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Club and Zone News

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ANGELA'S OFF TO THE BEIJING OLYMPICS

Drysdale Leopold Pony Club Member Angela Darby winning at the Oceania Asia Games in Japan 2007, thus qualifying for the Beijing Olympics—See page 6



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MEMBERSHIP / STRENGTH RETURN
Information will be sent out to clubs on 12 May 2008

PRO RATA MEMBERSHIP FOR 2008

Riding/Associate Members \$35

The State Council has moved pro-rata membership forward to 1 February 2008 for one year to help with membership renewals due to Equine Flu.

MEMBERSHIP FOR 2008-2009

Riding/Associate Members \$66

Club Affiliation Fee to PCAV \$6

(Note: the club affiliation fee is paid per club, not per rider)

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



I'm writing this on the evening of Anzac Day and it is actually trying to rain !! The forecast is for a wet weekend and I can only hope the Weather Bureau gets it right as we are in great need of rain nearly everywhere in Victoria. Pony Club activities are back in full swing with rallies and competitions seeming to be held every weekend.

The Northern Zone of PCAV conducted a very successful State Dressage and Showjumping Championship event on Sunday 30th March at the Elmore Event Centre. A committee of interested people are trying to develop an Equestrian centre at the Elmore site and our event was a great preliminary trial for the future use of the area for all horse activities.

On 3rd and 4th May Yeringberg at Coldstream is the venue for the State Horse Trials Championships hosted by the North Metropolitan Zone of PCAV, for Grade 1 and 2 riders. It is always a most exciting event and one I am looking forward to.

I am also looking forward to another event following hard on the heels of the State Horse Trials and that is the State Interzone Teams Horse Trials for Grade 3 and 4 riders. This is held at Werribee Park National

Equestrian Centre on 10th and 11th May. We are fortunate to have the skills of Ewan Kellett as the Cross Country course Designer, and I am proud of his achievements in this field as he is an ex Pony Club member from the Barwon Zone.

State Training Clinics are being rolled out throughout the State gradually, thanks to State Government funding and I encourage everyone to attend one that is to be conducted nearby as they are most informative, using some of the best Instructors in the State and are FREE. Watch for one in or near your Zone and check the website for more information.

I would like to commend the Committees that are responsible for the organisation and conduct of all of the above events – the people are all volunteers, giving of their time and expertise so willingly because they care. Thank you all.

Congratulations to those Clubs celebrating milestones. I went back to Ballarat Pony Club, my old Club, to join their 50th Anniversary celebrations – a great day!

Watch out for the new reprint of Miss Kay's book on horsemastership – it is still a wonderful instructional read and will be available soon.

There will be some fall out from the Equine Influenza outbreak and most likely in the form of registration of horses. Pony Club Australia will be working hard to influence the Federal Government for this to be the most fair and equitable system possible. We will be hopeful of avoiding any levy proposed, but there will be more announcements soon to this end.

Cheers Jan.

PCAV HISTORY COMPETITION

EXTENDED TO 30 JUNE 2008

We have had some really stunning work sent in by current members and former members alike, who are getting a lot of fun out of doing up their Pony Club Histories.

We have extended the closing dates for material, as so many people were in the middle of tracking down important lost material, or trophies, or photos, that we decided that, now that the ball is rolling, we would give every one more time to get a really good history together.

Is your Pony Club going to be represented in our PCAV's 50th Anniversary publication? Don't let it slide into obscurity! Start now with putting together old pictures and minutes and newsletters of your club for the PCAV History Project and History Competition.

If you need any help or guidance, please contact the PCAV office, or myself on 03 5775 1979, or at kammycordner123@dodo.com.au

Keep the great work rolling in! Thank you to all who have participated, and to those of you still going, and to those who start after reading this!

