



Wanneroo Horse and Pony Club

RALLY #2 Sunday 19th February, 2012



From the Editor,

Hi all - here we go again for another year and for many the first time! This first newsletter is full of information about the rally - please read carefully. Our rallies are designed to expose riders to all pony club disciplines in a group session that is fun and educational. Pony Club has many rules and regulations and whilst some seem extreme, they are designed with the safety of the rider and pony (and spectators) in mind. Insurance liability dictates many of these rules and as a club we are bound to abide by them or risk forfeiting any insurances. Newsletters will generally be emailed out a few days before every rally. If you are concerned you have not received an email, please email sharon@whpc.org.au Some email addresses, in particular Hotmail, reject our emails or put them in the spam/junk folders. Make sure that my email address is on the acceptable senders list. From time to time, additional emails will be sent out - please check your emails regularly to make sure you aren't missing anything important. We are also on Facebook - Wanneroo Horse and Pony Club and quite often members will post items regarding events at other clubs etc that might interest you or discuss anything to do with our club. Often a question posted on there can be answered in seconds! I wish everyone a great year!

Sharon McCormick - Newsletter Editor/Website Manager

From the President...

Hi to everyone and welcome back for the 2012 Pony Club season.

I hope you have all had a wonderful holiday and break from the horses and now it is back to business. We have a lot of wonderful things happening at Pony Club this year including the Beginners Day coming up in March which is being organised by Vicky Aravidis. I hope everyone gets involved and shows their true club spirit by supporting these events in any way they can.

Training is already underway for the Tetrathlons. The first of which is in Narrogin on the 25th/26th February. This is an extra special event this year as they are allowing teams to enter as pairs. I know of a lot of Father/Daughter and Boyfriend/Girlfriend combinations which should make it a fun and exciting weekend. The State Tetrathlon in Northam is at the end of March. Next year they are thinking of including pairs as a category as well, so get training everyone. The International Tetrathlon will be held in WA in 2014 so that gives our riders something extra special to aspire to.

I am putting the call out for someone to take on the overseeing of ground maintenance. We have a lot of lawn which is very well cared for by "Lawn Doctor" thanks Terry and Bec Sellick but we need someone to regularly check sprinklers and mow the car park and hard to get at areas. The path up to the club is very overgrown after all that lovely rain. If anyone would like to take responsibility for this job it would be greatly appreciated. Perhaps you have a Grandfather or Uncle that has a few hours to spare that could give us a hand. Please give me a call if you can help in any way.

I will also be looking for families to take on our X Country jumps again. This is the X Country year! More news at the Rally.

Thanks to Kristen and Nairee for their wonderful organisation of the first Rally and coordinating all the instructors. A big welcome back to all our instructors. Please take the time out to thank and help your instructor, they do a wonderful job for very little compensation. They have all just attended a weekend Instructor's Course learning the latest riding techniques and updating their skills.

I better get off now. I hope you all have a great pony club season and look forward to catching up with everyone and meeting all our new members very soon.

GROUNDS COMMITTEE MEMBER

We are in need of someone to oversee the grounds maintenance. This job will cover the 4 rosters normally required. The primary job will be to maintain the sprinklers and reticulation system and report to the committee when other maintenance work is needed. Another area that needs attention at the moment is the long grass in the car park. If you are able to help with this then please email sharon@whpc.org.au

GOT SOMETHING TO CONTRIBUTE?

If you have any stories of interest, or secret recipes to keep flies away.... or anything else that you think members of our club would be interested in, please email sharon@whpc.org.au We would also like to hear about your achievements outside of the Pony Club and photos are welcome

EVENTS COMING UP

DATE	EVENT	LOCATION
Sat Feb 18th	PCAWA OPEN DRESSAGE DAY	SEC
Sat Feb 18th 9-00 am	TET SHOOTING TRAINING	
Sun Feb 19th	RALLY #2	WHPC
Sat Mar 3rd	TET SHOOTING TRAINING	
SUN MAR 4TH	BEGINNERS HACK DAY	WHPC
SAT MAR 10TH	TET SHOOTING TRAINING	
SUN MAR 18TH	RALLY #3	WHPC

