



NORTHERN METROPOLITAN ZONE

CHIEF INSTRUCTORS REPORT FOR ZONE MEETING – April 2011

ZONE EXAMINING / CERTIFICATE REPORT -

See separate report tabled by Diane Baxter - NMZ ZES

A pre Assessment day for B certificate is to be held on 7th May 2011 . Unfortunately our 2 NMZ candidates are not continuing on with their B certificate.

CLINIC / TRAINING DAYS REPORT:

A reminder of the dates so far for the 2011 calendar are :

Today and tomorrow, April 13/14 at Mooroolbark - Pre 5/Inexperienced Grade 5

May 28/29 at Lilydale - Grade4/5

July 6/7 at Eltham - Pre 5/Inexperienced 5

Oct 5/6 at Yarra Glen - Grade 4/5

2011 State Clinic - date set Saturday 5th November Wandin Park

A senior rider Cross Country Clinic is going ahead on Tuesday 19th April at Yarra Glen PC grounds. We are very fortunate to be able to hire the grounds from Yarra Glen and take advantage of their 1 - 5 XC course. The clinic is aimed at Senior riders (3-5). Numbers for the clinic were lower than expected, mainly due to the school holidays. I have filled a few spots with experienced Grade 4 riders just going up to grade 3, so that we don't run the clinic at a loss.

CLUB VISITS REPORT

As mentioned previously Donvale Eltham Hurstbridge, Lower plenty Mooroolbark Mt Evelyn Ringwood Wyena and Yarra Glen will be visited in 2011

NCAS ROLLOUT: (by Kate Wilson)

Thanks to Kate for running 2 training sessions for prospective candidates

The Nth Metro NCAS day at Yarra Glen went really well last Saturday 9th April 2011

12 coaches attended for prac assessment, all found competent, just a few books to be finished off.

Yarra Glen organised a great day with about 15 riders, canteen and also their coaches participating.

That day essentially marks the end of the Nth Metro assessments as part of the Roll Out process, any coaches still outstanding, and there are a few, will need to attend assessment days in other Zones. By the end of this year the assessment will become a user pay arrangement so if you have coaches at your club who are yet to be assessed they should try to do it this year to take advantage of the last of the free assessments. Failing that they can be assessed later but there will be a cost involved.

We encourage coaches to move on through the assessment process to Level 1 and purchase the manuals through PCAV shop to begin their mentoring. Level 1 assessment will be done in clusters so if we can get at least 6 coaches ready at the same time I think we could have an assessment in our Zone. Again they are user pays, approximately \$150 total including purchasing manuals. As the NCAS process is based on mentoring it is important to either set coaches up with mentors at rallies to work side by side, or if there are no suitable mentors within the club make contact with the DCI/ZA panel and ask for some assistance in that area. The coaching clinics run by our own Zone as well as neighbouring Zones and the State Workshop are all opportunities to assist coaches with these accreditations so please pass info to your coaches or better still pass your coaches details to the DCI/ZA panel as we email all of this out directly to coaches.

If anyone has questions they can contact me or PCAV for further info.

There is also a new re vamped Prelim Syllabus

COPIES OF DRESSAGE TESTS:

Thank you to those clubs who have sent them to me promptly. I need 6 from each grade please. A reminder once again that if you are holding a dressage phase in a competition your club is running, please post copies of dressage tests after you have held your event to myself. Rachael Edwards PO Box 111 Seville 3139.

EXEMPTIONS -

Please be reminded that some riders in PCAV have exemptions.

NEW RULES / PCAV WEB SITE

Please ensure you check the web PCAV site regularly (especially if you are unable to make a zone meeting - or your club rep is unable to attend). Please ensure you check the "latest news" section for current information

DRESSAGE JUDGES ABBREVIATION LIST:

A revamped Dressage Judges Abbreviation list is available from our web site. It is recommended that this sheet be given to your pencilers when assisting with dressage test writing. Thanks to Peter and Jennifer Smith for updating the sheet.

INSTRUCTOR DATA BASE

Dont forget that we are in the process of collating an instructor list and ask clubs to remind instructors to send us their details so we can complete the list ASAP without leaving off names. At our last panel meeting it was very disappointing to hear we had so few replies. We are still waiting for replies from Seville (although their list is underway), North Eastern, Lilydale and, Lower Plenty. Thank you to Kinglake for their list which I received last week. Please chase up this info from your instructors and get them to send it to myself or Sue Winter. THIS IS NOW URGENT A first copy of the instructors list is available - please email me for a copy. Thanks to Sue Winter for her efforts

DRESSAGE JUDGES LIST -

A reminder that if you wish to have a copy, please email me so I can forward our current list on to you.

RALLY PLANS:

Reminder to clubs to be pro active in program planning at rallies and ensure they incorporate "certificate" learning lessons. Please also incorporate "what to do on a competition day" (ie presenting to dressage judge, sj judge, when to start etc) for those riders that may have never competed or have minimal experience.

NEWS FROM CIP MEETING -

Meeting to be held Wednesday 6th April.

Agenda Items - NCAS training report, Strategic Plan, National Champion Squads and Training, Grants

I was unable to attend the CIP meeting due to pressing work commitments, but thank you to Jennifer Smith who attended on my behalf.

Discussion at CIP meeting included:

B candidates, which zones have candidates.

Zone and State Training Dates , dates, requirements etc

NCAS report - as mentioned

Insurance - A person who has an ABN and is declaring income is deemed a professional and needs own insurance.

Strategic Plan - Kits, increasing membership

40 km ride for K proposal to become an option going to APCC next meeting November

Discussion again re Dressage test and HT 2 test

Club visit forms - would be helpful if clubs can fill out club visit form (available from PCAV web) ready for visit day

Musical ride - looking at rukes

K discs available from PCAV for Gold, Silver and Bronze.

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NEWS FROM OTHER ZONES:

Please continue to check NMZ, PCAV and other zones website for more up to date information.

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