All the best

Kammy Cordner Hunt



PCAV Calendar

Event ID	Event	Start Date	End Date	Organiser
5058	PCAV State Horse Trials Championships NMZ	3 May 08	4 May 08	Northern Metro Zone
5250	PCAV Interzone Teams Horse Trials	10 May 08	11 May 08	PCAV
5943	PCAV State Training Clinic Barwon Zone BZ	24 May 08	24 May 08	PCAV
5266	PCAV Zone Instructional Subsidy Form Due	2 Jun 08	2 Jun 08	PCAV
5262	PCAV State Executive Meeting	3 Jun 08	3 Jun 08	PCAV
5270	Closing date for PCAV Award of Merits	9 Jun 08	9 Jun 08	PCAV
5252	PCAV State Flat Teams, Musical Ride, Games Cham	14 Jun 08	15 Jun 08	PCAV
5265	PCAV Club Membership Strength Return Closes	16 Jun 08	16 Jun 08	PCAV
5257	PCAV State Council Meeting Werribee	16 Jun 08	16 Jun 08	PCAV
5253	PCAV Certificate C*+ Written Exam	6 Jul 08	6 Jul 08	PCAV
5267	PCAV Zone Chief Instructors Nominations Close	10 Jul 08	10 Jul 08	PCAV
5403	International Mounted Games NMG PCAV	11 Jul 08	28 Jul 08	WA Pony Club
5271	PCAV State Councillor nominations close	17 Jul 08	17 Jul 08	PCAV
5268	PCAV State Councillor Annual Report Due	18 Jul 08	18 Jul 08	PCAV
5263	PCAV State Executive Meeting	5 Aug 08	5 Aug 08	PCAV
5272	PCAV AGM RSVP closing date	19 Aug 08	19 Aug 08	PCAV
5273	PCAV Sub-committee nominations close	22 Aug 08	22 Aug 08	PCAV
5258	PCAV State Council Meeting and AGM	26 Aug 08	26 Aug 08	PCAV
5277	PCAV Prince Philip Games State Championships	4 Oct 08	4 Oct 08	PCAV
5269	PCAV Polocrosse State Championships	5 Oct 08	5 Oct 08	PCAV
5264	PCAV State Executive Meeting	21 Oct 08	21 Oct 08	PCAV
5259	PCAV State Council Meeting Mulgrave	11 Nov 08	11 Nov 08	PCAV
6609	PCA Junior National Mounted Games Championships	14 Nov 08	16 Nov 08	SA pony Club
6608	PCA Senior National Mounted Games Championships	16 Nov 08	16 Nov 08	SA Pony Club
5220	PCA Equitana A Grade Showjumping	23 Nov 08	23 Nov 08	PCAV
3831	PCAV State Training Weekend EGZ	29 Nov 08	29 Nov 08	East Gippsland Zone
5254	PCAV Certificate C*+ Written Exam	7 Dec 08	7 Dec 08	PCAV

MEMBERSHIP / STRENGTH RETURN

Information will be sent out to clubs on 12 May 2008 and must be lodged with the office by 16 June 2008

Note: On-line data entries open from 1 June 2008

STATE FLAT TEAMS, MUSICAL RIDE, AND GAMES CHAMPIONSHIPS

Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre
14-15 June 2008

Program of Games

Bending / Baton Relay
Bottle Race
Ball and Bucket

Stick Pegging Relay
Two Flag Race
Flag and Drum Relay



STATE PONY CLUB POLOCROSSE CHAMPIONSHIPS

2008 Tentative date is 5 October 2008

Venue TBA



PCAV STATE NMG PRINCE PHILIP GAMES STATE CHAMPS

2008 Tentative date is 4 October 2008

Venue TBA



STATE SHOWJUMPING AND DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sunday 8 February 2009

Central Zone

Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre (TBC)



STATE TRAINING CLINICS

The next State Training Clinics for officials, instructors and parents is planned for :
24 May 2008 Bacchus Marsh Pony Club

See pages 8-9 and keep an eye on the website for further information.



WORKING WITH CHILDRENS CHECK—PONY CLUB

The Victorian Government is rolling out the Working with Childrens Check for children's sport from 1 July 2008. All persons requiring a check must have it done during the following 12 months. I have inserted the General Information Sheets on pages 12-14.

From 1 July 2008, PCAV will not require National Police Checks for any position as the new Working with Childrens Check Act 2005 replaces this requirement. We have 12 months to roll-in the new system so even persons who had a recent National Police Check may need to apply for the new Working with Childrens Check.

How much does it cost?

The Working with Childrens Check is free for volunteers and \$71.70 for paid workers.

Where do I lodge my paperwork?

Australia Post is the only place to obtain forms and lodge the Working with Childrens Check.

What about exemptions?

If you are a parent with a child in the club you are exempt. This applies to grandparents and closely related persons. (see definitions on website).

Persons under 18 or Police Officers or teachers do not need a check.

Parents and grandparents etc (see definition) who are on a committee with a child in the club are exempt.

Parents and grandparents instructing, officiating with their own child at the rally or competition day are exempt.

PCAV will not be keeping a database of WWCC successful applicants. You do not need to send anything to PCAV. It is the responsibility of the individual to apply for the card, unless exempt, and keep it with them when working with children. Clubs must ask to see WWCC cards for non-exempt persons who work with children. If they are not exempt and do not have a card by 30 June 2009, they cannot participate at pony club.

When applying for the WWCC Check, applicants must nominate PCAV as an organisation on the form.

There are heavy penalties for non-compliance and the government will be conducting audits at club level.

For more information go to www.justice.vic.gov.au or call 1300 652 879.



Pony Club Treasurers

The time for Membership Returns is fast approaching and it is time to make sure your files are in order.

For your club to receive membership cards, we need the following information

\$6 club renewal fee paid to PCAV.

Office Bearers Form completed—or entered on-line.

All club accounts issued before 31 May 2008 to be paid in full.

