

THE COMMONWEALTH CLYDESDALE HORSE SOCIETY

FEDERAL COUNCIL INCORPORATED

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSES
THE COMMONWEALTH CLYDESDALE HORSE SOCIETY (FEDERAL COUNCIL)

1. The name of the incorporated association is "THE COMMONWEALTH CLYDESDALE HORSE SOCIETY (FEDERAL COUNCIL) INCORPORATED" (hereinafter called "the Society").
2. The purposes for which the Federal Council of the Society is established are:-
 - (a) To maintain the purity of the Clydesdale breed of horses throughout Australia, and to promote the breeding of these horses free from hereditary unsoundness.
 - (b) To collect, verify, preserve and publish the pedigrees of these horses in a Stud Book, to be named the Commonwealth Clydesdale Stud Book.
 - (c) To investigate suspicious or doubtful pedigrees of Clydesdale horses and other alleged misrepresentations relating to them, and to publish the results of such investigations at the discretion of the Council.
 - (d) To arbitrate upon, investigate and settle disputes and questions relating to these horses.
 - (e) To promote, in any further way, the interests of the breed, and the advancement of agriculture in Australia.
 - (f) To purchase take on lease or in exchange or otherwise acquire any lands, buildings, easements or property real or personal which may be requisite for the purposes of or conveniently used in connection with any of the objects of the Society and to sell demise mortgage give in exchange or dispose of the same and to make improvements to the same and to construct and erect such buildings and works thereon as may be thought desirable for this purpose.
 - (g) To hire and employ secretaries clerks managers servants and workmen and to pay to them, their beneficiaries or successors, and to other persons in return for services rendered to the Society, salaries wages gratuities and pensions.
 - (h) To draw make accept endorse discount execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, bills of lading and other negotiable or transferable instruments.
 - (i) To invest and deal with the moneys for the Society not immediately required upon such securities and in such manner as may from time to time be determined.
 - (j) To borrow or raise and give security for money by the issue of or upon bonds, debentures, bills of exchange, promissory notes or other obligations or securities of the Society or mortgage or charge upon all or any part of the property of the Society.
 - (k) To take such steps by personal or written appeals, public meetings, or otherwise, as may from time to time be deemed expedient for the purpose of procuring contributions to the funds of the Society, in the shape of donations, annual subscriptions or otherwise.
 - (l) To do all such other lawful things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above purposes and the exercise of the powers of the Society.

ASSOCIATIONS INCORPORATION ACT 1981

RULES

THE COMMONWEALTH CLYDESDALE HORSE SOCIETY (FEDERAL COUNCIL) INCORPORATED

(As amended 23 September 1950; 18 September 1959; 22 September 1972; 3 April 1975; 16 September 1977; 19 September 1980; 14 April 1981; 19 September 1982; 29 March 1983; 22 September 1985; 20 September 1987; 21 September 1996; 20 September 1997; 19 September 1999; 30 October 1999; 24 September 2000; 23 September 2001; 22 September 2002; 18 September 2004; 12 April 2006; 22 September 2006; 19 September 2010; 25 September 2011; 23 September 2012; 28 September 2014)

INTERPRETATION

1.

(1) In these Rules, unless the contrary intention appears:-

“Council” means the Federal Council of the Society.

“Financial Year” means the year ending on 30th June.

“General Meeting” means a general meeting of members convened in accordance with Rule 23.

“member” means a member of any Branch of the Society.

“the Act” means the Associations Incorporation Act 1981.

“the Regulations” means regulations under the Act.

(2) In these Rules, a reference to the Secretary of the Society is a reference to:-

(a) Where a person holds office under these Rules as secretary of the Federal Council of the Society – to that person; and

(b) In any other case, to the public officer of the Branch.

(3) Words or expressions contained in these Rules shall be interpreted in accordance with the provisions of the Acts Interpretation Act 1958 and the Act as in force from time to time.

OBJECTS

2. The Society is established for the purposes expressed in the Statement of Purposes and particularly to maintain the purity and improve the breed of Clydesdale Horses and to promote the interests of breeders of Clydesdale Horses.

