

# Drysdale Leopold Pony Club

## Newsletter July 2016



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

See page 6.

**\*\* DLPC BEDS Results \*\***

See page 3.

## DC's Report

Welcome to the July Rally.

### Gear Check Clinic

This rally we will be running a gear check clinic during the second lesson for ALL parents including group leaders.

### BEDS

Our DLPC BEDS day on the Queens Birthday long weekend was fantastic – including the weather. Thank you to all our volunteer helpers – without you the day would not have run as smoothly as it did. Please remember to record your volunteer hours (including the cake and sausage roll bakers) with Jen Armitage when you see her at the rally.

### Mounted Rally Attendance

To get a mounted rally recorded on your card for your horse you must ride in two classes on the one horse for the day. If you bring a second horse, then you must ride it in one additional class. This means you cannot get a mounted rally if you ride in one class and have theory in the morning and then go home; or if you only ride in two classes in the morning on two different horses and then go home.

### Chestnuts Group

The Chestnuts Group is looking for a group leader – please parents volunteer – we will teach you how to do gear check – see Gear Check Clinic above.

### Working with Children Check

We need to update our details for the WWCC permits. Please bring your cards to the rally and see Claire de Trafford our secretary.

See you at the rally,

Your DC, Caroline.

## Key Contacts

District Commissioner (DC) -  
Caroline Shirra - 0408 461 088

President: - Kylie Berry 0403 622 115

Vice President – Linda Devlin

Secretary – Claire de Trafford 0420  
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0458 256 901

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0410 870 075

Grounds – Kylie Berry

First Aid – Linda Devlin

Volunteer Coordinator – Jen  
Armitage

### July Birthdays:

Lateisha Laney  
Brie Lewindowski  
Riley Smith  
Grace Sim

Website: <http://www.drysdaleleopold.ponyclubvic.org.au>

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 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

August - 1<sup>st</sup> August  
 September - 29<sup>th</sup> August  
 October - 26<sup>th</sup> September

## 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 Bays, will be required to front for canteen duty - Please report into the canteen as soon as you arrive in the morning.



## Coming Events

### July

2<sup>nd</sup> Barwon Zone Ride to Time – Colac Racecourse  
 3<sup>rd</sup> Rally  
 9<sup>th</sup> Barwon Valley BEDS Round 2 – 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  
 17<sup>th</sup> Gisborne Pony Club Showjumping  
 24<sup>th</sup> Yarrambat Showjumping Day  
 24<sup>th</sup> Barwon Zone Ride to Time – Geelong Racecourse  
 30<sup>th</sup> Leighdale BEDS Round 3 – Grades 1-5

### August

7<sup>th</sup> Rally  
 13<sup>th</sup> Rokewood Pony Club BEDS Round 4  
 14<sup>th</sup> Bacchus Marsh Pony Club Open Show  
 14<sup>th</sup> Oaklands PC Dressage Day  
 21<sup>st</sup> Corio/Moorabool Pony Club Pre-Royal Open Show  
 21<sup>st</sup> Bullengarook Central Zone President Cup Qualifier Showjumping  
 28<sup>th</sup> Little River Pony Club Winter Woollies Open Show

### September

4<sup>th</sup> Rally  
 10<sup>th</sup> Barwon Zone BEDS Round 5 Grades 1-5 Elcho Park  
 11<sup>th</sup> Portarlington PC Combined Training Grades 3-4 & Open  
 18<sup>th</sup> Hurstbridge PC Combined Training Day

