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Victorian Tradesman's & Delivery Horse Group Inc Newsletter



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Well the 2009 show season has begun and is well on its way, already many hours have been spent in the pursuit of the fun and enjoyment which comes with showing. As the Christmas season draws ever closer I would like to wish everyone Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Following the first annual general meeting of the VT&DHG Inc which was held on Sunday July 26th at the Kalkallo Hotel, I would like to welcome two new committee members to the fold, Robert Wood & Val Perkins. There were only a couple of changes, your new representative voice is;

President - John Mullenger

Vice President - Glen Pate

Committee - Graeme Burns

Alan Clarke

Kevin Collins

Shane Patterson

Val Perkins

Robert Wood

Secretary - Courtney Mullenger



An interesting ensemble, ironically it's a butcher's cart

President's Note

So the VT&DHG has seen its first year pass, in the year we have built a very strong and committed membership base and overall I'm very pleased at the success of the group. It is also now a pleasure to be you president for the next year, hopefully we can continue along the same path to success. Our weekend at the Heathcote Showgrounds was well supported and from the feedback we have been getting, well worth the while. The committee has discussed different regions around the state in which to hold further informational seminars, so far the Geelong and Gippsland regions are high on the list. Through correspondence with the RASV, regarding Royal Melbourne Show, we were able to make some changes to the program, including the addition of a junior driver and a novice horse class, although there were issues in this year's schedule regarding these classes, we will endeavour to straighten these out. Here's to bigger and brighter things in the next year for the VT&DHG and its members.

Regards, John Mullenger

Heathcote Info Weekend

The very first instructional days held by the Victorian Tradesman's & Delivery Horse Group were run on June 27th & 28th at the Heathcote Showgrounds. On Saturday a group of approx 40 people listened to four main speakers John Patterson, Noel Whiltshire, Maddy Bentley & John Mullenger. A variety of topics were discussed, regarding many aspects of the harness horse world, from breaking in through to the showing and even some good old stories of the past thrown in. Attendees had access the knowledge held by the collective of speakers, whose each brought 30 years plus of experiences in the horse and harness world. Questions, no matter how silly they seemed, were answered. Later in the afternoon, those who had brought horses along had the opportunity to have some one on one tutelage with our speakers.



On Saturday night a group of 12 people camped on the grounds, we amused ourselves by talking about various horse related topics around an open fire. After a BBQ for dinner, we enjoyed some viewing on the big screen (thanks to a projector) including dvd's about the last of the working horses in Melbourne, the London harness horse parade and the gypsies and their horses at Appleby Fair. The night also saw some escapees with their hobble chains jingling and even a visit from " a park ranger", which continued to be a running joke on Sunday.



Sunday, saw a smaller gathering, but eagerly as keen and interested in listening and learning something new. Much of the same topics were discussed, and again those with horses could get more one on one time with speakers. In addition, there was a demonstration on putting in a mane roll, in which a pony was utilised to ensure a good view for everyone. I would like to thank our speakers for giving their time, Marg & Lindsay Harris for catering, and all those in attendance (either 1 day or both) for helping to make this first info day(s) a great success. We look forward to many more such weekends in the future



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Sunday November 22nd

Kyneton Showgrounds

Mollison Street, Kyneton, Victoria

Hub show qualifiers will compete for;
Pauline Thill Memorial Champion Tradesman's Turnout
VT&DHG Inc Champion Delivery Horse
Don Hewlett Memorial Champion Junior Driver
introducing
Best Novice Horse/Pony (open on the day)

JUDGE: Mr Neil Shippard

Please see next page for a full program of events for the day

2009 VT&DHG CHAMPIONSHIPS

Program Of Events

10am Start

Judge: Maureen Daniels

Entry \$5.00

- 1) Light Delivery Horse/Pony
- 2) Medium Delivery Horse
- 3) Heavy Delivery Horse

BEST DELIVERY HORSE (Winner gains a wildcard entry into Championships)

- 4) Two Wheeled Tradesman's Turnout
- 5) Four Wheeled Tradesman's Turnout

BEST TRADESMAN'S TURNOUT (Winner gains wildcard entry into Championships)

* Exhibits who have already qualified for championships at hub show ineligible to compete in above classes

- 6) Delivery Horse/Pony driven in long reins
- 7) Delivery Horse/Pony driven in long reins by a junior driver (under 18 years)
- 8) Novice Delivery Competitor
- 9) Express Delivery Turnout (Horse/Pony suitable to be used as a courier)
- 10) Exercise/Training Turnout (Non show turnout)
- 11) Express Delivery Horse/Pony (Suitable to be used as a courier)
- 12) Open Driver over 18 years

Championship Events

Judge: Neil Shippard

Best Novice Horse/Pony (open on the day to horse/pony never to have won a first prize)

