

RPSBS Editing Report 2020

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All things were running smoothly at the office with no significant problems apart from members affected by Fire, Flood and now the Corona Virus19 outbreak, which will of course have a knock-on affect with registrations and transfers etc. in the foreseeable future.

We thank the office staff for their pleasantry on the phone and in person to members, and the quick turn around of information that has been requested.

Registration fee's have stayed stable and over the past few years. Some expenses have decreased to accommodate the hardship members are feeling.

For example:

- DNA is now no longer required for Geldings from AI with chilled semen, saving \$70 for members;
- The DNA fee was reduced to \$70
- No DNA is required if AI is done in house on the stud where the stallion and mare are resident, using fresh semen;
- Registration of Section A colts by 31st July in year of birth was in use in 2003 and late fees were comparatively higher.
- Approved Stallion fee have also been reduced.
- The moratorium for registrations has been extended due to the current situation with covid-19 etc.

We have to ask ourselves as breeding members what we want from this society. Are we true to the breed and what we breed? Do we have faith in what we breed? The cost of registering a pony is so small when compared with the overall cost of producing that pony.

Benefits include:

- Vouchers presented at EA Nationals, Grand Nationals; to the value of \$3,200
- Sponsorship through Federal at EA Nationals, and recognition of registered stock.
- Young stock incentive payments. In 2017 \$1,500 payments were made to each state to distribute over its young stock classes. Members and owners of registered stock only benefited.
- Breeders, Stallion and Mare owners are recognised in the Stud Book.
- Instant look up of pedigree on the studbook.
- Recognition on our web sites State and National.
- Inclusion into the Annual at our own run shows.
- Leaderboard for registered animals with prize monies available etc.
- Showing at RPSBS shows and agricultural shows if RP classes put on.

We wish everyone the best through this tough time and hope you will continue to support the society and provide feedback through the office of any changes you think would benefit the society.

It is our responsibility to ensure that Riding Ponies bred in Australia are registered and recorded. Far too many of our Riding Ponies bred have not been registered in the past. Registering our ponies in the year of birth will help remedy this situation.

Thank you.

Andrew Hunt