

Seville Pony Club

July, 2016

Message from the President



Hi Members, Parents & Supporters,

Can you believe we have hit August? The Days are starting to get longer and the sun is making some very good appearances!

I trust that all who attended the last rally at Adam Wootten's gained some valuable tips from both Adam and Bek. All riders should be commended on their participation. You all looked so polished and should be proud to be part of Seville Pony Club. The rally on SPC grounds was very calm and the sounds of giggles and chat reminded me that the younger groups are future of the club.

The next Rally is our Dressage Weekend and is held over 2 days on 27 and 28 August. This is our 2nd big fundraiser which really helps to provide a variety of activities during our rallies, maintain our grounds and cover running costs for the club.

Please put your name down for a duty via the link: <http://signup.com/go/xN2VcV> or text Chantal McNally on 0417 922 372. Alternatively, if you are not competing over the weekend there are lots of jobs that need doing around the club in preparation for the weekend. Text Chantal for a job that can be done prior to the weekend in your own time. All hands on deck for this weekend please!

Good Luck to **all** riders and especially to those competing for the first time and those competing as a State Qualifier. Do offer assistance to those visiting our club competing and show that friendly Seville spirit. This is a fun and relaxed weekend so enjoy!

There are quite a few riders competing at Friends of Werribee Horse Trials and I wish them all the very best. Do look out for each other and support each other over a very busy weekend! I look forward to hearing all about it.

Could you also save a date for our annual working bee in preparation for the building of our new ditch jumps Saturday 22 October. More information to follow in the next newsletter.

Lisa Tyrrell, President

Dates to Remember

**Saturday & Sunday,
August 27 & 28**
SPC Dressage Weekend

Sunday, August 28
St Andrews PC
Showjumping Day

Sunday, September 4
NEHPC Horse Trials
(PC Grades 3-5)

Monday, September 19
SPC Mock C exam day
Purple & Pink groups

**Saturday & Sunday
September 24 & 25**
Werribee Pony Club
Horse Trials

Sunday, October 2
Upper Yarra PC
Show Jumping Day
(State Qualifier)

Sunday, October 9
Lilydale/Mooroolbark PC
Jump Trials

**Saturday & Sunday
October 15 & 16**
Yarrambat PC
Horse Trials

Saturday October 22
NMZ C Certificate
Assessment

Sunday October 23
SPC Rally
Nunawading PC CT

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DC News

Recently Tessa Gough (Green Group) was named as Reserve Rider in the Junior Victorian Team for the 2016 Prince Philip National Mounted Games to be held in WA from September 29 – October 2 this year. Tessa has been training incredibly hard over the last 12 months. This is a massive achievement given that many of the contenders had been training for much longer and had much more experience. We're very proud of your achievements Tessa.

As always we have had many members out competing recently. It's wonderful to see you working so hard, representing your club so proudly, demonstrating tremendous sportsmanship and horsemanship and achieving some spectacular results. Congratulations to the following riders and horses.

Melton PC Show Jumping Day		
Grace Symes and Cisco Kid	Open C	2 nd in 2 round, 1 st in 2 phase & 1 st overall
Yarrambat PC Show Jumping Day		
Hailey Chesterfield and Watch This Space	PC C	5 th overall
Bridie Wescombe & Brampton Kaluhla Gold	PC E	5 th in 2 phase, 2 nd in 2 round & 3 rd overall
Ruby Pittock & Bonfire Glory	PC E	4 th in 2 phase
Lily Callaway & Sienna Blackberry	PC E	
Maddi Green	PC F	5 th in 2 phase
Langwarrin Horse Trials		
Grace Symes & Cisco Kid	PC 3	3 rd
Ella Trevorrow & Woodside Supernova	PC 3	
Kenisha Van Beek & Just Jack	PC 3	
Lilly Trevorrow & Jasmine	PC 4	
Jasmine Dillon & Dom Kavalier	PC 5	
Sophie Dillon & Mr Nibbs	PC 5	
Jessica Tyrrell & Bundle of Joy	PC 5	
Abbey Walker & Miss Zingara	PC 4	
Midland Zone Horse Trials		
Maddy Kitto & My Friend Jack	PC 2	3 rd
Main Ridge Showjumping Day		
Grace Symes & Cisco Kid	PC C	3 rd in 2 phase, 1 st in 2 round & 1 st overall
Bridie Wescombe & Brampton Kaluhla Gold	PC E	5 th in 2 phase, 4 th in 2 round
Bridie Wescombe & Coleemyn Dreamtime	PC F	4 th in 2 phase, 2 nd in 2 round & 2 nd overall
Maryborough Horse Trials		
Maddy Kitto & Meanwhile Astroman	PC 2	3 rd
Maddy Kitto & My Friend Calypsián	PC 3	1 st
Emily Kay & Taliska Park Toffee	PC 4	3 rd

