



# Hobart & Districts Pony Club

## April Newsletter

### CALENDER DATES

#### APRIL

- 17<sup>th</sup> H&D Rally Day  
25<sup>th</sup> ANZAC Day Derby  
30<sup>th</sup> NTEC Championships & Launceston PC ODE (qualifier)

#### MAY

- 8<sup>th</sup> Southern zone games - Brighton PC  
15<sup>th</sup> H&D rally day  
22<sup>nd</sup> Interschool Dressage Championship (TEC) - National qualifier  
29<sup>th</sup> State Games - Gravelly Beach

#### JUNE

- 4<sup>th</sup> Campbell Town Show  
19<sup>th</sup> H&D Rally Day  
26<sup>th</sup> Huon Winter show

For further details of events state-wide, booking forms etc, see the links via the PCAT *Calendar of Events* at [www.pcat.org.au](http://www.pcat.org.au) or Equestrian Tasmania calendar [www.tas.equestrian.org.au](http://www.tas.equestrian.org.au)

### DC's Report



Well this week the nice weather seems to have left us and the days have certainly got shorter and much colder, winter is fast approaching!! And things on the riding scene are starting to slow down; I hear a number of you breathe a sigh of relief. Whilst I didn't get to the schools ODE on the

weekend I believe that a number of riders did well, so look forward to hearing all about that.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all members who were involved in the recent State Pony Club Trials, held at our grounds on the March long weekend. This was a fantastic event and certainly one of the best events I have had the privilege of being involved in. It was great to see so many families get involved and attend numerous working bees and help out on the weekend itself. I think that everyone would agree that our grounds look fantastic and that the new Cross Country jumps, and the new shed are a great asset to the club. It will be great for members to be able to get out on the Cross Country this coming weekend at rally.

The next event on the calendar is the Southern Zone games competition to be held on the 8<sup>th</sup> May 2011 at Mangalore. A big thanks to Melissa Curtain has been running games practices with keen riders. These practices will continue to be held on Saturday mornings.

I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate Mykaela Briggs who was recently selected to represent Tasmania at the Pony Club Nationals in Victoria in September this year. Also Mykaela, Steph Lewis and Olivia Lawson have qualified to represent Tasmania in the Interschools Nationals also in Victoria in October this year. Congratulations to you all.

I would like to wish Phil, Tanya, Alanah and Laura a fantastic trip, as they head off to warmer grounds for the winter months, please keep in touch and let us know of your adventures.

Well I hope that you all keep warm and dry and I would look forward to seeing you at rally on Sunday ☺

Cheers



Erin

### A few Reminders for rally

- ❖ Helmets must be worn whilst saddling up and around your horse
- ❖ There are always lots of jobs to do throughout the day but more especially at the end of the day. This is for you parents...as well as children.

- Packing up equipment (the show jump poles and wings are especially time consuming and heavy so the more helpers the better).
- Picking up manure from the dressage arena after use. (this is great done at the time of the lesson for those parents watching...take your poop scooper over with you)
- Clean up your own horses' yard. Manure is to go at the end of the yard in the area provided...NOT AROUND THE TREES.
- Vacuuming the clubrooms (there will be someone there to show you the ropes if you don't know where things are.)
- Cleaning the toilets
- Putting rubbish from the bins into the skip bin near the sheds.
- Washing up in the canteen. Tanya and Fiona will always appreciate any help throughout the day.
- Assistance with the afternoon activities. ***This is parent run so just come up and offer any assistance. I know it will be well received and certainly no experience necessary.***
- Cooking for the morning tea and lunch. Please ask in the canteen if you could do next rally.

**There will be a roster for the cleaning jobs coming out after next month.**

**❖ THOSE THAT LEAVE AT LUNCH TIME MUST ASSIST US ALSO WITH ANY OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED JOBS.**

- ❖ Pee Wee bits are permitted at pony club events however bitless bridles are not.
- ❖ C test rider MUST bring their test manuals to rally.
- ❖ There will be a speed limit on the access driveway to the TEC. Please be mindful of the speed that you enter the grounds at.
- ❖ There is a No Smoking rule for our grounds.

**Rally bookings to Sue Fleming the Sunday prior to the rally day.**

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0417 487 431

*Did you know that we have our own website. Have a look at the latest photos and news from ours and other clubs. Go to [www.hobart.pcat.org.au](http://www.hobart.pcat.org.au)*

It is also important to let Sue know if you will be riding a different horse as it may affect the group in which you will be placed.

Any members with second hand uniform that they wish to sell or give away could you please bring it to next rally.

We have a lot of new members who would be grateful.



Riders wanting to sit their C\* or K test and above should let Kim sly know before April 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011 on [tafhob@ozemail.com.au](mailto:tafhob@ozemail.com.au)

**WINTER CAMP**

There is a proposed winter camp in June holidays at "Woodfield", Dysart. There are a lot of fun activities

**2 great deals for PC members**

**Southern Zone Pony Club Members**

**1** Buy any two Hygain feeds or supplements during May and receive a FREE HYGAIN cap or HYGAIN singlet

\*Limit one cap or singlet per customer during May 2011

**2** 15% off all HYGAIN products at Roberts Bridgewater, Huonville & Hobart during May 2011

\*\*you must present your pony club membership card to receive the discount and merchandise

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Roberts Bridgewater 327 Midland Hwy, Bridgewater Ph: 6263 4066 Fax: 6263 4273

If you have any items of interest or reports on events (kids!!!), photos, items for sale please send them to me via email at [heatmania@bigpond.com](mailto:heatmania@bigpond.com) and we can include them in the newsletter next month.

*Pony Club Games Teams  
Practice at 10am on Saturday mornings at the TEC.  
All welcome (including beginners)*

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