

# CLYDESDALE ∞ TRIBUNE ∞



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## CLYDESDALE TRIBUNE *EDITORIAL*

Welcome everyone to another edition of the Clydesdale Tribune. This issue covers all the big shows that have happened up and down the country. The NZ Royal in Christchurch was a real occasion for me personally as I had never attended a show in Canterbury before and I was more than impressed. My thanks goes out to Kevin and Sue Gillman for their excellent hospitality while I was in the garden city. The North Island Champs at Morrinsville were wet (as was the Royal) but an excellent day with Ray and Liz Dalzell attending as our guests all the way from the South.

The Coldstream name has become synonymous with quality NZ Clydedales and with Liz and Ray about to reside in Australia it really is the end of an era. I'm sure a lot of you will have memories of the excellent horses presented by them and of course Russell and Joan Dalzell over the years. Horse of the Year was an overwhelming success with great entries and what a superb flagship for our breed. Of course there has been much more than just shows going on with treks, ploughing nationals, field days and events. I hope that all of you breeding Clydesdales have your mares in foal and that everything goes well come spring. If your local show or event has not been covered in this issue lets do something about it - send me your stories and photos or just give me a call at 173 Inland Road Helensville  
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*Front Cover:*

*Donnybrook Dark (HOY Winner)*

*Back Cover:*

*Fred Pilling at the NZ Ploughing Championships*



## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Friday May 16 2008

Glenview International Hotel  
and Conference Centre

254 Ohaupo Road, Glenview, Hamilton

For your accomodation requirements

Phone 07 843 6049 or Fax 07 843 3324

Council meeting 9.00am

AGM 1.30pm

## FIELD DAY

Saturday May 17 2008

Full details will be given at the AGM.

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## Judges Report: Royal Show, Christchurch 2007

Firstly I would like to express my appreciation for being asked to judge at Christchurch. One's first time judging at a Royal Show is pretty special. I was somewhat disappointed at the paucity of young stock as I really thought those entries would be strong in



Canterbury. However there was a great turnout over all. Well done to those of you who made the effort, in some cases under very trying circumstances; not to mention the weather was horrible in the morning of the first day with rain and at least three bitter hail showers during the in-hand classes and while it fined up in the afternoon there was a very cold wind. My thanks also to the three wonderful stewards who really made the task of judging straight-forward; with classes able to keep to time and competitors (and the judge) kept aware of where they should be.

Overall the presentation of the stock and handlers was of very good standard. One or two horses would have placed further up if they had not had 'ring in' last minute handlers. Make sure your best dressed handler is with the best turned out horse! Unless stated otherwise presentation classes will probably be allocated points of 60% horse, 40% handler. Make sure you check if there is a points allocation listed in the schedule. In the presentation class if a mane is plaited it must be tight. Better no plait than a badly done one. There were some very good ones.

When walking or trotting out your horse ensure both you and the horse move out crisply. Remember 'activity' is what defines a Clydesdale from the other heavy horse breeds. When trotting your horse out lengthen the halter rope slightly or your horse will skew around and it will be impossible for the judge to see whether the horse's action is straight at the trot. Practice at home will make perfect. In the ridden class I was looking for a responsive, free moving horse with a competent, neatly attired rider, tidy saddlery and overall 'presence'. There was a very good sized audience for this class. In the sledge class I really enjoyed coming up with a course that would provide a bit of a challenge for the drivers but not need too many cones/bales. We had an excellent turnout in this class with a variety of experience in drivers and horses. I was a bit concerned at the length of time taken by some exhibitors to retrieve chain hooks from where they had been hung prior to hooking up the sledge. I would probably lay both chains out first before attaching them, particularly if the horse is young or inexperienced at shows. I'm not keen on one chain being attached to the sledge and the horse dancing around while the driver's trying to retrieve the other one!

One or two exhibitors had their reins running through the rings on the back bands as well as through the hame rings. When working in the sledge or with implements one would generally have them only through the ring on the collar or through a rein hanger. Sometimes older hames have a few links of chain with a second ring on, hanging from the hame ring to put the rein through. If using leather rein hangers ensure they are not so long that the rein catches in the hame hook! Some of the trace chains looked to be a bit short and the line of draught seemed affected.

