



Hobart & Districts Pony Club

April 2009 Newsletter

Calendar of Events

May 09

30 Campbell Town Show

June 09

1-2 Sue McDermott Holiday Clinic, Forrest Hill Rd

21 H&D Rally

28 Show Jumping Tasmania (South), Winter Show, TEC

July 09

14-15 Colleen Kelly clinics, Hobart

19 H&D rally

August 09

2 Riding for the Disabled Integrated Show & Gymkhana, Huntingfield

16 H&D rally & AGM

DC's report

Well, how time seems to be flying by - nearly the end of May and the start of winter! Let's hope that winter goes by just as fast, so the days can start getting longer!

This month we have had a number of events at the club and involving our members. Firstly, last pony club rally held on Mother's Day was a great day. Thanks to all who brought along something for morning tea and also to those who helped with setting up and putting away the showjumping equipment. I think our members enjoyed the opportunity to show jump in the afternoon - in future we will try and make this happen somewhat faster! A very big thank you to Jennifer Briggs for her hard work in the canteen - I think members will agree that it was a nice change to have a buffet style lunch.

On Sunday the 17th May the Southern Zone games were held at Mangalore (see report below). H&D riders represented the club to a very high standard, showing great sportsmanship and lots of support to each other. Thanks to all the parents who gave up many hours to bring their children to trainings and then spend the day at Mangalore stewarding.

On Saturday we held a Hunter Trials in conjunction with Monmouth and STEA to help raise funds towards Pip Duggan and Lucy Watson's trip to the Pony Club Nationals in Sydney in July. I think all who attended would agree that a fun day was had. On Sunday some members attended another fundraising event for Pip at Eating on the Edge. This was a very civilised afternoon (for most), enjoying some nice food, drink, company and jazz music.

At the June rally we will place some butcher's paper up in the clubrooms giving all members the option to make suggestions on changes they would like to see, things they think are already working well or where people think the club should be heading in the coming years. Please get behind this as this is your club and without your input and support we may not always know what members want.

Well, I think that is all for this month.

Cheers

Erin

Pony Club Games Competition

The H&D games team has been training really hard for the past few weeks with our coach Lucy Watson. The team consisted of Matt Ryan, Sarah Bomford, Celeste Meincke, Steph Lewis, Alice Paterson, Mykaela Briggs and Grace Paterson as our reserve rider.

On 17th May the H&D team was up early in the freezing cold weather ready to compete. The day ran really smoothly and everyone did a great job. Overall we placed 3rd in Division B.

I would like to make a big thanks to Erin for organising the team and being there on the day to help us all out. I would also like to thank Lucy Watson for giving up her time to train us and for answering all our questions on the day. Patrick Briggs was also there on the day taking pictures of our team and if anyone would like to have a look at them his website is www.patrickbriggs.webs.com.

Mykaela Briggs

D and D* tests at June rally

The following riders are scheduled to do their tests at the next rally:

D test – Alison Kaye & Steph Lewis;

D* test – Alison Kaye, Steph Lewis, Tessa Amos, Lily Baker, Kate Jarvie, Celeste Meincke.

You will need to wear full PC uniform (green jumper, shirt, tie & beige jods) and have woollen PC saddle blankets. If you have any queries, please call Jennifer on 6260 2773.

Committee activities

The committee will be developing a plan for the club for the next few years. Please let us know your thoughts about what the club's

priorities should be by emailing Alison (Alison.Venn@utas.edu.au), talking to Erin or the riders reps (Grace & Kate), or writing them on the butcher's paper at the June Rally.

The club's AGM will be held in August and elections held for committee members. Parents – if you haven't already been on the committee, please consider when you might volunteer. New members are VERY welcome! No particular expertise is required – we all learn on the job with the support of others. Please have a chat with Alison or any of the other committee members to see what role might suit you.

If anyone would like to see the minutes of committee meetings, or have items placed on the meeting agenda, please email Lynne Sparrow at warrenfamily@internode.on.net

Can you help set up the H&D website?

It's time to get our website up and running. If you, or one of your family members, have the skills to help, please let Erin know. The website has the potential to be a great resource for the club.

Raffle results (Pip's fundraiser)

- 1st Car service (donated by City Automotive) - Rose
- 2nd Car service (donated by Discount Brake & Clutch) - Mick
- 3rd Hair care voucher (donated by RUNVS) - Wendy Russell
- 4th \$100 electric fencing (donated by Fence City) - Carol Briscoe
- 5th Wheel Barrow (donated by Hardware Pro) - Ian Coulson
- 6th MP3 Player - Carolyn Mazengarb
- 7th Picnic Basket - Steve Hickie
- 8th 5 kilo box Cadbury chocolates - Ngairi Young

9th Eyebrow wax (donated by Avra Beauty) - Matt Nines.

Thanks to everyone who sold and bought tickets to assist with my fund-raising.

Pip Duggan

Emergency contact details

Reminder – please notify Sue-Ellen at rally of any changes to emergency contact details for riders

Schools Event

A new date has been suggested for the 2009 Schools Event – Sunday September 6, though this date and the location have yet to be confirmed. Watch this space for updates.

Items needed for the kitchen

We are running low on some of our kitchen equipment. Donations of serving bowls and utensils particularly welcome if you have any spare.

June school holidays clinic

Sue McDermott's school holiday clinic will be held at Forrest Hill Rd, Sandford on June 1-2. Call Sue on 6248 8550 or see Tashorse website for details.

Colleen Kelly lessons

Colleen Kelly will be in the Hobart area on July 14 & 15 giving lessons to improve the rider's seat, posture, balance, coordination, confidence and aids. All ages and horse sports welcome. (See flyer attached). Contact Shadrina on 6253 5292 or email glenfinestud@bigpond.com.

Riding for the Disabled (RDA) Integrated Show and Gymkhana

This gymkhana will be held Sunday the 2nd of August at Huntingfield. This is a very friendly and relaxed event suitable for anyone of any age or ability wanting a fun day out with their horse or pony. This annual event is important for the RDA as a fundraiser and aims to raise awareness of the role the RDA plays in the community. Schedules will be available closer to the date. For more information contact Chloe Chadwick, RDA Gymkhana Coordinator on 6227 2859.

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Noel Wilson
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