

MOOROOLBARK PONY CLUB NEWSLETTER

2013 RALLY SUNDAY August 11th
Start time (see DC's Report) 9:30 am

Jim Page	Club President	Phone: 9726 5801 16 Royal Avenue, Mooroolbark
Julie Howes	Vice President	julie.howes@southernhealth.org.au Phone: 9722 1920
Lindy Whitfort	Club Secretary	Phone: 9722 1548 lindy.whitfort@bigpond.com
Sue Tucker	Club Treasurer	gst64@bigpond.com Phone: 9739 6794
Karen Brooks	Club District Commissioner (DC)	Karen.Brooks0@bigpond.com Phone: 0408 558 776
Julie Howes	Assistant DC	julie.howes@southernhealth.org.au Phone: 9722 1920
Wendy Wright	Newsletter & Website Editor	wwri2119@bigpond.net.au Phone: 5964 2279 / 0447 650 457
Lauren Howes	Junior President	kalius_gemstone@hotmail.com Phone 9722 1920

UPCOMING EVENTS and REMINDERS

<i>Grade 1 & 2 XC Clinic at Yarra Glen</i>	<i>17th August</i>
<i>Seville PC Dressage Day</i>	<i>25th August</i>
<i>Kangaroo Ground PC Dressage Day</i>	<i>25th August</i>
<i>Kinglake PC Horse Trials Fundraiser (at Yarrambat PC)</i>	<i>31st August</i>
<i>Ringwood PC Pre Royal Agricultural Show</i>	<i>1st September</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Rally</i>	<i>8th September</i>
<i>North Eastern PC (Viewbank) Horse Trials</i>	<i>8th September</i>
<i>SMZ Dressage Clinic at Glenbrae in Wandin</i>	<i>13th September</i>
<i>St Andrews Show Jumping Day</i>	<i>15th September</i>
<i>Grade 4/5 Eventing Clinic at North Eastern PC</i>	<i>25/26th September</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Rally</i>	<i>13th October</i>
<i>Oaklands Horse Trials</i>	<i>20th October</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Derby & SJ Day</i>	<i>3rd November</i>
<i>Mooroolbark PC Rally</i>	<i>10th November</i>

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

LESSONS WITH NICKY

Nicky will be running lessons at PC, Sat 17th & Sat 24th August. She can be contacted on 0413 249 729. Please contact her if you are interested.

Don't forget to check when your family is next on duty & put it on your calendar now...2014 roster will be prepared soon.

If you have a preference for particular months in 2014, let Wendy know (by email)

MOOROOLBARK PONY CLUB

FAMILIES ON DUTY - ROSTER

2012 July 8th	Pepper	Vaughan
August 12th	O'Neill	Wright
September 9th		Howes (K&J)
October 14th	Willand	Winter
November 11th	Savini	Moore
December 2nd	In house club champs, all hands on deck.	
2013 February	O'Neill	Drennan
March 10th	Vaughan	Howes (A&K)
April 14th	Wright/Harper	Smith
May 12th	Moore	Laukart
June 9th	Winter	Willand
July 14th	Black	Savini
August 11th	Hughes	Howes (A&K)
September 8th	Wright	Harper
October 13th	Winter	Smith
November 10th	Willand	Laukart

How does the duty roster work?

These are the expectations for families on duty:

Canteen The duty families are to run the canteen all day, starting from 8:30 (winter) 7:30 (summer). There are instructions provided in the canteen area, and one of the canteen supervisors will be available at the start of the day to deliver food, get things going, and answer any questions. There is usually some time during the day for families to share staying inside, and being outside watching the rally, and they should roster this between themselves. It is usually "all hands on deck" just prior to and during the busy lunch period.

Outdoors Setup Duty families are responsible for setting up and packing up at the rally, and this means that one parent needs to be outside most of the day, starting from 8:30 (winter) 7:30 (summer). If there is more help needed during setup, the duty family should organise a call over the loud speaker for more help. There will usually be a supervisor available to provide direction (usually Jim or Karen).

Canteen end of day Duty families are responsible for the 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.

Outdoors Packup Duty families are responsible for organising the pack up of outdoors areas at the end of the rally day. However ALL FAMILIES are required to assist them. Stay in touch with instructors and with the DC to find out when rings can be packed up, and put announcements over the loud speaker to get other families involved if needed.

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.

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

DC's Report - August 2013

Hi all,

The month has come around so fast. At the moment the weather is holding and the grounds are looking good but we will have to see what this week brings.