In the 'in hand in harness' classes, well cleaned and polished sound older harness will nearly always beat brand new. With brasses and decorations more is not always better. The object



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is to enhance the harness and the horse, not to hide it. The wagons were a real crowd pleaser and it was very interesting to judge the single horses and vehicles especially. Lastly I'd like to thank all the exhibitors and their helpers for making the effort – without you there would be no show.  
Helen McKenzie



*Phil Amberger with champion entire - Donnybrook Seamus*



*Colin Drummond with his "bay team"*



*Erewhon Ferg wins the ridden class*



*Liz Dalzell and Coldstream Kristina - Supreme Champion and RAS Gold medal winner*



*Caroline Hedley and Donnybrook Amber*



*Best groomed & decorated shown in harness - Glen Willowvale*

# NZ Royal Show 2007

Judge Helen McKenzie, Masterton

## **Best Presented Clydesdale Horse and Handler**

- 1) John Booth – Ashstencroft Donella
- 2) JD & DJ Cook – Woodbury Ruby
- 3) Sue Amberger – Donnybrook Seamus

## **Entire Horse, 3 years and over**

- 1) Colin Drummond - Narioka Vagabond
- 2) Gilbert Cooper - Rockwood Gallant Lad

## **Colt, 2 year old**

- 1) Sue Amberger – Donnybrook Seamus

## **Colt, Yearling**

- 1) Liz Dalzell – Coldstream McKinlay
- 2) Colin Drummond – Erewhon Kenneth

## **Champion Entire Clydesdale**

Sue Amberger – Donnybrook Seamus

## **RAS Trophy**

(Wright Stevenson Challenge Cup -  
Champion Clydesdale Stallion)  
Sue Amberger – Donnybrook Seamus

## **Challenge Cup**

Champion Clydesdale Male :  
Sue Amberger – Donnybrook Seamus

## **McIntosh Family Medal**

Champion Clydesdale Stallion  
Sue Amberger – Donnybrook Seamus

## **Reserve Champion Entire Clydesdale**

Colin Drummond - Narioka Vagabond

## **Brood Mare, 3 years and over, foal at foot or in foal due before 31 Jan.**

- 1) Liz Dalzell – Coldstream Heather Rose
- 2) J D & D J Cook – Woodbury Ruby
- 3) RJ & JE Hawkins - Coldstream Jillie

## **Mare not to foal in current show season, 3 years and over**

- 1) Liz Dalzell - Coldstream Kristina
- 2) Colin Drummond - Erewhon Maggie
- 3) Liz Dalzell – Coldstream Isabella

## **Filly, 2 year old**

- 1) JD & DJ Cook – Woodbury Laura

## **Champion Clydesdale Mare or Filly**

Liz Dalzell - Coldstream Kristina

## **Challenge Cup**

Champion Clydesdale Female  
Liz Dalzell - Coldstream Kristina

**Reserve Champion Clydesdale Mare or Filly**  
Colin Drummond – Erewhon Maggie

## **Supreme Champion Clydesdale**

Liz Dalzell – Coldstream Kristina

## **RAS Award - Gold Medal**

Liz Dalzell - Coldstream Kristina

## **Best Yearling or 2 year old Colt or Filly, bred by exhibitor.**

- 1) Liz Dalzell - Coldstream McKinlay
- 2) J D & D J Cook - Woodbury Laura

## **John McEwing Trophy**

Best 2 year old and under  
(administered by the Canterbury Clydesdale Club)  
Liz Dalzell - Coldstream McKinlay

## **Gelding, any age**

- 1) Colin Drummond - Donnybrook Dark
- 2) Murray Lang – Midnight Sky
- 3) Colin Drummond – Erewhon Bert

## **Best Walking Clydesdale**

- 1) RJ & JE Hawkins – Glen Lie Millie
- 2) Liz Dalzell - Coldstream Kristina
- 3) Mrs S L Butterick-Kent - Glen Willowvale

## **Pair Females, any age, must compete in other Classes**

- 1) Liz Dalzell - Coldstream Heather Rose
- 2) MJ Musson & CJ Hedley – Donnybrook Amber
- 3) RJ & JE Hawkins - Glen Lie Xena

## **Best Groomed and Decorated Clydesdale, to be shown in harness**

- 1) Mrs S L Butterick-Kent - Glen Willowvale
- 2) John Booth – Ashstencroft Donella
- 3) JD & DJ Cook – Woodbury Ruby

## **Sledge Driving Class**

- 1) Colin Drummond – Donnybrook Dark
- 2) Colin Drummond - Donnybrook Luke
- 3) JD & DJ Cook – Woodbury Ruby

