

# Drysdale Leopold Pony Club

## Newsletter May 2016



**\*\* Photos from our riders out competing in pony club events \*\***

See page 5 and beyond.

**\*\* Interzone Pony Club Challenge – Bendigo – Report and Photos \*\***

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## DC's Report

Welcome to the May Rally - This rally will be a "Blue" Rally – like the "Pink" Rally – but raising funds to support the mental health work by "Beyond Blue". Please come to the May rally dressed in your finest blue outfits – both riders and family members. A gold coin donation will be required on the day to be donated to "Beyond Blue".

### MEMBERSHIP CARDS

It is YOUR responsibility to remember to pack your cards before an event and to ensure that they have correct gradings on them. If you get to the event and something is missing, you can organise a Verification Form to be filled out, instead of handing in your card. It is YOUR responsibility to get the form completed. The only people that can sign this Verification Form is the DC (Caroline), Secretary (Claire de Trafford) or Card Secretary (Donna Morrison). Quite often one of these three people is at your event but there will be times where they aren't. If this happens, call me (or one of the others). There is every chance that the host club will not allow you to ride, unless I can sweet-talk them over the phone. Your card is your proof of grading but it is also proof that you are covered by insurance and that you have satisfied all qualifying criteria for the event. Verification forms can now be found on the DLPC website.

### JUMP JUDGE VOLUNTEERS

Some Horse Trials (ODEs) that we enter need help with their event. As a condition of entry, they require clubs provide helpers to sit on a XC jump (sometimes more than one). This is to be shared around between all those DLPC families that are represented at the event. The Committee would like the attending parent of the highest entered competitor at the event to manage this position. For example, the Shirra (G4), Browne (G4) and Hardy-Smith (G3) family attend Emu Creek HT and are asked to provide a jump judge. Charlotte Hardy-Smith is the highest 'ranked' competitor in that group so Cheryl/Chris will be responsible for putting together a roster and ensuring that our role is satisfactorily completed. This family is not responsible for manning the jump but for managing the rest of the parents. Yes, this will mean that the higher level riders will have to step up a bit more but these are the families that have started at the bottom and learned HEAPS on their way up! Our club relies on helpers from other clubs to man our jumps at our February Horse Trials so it's only fair that we help them out too.

See you at the rally, Your DC, Caroline.

## Key Contacts

District Commissioner (DC) -  
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Grounds – Kylie Berry

First Aid – Linda Devlin

### May Birthdays:

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Rhianna Gallagher  
Sienna Dean

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We are on Facebook – join the Group -

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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 January 2016) - supersedes all previous editions
- [Guidelines for Dressage Pencillors](#) - created by the Northern Metropolitan Zone of PCAV
- [Showjumping Rules](#) - Effective 1 January 2016 - supersedes all previous editions
- [Gear Rules](#) (With Comfort and Safety Requirements) - Effective 1 January 2016 - supersedes all previous editions
- [Gear Rules Competition: Quick Reference Guide](#) - Effective 1 January 2016
- [Horse Trials Rules](#) (Including Combined Text Competition Rules) - Effective 1 January 2016 - supersedes all previous editions.
- [Guide for Cross Country Jump Judges](#) - March 2014
- [Handbook of By-laws](#) - Effective 1 January 2016 - supersedes all previous editions
- [Games for Pony Club](#) - 2006
- [Showing Guidelines](#) - 2006

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.



## 2016 Deadlines for newsletter content

June - 30<sup>th</sup> May  
 July - 27<sup>th</sup> June  
 August - 1<sup>st</sup> August

## Issues or Concerns?

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

## Canteen



Kently and Ange are managing the canteen this rally, however, they need your help. So the group(s), which has theory for their first lesson, will be required to front for canteen duty - Please report into the canteen as soon as you arrive in the morning.



