amount determined by the number of competitors entered and if sponsorship supplied (distributed from 1st -6th place or greater if funds and competitors available) 15% of entry fee will go to cover admin costs, the remaining funds will go towards final prize pool.

REGULATIONS:

For the competitor to have maximum opportunity, nominations preferred to be received by admin before 1st September 2025, but late entries will be accepted

DRIVERS. All drivers must be over 18 years of age at the date of entry. A substitute driver permitted on nominated horses.

HORSES. Only Heavy Horses eligible. All horses must be clean, plaited and well presented. All horses must be of a heavy type, resembling a draft horse, 16hh and over. {Heavy Breeds include Clydesdale, Shire, Percheron, Belgium, Suffolk Punch, Drum Horse, Spotted Draft, and crosses of the mentioned}. If a nominated horse becomes deceased or injured, then a substitute may be used upon vet certificate produced. Points will be carried over from the nominated horse to the substitute horse.

VEHICLE. All show quality, two wheeled horse drawn vehicles eligible to compete. Vehicle to be clean and safe.

HARNESS. Harness is to be clean and safe.

DRESS CODE. All competitors are to be dressed appropriately. Clean, tidy, hats must be worn, women may wear fascinator or the like. **NO** jeans **NO** polo shirts or similar {Royal Show standard}.

PERFORMANCE. The top 15 horses eligible for the final series will be selected from the results supplied to the ACCS administration by the Show Societies. The scores will be submitted from the Ag or Heavy Horse Show and then tallied by the ACCS administrators on a Bi-monthly basis and will be made available to exhibitors by Facebook page. Points will be allocated as follows: If there is 5 entrants 1st place will receive 5 points, 2nd place will receive 4 points 3rd place will receive 3 points etc. Should there be only one horse in the class then you only receive 1 point for your winning place.

Horses **MUST** compete at a minimum of 3 shows in the 12 months but not limited in the number of show they attend.

The top 15 horse's final points will be determined by averaging the points gained throughout the year divided by the number of shows attended.

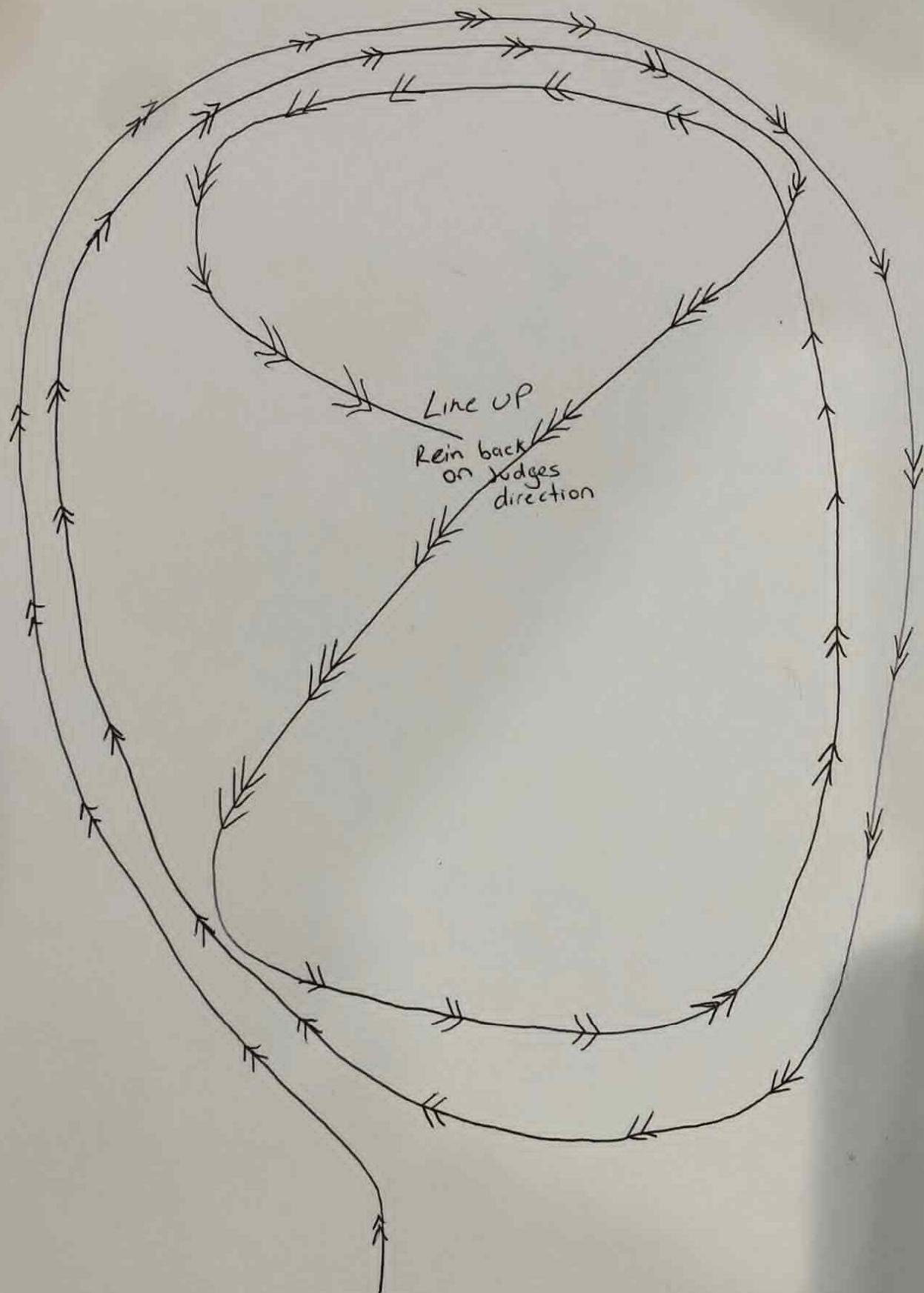
JUDGING REQUIREMENTS. Horses are to be judged **SOLELY** on their performance. I.E. style, movement, pace, balance, manners. **NO vehicle or harness to be judged.** Classes to be judged on the circle at a trot with a change of rein across the diagonal showing an extended show trot, incorporating a small walk section of no more than 30 paces and a rein back in the line-up. **NO INDIVIDUAL WORKOUTS** (workout attached)

Judge's decision is **FINAL** and no correspondence will be entered into.

SHOW ORGANISER RESPONSIBILITIES

1. To nominate show and to host ACC class. ACC will supply rosettes and score sheet which will have list of entrants.
2. **NO CLASS ENTRY FEE** for competitors already entered in harness classes
3. Results **MUST BE** returned to ACC administration
4. Individual shows may wish to source their own Sponsorship/prize money for ACC class they host.
5. Class to be judged by experienced Harness judge, the nominated judge is the only judge required to judge the class at event. 2 judges **WILL ONLY BE FOR THE FINAL AT AHHS.**
6. Horses to enter the ring at a trot and then class to be judged on the ring, **NO INDIVIDUAL WORKOUTS**

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ENTRY

Minimum 2 laps each direction at a trot.