

# The Australian Light Horse Association Ltd.

## ~ ASSOCIATION CUP ~

### ALHA CUP RIDING TEST

#### **PURPOSE:**

**To identify the 'A' Grade and 'B' Grade competitors.**

The riding test is a simple course designed to identify those riders & horses capable of competing at the level required for the A and B Competition. This is not a timed test.

The jumping height required is as follows; 'A' Grade 90 cm (3 feet) and the 'B' Grade is 60cm (2 feet).

Should there be less than 4 'A' Grade sections competing, the Chief Judge in collaboration with the other Judges will form composite Sections in order to run an 'A' Grade competition. All other Sections & riders will compete for the 'B' Grade competition.

This test is to be carried out in Sections, wearing working dress. It can be completed the day before the Cup or after event 1. Individual riders may be classified if their section is not up to their standard.

#### **The course is as follows:**

1. Start at a walk, soon after move into a trot & then form single file into a canter. In single file, at the canter, each member will jump a 90 cm (3 feet) high jump of hay bales (with the bottom row lying flat & the second row lying on the side on the bottom row.)
2. Change from the canter to the trot, form Section and then move to the second obstacle, the wooden bridge in Section formation. Just prior to engaging the second obstacle the Section will form single file & will cross the wooden bridge at a fast walk. No refusals are allowed.
3. When the 4<sup>th</sup> rider crosses the bridge, the file will form section & at a canter or gallop, jump the 1<sup>st</sup> obstacle as a Section, then continue at the same pace to the finish start line and stop with front hooves on the line. No refusals are allowed.

#### **Grading:**

- If a horse doesn't attempt to jump and crashes through the jump, or refuses to jump, it will be considered as 'B' Grade.
- If a horse attempts the jump and tips the top bale over it will, subject to the Judge's discretion be considered A Grade.