## Coming Events

### May

1<sup>st</sup> Rally  
 14<sup>th</sup> Little River Pony Club Freshmans Showjumping  
 15<sup>th</sup> Portarlinton Pony Club BEST Showjumping Series  
 Round 4 A-F grade  
 15<sup>th</sup> Colac Pony Club Horse Trials Grades 1-5 PC and  
 Training Grades 1-4  
 21<sup>st</sup> Leighdale Pony Club May Day PCAV and Open  
 Grades 1-5 Dressage and Grades A-F Showjumping  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Emu Creek Pony Club Horse Trials Grades 2-5  
 22<sup>nd</sup> Ballan Pony Club Showjumping Day  
 28<sup>th</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> Interzone Teams Horse Trials grades 3 and 4  
 PCV Equestrian Park Gladysdale

### June

5<sup>th</sup> Rally  
 13<sup>th</sup> DLPC BEDS - Round 1 - Grades 1 - 5 and HRCV  
 Grades Adv - 5  
 25<sup>th</sup> & 26<sup>th</sup> Rokewood PonyClub Horse Trials - Grades 1-5  
 and Open

### July

3<sup>rd</sup> Rally  
 9<sup>th</sup> Barwon Valley BEDS Round 1 - Grades 1-5 - Elcho  
 Park  
 10<sup>th</sup> Mt Duneed Pony Club Gymkhana  
 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> Bacchus Marsh 2 Day Horse Trials State  
 Qualifier Grades 1-5 & Open Grades 1-4  
 30<sup>th</sup> Leighdale BEDS Round 1 - Grades 1-5

## BEST Leader Board after Round 2

### B Grade

1<sup>st</sup> Brie Lewandowski on Progression

### C Grade

1<sup>st</sup> Charlotte Hardy-Smith on Mr Salix

### D Grade

5<sup>th</sup> Rhinanna Gallagher on Quamby Callan

### E Grade

1<sup>st</sup> Liberty Armitage on Star

## Results

### DLPC Best 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2016

#### B Grade

##### AM5

1<sup>st</sup> Brie Lewandowski on Progression

##### Overall

3<sup>rd</sup> Brie Lewandowski on Progression

#### C Grade

##### AM5

4<sup>th</sup> Charlotte Hardy-Smith on Mr Salix

5<sup>th</sup> Grace Cotter on Catch Me

##### AM7

1<sup>st</sup> Charlotte Hardy-Smith on Mr Salix

6<sup>th</sup> Grace Cotter on Catch Me

##### Overall

2<sup>nd</sup> Charlotte Hardy-Smith on Mr Salix

6<sup>th</sup> Grace Cotter on Catch Me

#### D Grade

##### AM7

3<sup>rd</sup> Rhianna Gallagher on Quamby Callan

6<sup>th</sup> Gemma Colquhoun on Statesman Namloow

##### Overall

4<sup>th</sup> Rhianna Gallagher on Quamby Callan

#### E Grade

##### AM5

1<sup>st</sup> Liberty Armitage on Star

##### AM7

1<sup>st</sup> Liberty Armitage on Star

##### Overall

1<sup>st</sup> Liberty Armitage on Star

#### F Grade

##### AM5

5<sup>th</sup> Ashleigh Rogers on Crystal

6<sup>th</sup> Jordi Kitchen on Smokey

##### AM7

2<sup>nd</sup> Jordi Kitchen on Smokey

3<sup>rd</sup> Darcie Bourke-Finn on La Di dah

5<sup>th</sup> Leonora Turner on VPH Marshall

##### Overall

2<sup>nd</sup> Jordi Kitchen on Smokey

6<sup>th</sup> Darcie Bourke-Finn on La Di dah

## Results

### Corio Moorabool Pony Club Horse Trials 17 April 2016

#### Grade 2

##### Overall

5<sup>th</sup> Jadae Bischof on Prue

### Smythesdale Horse Trials 23-24<sup>th</sup> April 2016

#### Grade 3

##### Overall

3<sup>rd</sup> Charlotte Hardy-Smith on Mr Salix

#### Grade 4

##### Overall

5<sup>th</sup> Liberty Armitage on Star

## D CERTIFICATE for Horse Trials

As of 1 July 2016, all riders competing in Horse Trials must have their D Certificate. Please check your card (certificates are listed on the front). If you don't have your D Certificate, please contact Sam Krause (Certificate Coordinator).

## 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....

## 2016/17 Fees

The final payment of \$100 on the payment plan for the 2016/17 financial year is due at this rally. Fees will be a total of \$300 per rider as voted on at the AGM last rally.

All fees must be paid by this rally to get your PCAV card for competing from July 1. Please see Kurt Krause our Treasurer this rally to pay your fees.

Can you please complete the membership form and bring this with you to the rally. Claire de Trafford has emailed membership forms and information about the volunteer levy to all members.

Membership fees not received by the May rally will mean your membership cards will be delayed.

