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SH Chair Report and South Island Co-ordinator Report – July 2024

I would firstly like to thank Tracey Lammas for taking the reins of the Executive for a period. Unfortunately personal circumstances meant that she was unable to see the year out as Chair and I have stepped back in temporarily.

We will be electing a new chair this year. Normally this happens at the AGM but this year, this will not be possible as two of the Executive members are unable to be here and the entire Executive is required to elect the new Chair. So, once Maria and Angela are back from their holidays, the Executive will meet and elect a new Chair. We will advise as soon as this has happened.

I thank the existing Executive for their support and hard work over the year and welcome the new Executive members – Angela Sharples, Abby Fawcett and Geradine Wood. Lisa Clark, June Berrington and Maria Collins are existing members standing again and I thank them for their commitment and time they are willing to put in to our sport.

What an amazing come-back to have Horse of the Year again in Hastings after three cancellations due to Covid and the flooding in Hawkes Bay.

June Berrington did a great job in her first year of convening the SH section at HoY – and, although the entries were somewhat down, the competition was good.

We held the SH Series Finals at HoY again this year and the team put on a great spectacle for the presentations – allowing the sponsors to be thanked and the riders to do laps of honour.

Nationals was affected by the proximity to a Takapoto Show that was popped up and conflicted with those wanting to do both Takapoto and Nationals. Therefore, the Nationals Committee ran a “pop-up” show as a training day for the jumpers and training and Series classes for the SH riders so that they did not miss out prior to HoY. The event was very successful and raised some much needed funds for the Nationals coffers.

I was unable to attend Nationals this year due to illness and I am so grateful to Lisa Clark who put on an amazing show for the riders. Our presentation area was once again the envy of all and it allowed the riders and sponsors to be acknowledged for their efforts along with the “champagne” celebration.

Sponsorship, as ever, is a challenge – this season not Covid but the economic down-turn. Whilst Maria Collins has done an amazing job gaining sponsors for all Series, she has decided to step back from this role and we will be hard pressed to replace her in the role. Sponsorship overall for Jumping and Show Hunter has been picked up by Paxton Condor – and we hope to augment her efforts with others from Executive to assist her “farming” and “finding” sponsors. Remember, it is not just about finding sponsors then forget them – “farming” is about looking after our sponsors, keeping them informed, thanking them and making sure they are invited to shows to present their classes and to watch. I personally invited all the National sponsors to the Canterbury Champs last season – we had a great response and sponsors that we had not previously seen at shows came along to present – Vero and Big on Writing had never been to our shows before and loved the experience even though they were not “horsey” people. It gave the riders an opportunity to personally thank their sponsors.

As ever, it is the volunteers that keep our sport running – there are so many of them and we would be paying a far higher price for everything without them. Please remember to be nice to them and to thank anyone who helps.

I would like to wish all areas all the best for the coming season.

Lucy Maley
SH Chair SI SH Co-ordinator

NORTH ISLAND CO-ORDINATOR REPORT 2023-2024

Was great to see the sunshine this season for the majority of the shows, with way less cancellations than previous years. Hard for some shows with show expenses increasing for hireage of grounds, medics ever increasing and general expenses.

The corflute rotation by the delegates is working well. You need to be looking 3 shows before yours to ensure they are at your show. It is very important for our series sponsors to receive photos and feedback.

Mixed bag of numbers between Hack and Ponies. Great to see numbers in the lower Hack classes increasing with the teaching of some very nice young horses. Ponies in different regions high and low in A,B,C. Some Cat C classes very strong.

Horse of the Year 2024 was a first for so many rider combinations with some strong competition.

Weather was kind to us, exception to a very windy evening with a few officials nearly being Mary Poppins, saving the main sponsors marquee.

Like many shows number slightly down (20%) We have had a meeting with the organisers and on a very positive note the changes that are needed are looking like they will change.

Water Truck, bigger hack practice arena, pony ring wider by marquee end, games changing direction, just a few to start.

Series Final was very successful being run at HOY with a grazing table for riders, parents, supporters and our Series Sponsors. With ridden prize giving. Was marvellous to have so many of our main sponsors there at ringside to present our top 6 titleholders and being able to have their victory lap.

A big thank you to all you volunteers out there that make all this happen for the riders. Hope to see you out there next season.

NI Co-Ordinator
June Berrington

Judge's Advisors Report

Marilyn Vincent

From our recent annual meeting we have put forward a number of remits. Most are just improving on a current rule. This is the case with the rule relating to adults riding ponies and hopefully the proposed change will make it clearer to understand.

We hope that most judges will attend the practical judging clinics this year. It is many years since this type of practical clinic has been held and they provide a valuable learning experience.

The Judge's Advisors will transition to a Technical Committee at the AGM. Executive will present the details at the AGM. The makeup of the Technical Committee will be a better representation of judges, course designers and stewards.

