

DC report August 2012

Hi all.

Just a quick one from me this month as Dressage day preparations are in full swing. Best of luck to everyone competing and remember it's about achieving your own personal best and working in partnership with your horse/pony. Not so much about where you place. Just don't forget to keep smiling!

Our 12 "C" certificate riders have been very busy over the last month with our camp held over a weekend and their written tests completed at Ringwood pony club last week. A big thank you to Rachael Edwards for her instruction at camp and all her advice and guidance, it is very much appreciated. Next Saturday the 1<sup>st</sup> of September these riders will be having their "C" certificate ridden and horsemanship testing. Candidates need to be at pony club at 7am to help with set up. Mounted presentation is at 9am sharp. You will need to present in full SPC uniform. (Shirt, tie, Jumper, sash) and tack suitable for dressage. (If you don't have the uniform you will need to borrow from someone.) Don't forget to bring your first aid kit, winter rug and grooming kit. Parents can you please bring a plate to share for lunch. We also need to provide lunch for the visiting examiners. The day should wind up around 2pm.

Werribee 2 day Horse Trials are on the 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> of September. Seville always has a large number of riders head down to Werribee Park Equestrian Centre for this great, fun event each year. We have booked a number of powered and unpowered camping sites this year, they are all together next to yards and close to the cross country. If you haven't booked one with me already but would like to, let me know via email. Cost is \$10 a night unpowered, \$15 a night powered. Our volunteer's job for the weekend is to run the gear check. Everyone competing must supply a person to do a couple of hours. Eliza Fildes has again offered to coordinate this and will contact you AFTER THE DRAW IS POSTED. This will enable us to hopefully give you a time that does not clash with your child's riding time.

At the next pony club rally we will be presenting a lot of awards at the lunchtime riders meeting. This will include State level badges and Level certificates for D, D\* and C. I will be putting a full list of the recipient's names in the September DC report.

All from me,

Stay safe, have fun, Tracey

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