ROSTERS

Rosters are an important part of any club. Every family will complete 4 rosters over the year as part of their condition of membership. With your membership fees, you paid a \$100 bond which equates to \$25 per roster. As you complete each roster, \$25 will be refunded to you through Michelle Tanner in the canteen and you need to sign to show you have received it. Should you not complete your designated roster, you will forfeit \$25 and the person who steps in to do your roster will receive the \$25 instead. It is up to you to contact Sharon Smith if you are unable to do your roster: davnshaz@bigpond.net.au

RALLY #2 SUNDAY 19TH FEBRUARY

DUTY	NAME	TIME
CANTEEN	MICHELLE TANNER - MANAGER	8AM - 2PM
CANTEEN	PETA FREDMAN	8AM to 11AM
CANTEEN	NICOLE MARSON	9AM to 12.00PM
CANTEEN	LILY BATHORI	10AM to 1PM
CLEANING	JANET INNES	BEFORE RALLY

RALLY #2 INFORMATION

BAD WEATHER FOR RALLIES

Unfortunately our first rally was cancelled due to the forecast extremely hot day, which turned out to be not as hot as predicted! In future, if bad weather (storms, heat etc) is predicted during the week before the rally, an email will be sent out advising that the final decision will be made on the day before (Saturday). On the Saturday another email will be sent out as well as a notice on the club website and facebook page will be published advising whether rally is going ahead or not. Hopefully this will not have to happen!

PROGRAM FOR THIS RALLY

- **Please arrive at the grounds by 7.30am.** Gates will be open from 7.00am.
- There will be NO ROOM for float yards at this rally and be mindful of the fact that we need to fit in a large number of cars and floats (it is usually not as congested after this rally) so please park as close as reasonably possible.
- Horses may be tied to trees (on bailing twine) in the car park area only. **NO HORSES TO BE TIED TO TREES OR FENCES ON THE RIDING GROUNDS.**
- Water is available on the eastern end of the carpark at the rain tank (on the way down to the ground).
- ALL RIDERS AND PARENTS to meet at the club house UNMOUNTED by 7.55am ready for a meeting at 8.00am. There will be a SIGN IN book for you to sign in, please do this before the meeting. This meeting will give you important information for both old and new members.
- If you have enquiries regarding enrollments, wish to pay fees etc, **please wait until after** the meeting and the first riding session has commenced. There will be committee members on the verandah ready to help you with any of this.
- Following the meeting, riders will be advised their groups and instructor and what their first session will be (jumping, flatwork, horse mastership etc.) Please saddle up (if needed) as quickly as possible and move to your designated area.
- Riders are permitted to have a drink bottle on hand whilst in a riding session. **NO FOOD, NO MOBILE PHONES.**
- As we missed the opportunity to have the assessment of new riders last month, Kristen and Nairiee will be assessing riders whilst in their groups and will consult with the instructors. It may be necessary for riders to change groups either during the day or for the next rally. This is all done with the best interest of the rider in mind to ensure that they are in the right level group for their ability.
- An announcement will be made over the PA system when it is time to change sessions and lunchtime. Riders must move to their next session as quickly as possible.
- The rally will finish at 3.00pm.

Each rally the parents of the groups doing Showjumping and Dressage for the first session MUST help set up the arenas. This applies to the end of the day for Show jumping, Dressage and Active Riding groups packing up for the last session. The rally program will change each month so different groups will be required to help every rally.

WHAT TO BRING TO RALLY

FOR YOU

- Uniform - unfortunately our new rally shirts won't be available for purchase this Sunday. If you have an old rally shirt, you may wear it. All riders must be in a LONG SLEEVE shirt or t-shirt. Beige Jodphurs, riding boots and an Australian approved riding helmet are compulsory.
- No jewelry. No nailpolish. No phones during any session, mounted and unmounted.
- Chaps, gloves, joddie clips etc are optional.
- Sunscreen
- Pen, pencils etc for horse mastership

FOR YOUR HORSE

- Saddle, bridle, etc. saddle cloth (this Sunday any colour, club colours advised on Sunday)
- Jumping boots, work boots etc.
- Brushes, grooming gear. Plaiting not required but your horse must be clean and brushed.
- Hay/hay net and/or feed. There will be a lunch break and the session you are doing horse mastership where you may like to give your horse something to eat while they wait.
- Water bucket. Water available in car park.

