

## NORTHERN METROPOLITAN ZONE DCI/ZA PANEL

**Minutes** of the DCI/ZA Panel meeting held at Wyena Pony Club on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at 8pm.

**PRESENT:** Kate Wilson, Linda Smith, Jan Dear, Brenda Mitton, Diane Baxter, Sue Winter, Rob Welch, Jennifer Smith, Michele Thomas, Kylie Parker, Melinda Saldaneri.

**APOLOGIES:** Jim Page, Rachael Hudak, Marj Waterbury, Ina Moss, Anna Beard, Gill Gascoigne, Shayne Collins, Richard Collins, Peter Smith.

Sue Winter in the chair opened the meeting at 8.15pm.

**MINUTES** of the previous meeting held 20<sup>th</sup> August 2008 as circulated be accepted.

Moved: Michele Campbell

Seconded: Jennifer Smith

**BUSINESS ARISING/ACTION LIST:** Nil

**CORRESPONDENCE:** As per attached list

**TREASURER'S REPORT:** As per attached reports

### **ZONE CHIEF INSTRUCTOR'S REPORT:**

- Club visit sheets – send one copy to PCAV office, one copy to Rob for panel's files and 3<sup>rd</sup> copy goes to the club.
- Toe Stoppers – For grade 5 & 4 at rally and Michele thought for competition. NOTE – new gear rules book (Feb 2009) states “Toe-stoppers are permitted, providing the size of the stirrup iron is not compromised.” There is no stipulation about grade. Rule applies to rally/activity and competition.
- Unmounted gear check – preference is for mounted gear check but this is not compulsory.
- Michele concerned about addressing Dressage Judges re discrepancies with their judging and asked for some assistance. Melinda volunteered to look over tests and offer a second opinion.
- D\* supplement to manual now available. Anyone who missed out when purchasing D Manual will be forwarded a copy of the D\*.
- C Manual – presentation checklist is missing.
- C checklists are compulsory. Clubs should be handing in checklists to examiners. C checklist to be sent to Diane prior to booking test dates.
- Panel nomination forms for terms of office. Linda is to draft form and distribute.
- Club visits – we don't need to check grading cards.
- State level assessors will now be assessing coaches under new NCAS Preliminary Coaching Scheme.
- K discs – gold, silver and bronze additions for those with K endorsements.
- CIP meeting has been changed to a Wednesday to coincide with council meetings.

### **ZONE REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT:**

- Lots of rule changes coming January 1<sup>st</sup> 2009 with further changes coming 1<sup>st</sup> July 2009. NOTE – New Gear Rules and Handbook of Bylaws available now.
- New Showjumping rules and coaching resource books coming.
- Hacking cane no longer allowed.
- Jennifer queried the new “novelty” whips riders are buying. Don't technically have a flap on the end rather a rigid star or hand. Resemble a cane more so than a whip or crop.
- New Showjumping speeds have been passed in principle. 250mpm for E & D grades, 300mpm for C & B grades, 325mpm for A grade.
- Mentone PC complained re 2 judges at musical ride. Have been advised it is a 2 year pilot program so will remain static at this time.
- Games 2009 – 2 flag race has been replaced with pyramid race.
- Riders are to be grade only when cards are present.
- Riders may only wear approved polo shirts.
- Membership is 168 lower than this time last year.
- Council has passed that lunging must be done in a confined area at rallies and competitions. This will need to be specified on entries, etc.

### **ZONE EXAMINING SECRETARY'S REPORT:** As per attached.

In addition 2 new C certificate examiners have been appointed. Bethea Hill and Pauline Hill.

Written paper dates for next year will be 17<sup>th</sup> Feb, 24<sup>th</sup> Mar, 6<sup>th</sup> May, 3<sup>rd</sup> Jun, 14<sup>th</sup> Jul, 11<sup>th</sup> Aug, 8<sup>th</sup> Sept.

### **CLUB VISITS:**

- Rob checking if any visits been completed.
- Download club visit form from the website
- Encourage clubs to download the form and get a feel for what we will be doing at visit.
- Jennifer suggested mentioning this at Zone meeting.

## GENERAL BUSINESS:

- Junior Clinics for 2009 will be  
Pre 5/ 5 at Mooroolbark 8/9April  
Gr 3 / 4 at Yarrambat 15/16 April  
Gr 4/5 at Yarra Glen 30/31 May  
Pre 5/5 at Eltham 8/9/ July  
4/5 at Lilydale 29/30 August  
Pre 5/5 at Yarra Glen 30 Sep/1Oct
- Senior Rider Clinic – agreed to try and have Sue Leslie coach. Looking at 29<sup>th</sup> March 2009 at Wyena. Suggested promoting through Yeringberg.
- Kate talked about a certificate of attendance from the Zone for these clinics, Jennifer going to ask Peter if he could look at sample.
- Query over “formal uniform” check with gear rules. NOTE – 2009 gear rules state that “traditional” uniform is shirt tie and woolen v neck jumper. However polo shirts are official uniform for all disciplines. Must have PCAV logo as well as club logo.
- Dressage accreditation – Email Wendy Myers re dressage accreditation.
- Instructors clinics – agreed evening seems to work well, next one should maybe focus on showjumping.
- Possible merger between Templestowe and Donvale pony clubs, with assistance from the Local Council.
- DCI/ZA reports – discussed the lack of a DCI/ZA report to Zone. Agreed to supply a report after each of our meetings. Linda offered to present on behalf of panel if no members attended meeting. As no one volunteered to write report, Secretary will attempt to do it.
- Meeting dates for 2009 are 18<sup>th</sup> Feb, 20<sup>th</sup> May, 19<sup>th</sup> Aug, 18<sup>th</sup> Nov.

Meeting closed at 10.20pm

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