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Ruby P & Bonnie, Maddy K & Leo, Grace & Cisco and Hailey & Whistle



Emily K & Toffee, Maddy K & Emily K and Emily & Toffee

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Grace Symes & Cisco Kid: 1st place, C Grade, Main Ridge Show Jumping Day

Last rally the Purple C Certificate Riders had a very productive day with coach Rachael Edwards, fine tuning their exam skills and knowledge. Well done to all those who attended. From all reports you are tracking very well for your forthcoming exam in October. The younger riders had a great day too with a variety of lessons and fun games. Thank you for all the feedback from those who attended the rally at Adam Wootten's with Adam and Bek. It's terrific to hear you had fun and learnt some new and valuable things. After the Dressage Weekend we will be finalising the September rally plan. This rally will be held on September 19, (the 3rd Sunday of the month) so that it doesn't clash with the hugely popular Werribee Pony Club Horse Trials. As we always have so many riders go to this comp we will have an eventing focus at the September with lots of our favourite eventing instructors.

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Below is a copy of an article published by Racing Victoria's Off the Track arm. Many of us are aware of this wonderful organisation that promotes rehoming of retired racehorses and many of our riders own & compete ex-racehorses. Please take time to read this wonderful article about our very own Anna Church.

Anna Church will use the disappointment of missing a start at the Melbourne International 3 Day Event (MI3DE) in June as motivation for success in this month's Racing Victoria's Off the Track Requito.

After making a brilliant start to the eventing season aboard her retired racehorse Viewbank Icon, including a runner-up performance in their maiden CIC1 at Yeringberg, Church was forced to watch the MI3DE action from the sidelines at Werribee after her mount developed an untimely hoof abscess.*

Those early season performances were enough to secure the duo a coveted place in the select 12-combination field for the \$15,000 Triequithon at Caulfield on Saturday, 27 August. "I was very happy with our performance at Yeringberg and then we followed up with outings at Camperdown, Ballarat and Woody Yaloak," Church said.

"We were qualified and I had entered for Melbourne (MI3DE) but he went lame the week before and it turned out he had an abscess so we had to withdraw. "It was frustrating but these things happen with horses and there's not a lot you can do."

Although amateur eventers regularly get the opportunity to compete on a level playing field against the sport's elite, Church is looking forward to the opportunity to rub shoulders against some of her idols in the most lucrative class in Victorian eventing.

Held in a condensed format on Caulfield's public lawn in between races on Group 1 Memsie Stakes Day, horses and riders will tackle the three eventing disciplines – dressage, cross country and show jumping - in an environment unlike any other event. Church is confident that Viewbank Icon's calm nature will be conducive to him coping well with the Group 1 atmosphere at Caulfield.

"It's very exciting to get the opportunity to compete in an event like the Triequithon," she said. "You can see the mix of young riders like myself coming up against the professionals like Seamus Marwood and Rob Palm. "It's obviously a unique event and you never know how each horse is going to handle being back at the racetrack with a big atmosphere. But I'm pretty confident that Con (Viewbank Icon) will take it all in his stride because he's generally a pretty relaxed horse."

An 11-year-old son of Lago Delight, Viewbank Icon had a brief and largely inglorious career on the track for Cranbourne trainers Colin and Cindy Alderson where he raced under the name Grande Lago.

The gelding was collectively beaten by more than 50 lengths in three starts at provincial racetracks and was subsequently retired into the care of talented eventer Lucy Yeomans before arriving in Church's Gruyere stables three years ago.

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We wish Anna every success at this prestigious event. Also best of luck to all our riders who have entered the forthcoming Friends of Werribee Horse Trials. We will miss seeing you at our Dressage Weekend.

2017 PACV State Dressage and Showjumping Championships

NMZ has elected to change the qualifying process for this. In order to qualify, riders have the opportunity to enter three events for dressage and two for SJ. A third SJ qualifier may be added subject to Zone approval. The more you do of these the better chance you have of qualifying for one of the team places at the State Champs. Points will be awarded in order of places at each qualifying event and team places allocated accordingly. The following events are 2017 State Qualifiers: Check www.eventsecretary.com/equestrian & www.nmz.org.au for entries & information.