BRANCHES

3. The Society shall consist of Branches, which shall have full control of their internal affairs and have power to draw up such regulations as may be deemed necessary; but the rules adopted by the Federal Council shall be the rules of each Branch of the Society, in respect to the Stud Book and standards of the breed.

4. A State having fifteen or more financial members has the right to constitute itself a Branch of the Society. No State shall have more than one Branch, but a Branch may include more than one State. The Federal Council shall annually remit to the Branches a Branch Rebate, common to all Branches, and a Members Rebate, being a proportion of each subscription paid by the members residing in their territory, both sums as shall from time to time be determined.

THE COUNCIL

5. The affairs of the Society shall be in the hands of a Council, which shall be known as the Federal Council, and which shall consist of Councillors elected by each Branch, on the basis of two Councillors for the first fifteen members, and one additional Councillor for each succeeding fifteen or part thereof, provided that each Branch shall be represented by at least two, and not more than five, Councillors. The voting power of the delegates from each Branch shall be on the basis of two votes for the first fifteen members or part thereof, one additional vote for each succeeding fifteen members up to sixty, and thereafter one for every additional thirty members enrolled with such Branch.
6. The Federal Council shall have entire control of the compilation and publication of the Commonwealth Clydesdale Stud Book, which shall be published as often as is deemed necessary, and shall make all regulations governing the registration of animals therein, and fix the amount of fees to be paid for such registration.
7. The office of the Federal Council shall be in Melbourne until otherwise determined.
8. The Federal Council shall appoint a President, two Vice Presidents and a Secretary, who shall also be Treasurer, and they shall hold office until their successors are appointed.

MEMBERSHIP AND ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION

9. There shall be no entrance fee but each Branch shall pay annually to the Federal Council an affiliation fee as determined from time to time.
10. If the total revenue is not sufficient to pay for the disbursements of the Federal Council, the loss shall be made up by a levy on the Branches, payable pro rata on the membership of the Branches, and, in the event of a profit being made, it shall be carried over to the ensuing year, or otherwise dealt with as the Federal Council deems fit.
11. Any person interested in the breeding of Clydesdales desiring to become a member of the Society shall forward their name and address and application for membership, together with the amount of annual subscription as determined from time to time to the Secretary of the Society, and, on receiving their acknowledgement, shall become possessed of the rights and privileges of the membership until the expiry of the then current financial year, subject to the approval of the Federal Council, which may, if deemed advisable, decline to receive any person as a member without assigning any reason therefor.
12. Upon application to transfer the registration of an animal to a non-member, said non-member is granted free membership of the Society for the remainder of the then current financial year. Free membership can only be granted if the non-member has never previously been a member of the Society.
13. No member whose subscription is in arrears shall be entitled to vote at any meeting, be elected to any office, or enter animals in the Stud Book.

14. Any member of the Society, who in the opinion of the Federal Council may be guilty of misrepresentation, deception, fraud or improper conduct in relation to the registry, entry in the Stud Book, ownership, age, record, sale or exhibition of any animal, or who may, in the opinion of the Federal Council, be guilty of any conduct or practice unbecoming a member of the Society, or calculated to discredit the Society, may, after due enquiry, at which such member shall be entitled to be present for the purpose of making any statement in their defence, be declared by the Federal Council to have forfeited their membership, and the said Council may, in its uncontrolled discretion cancel the registration of any or all animals appearing as their property in the Stud Book.
15. Any question or questions from time to time arising as to the interpretation of any of these Rules, or any question arising on any subject within the scope of the Society's authority not otherwise provided for shall be decided by the Federal Council, whose decision shall in such cases be final and binding on all members, and all members shall be bound by these Rules.

