

Expressions of Interest to become an AAA Parader Judge

Judge Training process

Assessment and pre-course requirements

Applications are invited from members wishing to become an accredited AAA Parader Judge.

Applicants must be prepared to undertake training and assessment to judge the Parader event. Our future judges will be required to exhibit a range of skills and qualities, including active participation in the industry, good general knowledge of the industry, a capacity to communicate positively with competitors, teachers, caregivers etc. and the public and dedication to the objective of engaging and sustaining youth in, and thereby securing the future of, the Australian alpaca industry. .

Further Information for prospective applicants is available on the AAA website or will be made available to them. Those documents and manuals should be carefully scrutinised and understood prior to submitting the application.

The Information Kit will be made up of :

- AAA Paraders Manual

- AAA Paraders Material

- AAA Breed Standard

- Paraders Judges Roles and Responsibilities

- Paraders Judges Career Progression

- Judges Code of Conduct

Prior to attendance at the Judge Training and Assessment Course, successful applicants will be allocated a Parader Judge Mentor to assist and advise them in their preparation for the course. Participants will be responsible for their own accommodation and travelling expenses for all training activities. Intending applicants should provide a written application including reasons for wishing to become an accredited AAA Parader Judge and their personal alpaca CV, and demonstrate an ability to meet the following selection criteria:

Essential selection criteria:

- Be a minimum of 18 years of age.
- Be a current financial member of good standing with the AAA, Youth or Associate Members are eligible.
- Have a sound knowledge of the alpaca industry and youth program as well as experience as an educator, eg.as a mentor, as parent, or in a teaching capacity.
- A thorough understanding of the AAA Paraders Youth Manual.
- A demonstrated ability to work and educate children in safe and non confrontational environments.
- Current Working with Children accreditation.
- A good current working knowledge of the AAA Breed Standard and Parader Showing Rules reinforced by through stewarding, convening or otherwise volunteering at AAA Paraders shows.
- Experience and confidence to speak in public.
- The skills and professionalism to exercise sound judgement, expressed with empathy and understanding appropriate to the age group being judged.
- A contributor to the industry with a volunteering ethos; must be in a position to commit the time to becoming a judge with flexibility to travel as required
- Able to commit to, and comply with the Judge's Code of Conduct.
- A current driver's licence

All relevant experience will be considered in accepting nominations, such as being a AAA Halter Judge, experience in educational roles in other areas, previous attendance at AAA Paraders events or industry courses. Previous Youth involvement, including advancement through the Paraders program.

Please email your application to: The Chair - AYE

All applicants will be advised of the outcome of their application by return email.

Your interest and commitment in making this application is acknowledged, and is most welcome.