

ARBC Stockman's Challenge 2016

The ARBC Derby Show welcomed the Stockman's Challenge competitors with 41 of Australia's top Challenge horse and rider combinations competing for \$27,175 Prize Money, along with an ARBC Trophy Cup, ARBC Trophy Buckle and ARBC Show Bridle hand crafted by Rick Meredith, Garland by Bec Laurie and a beautiful embroidered Smarty Rug, for the winners of both the Open and for the Classic Events.

This year the ARBC incorporated a go round system where competitors competed in both dry work and cattle work as part of the competition. From the go rounds the top 15 scores in the OPEN and CLASSIC went on to compete in a clean slate final to decide the winners in each division. The ARBC also paid out to the top 3 horse and rider combinations in each division with \$1500 for 1st place, \$1000 for 2nd place and \$500 for 3rd placegetters in the first go round.



Ron Wall, Rick Young and their crew worked tirelessly with Errol Thomas to ensure there was a great surface for the dry work and a great set up with good cattle for the cattle work side for this event. The first go round judges of the Stockman's Challenge divisions were Michael Lancaster and Steven Shepherd, a big thank you to these men for their diligent work at the ARBC Challenge.

Judges Susan Camferman and Darren Simpson then judged the clean slate final on the Saturday.

This final showcasing 30 dynamic horse and rider combinations attracted a big crowd from both the challenge discipline as well as the Reiners helping cheer these competitors on in their cowhorse patterns.

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The ARBC Open Challenge winner Leah Read was exciting to watch as she and her pony Captains Tiger Lilly completed a faultless run. Congratulations to Leah Read and all connections on a fantastic run.

Prizes Leah picked up included an ARBC Trophy Cup, ARBC Rick Meredith hand crafted Buckle and hand crafted bridle, embroidered Smarty Rug and Garland by Bec Laurie as well as a BIG cheque.

Second Place went to Ed Smith riding PV Treyson owned by Paul Sharp, taking home hand crafted wooden stirrups.

Third Place went to Rob Leach riding Terminator Whizz owned by Kevin Perrin, taking home hand crafted leather spur straps.

It's worth mentioning the excitement in the main arena for the presentation to the ARBC Stockman's Challenge winners; these guys do a full run down and stop right beside one another when their name is called, an exciting end to the ARBC Stockman's Challenge week of events. Congratulations to all involved it was a great turnout of competitors and yet again this year the comradery was commendable between reiners and challenge competitors alike.

The top 15 horse and rider combinations in the ARBC OPEN Challenge

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PLACING	HORSE	RIDER
1	Captains Tiger Lily	Leah Read
2	PV Treyson	Ed Smith
3	Terminator Whizz	Robert Leach
4	Eden Vale Wagon Whiz	Stephen Kelly
5	Beniah	Nathan Wilson
6	Reys Dual Oak	Joshua Smith
6	Tiree Fancy Tassa	Nathan Wilson
8	Westlands Stylish Cat	Anita Martin
9	Elsola Rey	Felicity Burton
10	Double Image	Dan Steers
11	Playin It Lucky	Joshua Smith
12	Smart Lil Remichic	Dan Steers
13	Brooksipep	Craig Cowley
14	Rocs Hootchy Kootchy	Stephen Kelly
15	Homecreek Remilena	Craig Cowley

The ARBC Classic Challenge winner Ken May riding One Moore Bar Doc thrilled the crowd as he too had a dynamic run in this final. Prizes Ken picked up included an ARBC Trophy Cup, ARBC Rick Meredith hand crafted Buckle and hand crafted bridle embroidered Smarty Rug and Garland by Bec Laurie as well as a BIG cheque.

Second Place went to Charlie Barker riding Docs Chisum taking home hand crafted wooden stirrups

Third Place went to Leah Read riding Master Lucky, taking home hand crafted leather spur straps.

Nominated Sire owners also received 5% of the placed horse's earnings as part of the ARBC Stallion Nomination Register, with the winning nominated sire receiving a \$1000 cheque.

The top 14 horse and rider combinations in the ARBC CLASSIC CHALLENGE

PLACING	HORSE	RIDER
1	One Moore Bar Doc	Ken May
2	Docs Chisum	Charlie Baker
3	Master Lucky	Leah Read
4	Moranjee Lethal Reward	David Manchon
5	Pink	Felicity Burton
5	Tassas Bootscoot	Rohan McLean
7	Tassas Sherbert Oak	Nathan Wilson
7	Tassa Lethal Spin	Nathan Wilson
9	Sugars Playgirl	Mick Connelly
10	QXH Spicy Chisum	David Smith
11	Peptocat	Leah Read
12	Boontown Jayette	Joshua Smith
13	Style N Blues	Andrew Stallmann
14	Rathcool Angie	Andrew Stallmann