LIFE MEMBERSHIP

16. Life Member: A natural person who the Federal Council determines is worthy of Life Membership as per the criteria set by the Federal Council
 - (1)
 - (a) Current Financial member
 - (b) Contribution of nominee of CCHS, over what period of time?
 - (c) Service to promotional activities
 - (d) Executive positions held in State / Federal (Groups)
 - (e) Service to Members
 - (1) Adjudication
 - (2) Field Days
 - (3) Exhibition Involvement
 - (4) Mentoring Roles
 - (5) Knowledge of the CCHS
 - (6) Service and length of time on Committee of CCHS / Other Roles
 - (7) Must have owned, bred and shown Clydesdales within the CCHS Membership
 - (2) Life Members must be endorsed at an Annual General Meeting upon recommendation of the Federal Council
 - (3) Should any member wish to nominate another member for life membership with the Society, their intent is to forward to the State committee thirty (30) days prior to the respective State's AGM.
 - (4) If nominations are endorsed at State level, such nominations are to be forwarded to the Federal Secretary sixty (60) days prior to the next scheduled Federal Council Annual General Meeting.

- (5) The Federal Council at its discretion can waive the 60 days rule for the nomination of Life Members.

REGISTER OF MEMBERS

17. The Secretary shall keep and maintain a register of members in which shall be entered the full name, address and date of entry of the name of each member and the register shall be available for inspection by members at the address of the Secretary.

RESIGNATION, AND DISCIPLINE SUSPENSION AND EXPULSION OF MEMBERS

18.
 - (1) Any member wishing to resign their membership must do so by written notice to the Secretary of the Society, but no such resignation shall relieve any member from payment of any back subscriptions or other moneys due by them to the Society at the time of such resignation.
 - (2) Upon the expiration of a notice given under sub-clause (1) the Secretary shall make in the register of members an entry recording the date on which the member by whom the notice was given, ceased to be a member.
19. Any member of the Society, who in the opinion of the Federal Council has refused or neglected to comply with the Rules of the Society, or has been guilty of conduct unbecoming a member or prejudicial to the interests of the Society, will be subject to the Disciplinary Procedure.
 - (1) Where disciplinary action is necessary, the Federal Secretary shall notify the member of the reason. The first warning will be in writing and will be recorded in the Federal Council minutes.
 - (2) If the problem continues, the matter will be discussed by the Federal Executive and a second warning in writing will be given to the member and recorded in the Federal Council minutes.
 - (3) If the problem continues, the member will be invited to a Federal Council meeting, for the purpose of making a statement in their defence. If a final warning is to be given then it shall be issued in writing and recorded in the Federal Council minutes.
 - (4) After resolution by the Federal Council, the member may be:-
 - (a) Fined an amount not exceeding \$500.00; or
 - (b) Suspended from membership of the Society for a specified period; or
 - (c) Expelled from the Society
 - (5) If the member is a Federal Council member, they are not entitled to vote.
 - (6) If after any warning, a period of twelve months elapses without any further warnings or action being required, all adverse reports relating to the warning must be removed from a personal file, if maintained.
 - (7) If a dispute should arise over the disciplinary action, the course of action to be followed is that of the Grievance Procedure.

DISPUTES AND MEDIATION

20. It is the objective to ensure that grievances are resolved by negotiation and discussion between the parties.
- (1) In the first instance the member shall attempt to resolve the grievance with the state governing body of the Society. If the grievance is still unresolved the matter shall be referred to the senior level (Federal Council) of the governing body.
 - (2) The grievance procedure set out in this rule applies to disputes between:-
 - (a) A member and another member; or
 - (b) A member and the Federal Council
 - (3) The dispute must be lodged in writing with the Federal Secretary.
 - (4) The Federal Council Executive are to be advised by the Secretary of the dispute within 14 days of receipt of the written complaint to clearly determine if the matter relates to the Federal Council of the Society.
 - (5) If the matter is determined to be a:-
 - (a) Federal matter – the lodging party, other parties to the dispute and the Executive must confer to discuss the matter of the dispute, and if possible, resolve the dispute prior to or at a nominated meeting of the Federal Council.
 - (b) State matter – the lodging party is to be advised by the Federal Secretary within 30 days of receipt of the written complaint, if the dispute is deemed not to be a Federal Council matter.
 - (6) If the parties are unable to resolve the dispute, a meeting must be held in the presence of a mediator, who:-
 - (a) shall be a person chosen by agreement of both parties;
 - (b) can be appointed or employed by the Dispute Settlement Centre of Victoria;
 - (c) shall not be party to the dispute;
 - (d) shall give the parties to the mediation process every opportunity to be heard;
 - (e) shall allow due consideration by all parties of any written statement submitted by any party;
 - (f) shall ensure that natural justice is accorded to the parties to the dispute throughout the mediation process;
 - (g) shall not determine the dispute.
 - (7) If the mediation process does not result in the resolution of the dispute, the parties may seek to resolve the dispute in accordance with the Act otherwise at law.
 - (8) It is agreed that the above steps shall take place within an agreed period of time, set by the Federal Council, taking into consideration their meeting dates.
 - (9) Until the grievance is determined, the custom or practice of the Society shall continue as normal in accordance with the Constitution existing before the grievance arose, while discussions take place.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETINGS

21.

- (1) The Federal Council may meet in any State Capital, as may be deemed necessary, but the Annual General Meeting shall take place at Melbourne in each calendar year during the currency of the Royal Melbourne Show, unless otherwise determined.
- (2) At its Annual General Meeting each year the Federal Council shall receive the Annual Report and Audited Financial Statement for the previous year, and elect from its members a President and two Vice Presidents, and shall appoint an Auditor or Auditors, who shall hold office until the following Annual General Meeting and will be eligible for re-election.
- (3) At the Annual General Meeting three shall form a quorum.
- (4) In the event of a casual vacancy in any office referred to in paragraph 21(2) the Council may appoint one of its members to the vacant office and the member so appointed may continue in office up to and including the conclusion of the Annual General Meeting next following the date of their appointment.

SPECIAL GENERAL MEETING

22. All General Meetings other than the Annual General Meeting shall be called Special General Meetings.

23.

- (1) The Council, may whenever it thinks fit, convene a Special General Meeting of the Federal Council.
- (2) The Secretary shall, on the requisition in writing of ten members, convene a Special General Meeting of the Federal Council.
- (3) At a Special General Meeting of members three shall form a quorum.

NOTICE OF MEETING

24. A meeting of the Federal Council shall be called by the Secretary on instruction from the President, or on the written requisition of three members thereof, stating the business for which such meeting is desired.

25. Thirty-one days' notice of all meetings of the Federal Council shall be given to each Councillor through their Branch Secretary stating the place, date and time of the meeting and the nature of the business to be transacted at the meeting. In the event of any appointed Councillor being unable to attend, the President of the Branch to which they belong may appoint a deputy or proxy, or may depute to the Councillor the right to appoint a deputy or proxy, who shall have the same voice in the voting as the appointed delegate.

PROCEEDINGS AT MEETINGS

26. At all meetings of the Federal Council three shall form a quorum provided that if only one State be represented at any sitting, no provisions that are in any way new may be

adopted, or the constitution in any way may be altered. Only ordinary business of a routine or non-contentious character may be transacted at such a meeting.

27. In the absence of the President, the chair shall be taken by a Vice President, and, should none of these officers be present, then such member as the Council shall choose as their Chairperson by a majority of votes.
28. At all meetings of the Federal Council the Chairperson shall have a second or casting vote, and their ruling shall be final in matters of order and practice.
29. If at any meeting of the Federal Council there be no quorum within half an hour of the time appointed for the meeting, the meeting shall lapse, unless those present shall decide to adjourn the meeting for a period not exceeding seven days. If there be no quorum within half an hour of the time appointed for such adjourned meeting, the meeting shall lapse altogether.
30. A question arising at a General Meeting of the Association shall be determined on a show of hands and unless before or on the declaration of the show of hands a poll is demanded, a declaration by the Chairperson that a resolution has, on a show of hands, been carried or carried unanimously or carried by a particular majority or lost, and an entry to that effect in the Minute Book of the Branch is evidence of the fact, without proof of the number or proportion of the votes recorded in favour of, or against, that resolution.

FINANCE

31. The financial year shall end upon the last day of June in each year.
32. All moneys shall be banked where the Federal Council shall direct.
33. All accounts shall be paid by cheque.
34. All cheques shall be signed by the President and also by the Secretary.
35. All accounts shall be audited annually by such person or persons as the Federal Council shall appoint.
36. A balance sheet, showing the financial position of the Society, shall be submitted to the Annual Meeting of the Federal Council, and a copy sent to each Councillor and Branch Secretary prior to such meeting.
37. The funds of the Society shall be derived from annual membership fees, registration fees, donations and such other sources as the Federal Council determines.