Payment for club members renewal at \$66 x number of riders. The strength return renewal has to be paid before the office will send out cards. It is only during the year that we send a monthly account for the one or two members joining.

Note: could you also please check that the club Public Officer has sent in the Annual Return to Consumer Affairs (State Govt) in Melbourne. You need to send a form, minutes, financials and a cheque for \$38.60.



Fiona Matheson awarded PCAV Life Membership



Congratulations to Fiona Matheson from Northern Zone on being awarded PCAV Life Membership. Fiona received the highest recognition for her lifetime services to the pony club movement at all levels at the recent 2008 State Showjumping and Dressage Championships. Fiona rode in pony club as a child in the Western District and is still remembered for her dashing cross country riding. She later settled in the Northern Zone. Well done Fiona!

DRYSDALE PONY CLUB RIDER OFF TO THE BEIJING OLYMPICS

How to represent Australia without being an Advanced Dressage or Eventing rider...

Drysdale Leopold Pony Club member, Angela Darby, has just returned from competing in World Cup events in Spain and England as part of her warm-up for this year's Beijing Olympics. The 20 year old Drysdale girl has been selected for the Australian Olympic Team in the Modern Pentathlon, a demanding event that requires skills in Horse Riding, Swimming, Running, Shooting and Fencing.

Angela's Pony Club experience has contributed to her eventual success on the world stage. She learnt to ride at age 7, and went on to Pony Club when the family got their own land and own horses when she was 12. She threw herself into everything that was available at Pony Club, doing fun games, Combined Training Days, One Day Events, and eventually graduating to Show Jumping at the Geelong Show. Meanwhile, in about Year 9, she took up swimming and showed some talent, so stuck with it for a few years to see where it might lead. But the horses and Pony Club were always her number one sport. When a pentathlete joined her swimming club, her coach suggested she blend her two favorite sports and move into Pentathlon. She got an introduction to a Pentathlon coach, and the rest, as they say, is history. That was at the end of Year 12, so moving to Melbourne for University studies made it easier to get to all the training sessions and pick up on her shooting, fencing and running.

Now, she says, the majority of Australian Pentathletes have a Pony Club background. "Pony Club is an untapped resource for good riders who could take this sport up. Having a background in riding as a child, and knowing the nuances of how horses move and react, is a definite advantage in this sport"

At international competitions, competitors ride borrowed mounts (picked at random and given 20 minutes and 5 practice jumps ONLY to familiarize!) around a Show Jumping course of about 1.20m. Having knowledge of how to ride a range of different horses gives a competitor the edge, and ensures a good score in this phase which is often the downfall of competitors without a riding background.

Other Victorian Pony Club members to have taken up the sport are Simon Carey (Kangaroo Ground PC), Ashleigh Butterworth (Mentone PC), among others.

So another opportunity for you to represent your country exists – go for it!

PCAV wishes Angela Darby all the best for success at this years Olympic Games.
Kammy Cordner Hunt

Drysdale Leopold Pony Club Member Angela Darby winning at the Oceania Asia Games in Japan 2007, thus qualifying for the Beijing Olympics



PCAV STATE SHOWJUMPING AND DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS



Grade 1 Dressage

Sarah French	424	1st
Emily Gray	399	2nd
Corrine Welch	398	3rd
Chantel Amiss	391	4th
Sinead Bouwmeester	376	5th
Sherri-Lee Hansson	384	5th
Harriett Craig	334	6th

A Grade Showjumping

Peter Stevens	57	1st
Katherine Stewart	38	2nd
Ellie Kennett	22.5	3rd
Steff White	21	4th
Narelle McFee	20	5th
Steff White	15	6th

Grade 2 Dressage

South Metro	1048	1st
Central	1027	2nd
West Gippsland	955	3rd
Barwon	942	4th
East Gippsland	903	5th
North Metro	901	6th

B Grade Showjumping

North Eastern	70	1st
South Metro	52.5	2nd
West Gippsland	27	3rd
Central	24	4th
East Gippsland	24	5th
Barwon	19.5	6th

Grade 3 Dressage

South Metro	671	1st
Northern	652	2nd
North Eastern	619	3rd
East Gippsland	614	4th
North Metro	609	5th
Central	605	6th

C Grade Showjumping

Northern	45	1st
Central	34.5	2nd
North Metro	28.5	3rd
Midland	27	4th
Wannon	24.5	5th
West Gippsland	24	6th



STRENGTHENING CLUBS— A MUST FOR ALL OFFICIALS

PCAV State Workshop

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For ALL

Pony Club Instructors, DCs, Officials, Parents, Riders and other interested people from around Victoria.

