

Mooroolbark PONY CLUB NEWSLETTER

September 2011
NEXT RALLY SUNDAY 11th September

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FAMILIES ON DUTY – NEXT RALLY

Catley Whitfort

UPCOMING EVENTS and REMINDERS

<i>Mooroolbark PC Rally</i>	<i>11th September</i>
<i>Eltham PC Showjumping Day</i>	<i>18th September</i>
<i>Werribee PC Horse Trials</i>	<i>24th/25th September</i>
<i>Macclesfield PC Dressage Day</i>	<i>2nd October</i>
<i>NMZ Gr4/Gr5 Eventing Clinic at Yarra Glen</i>	<i>5th/6th October</i>
<i>Pakenham PC Eventing Rally</i>	<i>3rd/4th October</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Rally</i>	<i>9th October</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Derby (Hickstead)</i>	<i>6th November</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Rally</i>	<i>13th November</i>

Check the PCAV web site for entry forms, and more details on these, and other events.
www.ponyclubvic.org.au

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FAMILIES ON DUTY - ROSTER

July	Kanen	Drennan	Wright
August	McKinnon	Henchley	O'Neill
September		Dalsanto	Goss
October	Moore	Scott	Winter
November	Catley	Wright	Pepper
December	Bourke	Harper	Laukart
2011 February	Howes	Russell	
March	Henchley	Goss	
April	Moore	Winter	
May	Laukart	O'Neill	
June	Pepper		
July	Robbins	Wright	
August			
September	Catley	Whitfort	
October	Moore	Winter	
November	Laukart	O'Neill	
December	Henchley	Vaughan	

How does the duty roster work?

These are the expectations for families on duty:

- ** One parent to assist in the canteen all day, starting from 8:30 (winter) 7:30 (summer)
- ** One parent to assist outside the canteen all day, starting from 8:30 (winter) 7:30 (summer)
- ** Assistance with clean up of canteen, toilets and club rooms at the end of the day
- ** Roster families also need to take home that day's garbage as we don't have a garbage collection at the club

Changes to the roster?

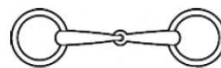
As we no longer have a specific person organising roster, it is YOUR responsibility to organise a swap if needed, and to let Wendy Wright know so she can change the information in the newsletter/web site. The information that we have published above is to the best of our knowledge - if you don't tell us about changes, we won't know to make the change.

End of day pack up

The pack up of equipment in each ring/arena is to be done by ALL FAMILIES at the rally on the day. This frees up the rostered families to help with the clean up duties.

If everyone pitches in, the ring pack up can be done very quickly - more hands make light work!

DC'S Bit



Hi all, isn't it lovely to have some nice sunny weather for a change and a bit more daylight to ride in!

Good news, our Cross Country course has dried out enough for us to be able to use it (or most of it anyway), so you can all look forward to that at the rally.

Just a reminder to everyone to keep an eye on your horses / ponies with founder at the moment. This crazy weather has brought on the spring grass earlier than usual so it is going to be a longer period that we will have to watch our hungry hippos!!

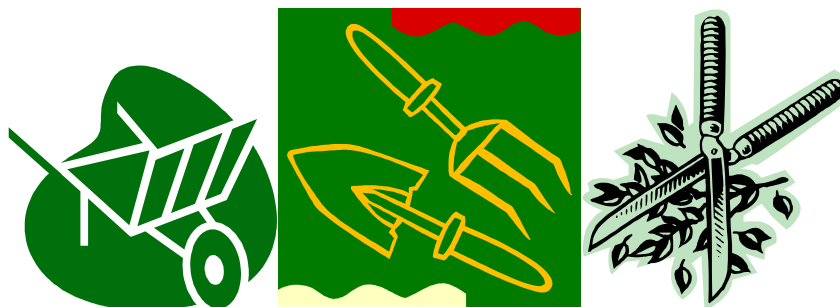
Hope all of you that attended last rally enjoyed the trail ride (and those who had a lesson). I think it was a success helped along with the lovely sunny day, we may look at it as an annual event? Let me know what you think of that idea or if you have any other ideas for something a bit different.

Just a couple of reminders:-

- Derby Day competition has been rescheduled for 6th November so you can all pencil that date in your diaries.
- Yarra Glen Rally will still be going ahead, we just need to secure an available time.

That's about it for now, enjoy your riding and your four legged friends. See you at the rally.

