



NORTHERN METROPOLITAN ZONE

CHIEF INSTRUCTORS REPORT FOR ZONE MEETING - Wed 9th March 2011

ZONE EXAMINING / CERTIFICATE REPORT -

See separate report tabled by Diane Baxter - NMZ ZES

A Pre Examination day for our 2 St Andrews B Certificate Riders was held on Wed 5th Jan at St Andrews PC. Thanks to Kammy for valuable B sheets and Ruth for her support and input. Faye Bates examiner of the the day.

Both girls have the potential to carry on with their B and we are hoping that they can join in with Central Zone for the exams as they have 2 candidates almost ready.

CLINIC / TRAINING DAYS REPORT:

Once again, Some dates so far for the 2011 calendar are :

April 13/14 at Mooroolbark - Pre 5/Inexperienced Grade 5 - 8 entries so far. Please enter ASAP

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

GAMES CLINIC - There was a games clinic workshop held at Parkview, Wonga Park on Friday 19th Feb. We had over 65 people attend the night (this included siblings, riders and riders parents as well as the facilitators) The venue was fantastic as too were the informative presenters. A big thank you to Gill Gasgoine and Brenda Mitton for their contribution to the night as well as our other 2 presenters Frank and Tim. A big thank you to the fantastic demonstration riders. Notes / handouts from the night are on the NMZ website.

A senior rider Cross Country Clinic is going to be held 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). Details are on the NMZ web site. Entries have already started to come in, so please enter ASAP to avoid disappointment!

CLUB VISITS REPORT

Club visits for this year will be Donvale, Eltham, Hurstbridge, Lower plenty, Mooroolbark, Mt Evelyn, Ringwood, Wyena and Yarra Glen

NCAS ROLLOUT: (by Kate Wilson)

Next Practical Assessment day - NMZ Yarra Glen - 9/4/2011. {Please note that if you are interested in an assessment you must contact Kate ASAP at PCAV. **You will not be able to get assessed on the day unless you have booked**

Kate Wilson has organised a series of evenings is to provide some mentoring and assist coaches in completing their NCAS Workbooks prior to practical assessment.

DATES

Friday 4th March TOPICS: Module 1 - Coaching - Lesson planning

Friday 18th March TOPICS: Lesson plan review - Inclusive coaching

VENUE Ringwood Pony Club Rooms, Quamby Reserve, Wonga Road, Ringwood.

TIME 8.00 pm - approx 10.00pm COST \$2.00 ea (for tea/ coffee)

Many thanks to Kate and Ringwood Pony Club for allowing this valuable program to go ahead

COPIES OF DRESSAGE TESTS:

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 (a few from each level / judge) to myself. Rachael Edwards PO Box 111 Seville 3139. Thank you to those clubs who have sent them to me promptly. I need 6 from each grade please.

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, Lower Plenty and Kinglake . 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.

PCAV RESOURCES:

A reminder that postage and cost of stock has gone up in the PCAV shop. Jan Dear our Treasurer is happy to collect things from PCAV on behalf of clubs prior to zone meetings. Please let Jan know if you would like to take advantage of saving a few dollars for your club! PCAV now have EFTPOS and Credit Card facilities available.

Come and Try Pony Club :

State Council approved at the February meeting the new Come and Try Pony Club Day AttendanceThe form for club officials to use when processing prospective members is [on the PCAV web site](#). This will give public liability insurance to these riders, not personal accident insurance

State Horse Trials Championship:

Due to the fact that some Zones have "lost" Horse Trials this autumn because of the unusual amount of wet weather and combinations may find it difficult to qualify prior to close of entries. Requests have been made to accept late entries.
The Wannan Zone HT Committee is not prepared to accept late entries as this compromises the draw & other administration issues. However, they are prepared to accept entries that may qualify after the closing date.
For 2011 ONLY State Council has waived Horse Trials rule D.6.2.1 which states "At the closing date for entries for the championships, ALL combinations of horse and rider must be qualified as per the rules, for the grade/s in which they wish to enter"
If the entered combinations do not qualify prior to 25th April 2011 they would forfeit \$20.00 of their entry fee.

Unqualified are not eligible to compete.

The Zone Representative must make contact with the State Horse Trials Championships Secretary prior to the close of entries by email or letter to notify her of any their riders entering under these conditions.

Day Attendance for HT : Stephen Coffey has recently informed PCAV that he has come to an arrangement with AON to reinstate Day Attendance for Eventing activities. This came about after confusing information about day attendance occurred.

PCA Insurance for coaches:

The PCA Policy provides cover to the club for:

- Instruction provided by NCAS Level 1 Coaches to members at authorised and/or sanctioned Pony Club Australia Inc activities
- Activities undertaken by registered volunteers (including club instructors and prelim coaches) on behalf of the club at authorised and/or sanctioned Pony Club activities

Therefore; Pony Club qualified PCA NCAS Level 1 and Preliminary Coaches are covered

Club Instructors and Volunteers are covered

AON recognises that we reimburse coaches and volunteers for their travel and expenses. There is no cap on this amount as distances travelled can be excessive.

A Coach who receives payment and declares this income is considered to be paid and is no longer classed as a volunteer

Cover is not provided for:

Non PCA coaches/instructors - proof of insurance to be obtained from the visiting coach/instructor

CURRENT EA NCAS Coaches are covered by AON under their own Equestrian Australia Insurance policy to coach Pony Club riders at recognised Pony Club activities in the States that are insured by AON - VIC, SA, TAS, NT

EA Coaches who are currently accredited and therefore insured by AON through EA will be able to produce a Certificate of Currency to the Club on request.

Pony Club Australia Insurance package is available from PCAV web

State Games, Flat and Musical ride for 2011

State Games, Flat & Musical Ride 2011 - Entry Forms, Information and Score Sheets
Entry forms, score sheets etc are on the PCAV web site NOW!

2011 rule books - The Bylaws, Horse Trails and Gear Rules Effective February 1st 2011 are now available to download or purchase . Following a major update with substantial rules changes in 2010 a minor overhaul and amendments have been undertaken for 2011. The Colour cover will not be changed so it is important that the correct edition of the book is being used. The following Rule books have been updated and amended. All changes are marked with a vertical line in the right hand margin. and become effective from FEBRUARY 1st 2011 See PCAV website for more info under latest news! (summary attached at end of this report)

NEWS FROM CIP MEETING -(No meeting held as yet for 2011 - next meeting April 4th)-

NEWS FROM OTHER ZONES:

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

Rachael Edwards
NMZ Chief Instructor.
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