

Drysdale Leopold Pony Club

Newsletter July 2015



**** Photos from riders out and about ****

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DC's Report

Welcome to the July Rally -

Short and sweet - although make sure you read my article on Protests (see page 6).

Uniform. Just a reminder that all riders must wear full Drysdale Leopold Pony Club uniform at our rallies. Polo top plus polar fleece jacket or vest if it's cold. Joddies must be cream, bone, beige, fawn, off-white, banana, white, vanilla. Some riders have some lovely green or olive green jods. Unfortunately, these aren't uniform and cannot be worn at rallies or competitions. This is a PCAV rule, not a DLPC rule.

We have several riders about to embark on the journey of achieving their K Certificate. If you have your C Certificate and would like to do your K, have a look at the following link:

<http://www.ponyclubaustralia.com.au/site/ponyclub/national/downloads/Syllabus%20of%20Instruction%202013/PCA%20Syllabus%20of%20Instruction%202013%20No%20FEI%20Code%20FINAL.pdf>

Feel free to come and discuss your certificates with myself or Sam Krause or Leanne Hearn. A reminder also that any riders who wish to represent their club or zone at any of the State Championship events (Horse Trials, Dressage, SJ, Games, Flat Teams, Musical Ride or Pairs Ride) and are 13 years of age or older, must have their C Certificate. This also applies to the Grade 3/4 Interzone Challenge.

Speed 2 Safety is on again. This year we have Charly Hardy-Smith on Juanita and Abbey Page on Springbok having a go. Their first trial is Saturday 4 July at Geelong Racecourse – they have to ride 1000 meters as close as possible to 120 seconds - Good luck Charly and Abbey.

See you on Sunday

Your DC Caroline

Key Contacts

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Jordi Kitchen

Brie Lewindowski

Riley Smith

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We are on Facebook – join the Group -

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/178406815670064/252403194937092/>

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PCAV Rule Books

PCAV Rule Books

The following information is available from the Pony Club Association of Victoria website:

- [Dressage Tests](#) (effective 1 January 2013)
- [Dressage Rules](#) (effective 1st February 2015) - supersedes all previous editions
- [Guidelines for Dressage Pencillors](#) - created by the Northern Metropolitan Zone of PCAV
- [Showjumping Rules](#) - Effective 1 January 2015 - supersedes all previous editions
- [Gear Rules](#) (With Comfort and Safety Requirements) - Effective 1 January 2015 - supersedes all previous editions
- [Gear Rules Competition: Quick Reference Guide](#) - Effective 1 January 2015
- [Horse Trials Rules](#) (Including Combined Text Competition Rules) - Effective 1 January 2015 - supersedes all previous editions.
- [Guide for Cross Country Jump Judges](#) - March 2014
- [Handbook of By-laws](#) - Effective 1 January 2015 - supersedes all previous editions
- [Games for Pony Club](#)

More information is available from [PCAV Rules, Regulations and Guides](#).

Prix Caprilli Tests - These tests have been adapted for PCAV Combined Training and HRCAV Combined Training assessed riders purely for use in the Barwon Equine Dressage Series (BEDS). Riders MUST be assessed for Combined Training, not Dressage and must produce their cards on registration.



2015 Deadlines for newsletter content

August - 27th July
 September - 31st August
 October - 28th September
 November - 26th October
 December - 30th November

Issues or Concerns?

Please see your group leader if you have any qu's - if they can't resolve it they will take it up with the DC - Caroline

Canteen

Kently and Dev will be in the canteen this rally. Thank you to Scott last rally for looking after us - also the helpers in the canteen - Chris, Kylie, Sam and Deb.

Rostered on this month to help are the Cotter and Brilliant families.

Please see Dev or Kently before pony club starts.



