



NORTHERN METROPOLITAN ZONE

CHIEF INSTRUCTORS REPORT FOR ZONE MEETING - June 2012

ZONE EXAMINING / CERTIFICATE REPORT -

See separate report tabled by Diane Baxter - NMZ ZES

WHO AND WHAT IS THE DCI ZA PANEL? :

As many clubs are holding AGM's, I thought it would be timely to refresh and enlighten club committee members of who we are and what we do !

Zone DCI and ZA Panel (as taken from PCAV By Laws)

The DCI and ZA Panel is a sub-committee of the zone and is responsible to the zone and, therefore, the PCAV and must follow all directives given by the zone and PCAV.

The Zone appoints deputy chief instructors, in accordance with rule 5.13, and zone assistants, in accordance with rule 5.14, to assist the zone chief instructor. DCIs, ZAs and the ZCI form a panel known as the zone DCI and ZA panel.

All members of the DCI and ZA panel are eligible to vote at any panel meeting.

The ZCI calls a minimum of two meetings per year of the DCI and ZA panel.

The DCI and ZA panel is the instructional sub-committee of the zone. Any proposals to change policy or direction require ratification by the State Council.

Other Duties of the Zone DCI and ZA Panel

Ensure each club in the zone, is visited by a DCI or ZA at least annually.

Ensure that permanent and full attendance records of all instructors' courses are up to date.

Maintain a current database of zone instructors and judges, so that organising committees and clubs may contact the ZCI for a referral to an instructor or judge.

Record junior judges or examiners and provide opportunities to use them in an official capacity.

Assist the ZCI with any courses.

Assist with K and B efficiency test assessments as requested by the ZCI.

Ensure all zone clubs are aware of the efficiency test levels and the procedures for registering candidates and that all relevant matters are brought to their attention.

Assist the PCAV or zone in other matters that may reasonably be requested.

Keep the PCAV and the youth movement aims and objectives foremost in the minds of all involved.

CLINIC / TRAINING DAYS REPORT:

STATE TRAINING WORKSHOP - The next State Training workshop will be held Glenormiston on 30th June 2012. Great instructors are planned for the future state training workshops. Please encourage club personnel to attend, as topics can cater for NCAS coaches as well as senior certificate candidates. Details have been emailed out, or entry details available from PCAV website

Junior Rider clinics - A reminder that the 2012 clinics are underway. Next one is 28th and 29th July - Pre 5 and inexperienced 5 riders at Eltham. The following one and final one for the year is on 26th and 27th September - Grade 5 riders at Lilydale PC. Please note that these clinics tend to fill up fast, and therefore it is important to ensure entries are submitted on time. Entries to the clinics can be found on the NMZ site

NMZ DCI/ZA will be running a C* and K night on Friday 7th September at Ringwood Pony Club. Entry forms are on the NMZ web site. Bookings essential

Speed to safety - Prue King and Sue Winter have organised the training for this . Entry forms on NMZ web site. Dates are: 17th June, 8th July and 29th July from 1-3pm - \$30 for all of the sessions in total at Cranbourne race track.

The finals will be held on 25th August at Moonee Valley. There will be media coverage at the event. Learn to Track Ride has been very popular and it is looking like this may be run in clubs as clusters or as a zone activity.

Our DCI/ZA panel will attend a state DCI ZA Workshop which will be held on 14th July 2012.

Great to see Brenda Mitton featured in this edition of MAD magazine

CLUB VISITS REPORT

There will be several clubs that will have club visits in 2012. The clubs to be seen in 2012 are - Healesville, Kangaroo Ground, Kinglake, Lilydale, North Eastern, Ringwood, Nunawading, St Andrews, Seville, Upper Yarra and Yarrambat. Upper Yarra has been completed.

The club visit form can be located at :

<http://www.ponyclubvic.org.au/?Page=21362&MenuID=Resources%2F10855%2F0%2F%2CForms%2F10847%2F0%2F%2CZone%5FAdministration%5FForms%2F13204%2F0%2F0>

I would be appreciated if you have a club visit scheduled, that you make your committee familiar with the form and requirements and fill out relevant information (where possible) prior to the club visit, so it is ready for the day

Please be reminded that you can request a club visit at any time of the year and do not have to wait for one to happen!

NCAS ROLLOUT: (by Kate Wilson)

The NCAS Preliminary and NCAS Level 1 courses will still operate throughout 2012. More focus will be aimed at getting the Level 1 courses up and running within the state. Updated and revised workbooks and manuals for both the Prelim and Level 1 are available through the PCAV Office. Kate Wilson will organize dates and training sessions within our zone for prospective NCAS Level 1 candidates.