## **Single, any age, to be shown in harness attached to a vehicle**

- 1) Colin Drummond – Erewhon Ferg
- 2) MJ Musson & CJ Hedley – Donnybrook Amber

## **Pair or Multiple, any age, to be shown in harness attached to a vehicle**

- 1) Colin Drummond – Erewhon Ferg
- 2) Colin Drummond – Donnybrook Major

## **Ridden Clydesdale**

- 1) Colin Drummond - Erewhon Ferg
- 2) Colin Drummond - Donnybrook Dark

# THE 2008 NORTH ISLAND CLYDESDALE CHAMPIONSHIPS

The weather certainly did its best to dampen everyones spirits at this years North Island Clydesdale Championships but not even the blustery conditions could keep some of the best horses in the country parading proudly at the Morrinsville event.



*Derrick Thornton and champion stallion DT Oliver*



*Bruce Signal with silver medal winner - Sugar Creek Isobel*



*Vivien Simmons and supreme winner Ashburn Craigs Kimberly*

## North Island Clydesdale Championship Show

March 1 2008

Morrinsville A & P

Judge: S Muggeridge



### ***Dry Mare 3 years & over***

1. Ashburn Craigs Kimberly – V Simmons
2. Coldstream Kristina – P & B Stroobant
3. Beereega Katarina – P & B Stroobant

### ***Broodmare with foal at foot***

1. Ashburn Prides Kereru – V Simmons
2. Heritage Silver Rose – C Dobson

### ***Foal***

1. Ashburn Craigs Keisha – V Simmons
2. Bathangie Silver Sensation – C Dobson

### ***Filly 2 years***

1. Sugar Creek Isobel - B & C Signal
2. Rockwood Julia – G & J Pryce

### ***Filly yearling***

1. Llewellyn Nell – J Morgan

### ***Colt yearling or 2 year old***

1. DT Oliver – D Thornton
2. Donnybrook Lochnorrie – P & B Stroobant
3. Ashburn Craigs Kaiser – V Simmons

### ***Stallion 3 years & over***

1. Fellbeck Thomas – F Pilling

### ***Champion Mare***

Ashburn Craigs Kimberly – V Simmons

### ***Reserve Champion Mare***

Coldstream Kristina – P & B Stroobant

### ***Champion Stallion***

DT Oliver – D Thornton

### ***Reserve Champion Stallion***

Fellbeck Thomas – F Pilling

### ***Supreme Champion Clydesdale***

Ashburn Craigs Kimberly – V Simmons

**Best Clydesdale Colt or Filly bred by the Exhibitor**

**Silver Medal - North Island**

1. Sugar Creek Isobel – B & C Signal
2. Llewellyn Nell – JD Morgan

**Gelding in hand**

1. Fellbeck Clyde – F Pilling
2. T Brown – Chief Cody

**Best Footed Clydesdale**

1. DT Oliver – D Thornton
2. Maxwelton Belle – G & J Pryce
3. T Brown – Chief Cody

**Mare or Gelding most suitable for 30cwt dray**

1. Fellbeck Clyde – F Pilling
2. Llewellyn Willie – JD Morgan
3. Sugar Creek Faith – B & C Signal

**Single Clydesdale horse to be driven in sledge**

1. Fellbeck Thomas – D Thornton
2. Fellbeck Clyde – F Pilling
3. Llewellyn Willie – JD Morgan

**Single Clydesdale Horse in wheeled vehicle**

1. Maxwelton Belle – G & J Pryce
2. Chief Cody – B Donaldson

**Pair of Clydesdale horses in harness**

1. Fellbeck Bonnie & Fellbeck Nicky – F Pilling

**Pair of Clydesdale horses in wheeled vehicle**

1. Fellbeck Thomas & Lillie – D Thornton

**Ridden Clydesdale**

1. Heritage Silver Rose – C Dobson
2. Chief Cody – T Brown
3. Princess Patricia – J Pryce



*Fellbeck Thomas - winner stallion 3 years and over*



*Ray and Coldstream Kristina*

# HORSE OF THE YEAR 2008

## A HUGE SUCCESS

Building on the success of the 2007 show the 2008 Kelt Capital Horse of the Year Show was an overwhelming success. Entries were well up on the previous year with an excellent turn out of Clydesdales from all around the country. A big thank you to all the competitors who travelled many miles to attend - from the Waikato in the north to Erewhon in the south. The preceding days to our show day we had Colin Drummond, Derrick Thornton and Fred Pilling giving wagon rides with the show announcers often threatening to have illegally parked