

## President's Report – February 2012

In the calendar year, February is always a very busy month for our pony club and this year is certainly no exception. I hope you all have been busy riding, practicing tests and getting your horses fit and healthy.

Firstly well done to Maddison McLeod, Ellie Symes, Michelle Steele and Alison Tunnard who competed at the Showjumping & Dressage State Qualifiers last year. Maddison placed 6<sup>th</sup> in showjumping and is an emergency for the State Championships in Albury.

### Our ODE

This is your final reminder for our members to enter the ODE – closing date has been extended to Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> (next week) and as we rely on this event to be our major fundraiser, (and it is so much work for us all) we want it to be a huge success!! So tell your friends, both pony clubbers and adult riders to enter online at [www.ktrials.com.au](http://www.ktrials.com.au). Remember, it is also a State Qualifier for PCAV Grades 1 and 2, so spread the word.

Also note, the ODE counts as a rally. If you are not riding but instead helping at the event, your grading card will be marked as unmounted, but it's still a rally.

Don't forget to bring your **competition back number holder** for cross country at the ODE. If you haven't got one, these can be purchased from Horseland or Saddle Up. (We will supply you with the numbers that go inside and these are collected when you register at the Event office.)

This event is also a great way for **businesses to be involved and promote themselves** – we get almost 300 riders competing, and they are accompanied by visiting friends and family. So if you are interested in this aspect or **making a donation of goods or services for our raffle**, please see our website for further details.

**The raffle will be HUGE this year**, with a Brushcutter (valued at \$499) and a High Pressure Float Cleaner as the major prizes. Tickets will be available at the Event and all prizes on display up near the office. Don't miss out.

### Working Bees and ODE Assistance

Within this report you will see a Working Bee Timetable and also a large list of duties available **before, at and after the ODE**, for those not riding. We need plenty of assistance and all families are required to provide at least one helper on the day or in the days leading up to or after the event. If you have not put your name down already, it is wise to choose something you wouldn't mind doing, rather than waiting for Jenni to phone you - as she will **definitely** do. So please either call or text her on 0409 204 984. Some jobs are for only 2 hours and *every effort* is taken to ensure you are not rostered on when your child is riding. For any siblings or those riders not competing, anyone over 12 is able to help out in a job.

Once again, the 4 Wheel Drive Show will be running at Wandin Park on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup>, prior to our ODE. So if you are helping at our working bee on this day, make sure you take along some sort of Club identification such as rider name tag, grading card, or print off this report – otherwise you will be charged an entry fee to their Show!

### Twilight Rally

For those riders not competing in the ODE, a twilight rally is being held on Saturday at Wandin Park and entry is \$20. However, you **MUST** book in with Tracey Kerford if you want to attend. ph 0409 184 226.

### Thank You

I would like to thank Mark and Gracie Symes, Tim McCarty and Holly Brenchley for attending the Yeringberg working bee on behalf of our club and putting in a solid 5 hours each last Saturday! Also on behalf of our club, my sincere thanks go to the Garland and Kerford families, who together did a herculean effort running the Glenbrae Signs Jumping ring at the recent Grand Valley Showjumping Classic event - over the entire weekend. No one else put up their hands to help and for this I am disappointed.

Please remember that this club belongs to all of us. For those that help out the most, it is not because they have nothing better to do or that they lead less busy lives. It is simply because this is a big club, in fact the biggest in the NMZ, it takes a lot of organisation to run and the people that help do so simply **for the benefit of the kids**. If enough people don't assist, then the club cannot run.

The committee is stretched and we are moving into a cycle where our more experienced riders and families move on and new ones replace them. At the March rally we will be holding the Annual General Meeting and at this time there will be a few positions vacant. Most of these positions do not sit on the official committee and therefore people filling these roles are not required to attend our monthly committee meetings. The official Committee positions are: President or Vice President (we may reshuffle). Other roles available are:

Zone Representative (liaison between our club and NMZ), Yeringberg Co-ordinator (a new role as liaison between NMZ and the club regarding Yeringberg events only), Volunteer Co-ordinator and a Grounds Co-ord to assist Kerri. If you think you can help or would like more information, I would love to hear from you. Plenty of time to think about it before the AGM but we do need to plan before hand!

And two fabulous people who have offered to assist at our Club rallies, are Viv Jones as our OH&S officer and Kylie Jones as a First Aid officer. Thank you so very much ladies, we now comply with the latest insurance obligations.

### **The new Constitution and Proxy Forms**

In the coming week you will receive by mail a Proxy Form relating to a new Club Constitution. Like other clubs, we are adopting a PCAV model, as ours is very outdated. Please ensure you complete this form and return it to the Club without delay. The new Constitution will shortly be available for viewing on the Club's website. We require 75% of our members to vote in favour of the new Constitution, in order for us to pass it as a special resolution at the Annual General Meeting at the March rally. Please do us a favour and return it, so you can save me sleepless nights and the hassle of phoning everyone individually.

Well that's pretty much all for me this month. Except, for one final sad note. Our best wishes go to Alison and the Tunnard family for the very recent loss of their beloved Darcy.

