

Hi Everyone

My name is Melissa Kitto and I am thrilled to be appointed to the role of District Commissioner. This year for the first time, due to the size of the Club, it has been decided to appoint DC Assistants. We are very pleased to welcome Trish Kroeger and Viv Jones to these roles. I am looking forward to working alongside these lovely ladies and other committee members and being able to support the Seville Pony Club and its members. This report will be a bit longer than usual but we thought we would tell you a bit about ourselves:

I live in Wandin with my husband, Peter, and three daughters. My second daughter, Maddy, is in pink group. I have been involved with horses since about the age of nine and have carried that love of them with me all through my life. I have been fortunate enough to have had horses for most of that time. I suppose the saying goes "Horses are in the blood"!

I always loved pony club when I was younger and those memories and experiences of that time and competing etc will stay with me forever! It is great to see many familiar faces from those days with their children at Seville Pony Club! I think horses and horse riding activities are such a great activity to be involved in and from my own past experiences over the years your equine friend/s become part of your family and I always find horses are soothing to the soul!

Hi I'm Trish Kroeger, mum of Kyle in Orange group. I grew up riding horses and was a member of Nunawading PC (formally called Waverley PC). I loved competing in ODEs, especially X-country & Games. I will be assisting Melissa in the DC role and looking after the Certificate programs.

Hi I'm Viv Jones, I have been involved with Seville Pony Club for many years. Our current children at pony club are Amber, Madi and Ella who are all totally obsessed horse fanatics. I have been riding since I was four years old and have enjoyed many years around horses. My role is to assist Melissa with rally planning, gradings and new members. But my main priority will be to endeavour to keep Seville Pony Club a fun, safe and happy place for existing and new members!

Viv, Trish, Di and I met with Tracey recently to discuss the DC role and from all of us we would like to take this opportunity to thank Tracey for all her hard work in taking on the DC role for the previous two years and also to our past president Andrew Garland who did such a fantastic job!

I was always in awe of Andrew as he was very organised for such a busy person and he always put in an enormous amount of his own personal time! I also congratulate and thank Di Harvey for taking on the role of president and would like to take this opportunity of thanking our new committee members also, some of whom are on the committee for the first time and others who have been committee members for a number of years.

Yeringberg Horse Trials Results

On Sunday, 19 May, Yeringberg Horse Trials were held and Seville Pony Club had seven teams entered. Seville Pony Club did extremely well winning both the Weber Shield and Lawlor Shield! Also on top of that, two other teams placed second and sixth in the Lawlor Shield.

The winning team of the Weber Shield were:

- Mary Fildes;
- Rachael Collins;
- Laura Wallace; and
- Juliette Darby.

The winning team of the Lawlor Shield were:

- Madeline McCarty;
- Anna Church;
- Amber Sheil-Jones; and
- Tess McCarty.

The second place team of the Lawlor Shield were:

- Emily Tyrell;
- Lucy Tyrell;
- Charlotte Ambler; and
- Lucy Garland.

The six place team of the Lawlor Shield were:

- Natalie Logan,
- Jarryd Stanley; and
- Lucy Baker.

Other riders on the day were Jack Darby, India Ambler, Maddy Kitto, Madison Jones, Tayla Deacon, Grace Garland, Camilia Baker, Chloe Tan Sing, and Elizabeth Kennedy, Jessica Wulf who also did Seville Pony Club proud!

A big thank you to all the parents and members also who helped set up the dressage rings on Saturday morning and pack up the dressage rings on Sunday afternoon. All Seville pony club members and parents did our club extremely proud and to all the riders who competed on Sunday – you all should be commended on your sportsmanship, great comrade and support for each other! What fantastic team spirit!

C Certificates

Over the next few months we have quite a few members sitting for the “C” certificate. If anyone has any questions regarding the “C” certificate can you please contact Trish Kroeger on 0417 722 032. Gear check as per normal group before moving to the “C” certificate group and please remember to bring your manual with you.

Volunteer Skills Training

(Cross-country jump judging/dressage pencilling and gear checking)

The Seville Pony Club will be running demonstrations/skill sessions of what is required for gear check, dressage pencilling and cross country jump judging over the next few months as it can sometimes be a grey area. Sessions are:

- **May Rally – Cross Country Jumping:** with Ellissa Roberts and Tracy Hosier from 1.40 pm to 2.40 pm at the club rooms/xc course.
- **June Rally – Dressage Pencilling;**
- **July Rally – Gear Check.**

All parents are encouraged to attend to give you the tools and confidence to perform these tasks at future events! **Black group** are also encouraged to attend this session but please let Viv know if you will be attending the demonstration and/or if you are riding at the rally.

Seville Dressage Day

Just reminding everyone that our dressage day is only a few months away so plans for this event will be taking shape soon! Please have a think about what you would like to do on the day as the help sheets will be going up on the noticeboard soon!

Interzone Horse Trials

Just a reminder, that the PCAV Interzone Teams Horse Trials will be held on Saturday, 27th and Sunday, 28th July 2013 at Yarrambat Park. The closing date is Wednesday, 3rd July. This event is for Grades 3 and 4 riders. If interested, please don't hesitate to contact me.

MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK - Please check the Rally Roster (which appears under Rally Information) on website to see if your family has been allocated any duties for the day. Can Black group please text Viv on 0414 237 943 to advise if you will be in attendance.

If you have any questions, queries or suggestions please don't hesitate to ask any of the DC team or feel free to drop it in the suggestion box.

In the meantime, be kind to yourselves and your four legged friends and stay warm and have fun!

Melissa Kitto (DC), Trish Kroeger and Viv Jones (Assistants)

