

Drysdale Leopold Pony Club

Newsletter September 2015



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

See page 4 and beyond.

**** Speed to Safety photos ****

See page 5.

DC's Report

Welcome to the September Rally

It's Father's day – happy Father's day to all our Dads. To celebrate all Dads get bacon and eggs on the house as a late breakfast after set up!

You should have all sold your chocolates at work or at school. Don't forget to bring your money in – notes only please – we don't want all your loose change – too heavy to lift! We need to have all the money back by this rally.

Three of our members sat their C Certificates during August – Jenna, Ella, and Abbey – they all passed with flying colours! Congratulations ☺

We put our video together to pitch for a grant from Holden to build our "big shed" to house all our trailers and equipment. The video was taken at the grounds last rally. Just about everyone got a cameo I think. Even Scott and his new Holden four wheel drive featured very prominently as did our President Kylie Berry. For those of you who have not seen it, you can watch it on YouTube

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9sZ6YDdUfQU>

Charly and Abbey again represented us in the zone Speed to Safety trials and had a wonderful time at the Geelong Racecourse (read their write up on page 5).

Our October rally will be our annual Pink Rally – all come dressed in pink and pay your gold coin as a fundraiser for breast cancer research. There will be a PRIZE FOR THE BEST PINK HORSE AND RIDER COMBINATION.

We are looking to get games teams organized to compete in the zone games and hopefully the State finals in 2016. To get this going for the October and November rallies we will be reintroducing games again as one of our lessons. This will replace a show jump or cross country lesson on the day. We are also looking for expressions of interest for flat teams and musical ride teams for 2016. Please see Donna Morrison if you want to find out more information.

See you on Sunday, Your DC Caroline

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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.



2015/16 Deadlines for newsletter content

October - 28th September
 November - 26th October
 December - 30th November
 February - 1st February
 March - 29th February

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 will be in the canteen this rally.

Rostered on this month to help are the Santwyk and Kitchen families.

Please see Kently before pony club starts.



Coming Events

September

5th Barwon Zone BEDS Round 5 Gr. 1-5 - Elcho Park
 6th Rally
 19th Ballan PC BEDS Round 6 Gr 1-5 - Elcho Park
 26th - 27th Werribee Pony Club 2 day horse trials (entries open 4 August)

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
 17th - 18th Yarrambat Pony Club 2 day horse trials - Gr 1-5 and 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

December

4th Pony club Christmas breakup & Awards (Friday Night)
 6th Rally
 13th Drysdale Leopold Pony Club Show

Results

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Grade 2

Test 2D

3rd Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

Test 2F

3rd Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

Grade 3

Test 3C

5th Macey Devlin on Caribbean Red

6th Matilda Hardy-Smith on Snowy River Revolution

Test 3D

2nd Jenna Krause on Shazaz Sireena

3rd Gemma Dunne on Shory Park Tonto

5th Macey Devlin on Caribbean Red

Reserve Champion Jenna Krause on Shazaz Sireena

Grade 4 Blue

Test 4D

5th Cameron Shirra on Milton

Grade 4 Sky

Test 4C

4th Isabella Morrison on Greylea Sculpture

6th Sophie Browne on Cream Brulee

Grade 5 Blue

Test 5B

6th Darcie Bourke-Finn on La De Da

Test 5C

3rd Darcie Bourke-Finn on La De Da

6th Riley Smith on Mattisse

Grade 5 Blue

Test 5B

4th Alexandra Meilak on Bollingbroke Hagen

Test 5C

1st Alexandra Meilak on Bollingbroke Hagen

Reserve Champion Liberty Armitage on Star





Speed to Safety at Geelong Racecourse



Abbey Page - I had a lot of fun doing the speed to safety although it was freezing and rainy. My favourite part was going fast down the front straight. I was surprised that my horse kept up a decent pace. It was hard to keep to the given pace, 24 seconds between each furlong. Overall I came 2nd but I didn't get to go to the next round at Moonee Valley racetrack.

