

# MOOROOLBARK PONY CLUB NEWSLETTER

**2014 RALLY SUNDAY November 9<sup>th</sup> 2014**

**\*\*\*Gear Check Time – 9.45am\*\*\***

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## *UPCOMING EVENTS and REMINDERS*

*Remember that some events may be forced to cancel in the event of extreme weather - keep an eye on web sites & facebook to stay up to date ... Check the PCAV web site for entry forms, and more details on these, and other events. [www.ponyclubvic.org.au](http://www.ponyclubvic.org.au)*

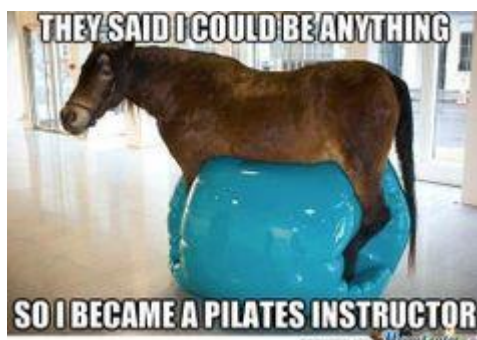
<i>Mooroolbark Show Jumping and Derby</i>	<i>Nov 2<sup>nd</sup></i>
<i>Mooroolbark Rally</i>	<i>Nov 9<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Ringwood Dressage Day</i>	<i>Nov 9<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Langwarrin Show Jumping</i>	<i>Nov 9<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Kyneton Horse Trials</i>	<i>Nov 9<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Mt Evelyn Freshmans Show Jumping</i>	<i>Nov 14<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Yarrambat Horse Trials</i>	<i>Nov 15<sup>th</sup> &amp; 16<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Monbulk Dressage and Combined Training</i>	<i>Nov 16<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Mt Evelyn Combined Training</i>	<i>Nov 22<sup>nd</sup></i>
<i>Upper Yarra Show Jumping</i>	<i>Nov 23<sup>rd</sup></i>
<i>Mt Evelyn Freshmans Show Jumping</i>	<i>Nov 28<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Mornington Peninsula Horse Trials</i>	<i>Nov 29<sup>th</sup> &amp; 30<sup>th</sup></i>
<i>Dressage and Show Jumping State Qualifier</i>	<i>Nov 30<sup>th</sup></i>

# DC's Report - June 2014

Don't forget to let me know if you are a YES or NO for rally, you can email me [karen.brooks0@bigpond.com](mailto:karen.brooks0@bigpond.com) or text / ring the mobile 0408 558 776 or leave a message on Facebook.

Hi all,

November rally is nearly here. The warmer weather has been nice for riding and now that the days are longer it is great to be able to ride late.



This Rally we are going to have a pilates instructor come to do our last season for most of the groups. If you have a yoga mat please bring it along, or if you don't, please bring a towel with you.

Games and flat teams have been bought forward next year to the 15<sup>th</sup> of March. It would be great to put a team in for games and for flat or musical ride. Please let me know if you are interested so we can plan some training sessions over the next few months, I will see if we can get the Lilydale members involved as well.

See you on Sunday,

Karen.

***Families on Duty this Month***  
***November: Hughes, Winter, Dodd***  
***December: All families on deck!!***

# 2014 Derby – Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November – Parent Duty

## Roster

Please report to the secretary's office when you arrive, so we can let you know of any changes to your allocated duty.

**SJ/Derby Setup/Working Bee: Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> November – 10am to 12pm**

**Please note that the setup is also a working bee, please bring whipper snippers, law movers and ride-on mowers if possible. If you cannot make this time, please contact Jim to arrange another time if you are able. (9726 5801 or 0420 498 927)**

**Morning Setup 7.00am** Kim Howes, Ian Smith, Gary Tucker

**Car Park 7.00am** Stuart Moore, Leigh Winter

**General Organiser** Julie Howes

**Gear Check 8.00am** Karen Brookes and Lindy Whitfort

**First Aid** Gary Tucker

**Canteen 7.30am – 11.30am** K Howes, K Smith, S Hughes

**Canteen 11.30am – 3.00pm** J O'Neill, N Willand, J Matthews

*Anyone who is free, please check if the canteen needs more helpers at lunchtime.*

<b>Ring Marshalls</b>	Ring 1:	8 – 11.30am D Moore	11.30 – 3pm C Black
	Ring 2:	8 – 11.30am Amy/Kara	11.30 – 3pm L Savini

<b>Crash Crew</b>	Ring 1:	8.30 – 12pm S Dodd	12 – 3pm A Howes
	Ring 2:	8.30 – 12pm L Smith	12 – 3pm Amy /Kara

<b>Pencillers</b>	Ring 1:	Amy Tucker	Ring 2:	Not Required
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**Cross Country Judges** **8AM:** D Harper, S Tucker, G Savini

**approx12PM:** D Moore, J Howes, K Black, L Howes

(Change over with XC judges will occur at the completion of a full section)

**Scoring** Wendy Wright

**Secretary** Lindy Whitfort and Karen Brookes

NOTE: Ring 1 is the Show Jumping Ring on the grass.

