

## **ZONE REP REPORT 14/5/08**

Firstly I would like to thank everyone for their wonderful support for the Yeringberg Horse Trials, it was a fabulous success and the course was fantastic and proved a bit of a challenge to a lot of riders. A very special thank you must go to the course builders Jim Page, Jim Hurley, Brian Copeland and Brian Potton and Stephen Coffee. Without these men slaving over this course for the last 10 months we would not have been able to run the event. A particularly big thank you must also go to Lynne Brown the Event Secretary who has thanked everyone bar herself and there has been a huge amount of work involved for Lynne. Lastly a big thank you to all the volunteers and clubs who have helped out with money, labour and support and Pauline Hill for her wonderful drawings of the jumps on the programme without you all the event would not have been so successful.

I have received many emails and thank you's from clubs and other zones who all had a great time. So well done everyone and thank goodness we don't have to run another one for another 10 years.

### **INTERZONE TEAMS HORSE TRIALS 10<sup>TH</sup> AND 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY 08**

This event ran well wish us presentations taking place at 1.15p.m. on Sunday. Again thank you to all of the NMZ volunteers and in particular to Kathy Shackleton for being my co-ordinator of volunteers and again to Lynne Brown who gave up her whole Saturday to score even though she didn't have any children riding. The riders were great and I think everyone enjoyed themselves. Individually our teams of three riders did not place but in the Interzone challenge we came 2nd overall. A great effort. The show jumping demonstration on Saturday night was a huge success and I think it will probably continue next year as well. Thanks to Jim Page and Brian Copeland for being the crash crew on the night.

### **YERINGBERG TEAMS ON 29<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2008**

The teams 2,3 & 4 are on again. Clubs should be getting themselves organized for this event at Yeringberg.

### **AWARD OF MERIT**

If you have any contenders for the award of merit the closing date to get them into PCAV is 6<sup>th</sup> June, 2008 so you will have to get your forms to us pronto. We will have to do the interviews before the next meeting. Forms are on the website.

## **STATE EVENT ADVISOR**

Do we have anyone in the Zone who would like to be a State Event advisor. They must really be a cross country course accreditor and be well aware of what is required at a State Event. This will be a liason job between the Zones and PCAV. Any contenders I have a form to be filled out.

## **PCAV STATE WORKSHOP**

There will be another free State workshop at Bacchus Marsh Pony Club if anyone is interested on the 24<sup>th</sup> May, 2008. This is the same sort of clinic our zone ran at Wandin. Registration forms are on the website.

## **MEMBERSHIP RETURNS**

Closing date for Strength Returns is 16<sup>th</sup> June 2008. Don't forget to list all members, junior and associate, adult supporters, club life members and service providers (instructors). This can be done on line if you have a password. Could clubs also please check that the Public Officer has sent in the Annual return to consumer Affairs in Melbourne. You need to send a form, copy of the minutes, financials and a cheque for \$38.60. Also I notice I am still awaiting copies of the new committees from the Secretaries. Could you please ensure that you send myself and Joanna Potton a copy of the new committees.

## **MELBOURNE 3 DAY EVENT**

There is a special package being offered to pony club members. I have a form here if anyone is interested. Would be great for clubs to take their members out to see the action. Friday 6<sup>th</sup> June through to Monday 9<sup>th</sup> June.

**WORKING WITH CHILDRENS CHECK** – Government is rolling out the working with childrens check as from 1/7/08. All persons requiring to have a check must have it done within 12 months. Please read the mad magazine which if you do not have a copy can be downloaded from the PCAV website. Pages 12-14 covers this area and states who is exempt etc.

## **PCAV STRATEGIC PLAN**

A lot of time was spent discussing the strategic plan and where PCAV is going in the future. The general concensus is that field based training activities are popular and will be encouraged. Continuing to develop resources such as the C & D Manuals and will be looking at a DC resource Kit including rally planning and DC inductions. Also a DVD on showjumping will follow next year.

Main thrust of attention will be on reviewing and restructuring the roles and responsibilities of the CIP, DCI/ZA panels and instructors. There will be a list of assessors credited to oversee and assess instructors, and DCI/ZAs etc.

Also going to focus on new membership categories based on some overseas riding models. State council will receive more training and become more strategic. Review of the state councilor role.

### **Club voting rights.**

There was discussion on club voting rights and who should have a vote in clubs. Discussion notes have been sent to PCAV's solicitor for a draft to be developed. More to come on this later.

### **NATIONAL MOUNTED GAMES**

Alister Ling from Yarrambat Pony Club was ratified for selection in the NMG Australian Team to ride in the International Mounted Games championships in Western Australia on 11-28 July, 2008. Congratulations to Alister and to Yarrambat Pony club.

### **ZONE QUALIFYING EVENTS**

West Gippsland zone have been running a pilot program for the zone qualifying events for dressage and showjumping. Basically they nominate three or four events run by clubs through their zone as qualifying events and riders wishing to qualify for state must attend these events. Their scores are collated and at the end of the year the winners with the most points are the qualifiers for State. It seems to work well because of the fact the riders attend more events to qualify rather than have just the zone event on one day, and the clubs entries are better because of riders wishing to qualify. Are we interested in this module and if we are we are to write in before the next meeting and advise them we are interested in trying this module out.

### **MULTIPLE RIDES AT STATE SHOWJUMPING AND DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS**

Eligible qualified combinations may compete in one or both showjumping and or dressage competitions on multiple mounts where there are insufficient entries to make up a team. A team must have a minimum of 3 individual rider. One combination cannot compete in both disciplines.

### **MEMBERSHIP**

Numbers at present are showing 7164 members. A true showing of the membership will present itself after the 1<sup>st</sup> July, 2008 when the strength returns are due back.

**UNIFORM FOR CIP/DCI/ZA**

There has been a request for a uniform for the above. It was approved that a uniform will be provided at their cost if they wish.

**STATE GAMES AND FLAT TEAMS AND MUSICAL RIDES**

Venues are being investigated at present for 2009 due to the rise in price at Werribee. It is becoming too expensive. More to come on this.

State Dressage and Show Jumping 2009 being run by Central Zone – Venue will be Werribee next year.

**HISTORY COMPETITION**

Closing date has been extended to 30th June. Can anyone who has a submission please get it in asap.

PCAV – Office opening will be at Mulgrave 4p.m. then the AGM and dinner will be at the Mulgrave Country Club. Next year Central Zone.

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**BACKNUMBERS**

Please that all zones and clubs be aware that Gear Rule 10.13 clearly states that a rider for showjumping and dressage may wear one of the following – Back number, bridle number or saddle cloth number.

Clubs and zones cannot dictate what they must wear. This is a gear rule.

**HEAT POLICY/EVACUATION PROCEDURES**

Discussion regarding this. PCAV looking at procedures that can be designed as a template for clubs to adopt.