

- **Trophy, rosette & ASPR voucher for \$50 for the High Score Foal for the Tour**
- **Trophy, rosette & ASPR voucher for \$50 for the High Score Pony overall (aged 3 yrs & over and must complete all 4 phases of the assessment)**

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The 2010 Assessment Tour



The assessor for the 2010 tour will be Mr Gerd Kust who has been involved with the Holsteiner Verband and ZDFP for the past 10 years. He has a vast breeding and equestrian sport knowledge and very good English skills! He has ridden in the past at the Oldenburger and Westphalia auctions and started breeding successfully himself about 30 years ago.

So that as many pony owners can be accommodated as possible, the tour, which is run in conjunction with the Australian Continental Equestrian Group, will commence in Queensland on 7th January in order to avoid the very popular Victorian All Welsh and APSB Stud Shows.

Areas and studs that will be visited include Gympie, Sunshine Coast, Paradise Stud, Belcam Stud, Toowoomba and Warwick area in **Queensland**. Armadale, Tamworth, Hunter Valley area, Revelwood Stud, Wilberforce area, Southern Highlands, Berry and Wagga Wagga areas in **New South Wales**. Wodonga area, Benalla area, Tulara Warmblood Stud, Coldstream Park, Bloomfield Farm, Gippsland area, Mornington Peninsula and North/West **Victoria**. Mallala Equestrian Centre, Adelaide Hills and Fleurieu Peninsula in **South Australia**. Perth area, East from Perth, Margaret River area and in between for **Western Australia**.

If you have a number of ponies that you want assessed, you need to contact the ASPR as soon as possible so that your stud may be included in the itinerary.

Presentation Requirements

- Handlers to be dressed neatly with suitable footwear
- Riders are required to wear neat riding clothes, short or long boots and an approved helmet
- Ponies to be presented in a neat and tidy manner. Plaiting is optional. Youngstock, mares and geldings can be presented in either a halter and lead or a bridle which must be in good condition for safety and presentation
- Colts aged 2 yrs & over **must** be bitted.
- Hooves may be oiled but **not** blacked.
- No boots or bandages are allowed in the conformation and movement phases. Boots/bandages can be used for ridden and jumping assessments only.

Assessment Procedure

Conformation and Movement

- You will be asked to stand the pony for assessment of conformation. The assessor will move around your pony whilst making his assessment.
- You will then be asked to walk away from the assessor in a straight line, continue walking until you are asked to return—ensuring that you walk straight towards the assessor on your return. Pony must be walking freely and unrestricted.
- To judge the pony's in-hand movement, you will be asked to trot the pony on the triangle in a clockwise direction (approximately 20 metres across the back length of the triangle). Again, the pony must be trotting actively forward with no restriction on the lead/reins.
- You will then be asked to turn the pony loose for assessment of free movement. If you have chosen to free jump, then the assessment will be carried out straight after the free movement while the pony is warmed up.

Ridden Assessment

- You will be given time to warm your pony up and will be advised when assessment begins. It is usual to finish your conformation and movement phase and then return after you are saddled (and several other ponies have been assessed) to complete the ridden phase.
- The assessor will give you instruction regarding what movements he wishes to see from your pony. The pony is usually expected to perform at a level relevant to age and experience and will include free walk, trot and canter on both reins. The assessor wants to see forward, round and soft movement with basics well established to the training scale.

Jumping Assessment

- You can choose to free jump following the free movement or jump under saddle following your ridden assessment. For free jumping the lane will usually be set up with a cross rail, one stride to a vertical and one or two strides to an oxer - dependent on area and equipment available. When ridden, the assessor expects to see the pony over both a vertical and an oxer. It is expected that ponies who are to be free jumped are familiar with the procedure (ie: lot's of practice at home). The jump will start on the low side and will be raised according to the pony's ability and experience.

On successful assessment, your pony will be microchipped. NB : microchipping is **not** available in Victoria so you must arrange to have the pony microchipped beforehand. Microchipping is compulsory for ponies aged 3 years and over and optional for youngstock under 3 years of age as well as mares/stallions for the Over Height Appendix.

All fees must be paid following successful assessment. Score sheet will not be issued until fees are paid.

If you have an queries on the assessment tour or procedure, please do not hesitate to contact the Federal Office.

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Assessment Form

Name of Pony : _____

Owners Name : _____

Postal Address : _____

Sex : _____ Date of Birth : _____ Height : _____ Colour : _____

Markings : Head - _____

Body - _____

Legs : NF - _____

OF - _____

NH - _____

OH - _____

Conformation			Movement (In hand/At liberty)		
Head			Walk in Hand		
Neck			Trot in Hand		
Saddle Position, Shoulder			Trot, Free	x 2	
Frame, Top Line			Canter, Free		
Forehand, Fore Leg			Correctness to Gaits	x 2	
Hind Quarter, Hind Leg			Swing & Elasticity	x 2	
Over all Type	x 2		Over all appearance		
Over all Temperament	x 2				
TOTAL			%		
			TOTAL		
			%		

Jumping			Ridden		
Technique			Impulsion		
Bascule			Swing, Rhythm		
Scope			Suppleness		
Sub Total			Obedience		
	/3		Over all appearance under saddle		
TOTAL			%		
			TOTAL		
			%		

Comments : _____

Signed : (Assessors) _____ / _____

Signed : (ASPR Rep.) _____ Date _____

Conf : _____
Move : _____
Jump : _____
Ride : _____
TOTAL : _____ %

Office Use : Reg. Fee \$ _____ M/Ship \$ _____ M/Chip Fee \$ _____ Rec. No. _____

M/Chip No. _____

Assess Fee : \$ _____ Rec. No. _____

Stud Book No. _____

GRADING : Second Premium (60-69%)	_____
First Premium (70-79%)	_____
Premier (80% & above)	_____