Ring 2 is the Derby Ring on the gravel.

**Pack up – all families to be available to assist with pack up as each ring finishes.**

# 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!*

## **Werribee Horse Trials:**

**Jackie Wright:**

Super happy with my boys at Werribee PC horse trials this weekend! Tetley and I smashed our 1st attempt at grade 1, with just 1 rail over a SJ course that got a lot of riders (everyone had some form of penalty) and a clear XC with 6 time penalties. We ended up 11th, but would have finished 7th without the time. So proud of our performance and how strong and fit he felt. Tommy did his usual dressage test, with his own twists on the movements and some unnecessary extravagance (not particularly impressing the judges)!! He was fabulous for the jumping phases and was the only horse in his section to jump double clear, moving from the bottom of the field to 8th. Overall, couldn't have asked for more from either.

Wonderful work Jackie, Tetley and Tommy – Great to see our riders performing at the highest levels of pony club.



(That jump does *not* look like fun – however, according to Jackie's smile it must have been??????)



## ***Berwick Dressage Day:***

**Amy Tucker:**

Henry and I headed down to Berwick for their dressage day. For once the weather was lovely with not a cloud in sight, however, it was very windy. No such thing as a perfect day in Melbourne! Henry behaved himself and managed to do two relaxed and accurate tests placing him 1st, 4th and second overall. Super proud of him.

Amy and Henry are a fantastic example of how time, patience and good training can all combine to make a wonderful partnership.



## ***Pony Club Association Victoria - Rules changes***

***Each year PCAV reviews its rules relating to competing and generally running pony clubs. At the start of each year any changes are published on their web site. The latest rule books can be downloaded from***

***<http://www.ponyclubvic.org.au/?Page=27609>***

***Grade 1 & 2 riders should particularly note that the rules for qualifying for the annual State competition have changed – you should read up on these to make sure you are clear on what's required.***

## ***Lessons with Nicky ...***

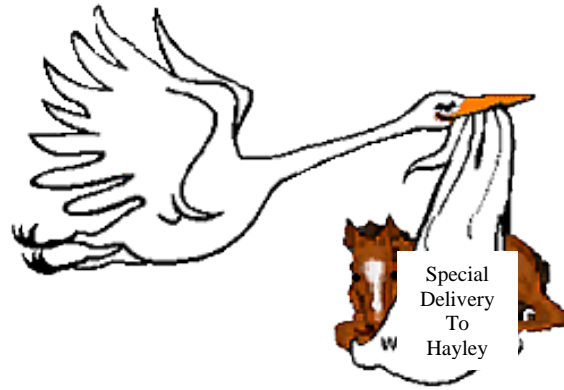
***Lessons with Nicky in November and December will need to be negotiated directly with her.***

***She can be contacted on***

***0413 249 729 – please contact Nicky if you are interested.***



## ***CONGRATULATIONS – IT'S A BOY!!***

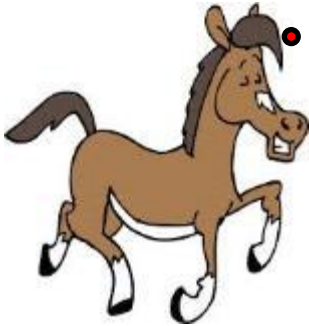


Many of our members may not have been aware that one of our senior riders, Hayley Harper, has been eagerly awaiting the arrival of a new family member. Hayley's mare, Pandora, was due to give birth early in October and as the weeks in October passed, Hayley became more and more in tune with the foaling alarm. (Horse version of the baby monitor – for us parents out there!). Many of us had difficulties sleeping in the early hours of Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October, the massive lightning show and frightening booms of thunder could not be avoided. For the Harper family this was to prove to be a time they will never forget. Pandora gave birth to a beautiful little colt during this spectacular light and sound show, at 2.30am. It was only fitting that this little guy be called 'Storm'. He is a gypsy cob X quarter horse, who happily bounced around the paddock oblivious to all around him. Hayley's extremely relieved that he made it safely into the world and that he and mum are both doing well. Pandora did a great job to shield her baby from the wind and rain, a seasoned mother!

