

# **NZGCA Awards 2017/2018**

## **NZGCA Hi Points Awards:**

### **Inhand**

*Champion Purebred Adult (4 yrs & over) - Gypsy Elite Prides Dreamcatcher*

*Champion Purebred Youngstock (3 yrs & under)- Westfield Tara*

*Winner of the Sunriver Gypsy Ponies Trophy*

*Champion Partbred Adult ( 4 yrs & over) - Sharney Downs Hokey Pokey*

*Champion Partbred Youngstock (3 yrs & under) - Willowlees Masquerade*

### **Ridden**

*Champion Ridden Purebred - Gypsy Elite Prides Dreamcatcher*

*Champion Ridden Partbred - Windsor Parks Gypsy King*

*Overall Champion - Gallifray's Bella Rosa Memorial Trophy for Highest Scoring Inland Horse/Pony - Willowlees Masquerade*

### **Versatility Awards**

*North Island Versatility Gypsy Cob: Westfield Truffle*

*South Island Versatility Gypsy Cob: Gypsy Elite Pride's Dreamcatcher*

### **Overall Versatility Gypsy Cob**

*Westfield Stud Trophy: Westfield Truffle*

Judges Comment: "Truffle appears to cope admirably with an extremely wide range of activities.

Taking part in such a wide variety of disciplines such as the mustering, mock hunts, trek and quadrille as well as showing, jumping, dressage and riding club gave them the edge over the successful and well performed South Island entry."

### **Pleasure Awards**

*North Island Pleasure Cob: Sharney Downs Hokey Pokey*

*South Island Pleasure Cob: Ballydangan Bo-Shambu*

### **Overall Pleasure Gypsy Cob**

*Bellecara Equestrian Trophy: Sharney Downs Hokey Pokey*

Judges Comment:"It was the way Hokey Pokey helped Sally get her life back together after such confidence shaking events. She has told the story well. A very busy life made a lot easier by having the sort of horse that behaves like a gentleman at a variety of destinations."

*Special Mention in Pleasure - Christiana Sutherland - Matthews Ceilidh*

## **Harness Award**

*Harness Gypsy Cob of the Year: Swanhaven Boots 'N All*

Judges Comment: "Boots appears to be the great all round pony every Gypsy cob should be. It is lovely to see your photos, he appears relaxed yet engaged, has wonderful conformation and is carrying himself well and using his hindquarters. This is reflected in your dressage scores over the season consistently being over 60% and also your great results in conformation classes, paced & mannered and Concours D'Elegance. I was so pleased to see that he is also being used in scurry, obstacle courses, PODs and combined driving events. This must be testament to a beautiful temperament and he is obviously versatile not just taking part but excelling in these different disciplines. I believe he represents the true nature of a Gypsy cob, well done."

*Runner-Up: "Boscabelle Bows Irish Jig I enjoyed looking at your photos and can offer the following comments. Bows Irish Jig appears to be a great example of a part bred Gypsy cob with very athletic conformation and a great combination of strength in his chest and shoulders as well as strong well developed hind quarters. He looks to be very happy in his work, whether that is in combined driving competition or in the show ring. I love the way he is standing to attention as his young driver is making a salute and can see he is holding himself very well and is light on his feet for a big guy in the photos where he is cantering (in or away from a marathon obstacle)? It is clear that he is forward and free moving which is essential in a harness horse and should be nurtured. He seems to be in capable hands when being driven and I am sure you will have many more years of fun driving him and many successes to come in whatever disciplines you may choose. Well done."*

## **Youth Award**

*Swanhaven Stud Trophy: Oliver Behrns*

Judges Comment: "Youth entries were all impressive. What lovely animals, giving pleasure and confidence. I think it was the combined driving (as well as all the other activities) that gave Jiggy the edge and I really liked the way Oliver and his father work together."

## **Performance**

*Purebred*

*Twin Springs Gypsy Cobs Trophy - Gypsy Elite Pride's Dreamcatcher*

*Partbred*

*Westfied Stud Trophy - Windsor Park Gypsy King*

## **John Brodie Service Award**

*Christiana Matthews*

Judges Comment: "Kris is a relative newcomer to the club but has thrown herself wholeheartedly into organising events and supporting shows in the Northland region and being a super enthusiastic cob owner."