



SA BOERPERD BREEDERS' SOCIETY

NEWS LETTER

February 2016

Boerperd Friends

In these early days of 2016, the first SA Boerperd Shows are less than a week away and the Youth have mostly completed their first SANESA qualifier. Inspection dates are finalised and lists are available on the website. Please take note of the changes in the judging procedures, as well as Show Rules and Regulations that have been made and are explained briefly in this News Letter.

Please make use of the on-line birth notification of foals. This tool eases the workload at the SA Boerperd office significantly and the procedures were already listed in the previous News Letter (2015), as well as a year earlier.

All Board Members are working really hard towards implementing AGM decisions and recommendations, while also working on new projects. With the Regional Representatives invited regularly to Board meetings, they should be able to report back on these matters directly to all interested club members, as well as on the fact Board members are indeed doing their best. Should any member want to make a contribution, please do it positively and constructively. All Board Members have made themselves available, and have been elected to do the work necessary to make the Breeders' Society thrive without any personal or financial gain.

To improve communication on all levels, the new **SA Boerperd Communicator** will be launched on our webpage soon. We believe that this APP will enhance communication between the Board, Office and members with the simple pressing of a button on your smart phone. All the documentation and information will be close at hand at all times, without carrying the hard copies around. The new system will also automatically generate weekly / monthly News Letters with a summary of all the Notifications posted during a certain time. This might therefore be the last News Letter that you receive in this format.

Good luck to all of you for the year ahead. Let's try to make 2016 the year that will be remembered as the time where all members started working together towards the common goal of developing our amazing breed.

Regards

Frikkie Combrink

Petro Grové



SA STAMBOEK AND THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL WELFARE

CEM

The process of discussing the way forward with regard to the testing of stallions for CEM is still in the negotiation phase. At a Horse Forum held on 3rd February 2016 at SA Studbook, a committee have been elected to liaise directly with the Department of Animal Welfare henceforth. The chance of CEM testing to be lifted completely in the near future, is slim. The registered horses that have been tested for the past years, have already proven the country to be 95% clean of the disease. However, to keep the international status as a CEM free country, the testing have to be done on a continuous basis. This CEM free status has a significant impact the import- as well as export regulation through our customs. Certain plans to decrease the amount of testing in the future have already been put on the table for discussion. You will be notified as soon as these are put into action.

PASSPORTS

Our SA Studbook passports will be recognised in all South African horse sport disciplines, as well as for traveling purposes. However, if you are traveling to/from or from/to a horse sickness free area, the ID of your horse, as well as all the vaccinations and a traveling permit has to be stamped by a registered vet. Traveling permits are only valid for 14 days. Documentation that have been filled in correctly, will not be rejected by inspectors on route. If you have any questions or problems in this regard, please contact Danielle Pienaar from the *Department Animal Welfare* directly at 082 936 3604.

INSPECTIONS

At the AGM 2015, the possibility of inspection of stallions, as well as mares/ geldings at a reduced rate for the National Championships (Parys 2016) were discussed. However, after the numbers of inspections have been calculated, it was decided that inspections will take place on the same basis as in 2015, i.e. in the respective regions for stallions and on inspection tours for mares/geldings.



All information regarding inspection and inspection tours are already available on the webpage at:

[ADMINISTRATIVE](#) > [INSPECTION](#) > scroll down to the time tables;

For more detail, also see the following links:

[Hingskeuring 2016](#) and [Merrie en Reun keurings 2016](#).

ADVERTISING & MARKETING

Photos and results of the National Championships 2015 will be in the *Landbou Weekblad* of 11th March 2016. A second SA Boerperd article will be published in the HQ Pony of May 2016.

EVERYONE is welcome to send in articles for possible publication to the Board.

PLEASE NOTE: Any publication that is to be published as an official article from the SA Boerperd Breeders' Society, MUST be assessed and approved by the Board before submission to the publisher. These articles also include photo results of shows and regional championships.

A series of marketing clips are planned for Facebook. Please assist us in this marketing campaign by sharing this with all your Facebook friends. Officially approved material will have the SA Boerperd logo as identification. In doing this, we can all take responsibility for promoting our breed in cyberspace.

PHOTOGRAPHS

We are currently in the process of collecting all historic, as well as current SA Boerperd material we can to store electronically in our archives. If you have any such important and historic information, please copy



and/or scan these items and send it electronically to petrogrove@mweb.co.za for this purpose. We would also like to receive some recent photo's to update the PICTURE gallery on the webpage. The pictures currently on display are very old and we would like to add more recent pictures to fill in the gaps. For this purpose however, we can only use photos of high quality in electronic format.

In the same line of thought, we would like to request all show organisers to obtain video footage of at least the Championship classes in all regional shows, if not the complete event. To compile marketing- or training material, we must have video footage to start with.

JOURNALS

A new project regarding the collecting of ALL the editions of the SA Boerperd Journals is also currently taking place. These journals will be scanned and then made available for free on the webpage for all interested parties to read, download and/or print. In this way there is also the option to have all of these printed on the paper type of your personal choice and bind in your own individual coffee table compilation. Please just be patient – it takes time!

