



## Mansfield Pony Club

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Newsletter January 2012

Next Rally will be our twilight rally to be held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January at 5.30pm. If you could arrive 10 minutes early for gear check so we can get started on time that would be much appreciated.

Riders can only nominate one for horse if they are doing the clinic and the twilight rally on two different horses.

The clinic is being used as our January Rally so riders will be able to claim a rally

**UNIFORM:** summer uniform of MPC T shirts.

### DUTY ROSTER:

The Show jumps will be already set up but if everyone could help pack up at the end.

A reminder to those attending the clinic and the twilight rally there is no canteen facilities

It will be BYO lunch drinks etc for February rally

Reminder: please note that if the main arena is too wet, it is not to be used for PC, only the sand arena and side show alley. We must not ruin them for the Show Society or else we wind up with no grounds. If you are on grounds duty and are not sure please see Cameron, Glen or Fenella, if we don't remember this we will not be allowed to access the main arena any more. Also the terrace area is not for warming up but for gathering and registration for groups, do that on side show alley .

Thank you.

### New Members

There will be lots of new members enrolling over the next couple of rallies so if you see anyone looking lost please direct them to Kris and or Bec at the Apex bar.

Please do your very best to make everyone feel really welcome!

## January Birthdays:

### Happy Birthday to:

Claire Dabney 9<sup>th</sup> Jan

Bella Butterworth 23<sup>th</sup> Jan

Charlotte Antonello 24<sup>th</sup> Jan

Kathryn Burns 31<sup>st</sup> Jan

And any others whose birthday I  
don't have ☐



### YOUR

#### EXECUTIVE:

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### RSVP EMAILS:

Don't forget to RSVP to each rally,

You can simply do this via our wonderful website [www.mansfieldponyclub.org.au](http://www.mansfieldponyclub.org.au).

Thankyou!

### CARD ATTENDANCE:

Please remember to gain an attendance at a rally you must be there for a minimum of half a day and have 2 riding sessions. If unmounted you are to be in Full Pony Club Uniform and help out at the rally, either by following your group and helping the instructor or performing another helpful duty.

Please see the note below regarding the importance of a membership card:

### Colour Groups:

Please note you will not see colour groups in your rally plan from now on. Riders will be grouped for each rally as per your RSVP, **thus the importance of this reply to your coordinator.**

Groups will vary depending on numbers attending the rally and availability of instructors.

So it will be extremely important that you read the rally plan on the website, the newsletter to keep up to date on rally proceedings.

If you haven't replied you may be given another task to complete at the rally, or you will be put wherever there is room. *It is your responsibility to keep informed.*

### NEWS WITHIN THE CLUB

**Some of you have forgotten that once daylight saving starts we have an earlier starting time to try and avoid the heat of the afternoon.  
This continues until the end of daylight saving**

The Christmas rally was a great success with a big turn out. And despite threatening thunderstorms and heavy rain we managed to get the games winners decided and

Father Christmas also managed a visit.

A huge thank you to Anne Payne for coordinating and organizing presents for instructors, food and basically everything else.

To Kris Blake for decorating the hall.

To the Gleeson family especially Beth for driving Topaz to collect Father Christmas

To the Bertalli family for the Christmas cake, and Charlotte Wilson for the horse cake.

The winners of the Bill Stewart memorial trophy: Nicola Payne, Nikki Krainz and Maddy Delarue

Hoof and Woof winners:

High Jumps: Sophie Fox riding Jerry

Middle Height: Jacinta Dixon-Reilly riding Sooty

Small Jumps: Connor Gibney Schelfhout riding Rocky

Peg James award: Gemma Purcell

Marie Hulse award: Lauren Hutchinson

100% attendance award: Charlotte Wilson

Jock Grey Awards:

Senior: Steph Ward

Junior: Molly Lines

Improvement awards:

Fionas groups: Millie Ritchie

Jennys groups: Lucy Reed

Fenellas groups: Ellen Goff

Now that the New Year is upon us we really need to get some commitment for the games teams.

The State Games and Flat teams are 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> June so only about 4 more rallies until the quallies. **We really need some interest**

The Club has a flat team of Lauren Hutchinson, Molly Hore, Tess Storey, Sally Kirley coached by our very capable senior rider Nikki Grey.

