

# Crows Nest Show Horse Events

9 May 2026 – 8am start

## Attention Horse Competitors:

You must...

- Complete a **HORSE HEALTH DECLARATION & MOVEMENT FORM** (prior to entering the Crows Nest Showgrounds, a **TICK FREE VENUE**)
- Submit **SIGNED HORSE PARTICIPANT WAIVER** at the Horse Ticket Office
- **ENTRIES** to be received at the Horse Ticket Office on Show Day

**ALL OTHER RULES AND REGULATIONS CONTAINED IN THE SCHEDULE MUST BE COMPLIED WITH.**

**CROWS NEST SHOWGROUNDS PIC NUMBER QECN 0613**

### 1. CROWS NEST SHOWGROUNDS ARE A TICK FREE VENUE.

2. Competitors are required to sign a **waiver/indemnity form** at time of entering. Parents/guardians will be required to sign for competitors under 18 years of age.

3. A **Horse Health Declaration** for each horse must be handed to the gate steward upon entry to the showgrounds via Gate 1 (nearest to Crows Nest Township).

4. **ENTRY IN CLASSES** – is via a ticketing system.

- Purchase tickets at Ring Office. Extra tickets can be purchased during the day
- Present tickets to the Ring Steward at the commencement of each class.
- Stewards will not accept tickets that are not correctly and clearly filled out and must be printed with name of owner and name of horse and name of rider in rider classes. If not filled out correctly and stewards cannot read tickets, competitors will be asked to leave ring and correct information before they are allowed to compete. Tickets that have been held in competitor's mouth will not be accepted
- No refund on event entry tickets

5. **DISTRICT (LOCAL) CLASSES** - eligible for anyone that lives within the boundaries of the old Crows Nest Shire Boundary or for current financial members of Crows Nest, Cabarlah and Goombungee-Haden Pony Clubs.

6. **HELMETS** – All riders must always wear a current approved helmet whilst riding. All competitors in any class under the age of 18 must wear an approved helmet at any time they are in the ring.

7. **BOOTS** – All competitors must wear suitable riding boots that are always heeled and soled with little to no tread whilst riding.

8. Queensland Paramedics will be in attendance on Saturday. All competitors must have personal ambulance cover.

9. Appropriate headwear for sun protection is to be worn by all persons entering ring at all times.

10. **DISPUTES** – judge's decision is final, but in the event of a protest such protest shall be lodged in writing within 30 minutes of conclusion of event, accompanied by a fee of \$50.00 which will be refunded if the protest is upheld.

11. No person may converse with a judge, except where receiving directions from the judge, without the permission of the steward in attendance. Any person whether judge, steward, competitor or spectator who harasses another judge, steward, competitor or spectator will be removed from the competition and all awards forfeited.

12. **ONLY** judges, stewards, press, official photographers and authorised persons are allowed in the main ring. Photographers and press are to wear official identification.

13. **NO CHAIRS OR STOOLS, PRAMS AND STROLLERS** will be allowed in the ring, except those allocated to stewards' and judges' desks. This will be strictly enforced with no exceptions.

14. **EXHIBITORS** shall at all times behave in a proper and courteous manner to judges, stewards, show officials and other competitors. Should an exhibitor behave in an offensive and improper manner, the committee person in charge or steward of the section shall have the right to request removal from the ring and exclude or disqualify that exhibitor from competing in any further events. No exhibitor or a member of the exhibitor's immediate family shall approach a judge with regard to a decision made by the judge unless they first obtain permission from the steward in charge of that section.

15. **EXHIBITS** behaving in an unruly or dangerous manner will be removed from the ring.

16. **NO BULLYING POLICY** - Crows Nest show ground is a bully free area and bullying will not be tolerated. If a bullying incident has occurred, this must be reported immediately to either the ring master or the chief ring steward.

17. **STALLIONS AND COLTS** 2 years and over are to be shown with a bit in their mouth or with a stallion chain, have green discs attached to their bridle or head stall. All stallion handlers to be 17 years or over.

18. **STALLIONS** may not compete in Open Hack classes, only in classes provided for stallions.

19. **PONY HACKS** not exceeding 12.2hh can be ridden by an adult, however, it is the judge's discretion to decide if the pony is overmounted.

20. **SHOW HUNTERS** – No coloured brow bands or ribbons. Junior riders 17 years and under are not permitted to wear top boots. Horses are only permitted to compete in the Open Hack, Galloway, Pony OR Show Hunter classes.

21. **OFF THE TRACK CLASSES** – All entries for the Off the Track classes MUST be registered for Thoroughbred Racing. They must have barrier trialled, be currently racing or have retired from racing. All horses compete under their registered racing name and their Microchip must be produced upon request.
22. **BREED CLASSES** - All exhibits in Breed Classes must be registered with the appropriate society and the exhibitors are to be current financial members. Random checking of registration papers and membership may be undertaken.
23. **NOVICE** is not to have won an Open Championship in any comparative event at an Agricultural Show.
24. **CLASSES CLASHING** – The ring programme will NOT be held up. In the event of classes clashing, the competitor must decide the class in which they wish to compete.
25. **NO DOGS ALLOWED AT HORSE EVENTS**
26. **THE CHIEF RING STEWARD RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE THE PROGRAM AT ANY TIME**
27. **QCAS** General Horse Regulations will be abided by. Each Ring Steward will have a copy as well as the Ring Office or it can be downloaded from the website: <https://qldagshows.com.au/>

**Chief Steward:** Gavin Close (0459 541 988)

**Ring Stewards:** Leanne Jones (0420 595 696) Tami Simpson (0408 780 753)

**Stockhorse Challenge:** Yvonne Bradley (0408 181 146)

**Entry Fees:** \$5 per class (includes ambulance levy) (applies to all classes unless otherwise stated)

Please note Stockhorse Challenge information including entry fees and prizes are listed on a separate schedule.