Coming Events

July

5th Rally

11th Leighdale BEDS Round 3 – Pony club Grades 1 – 5

12th Little River Freshmans Showjumping pony club and open

18th-19th Bacchus Marsh Pony Club 2 day horse trials
Grades 1 – 5 (State Qualifier) and Open grades 1 - 4

August

1st Barwon Heads Pony Club Jumping Derby Day Gr. 1 -5

2nd Rally

8th Mt. Duneed Pony Club BEDS Rnd. 4 Gr. 1-5 Elcho Park

9th Bacchus Marsh Pony Club Open Show

16th Corio Moorabool Pony Club Pre-Royal Show – Open

31st Little River Pony Club Winter Woollies PC Show & Open

September

5th Barwon Zone BEDS Round 5 Gr. 1-5 –Elcho Park

6th Rally

13th Portarlington Pony Club Combined Training Day
PCAV Gr. 1-5

19th Ballan PC BEDS Round 6 Gr 1-5 – Elcho Park

26th – 27th Werribee Pony Club 2 day horse trials

October

3rd Barwon Heads Pony Club Jumping Derby Day Gr. 1-5

4th Rally

10th – 11th Ballarat PC 2-Day Horse Trials Gr. 1-5 & Open

24th Smythesdale Pony Club Gymkhana & S/J Day

25th Corio/Moorabool PC BEDS Round 7 **Final – Elcho**

31st Rokewood Pony Club Combined Training Day – Open

31st Barwon Heads Pony Club Jumping Derby Day Gr. 1-5

November

1st Rally

7th Leighdale Pony Club Showjumping Day

14th – 15th Colac Pony Club 2 Day Horse Trials - E.A
Introductory to 1*

15th Ballan Pony Club Combined training - Gr. 1-5 & 1-4
Open

22nd Barwon Zone Dressage & Showjumping Qualifying
Championships – Bacchus Marsh Pony Club

Results

Barwon Valley BEDS 8 June 2015

Grade 3 Green

Test 3B

1st Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

2nd Jenna Krause on Shazaz Sireena

Test 3C

5th Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

Reserve Champion

Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

Grade 3 White

Test 3B

3rd Abbey Page on Springbok

Grade 4 Green

Test 4B

2nd Macey Devlin on Caribbean Red

Test 4C

1st Macey Devlin on Caribbean Red

Champion Macey Devlin on Caribbean Red

Grade 4 White

Test 4B

3rd Isabella Morrison on Greylea Sculpture

Test 4C

4th Isabella Morrison on Greylea Sculpture

Grade 5 White

Test 5B

=6th Liberty Armitage on Star

=4th Jordi Kitchen on Smokey

Test 5C

=5th Liberty Armitage on Star

Prix Caprilli

Test 5

1st Macey Devlin on Caribbean Red

Working with Children Check – WWCC

The motion outlined below was passed by the Pony Club Association of Victoria (PCAV) State Council at the November 2014 State Council meeting. It is a proactive decision designed to provide a duty of care to all PCAV members. The WWCC Legislation outlines minimum mandated requirements; organisations can broaden their policy and widen the field beyond those listed by The Department of Justice to protect the children/youth in their respective fields.

"That from July 1st 2015 clubs must ensure that all parents/guardians/carers of members and members over 18 must provide a current WWCC"

This motion supersedes Bylaw 8.2.a

To apply for a Working with Children <http://www.workingwithchildren.vic.gov.au/> - You can now fill in your WWC Check application online. After you fill in your details, print out your Application Summary and take it to Australia Post with your proof of identity documents, a passport size photo and the fee if required.



Coaching from the sidelines:

This is NOT acceptable at a rally. Parents are asked to please respect each instructor and let them do their job. It is extremely off-putting for the instructor and very distracting for the children.

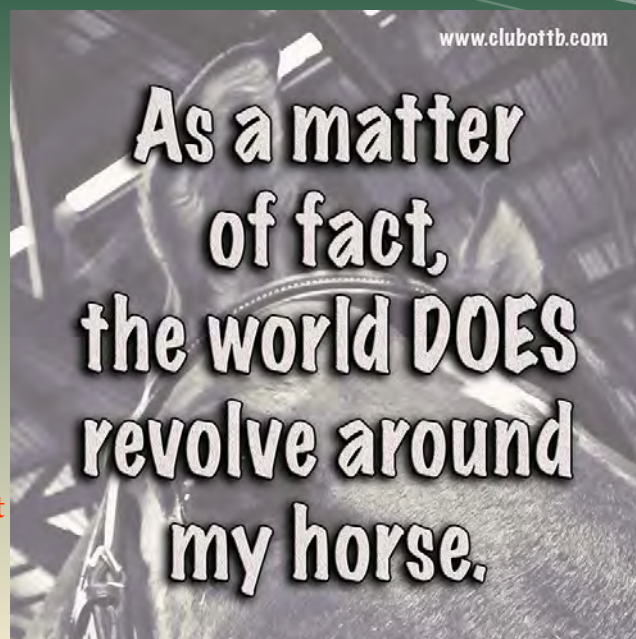
If you feel that you just can't help yourself and hold back that urge, perhaps go up to the clubrooms and have a coffee.

