

HANDLERS COMPETITIONS

1. The Regulations appearing in this Section form part of the General Regulations and conditions of entry for National Beef 2008. In the event of any inconsistency between the General Regulations and these Regulations, the General Regulations shall prevail to the extent of the inconsistency unless the General Regulations provide otherwise.
2. Groups will be divided by age into the following sections:
 - Class 1: 8 years - 11 years**
 - Class 2: 12 years - 15 years**
 - Class 3: 16 years - 20 years**
 - Class 4: 21 years & over**
3. Judging will take place on Sunday 18th of May, commencing at 8.30am .
4. Ages will be calculated on the day of the competition.
5. Classes may be split into heats, if sufficient numbers warrant.
6. **PRIZES**
 1st place in each class will receive a Trophy kindly sponsored by Stud Beef Victoria.
 2nd place in each class will receive a voucher from Matterns Saddlery to the value of \$50.00.
 3rd place in each class will receive a voucher from Matterns Saddlery to the value of \$25.00.
 Sashes will be awarded to First, Second and Third placing in each section. Ribbons will also be awarded to each unplaced participant.
7. In addition to normal prizes, there will be an encouragement award for class 1 and an originality award for class 4.
8. **Heifers only** may be led, but must be 9 months and under 24 months of age. Heifers must be led with a halter and nose grip.
9. Breed uniforms or dust coats must be worn.
10. Judging criteria will be based on:
 - Condition and preparation of animal
 - Handling of animal in ring
 - Dress and appearance of handler
 - Gear (halter, stock cane and suitability of same)

CLOSE OF ENTRIES

11. Names can be submitted to the Secretaries office from the time of arrival, and entries will close **Saturday 17th of May 2008 at 2pm.**

JUDGING COMPETITIONS

- Class 1: Under 15 years**
- Class 2: Over 15 years & under 25 years**

1. Judging will take place at the conclusion of the Handlers competitions.
2. Ages will be calculated on the day of the competition.
3. **PRIZES**
 1st place in class 1 & 2 will receive a voucher from Matterns Saddlery to the value of \$100.00.
 2nd place in class 1 & 2 will receive a voucher from Matterns Saddlery to the value of \$50.00.
 3rd place in class 1 & 2 will receive a voucher from Matterns Saddlery to the value of \$25.00.
 Sashes will be awarded to First, Second and Third placing in each section.
4. Four animals will be used. Sex, breed and age to be decided on the day of judging.
5. Judging criteria will be based on:
 - Overall Presentation
 - Speaking Ability
 - Ring Craft
 - Reasoning and Comments

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