SEAL

38.
 - (1) The common seal of the Federal Council shall be kept in the custody of the Secretary.

- (2) The common seal shall not be affixed to any instrument except by the authority of the Council and the affixing of the common seal shall be attested by the signatures either of two members of the Council or of one member of the Council and of the Secretary.

ALTERATION OF RULES AND STATEMENT OF PURPOSES

39. These Rules and the Statement of Purposes of the Federal Council shall not be altered except in accordance with Section 29 of the Act.

NOTICES

40.
 - (1) A notice may be served by or on behalf of the Federal Council upon any member either personally or by sending it by post to the member at his address shown in the Register of Members.
 - (2) Where a document is properly addressed prepaid and posted to a person as a letter, the document shall, unless the contrary is proved, be deemed to have been given to the person at the time at which the letter would have been delivered in the ordinary course of post.

CUSTODY OF RECORDS

41.
 - (1) Except as otherwise provided in these Rules, the Secretary shall keep in their custody or under their control all books, documents and securities of the Federal Council.
 - (2) Members of the Society are entitled to inspect the book and documents referred to in sub-paragraph (1).

WINDING UP OR CANCELLATION

42. If upon the winding up or dissolution of the Society there remains after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, the same shall not be paid or distributed among the members of the Society but shall be given to some other institutions having objects similar to the objects of this Society and which shall prohibit the distribution of its, or their income and property among its or their members.

ENTRIES

43. Entries for the Stud Book will only be received from financial members of the Society on the distinct understanding that the entrant agrees to inspection, if necessary, also to pay half the cost of such inspection and to accept the decision of the Federal Council after receiving its Inspector's report.
44. All entries must be made on the Society's official forms, and must be forwarded direct to the Secretary, together with the prescribed fees.
45. The Secretary shall collect all fees payable on entries lodged and take all necessary steps within their power to certify to the correctness of such entries. Before the publication of any volume of the Stud Book, all entries shall be finally examined by an Editing

Committee appointed by the Federal Council, and any queried entries shall be referred by this Committee to the Federal Council whose decision shall be final.

46. The Federal Council reserves the right to refuse any entry if deemed necessary in the interests of the Society, without assigning a reason, and also reserves the right to cancel the registration of any animal, the pedigree of which already appears in a published volume, if it is proved to its satisfaction that the information published is incorrect.
47. The onus shall rest on the entrant in all cases of satisfying the Federal Council of the undoubted purity of all animals submitted for registration.
48. Members will be held responsible for the accuracy of all information supplied, and the Federal Council may refuse to permit any alteration to be made to any pedigree submitted for inclusion in the Stud Book, and may cancel the entry, if the particulars originally supplied are proved incorrect.
49. The Society will not be responsible for any loss or damage that may be sustained by any one through the inaccuracy, omission, alteration or cancellation of any entry.
50. The application for the registration of a stallion in the Commonwealth Clydesdale Stud Book must contain name, date of birth, colour, and an accurate description of any white markings, particulars of brands and the name and address of the breeder and present owner, in addition to the pedigree of the animal.
51. Each stallion bred in the Commonwealth must be the progeny of a registered sire (which is of "Clydesdale breeding", as defined in Rule 54) and his dam must be registered in the numbered section of this Society's Stud Book. Such stallions must also have been recorded as progeny in accordance with the Rules, if born prior to the 1st August, 1985.
52. Stallions bred in Great Britain or Ireland and registered in the Clydesdale Stud Book of Great Britain and Ireland or the progeny of sire and dam so registered (born in transit) will be eligible for registration at half fee.
53. Stallions bred overseas and registered in Stud Books including the Clydesdale Stud Book of Great Britain and Ireland, must be proved to possess three (3) pure crosses of "Clydesdale breeding" (that is to say, their sire, the sire of their dam, the sire of their second dam, and the sire of their third dam be of "Clydesdale breeding" as defined in the following paragraph). (Such stallions will also be accepted at half fee).
54. The term "Clydesdale breeding" means a stallion entered in the Commonwealth Clydesdale Book, or Volume 1 of the Australian Clydesdale Stud Book, or entered as a Clydesdale in Volumes 1. – X. of the Draught Horse Stud Book of Australia, or in Volumes 6, 7 and 8 of the New Zealand Draught Horse Stud Book, or bred in Great Britain, Ireland

or New Zealand and registered in the Clydesdale Stud Book of Great Britain and Ireland or the New Zealand Clydesdale Stud Book.

