



## SHOWING JUDGES – 2015 HOY SHOW

### ENGLAND

- **Jerome Harforth**

Jerome started Stanley Grange Stud approximately 40 years ago. Approx 18 years ago the Colbeach Uk stud made its base there (Renita and Norwood White). Stanley Grange/Colbeach studs predominantly breed British Riding Ponies and Hacks. Animals bred and produced from Stanley Grange Stud have been twice, Hack of the Year at Horse of the Year Show, Show pony of the Year, Riding Horse of the Year, Racehorse to Show Horse of the Year, twice supreme led horse/pony of the year. Also, qualified around 14 ponies of various mountain and moorland breeds for the ridden M & M final at the Olympia Horse Show, London. Jerome also judged this final in 2014.

Other judging commitments include Horse of the Year Show UK, Horse of the Year Show in South Africa, Melbourne Royal, Barrastock Australia, championships in the USA, Sweden and Royal Show, South Island NZ.

Stanley Grange/Colbeach Stud breeds around ten foals per year and the yard produces around 15 show horses - mainly for clients. They stand around six stallions at stud, Riding Ponies, Thoroughbreds, Hacks and event horses. The stud has approximately 200 mares visiting annually. Some of the stallions are available worldwide through frozen semen.

- **Martin Jones**

Martin Jones has owned and ridden ponies since childhood, progressing through Pony Club, representing show jumping, dressage and cross country teams – and still enjoys riding for pleasure when time allows.

For several years he worked in the equine industry, based in Newmarket, the racing capital of the UK. This encompassed breeding and stud management, as well as teaching and riding. Martin holds the National Pony Society (NPS) Diploma in Stud Management and is also a British Horse Society instructor.

Martin is a former council member and trustee of the National Pony Society (NPS) – having previously served as the society's vice chairman – and has been chairman of both the judges' selection and show committees. He was director of the NPS national championship show for ten years. Martin serves on the NPS disciplinary committee and is an honorary

steward of the British Show Pony Society (BSPS). He serves as a senior judge for the following societies:

- National Pony Society – all mixed mountain and moorland panels (including Welsh sections A, B, C, D)

- British Show Pony Society – all ridden show pony, show hunter pony, working hunter pony and mountain and moorland panels (including Welsh sections A, B, C, D)

- British Show Horse Association – show hacks, riding horses and cobs

- British Connemara Pony Society – all ridden and in-hand panels

- Ponies (UK) – all ridden and in-hand panels

The above panels cover ridden and in-hand show pony breeding, hunter pony breeding, mixed mountain and moorland breeds, Welsh sections A, B, C & D, hacks, cobs, hunters and riding horses.

Martin has been fortunate to judge at most major UK shows, including the Royal International Horse Show, Royal Agricultural Society of England, National Pony Society Summer Championships, BSPS Supreme Championships and many UK county shows. In addition, he has held judging appointments in Ireland, Europe, New Zealand and Australia.

Martin has a variety of equestrian interests and owns, breeds and shows ponies from his Landemann Stud as a hobby, when his work in the finance industry allows.

### AUSTRALIA

- **John Paget**

John has owned and ridden successfully at the Royal Shows of Sydney, Melbourne, Canberra, Adelaide and Brisbane with open saddle class winners as well as Championship successes included.

John has also judged at all of the Eastern State Royal Shows across all sections. John is on the Royal Show judges' list of the Show Horse Council of Australasia, the National Show list of Equestrian Australia as well as the Federal list of the Riding Pony Stud Book Society.

John has bred a small number of Riding Ponies. He previously visited New Zealand to judge in the South Island but has not as yet visited the North Island, so is looking forward to the appointment immensely.

- **Carmel Perkins**

Showing horses all her life, Carmel has competed very successfully at both Royal and National level.

Carmel has judged at Canberra and Sydney Royals, and all Australian States, Horse of the Years including the Northern Territory.

Currently showing a small Galloway, Willowcroft English Rose, that Carmel has had for 12 months, and in that short time has been very successful at Agricultural and Royal Shows.

Carmel is very much looking forward to judging at the NZ HOY, and thank you most kindly for the invitation.

