



Furphy Media Melbourne International 3 Day Event 2021

IRT Young Event Horse Challenge

Thursday 8th June

The *IRT Young Event Horse Challenge* provides owners and breeders the opportunity to showcase the potential of their 4, 5 and 6 year-old horses. The aim of these classes is to encourage trainers and breeders to produce and present the correct type of young horse which is considered to be the best material to develop into a three day event horse. The judges will be looking for potential for the future: an athletic, loose moving horse with a promising jumping technique and attitude, which with correct training will develop physically and mentally into a top level three day eventer.

Young horses will be judged on: Dressage & Conformation, Jumping and Cross Country pace.

DRESSAGE:

Three correct, elastic and regular gaits through a swinging back are the qualities that judges will be seeking. All trot work to be optional sitting or rising, unless stated. Young horses will not be marked down for displaying a little exuberance nor will marks be taken away for rider inaccuracy.

It is the horses and not the rider's potential that is being judged.

JUMPING:

A bold athletic horse with good technique is what the judges are seeking. A horse with these qualities will not be penalised for knocking down a fence providing he/she learns from the mistake.

OVERALL GENERAL IMPRESSION:

The horse's conformation and movement should enable them to withstand the demands of the sport in terms of soundness, speed and stamina.

CROSS COUNTRY PACE:

The horse will be required to show the ability to open up the canter after jumping the last fence and proceed to do one lap around the outside of the course.

THE COMPETITION ELEMENTS

The IRT Young Event Horse Challenge will be held on Thursday 8TH June 2021. Dressage on Thursday morning on an outdoor arena and jumping in the Indoor Arena on Thursday evening, commencing at 4.00pm

PRESENTATIONS:

At the conclusion of each class the top six horses will be invited for presentation.

Dressage:

The dressage test will be available at least two weeks prior to the competition.

Note: Conformation will be marked during the dressage phase.

Jumping:

The jumping phase involves a small course of a combination of show jumps and rustic fences. The course will be available for walking approx. 15 minutes prior to the start of the competition. Also included in this section, the horses are required to show their cross country pace after they have jumped the last fence. There will be a maximum of eight fences.

Judging Heights for 4, 5 & 6 year old Young Event Horse:

80cm for the 4 Year Old (born Aug 2016 to Jul 2017)

90cm for the 5 Year Old (born Aug 2015 to Jul 2016)

1.00m for the 6 Year Old (born Aug 2014 to Jul 2015)

Equipment & Dress

1. Saddlery: appropriate to the phase
2. Dress: Dressage attire for dressage, xc attire for jumping (back protectors are optional)
3. Bridle Numbers to be worn.

Note: The horse does not have to be registered with EA to compete

The rider must be a member of EA, PCAV or HRCV to be covered by insurance

Stabling:

Priority is given to horses competing in the CCI2* / CCIJ2* / CCI3* / CCI4*

Horses entered in the Young Event Horse Challenge will be provided yards for Thursday

NOTE: If you are a CCI competitor and require stabling for your YEH please check with the Secretary susan_mckay@bigpond.com Where possible we will endeavour to accommodate your request (stabling charges will apply)

Please do not park in powered camping sites unless you have booked camping as all sites are allocated

ENTRIES: Online via Nominate

Prizes for Each Class:

1st - \$300 + rosette + rug

2nd - \$200 + rosette

3rd - \$100 + rosette

4th – 6th rosette