55. The application for the registration of a gelding in the Commonwealth Clydesdale Stud Book must contain the registered name, date of birth, colour and an accurate description of any white markings, particulars of brands and the name and address of the breeder and present owner, in addition to the pedigree of the animal.
56. Each gelding bred in the Commonwealth must be the progeny of a registered sire (which is of "Clydesdale breeding", as defined in Rule 54) and his dam must be a registered (numbered) mare already entered in this Society's Stud Book and must have been progeny recorded in accordance with the Rules, if born prior to 1st August, 1985.
57. Geldings bred in Great Britain or Ireland and registered in the Clydesdale Stud Book of Great Britain and Ireland will be eligible for registration.
58. Stallions castrated are eligible for transfer to the gelding register at no fee.
59. Progeny recorded colts can be adult registered directly into the gelding register, if born prior to 1st August, 1985.
60. The application for the registration of a mare in the numbered section of the Commonwealth Clydesdale Stud Book must contain the name, date of birth, colour and an accurate description of any white markings, particulars of brands and the name and address of the breeder and present owner, in addition to the pedigree of the animal and a complete list of all progeny bred from her to date.
61. Each mare bred in the Commonwealth must be the progeny of a registered sire (which is of "Clydesdale breeding", as defined in Rule 54) and her dam must be a registered (numbered) mare already entered in this Society's Stud Book, and must have been recorded as progeny in accordance with the Rules, if born prior to 1st August, 1985.
62. Mares bred in Great Britain or Ireland and registered in the Clydesdale Stud Book of Great Britain and Ireland, or the progeny of sire and dam so registered (born in transit) will be eligible for registration at half fee.
63. Mares bred overseas and registered in Stud Books including the Clydesdale Stud Book of Great Britain and Ireland must be proved to possess two (2) pure crosses of "Clydesdale breeding" (that is to say, their sire, the sire of their dam and the sire of their second dam must be of "Clydesdale breeding", as previously defined in the Rules). (Such mares will also be accepted at half fee).
64. The registration of any Australian-bred animal in any Stud Book published outside the Commonwealth will not be recognised by this Society, and any such animal must comply

with the regulations governing registration in this Society's Stud Book before it or its progeny will be accepted.

65. All eligible animals imported from overseas must (on arrival) be registered in this Society's Stud Book, and the application must be accompanied by a certificate of registration from the Secretary of a recognised Stud Book published in the country from which such animal was imported.
66. The progeny of Artificial Insemination and Embryo Transfer will be accepted by the Society as per the following.
 - (1) The Progeny of artificial insemination is permitted to be registered provided:
 - (a) The prescribed forms are completed and lodged with the Registrar
 - (b) DNA typing of stallion, mare and progeny is carried out and is available to the Society.
 - (2) The Society will not be held responsible for any loss/damage incurred by AI procedure undertaken by any veterinarian or technician listed in any publication of the Society.
 - (3) The registration of progeny by embryo transfer is permitted providing the DNA typing of the stallion, mare and progeny is carried out and is available to the Society and the Society is furnished with adequate notification of the procedure by the veterinary Surgeon involved. One foal registration per mare per breeding season. (*unless natural twins occur*)
 - (4) A maximum of 20 foals can be registered by one stallion per breeding season.
67. For each animal born after 1st August, being the progeny of registered (numbered) parents, official application for registration must be received by 31st July of that breeding season. Failure to comply with this rule shall incur a penalty fee of double that of the registration fee, in addition to the registration fee in respect of each animal, providing application is lodged within the following breeding season.
 - (1) Each such application shall be accompanied by a Certificate of Service as from the 1st August, 1981, if the breeder is not the owner of the sire.
 - (2) After 24 months post foaling season, parentage is to be determined by three way DNA identification (including progeny, sire and dam). All associated costs shall be borne by the applicant. After 36 months, post foaling season, an animal shall be ineligible for registration.
 - (3) The Society will only register or enter the progeny of stallions of which a Veterinary Certificate has been lodged with the Secretary stating that such sire is free from hereditary diseases and unsoundness as prescribed by Federal Council from time to time. This requirement applies to stallions born after the 1st August, 1981.
 - (4) If born in Australia after 1st August, 1982, be branded within twelve months of foaling or when sold, whichever is sooner; and
 - (a) If bred in the State of Queensland be branded with the breeder's registered brand over a breeding number over the last numeral of the year of foaling.

