

# **VICTOR LUDORUM POLO SERIES**

The Australian Polo Federation Victor Ludorum Polo Series is to start in 2014.

The Victor Ludorum (Latin: Winner of the Games) is a trophy conducted over the course of the calendar year.

The ultimate winner is the team that aggregates the most points during the calendar year by participating in as many designated Victor Ludorum tournaments as possible.

The Inaugural Victor Ludorum competition will be held across three goal levels, each competing for a different trophy.

This is a national competition with points available from tournaments in each state.

To earn points, a team must meet the eligibility criteria set out below.

The Victor Ludorum concept is designed to encourage clubs and teams to play together as a team through the season and participate in many tournaments at many clubs.

Points can be earned by entering tournaments, reaching the semi-finals, making the final and, of course, winning the final.

At the conclusion of the calendar year the team with the most points will win the Victor Ludorum trophy.

The trophies will be presented at the inaugural Australian Polo Awards dinner in Sydney in March 2015.

The Victor Ludorum trophies have been named in honour of three of the all-time greats of the game and Hall of Fame inductees; Sinclair Hill, Bob Skene and Jim MacGinley.

The Victor Ludorum tournaments in each level are below.

# The Sinclair Hill

(16 goal and above)

K.F.P. Packer Cup	(Ellerston – NSW)	ОСТ
Garangula Spring Cup	(Garangula - NSW)	ОСТ
J.D. McLeod Cup	(Ellerston - NSW)	MAR
The Morton Cup	(Hawkesbury - NSW)	MAR
Countess of Dudley Cup	(Hawkesbury - NSW)	MAR

### **The Bob Skene**

(12 goal)

Garangula Autumn Cup	(Garangula – NSW)	April
MacIntyre Cup	(Scone - NSW)	Sept
Australian Open	(SEQP - QLD)	Sept
Sydney Gold Cup	(Sydney Polo Club – NSW)	Oct
Windsor Spring Cup	(Windsor – NSW)	Oct
Melbourne Cup	(VPA - VIC)	Nov

## **The Jim MacGinley**

(8 goal)

Urquhart Cup	(Melbourne – Vic)	Jan
Barr-Smith Cup	(Adelaide - SA)	Feb
VPA Championships	(Yaloak – Vic)	Feb

WA Open	(Perth – WA)	Mar
Ellerston Autumn Cup	(Ellerston - NSW)	Mar
Morton Cup	(Hawkesbury – NSW)	Mar
Countess of Dudley Cup (Alec McLeod Cup)	(Hawkesbury – NSW)	Mar
Hector King Trophy	(Hawkesbury – NSW)	Apr
Sydney Silver Cup	(Sydney Polo Club – NSW)	Apr
Gooch Cup	(Serpentine – WA)	Apr
Charles Cup	(Kings Meadow – WA)	Apr
Jemalong	(Jemalong – NSW)	Apr
The Ashton Memorial	(Millamalong – NSW)	May
The Ashton Cup	(Goulburn- NSW)	May
Ashling Cup	(SEQP – QLD)	June
Mercedes Benz Cup	(SEQP – QLD)	June
Queensland Gold Cup	(SEQP – QLD)	Aug
Northern Challenge Cup	(Quirindi – NSW)	Sept
The Mackay Cup	(Wirragulla – NSW)	Sept
JRC Davies Cup	(Scone – NSW)	Sep
Archibald – Cudmore Cup	(Ellerston - NSW)	Oct

### **How to Win Points**

Enter a selected tournament = 10 points
Reach the semi final = 10 points
Win subsidiary final = 5 points
Reach the final = 10 points
Win the final = 20 points

Maximum points allocated to the winning team will be 50 points.

The team with the most points at the end of the year will be the winner.

### **Team Eligibility**

"To be eligible to accrue points in each Victor Ludorum tournament, a team must contain at least 3 players who have previously played with that team during the current season"

Substitution of players is permitted provided at least 3 players in each team have previously played for the team in the current season.

Teams may also request a further substitution should a player become unable to play due to injury or another legitimate reason.

The committee shall apply a 'resonableness' test to each request.

### **Tournament Eligibility**

Each Victor Ludorum sanctioned tournament must abide by the HPA and APF rules in respect of the draw and seedings.

At least four teams must enter the tournament for Victor Ludorum points to apply.

The Victor Ludorum committee has the right to rescind Victor Ludorum points if tournaments do not meet eligibility rules.

#### How to enter

Email the following detail to the APF:

Goal level at which you intend to compete:

Team name:

**Team members:** 

Tournaments at which you will compete:

Team contact details:

Note you can enter additional tournaments during the year, but please notify the APF when doing so.

# **Victor Ludorum Committee**

Jeremy Bayard, Sam Hopkinson, Peter White, Glen Gilmore.