Nicky is wanting to start the C Certificate group off with showjumping. Could you please have your horses ready to ride by 9.30 and then meet Nicky to set up and design the show jumping course.

The other groups will start at 9.30 for Gear check as we have a **VIP surprise at 12.30**, so that we can all be in the club rooms by this time we will finish the second session at 11.45.

VET Coming – from Yarra Ranges Animal Hospital

We are going to have the Vet come this rally, she will be doing a talk regarding the hendra virus and then she will be available for vaccinations / micro-chipping / dental / basic health check. She will also see who is interested in the Hendra vaccinations and will order them in so that she can do them at the next rally. Could you please let either Lindy or myself know a.s.a.p. if you would like any of the above booked in (see prices elsewhere in this newsletter). The Vet needs a heads up on how many vaccinations and microchips to bring along and also an idea on time to allocate for checkups etc.

I am hoping the Cross Country will be open but we will have to see about the conditions.

Rally Plan will be sent out separately.

Karen Brooks



A captive audience at our July talk ... thanks to James Harvey from The Equine Dentistry Australia for a fascinating & enlightening discussion about horse dentistry

Help Needed !

The grounds are generally looking good, but the grass is getting a bit long in some places, and some of the cross country jumps need whipper snipping for us to be able to use them at rally.

Karen Brooks is going to the grounds at 1pm on Tuesday to do some slashing and would appreciate some helpers ... with whipper snippers ... if you can make it, just drop in at that time. If you can't make it then but can at another time, give Karen a call to coordinate ...

0408 558 776



Dressage Judging Clinic – Wandin

South Metro Zone is holding a Dressage Judging Clinic with Mary Longden on 13th Sept 2013 at Glenbrae Equestrian centre in Wandin. Details are on SMZ's web site (<http://www.smz.ponyclubvic.org.au/>) or on our facebook page. The clinic is aimed at coaches, judges etc, but from previous experience these clinics are useful to anyone wanting to learn more about what dressage judges are looking for.



VET VISIT - August Rally

Kim Johnson, vet from Yarra Ranges Animal Hospital will be giving a talk at the August rally, so have all your questions ready!

She will also be available to do vaccinations / micro-chipping / dental / basic health checks on the day ... prices for these services are:

- Microchipping \$55
- Equivac 2in1 (tetanus and strangles) \$45 including health check
- 2in1 administration only (if you bring your own 2in1 that has been refrigerated) \$20
- Hendra shots are \$80 if there are more than 5 horses, they will be a bit more than this if there are less horses. If we order the Hendra shots by the end of September the second dose is free so there would just be a \$20 injection fee for the second dose to cover the cost of the paperwork involved.

She prefers not to do Hendra and tet/strangles at the same time as there are no published studies on this yet, so she would come back to do the Hendra shots 1 and 2 in Sept and Oct.

Kim needs to know order numbers for the tetanus and strangles vaccinations by Tuesday so she can bring enough to the rally.



Mystery VIP Visitor !!

August rally is NOT one to miss !!

We have a special VIP visitor coming along at 12:30 (just before our VET visit) and we want to be sure to make a good impression.

So come, one & all. Even if you can't come to the rally, come along at lunchtime (there will be a cake!) and feel free to bring your family and invite any previous members ...

12:30 August 11th

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser



...

A big thanks to all who helped at the Bunnings Fundraiser in July. Takings were down on our usual due to the sausage sizzle being scheduled for a Friday instead of the weekend, but we still managed to clear about \$700 which will come in handy!

Thanks to all our helpers

Fantastic work again from our hard-working parents ... we now have a whole lot of repaired corrals to hold in our horses. Thanks to Frank Vaughan & Stuart Moore for working with Jim on these.

If anyone has any suitable paint to finish these off, it would be appreciated. The work could be done at the next rally, or coordinated with Jim Page or Karen Brooks at another time.

And a nice surprise up on the XC where riders found some re-vamped jumps, big thanks to Jenelle O'Neill & Jim Page for that.



It's great to see continuous improvement around our grounds – if anyone has some spare time & ideas for other work, please let Karen or Jim know. Some work can be done during rally if you are short on spare time.

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!