ESNZ - Show Hunter, July 2024 Conference

Judges Officer Report

Prepared by Sue Whiddett

Highlights of 2023 – 24 Season

1. Judges Clinics

Four judges refresher clinics were arranged and held as follows:

Whangarei	13 August 2023
Palmerston Nth	19 August 2023
Christchurch	26 August 2023
Cambridge	3 September 2023

We opened up the facilitation of these clinics to include a wider number of the team of Judges Advisors. Marilyn Vincent, Joan Couper, Sue Whiddett, Gail Goodwin, Lucy Maley and Leigh Taylor facilitated these clinics.

Four judges attended the clinic in Whangarei, while six judges plus two new Pre-Candidates attended the clinic held in Palmerston Nth. Our Christchurch clinic also had six judges attend plus a new Pre-Candidate. Cambridge being a central location for many of our judges, saw sixteen judges in attendance plus a Pre-candidate.

It is encouraging to see our new judges coming through and two of the Pre-Candidates moved to National L1 this season.

Our judges clinics all shared the same formal presentation while also providing a forum for open discussion. This is a valuable opportunity to talk through various scenarios that have arisen through the season and to clarify any queries.

At our Judges Advisors meeting held Saturday 20 April, the format, dates and venues for this years Judges clinics were discussed.

These clinics will be practical judging sessions held during winter training shows. This will give judges the opportunity to sit ringside and judge with a Judges Advisor and discuss rounds.

All judges are required to attend the Judges Forum to be held Thursday 29 August 8pm, via Zoom. This will cover updates, rule changes etc following the ESNZ AGM and provide an opportunity for discussion.

Clinic venues:

Sun Valley Lodge, Hampton Downs	Sundays 30 June, 25 August
Taupo NEC	Sunday 28 July
McLeans Island NEC	Sunday 18 August
Fielding Spring Show, Manfield	Saturday 21 September

All judges have been notified via email with the relevant information, including details regarding a travel claim for mileage, with judges car pooling where possible.

2. Judges Communications and Monthly Forums

At the beginning of the season an email was sent to all judges to clarify the definition of Cavesson nosebands and this was also posted to the NZ Show Hunter Judges Facebook page.

This season saw the launching of online **Judges Forum's** held on the last Thursday evening of each month @8pm, via zoom. These sessions have been facilitated by Leigh Taylor with the support of the team of Judges Advisors. This support system is available to current NZ Show Hunter judges and aims to provide regular opportunities to table any questions or comments regarding show hunter/ judging for discussion. These sessions have been well supported, covering a range of topics including course design, judging under saddle classes, winter judging, and a pop quiz.

3. Judges Upgrades 2023– 2024 Season

National L1	Michaelee Head	Waikato
	Kate Fraser	Nth Otago/Sth Canterbury
National L2	Sally Parker	BOP
	Sarah Milne	Wellington
	Louise Ilton	Central Districts
Resignations	Lynette Jackson	Auckland
	Jacob Razek	Auckland
	Robyn Woods	Canterbury
	Dorothy Scott	Canterbury
	Deborah Hancock	Northland

4. Building the Judging Pool

We currently have some prospective judges being supported and mentored through the initial Pre-Candidate stage. We all need to be mindful of encouraging anyone interested in becoming a judge to take that step and begin the pathway.

Current Judges List Status

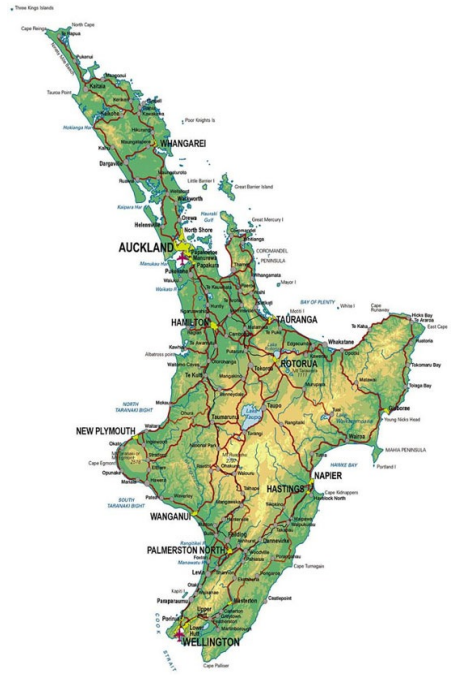
Additions and upgrades as outlined.

The current Active Judges List consists of:

- National L2 / National L3 = 43

- National L1 = 7

Area	National L2 & L3	National L1	Upgrades / Additions During 2023– 2024
Nth Island	31	5	
Northland	4		One resignation
Waitemata	2	1	
Auckland	4		Two resignations One move to Waitemata
Waikato	3	1	New National L1
BOP	5	2	New National L2 One move to Auckland area
Gisborne	2		
Northern HB	2	1	
Taranaki	2		
Central Districts	4		New National L2
Wairarapa	1		
Wellington	2		New National L2
Sth Island	12	2	
Nelson	2	1	



Marlborough	2		
Canterbury	5		Two resignations
Ashburton	2		
Sth Canty / Nth Otago	-	1	New National L1
Otago	1		
Southland	-		