vehicles towed away by the Clydes. The Friday night spectacular in the main arena drew thousands of spectators with four Clydesdale wagons making a stunning spectacle. Our promo tent was once again well patronised thanks in part to the mare and foal on display (thanks Steve Muggeridge) and a superb portable yard (thanks Penelope Donaldson). Thanks also to our judge Vivien Simmons and steward Hillary Alexander. Congratulations to Colin Drummond and Donnybrook Dark our 2008 champions (followed closely by Derrick Thornton and Tom). Next year we have been offered by the organisers an additional show day (on the Saturday) to hold an in hand Clydesdale Show - please contact the Clydesdale Horse Society of NZ Inc secretary if you are interested in further details.



*Alan Rennie on the sledge course*



*Blair Donaldson and Robyn McNicol under the judges scrutiny*



*The log skidding provided the final challenge of the day*

## RESULTS

### ***RIDDEN CLYDESDALE CLASS***

Sponsored by: SPIERS FURNITURE SOLUTIONS

- 1st – Donnybrook Dark – Colin Drummond
- 2nd – Donnybrook Major – Colin Drummond
- 3rd – Meersbrooke Cascade – Mack Rennie
- 4th – Ashburn Samsons Kenneth – Jennifer Boudreau

### ***CLYDESDALE SINGLE IN SLEDGE***

Sponsored by: BLACK BEAGLE CAFÉ AND CATERERS

- 1st – Tom – Derrick Thornton
- 2nd – Taungatara Victory Ben – Steven Muggeridge
- 3rd – Donnybrook Dark – Colin Drummond
- 4th – Jake – Derrick Thornton

### ***CLYDESDALE PAIR IN SLEDGE***

- 1st – Taungatara Chiefs Cole & Taungatara Chiefs Claude – Steven Muggeridge
- 2nd – Meersbrooke Cascade & Matarawa Fifi – Alan Rennie
- 3rd – Jake & Jim – Derrick Thornton
- 4th – Donnybrook Major & Dark – Colin Drummond

### ***CLYDESDALE SINGLE IN A WHEELED VEHICLE***

Sponsored by: BLACK BEAGLE CAFÉ AND CATERERS

- 1st – Taungatara Chiefs Cody – Blair Donaldson
- 2nd – Falkirk William Shithe – Robyn McNicol

### ***CLYDESDALE PAIR/TEAM IN WHEELED VEHICLE***

Sponsored by: AGTECH HAWKES BAY

- 1st – Taungatara Chiefs Cole, Taungatara Chiefs Claude, Taungatara Chiefs Charlotte & Taungatara Victory Ben driven by Steven Muggeridge
- 2nd – Fellbeck Nicky & Fellbeck Bonnie driven by Fred Pilling
- 3rd – Tom, Jake, Jim & Lillie driven by Derrick Thornton
- 4th – Donnybrook Major, Donnybrook Dark, Erewhon Ferg,

Erewhon Bert, Erewhon Warrior, Erewhon Koala driven by  
Colin Drummond

**CLYDESDALE LOG SKID**

Sponsored by: PILLING & LEGGETT LTD

1st – Tom – Derrick Thornton

2nd – Donnybrook Dark – Colin Drummond

3rd – Jake – Derek Thornton

4th – Donnybrook Major – Colin Drummond



*Vivien Simmons, Penelope Donaldson and Colin Drummond  
with Donnybrook Dark*

**CLYDESDALE WORKING HORSE OF THE YEAR 2008**

**DONNYBROOK DARK – COLIN DRUMMOND**



*Colin Drummond and his six horse team*



*Derrick Thornton*



### *Horse of the Year 2008:*

#### *Judges Report*

*It was a pleasure to judge the Clydesdale and Working Horse Section of the Horse of the Year show at Hastings.*

*Starting at nine in the morning and finishing at 5pm it was a*

*long hot day but fortunately the beautiful Hastings showground contain some lovely shade trees which also double as obstacles for events. The Ridden Class was a well supported event with nine entries. There was quite large variance in performance and turnouts. Each combination of Clydesdale and rider did an individual work out. The winner was a well presented and performed combination.*

*Single horse in the sledge had 18 combinations performing over a course consisting of the hookup, pick up load, slalom, go between two long poles (bridge), 180 degree turn, back between poles, drop of load and unhook. The Pairs in sledge performed over the same course and again the winners came out with some very good performances*

