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JUMPS RACING GROUND STAFF AWARDS

The Australian Jumps Racing Association would like to celebrate the hard work and enthusiasm of the participants by creating an awards program dedicated to ground staff, stable hands & strappers who are an integral part of the Australian Jumps Racing Industry.

With a total prize pool of over \$10,000: these awards aim to increase engagement with stables, trainers and staff as individuals or as a team.

To be eligible each nominee must be employed under a trainer who has a registered jumps racing licence in 2024.

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Each category has been carefully created to highlight the individual achievements in each different category.

This recognition program is designed to encourage horse owners, trainers, clubs, office staff & administration within the Jumps Racing Industry to engage and participate. By acknowledging the individual achievements the AJRA hope to build a strong comardary within the sport. It is our intention to celebrate these awards each year at the annual jumps racing awards night where the recipient can be celebrate amongst their peers.

HORSEMANSHIP

This is to be awarded to a participant who has shown skill in horsemanship either on the ground or while riding track work. The winning applicant will be awarded for their ability to work with horses with a focus on their care and wellbeing. This award also highlights the connection the staff member has to animals and their talent in the area of horsemanship both on and off the track.

EXCELLENCE IN PRESENTATION

An award highlighting the presentation of horse and their strapper. Consistent care in presentation and turnout will be highlighted by those who nominate them. We encourage owners to watch and assess their horses' turnout on race day while at the track or via racing.com.

EQUINE WELFARE LIFE AFTER JUMPS RACING

This award is dedicated to those who are passionate about rehoming jumps horses in their post racing career. The nominee's commitment to the horses they care for both during its racing career and after will be key factors for this award.

PRIZE PODL

HORSEMANSHIP



\$1500.00 cash sponsored by CRV to be spent by employer on the ground staff team. The individual winner will receive a 60" television sponsored by Ecycle Solutions and a 12 month full membership to the AJRA worth \$125.00.



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Awards Q&A

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR THE AWARDS?

The awards are open to any ground staff or strapper who is employed by a trainer who holds a jumps licence.

WHO CAN NOMINATE?

Nominations can be made by any participant in the jumps racing industry. We encourage owners, trainers, staff members and nominees themselves (must provide one reference) to nominate for the awards.

WHEN DO NOMINATIONS OPEN?

Nominations will be open from the 30 June and will close 31 August, 2024.

HOW DO I NOMINATE?

By completing the online form via the AJRA website.

CAN I NOMINATE MYSELF?

Nominees can definitely nominate themselves. You must provide details of one reference as part of your nomination.

WHO DECIDES THE WINNERS?

A dedicated judging panel at the AJRA & Country Racing Victoria will judge the applications with the awards being presented at the Jericho Cup in 2024.



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