Topics to be covered

Session	Presenter
Show Jumping Course Design	Jenny Muir, EFA Course Designer and Judge
Show Jumping Instruction	TBA
Cross Country Course Build	Mick Pineo, Course builder Melbourne & Adelaide 3DEs
Cross Country Instruction	Sue Leslie, EFA NCAS 2 Eventing Coach & 4* competitor
Cross Country Jump Judge	TBA
Inclusive Coaching for D & D*	Mary Longden, EFA NCAS 3 Coach & National Paralympic Coach
Gear Check + comfort & safety	Pam Davey, Master Saddler, Clare Lewin PCAV CD
Lungeing	Anne Hall, EFA NCAS 2 Coach & Coach Educator
Club Harmony, helpful hints	Norm Glenn, parent & office bearer at club, zone & state level

This is a great opportunity to receive instruction from presenters with years of experience, knowledge and ability.

Saturday 24th May 2008

at

**Bacchus Marsh Pony Club
Bacchus Marsh Racecourse Reserve
Bacchus Marsh – Balliang Rd
Bacchus Marsh (Melways 333 B12)**

9:30 am Registration

10:00 am Start – Finish 4pm approx.

FREE

Light Lunch Provided

Bring your own chair, pencils and notepaper

Funded by Sport & Recreation Victoria, entry to the workshop is FREE

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RESULTS 2008 STATE HORSE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Grade 1 Section 1

Hayley White	Sir Sculptor	Drouin	1st
Mietta Innes-Irons	Bukowski	Shepparton	2nd
Amber Cargill	Marion Downs Dermott	Langwarrin	3rd
Shay Smith	Hitmonchan	Heytesbury	4th
Amy Holland	Miggy B	Mornington P	5th
Georgie Birrell	Pentonville Grove	Barwon Heads	6th



Grade 1 Section 2

Zoe Warrell	Tornado Two Step	Templestowe	1st
Hannah Pitts	Cooper II	Mentone	2nd
Callum Buczak	Entrapments	Pakenham	3rd
Olivia Peacock	Chances Will Be	Mentone	4th
Simon Tainsh	Mighty William	Corio/Moor	5th
Nadine Rotherham	TS Swampfox	Main Ridge	6th



Teams Event

Heytesbury 1	1st
Main Ridge 1	2nd
Barwon Heads 1	3rd
Main Ridge 2	4th
Langwarrin 2	5th
Main Ridge 3	6th



RESULTS 2008 STATE HORSE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Grade 2 Section 1

Erin McKenzie	Simotty	Heytesbury	1st
Sarah Ray	Karalyn	North Eastern	2nd
Alex Sventek	SandHills Kramer	Drouin	3rd
Rhiannon Bromley	Brindabella	Hastings	4th
Stephanie King	Tulla of Rosewood	Kilmore	5th
Morgan Marshall	Mystery Lane	Bendigo	6th

Grade 2 Section 2

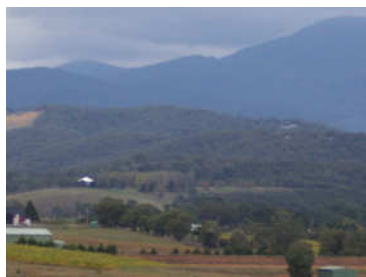
Sarah French	Averdon Othello	Riddells Creek	1st
Megan McDonald	Wallington Park Birchwood	Barwon Heads	2nd
Elizabeth Hughes	Robert Henry	Hurstbridge	3rd
Paige Filia	Fairbank Mist	Barwon Heads	4th
Olivia Townshend	Cosmic Cat	Main Ridge	5th
Thomas Smith	Von Wickham	Heytesbury	6th

Grade 2 Section 3

Eleanor Fraser	Spunky	Bright	1st
Elyssia Watts	Shady Creek Maybe	Buchan	2nd
Natalie Endresz	My Camelot	Wodonga	3rd
Charlotte Townshend	Woodmount Felix	Main Ridge	4th
Hayley Graham	Gabby	Deniliquin	5th
Alyssa Calaby	Smartie	Barwon Valley	6th

Grade 2 Section 4

Bridget Croagh	Heartspark	Ballarat	1st
Juana Andreou	Tarragon Park Alinta	Hallam Valley	2nd
Rukshi Blacker	Pepe	Macclesfield	3rd
Hayley Crane	Astro Boy	Dandy Ranges	4th
Charlotte Baker	Tonka	Oaklands	5th
Heather Stunden	Messiah	Hastings	6th





Working with Children Check

General Information Sheet

Do you need to apply for a Check?

The Working with Children (WWC) Check is a checking system, introduced in Victoria in 2006, which helps to protect children (under 18 years of age) from sexual and physical harm.

Over a five-year period, people who work or volunteer in some types of child-related work will be required to apply for a WWC Check. Certain occupational fields are being phased-in each year.

This information sheet will help you understand how the WWC Check relates to you.

Do I need a WWC Check?

The *Working with Children Act 2005* (the Act) requires a person who works or volunteers in connection with certain types of "child-related work" to pass a WWC Check.