Charly Hardy-Smith - Over the last two months, Abbey and I competed in 'Speed to Safety'; a competition held over two separate days in two months. We trialled at the Geelong racecourse and for our level, we had to keep a constant pace of 24 seconds per 200 meters for 1000 meters. In my practise run, I was two seconds too slow, so I needed to speed up. For my actual run, I ended up winning the grade 1 and 2 time, and I coincidentally beat a track rider. Alas, our lovely DC had not graded me grade 2, so I came just about last for my grade. Overall the trials were a lot of fun, and required a lot of control and concentration.

Christmas Dinner and Breakup

Our Christmas breakup dinner and awards night will again be held at the Clifton Springs Golf Club on Friday December 4 from 6.30pm.

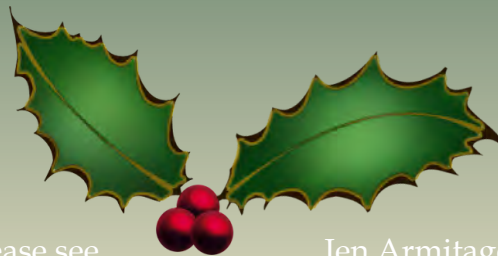
Tickets will be Adults \$30 and Children \$15.

RSVP 15 October.

Must be paid in full by the November Rally if you are attending.

We are also looking for donations for raffle prizes – please see if you have anything suitable – thanks.

Our December rally will again be held at Whinbury Hill – more information next month.



Jen Armitage

C Certificate Testing August 2015



Expressions of Interest for Flat Teams, Musical Ride and Games 2016

Donna Morrison has offered to organize our entries and for the 2016 flat teams, musical ride and games. This will require dedicated practice from all who want to do it.

As an added incentive all riders who make it through the zone competition and ride at the State final will receive a rug for their horse presented at the following Christmas dinner/awards night.

Please see Donna at the rally for more information.

Information is also available on the PCAV website - <http://www.ponyclubvic.org/?Page=2645>

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....

Little River Show Results – August 2015

Jenna Krause ; 1st turnout, 2nd rider, 2nd ridden pony club mount, 2nd handler, 4th pleasure mount, 4th mount most suitable for pony club.

Life is short...



Fergus
© Jean Abernethy 2013

...stop and smell the horses.



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.



Book of the Month

A Guide to Plants Poisonous to Horses

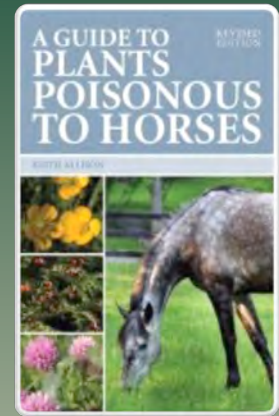
Publisher: J.A. Allen

Format: Paperback

Author: Keith Allison

Price: \$22.95 (AUD) including GST

[https://www.horsebooks.com.au/product/4784/62174/Guide-To-Plants-Poisonous-To-Horses-\(PB\)-\(2ND-EDITION\)-9780851319582/](https://www.horsebooks.com.au/product/4784/62174/Guide-To-Plants-Poisonous-To-Horses-(PB)-(2ND-EDITION)-9780851319582/)



Author Notes: Born and educated in Ireland, the son of a Thoracic surgeon and a General Practitioner. With two brothers doctors and uncles and aunts in the medical profession, Eric decided that he would take a different route. Having spent nearly ten years in a Cavalry Regiment he decided, at the age of 28, to take up a professional career with horses. Whilst in the Army he trained with Ben Jones, who was Equitation Officer at Melton Mowbray. Ben Jones represented G.B. in the Tokyo Olympics and won team gold medal at the Mexico Olympics. Of Eric, Ben was to comment, "He has a great natural flair for equitation. When jumping he has that gift of rhythm and timing, on any type of horse." He trained at the world famous Talland School of Equitation achieving his British Horse Society Instructor qualification before being asked to return to Ireland to start up an equestrian centre specialising in event horses. Shortly afterwards he and Sue decided to 'go it alone' and they set up their present establishment at Fir Tree Farm, some 30 years ago.

This is a colourful fully-illustrated book that can be used at all levels of rider. Starts from the beginning with the correct aids position and balance through to groundwork with poles then moving onto jumping fences. The author also guides you on a cross country walk and explains all the correct tack and their uses. As with all Pony Club publications this book also focusses on safety throughout.



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