



Royal Agricultural Society of NSW

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Revamping and restructuring the Sydney Royal Horse Show

Changes to the 2007 Sydney Royal Horse Show were recently announced by the **Horse Committee** of the **Royal Agricultural Society of NSW (RAS)**. The RAS is seeking to provide the best Competition and schedule of events for its Exhibitors and the general public at the **Sydney Royal Easter Show**.

To ensure the RAS is showcasing the best breeding and a variety of top-level equine events, several changes to the 2007 Horse Schedule have been made. Due to declining numbers and timing issues the following breeds will not be included in the program for 2007:

- Andalusians
- Arabians
- Appaloosa
- Palouse Ponies
- Paint Horses
- Quarter Horses
- Standardbreds
- Thoroughbreds

The RAS Horse Committee works closely with all Breed Societies and Associations, welcoming their feedback and advice on how to work cooperatively to create exceptional breed events.

"The decision to make these changes to the Horse program was difficult, and one that was not taken lightly. The Committee took into consideration all Exhibitors concerns, timing of events and other related issues," said **Mr Bill Picken, RAS Horse Committee Chair**.

"We are constantly making changes to help create the highest level of competition at the Show. This restructure will allow for later starting times, giving greater exposure of our top-level equine events to the general public. We look forward to working with those Breed Societies and Associations to create superior events in future Shows," said Mr Picken.

The breeds that will be shown at the Sydney Royal Easter Show will be:

- Arabian Derivatives
- Australian National Saddlehorses
- Australian Ponies
- APSB Part Breds
- APSB Riding Ponies
- Australian Saddle Ponies
- Australian Stock Horses
- Buckskins
- Clydesdales
- Hackneys
- Miniature Horses
- Miniature Ponies
- Palominos
- Percherons
- Pintos
- Riding Ponies
- Shetland Ponies
- Shires
- Warmbloods
- Welsh Mountain Ponies (A,B,C,D and PartBreds)

The changes to the Horse Program are also inline with the Date Change to the Sydney Royal Easter Show from 2007 onwards.

For further enquires on the Horse Program please contact Bettina Franklin, Horse Events Coordinator on horse@rasnsw.com.au or visit www.eastershow.com.au.

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