(b) If bred in a State of the Commonwealth of Australia other than Queensland, be branded on the near shoulder with the breeder's brand and be branded on the off shoulder with the breeding number over the last numeral of the year of foaling.

(c) The breeding number shall indicate the order in point of time in which the animal was foaled in relation to other animals (regardless of sex) of such first owner bearing the same brand and tendered for registration. No two foals of the same first owner shall be branded with the same number.

The year of ageing Clydesdales commences on 1st August each year. Imported Clydesdales are to be branded with the importer's brand.

68. Animals which are already recorded as progeny of their dams in the Stud Book must be registered as adults before their progeny can be accepted, if born prior to 1st August, 1985.

69. Notification of transfer by the vendor within sixty days from date of sale of any animal registered or recorded in the Stud Book is compulsory. When a female is being transferred, it must be definitely stated whether or not she has been served, and, if served, the name of the stallion and the date of service must be given. Such transfers must be made on the Society's official forms, in respect of all sales effected on or after 1st October, 1925, and be lodged with the Secretary, together with the prescribed fee. Failure to comply with this rule will entail a penalty as determined from time to time per head on the vendor, in addition to the transfer fee, and no transfer for an animal will be accepted unless its registration has been completed.

70. Every breeder must register a separate stud name, of not more than two words, for use exclusively as a prefix to the names of animals bred by them. The final granting of any application for the registration of a stud name shall rest with the Federal Council, which will, as far as possible, safeguard stud names registered with the Clydesdale Horse Societies of Great Britain and Ireland, and New Zealand. (No fee). Each stud name must carry its own individual stud brand.

71. The purchaser of a stud shall have no right to the previous owner's prefix, except with the written sanction of the previous owner and with the approval of the Federal Council.

72. An animal's name shall not exceed 36 characters, including the breeder's prefix, which must be used and no stud prefix other than the breeder's will be permitted as any portion of the name. Names, once registered, cannot afterwards be changed.

73. No animal imported after 1st January, 1927, will be accepted for registration while the name contains any registered Australian stud prefix, unless such animal had been named when recorded as a foal by the breeder in a recognised Stud Book published in the country where the animal was bred.

74. The breeder of an animal is the owner of its dam at date of foaling.

75. All deaths and castrations of registered animals must be notified within sixty days.
76. It shall be the duty of all members to keep proper records of their stud breeding activities, such records to be open for inspection at any time by any person appointed by any Branch or the Federal Council.
77. The income, profits and property of the Society whensoever derived shall be applied solely towards the promotion of the objects of the Society and no portion thereof shall be paid or transferred directly or indirectly by way of dividend, bonus or otherwise howsoever by way of profit to the persons who at any time are or have been members of the Society, or to any of them, or to any person claiming through any of them, provided that nothing herein contained shall prevent the payment in good faith of remuneration to any officers or servants of the Society or to any member thereof, or other persons in return for any services actually rendered to the Society, nor prevent the payment of interest on money borrowed from any member of the Society for any purpose of the Society.

ALTERATIONS OF RULES

78. These rules may not be altered, except at the Annual Meeting of the Federal Council or at a Special Meeting called for that purpose, and notice of intention to propose any alteration must be given to the Secretary at least thirty days prior to the meeting at which such alteration is to be considered.