



Welcome to the Christmas Newsletter
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... .. now leading the way as the FIRST and ONLY exclusive Miniature /Small Horse Registry, proudly moving into our 32nd year servicing the needs of Members around Australia and beyond !

Dear Members,

National Committee hope Members and their Families are coping with the current restrictions that are in place in their area due to the COVID-19 Global Pandemic and that they are practicing safe distancing, staying safe while protecting themselves, their Families and others and want to assure Members that we will do all we can to support you through these unprecedented times.

We wish to advise Members that our Registry Office will be closed from close of business Tuesday 22 December, 2020 and will re-open on Monday 4 January, 2021.

Measuring Horses: Due to the fact that restrictions are still in force in many areas of Australia and as National Committee want to relieve as much stress as we can for Members, **we are extending the period indefinitely that we are allowing ALL Members to measure their OWN Horse/s that need to be registered and/or upgraded.**

All Members need to do is send the necessary paperwork to the office and it will be processed in the normal way.



Membership Draw: We have had an independent Auditor conduct the Membership draw and the following eligible Members who were lucky enough to have their Membership Number drawn out, will have half their Membership fee credited to their account.

T. Lamb - Vic
L. West - NSW
B. Thatcher - NSW
V. Passalaqua - Vic
D. Nobbs - NSW
D. & K. McKinlay - Vic

H. Worthington - Qld
T. Blacklaw - Qld
J. McLean - NSW
H. Sticklen - Qld

The above Members will be personally contacted to confirm the amount that has been credited to their account.

AGM: With the current situation with regards travel restrictions and State lockdowns, we are unable to confirm a date for our AGM and when this is possible, Members will be advised.

Sending Paperwork to the Office: Members are reminded that the best method of sending paperwork to the office is via Express Post, as the item may be tracked and the Post Office put the mail in the MHAA® Post Box. Please DO NOT SEND via Registered Post, as this necessitates a signature and an extra visit to the Post Office. Members co-operation in this regard is requested.

Stallion Returns: Stallion Returns can be submitted at any time and many Members submit them as soon as they have served all their Mares. Also remember that you should put ALL the Mares you serve on the Return, even if they are not MHAA® registered and also don't forget to put any outside Mares that were served by your Stallion. Also if your Stallion serves an outside Mare, or you sell a Mare in Foal, it is your responsibility to provide the Mare owner with a Service Certificate.

Also don't forget if you sell a Stallion half way through the breeding year, for example: if you sell a Stallion and sign the Transfer form on 1 December, you should submit a Stallion return for the period 1 August to 1 December and the new owner should submit a Stallion Return from 2 December to 31 July the following year. If you have any queries with regards to submitting Stallion Returns, please contact us.

If any Member has any issues with regards registrations or upgrades, or for that matter anything you think we may be able to assist with, or want to discuss an issue you are having with your Horse registration, do not hesitate to contact us, as we will do everything we can to assist Members not only through this very stressful period, but at any time. Members are often surprised to find out that we can assist them with an issue that they thought was just not possible to resolve. So, with this in mind, you have nothing to lose in asking for assistance and Members can direct any queries to the National Secretary, Barb Voysey, via email admin@mhaa.com.au or mobile 0418 821100.

At times like this, when many of our fellow Members are going through some very stressful times, it helps to touch base and check if they are ok and let them know that they are being thought about and that you are there to support them.

It has been a shocking year for Members and we hope that the New Year will be much better for all. In the meantime, if anyone is experiencing any form of hardship that they think we may be able to assist with, please do not hesitate to contact us.

**National Committee of Management,
Miniature Horse Association of Australia Inc**

*Take care, stay COVID Safe,
like the Claus Family ...*



*Wishing you all
and your Families
a very
Happy Christmas
and hope the
New Year
brings you all
good health
& happiness.*