*Single Horse in a wheeled vehicle had two well presented entries with lighter types of vehicles one a gig and the other a 4 wheeler. Both of the drivers and horses were novice and did very well with their animals over the course.*

*The teams in harness were perhaps the most spectacular of the day and it was great to see such a huge effort made.*

*First was Steve Muggeridge with a team of four horses in traditional harness and heavy wagon complete with load tied on. The horses looked, worked and were well driven with a very kind hand. Everything fitted, shoes tight, very workman like.*

*Second was Fred Pilling with a pair of Clydesdales in a neat*

*tidy attire, modern rubber tyred utility wagon, harness clean, tidy, fitting and going along pleasantly.*

*Third was Derrick Thornton's team of four horses in traditional light wagon, harness, but had a bit of harness problem unfortunately - unsettling the horses a little.*

*Fourth was Colin Drummond team of six in a large all purpose rubber tyred wagon making a spectacular sight on numbers alone, a few tidy ups needed here,*

*Final competition of the day was the log skid event, again with 18 competitors. There were some very good clear rounds, some breathtaking moments as to whether the logs would roll and hit the trees or miss the mark. As with all the other competitions a tally of points for the various stages of the event brought up the winners and place getters.*

*The overall point's winner of the day was DARK owned by Colin Drummond. The log skid was the final decider as there were three horses all on 16 points. A very good competition overall. Horse of the Year is a grand place to present the Clydesdale to so many people. Even though we could hear the roar of the huge overcrowded stand as Katie McVean jumped to a \$120,000 victory, the Clydesdales are very clearly an attraction to the show and they very definitely stole the show at the Friday night Spectacular. Thank you, to all those who participated in both the competitions and the Friday night. (this includes the cooks and grooms and helpers. We were also fortunate to have a very good horse commentator who was a real character and kept the public entertained with commentary for our ring. Thank you to Paul Stroobant for being on the promotions side and doing a great job at the tent for the duration of the show.*

*Look forward to seeing more of you there next year*

*Viv Simmons*



*Steve Muggeridge*

# CAMBRIDGE A & P

## *Colt 2 years & under*

1. DT Oliver – D Thornton
2. Ashburn Craigs Kaiser – V Simmons
3. Donnybrook Lochnorrie – P & B Stroobant

## *Stallion 3 years & over*

1. Fellbeck Thomas – F Pilling

## *Gelding any age*

1. Howie – D Thornton
2. Fellbeck Clyde – F Pilling
3. Jim – D Thornton

**Champion Stallion** - Fellbeck Thomas – F Pilling

**Reserve Champion Stallion or Colt** - DT Oliver – D Thornton

## *Filly 2 years & under*

1. Llewellyn Nell – D Thornton
2. Rockwood Julia – J Lorenz & G Pryce

## *Dry Mare 3 years and over*

1. Ashburn Craigs Kimberley – V Simmons
2. Maxwellton Belle - J Lorenz and G Pryce
3. Ashburn Craigs Kate – V Simmons

**Champion Mare** – Ashburn Craigs Kimberley – V Simmons

**Reserve Champion Mare or Filly**

Llewellyn Nell – D Thornton

## WORKING HORSE

### *Single horse in sledge*

1. Jake – D Thornton
2. Mistry – F Pilling
3. Starlight – J Luxford

### *Pair of hoses in sledge*

1. Jake & Jim – D Thornton
2. Tom & Lillie - D Thornton
3. Mistry & Clyde – F Pilling

### *Single or pair of horses in a wheeled vehicle or agriculture implement*

1. Derrick Thornton – Wagon
2. Joy Luxford – Plough
3. Fred Pilling – Sledge

## *Log Skidding*

- |                      |                                |
|----------------------|--------------------------------|
| 1. Jim – D Thornton  | 3. Mistry – F Pilling          |
| 2. Jake – D Thornton | 4. Maxwellton Belle – J Lorenz |

**Best Working Horse** Jake – D Thornton



*Gareth Pryce and Maxwellton Belle*



*Kylie Thornton and DT Oliver*

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# WAIKATO A & P

Judge: Andrew Gibberd

## **Best Turned Out Stallion or Colt**

1. Fellbeck Thomas – F Pilling
2. Our Ben – H & T Chisholm
3. Donnybrook Lochnorrie – P & B Stroobant

## **Stallion 3 years & over**

1. Our Ben – H & T Chisholm
2. Fellbeck Thomas – F Pilling

## **Yearling Colt**

1. Donnybrook Lochnorrie – P & B Stroobant
2. Gleneagles Sergeant Major - Victory Stud Equine
3. Ashburn Craigs Kaiser – V Simmons