Roz



Working Bee - Saturday 10th September 12 - 5

Hi Everyone,

Good news ... Jim has checked out the pony club grounds and is confident that we are going to be able to use them for our next rally (of course, that assumes that the weather continues to be in our favour). There might be one or two areas that will need to stay closed, but overall it's looking good.

So, of course what we need now is to give them a good tidy up. We've organised a working bee for Saturday 10th September from 12 until 5pm. We need you to come armed with shovels, rakes, whipper snippers, and mowers so that we can spread mulch, clean around the XC jumps, and clean up the horse yards.

Give Jim a call if you have any questions or if you need to organise a different time to get to the grounds - 9726 5801.

Thanks Mooroolbark Pony Club

Our riders Out & About

Congratulations to all our riders who have been out and about recently.

Not everyone can place at every event, thanks to all those of you who send in news of your wins, placings and personal bests. If your name is not here, please don't be shy just send your details to Wendy or put them in the out & about book. Let us know the type of event you entered, the date, horse you were riding, and what class you rode in. AND LOTS OF PHOTOS! For personal bests - tell us what you were particularly pleased to have done on the day!

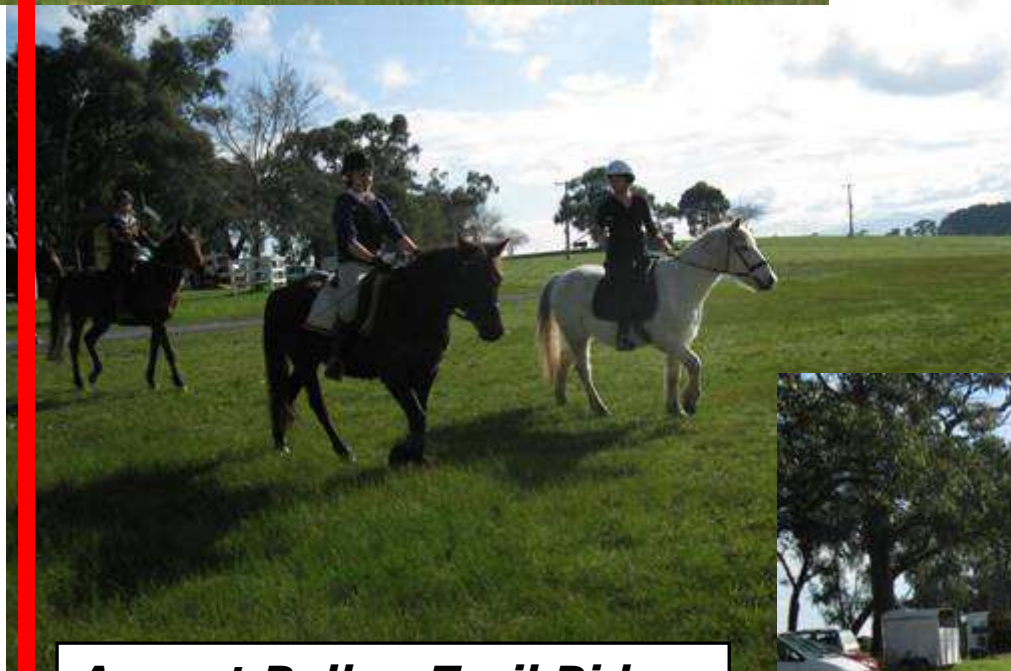
Monash PC Showjumping Day 28th August

Gypsy and I again competed at Monash PC at their showjumping day on the 28th of August. We didn't end up placing (we don't have the quickest little legs in the world!) but I was very pleased with our efforts with only knocking one rail and with Gypsy confidently jumping her highest round of SJ to date. **Chelsea Winter**



LESSONS WITH NIKKI

Nikki will be running lessons at PC on Saturday 17th September in the afternoon. She can be contacted on 0413 249 729. You MUST let her know if you plan to go.



August Rally - Trail Ride

Thanks to the organising committee for arranging sunshine for our trail ride at the last rally ...



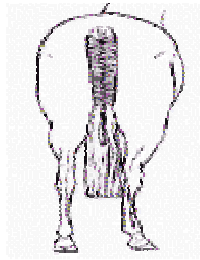
Horse fact sheets – Tails

A horse's tail is very important to him. Not only does it act as a flyswat in summer, it keeps him warm in winter! The area between his hind legs is the only part of a horse not kept warm by hair and so it loses the greatest amount of warmth if left exposed by over trimming. To make the best of their appearance, thin or thick, different tails are treated in different ways. Below are examples of the different ways tails can be enhanced.



