

## ***Open to girls and boys aged 10 years and under 15 years on the day of the Local Show***

### **Rules & Regulations – Local Show**

1. The VAS Good Hands Challenge Trophy is open to boys and girls aged **10 years and under 15 years** on the day of the Local Show.
2. All VAS Affiliated Shows are invited to hold the qualifying competitions. Show societies are encouraged to run one class at the Local Show which includes girls and boys.
3. The competitors shall be judged solely on their riding ability - mount, saddlery or costume will not be taken into account.
4. Special attention will be paid to hands and seat, general management and control of the horse or pony.
5. Competitors must ride using an ordinary snaffle, single jointed in the centre. The mouthpiece must be smooth and made of the same type of metal, with or without a cavesson on the noseband.
6. A gear check may take place.
7. **Please note straight bar snaffle, drop nosebands, whips and spurs are not allowed.**

### **Rules & Regulations – State Final**

1. The VAS Good Hands Challenge Trophy is conducted at the VAS Saddle Horse Championships as one class for girls and boys.
2. No entry fee will be charged but the entrant must fill out VAS Saddle Horse Championships entry form.
3. The VAS 'Good Hands Challenge Trophy' Competition shall be judged on the same basis as the qualifying competitions, but the Judge shall require: Five Finalists to execute a figure 8 at a canter, ride away from the Judge, return at a slow canter, stop at the Judge's signal and back.
4. Equipment used must be as for the Qualifying Competition as specified above.
5. The names of the winner will be engraved on the perpetual trophy.
6. The winners of the 'Good Hands Challenge Trophy' will be eligible to compete in future years, subject to the age of the competitor.
7. VAS Ltd may, at its discretion, vary the conditions governing the qualifying and Championship Competitions.

#### **State Final Prizes**

**Winner:** Receives VAS Ltd State Final Trophy

**Top 5:** Sashes and Prize Pack