

## HARNESS RACING NSW AWARDS CRITERIA

Category	Decided By	Criteria
Champion Driver	HRNSW Premiership Table	The Driver with the most number of official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table.
Champion Trainer	HRNSW Premiership Table	The Trainer with the most number of official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table.
Champion Junior Driver	HRNSW Premiership Table	The Junior Driver with the most number of official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table. Drivers must be 22 years of age or younger or younger at the commencement of the season to be eligible.
The Centurions	HRNSW Premiership Table	Any Trainer and/or Driver with 100 or more official wins in New South Wales during the season as per the Premiership Table
Junior Driver Encouragement Award (Metropolitan)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of five nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW, in conjunction with the various Regional Associations and clubs, for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Drivers are selected on a number of criteria including general behaviour, conduct in the Stewards Room, driving record, performance statistics and professionalism.
Junior Driver Encouragement Award (Country)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of five nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW, in conjunction with the various regions Regional Associations and clubs, for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Drivers are selected on a number of criteria including general behaviour, conduct in the Stewards Room, driving record, performance statistics and professionalism.
Don Clough Appreciation Award	HRNSW Board Members	Named in honour of the first recipient of this Award in 2009, the Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the contribution made by a person to the NSW harness racing industry over a long period of time.
Living Legend	HRNSW Board Members	The Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the substantial achievements made by a person involved in the NSW harness racing industry over a long period of time. This Award is strictly merit based and is not necessarily given each year.
Volunteer Appreciation Award	HRNSW Board Members	The Board of HRNSW seeks to acknowledge the contribution of volunteers nominated by NSW harness racing clubs and/or training/trialling facilities.

		Up to four volunteers will be honoured each year. Any volunteer that is honoured with this Award cannot receive one again for a period of five years. Any volunteer that has been nominated by a club that does not receive an Appreciation Award on that occasion can be nominated again in subsequent years.
Best Regional Coverage (Television)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of four nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW.
Best Regional Coverage (Newspaper)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of four nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW.
Best Carnival of Cups (Level 1)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of four nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected on a number of criteria including crowd, on and off course turnover, promotional activities, media presence, prizemoney and any other factor unique to their event.
Best Carnival of Cups (Level 2)	HRNSW Board Members	A shortlist of four nominations is prepared by the Management of HRNSW for consideration by the Board of HRNSW. Clubs are selected on a number of criteria including crowd, on and off course turnover, promotional activities, media presence, prizemoney and any other factor unique to their event.
Carnival of Cups Leading Trainer	HRNSW Carnival of Cups Point-score	The Trainer with the most number of points formulated on a 3-2-1 basis for first, second and third at all Carnival of Cups meetings during the season.
Carnival of Cups Leading Driver	HRNSW Carnival of Cups Point-score	The Driver with the most number of points formulated on a 3-2-1 basis for first, second and third at all Carnival of Cups meetings during the season.
Carnival of Cups Leading Horse	HRNSW Carnival of Cups Point-score	The Horse with the most number of points, formulated on a 3-2-1 basis for first, second and third at all Carnival of Cups meetings during the season.
Carnival of Cups Leading Trotting Trainer	HRNSW Carnival of Cups Point-score	The Trainer with the most number of points formulated on a 3-2-1 basis for first, second and third for all Carnival of Cups trotting races during the season. To be eligible the trainer must have runners at the Coolamon all trotters meeting.
NSW Two-year-old Filly of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered

		for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Two-year-old Colt or Gelding of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Two-year-old of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	From their respective selections for NSW Two-year-old Filly of the Year and NSW Two-year-old Colt or Gelding of the Year the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW is asked to select which of those two horses should be the overall NSW Two-year-old of the Year.
NSW Three-year-old Filly of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Three-year-old Colt or Gelding of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Three-year-old of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	From their respective selections for NSW Three-year-old Filly of the Year and NSW Three-year-old Colt or Gelding of the Year the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW is asked to select which of

		those two horses should be the overall NSW Three-year-old of the Year.
NSW Open Aged Mare of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Open Aged Stallion or Gelding of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Open Aged Horse Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	From their respective selections for NSW Open Aged Mare of the Year and NSW Open Aged Stallion or Gelding of the Year the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW is asked to select which of those two horses should be the overall NSW Open Aged Horse of the Year.
NSW Two-year-old Trotter of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Three-year-old Trotter of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW

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NSW Open Aged Trotter of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	A shortlist of three nominations is prepared by the Management and expert staff of HRNSW for consideration by the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW. A horse from any jurisdiction may be considered for nomination; however there are two separate criteria for voting. Horses trained in NSW can be judged on all performances that season. Horses trained outside of NSW can only be judged on those performances in NSW that season.
NSW Trotter of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	From their respective selections for NSW Two-year-trotter of the Year, NSW Three-year-old Trotter of the Year and NSW Open Aged Trotter of the Year, the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW is asked to select which of those three horses should be the overall NSW Trotter of the Year.
NSW Harness Horse of the Year	A Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW	From their respective selections for NSW Two-year-old of the Year, NSW Three-year-old of the Year, NSW Open Aged Horse of the Year and NSW Trotter of the Year, the Voting Panel determined by the Management of HRNSW is asked to select which of those four horses should be the overall NSW Harness Horse of the Year.
NSW Sire of the Year	HRNSW Point-score	Based on a pre-determined HRNSW point-score the top five stallions are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the horse which has accumulated the most points.
Outstanding Service to the Breeding Industry	Harness Breeders NSW	Selected and Awarded by the Executive of Harness Breeders NSW.
NSW Broodmare of the Year	Harness Breeders NSW Point-score	Based on a pre-determined Harness Breeders NSW point-score the top five broodmares are listed as nominations with the overall winner being the horse which has accumulated the most points.