## **Champion Male – Our Ben**

H & T Chisholm (Ashbourne Memorial Cup)

## **Reserve Champion Male**

Donnybrook Lochnorrie – P & B Stroobant

## **Best Turned out Mare or Filly**

1. Palamar Esmeralda – P & B Stroobant
2. Ashburn Craigs Kate – V Simmons
3. Rockwood Julia – G Pryce & J Lorenz

## **Brood mare 3 years & over in foal or with foal at foot**

1. Ashburn Prides Kereru – V Simmons
2. Ashstencroft Ronelle - H & T Chisholm

## **Dry mare 3 years & over**

1. Palamar Esmeralda – P & B Stroobant
2. Ashburn Craigs Kate – V Simmons
3. Beereega Katarina – P & B Stroobant

## **Filly 2 years**

1. Rockwood Julia – G Pryce & J Lorenz

## **Filly yearling (Sisan Cup)**

1. Llewellyn Nell – D Thornton
2. Enchanting Amanda – H & T Chisholm
3. Enchanting Angel – H & T Chisholm

## **Champion Female (Miss G Walsh Cup)**

Ashburn Prides Kereru – V Simmons

## **Reserve Champion Female**

Palamar Esmeralda – P & B Stroobant

## **Supreme Champion**

Ashburn Prides Kereru – V Simmons

## **Best Walking Clydesdale**

1. Palamar Esmeralda – P & B Stroobant
2. Mangakura Blossom – K Sutton

3. Ashburn Craigs Kate – V Simmons

## **Best Yearling or 2 year old colt or filly bred by exhibitor**

1. Ashburn Craigs Kaiser – V Simmons

## **Progeny Class 2 Progeny by same Stallion or out of same Mare**

1. V Simmons
2. D Thornton
3. H & T Chisholm

## HEAVY WORKING HORSE SECTION

### **Best Care for Gelding or dry Mare in harness to be led**

1. Fellbeck Clyde – F Pilling
2. Lillie – D Thornton

### **Single Horse and Sledge**

1. Howie – D Thornton
2. Mistry – F Pilling
3. Jim – D Thornton

### **Pair of Horses and Sledge**

1. Thomas & Lillie - D Thornton
2. Jake & Jim - D Thornton
3. Mistry & Clyde - F Pilling



Hamish and Tania Chisholm were awarded the coveted, "Johnny Rogers Centennial Trophy", for the best animal at the show with seven year old stallion "Our Ben"



Vivien Simmons with supreme winner Ashburn Prides Kereru

## NEW ZEALAND PLOUGHING CHAMPIONSHIPS

New Zealand Ploughing Assn.

NZ Ploughing Championships held 5th. - 6th. April 2008.

Featherston Wairarapa.

Results:

New Zealand Horse Ploughing Championship;

1st. Peter & Jason Robson (Winton)

2nd. Fred Pilling (Hamilton)

3rd. David Murdoch (Middlemarch)



*Snow Cleaver*



*Derrick Thornton's team*



*Dave Murdoch*



*Fred Pilling*

## The North Island All Breeds Horse Show

was once again in full swing throughout the weekend of the 5th and 6th of January. We were greatly disappointed with the lack of Clydesdale entries which surprised both the show committee and public. As always the Clydesdales are a great attraction for all types of people, but sadly this year, we only had a few exhibits in the ring. Despite the lack of entries, the Spanish judge Mr. Jose Ortiz did a wonderful job of judging and seemed to enjoy the notable change of size from the beauties of the Spanish ring! I will add that the visiting judge was knowledgeable of all breeds and it was pleasing to see his judging knowledge and competence throughout the judging of the heavy horses also.

This year's turnout does risk the abandonment of a Clydesdale section, it is only with further support that the show committee can assure continued classes for the Clydesdale.