The Games team has not yet been finalised but Jacinta and Amy Dixon Reilly along with our experienced games rider Beth Gleeson are lining up for a crack at it. This will be a serious team expertly coached by Marion Sargeant. If any members are interested please contact Fenella Ritchie [ritchie.mark@bigpond.com](mailto:ritchie.mark@bigpond.com)

No one has contacted Fenella yet . There is always room for those that just want to participate in a fun team

NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEE:

In 2012 the clubs membership fees will increase by \$70 dollars per family for a maintenance levy. This will be like the old working bee levy except that it will be nonrefundable. This will be to cover costs such as slashing the XC course, repairing fences, all the jobs that parents used to do but no longer have to time to do, so an outside contractor has to be hired.

Membership fees are due from the 1<sup>st</sup> January all fees, forms and our membership contract can be downloaded from the website [www.mansfieldponyclub.org.au](http://www.mansfieldponyclub.org.au)

The pizza, paint and plonk Show jump painting which was to start at the clinic 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> January has been postponed as the poles need to dry out a bit more.

### **IMPORTANT**

#### **FIRST AID COURSE:**

Expressions of interest are invited for a subsidised Level II First Aid Course to be run for Pony Club parents, older kids and instructors. The committee has agreed to subsidise Pony Club parents if they agree to be on a First Aid roster for rallies & Mansfield PC events. Date is still to be advised (it is a one day course with a self directed learning package to do before-hand). The club desperately needs more first aid helpers for rallies and Pony Club events, so please enrol.

*If you are interested please see Leonie or ring 5777 3565*

#### **CLINICS**

The Will and Emily 2 day clinic to be held in January 2012 is full. Times have been sent out but if you are unsure please contact Fiona at [fiona@foxag.com.au](mailto:fiona@foxag.com.au)

There is no uniform but members please dress tidily and no singlets

There will be a Showjumping Clinic in June with Alan Mitchell, so watch out for details on that

#### **PCAV DRESSAGE & SHOWJUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS; Grades 1,2 & 3, and A,B,C**

A fabulous performance by all our members, Nicola Payne, Sophie Fox, Maddy Kyritsis, Nikki Grey, Molly Chiller, Tess Storey and Jo Stevens.

Well done girls.

The State Championship will be held towards the end of February in Albury

For all results see our DC diary on the webpage

#### **RUGBY TOPS**

Our new very smart Rugby Tops have been approved to wear at competitions.

These are retailing around \$60.00.

Also don't forget the for sale section on the website, lots of gear, show wear and of course horses.

There is also our second hand shop which is open most rally days.

## **JOB VACANCIES**

**No one has put their names forward for any of these roles below!!! Come on parents step up to the mark!!!**

Our Catering Coordinators, chefs extraordinaire, Janelle Purcell and Sue Luise are finishing at the end of this year, so the club desperately needs 1 or 2 people to step into this role. We were very fortunate to have Janelle and Sue takeover from Graham and Heather Mainsbridge at the beginning of this year.

Although the Canteen is not a huge money spinner it subsidises the delicious Christmas Lunch for us all and hampers for our volunteer (non parent) instructors. Please speak to Anne Payne if you feel you could fill this role.

It will be packed lunches at the February rally unless someone is found

Our ever efficient and long serving Secretary Traci Kyritsis will not be taking up this position again. She has kept us informed for so long with all that is going on within the club and all the happenings outside the club as well. Correspondence is an important part of this role.

Last but not least the most important position in Pony Club Kerryn Gooding our fantastic District Commissioner will not be standing again for this position at the AGM in April/May. Please can everybody put their hands up for this job as the club cannot operate without one. Main duties include the smooth running of rallies, organizing instructors, making sure members are graded correctly.

## **RESULTS**

Senior Rider Maddy Kyritsis on Reggae Music has been selected by the club for the Special Pony Club Combination to compete at the Summer Royal in January 2012.

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

**Don't forget all our rally dates for 2012 are on the website so get them in your diary**

Our XC training sessions every second Tuesday evening, guess where the details are?

On the website!!!!

Our April Horse trials are fast approaching we need some coordinators for the dressage and Show jumping phases. **Please Help.** Contact Kerry Gooding

Finally to wish you all a very Happy New Year.

Look forward to seeing you all at the rallies over the coming months and out and about at the competitions.