

## **ZONE REP REPORT 11<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2011**

### **STATE HORSE TRIALS HELD AT WANNON ZONE ON MAY 1<sup>ST</sup>.**

A very big Congratulations must go to all our riders, those who won and those who participated but did not place. The standard of our riders was terrific and everyone seemed to enjoy the course. The course had many challenges and was quite technical and was a credit to the Wannon Zone.

Despite bad weather they ran a great event with presentations being completed around 2.30 so everyone could go home. For the results we must congratulate Seville who came 1<sup>st</sup> overall in the teams section and Yarrambat finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in the team section overall. Naomi White from Seville finished 1<sup>st</sup> in Grade 1 with Sarah Ray from Yarrambat finishing second and Billie Pearson from Kangaroo Ground finishing 4<sup>th</sup> overall in the grade 1 section. All riders rode beautifully and stood out. In one section of Grade 1<sup>st</sup> only 6 riders finished with all other riders being eliminated.

We also did very well in Grade 2 with Sheridan Wilson from Seville finishing 1<sup>st</sup> in the individual, Mary Fildes from Seville finishing 2<sup>nd</sup> and Lucy Gun from Yarrambat finishing 3<sup>rd</sup> in their sections. A terrific weekend all round. It was a shame about the rain but it did not daunt the supporters or the riders.

### **Yarding at events**

We are to look at EA policy and consider. Come back in the future for discussion.

### **BUSHFIRE RELIEF FUND DISBURSEMENT.**

PCAV have to disburse balance of money. It equates to approximately \$20.00 per family affected by the bushfires. Monies will be given to the zone for distribution before the 30<sup>th</sup> June, 2011.

### **Games Team format.**

Letter has been sent to all clubs by PCAV. Zones are to discuss before the next Council meeting and come back to the next meeting. Discuss in general business

### **Nationals**

Selectors have been chosen

Eventing will be Neil Clinton and Bev Shandley  
Dressage will be Belinda Dawkins and Debbie Warne  
Showjumping will be Vicki Kneebone and Yvonne Morrison.

Closing date for Expression of interest forms for selection consideration will be the 31<sup>ST</sup> JULY. 2011. All riders should be keeping accurate records or performances for as long as possible. Forms will come out in the near future.

## **RULES FOR MUSICAL RIDES**

There is going to be clarification of the rules for Judging of the musical ride including the penalties for use of voice, leaving the area, fall of rider and failure of the music. Also suggested that the committee make available some unrehearsed rides for zones to use at their elimination trials. Going to rules committee to work on.

## **INTERZONE TEAMS HORSE TRIALS JULY 23<sup>RD</sup> AND 24<sup>TH</sup>.**

Expression of interest forms now on the website. Zone event for grades 3 & 4. Could everyone please let their members know about the event and complete the entry forms and send to me along with a cheque made payable to the Northern Metro Zone of PCAV. Please do not make the cheque payable to PCAV. We will then draw one cheque for everything to PCAV. This is a terrific event at Werribee and if anyone has any queries about the event please see me. I am expecting to field as many teams as we can please.

Working with children cards are valid for 5 years. Those individuals who have them will be notified by the Department of Justice when it is time to renew. There has been a clarification on the exemption for persons working with closely related children as there has been a misinterpretation of the act. Section 28 (1) of Working with Children Act 2005 states

- (1) A person engaging in child related work where each child with whom he or she is required to have direct contact during the work is a child who is closely related to him or her is exempt from a working with children check in respect of that work.

The act states that you must be closely related to EACH CHILD so if you have 8 children in your section you must be related to each of those children. Basically **everyone** should have a working with children check which would stop any ambiguity. Zone reps should ensure that this is taken back to their clubs so that it can be put in newsletters etc.

Strength Returns. Please make sure everyone gets them in by May 15<sup>th</sup>. It does not mean that because we are doing the strength return by May 15<sup>th</sup> any new members joining either join from 1/7 or take out a pro rata membership up until the 30<sup>th</sup> June.

## **MAD MAGAZINE**

Has everyone been receiving their magazine.

Recommendation to state councilors to advise clubs that the Dressage Test HT2B for Grade 2 Horse trials should not be used due to a degree of

difficulty for the average grade 2 rider. All the dressage tests in the PCAV dressage book are undergoing a review.

## **RIDER SQUADS**

The first Rider Squad was on Saturday April 16<sup>th</sup> at Riddells Creek. Went very well. We were short on show jumpers so the riders there virtually had a private lesson. Excellent day.

## **State Dressage and showjumping champs**

TD submitted report and requested her report be considered by the Rules committee. She feels that the day should be cut back to two events due to the fitness level of the horses and their welfare.

New pony club affiliated – Dalmore Pony Club.

Afternoon was devoted to the Strategic Plan for the next three years.

Cheers,  
Linda Smith NMZ Zone Rep.