Van der Sande family

Pirongia Clydesdales

The results were as follows:

### ***Best Presented of all Heavy Horses***

1. Claremont Mark Samantha van der Sande

2. Glencarron Sovereign Commander  
Nick van der Sande

3. Wishaw Serenity Evelyn Williamson

### ***Stallion or Gelding 4yrs and over***

1. Glencarron Sovereign Commander

2. Claremont Mark

### ***Dry Mare 4yrs and over***

Wishaw Serenity

### ***Champion Clydesdale Adult***

Glencarron Sovereign Commander

### ***Reserve Champion Clydesdale Adult***

Claremont Mark

### ***Supreme Clydesdale***

Glencarron Sovereign Commander



*Nick van der Sande and Glencarron Sovereign Commander*

# HORSE EXPO HELENSVILLE

Judge: Hillary Alexander

Steward: Vivien Simmons

## JUDGES REPORT

This was the first time Clydesdales had attended the Helensville Horse Expo. It was a great to see a large number of horses in the first class, the Best Presented class which was won by June Shipman and Springhurst Charm with a very smart turnout. A new edition to Clydesdale classes was the Novice Horse and Handler class, it was very encouraging to see so many new faces. The Novice Horse and Handler trophy went to Kathryn Long and Dusty. The pair showed talent at their first competition with Kathryn leading Dusty in a relaxed manner. Kathryn showed her horse well by leading straight away, steadying the horse before turning to the right and leading straight back towards me. Dusty showed his obedience by walking trotting, halting and backing with the lightest of aids from Kathryn. The following breed classes started with the Colt 2 years and under won by P & B Stroobant with Donnybrook Locknorrie. Stallion 3 years and over was won by Jan Craft and Manxland Siegfried with her 20 year old at his first competition. The Champion Stallion going to a class yearling colt Donnybrook Lochnorrie shown by P & B Stroobant. The Filly 2 years and under was won by R Walker Brash with Eastwind Baylee. Palamar Esmeralda shown by P & B Stroobant won the dry mare class. Brood mare class went to R & D Donovan with Lyndhurst Molly Ann and her colt foal. Palamar Esmeralda shown by P & B Stroobant made a clean sweep taking the Champion Mare and Supreme Champion. Reserve Champion went to P & B Stroobant with Coldstream Kristina. Gelding any age was won by Palamar Prince Ernie owned by D Dufty. The walking class proving to be a challenge with a large number of entries. Thus walking out next to each horse allowing the horse and handler to demonstrate length of stride and freedom in the walking pace was the only way to clearly see each horse walk. The winner being a young colt Gleneagles Sargent Major owned by R Walker Brash. The Ridden class had 5 riders each of which had to walk, trot and canter on each rein before coming back to halt straight before judge. Denise Cooper riding Jim Clough's gelding Thunder had a beautiful clean turnout and an exceptional workout for first place. Followed closely by Tracey Holden on Springhurst Charm in 2nd, Kathryn Long on Dusty in 3rd all in English riding attire, followed by Pierce Van Oorshot on Springfield Meg turned out in a Western style. The working classes had fewer numbers but still a good turnout. The Clydesdale in harness class was won by Palamar Prince Guy, 2nd Palamar Prince Ernie both owned by D Dufty, 3rd was Kay Rous with Kia Kaha Katelyn followed by P Van Oorschot in 4th with Springfield Meg. We set out a course with a pick up and drop off point for hay, slalom and steady walk to finish for the Single in Sledge. This was won by Palamar Prince Ernie and D Dufty. Pair in Sledge doing the same course was won by the single entry Dan Dufty and his two geldings Guy & Ernie. They gave an excellent

demonstration of turning the sledge on the spot while the crowd was extremely busy taking photos. Single in Wheeled vehicle had Dan Dufty and Guy doing a splendid job of demonstrating their versatility to the large crowd. The day concluded with a presentation of the Calibre Clydesdale Cup for "Novice Horse and Handler" winner - Kathryn Long.



*Lyndhurst Molly with young handler Miss Rebecca Donovan*

### **Best Presented Horse and Handler**

1. Springhurst Charm - June Shipman
2. Classic Captain Thunder - Jim Clough
3. Donnybrook Lochnorrie - P&B Stroobant

### **Novice Horse and Handler**

1. Dusty - Kathryn Long
2. Springhurst Charm - June Shipman
3. East Wind Baylee - R Walker Brash

### **Colt 2 years and under**

1. Donnybrook Lochnorrie - P&B Stroobant
2. Gleneagles Sergeant Major - R Walker Brash
3. Romeo Dajata Garfield - Jolene Morris