### **Off the Track Thoroughbred Feature Ridden Class – Exciting Prize Pool**

#### **BIOSECURITY MEASURES**

- Horse entry onto the show grounds through Gate 1 (nearest to Crows Nest town) only.
- Horse health declarations for every horse must be produced at the gate prior to entering the showgrounds.
- If no horse health declaration is produced entry to grounds will be refused.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR COMPETITORS**

Primary responsibility for biosecurity at horse events lies with the horse owners and competitors long before the event takes place.

##### ***Practise good biosecurity***

- Practise good hygiene and decontaminate equipment thoroughly.
- Do not share equipment, including food and water containers, between horses.
- Avoid use of communal water troughs.
- If using communal hoses, avoid touching buckets when filling with water to avoid spreading disease from bucket to bucket.

##### ***Monitor horse health***

- Do not take sick horses to an event.
- Notify an event official if a horse is suspected of being sick.
- Isolate the sick horse and seek veterinary advice.
- Isolate any equipment that has been in contact with the sick horse.

In the event of a suspected disease outbreak please follow all instructions from event organisers.

Further information on biosecurity at horse events is available at <https://www.dpi.qld.gov.au/business-priorities/biosecurity/animal-biosecurity-welfare/animal-health-pests-diseases/horses/events>

Additional information for horse owners may be found at <https://www.business.qld.gov.au/industries/farms-fishing-forestry/agriculture/animal/industries/horses> or by phone on 13 25 23.

**CROWS NEST AGRICULTURAL HORTICULTURAL & INDUSTRIAL SOCIETY INC. ("the Show Society")**

NAME OF EVENT: CROWS NEST ANNUAL SHOW

DATES/DURATION OF EVENT: 9<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2026

**Horse Event Participant – Waiver, Release and Acknowledgement Form**

In this Waiver, Release and Acknowledgement Form "the Show Society" means and includes all affiliated entities; servants or agents of the Show Society, all employees of the Show Society, all members of the Show Society and all volunteers of the Show Society and/or all affiliated entities.

By participating in the Event:

- I acknowledge that it is a condition of participating in the Event that I do so at my own risk. I accept all risks and release the Show Society from all claims, demands and proceedings arising out of or connected with my participation in the Event and indemnify them against all liability for any injury, loss or damage arising out of or connected with my participation in the Event. This release continues forever and binds all of my heirs, successors, executors, personal representatives and assigns.
- I acknowledge that it is a condition of participating in the Event that the Show Society and any person or body directly or indirectly associated with the Event are absolved from all liability arising for injury or damage to myself or my property howsoever caused arising out of my participation in the Event whatsoever whether due to any negligent act, breach of duty, default and/or omission on the part of the Show Society and any person or body directly or indirectly associated with the Event, or otherwise.
- I acknowledge that participating in the Event may involve a risk of serious injury or even death. I accept all risks necessarily flowing from participating in the Event.
- I acknowledge that the Show Society relies on the information provided by me and state that all such information is accurate and complete.
- I warrant that I am physically fit to participate in the Event and that I have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical practitioner. I acknowledge that I must disclose any pre-existing medical or other condition that may affect the risk that either myself, or any other person will suffer injury, loss or damage.
- I consent to receiving any medical treatment including ambulance transportation that the Show Society and any person or body directly associated with the Event think desirable as required during the event.
- I acknowledge that it is a condition of participating in the Event that I follow the instructions of the Show Society and any person or body directly or indirectly associated with the Event at all times. I indemnify and keep indemnified the Show Society and any person or body directly or indirectly associated with the Event from all claims, demands and proceedings arising out of or connected with a failure by me to comply with rules and/or directions given to me by the Show Society and any person or body directly or indirectly associated with the Event.
- I declare that the horse/s in my care for the purposes of the Event have been in good health and not shown signs of any respiratory or other disease for at least five (5) days prior to the Event. I authorize any official connected with the Event to call for veterinary inspection of the horse/s in my care should they show signs of any respiratory illness and I agree to pay any fees associated with that veterinary inspection.
- I declare that all horse equipment (tack, bridles, buckets and any other articles that have come into contact with equines) and the horse transport vehicle have been cleaned and disinfected before leaving the property of origin to come to this event.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name in full: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**DECLARATION OF MINORS - UNDER 18 YEARS OF AGE**

If you are under the age of 18 years on the Event Day your parent or guardian must sign this declaration.

I certify that I am the parent/guardian of \_\_\_\_\_ who will be \_\_\_\_\_ years of age on the day of the Event and that he/she has trained for and has my consent to participate in the Event. I testify that I have read the above and acknowledge acceptance of the stated conditions on behalf of the minor specified above.

In consideration of the facilities provided to us, I myself, my executors, administrators and assigns and for the child/children/under age person/s (if applicable) absolutely release and discharge the Show Society and any person directly or indirectly associated with the Event from all claims, demands and proceedings arising out of or connected with participation in in the Event that I or the child/children/under age person/s may suffer or sustain.

Signature of Parent/Guardian: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Print name in full: \_\_\_\_\_

I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ THIS FORM OR THAT IT HAS BEEN EXPLAINED TO ME. I FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS TERMS AND THAT I HAVE GIVEN UP SUBSTANTIAL RIGHTS BY SIGNING IT. I HAVE SIGNED THE DOCUMENTS FREELY AND VOLUNTARILY WITHOUT ANY INDUCEMENT MADE TO ME AND INTEND MY SIGNATURE TO BE A COMPLETE AND UNCONDITIONAL RELEASE OF ALL LIABILITY TO THE GREATEST EXTENT ALLOWED BY LAW.