You are undertaking "child-related work" if you are doing:

- paid or unpaid (volunteer) work,
- your work involves contact with children and is in connection with one of the 20 occupational fields listed in the Act, and
- your work usually involves, or is likely to usually involve, regular and direct contact with a child, where that contact is not directly supervised by another person

There are 20 occupational fields being phased-in. These are listed in the phasing in plan.

There are some exemptions that may apply even if you are undertaking "child-related work". The phasing in plan and the exemptions are listed in the WWC Check Application Guide, website or by calling the Information Line.

When do I need to apply?

The WWC Check is being phased-in over a five-year period. If you are required to have a WWC Check, **you need to consult the [phasing in plan](#) to see when the occupational field of your work is being phased in.** If you fall into more than one type of "child-related work", you should apply under whichever type comes first.

What if I don't apply?

If you are required to apply for a WWC Check and have not done so by your due date, it will be an offence for you undertake "child-related work". It will also be an offence for your employer or volunteer organisation to engage you in "child-related work".

How do I apply?

1. Obtain an Application Guide and Form from a participating Australia Post outlet (visit www.auspost.com.au for your nearest outlet)
2. Complete the Application Form attached to the back of the Guide
3. Submit your application, together with your proof of identity documents, a passport sized photo, and the application fee (if required) to a participating Australia Post outlet

An application for a WWC Check is free for volunteers and \$71.70 for paid workers. A Volunteer WWC Check **cannot** be used for paid "child-related work". An Employee WWC Check can be used for both paid and volunteer "child-related work".

The Act allows you to start or continue "child-related work" once you have lodged your application. You will need to show your receipt to your employer or volunteer organisation as proof you have applied for a WWC Check.

How is the WWC Check different from a police records check?

Unlike a police records check, the WWC Check only considers some offences and is valid for five years (unless revoked). During this period, cardholders continue to be checked for new offences or disciplinary findings by professional registration bodies.

A new WWC Check Card is not needed when you change your employer or volunteer organisation.

As the WWC Check is different from a police records check, you will still need to apply for a WWC Check even if you have already had a police records check.



What is checked?

Not all criminal offences are relevant under the Act.

- Broadly, applications will be checked for serious sexual, serious violent and serious drug-related offences. A checklist is available on the website, or by calling the Information Line.
- Professional disciplinary findings will also be considered. Currently, only findings from the Victorian Institute of Teaching (VIT) are included. In future other professional registration bodies will also be considered.

If you do not have a criminal offence, and there have not been any findings made against you by VIT, you will pass the WWC Check.

How will I know that I have passed the WWC Check?

People who pass the WWC Check will be sent an Assessment Notice and a WWC Check Card in the mail. Your WWC Check Card can be used to prove you have passed a WWC Check.

Under the Act, your employer or volunteer organisation must make sure you have passed the WWC Check, and will ask to see your WWC Check Card as proof.

An example WWC Check Card is shown below:



Can I still pass the WWC Check if I have a criminal history or a finding by VIT?

Not all offences and findings are considered when assessing a WWC Check application. The outcome of an application will be dependent upon the type of offence or finding and the circumstances surrounding it. You may wish to contact the Information Line to discuss your personal circumstances.

People who are subject to sex offender reporting requirements are not able to work with children.

What happens if someone does not pass the WWC Check?

In all cases, if the Department of Justice believes an applicant should not pass the WWC Check, the applicant will first be given an opportunity to explain why they believe they should pass the Check.

If, after the applicant's submission is considered, the applicant does not pass the WWC Check, they will be issued with a "Negative Notice". A person who is issued with a Negative Notice cannot undertake child-related work. Negative Notices can be appealed at the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT).

How will my privacy be protected?

The Department of Justice, employers and volunteer organisations are bound by Victorian Privacy laws. In addition, the Act makes it an offence for a person to release any information they have acquired through the Check except in very limited circumstances allowed by the law. Refer to the website or contact the Information Line for further details.

Where known, your employer or volunteer organisation will be notified of whether or not you pass the WWC Check, if the status of your Check is reviewed and if you are no longer eligible to undertake "child-related work".

Details of any criminal records or findings from a professional registration body you may have will not be provided to your employer or volunteer organisation.

Further information?

This information sheet should be read with the Application Guide, which is attached to the Application Form.

Information is also available from:

Website www.justice.vic.gov.au/workingwithchildren

Email workingwithchildren@justice.vic.gov.au

Information Line 1300 652 879

8:30am–5pm, Monday–Friday
(excluding Public Holidays)



Working with Children Check

Applying for a Check - When you need to apply

The WWC Check is being phased-in over five years. When you need to apply for a Check depends on the year that your category of child-related work is being phased in. To work out when it is time to apply, check the phasing plan below. If you fall into more than one category of child-related work, you should apply under whichever category comes first. **Year 1** categories of child-related work have been phased-in.