## DLPC Instructors

Its that time of year to re-register for 2016/17

<http://www.drysdaleleopard.ponyclubvic.org.au/default.asp?Page=30335>

## 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).

## Results

### DLPC BEDS 13<sup>th</sup> June 2016

#### Grade 1

##### Test 1A

3<sup>rd</sup> Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

##### Test 1B

3<sup>rd</sup> Ella Berry on Malrena Aladdin

#### Grade 2

##### Test 2A

6<sup>th</sup> Abbey Page on Amalfie

##### Test 2E

5<sup>th</sup> Gemma Dunne on Shory Park Tonto

#### Grade 3 Green

##### Test 3B

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

4<sup>th</sup> Macey Devlin on Caribhian Red

#### Grade 3 Gold

##### Test 3A

3<sup>rd</sup> Grace Sim on My Maestro

6<sup>th</sup> Isabella Morrison on Greylea Sculpture

#### Grade 4

##### Test 4B

3<sup>rd</sup> Leonora Turner on VPH Marshal

#### Grade 5 Green

##### Test 5A

3<sup>rd</sup> Riley Smith on Casuarina Ridge Jamison

6<sup>th</sup> Niamh Hayter on Jake

##### Test 5B

1<sup>st</sup> Sienna Dean on Bullet

3<sup>rd</sup> Riley Smith on Casuarina Ridge Jamison

5<sup>th</sup> Niamh Hayter on Jake

##### Champion

Riley Smith on Casuarina Ridge Jamison

#### Grade 5 Gold

##### Test 5A

4<sup>th</sup> Ebony Smith on Oak Park Matisse

5<sup>th</sup> Alexandra Meilak on Green Opal Special Chance

##### Test 5B

3<sup>rd</sup> Darcie Bourke-Finn on Cream Brulee

6<sup>th</sup> Ebony Smith on Oak Park Matisse

## Investigation into the Cause of Australian Stringhalt

By Charles El-Hage

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation, December 2011

RIRDC Publication No 11/127

RIRDC Project No PRJ-003742

Australian Stringhalt (AS) is a debilitating condition of pasture based horses characterised by involuntary hyper (over) flexion of the hind limbs when attempting to move. Although the condition occurs worldwide it has been particularly well documented for over a century in South Eastern Australia. In fact the pasture based or outbreak form of stringhalt is generally referred to as Australian Stringhalt.

This study was a pilot one to assist in directing the areas for research into the possible role of *H. radicata* in AS. Preliminary findings have been encouraging in relation to elevation of several metabolites some of which are known toxins in drought stressed plants.

The study areas included the Bellarine Peninsula and Anglesea areas in 2010.

<https://rirdc.infoservices.com.au/items/11-127>

## Is this you?

You want new shoes.

I want new boots.

Your summer perfume is from David Jones.

Mine is fly spray and show sheen from Horseland.

You complain when you have to get up at 9 in the morning.

I get up at 5 every day to feed my horses.

You doodle hearts on your school class notes.

I draw my showjumping course and dressage test.

Your best friend is capable of telling your secrets.

Mine won't say a word.

You shriek when you get a little dirt on your shoes.

Mine are covered in manure.

You won't hear of going shopping without makeup.

I walk into Safeway in my gumboots and jodphurs covered in horsehair.

## 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....

## 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.

## 2016/17 Fees

Fees for the 2016/17 financial year were due last rally. Fees are \$300 per rider.

All fees must be paid before you ride at this rally. Please see Kurt Krause our Treasurer 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.

Payments at this rally will not give you your membership card.



## HHALTER: Horse owners and Hendra virus: A Longitudinal study To Evaluate Risk

By Melanie Taylor, Navneet Dhand, Jenny-Ann Toribio, Anke Wiethoelter, Nicole Schembri, Kate Sawford, Nina Kung, Hume Field, Barbara Moloney, and Therese Wright

Rural Industries Research and Development Corporation, March 2016

RIRDC Publication No 16/002 RIRDC Project No PRJ-008198

Hendra virus (HeV) is a zoonotic disease that spills over from flying foxes to horses, and then can be transmitted from horses to horses and horses to humans and dogs. It has a high case fatality rate (>75% in horses and 57% in humans) making it a zoonosis of veterinary and public health significance.

HeV was first identified in 1994 and has occurred intermittently, with a total of 14 incidents in the period 1994 to 2010. However, in the period 20 June to 29 August 2011 a large spike of 18 incidents occurred, resulting in the death of 23 horses and sparking a great deal of concern across the horse industry as well as in the veterinary and public health sectors, and with the public at large. This 'supercluster' of HeV incidents prompted the establishment of the National Hendra Virus Research Program to fund research leading to strategies that minimise the impact of HeV.

HeV risk mitigation practices of horse owners and carers are critical in preventing the first step of transmission of the virus to horses. The HHALTER study (Horse owners and Hendra virus: A Longitudinal study To Evaluate Risk) was designed to capture factors that influence uptake of recommended HeV risk mitigation practices over time, primarily to inform policy makers in government, all sectors of the horse industry, and the veterinary sector.

This report presents the results of a series of five surveys and a set of interviews conducted with horse owners. This research identifies trends in risk perception, uptake of risk mitigation practices, and attitudes towards HeV control and risk communication. The report identifies a number of implications of these research findings and offers recommendations for improving communication with horse owners, addressing barriers to the uptake of risk mitigation practices, reviewing communication and approaches to current vaccination implementation, and preserving the important veterinarian-horse owner relationship.

