

## President's Report – October 2012

Hello there,

As reported last month the Seville Festival will be held on Sunday 11 November, 2012 and SPC will participate once again with some activities included for our members. Tracey has advised of the *Freshman's Showjumping* event for SPC members only.

Jumping heights will be per Horse Trials rules and at the following times;

- 45cm from 10:00am to 11:00am
- 60cm from 11:10 am to 12:10pm
- 75cm from 12:20pm to 1:20pm
- 90cm from 1:30 pm to 2:30pm
- 1.05m from 2:40pm to 3:40pm

Cost will be \$2:00 per round payable on the day.

Names go on the list on the day but we would appreciate some notice of who intends to attend so we can plan accordingly. Please let Tracey or myself know.

This will be an SPC only event and we will be requiring riders attending and family members to assist with set up, crash crew, marshalling, gear check and pack up. Don't worry, it is being run as a casual event with riders coming and going during the day so the duties will not be extensive and will be shared around over the course of the day.

In addition we will be raising funds for the club and establishing ourselves further in the local community by hosting parking for visitors to the festival. This will occur in our cross country area – strictly weather and surface permitting.

In my report last month I advised your committee has drafted a short to medium term plan of priorities with potential timing and cost estimates along with an invitation for suggestions.

The first 2 cabs off the rank are drainage improvements and cross country jumps. Unfortunately the drainage has got tangled up and delayed by having to involve Melbourne Water and the Shire. I will keep you posted. The good news is that we are full steam ahead with new cross country jumps per Tracey's report. The Irish Bank and Sunken Road offer some potential to get a little creative. The committee is keen to receive any ideas from members on what features they like to see in these obstacles. Please give some thought to what you see at other courses and what we could do to build you some great training obstacles. Please let me know via email or at next Sunday's rally. Speak up early as we want to fast track this one.

I heard that while I was away the pyjama party was a great success. Thanks go to our fund raising team. Talking of fund raising, our date for the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle is looming. Please check the club notice board where you can volunteer for a shift. Shifts have been broken down to 2 hr blocks to minimise impact on your weekend. We see this as a good opportunity for **riding** members to be involved and help raise money that will go straight into their experience at the club.

Tracey discusses the new Facebook Group site in her latest report. To take advantage of this development be sure to join the group "Seville Pony Club Inc".

Having missed the last rally I am looking forward to catching up with everyone this weekend. See you there.

Andrew