The following categories have already been phased-in	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Child protection services • Youth Justice • Fostering children • Community services • Family day care • School crossing services • Overnight camps • Educational institutions • Outside school hours care 	<p>People engaging in "child-related work" in connection with these occupational categories must apply for a Working with Children Check before commencing such work. Failure to do so may result in penalties.</p>
The following categories are still to be phased-in	When to Apply
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Educational institutions for children, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - TAFE colleges and TAFE Divisions of universities providing VCE and/or Victorian Certificate of Applied Learning (VCAL) subjects - Some adult education providers providing VCE and/or VCAL subjects - Other institutions providing children's study or training programs. • Child care services, specifically: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - centre based long day care - occasional care - in home care • Children's services (that are required to be regulated under the <i>Children, Youth and Families Act 2005</i>) including kindergartens or preschools • Counselling or other support services for children • Publicly-funded or commercial transport services specifically for children • Refuges or other residential facilities used by children • Religious organisations 	<p>Year 2 1 July 2007 to 30 June 2008</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Babysitting or childminding services arranged by a commercial agency • Clubs, associations or movements (including of cultural, recreational or sporting nature) that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provide services or conduct activities for, or directed at, children, or - whose membership is mainly comprised of children • Paediatric wards of public or private hospitals 	<p>Year 3 1 July 2008 to 30 June 2009</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs, associations or movements (including of cultural, recreational or sporting nature) that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provide services or conduct activities for, or directed at, children, or - whose membership is mainly comprised of children • Coaching or tuition services of any kind for children 	<p>Year 4 1 July 2009 to 30 June 2010</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Clubs, associations or movements (including of cultural, recreational or sporting nature) that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - provide services or conduct activities for, or directed at, children, or - whose membership is mainly comprised of children • Commercial entertainment or party services for children, unless they are merely incidental to or in support of other business activities • Commercial gym or play facilities for children unless they are merely incidental to or in support of other business activities <i>For example, the provision of play facilities for children by a fast-food business may be merely incidental to the business of providing food</i> • Commercial photography services specifically for children unless they are merely incidental to or in support of other business activities • Commercial talent or beauty competitions for children unless they are merely incidental to or in support of other business activities 	<p>Year 5 1 July 2010 to 30 June 2011</p>

NEW EVENTS FOR RIDERS TO PARTICIPATE IN



Several Pony Clubs in Victoria are initiating great new or revised competitions for members to compete in to broaden their experiences, and take their skills beyond just the “Olympic Disciplines”.

Two such clubs are Macedon, who are holding a SUPERCROSS challenge event on June 29th this year, and Kangaroo Ground, who are running an EQUATHON on July 20th.

These are great events to do in Winter when you might not have time to be refining skills, but want to get out and ride (and run) all the same.

Supercross was the brain-child of Macedon Riding member, Richard Glenn. Former Macedon Secretary, Karen Goldhahn, explains what their challenge event is about; “SuperCross is a 2-phase event of Show Jumping and Cross-



Country. It is run similar to Horse Trials but without the dressage phase. It encourages the competitor to ride to a target time band – ride to time”.

Larry Prowse, DC of Macedon Pony Club, says of the Supercross, “It is a great day to run - easy to schedule, easily fits into a winter’s day (no ribbon presentations in the dark!), promotes Show Jumping and Cross Country, and caters for those riders who aren’t ‘into’ the Dressage phases of riding.”

Rules have been published and are available from Macedon Pony Club, or are on the PCAV website. In the case of a tie, the X/C phase is featured in the count-back.

“We are looking to improve the ‘event experience’ The day runs easily - with groups of 30 or less it is over and done with in a matter of 2 hours for most riders,” says Larry.

Macedon Pony Club grounds are well situated for easy access, and have undergone great improvements in facilities recently. We encourage riders to support this new event. For more information contact Sue Burke on 54 286 720.

Kangaroo Ground Committee member, Liz Carey, describes their Equathon event.

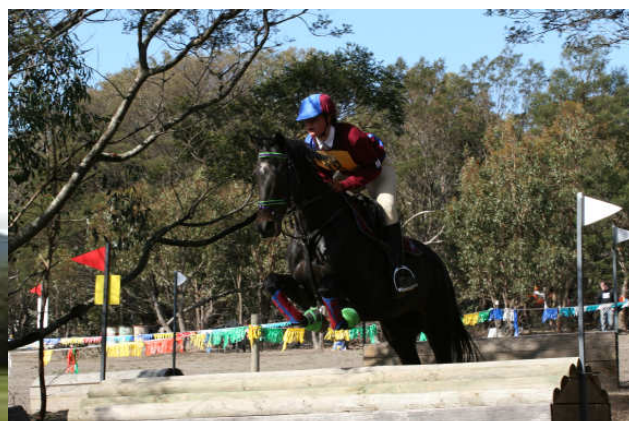
“Equathon is an internationally recognised sport which helps develop young athletes for the Modern Pentathlon. Competitors swim 50 - 200 metres (depending on Grade level), run a kilometre cross-country run, then they do a Show Jumping round in their own Grade on their own horse.”