COMMUNICATOR

We are proud to be able to announce that our own SA Boerperd COMMUNICATOR will be available to download **free of charge** from our webpage to your computer and/or cell phone from 1st March 2016. The COMMUNICATOR is an APP similar to the D6 communicator commonly used by most schools in the country. Most of our communication will in future take place via the communicator. This includes a CALENDAR that can per personalised to your own needs but is managed through the SA Boerperd office with regard to essential Society matters. This will thus replace our previously printed calendars. To download the APP on 1 March, follow the following steps:

SA BOERPERD



COMMUNICATOR









On your cell phone:

Go to the www.saboerd.com mobi webpage. Click on the logo as indicated above and install the APP, following the prompts.

On your computer:

Go to the www.saboerd.com webpage. Click on the logo as indicate above and install the APP, following the prompts.

Die *communicator* will have the following functions:

-  Computer application
-  Cell phone application
-  E-mail
-  Sims's
-  News Letters
-  News flashes
-  Photo gallery
-  Show rules & regulations
-  Advertisements.

Notifications will be placed on this platform whenever necessary. These notifications will be saved by the APP for future reference. An automatically generated News Letter, consisting of a summary of notifications, will also be e-mailed to all members on a regular bases.



SPECIAL OFFER!!!!

You now have the unique opportunity to advertise your stud, auction, horses and much more on this platform that will be seen by all members. Should you wish to advertise in the calendar section for a specific month, the cost will be R600.00. The Highveld Club in Mpumalanga has already booked the month of March in advance! There is also a rolling banner at the bottom of the page where you have an additional opportunity to advertise for R100 per month – do hurry, there are only 10 spaces available per month! Please send your requests to Petro Grove:

petrogrove@mweb.co.za

SHOW CLASSES, RULES & REGULATIONS - WEBPAGE

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SHOW RULES & REGULATIONS

The changes / amendments with regard to Show rules, as well as cross entries as discussed and approved by the AGM 2015 are available in the relevant documents on the webpage. Please familiarise yourselves with these BEFORE shows. A lot of work has gone into getting these documents ready for publishing on the webpage before the first show.

Please give special attention to the following changes:

- ▲ The use of bits for in-hand showing (no prodders)
- ▲ No cross entries between Show Horse, Traditional Pleasure Horse or Traditional 3-gaited classes will be allowed;
- ▲ The following dress code is highly recommended, but still not compulsory:
 - ~ SHOW HORSE & 5-GAITED CLASSES: SA Boerperd length riding jacket with “Kentucky-type” pants;
 - ~ TRADITIONAL PLEASURE HORSE: jodhpurs & standard show jacket;
 - ~ TRADITIONAL 3 GAITED CLASSES: jodhpurs & standard show jacket;
 - ~ UNIVERSAL CLASSES: jodhpurs & standard show jacket (COMPULSARY);
 - ~ SHOW JUMPING: Full showing attire OR a shirt with collar and sleeves, with khaki, cream or white jodhpurs;
- ▲ With the exception of HOY show and the Western-Cape regional championship, all championships will be entered for electronically on the website as implemented in 2015.

AUCTIONS – A NEW SERVICE TO BREEDERS

Together with the electronic on-line show entries, all horses that are for sale at that specific show can now be listed in the program. They will also be advertised during the show while waiting for show results, where applicable. For the duration of the show all prospective buyers will then have the opportunity to take part in a silent auction. The horses will be sold to the highest bidders. The sellers will be invoiced by the SA Boerperd Breeders' Society for 1% commission of the selling price, as is custom to all other auctions that take place under the auspices of the Society.



MASTER CLASS LIST

A new and updated Master Class List has been uploaded on the webpage. ALL possible combinations were catered for as requested. The minimum class list for regional championships is indicated on the master class list. ALL classes that are entered for at shows need to have a specific number allocated for the whole year to enable on-line entries. Please note:

- ▲ It is compulsory that ALL regions include at least the minimum classes at their respective shows;
- ▲ NO CHILD UNDER 12 YEARS will be allowed to be a driver in any of the harness classes. This rule is also applicable in cases where younger riders might have upgraded to the under 19 age group to ride stallions.

DISCIPLINARY CODE

The final Disciplinary Code have been added at the bottom of the page under Annexure C3. Please read through it carefully. These measures have been put into place to create a safe show environment within organised and carefully set generally accepted boundaries.

NOMINATION OF JUDGES

The procedures with regard to the nomination of judges are available at the bottom of the same page under Annexure K. Please note that it has been decided than ONE of the 3 traditional judges of the previous year may be appointed again as judge for two consecutive years. The main objective of this decision is to have a certain level of consistency in the standard of judging.



YOUTH ACTION 2016

The Youth Board, as well as their mentors have decided by voting that a Musical Extravaganza will be presented again this year at the SA Boerperd National Championships. This event will be presented as a “strictly com showing” class but in a group. The ridden formations take place against a musical backdrop and only showing paces are included – it is not dressage. Costumes and decorations are allowed, as long as all the riders wear hard hats and shoes with a heel. Every region will have no more than 10 minutes for their item. The mentors are more than welcome to participate in this event together with their respective regions. This event will be included as entertainment in the showing program.

ENJOY THE PRACTICE BEFORE YOUR SHOWS!