



South Australian Harness Racing Pony Association

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Thursday, 6th October 2011

To ALL SAHRPA Members,

Please see below all important dates that you need to mark on your calendar. Please let the appropriate person know if you will be attending any of these dates.

Important Dates:

14th October 2011 – **Pony** and **Driver** Nominations are **DUE**. Please return all forms by this date.

16th October 2011 – Clean Up Day. The pony area needs to be cleared of weeds and spruced up before the season starts. Please bring a shovel and rake and meet at Globe Derby pony area at 10.30 am, drinks and lunch will be provided.

22nd October 2011 – Trials for educational purposes, new ponies and new drivers. Please advise Rachel Maguire of attendance on 8280 9376 by the Thursday or email: saponytrots@yahoo.com.au. New ponies and drivers will not be eligible to race until they have completed two (2) satisfactory trials as approved by a SAHRPA Steward. (All ponies need to be ready to trial 1 ½ hours before the first race of the night, the trials should only take half an hour. We have to be off the track an hour before the first race).

29th October 2011 – Trials for educational purposes, new ponies and new drivers. Please advise Rachel Maguire of attendance on 8280 9376 by the Thursday or email: saponytrots@yahoo.com.au. New ponies and drivers will not be eligible to race until they have completed two (2) satisfactory trials as approved by a SAHRPA Steward. (All ponies need to be ready to trial 1 ½ hours before the first race of the night, the trials should only take half an hour. We have to be off the track an hour before the first race).

29th October 2011 – A feature night at Globe Derby to celebrate Lady's Night. There will be 3 pony races plus a reinswomen's race driving the ponies. The ten (10) lady drivers are; Lisa Miles (VIC), Jodi Quinlan (VIC), Kerryn Manning (VIC), Kate Gath (VIC), Natalee Emery (TAS), Emma Turnbull (NSW), Chantal Turpin (QLD), Leah Harvey (SA), Angela Chapman (SA), and Kerry Green (SA). If you wish to have your pony compete in the **"Reinswomen Challenge Pony Race"** please contact Rachel Maguire on 8280 9376 or email: saponytrots@yahoo.com.au. The final pony selection field will be done by the handicappers.

5th November 2011 – Trials for educational purposes, new ponies and new drivers. Please advise Rachel Maguire of attendance on 8280 9376 by the Thursday or email: saponytrots@yahoo.com.au. New ponies and drivers will not be eligible to race until they have completed two (2) satisfactory trials as approved by a SAHRPA Steward. (All ponies need to be ready to trial 1 ½ hours before the first race of the night, the trials

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5th November 2011 – Beginning of new season.

19th November 2011 – Once again The Mayor of Salisbury has invited the SAHRPA to join in the Salisbury Christmas Parade. Unfortunately due to insurance reasons we won't be allowed to take ponies but we have the loan of a fibreglass horse and driver float which we can use. Driver's to be in their colours and white pants. Siblings are included as well. (More information will be available closer to the date).

27th December 2011 – Port Pirie have invited us again. They would love the ponies to come and race at their family meeting. Support the clubs that support us. (More information will be available closer to the date).

Drinks and Ice Creams – Will be available for sale in the pony room.

Boys and Girls – Change rooms available in the pony room.

Saturday Night Jobs/Tasks – If there are any members who are able to help out with tasks during the season please see Rachel Maguire.

Pony Measuring – ALL ponies are to be measured within the first two weeks of racing.

Scratchings / Drivers Changes – If there are any scratchings or drivers changes please inform Rachel Maguire on 8280 9376 or email: saponytrots@yahoo.com.au.

Sponsors – We are always looking for new sponsors if you know of someone who might be interested in sponsoring the pony trots please see Julie Billinger or a committee person for a sponsorship package.

Photo's – This season we will be supplying "Winning Photo's" (see example hanging in pony room), if you are interested please see Rachel Maguire.

Should you have any question please give myself or a member of the committee a call.

The SAHRPA are looking forward to an exciting new season and good luck to everyone involved.

Yours sincerely,

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