The instructors may "ask" you to take a coffee break otherwise....

2015/16 Fees:

Yes, it's that time of year again. Annual fees are now overdue. If you have not paid your fees for the 2015/16 financial year, please see Kurt Krause (Treasurer) BEFORE THE START OF THIS RALLY OR YOU WILL NOT BE ABLE TO RIDE - thank you.

(NB - All parents, grandparents, aunts uncles etc. who attend more than 2 rallies a year you will also need a current Working with Children Check permit starting with this July rally.)



Barwon Valley Beds 8 June 2015



ETIQUETTE SURROUNDING PROTESTS

By Caroline Shirra

Many competitors are extremely rude at events when it comes to protests, particularly when they think that a mistake has been made by the scoring office or by a jump judge. This is unnecessary and only gets the hackles up of the poor volunteer sitting behind the front desk listening to you (or your mum or dad) rant and rave.

If you're at an event (in any discipline) and the scores go up and you think there may be an error, here's the process.

Firstly, you will always have a 30 minute 'protest time'. The ribbons cannot be handed out until the scores have been up on the board for 30 minutes. This gives you time to check your dressage test or have a look at the cross country sheets. If you feel that there's been an error you need to **POLITELY** go to the desk and point it out. If it's something simple and obvious like the scorer has typed in "78" when it should have been "87" then this can quickly and easily be rectified. If you're at a Horse Trials, you need to check where you were given a penalty and if you don't agree, again you need to ask the question at the front desk. Sometimes it's ok to ask verbally and sometimes they will hand you a "Query Form" to complete and return.

If it's not easily rectified or if you think that a jump judge was wrong, then you need to lodge a protest. The protest fee is \$50. You will get this back if your protest is successful. The ground jury will be gathered and any other relevant personnel (ie the cross country jump judge). The rider will have the chance to have their say (NOT their parent who were not out on the XC course riding the horse). No ribbons will be presented until the protest has been resolved.

Video evidence is inadmissible, as are photos. Your stop-watch is also no help to you if you're disputing the time penalties that you may have been given.

One piece of advice though - **BEFORE** lodging a protest, have a look around and ask for help. Look for your DC or another parent, even somebody from another club that may be more familiar with the rules than you are. If you still can't find a friendly face **CALL CAROLINE** on 0408 461 088.

Something else important is to know your rules. If you're entering an event run under HRCav rules, there's no use quoting PCAV or EV rules because they will not apply. You also need to check the difference between disciplines. For example, the pure Showjumping rules are different to the Horse Trials Showjumping rules.

Protests are an everyday component of running an event. Every rider has the right to protest and the right to be heard. Once the Ground Jury has made a decision, it's final and you must graciously accept this decision. Make sure you lodge your protest within 30 minutes of the final scores going up. There's absolutely no point checking your dressage test on the way home and realising that it's been added up wrongly. That's too late.

Best advice I can give is that if you're not sure - **ASK SOMEBODY**. There's a right way and a wrong way to protest and it certainly should never be done in a nasty or malicious way. Everybody at the event is a volunteer and they all try to do their job as well as they can but mistakes do happen.

New Polo Tops are coming

Our president has been working very hard to finalise designs for our new polo tops so they match our jumper. This is a mock up of what they will look like. We will phase in the new top over a 2-year period. For the next 12 months you can wear both to pony club and events. After that the old design will only be allowed at pony club rallies. We hope to have a sample for you to look at by the August rally. All existing polo tops are now discounted by 50%.