Interzone Horse Trials -

Lauren Howes and **Sara-Jane Vaughan** were both at Interzone

last weekend. Lauren and Leo came equal first in the Grade 3 Section 1 (but second on countback, much to her annoyance!) Sarah Jane and Griffin came 4th in Grade 4 Section 3 (after a dubious refusal in the SJ, without which she would have been

2nd). Sarah Jane's team came 6th and Lauren's did not place. Overall, both girls rode really well and were pleased with their young horses. The zone did very well with 1st, 2nd and 3rd in the Grade 3 teams and 2nd in the Grade 4 teams to take out the shield for best performed zone.



Langwarrin Horse Trials

Lauren Howes took **Leo** to Langwarrin for their horse trials. It was a very busy and crowded event, muddy and wet. The Grade 3 had a very narrow single barrel jump that eliminated more than half of the riders and only three riders went clear over. Very tough fence for Grade 3, would be considered tough for grade 2! Leo had one stop at it and ended up 7th, with a few time faults too as Lauren took it a bit too cautiously in the wet.

Julie Howes

Sara-Jane Vaughan came 5th at Langwarrin even though Leo & Griffin were naughty calling to each other all day!!! The Grade 4 was easier than Grade 3 but still in and out of the backyards of houses to reappear near the show jumping ring so very happy with **Griffin** he was a very good boy.

Fiona Vaughan

Donvale Dressage Day at Eltham PC

Donvale held their dressage at Eltham after their club was severely flooded a few weeks earlier. **Lauren Howes** placed 1st in grade 2 on Kal and 2nd in Grade 3 on Leo. She was very happy with both horses. Leo in particular warmed up very calmly in very busy warm up areas and his second test was really nice. Progress!!

Melbourne 3 Day Fundraiser

We went to Werribee to do the Melbourne 3 day Fundraiser, **Griffins** first intro; luckily we booked a stable as it was the very wintery weekend. Griffins dressage was ok, went double clear SJ and X country so very proud ended up mid field so a good weekend, we had both forgotten how big intro was, but he didn't even look at anything.

Sara-Jane Vaughan



Remember when ...

So whose idea was this anyway? Nine years ago this month ... not sure who is in charge here.

Remember when ... share your memories and our club's history. Send us your favourite photos from the past (and captions/descriptions) for future newsletters. If you only have hardcopy photos, I can scan and return them. Wendy



Horse Fact Sheets -

Pony Club Fact Sheet - Proficiency Certificates



Progress in pony club is recognised by gaining certificates on ability and sportsmanship. There are eight certificates a rider can achieve - D, D Star, C, C Star, K, B, H and A. The certificates are a measure of the rider's skill and knowledge encompassing both ridden and practical examinations. They are gained in order starting from D through to A.

Some certificates are assessed and awarded by a club instructor, whereas others are assessed by representatives of either the local Zone or Pony Club Victoria.

Working towards certificates is not mandatory but is highly encouraged and is designed to enable riders to learn progressively about horse and pony care (horsemastership) and riding (horsemanship). The tests are designed for the member to progress from one standard of learning to the next with certain objectives in mind.

The only time that holding a certificate is mandatory is in order to compete at state or national level events –riders at state or national who are over 13 years of age and who have been in pony club for 2 years or more must hold at minimum a C level certificate.

Certificate Information:

Complete information about all the certificates is on the Pony Club Victoria web site at:

www.ponyclubvic.org.au

Coaching Education section, under Certificates and Procedures

More fact sheets can be found on the Mooroolbark & PCAV web sites.



Great to see so many of our parents attending tractor training at the July rally – thanks to the Moores for organising & running it.



Looks like it's already paying off!



Horse Fact Sheets – Hendra Update –July 2013

Horse News From the Department of Environment and Primary Industries (DEPI), July 30, 2013

Hendra Update From the Victorian CVO (Chief Veterinary Officer)

The recent spate of hendra virus cases in Queensland and northern New South Wales has given rise to renewed interest in this disease. Since the disease was first diagnosed in Queensland in 1994, some 70 horses have died from, or been euthanased as a result of, hendra virus. Cases typically occur in the latter half of the year, usually in July-August.

The disease is transmitted to horses by fruit-eating bats living in large populations in close contact with horses. Transmission from bats to humans has not occurred; it appears that horses are required to 'amplify' the virus for it to infect humans.

A unique ecological situation involving tropical environments and very large and dense populations of certain bat species in intimate contact with horses is required for bat-horse transmission to occur. These conditions do not exist in Victoria and ongoing surveillance by DEPI continues to show that no natural cases of hendra have occurred in Victoria. A "home-grown" case of hendra virus in Victoria is regarded as highly unlikely.