Enjoy these pictures.



## BITS AND PIECES



### CADBURY CHOCOLATES

A special thankyou to Kylie Black for organising the chocolate fundraiser. If you have sold all your chocolates please return the money to Kylie at rally and feel free to ask for another box!



### MOOROOLBARK DERBY AND SHOW JUMPING DAY

When: Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> November

Please check the roster carefully, any additional helpers would be much appreciated.

We have had a wonderful response and it looks like there will be 60 to 70 riders, not bad for our last Derby!!!



### THANKYOU

Our Bunnings BBQ was a great success. We raised over \$2000. Thankyou to all those who assisted on the day. It was great to see some of our senior riders cooking up a storm (oh yeah.....they were only sausages!) on the BBQ.



# RALLY GALLERY

This is your opportunity to contribute monthly to Mooroolbark Pony Club's newsletter. It would be wonderful if all our members could see what goes on at our rallies. When you're with the same group each month you often have no idea what others are up to.

It's easy to contribute, here's what to do:

**STEP 1:** Make sure you get photos of your day at rally

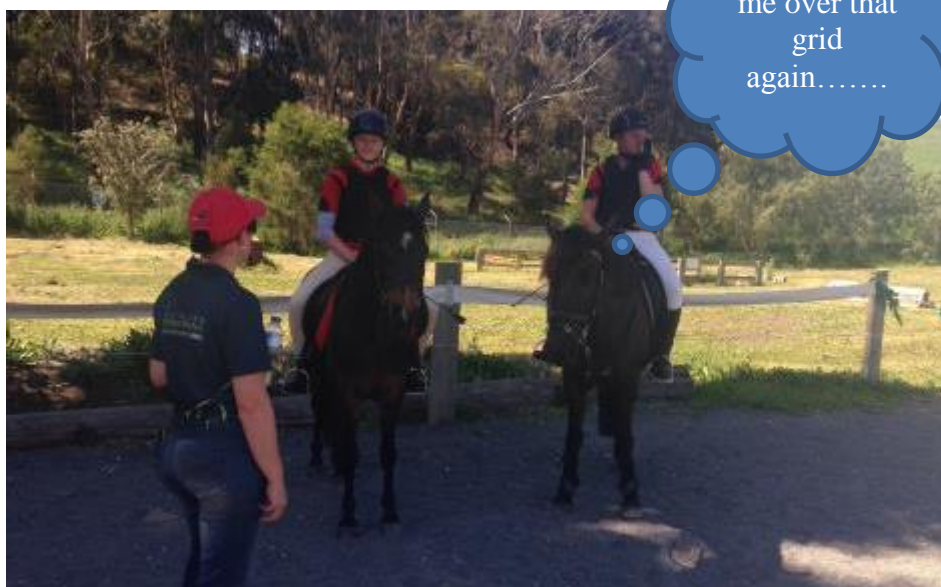
**STEP 2:** Choose one or two photos that you would like to have published, remember space will be limited.

**STEP 3:** You may choose to add a caption or words to your photos

**STEP 4:** Email your photos to Dianna Moore ([s.dl.moore@bigpond.com](mailto:s.dl.moore@bigpond.com))

## HERE'S WHAT HAPPENED LAST RALLY

It was a quiet rally with only around 13 riders. Some of our riders were competing at Lilydale Show Jumping Day. The weather was wonderful, in fact for some horses, riders and instructors it was too hot and the shade was the place to be.



If you send me over that grid again.....



Emily Savini attended her first rally on Willow, who has not long been broken in. Both Emily and Willow were very calm and patient and both appeared to have a great day. Welcome Emily.



Julia had some one on one instruction allowing her to progress from the lunge rope to jumping independently, great work Julia. It's wonderful to see the confidence growing in our young riders.



Andy made a return to pony club after some time on the sidelines coming to terms with how scary and frightening kangaroos can be.



The best BBQ boss in the town returned to take over duties on the BBQ at lunchtime. Thankyou Riley. Some years ago Riley did ride at pony club, but I think he's now found his true calling at pony club – Head Chef!!

Dolby had the rally off to act as a companion pony. I think he really liked hanging around eating grass.



## MOOROOLBARK PONY CLUB FAMILIES ON DUTY - ROSTER

<i>November 9th</i>	Winter	Hughes	Dodd
<i>December</i>	Christmas Rally	Duty - everyone	

### 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?

Please re-check the roster for changes each month. It is YOUR responsibility to organise a swap if needed.

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 about them.

### 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!*



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