## Sand Arena

All groups using the sand arena will be required to clean up their own poo – Group leaders can you please organize the contributors to the poo to clean up after themselves – either during the lesson or immediately after it.

Poo shovels will be placed at either end of the arena.

This is NOT your group leader's responsibility.







## 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.







## Interzone Pony Club Challenge at Bendigo

On Friday 11th March, Jenna, Macey, Linda and Sam travelled to Bendigo to camp over for the Midland Interzone Pony Club Team Challenge held on 12th-13th March. The Challenge holds many classes aimed at the complete pony clubber-games, special events, jumping, showing and dressage.

With only two members from Drysdale Leopold, we were put into a composite team with two little girls from Castlemaine Pony Club who were 8 and 5.

Saturday was hot and sunny, and Jenna competed in the show classes, placing in all classes. Macey competed in show classes, the Games, the Special Event and the Stockman's Challenge, placing in all the events! Both the girls' showing classes were very big (Macey had up to 20!) with some top State level riders and lovely horses, so placing was a big deal!

The Special event was judged on flat riding, presentation, jumping and handy mount, and The Stockman's challenge was an obstacle course with a gate, bridge, jump, stepping stones, carrying a jacket etc.

On Sunday (even hotter!) Macey competed in the Showmanship class, which was judged on presentation, show workout, dressage test and an equitation jump round at grade 4 level. Macey and Cody blitzed it and achieved a personal-best - completing a round of grade 4 show jumping in style! We were proud to be part of her scream team, she not only won the equitation but placed a close second in the class and won a big sash! Then she was on to 3 more rounds of show jumping which she placed in again. Little legends!

Jenna also competed and placed in grade 3 dressage on the Sunday, and we were very excited to be placed third overall in the Composite section with our little team. Overall for the entire event I believe we were placed 12th out of 26 teams. Our little team members also placed in some classes, and they were thrilled to get a big sash too!

Yes it was hot and dusty, days were long, we drank our weight in pink and green slushies, and showers were very welcome at night, even if they were 100 years old! But it was a great time! We would like to do it again next year, but with a full Drysdale-Leopold team, maybe two! The event is a great concept, and there are plenty of classes for everyone. Please think about supporting it next year!

Sam Krause









# Book of the Month

## Clinton Anderson's Downunder Horsemanship (10th Anniversary Special Edition)

Publisher: Exisle Publishing

Format: Paperback

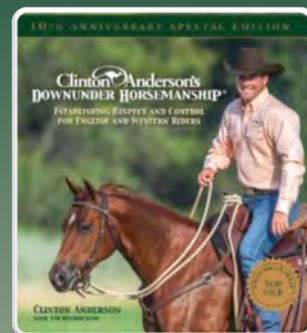
Author: Clinton Anderson

ISBN: 9781775592655

Price: \$39.95 (AUD) including GST

No. of pages: 206

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When Clinton Anderson wrote the book Downunder Horsemanship: Establishing Respect and Control for English and Western Riders, he was an up-and-coming clinician, and his goal was to create a practical training guide for everyday horse people to learn to better communicate with their horses, regardless of their riding style, age, or ability. Ten years later, Clinton is an internationally recognized clinician and the book has lived up to his goal, having helped thousands of horse owners learn to be better leaders and enjoy their horses to the fullest.

The two riders in this book, one Western and one English, experience problems and setbacks we can all relate to, and they and their horses are exactly what keep the book relevant. Clinton understands that one of the most frustrating situations for anyone working with a horse is not knowing what to do when things don't go according to plan. In fact, many practical training books and videos feature horses that are already well trained. These examples are hard to follow or difficult to relate to when you try a new technique at home and your own horse fails to understand it—sometimes not doing it perfectly, and other times, not at all. That's why in this book Clinton presents real problems and real solutions. Through series photographs taken at the time and personal essays, you gain first-hand insights from the riders about their difficulties, breakthroughs, challenges, and rewards.

If you have a passion to be a better horseman and a desire to learn how to effectively communicate with your horse, this book will prove to be a valuable resource to refer to, time and again.

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## Trainer Discussions:

"While I realize you're young,  
I think it'd be prudent for you to realize that the  
sooner you suck it up and act like a civilized beast,  
the sooner you'll get a nice amateur lady  
who will give you cookies and supplements and  
acupuncture. [Until then it's just you and me.]"