It is possible that hendra virus may be diagnosed in a horse recently arrived from Queensland or northern New South Wales. While almost all cases of hendra virus in horses have been diagnosed on the properties where the horses were infected and no cases of hendra have been transported to locations outside the states of Queensland and New South Wales, the "importation" of hendra virus into Victoria remains the most plausible reason for any possible future detection of the disease here.

A vaccine against hendra virus is currently available in limited quantities through specially accredited veterinarians. We do recommend that horses visiting Queensland or northern New South Wales from Victoria should be vaccinated; the same recommendation applies to horses from those areas travelling to Victoria. Contact a veterinarian to find out more about vaccination.

When a horse recently arrived from Queensland or northern New South Wales becomes suddenly and severely ill, infection with hendra virus may be a possibility. A veterinarian should be contacted immediately.

Horse Fact Sheet – Horses and Ponies Need Food Part 2

Horses have evolved as grazers, meaning they spend a long time eating large amounts of pasture during the day. Pasture or Pasture hay is essential in a horse's diet as it:

- Supplies the fibre to maintain a healthy digestive system
- Relieves boredom, preventing the development of behavioural vices
- Reduces the development of sharp edges on the horses teeth
- Helps prevent the development of stomach ulcers



Examples of Diets: different horses - different scenarios

Remember that all horses are different and the quality of your property's pasture will depend on your location and soil quality. Pasture quality and amount will impact on how much hard/additional feed you will need to give your horse.

Horse Two: JOCK

- Thoroughbred (poor doer)
- Ideal weight 500kg
- Very old horse (no teeth)
- Retired (not ridden)
- Minimal pasture in paddock (pick only)
- Access to mineral lick
- Fed twice a day

Morning Feed:

- 1kg pure clover hay
- 2kg lucerne chaff
- 2kg commercial feed (Mitavite Gumnuts)

Evening Feed:

- 2kg lucerne chaff
- 1kg oaten chaff
- 4kg commercial feed (Mitavite Gumnuts)

Jock is unable to eat much hay due to a lack of teeth, so he is fed large amounts of chaff for roughage and commercial feed for calories, that is wet down to form a 'porridge like mash.' A vitamin and mineral supplement is not required as Jock is consuming large amounts of commercial feed which contains the full requirements.



Horse One: GUS

- Welsh Mountain Pony (good doer)
- Ideal weight 275kg
- Middle age
- Not ridden
- No pasture in paddock
- Access to mineral lick
- Fed twice a day

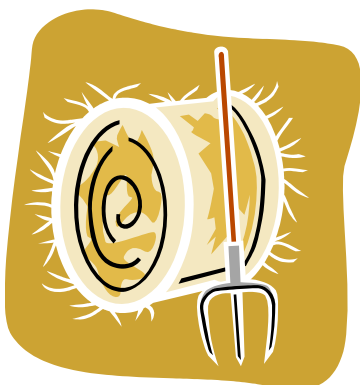
Morning Feed:

- 2.5kg pasture hay

Evening Feed:

- 2kg pasture hay
- 500g lucerne chaff
- 500g commercial feed (soya bean meal)
- 30g vitamin & mineral supplement (Kohnke's Own Cell-Vital)

This diet ensures Gus has the correct amount of roughage, protein and carbohydrates. Because Gus is on a limited diet due to his ability to put on weight too quickly, he is fed a vitamin and mineral supplement to ensure he doesn't lack any essential parts of the diet.



Horse Three: JIMMY

- Thoroughbred (poor doer)
- Ideal weight 700kg
- Young horse
- Not ridden
- Pasture in paddock, approximately 1-3cm in length
- Fed twice a day
- Access to mineral lick

Morning Feed:

- 1kg clover/rye hay

Evening Feed:

- 2kg pasture hay
- 1kg lucerne hay
- 500g oaten chaff
- 1kg commercial feed (Mitavite Economix)

The short length of grass in the paddock supplies Jimmy with about half of his daily requirements. The rest is supplemented with good quality hay a small amount of commercial feed. This diet ensures that Jimmy gets the right amount of carbohydrates, lysine (protein), vitamins, and minerals.

Horse Four: CLANCY

- Anglo Arab x Fjord (good doer)
- Ideal weight 450kg
- Middle aged
- Ridden daily (light work)
- No pasture in paddock
- Fed twice a day
- Access to mineral lick

Morning Feed:

- 4kg pasture hay

Evening Feed:

- 3kg pasture hay
- 1kg lucerne chaff
- 1kg commercial feed (Mitavite Economix)
- 30g vitamin & mineral supplement (Kohnke's Own Cell-Vital)

Clancy is on commercial feed as he is in work and his body requires more than if he was maintaining weight alone. Without the commercial feed, he would require twice the amount of supplements.

