

# 2012 Helmsman Stallion Service Auction

## Rules and Regulations

### Bidding Guidelines

- The auction will be conducted under the Helmsman System. Bidders are registered at the Secretary's Office and bid cards are obtained from this office.
- All stallion service lots will be promoted and attractively displayed on a large, prominently placed board.
- The Auction of services will commence on 5th March 2012 and will close on 9th March 2012.
- Bidding details must be lodged with the Australian Stock Horse Society Head Office area at National Championships at AELEC Tamworth.
- Prospective purchasers will be issued with a bid card number. That number is displayed on the board instead of the bidder's name.
- All bids are written on the board along with the bid card number.
- Bids can be placed where indicated at any time throughout the duration of the Show until the nominated closing time. Phone bids can be made by prior arrangement (subject to certain conditions).
- If a bid is received within 2 minutes of the closing time, the auction shall remain open on all lots for a further 2 minutes and until such time as a 2 minute period elapses with no further bid being placed on any lot. If the selling extends to 30 minutes beyond advertised closing time, the extension time may be shortened to 30 seconds to speed up conclusion of the auction.
- In the event of any dispute arising between bidders, such dispute shall be dealt with in such a manner as the General Manager and/ or National Championships Chairperson in his and/or her absolute discretion will determine.
- The Australian Stock Horse Society without prejudice will regulate bidding and may refuse to accept any bid without assigning a reason.
- The advantage of this system is that any lot can be bid on at any time. If the bidding on one service exceeds your limit, you can then swap to another lot.

### Special Conditions for Bidding

- Starting bids can be no less than 50% of the actual service fee.
- Bids are GST exclusive and that GST will be added to the purchase price.
- Any variation to normal conditions for services will be stated on individual Stallion resumes. e.g. Frozen semen AI.
- Successful purchasers will sign a sale agreement at the office on completion of auction.
- Payment to be made for services on completion of Auction.
- Successful bidders who are unable to attend the auction because of exceptional circumstances, are reminded that late payments after 10 days will attract interest of 10% from due date to the actual date of payment. After 30 days, the bid will become invalid and the Society may offer the service to another bidder.

### Rules and Regulations for Service

1. Stallion owners will take all reasonable care but are not accountable for the health and safety of visiting mares at stud.
2. Stallion owners at time of service must be financial Members of the Australian Stock Horse Society, and the stallion must be Sire Registered and DNA

3. recorded with the Australian Stock Horse Society.
4. Services are to be taken within the 2012 breeding season and service to be taken before 31st January, 2013.
5. After 2 (two) breeding seasons, the service will become null and void.
6. Service Fees are Non-Transferable.
7. In the event that semen is offered, the stallion owner will determine the number of semen straws provided to enable the mare to be inseminated for two cycles. Any foals resulting from artificial insemination will be required to be DNA tested and sire verified prior to being eligible for Australian Stock Horse registration.
8. The mare must be productively sound and the mare owners is responsible for ensuring that the mare is free of any contagious diseases and is in normal breeding condition.
9. Transportation of the mare to and from the premises where the stallion is standing is the responsibility of the purchaser. The mare owner agrees to abide by any delivery conditions imposed by the stallion owner.
10. Mare Owners are to pay all associated costs of service (e.g. Agistment, Veterinary, Transport etc) + GST if applicable.
11. The mare owner on collection of the mare from the premises where the stallion is standing must pay any outstanding veterinarian and/or agistment fees.
12. The stallion owner or senior stud employee is authorised to engage a veterinarian at the mare owner's expense to perform any service or treatment considered necessary and reasonable.
13. In the event of the Sale of the Stallion prior to the contract being fulfilled, the Australian Stock Horse Society is to be notified in writing.
14. In the event of the Death of the Stallion, or if the Stallion is Gelded or becomes Infertile or Unfit for service, the National Sponsorship Committee of the Australian Stock Horse Society will refund the purchase price upon written request and confirmation from the stallion owner.
15. If the stallion owner dies, goes into liquidation, or is not contactable prior to the service being taken, the Australian Stock Horse Society will refund the purchase price upon written request, following an investigation to confirm the circumstances.
16. On the finalisation of the Helmsman Auction and within one month of the Championships ending, the Australian Stock Horse Society will play no further part in any arrangements between the Stallion Owner and the Mare owner, with the exception of the Sale or Death or Infertility of the Stallion as stated above.
17. In relation to matters that may need to be negotiated between the stallion owner and mare owner, the Australian Stock Horse Society will not be involved in the negotiation of these matters or any disputes that may arise in relation to them.
18. Horse information is based on details provided to the Australian Stock Horse Society by Members for the purpose of the Society's record keeping. Whilst exercising due care, the Australian Stock Horse Society is unable to guarantee the accuracy or authenticity of such information and cannot accept any responsibility for any of the information.