

CCHSA Next Gen Challenge at Gatton Heavy Horse Field Days 2026

Competition Guidelines:

Aim: To combine showmanship, ring craft, knowledge of the Clydesdale breed and networking in a friendly competition. The goal is to build confidence in the show ring and continue fostering future judges.

Who: A representative who is CCHSA Next Generation Member between the ages of 16 & 35 years.

Judge: TBC – selection currently in progress by the Next Gen committee.

Horses: Geldings or mares over 2 years only.

The Event: Competitors must complete the following as a team;

- Prepare the horse for showing, this includes
 - o washing and drying legs
 - o plait mane (mane roll)
 - o plait tail
- Ringcraft
 - o Competitor to show the horse and workout the horse to the judges preferred workout, and show the horse to the best of their ability
- Overall presentation
 - o Horse
 - o Handler – dress must be suitable show-ring attire
- General knowledge of the breed
 - o 4 written questions to answer on paper – related to general knowledge of the breed, conformation etc. (20pts)
 - o 5th question to be asked by the Judge – competitor to explain and justify. Eg. What are the strengths of the horse you are leading? (5pts)

Total = 100pts

	Score
Preparation – washing, plaiting	/25
Ring craft	/30
Overall presentation	/20
General Knowledge Questions	/25

ENTRY FORM

Name:

Horse available to use: Yes/No

Home address:

Short bio (a little about your background and involvement with Clydesdales):

Entry Fee: \$10 if a Next Gen or a current CCHSA member

\$35 if Non-Next Gen Member (will also get you your NextGen membership for the 2026 year)

Please compete and return entry form to Montana Rheinberger via email

MontanaRheinberger@hotmail.com or call 0492943951 if you have any questions.