As Clancy is a good doer, he may require less commercial feed if the digestible energy and quality of the hay were higher, such as that of clover and rye or lucerne.

Horse Five: TUCKY

- Standardbred (average doer)
- Ideal weight 450kg
- Older horse, but has a healthy mouth with no teeth loss
- Ridden on weekends by children
- Pasture in paddock, approximately 3-8cm in length

- Fed once a day
- Access to mineral lick

Morning Feed:

- 1kg lucerne chaff
- 1kg commercial feed (Mitavite Gumnuts)

When Ridden:

- Extra 500g commercial feed

Tucky does not require a supplement while there is grass in the paddock, the mineral lick and commercial feed will meet any deficiencies that may be present, as it can be assumed they'll be minimal.



As Tucky gets older, he will lose the ability to draw nutrients from hay and then the amount of commercial feed will need to be increased as grass diminishes. It can be estimated that over the next five years, Tucky will slowly change diets until he is on a very similar diet to Jock (Horse Two). So while 'cheap' to feed when there is grass in the paddock, Tucky will soon cost a lot more to feed. This is something the owner of an older horse must be prepared for.

Produced by RSPCA (Victoria)
ABN 56 749 449 191
ACN 131 965 761
3 Burwood Highway Burwood East Victoria 3151
Ph: 03 9224 2286

More information about food and feeding ...

www.mberg.com.au/choosing-roughage/

<http://www.dpi.vic.gov.au/agriculture/animals-and-livestock/horses/health-and-welfare/horses-drought-winter>



Professionals
www.methven.com.au

Geoff Earney frei, coo(reiv)
managing director

ph (03) 9726 8888
fax (03) 9726 8156
mob 0438 305 670
geoffearney@methven.com.au
www.methven.com.au

46/48 brice avenue
mooroolbark vic. 3138

REITV



SIBELCO
AUSTRALIA

We thank Sibelco (quarry) for their past and continued ongoing support of Mooroolbark Pony Club

Our Sponsors



RANGER STOCK FLOATS PTY LTD

120 CHERRYTREE ROAD HURSTBRIDGE

PH: 9717 3085 Mob: 0417 334407

Marty McKinley

EMAIL:sales@rangerstockfloats.com.au

WEBSITE: www.rangerstockfloats.com.au



CUSTOM BUILT QUALITY DOUBLE FLOATS

SERVICE AND REPAIRS TO ANY BRAND OF FLOAT

50 YEAR FAMILY OWNED BUSINESS

FRIENDLY RELIABLE SERVICE AND ADVICE

INSURANCE COVER AND REPAIRS

MAKE SAFETY YOUR PRIORITY AND GET YOUR FLOAT SERVICED

DID YOU KNOW THAT AN UNROADWORTHY FLOAT COULD CREATE INSURANCE ISSUES? THERE ARE SAFETY POINTS THAT NEED TO BE CHECKED ANNUALLY TO ENSURE YOU ARRIVE AT YOUR EVENT WITH ONLY YOUR HORSES PERFORMANCE IN MIND.

THERE IS NOTHING ON YOUR FLOAT OR TRAILER THAT I CAN'T FIX OR INSTALL

FOR FURTHER ENQUIRES ON THE MANY SERVICES THAT I OFFER PLEASE CALL **MARTY ANYTIME 7 DAYS**



Our Sponsors



DISCOUNT ANIMAL FEEDS

LILYDALE — OPEN 7 DAYS — 9735 4060

87 WARBURTON HWY LILYDALE

www.discountanimalfeeds.com.au

We thank all our
sponsors and
encourage our
members to
recognise them for
their ongoing
support of the club
...



Horseland Lilydale
476 Maroondah Highway
Lilydale, Vic 3140
Phone (03) 9739 6822
Fax (03) 9739 6823



“AIMING FOR SERVICE EXCELLENCE”



**Exel Rural Proudly Supports
Mooroolbark Pony Club**

EXEL RURAL PTY LTD

ABN 92 050 139 583

148 MAN STREET LILYDALE VICTORIA 3140

TEL (03) 9735 4333 FAX (03) 9735 4775



**priceline
pharmacy**



28 Brice Avenue,
Mooroolbark
9726 7611