Once again, I have a list of instructors for each club and where they are at. If you would like to know who is at what stage, please see me after the meeting

NCAS - Prelim costs \$65 , level 1 costs -\$115 plus any "extra" training that may be needed. NCAS days for Prelim are advertised on the PCAV website

NCAS LEVEL 1 IDEA : One of our clubs in our zone has set up the following to encourage NCAS Prelim coaches to continue with their NCAS Level 1. This is what they have done - They have set up an "Instructor's Grant at Hurstbridge to encourage their senior riders to stay and be part of the club. They have offered them half of their NCAS Level 1 costs as well as mentoring. They asked them to submit a proposal on why they want to coach and what they will bring to the club and how they will continue to contribute. We had 4 applications and put the top two through, based on their current equine commitments in and out of pony club (they don't compete regularly but study etc) and also their own riding levels." I think this is great initiative by the club, and thought it was too good not to share incase other clubs would like to adopt their idea.

There is a copy of NCAS Training timetable for NMZ on PCAV and NMZ web site. This has also been emailed to clubs and coaches

SAFETY OF RIDING GROUPS AT RALLIES -

Please be mindful of safety when organising riders into groups at rallies. Please keep an eye on brand new club members and their riding ability, and place them in an appropriate group. Also ensure that the area you are using for riders is safe, and for the younger riders that may not have the control - please make sure it is an enclosed area where possible for safety reasons. Make sure your areas are suitable for the purpose - ie safe footing on XC, suitable lunging area if lunging, safe area for new or younger riders etc.

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. **We do need hosting clubs name, a date for the event, a description such as DJ, CT day, HT etc, and two names for each judge, not just initials.** (Please ensure that tests are posted to me and not the NMZ PO Box!) 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

A reminder that new rules are in place as mentioned last month. Please see PCAV web site

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.

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.

PCAV RESOURCES:

A reminder to ensure that you have the most up to date resources within your club. Hard copies of resources etc can be purchased directly from 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. Order forms are on the PCAV web

NMZ DCI ZA News:

We are still working on theory / horsemastership lessons to be used at rallies. Examples of whats in store are: how to measure your horse, tying up, true / false game incorporating competition, D D* and C questions, clipping info etc. Peter smith had a draft at the meeting and it is looking great!

NCAS Mentors - we are currently compiling a list of mentors for prospective coaches to use within our zone.

Dressage Tests - Thanks to Jennifer Smith who compiles info on the tests we get from clubs running dressage phases.

Instructors List - Panel member Sue Winter has sent out info to clubs to obtain information on instructors to assist us with our NMZ Instructors list. Please follow up on the information that will be sent shortly, and get it back to Sue Winter ASAP

EVENT SCORING -

A reminder that Lynne Brown from our zone is happy to provide a scoring service for any of their horse trials/ODEs, provided that dates fit with my calendar as well. There is no cost involved, other than consumables, which would normally be included in the cost of running an event anyway.

A bit about Lynne - My interest in scoring was initially sparked by Peter Smith and I have certainly learnt a lot from him. I think clubs usually have the capacity within their own membership to manage the scoring for dressage and show jumping events (particularly once they have attended your workshop), but a horse trials/ODE has different challenges and does need additional expertise and resources.

Other than doing the scoring for our own zone events, including Yeringberg HT for the past several years, I have scored at interstate FEI/EA events and most recently was the chief scorer for the Adelaide International 3DE. I will also be scoring at the Melbourne International 3DE in June and the PCAV interzone teams horse trials championships at Yarrambat in July.

Both the Adelaide and Melbourne events include 'live to web' results that allow competitors and spectators to follow the scores live on their iPads and iPhones, so scoring needs to be fast and accurate.

Clubs can be provided with my details as an additional resource, should they have any concerns about their capacity to do the scoring at their horse trials/ODE - Lynne Brown Phone: 9739 0184 / 0416 014 599

NEWS FROM CIP MEETING -(No meeting held)

NEWS FROM OTHER ZONES:

West Gippsland Zone are holding a dressage judges and coaching clinic with Mary longden on Friday 13th July at Aaron park , Clyde. Contact Jenny O'sullivan if interested . Grades 1, 2 and 3 - \$30 for coaches

Correspondence -

Letter of resignation of Rachael Edwards as Zone Chief Instructor tabled on the night. Rachael will still remain on the DCI ZA panel, just not in the role of chief instructor

Rachael Edwards

NMZ Chief Instructor.

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