Yarra Glen PC Dressage Day	July 10 ✓
Seville PC Dressage Days	August 27 & 28
Ringwood PC Dressage Day TBC	November 6
Yarrambat PC Show Jumping Day	July 24 ✓
Upper Yarra PC Show Jumping Day	October 2

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Seville Pony Club Dressage Weekend

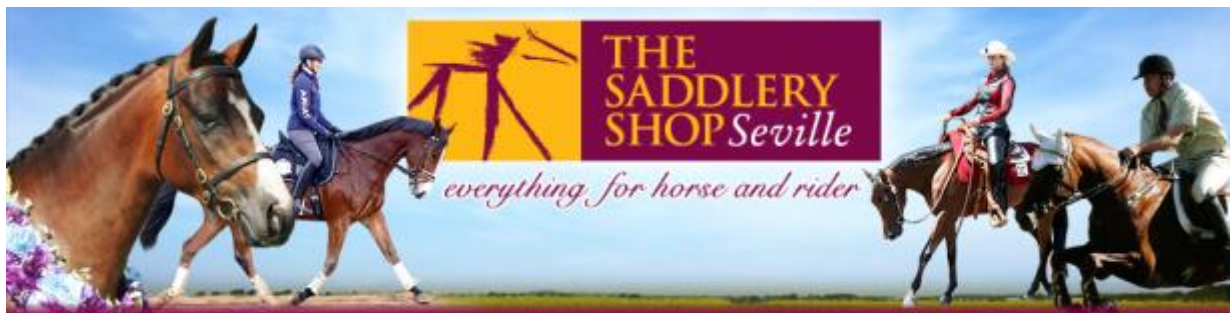
As you know final preparations are underway for the Seville Pony Club Dressage Weekend on 27 & 28 August. Thank you to everyone who has entered and offered to help. Thank you too to all the riders and parents who have sent me the fantastic photos for our Instagram account. We have had such a positive response to this & it's a joy to see so many lovely photos & have others like them too. If you don't already, please follow us @seville_pony_club & encourage other horsey friends too as well. We'll continue to use the account so keep those photos coming.

Thank you to our regular Dressage Weekend sponsor the Seville Saddlery Shop for your on-going support at this competition and donation of saddle blanket prizes and to our new sponsor Stockdale & Leggo Lilydale who has generously sponsored our prize ribbons. We are delighted & proud to have your support. Also thank you to our friends at Equitana who have kindly donated a family and two adult vouchers to this fabulous event. We have already begun to raffle these vouchers. The raffle will be drawn over the Dressage Weekend.



**Stockdale
& Leggo**

Lilydale



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The draw will be published shortly on www.eventsecretary.com.au. We have a very full draw on the Saturday and it is imperative that we run to time. Please help by knowing your riding times, your ring number and presenting to gear check 30 -40 minutes prior to your first test. Please also follow the marshals' instructions carefully to ensure smooth running of the event.

Grading

Members are welcome to email me any time about regrading. Please write to me at sevillepcdc@gmail.com with any requests or queries.

Don't forget we have a private Facebook page for members and you can follow us on Instagram @seville_pony_club

Anna Baker, District Commissioner

Dressage Weekend Help

I will be finalising the roster this week. All families are expected to help out but it is heaps of fun, especially if everyone pulls together. This is our second biggest fundraiser for the year & requires lots of time. Be prepared to help out for several hours over the weekend and in setting & packing up. Please send any requests to drchantalmcnally@gmail.com or via Facebook or phone 0417 922 372. We would love to see any past members/families who could come and help out and there are plenty of jobs for any keen senior riders (pencilng/marshalling/gear check) or junior riders (test collectors/gear check pencilers).

Chantal McNally, Volunteers Co-Ordinator

Certificates

PURPLE GROUP - Your books will need to be ready ASAP to send off. Please ensure they are complete. **PURPLE GROUP & PINK GROUP** – Don't forget there will be a **Mock C Exam Day** on **Monday, September 19** at the club with Rachael Edwards. You will run through everything that will happen on your testing day & have a chance to ask any questions that you are not sure of. It's very important that the **purple** group attend and **pink** group are strongly encouraged to attend as well. Please RSVP now.

Trish Kroeger, DC Team, Certificates