<https://rirdc.infoservices.com.au/items/16-002>



## 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.







**C CERTIFICATES**

Studying for the next round of C certificates is underway, and we have had our first practice day. The following riders will be examined for their C test in August:

- Rhianna Gallagher
- Abby Robilliard
- AJ Bonello
- Cameron Shirra
- Cian Brilliant
- Eliza Wassell
- Sarah Harris
- Sophie Browne

**D CERTIFICATES**

We have a number of new riders who may be interested in doing their D certificate soon. If you are interested, please see me at the July rally. You need to have ridden at 2 rallies on the same pony.

**\*To be able to compete at Pony Club horse trials, you must have your D certificate\***

To gain your D certificate you need to be 7 years old and over, and be able to walk, trot and canter your pony by yourself, get on and off safely, know a little bit about parts of the horse and your bridle and saddle. Most young riders who have been to 2-3 rallies and can ride alone will be able to have a go. The yellow D/D star book is available to buy at the office, about \$20.00. You receive a yellow certificate and a yellow disc that goes with your round Pony Club badge.

**D STAR CERTIFICATES**

I have a list of riders who are eligible to do their D Star certificate. I can test these at the July and August rallies. This certificate is NOT compulsory; it fills in the large age gap between D and C certificates.

- Darcy Bourke-Finn
- Sienna Dean
- Rosie Duggan
- Eliza Duggan
- Kailah Kiddle
- Alex Meilak
- Mia Palamara
- Ashleigh Rogers
- Madison Rogers
- Ebony Smith
- Riley Smith
- Emily Verrell

To gain your D star Certificate you need to be 9 years old and over, and have already gained your D certificate. Riders should be able to change direction at trot and canter, trot and canter at different speeds, ride with reins in one hand, be able to jump small jumps, know some riding road rules, and know about feeding your horse. Riders will have been to Pony Club for 6 months -1 year and will be confident on their pony. The yellow D/D star book is available to buy at the office, about \$20.00

**E CERTIFICATES**

For the tiniest new riders, we do offer the E certificate. Riders can be under 7 years old. We have one E book at the office \$20.00. It is a fun activity book that introduces young riders to pony care and basic riding skills. The rider needs to independently steer their pony at the walk and trot. Its aim is to help riders gain confidence in riding and handling a pony. If we have interest in this, we can order more books and certificates for the second half of the year. You receive a pale blue certificate and a disc to go with the round PC badge.

More information on all certificates can be found on the PCAV website under Coaching and Education; Certificates and Procedures: <http://www.ponyclubvic.org.au/>

# Book of the Month

## Unrelenting – George Morris

Publisher: Trafalgar Square

Format: Hardcover

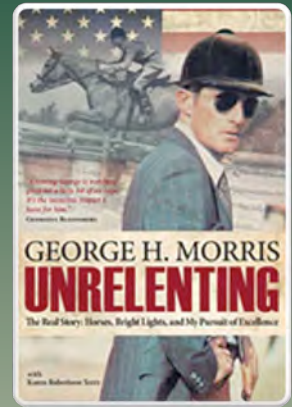
Author: George H. Morris with Karen Robertson Terry

ISBN: 9781570767104

Price: \$59.95 (AUD) including GST

No. of pages: 560

<https://www.horsebooks.com.au/product/0/99406/george-morris-unrelenting-9781570767104/>



If there is one name in the American equestrian story that everyone knows, it is George Morris.

A horse lover, rider, carouser, competitor, taskmaster, dreamer, teacher, and visionary, George Morris has been ever-present on the rarified stage of the international riding elite for most of the 70 years he's been in the saddle. He has represented our country as an athlete and a coach and, at one time or another, instructed many of our nation's best horsemen and women. His carefully chosen, perfectly enunciated words are notoriously powerful. They can raise you up or cut you to the quick. His approval can be a rainmaker; his derision can end a career.

But as much as people know and respect (or, perhaps, fear) the public face of George Morris, he has lived, in other ways, a remarkably private life, keeping his own personal struggles with insecurity, with ambition, and with love behind closed doors. It is only now that he has chosen, in his own words, to share the totality of his life—the very public and the incredibly private—with the world. This engrossing autobiography, the real story of the godlike George Morris, beautifully demonstrates his ultimate humanity.

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