Pauline Thill memorial Champion Tradesman's Turnout

VT&DHG Inc Champion Delivery Horse

Don Hewlett memorial Champion Junior Delivery Driver

Concours D'Elegance

"show of vehicles judged chiefly on excellence of appearance and turnout"

Traditional Tradesman's & Delivery Vehicle

Non Traditional Tradesman's & Delivery Vehicle

There will also be light harness classes available to compete in on the day, we are currently finalising the program of events in conjunction with the Oaklands Horse & Driving Club and will let you know that final program



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Thoughts on the Info Weekend

" I thought it was excellent, a great opportunity to network with some very knowledgeable people, get some hands on experience and feedback on my skills, observe some very helpful presentation tips and ask lots of questions about bits and biting, harness fitting etc. It was also really helpful having a variety of horses and ponies at different stages in their education"

" I really enjoyed the weekend at Heathcote. I look forward to the next event where I might catch up with other members from the Victorian Tradesman's & Delivery Horse Group "

" To the committee of the V.T&D.H.G, a big thank you for the most informative day I have ever attended, with all the speakers willing to answer any questions even silly ones. I came away from the day with more ideas & advice than any book or magazine could ever bring you and I am looking forward to the next one so I can bring along my horse and vehicle "

ROYAL MELBOURNE SHOW 2009
TRADESMAN'S & DELIVERY RESULTS
JUDGE: MR. GRAEME WARE JNR. (NSW)

DELIVERY HORSES

Junior Driver 10 - 18 Years

Novice Delivery Horse over 14 Hands

- 1) Mullenger Family - Dominion Park Remington
- 2) Mr H Moss - Rosbercon Bess

- 1) Elizabeth Normington
- 2) Andrew Damsma

Heavy Delivery over 15 Hands

- 1) Mr R Carbery - Bob
- 2) Murroka Clydesdale Stud - Beereega Culross
- 3) Mr D Kefford - Meadow Lane Jackson
- 4) AT Marriott & Sons - Aarunga The Phantom
- 5) Mr G Burns - Ben Koi Holbrook
- 6) A & Y Clarke - Jika Farm Kilpatrick

Medium Delivery over 15 Hands

- 1) JD Stewart - Denzildon Buster Boy

Light Delivery over 15 Hands

- 1) Patterons & Cox - Joe
- 2) Mullenger Family - Dominion Park Remington
- 3) Patterson & Cox - Frank

Light Delivery under 15 Hands

- 1) Miss JE Lewin - Willice Park Nicole
- 2) Patterson & Cox - Black Jack
- 3) Mr G Fuller - Derlwyn Lyric
- 4) JD Stewart - Pilinta Park Fourpence

Champion Heavy/Medium Delivery Horse

Mr R Carbery - Bob

Reserve Champion Heavy/Medium Delivery Horse

JD Stewart - Denzildon Buster Boy

Champion Light Delivery Horse

Miss JE Lewin - Willice Park Nicole

Reserve Champion Light Delivery Horse

Patterson & Cox - Joe

Supreme Champion Delivery Horse

Mr R Carbery - Bob

SINGLE TURNOUTS

Miscellaneous Turnout 4 Wheel

- 1) Murroka Clydesdale Stud - Beereega Culross
- 2) Mr D Kefford - Meadow Lane Jackson
- 3) Fosters Australia - Ferndales Viscount
- 4) Mr G Burns - Ben Koi Holbrook
- 5) A & Y Clarke - Jika Farm Kilpatrick
- 6) Mr H Moss - Rosbercon Bess

Miscellaneous Turnout 2 Wheel

- 1) Mr G Fuller - Derlwyn Lyric
- 2) JD Stewart - Denzildon Buster Boy

Long Shaft Brake

- 1) Patterson & Cox - Joe
- 2) Mullenger Family - Dominion Park Remington
- 3) Patterson & Cox - Frank
- 4) Patterson & Cox - Black Jack
- 5) JD Stewart - Pilinta Park Fourpence

Decorated Business

- 1) Mr G Fuller - Derlwyn Lyric
- 2) Mr R Carbery - Mac & Bud
- 3) Mr G Burns - Ben Koi Holbrook

Champion Single Turnout

Patterson & Cox - Joe

Reserve Champion Single Turnout

Mullenger Family - Dominion Park Remington

MULTIPLE TURNOUTS

Pair of Light/Medium Delivery Horses

- 1) Patterson & Cox - Frank & Joe

Four or more Heavy Delivery Horses

- 1) AT Marriott & Sons - Pride, Phillip, Prince & Peter
- 2) Fosters Australia - Vic, Fosters, Melbourne & Abbotts

Three or more Light/Medium Delivery Horses

- 1) Patterson & Cox - Frank, Joe & Dominion Park Remington



Champion Multiple Turnout

Fosters Australia - Vic & Fosters

Reserve Champion Multiple Turnout

AT Marriott & Sons - Pride, Phillip, Prince & Peter