Banged Tail

A 'banged' tail is cut straight across the bottom to give it a neat and tidy appearance. It also helps to make a thin tail look thicker.



Plaited Tail

The tail is first 'pulled' and then plaited neatly around the dock for showing.



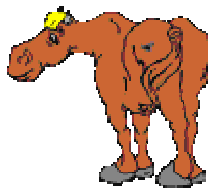
Pulled Tail

The hair around the dock area, at the top, is pulled out to give the tail a more refined look and make plaiting easier. Show horses often have pulled tails.

Natural Tail

A natural tail is left thick and long, it will help swat flies and keep him warm on cold nights.

(It's the horse's favourite!)



DID YOU KNOW?

Some breeds are famous for their tails. For example Appaloosa's often have sparse, (thin), tails while Friesians are renown for their long luxuriant tails.

Horses will often stand 'head to tail' and shelter each other from annoying flies by swishing their tails for each other!

As well as using them for fly swats, horses use their tails to send signals to each other about how they are feeling.

**NORTHERN METROPOLITAN ZONE OF P.C.A.V.
GRADE 4 & EXPERIENCED GRADE 5
EVENTING CLINIC
YARRA GLEN AND DISTRICT PONY CLUB INC**

Reg no: A008248C

DATE Wednesday 5th and Thursday 6th October 2011

COST \$75.00 for 2 days instruction by cheque made **payable to
Yarra Glen and District Pony Club Inc.** (inc \$1 Zone levy)

VENUE Yarra Glen Pony Club Grounds, Yarraview Road
Yarra Glen MW REF 274 F4

UNIFORM Full Pony Club Uniform must be worn **including** medical armband.

INSTRUCTORS Marg Hinkley, Brenda Mitton, Kylie Parker
Petrina Gilligan, Heather Wilson, Anthea Cooper

ENTRIES Send completed entry form, consent form, entry fee and stamped, self-addressed
envelope to: Kylie Parker
70 First Avenue
Eden Park 3757

ENQUIRIES: Kylie Parker 0407 712 005 Brenda Mitton 0414 277 534

CLOSING DATE Friday 23rd September 2011 unless full prior.

CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

- Each rider must be a current member of an affiliated PCAV club.
- Riders must be riding their regular Pony Club Mount and have been to **two** Pony Club rallies on this mount.
- All riders must wear medical armbands
- DC's signature is required to confirm this rider's suitability for this clinic.
- **No refunds after closing date.**
- Neither the organising committee of this clinic nor the PCAV accepts any responsibility whatsoever for any accident, damage, injury or illness to horses, riders, ground spectators or any other person or property.
- Horses must be at least four years old
- Entering this clinic constitutes acknowledgement that PCAV rules apply and acceptance of these rules.
- Grading Cards not required.

ENTRY FORM

GRADE 4 & 5 EVENTING CLINIC YARRA GLEN
5th & 6th October 2011

GRADE (**Please circle**)

Grade 5

Grade 4

Rider's Name _____ Rider's Age _____

Home Address _____

Home Phone No _____ Emergency Phone No _____

Pony Club _____

DC Signature (no signature = no entry) _____

Certificate held _____

Height of horse _____

Registered Name of the Horse and / or names as officially entered

Address of property from which horse will be moved to the event

Address of property where the horse will move after the event

Have you been to a Zone clinic before? YES/NO _____ Who was your Instructor? _____

Number of years you have been at Pony Club on **the** horse you are bringing to this clinic? _____

No. of Rallies : _____ on horse going to clinic _____

No. of H/T events : _____ on horse going to clinic Gr 5 _____ Gr 4 _____

No. of H/T events : _____ on any horse Gr 5 _____ Gr 4 _____

Comments that may help us put you into the correct group _____

CONSENT FORM

I hereby give consent for my son/daughter _____ ("this rider") to attend the Grade 5 and 4 Eventing Clinic to be run by the Northern Metropolitan Zone of P.C.A.V. on the 5th & 6th October 2011 at Yarra Glen Pony Club Grounds. I understand, in the event of this rider requiring urgent medical attention, every effort will be made to inform me first, however, if I cannot be informed, I hereby authorise the organisers to obtain such treatment (including blood transfusions and/or anaesthetics) as is considered necessary at the time. I also authorise the organisers to seek assistance for the rider's horse in the case of an emergency. I also undertake to reimburse the organisers for any costs incurred.

Signed _____ Date ____/____/____



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