This is not all done at once, like a Triathlon, so is not an endurance event, but is a three-phase event where your times and performances in all three are counted. There are Open Sections as well if you have keen parents who want to join you! Show Jumping rings will also operate during the day to give people plenty to do.

Pony Club members have a chance to represent Australia overseas in these sports, in fact Liz’s own son Simon, 16, represented Australia last year in Japan in a variation of the sport at the Oceania Asia Games, and came home with a Silver Medal.

So if you’re an all-round athlete who happens to ride horses as well, and have an aspiration to represent Australia, this may well be your calling. For details, phone Liz Carey 9437 2664.

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PCAV STATE COUNCIL MINUTES

Meeting held at 73-75 Mackie Rd, Mulgrave
on Tuesday 15th April 2008 at 10.00am

MEETING OPEN

PRESENT / APOLOGIES

Present: (Chair) President - Jan Faulkner, Vice President - Kammy Cordner-Hunt, Vice President – Philip Cobbledick, BZ – Deirdre Davey, CZ – Leonie Lang, EGZ - Stephen Bragg, MZ - Kaye Blanchard, NMZ - Linda Smith, NZ – Bronwyn Glenn, NEZ – Lyn Stevens, SMZ – John Barlee, WZ - Anthea Sutherland, WGZ - Vicki Kneebone. EO - James Fitzpatrick, SCD - Clare Lewin
Apologies: Treasurer - Janice Ray, Tony Curwen

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES (12th February 2008)

Moved Anthea Sutherland

That the Minutes of the State Council Meeting held on 12 February 2008 be approved.

Seconded Linda Smith

Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Items not ready for Council requiring additional development

3.1 Cross Country Fall Report
SMZ and WZ to submit the any forms for review by the rules committee.

3.2 Showjumping Rules
To be addressed by Rules Committee

3.3 Horse Trials Rules
To be addressed by Rules Committee

3.4 DCI Nomination of Judy Williams
Now confirmed ZA status.
Moved Lyn Stevens
That Judy Williams be endorsed as a DCI
Seconded Kammy Cordner Hunt

Carried

3.5 Staffing Levels – Strategic Plan written, waiting for grant outcomes
3.6 Racing Victoria promotion

4. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND DECISION

Administration

4.1 Strategic Plan 2008-2010

The Executive Officer presented the draft Strategic Plan which included a prioritised list of strategies and a commencement/ completion date.

The State Council agreed on the direction for the following two years based on the following statement:

The PCAV has many "core tasks" that we do every year and we are going to continue to work on slowly improving these tasks. This will be done with the current staffing resources. Much of the ground work is already done but it is a matter of maintaining the office output whilst introducing new project work.

For our project work, the emphasis will be on "field based" training activities. We will continue to develop useful resources for the current officials to utilize eg C and D Manuals. After the D manual, the next resource project will be a DC Resource Kit including Rally Planning and DC inductions. A showjumping DVD will follow next year.

The main thrust of attention will be on reviewing and restructuring the roles, responsibilities and reporting of CIP, DCI/ZA panels and instructors. We will commence NCAS Preliminary training offered in clubs for instructors and accreditation for assessors and instructors. The State Coaching Director will be directly responsible for NCAS training and assessors training and this strategy will be supported by government grants.

There will be a number of small projects complementing this major initiative such as finishing off the Horse Trials and Showjumping Rules etc.

A secondary role of the Executive Officer will be to research and develop new membership categories based on some overseas riding models and investigation on the inclusion of Day Attendance riders as members. New membership for clubs is one of the fundamental steps in a long-term connection to the riding community and will prove beneficial to the viability of the movement for the next 20 years.

The State Council will receive training and become more strategic. They will overview working projects and reduce the hands-on daily decision-making in zones. There will be more accountability for sub-committees and project workers. The roles of Zone Representatives will be assisted by accrediting other people in the organization to carry out some of the tasks currently undertaken by ZR re course accreditation. A great deal of the State Council's planning time over the coming year will be devoted to training, assessing and accreditation of key positions within our movement.

The financial philosophy is to have a breakeven budget and to direct as much funding as possible to training and training resources whilst maintaining existing spending patterns.

Moved Philip Cobbledick

That the 2008-2010 Strategic Plan be approved and a resource planner including finance be produced for the June State Council Meeting. The focus approved by State Council is to keep the office at its current staffing level and performance and allocate funds and effort to training. The resource allocation planner is to be presented to the June State Council Meeting after the result of the grants submissions.

Seconded Linda Smith

Carried

4.2 Club Voting Rights

Moved Vicki Kneebone

That the discussion notes on club voting be sent to the solicitor for a draft to be developed.

Seconded Bronwyn Glenn

Stephen Bragg voted against.

Carried

4.3 State Event Advisors

Moved Stephen Bragg

That the expressions of interest for the positions of State Event Advisor's for 2009 State Level Events close on the 26 Aug 2008.