## **NEW ZEALAND**

- **Kevin Cholmondeley-Smith**

Kevin was born into a pioneer farming family.

The Cholmondeley-Smith family were all keen followers of horses and the various activities surrounding owning horses. Kevin has continued this tradition.

Kevin first stepped into the show ring at age five at the Albany A&P Show and thereafter enjoyed a string of versatile ponies that enabled him to branch out into pony club eventing show jumping hunting and of course A&P shows.

In his adult years Kevin has continued to maintain his interest in a wide variety of equestrian disciplines including racing and breeds horses and ponies under the Glenvar prefix first established by his Great Grandfather.

Kevin has shown many horses and ponies over the years and had success at every level, he works tirelessly to better the lot of everyone involved with A&P Shows and has judged ridden and breed events throughout New Zealand and Internationally.

Kevin has been awarded life membership of a number of organisations to acknowledge his contribution including the Royal Agricultural Society, The New Zealand Pony Breeders Society, The New Zealand Arab Horse Breeders Society and the Kaipara Hunt of which he was founding Master and Huntsman.

- **Mark Isaacs**

In the 1970's, Mark worked at Okawa Stud, Hastings preparing yearlings for sales in New Zealand.

Mark has ridden all his life - show hacks and jumpers. His two daughters and now a granddaughter showed ponies and jumped with success around the South Island.

Mark is a farrier in Otago and shoes for White Robe Lodge and the Andertons. He also helps them out by leading the yearlings at the Christchurch sales each year. Mark is Clerk of the Course for Gallop South Otago Racing Club. Along with his wife Sharon, Mark breeds the Island Park Ponies in Dunedin, and has had great success with the young stock and awarded many champions at Christchurch and Royal shows around the South Island. For the past ten years Mark has been a RAS Tutor judge, and is currently the Southern District Convenor.

- **Carole Isaacson**

Carole has spent most of her adult life involved in horses – travelled the NZ show jumping circuit for 35 plus years with husband Doug who campaigned a team of show jumpers, some of who they breed and others who were purchased and trained by themselves bringing them up to Grand Prix level.

Husband Doug was a huntsman for 27 years taking over from his father of 21 years for the Dannevirke Hunt Inc. Carole spent 22 of those years assisting in training hounds and hunters with him.

Carole has judged show ponies and horses, both led/ ridden and jumping for the last 37 years – in that time she has officiated from Whangarei to Invercargill and most places in-between and also into Australia (Gimpy Queensland.)

Carole is a Grade One New Zealand RAS, Tutor and NZ Riding Pony Judge.

In her other life Carole sells Real Estate for PGG Wrightson, and is a District Councillor for the Tararua District Council (LGNZ) – all of which keeps her very busy.

- **Kristine Russell**

Kristine is a proud mother of three beautiful children aged 11, 6 and 5. With husband Brian she farms a large scale deer, sheep and beef property in Northern Central Southland.

Kristine has grown up around horses most of her life. Kristine's uncle was a successful show rider in Australia so her love of horses and riding stemmed from there.

Kristine went to her first show when she was six years old and competed successfully in the pony and hack rings. She has also been lucky enough to have some rides on ponies in Australia.

With one daughter now competing in the small pony ring and the other about to make her lead rein daube after Christmas, Kristine's showing days have been put on hold for now.

Kristine started judging ponies in her late teens and over the years has judged both in Australia and throughout New Zealand.

- **Bernice Southey**

Bernice was born into a family with a racing background. Her Grandfather and Father owned, bred and raced thoroughbreds.

Bernice's children showed extensively throughout New Zealand, in show classes continuing into the jumping ring, hunting and eventing. During this time Bernice was training, preparing, presenting and supporting both ponies and children. Bernice is still continuing in this role as she has a daughter and granddaughter competing at this time

For the past twenty-seven years Bernice has had the pleasure of judging throughout New Zealand at: Horse of the Year, Hawkes Bay A and P, Christchurch Royal Show, New Zealand National Horse and Pony shows, as well as numerous A and P shows. Bernice has also judged in Canberra, Australia. Bernice's judging experience covers all aspects of the showing, from flat classes to working hunters and round the ring jumping.