

# AMATEUR DRIVERS CHAMPIONSHIP

# Q&A



## Cheree Wigg

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

9 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

Yes.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

Alan Edge and myself.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

The different tracks, places and countries that Amateur driving has taken me.

Favourite horse?

Just Believe.



## Alan Edge

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

12 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

Yes.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

Yes, myself.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

Driving my own horses.

Favourite horse?

Off The Edge.



## Colleen Negus

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

8 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

Yes, nearly every year.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

I help Bruce Negus and I offer advice.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

I enjoy the friendly competition with like-minded enthusiasts.

Favourite horse?

Highland Reign who won five for me and helped me win the Championship.



## Michael House

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

One.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

No, first time experience as a driver.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

Yes Mentally Stable - but they call me the handbrake or spark because they reckon I am on the phone so much that I never do anything.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

The part I enjoy is I know that I can opt out at any moment.

Favourite horse?

Justify and Waitangi Netflix



## Warren Frost

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

7 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

No.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

No, but I do help out at John McDermotts from time to time.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

Great people and a chance to drive at Tote Meetings.

Favourite horse?

Red Under Fire and Ruby's A Delight.



## John Kriechbaumer

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

15 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

Yes.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

No, self employed.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

Competing on race day and working with horses.

Favourite horse?

Peter Forsberg (Four Amateur wins for me, 2023-24).



## Michelle Northcott

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

I have had a raceday licence since 2012.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

Yes.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

Yes, I help out Graeme Rogerson in both the gallopers & standardbreds.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

The great people that you meet.

Favourite horse?

No one favourite, but plenty that certainly have left a lasting impression on me.



## Andrew Sharpe

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?

Two seasons.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?

No.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?

Yes. Lincoln Farms.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?

Keeping the sibling rivalry alive.

Favourite horse?

Lincoln River.



### Craig Sharpe

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?  
8 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?  
Yes twice before.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?  
Yes, Lincoln Farms.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?  
Just to get out and have a drive.

Favourite horse?

Vanhalem and American Dealer.



### Warren Rich

How many years have you been an Amateur Driver?  
12 years.

Have you been in the Amateur Championships before?  
Yes.

Do you work in a stable? If yes, who for?  
Todd Mitchell.

What do you enjoy the most about being an Amateur Driver?  
Getting out there and having a go.

Favourite horse?

Gracious Knight.