### **Stallion 3yrs & Over**

1. Manxland Siegfried - Jan Craft

### **Champion Entire**

Donnybrook Lochnorrie - P&B Stroobant

### **Reserve Champion Entire**

Gleneagles Sargent Major - R Walker Brash

### **Filly 2 years and under**

1. Eastwind Bailey - R Walker Brash
2. Kia Kaha Katelyn - K Rous

### **Dry Mare 3yrs & Over**

1. Palamar Esmeralda - P&B Stroobant
2. Coldstream Kristina - P&B Stroobant
3. Springfield Meg - Pierce Van Oorschot

### **Broodmare with foal at foot**

1. Lyndhurst Molly Ann - R&D Donovan

### **Champion Female**

Palamar Esmeralda - P&B Stroobant

### **Reserve Champion Female**

Coldstream Kristina - P&B Stroobant

### **Supreme Champion**

Palamar Esmeralda

### **Gelding any age**

1. Palamar Prince Ernie - D.Dufty
2. Classic Captain Thunder - J. Clough
3. Palamar Prince Guy - D.Dufty

### ***Ridden Clydesdale***

1. Classic Captain Thunder - J.Clough
2. Springhurst Charm - J.Shipman
3. Dusty - K.Long

### ***Best Walking Clydesdale***

1. Gleneagles Sergeant Major - R Walker Brash
2. Palamar Esmeralda - P&B Stroobant
3. Palamar Prince Guy - D Dufty

### ***Clydesdale in Harness*** (driven or led)

1. Palamar Prince Guy - D Dufty
2. Palamar Prince Ernie - D Dufty
3. Kia Kaha Katelyn - K Rous

### ***Single horse in sledge***

1. Palamar Prince Ernie - D Dufty
2. Springfield Meg - P Van Oorschot
3. Palamar Price Guy - D Dufty

### ***Single horse in a wheeled vehicle***

1. Palamar Prince Guy - D Dufty

### ***Pair of horses in sledge***

1. Guy & Ernie - D Dufty



*Denise Cooper riding Jim Clough's Classic Captain Thunder*

## **HOROWHENUA A & P**

Sunday 20th January 2008

Judge: Helen McKenzie

### ***Best Presented Horse and Handler***

1. Te One Chaptains Ruby – J Thomas
2. Te One Chaptains Kate – G Thomas
3. Donnybrook Louise – M Doreen

### ***Entire 3 years & over*** Our Ben – H & T Chisholm

### ***Champion Entire*** – Our Ben – H & T Chisholm

### ***Broodmare 3 years & over***

1. Donnybrook Louise – S Palmer
2. Te One Jessabelle - G Thomas
3. Te One Moolight Crystal – G Thomas

### ***Drymare 3 years & over***

1. Taungatara Luscars – J Muggeridge
2. Te One Captains Ruby – G Thomas
3. Te One Captains Kate – J Thomas

### ***Filly 2 years & under***

1. Murrayfield Princess Anna – A Palmer

### ***Champion Mare or Filly*** - Taungatara Luscars

### ***Reserve Champion*** – Donnybrook Louise

### ***Supreme Champion Clydesdale*** – Our Ben

### ***Best Walking Horse***

1. Our Ben – H & T Chisholm
2. Taungatara Luscars – J Muggeridge
3. Donnybrook Louise – M Doreen

### ***Best horse or horses to be shown in harness***

1. Te One Jessabelle - G Thomas
2. Taungatara Kate – H & T Chisholm
3. Murreyfield Lady Bella – S Palmer

### ***Best horse or horses shown in a wheeled vehicle***

1. Te One Moonlight Crystal - G Thomas
2. Claude & Cole – S Muggeridge

### ***Best Sledge Horse***

1. Cole – S Muggeridge
2. Te One Moonlight Crystal - G Thomas
3. Donnybrook Louise – M Doreen

### ***Best Team of Sledge Horses*** - Claude & Cole

## **Horowhenua Show Judges Report**

There were four exhibiting families at the show. It was great to include some keen young new entrants.

Two of the horses were older than some of the exhibitors but these good old mares stood up well with the younger animals. Most of the exhibits were very good bodied individuals but some of their hocks and action let them down.

The standard of presentation was generally very high with some of the cleanest and shiniest horses I have ever judged. The presentation of the handlers was also excellent so keep up the good work.

Once again no yearlings at all and only 1 two year old filly. Where are the youngsters??

Although mainly unshod generally the feet were tidily trimmed and in some cases oiled.

Once again remember to practice at home before the show to get the animals walking and trotting out crisply. Most were good but one or two did not do their exhibit justice.

I would like to thank my very good steward, Graham Cottle, from Levin. It makes a big difference when the steward is experienced and familiar with the layout of the grounds.

Helen McKenzie



*Te One Moonlight Crystal*