Stay safe, see you soon, regards, Ria

## **WORKING BEE TIMETABLE — PLEASE PARTICIPATE!**

### **Sunday 19 Feb:**

9.00am – 12.00am – Mow and brushcut around all X/C jumps. Mow showjumping arenas. Mow dressage arenas. (multiple ride on mowers & brushcutters needed).

### **Tuesday 21st Feb:**

6.00pm – 8.00pm—Rejuvenate X/C brush fences (bring gloves, secateurs, hedge trimmer & ute).  
Need maps to follow course & identify jumps.

### **Wednesday 22nd Feb:**

5.00pm – 8.15pm Set-up dressage arenas, bunting at xc finish area/vet cool down & fence course off from spectators. Lungeing area.

### **Friday 24th Feb:**

5.00pm – 7.30pm Set-up showjumping arenas, gear check tents, bunting

### **Saturday 25th Feb:**

9.00am - ??? finish off all jobs. Prepare food (at our clubrooms). Move food & equipment to Wandin.

### **Sunday 26th Feb:**

3.30pm - ??? Pack up & clean up at the end of the event, move some equipment back to Club.

### **Monday 27th Feb:**

9.30am – Final pack up and clean

**If you can assist at any of the above Working Bees, just turn up to Wandin Park.  
Or call me if you have any queries. 0410 401 241. Thanks, Ria**

**But wait, there's more ...** please turn over page and read on for the Volunteer's list of jobs available at the ODE.

**VOLUNTEERS LIST OF JOBS AVAILABLE – Please contact Jenni Eggleston on 0409 204 984 and tell her your preferred job. (Don't wait for her to phone you with an alternative - and you'll make the co-ordination a whole lot easier. Many thanks!)**

### Cross Country Volunteers Needed

Qty	Job Title	Job Description	Name	Phone	Note
3	Start - Timer	Call start times of each rider			
3	Start - Penciller	record the starting times			
3	Marshall	Call riders up for their allocated times			
3	Finish - Timer	Call exact finish times of each rider			
3	Finish - Penciller	record the finish times			
1	Penciller	To assist Vet			

	Score Collector		Piet Bakker		
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2	Crash Crew	Runing repairs to course	Greg Barnes		
			Mathew Yates		

Jake Bakker

Saturday after the event, move equipment back to SPC Club room (with van or free car space)

3	Movers		Matt Eggleston	0408 204 984	

### Cross Country Jump Judges Needed

	Name	Phone	Notes
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## Dressage

<b>Co-ordinator</b>	<b>Jo Darby</b>
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Qty	Job Title	Job Description	Experience Necessary	Name	Phone
2	Gear Check	Inspect riders & horses for safety	Yes		
3	Gear Check Penciller	Mark off names from a list, given by the gear checkers	Junior		
	Dressage Score Collectors		Mounted?		
7	Dressage Marshalls	Call up riders for their allotted times	Yes		
			No		

**12 Total Needed**

## Dressage

Qty	Job Title	Job Description	Experience Necessary	Name	Phone
18	Dressage Pencillers	Sit in car with judge & take notes for them	No		

## Show Jumping

<b>Co-ordinator</b>	<b>Rebecca Clarke</b>		
<b>Qty</b>		<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>
4	Pencillors	Sit with Judge in car and take notes	
8	Marshalls	Call riders up for their allotted times	
8	Gate / crash crew	Let riders in ,and replace jump rails if they fall.	
4	Practice Marshall	Control riders warming up for their show-jumping	

# Gear Check

Co-ordinator	Lisa Tyrrell
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## Gear Check - Dressage

Job Title	Job Description			Name	Phone	Mob. Phone
Gear Check	Inspect riders & horses for safety	7.40am - 9.40am	1			
			2			
		9.40am - 11.50am	3			
			4			
		11.50am - 2.00pm	5			
			6			
Penciller	Mark off names from a list, given by the gear checkers	7.40am - 9.40am	1			
		9.40am - 11.50am	2			
		11.50am - 2.00pm	3			

## Gear Check - ShowJumping & Cross Country

Job Title	Job Description			Name	Phone	Mob. Phone
Gear Check	Inspect riders & horses for safety	10.10am - 12.00am	1			
			2			
		12.00am - 2.00pm	3			
			4			
		2.00pm - 4.00pm	5			
			6			
Penciller	Mark off names from a list, given by the gear checkers	10.10am - 12.00am	1			
		12.00am - 2.00pm	2			
		2.00pm - 4.00pm	3			

# Canteen

Coordinator		Jacqui Cain & Jeremy Buttolph		
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<b>Saturday Arvo 25th</b>		<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Note</b>
Prepare food at pony club	1	Trish Kroeger		
	2	Melissa Kitto		
	3	Sandy Garland		
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<b>Sunday 26th</b>		<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Note</b>
Prepare food. Serve customers. Etc	1 -	Juanita McCarty		
	26	Melissa Kitto		
		Ally Hee		

		<b>Name</b>	<b>Phone</b>	<b>Note</b>
BBQ	1 -	Ally Hee		
	4			