

The AHSA Endurance Sub-committee Report to AGM, May 2026

The Terms of Reference of the AHSA Endurance Sub-Committee:

The Endurance sub-committee is a sub-committee of the Arabian Horse Society of Australia. (AHSA)

Objectives

As per the AHSA Constitution one of the Objects is to:

4a (vii) –holding, convening, supporting and promoting competitions, events and exhibitions in which Arabian Bred Horses participate and offering prizes and awards in respect of competition or achievement, and shall have the responsibility for the conduct of any Australian Arabian National Championship Shows.

To this end, the AHSA has formed a sub-committee to further promote the Arabian horse through Endurance Riding activities.

The sub-committee will work closely with the Australian Endurance Riders of Australia (AERA), the national governing body of endurance in Australia and any other affiliated entities such as the AERA Division Associations.

The AERA has established rules and protocols for endurance riding, and these will be adhered to as they are the governing body.

Membership and appointment

Members of this sub-committee will be appointed by the Board of the AHSA and will include at least one member of the Board of the AHSA.

Appointments will be made on an annual basis and will be reviewed at the first Board meeting following the AHSA AGM.

Meetings

Meetings of the sub-committee will be held as determined by the members of the sub-committee as required to fulfil their function as above, and as directed by the Board of the AHSA.

Chair of sub-committee

The sub-committee chair will be a member of the Board of the AHSA.

Reporting

The sub-committee, through its chair, will report to the meetings of the Board of the AHSA.

Report for 2025/26

The main focus of this sub-committee in 2025/26 has been to promote and encourage the registration of Arabian bred horses that are involved in endurance riding.

Many Australian breeders of endurance horses do not register their horses with the AHSA. There are a number of reasons for this. This SC has liaised with the AERA to promote the value of officially preserving successful endurance bloodlines through registration.

The amnesty for the registration of older horses has been advertised frequently.

Regular publicity has been given to successful Australian bred endurance horses, in particular in international competitions such as the FEI Young Horse Championships held in France and the President's Cup held in the UAE.

Similar publicity has been given to the three Australian bred stallions which are featured in the top ten most successful international endurance producers for 2026, including the number one stallion, Marcon los Conquero.

Including classes for endurance horses at Arabian Horse shows has been promoted and encouraged. Classes were again included at the AANC but the response to this was disappointing. However, this has worked very well for more "local" shows such as the "Top of the Range" hosted by the Downs Arabian Club where the endurance classes were very well supported.

In partnership with the AERA, QERA and the Stirlings Crossing Club, a show for registered Arabian horses has been added to the program for the Tom Quilty Gold Cup 2026, to be held in July. The show has been very well received with all classes sponsored. Only horses which are registered with the AHSA will be eligible to enter this show, but these classes will be judged as endurance horses by a panel of judges with both Arabian breed and endurance riding experience.



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THURSDAY
2 JULY
2026
**Arabian Endurance
Horse Show**

Criteria for entry

- The horse must be entered in the 2026 Tom Quilty Gold Cup and be at the grounds on Thursday 2 July 2026 by 9.30am.
- The horse must be registered with the Arabian Horse Society of Australia and identified as such in its AERA logbook.

Prizes

- Each class – 1st \$300, 2nd \$150, 3rd \$50
- Embroidered woollen rugs for Champion and Reserve
- Rosettes/ribbons for placegetters in each class sponsored by the AHSA

Stirling's Crossing
TOM QUILTY
GOLD CUP 2026
IMBII, QLD

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Led classes

- 1: Purebred Arabian mare
- 2: Purebred Arabian gelding
- 3: Purebred Arabian stallion
- 4: Arabian Derivative mare
- 5: Arabian Derivative gelding
- 6: Arabian Derivative stallion

Champion and Reserve
Champion Arabian Led
Endurance Horse

Ridden classes

- 7: Purebred Arabian mare
- 8: Purebred Arabian gelding
- 9: Purebred Arabian stallion
- 10: Arabian Derivative mare
- 11: Arabian Derivative gelding
- 12: Arabian Derivative stallion

Champion and Reserve
Champion Arabian Ridden
Endurance Horse