RALLY RULES - GENERAL

- A parent or guardian must register the rider in the sign in book BEFORE the rally commences. This is an insurance issue.
- All riders must have an adult present on the grounds AT ALL TIMES. If the parent/guardian must leave the grounds during the rally, they must note in the sign in book who is responsible for the rider during their absence.
- If a rider is leaving the grounds before the rally finishes, the parent must advise the instructor and one of the Chief Instructors (Kristen or Nairiee).
- Please do not interrupt the instructors during a session, or enter the arena unless the instructor asks you to. Instructors are happy to talk to you after the session.

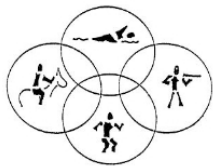
MEMBERSHIP FEES

All balance of fees not yet paid are to be paid THIS SUNDAY at the rally - either cash or cheque (or EFT if done prior and a copy of the receipt brought to rally).

Your PCAWA insurance takes effect once we have receipted your fees in full. After the first rally, riders will not be permitted to ride at a rally or any Pony Club event until they are fully paid members. Your PCAWA Membership number will not be issued until we have advised PCAWA that you are fully paid members. Once we have received the Membership cards they will be issued to riders. Should you require your PCAWA number for events in the near future, a copy of your receipt from WHPC will suffice. (ie: PCAWA Dressage Day, Val Polich Bursary Day etc).

BEGINNERS DAY
SUN 4th MARCH
at WHPC GROUNDS

This is a fun Hacking and Games Day for all beginners. The program is available on the club website - www.whpc.org.au There are lots of prizes including cash!



TETRATHLON 2012

By now, all riders participating in this years Tetrathlon are well and truly into their training. All fees have to be paid **THIS SUNDAY AT RALLY**. Entry is \$75 per rider plus yard and meal fees if required. Parents must also sign a consent form. Each rider is to supply a helper to perform a roster duty over the weekend. Each rider must have a parent present for the duration of the weekend. All riders must have paid club membership fees in full.

SWAN ZONE SILENT AUCTION

Our club is part of the Swan Zone along with Horsemens and Swan Valley Pony Clubs. Every year we have riders selected from our zone to represent WA at the Pony Club National Competition which quite often requires both riders and horses to travel to the east. To assist these riders our zone is holding a silent auction to raise money. If you have any items that you are able to donate please advise one of the committee members.

MARSDEN CUP

The Marsden Cup is a Prince Phillip Mounted Games event held at Horsemens pony club every year. WHPC has won the cup for the past 3 years and we are looking to do it again in 2012. The Cup caters for both experienced and novice teams. If you would like to participate, please see Juanita Brewer for more information. Training sessions will commence in the next month or so - look out for the notice in the newsletters.

It will be held on Saturday 16th June.

WHPC RIDERS EXCEL!!!

Kelly Stevens has been chosen for JETS - Junior Jumping Equestrian Talent Squad - an EWA program. Kelly will benefit from training from Australian and International coaching to further her already successful Showjumping Career. This program is also affiliated with WA Institute of Sport. Well done Kelly!

Sammy Bain has been selected along with 2 riders from the Eastern States to compete in Mounted Games at the New Zealand Horse of the Year Event in March, in NZ. Good luck Sam!

Both Sammy and Kelly represented WA last year at the Pony Club Nationals Competition in Weribee.

PCAWA State Dressage Championships
11th and 12th August, 2012

Whilst this still seems months away, riders planning on entering need to start preparing now! Participation in many of the events requires riders to have ridden 2 tests, judged by an official PCAWA or EFA judge attaining a score of 57% or more in the correct level test on the horse they are using at the Champs. We encourage all members to supply the club with a copy of these tests as soon as they are done so that we have them on file when it comes to submitting entries in July - there is usually a mad scramble to find them! These tests must be done in the 12 months prior to the Champs and the 2011 Dressage Champs tests may be used. Copies may be handed to Sally Mayall or Kath Drummond at rallies or email to Sally - address below.

Anyone wishing to enter a pas de deux ponies and horses should be aware that we are only able to enter 2 pairs of ponies and 2 pairs of horses. Should there be more than this wanting to enter, we will have a run-off in front a judge to select the pairs of pairs. The same applies to any other classes that have a maximum number of entries.

If you have any queries regarding the champs, please see Sally Mayall at rallies or email her on bms321@optusnet.com.au