Barefoot Blacksmith Clinics Program

- Portarlington standard VIC - Sat 17th Oct 2015
- Portarlington advanced VIC - Sun 18th Oct 2015
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- Standard One Day Trimming Workshop with The Barefoot Blacksmith
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- An intensive one day workshop that is informative and hands on. Learn how to maintain your own horse's hooves yourself or just come along to learn the science of healthy feet so you can make informed decisions about your horse's hoofcare. Workshop emphasis is on safety, ergonomics and how to make a hard job easier. Tools, aprons and hoof stands are provided on the day. Find out how to trim your horses' feet from a master farrier who's been "down under" horses full time for 20 years.
- Advanced Hoof Trimming Workshop - This workshop aims to not only refresh and consolidate your basic maintenance trimming, but also to take your hoof management knowledge and skills to the next level, exploring both the subtleties and variations in equine hoof balance. We aim to help you to solve any problems you may be having - either with your horse handling / tool skills / trimming or your horse's progression as a barefoot mount. We will also update you with recent developments in the continuing evolution of equine hoof care.
- Pre-requisite: Previous attendance at our Standard Workshop.

<http://www.barehoofcare.com/trimming.html>

Thrush, by the barefoot blacksmith - Thrush is the invasion of frog tissue by opportunistic fungus and bacteria that thrive in moist, low oxygen environments.

<http://www.barehoofcare.com/thrush.htm>



Pony Club Etiquette

Walk between lessons

Walk when coming back from lessons

If you need to leave a lesson for any reason, please ask permission from your instructor first – don't run off.

Parent's Attendance at Pony Club Rallies and Events

Every child under 17 years must be accompanied at all times by a parent or nominated guardian at all pony club events.

If parents cannot attend they must sign a form designating who will be the guardian on that day, and the guardian must also sign if in agreement. This is an important safety issue.

All parents and guardians must now have a valid Working with Children Check Permit.

Horse Rugs - Online Size Guide

- Caribu Horsewear
<http://www.caribuhorsewear.com.au/horse-rug-online-size-guide.html>
- Caribu Horse Rug Fitting Guide
<http://www.caribuhorsewear.com.au/horse-rug-fitting-guide.html>



How to cut a mane like a

pro, by Carley Sparks, Horse Collaborative, June 29, 2015.

Professional groom Jason McQueen show you how to get the perfect cut every time!

<http://www.horsecollaborative.com/how-to-cut-a-mane-like-a-pro/#>

The 10 Types of Horses, by

Maria Wachter, Horse Collaborative, January 9, 2015.

1. The Hard Keeper
2. Mr Tender Toes
3. The Easy Keeper
4. The Alpha Mare
5. The Scaredy Cat
6. Ms Accident Prone
7. The Experienced Rider
8. The Escape Artist
9. The Stable Vice Master
10. The 7-year-old bombproof babysitter

<http://www.horsecollaborative.com/the-10-different-types-of-horses/>



I did not fall. **What you saw was an Equine Assisted Random Gravity Check.**



Book of the Month

Cavalletti for dressage and jumping

Publisher: J.A. Allen/Trafalgar Square

Format: Hardcover

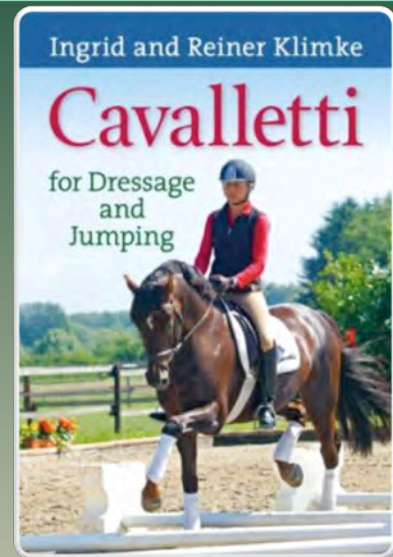
Author: Ingrid and Reiner Klimke

Price: \$42.95 (AUD) including GST

<https://www.horsebooks.com.au/product/1151/91225/cavalletti-revised-edition-9781908809193-9781570767128/>

The name Klimke is synonymous with versatile training. Dr Reiner Klimke was the most successful dressage rider of all times. His daughter Ingrid Klimke continues the family tradition. As an Olympic champion and world champion she is the only professional rider in the world who rides internationally at the highest level in dressage as well as in eventing.

Each horse, no matter the riding discipline, benefits from working with cavalletti. Dressage and eventing rider extraordinaire Ingrid Klimke explains how training with ground poles and cavalletti is one of her secrets of success. Cavalletti training improves the gaits; promotes rhythm, suppleness, and cadence; and increases the fitness of your horse. This newly revised guide shows cavalletti work on the longe, provides valuable new ideas specifically for dressage work, and numerous updated diagrams for jumping gymnastics, along with all new color photographs.



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