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### **KHH YOUTH & YEARLING CHALLENGE UPDATE**

After the announcement of the inaugural KHH Youth & Yearling Challenge in NZ Horse & Pony magazine this month, KHH has received considerable feedback both for and against the concept. After carefully reflecting on the matter, and considering in particular the welfare of the young wild horses and the safety of young trainers, KHH has decided not to proceed with the Youth and Yearling challenge.

The KHH 2016 Stallion Challenge will still proceed.

We are obviously very careful to ensure that our organisation, Equidays, and our sponsors are not at risk of being portrayed in a negative light; but our major focus has been the safety and welfare of our human and equine participants.

We are extremely sorry if our decision has caused inconvenience to you. KHH is incredibly grateful to you for your enthusiasm and passion for our cause. Your support and your commitment to ensuring the future of wild horses in New Zealand means a great deal to us. We are very aware of the work and commitment that you have undertaken to lend your support to this event and wish you to know that this decision was not made lightly. If you have any questions or would like to comment, please direct all correspondence to the KHH Secretary.

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