A State Event Advisor may co-opt assistants with the prior approval of State Council.

That a State Level Advisors register be developed for State Council approval.

Seconded John Barlee

Carried

4.4 Ratification of Printing Orders

Moved Anthea Sutherland

That the State Council ratifies the Executive Sub-committee action to order 2000 Horsemastership for the Australian Rider (Miss Kay) and 5000 C Manuals.

Seconded Linda Smith

Carried

4.5 Rules Sub-committee

The President will discuss the Rules Sub-committee roles with Neil Clinton regarding transition and report back to State Council. (Neil resigned from State Council in February 2008)

(Existing members Kammy Cordner-Hunt, Linda Smith, Tony Curwen, Stephen Bragg, Vicki Kneebone)

Events

4.7 NMG International Rider

Moved Linda Smith

That Alister Ling (Yarrambat PC) be ratified for selection in the NMG Australian Team to ride in the International Mounted Games Championships in Western Australia 11-28 July 2008.

Seconded Kammy Cordner Hunt

Carried

4.7 State Level Judges

Moved Linda Smith

That the Executive Officer draft a set of guidelines for the approval of a bank of judges for State Level Events.

Seconded Stephen Bragg

Carried

4.8 WGZ State Showjumping and Dressage Championship Qualifier Report

Vicki Kneebone tabled a report on the method of qualification and selection used by West Gippsland Zone for 2008 State Showjumping and Dressage Championships. This pilot program was approved by the state council in 2007.

Moved Philip Cobbledick

That the State Council will accept nominations from Zones at the June Meeting for application to run series of events as qualifiers for State Showjumping and Dressage Championships. The current "one day" qualifying option will continue to be available as an option for zones.

West Gippsland Zone will forward draft paperwork to the office.

Seconded Stephen Bragg

Carried

The Rules Sub-committee was directed to review the substitution rule to say that preference be given to combinations in Grade 1, A Grade who have attended the qualification day, and if none available, another eligible combination may be substituted with the permission of the zone rep. A draft By-law to be presented to State Council when drafted.

4.9 Format and scoring for State Showjumping and Dressage Championships

Kaye Blanchard to assist scorers at next years event CZ

No other presentations other than State Council approved "awards" may be made at State Level Events. (include in Event Booklets)

4.10 Multiple Rides at 2009 State Showjumping and Dressage Championships

Moved Kaye Blanchard

That eligible qualified combinations may compete in one or both showjumping and/or dressage competitions on multiple mounts where there is insufficient entries to make up a team. A team must have a minimum of 3 individual riders. One combination may not compete in both disciplines. (include in Event Booklets)

Seconded Anthea Sutherland

Carried

Grants

Submissions to Vichealth and Sport and Recreation Victoria were lodged and successful applicants will be informed in May 2008.

A report will be table to the next State Council Meeting in June.

5. TREASURER'S REPORT

5.1 Financial Reports as at 29 February 2008.

Moved Stephen Bragg

That the income and expenditure statement showing a deficit of \$14,142 and balance sheet be approved.

Seconded Leonie Lang

Carried

6. MEMBERSHIP REPORT

Membership numbers show 7164 to March 2008. This is 611 lower than the previous year partly due to Equine Flu.

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The President gave a report on recent State Training Clinic at Wandin which was excellent.

State Showjumping and Dressage Championships were held at Elmore was very successful based on the short lead time due to venue and date changes caused by Equine Influenza. The President thanked Northern Zone for their efforts.

The next Pony Club Australia meeting is in Launceston with main topics being NCAS, horse registration, levies, AHIC.

Jan attended Ballarat PC 50th celebrations which were terrific.

8. COACHING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Moved Linda Smith

That the CIP request for a State CIP/DCI/ZA uniform be approved.

Seconded Anthea Sutherland

Carried

The NCAS Preliminary Coaching Manual is being proofed for the printers.

C Manuals Kits are at the printers.

D Workbook is being proof read.

Workplan for NCAS Preliminary assessor training being finalised.

9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

There have been many highlights since the February meeting. The building signage, honour boards and lighting finalised. The grant submissions were time consuming but will hopefully provide the necessary funds for field based training. The State Training Clinic at Wandin NMZ was really positive and we have a number of suggestions to make the next one even better.

10. SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

- 10.1 Pony Club Australia
Next meeting in April. Sports Connect Meeting – National Advisory Committee report.
- 10.2 PCAV Executive—Minutes supplied
- 10.3 Equestrian Federation of Australia -Victoria
- 10.4 Chief Instructors Panel
- 10.5 State Games, Flat Teams and Musical Ride Sub-committee
Moved Stephen Bragg
That the President/EO to inspect the grounds at the event including setup on Friday and Sat afternoon.
Seconded Deirdre Davey
Venue options are being explored for 2009 and options will be tabled to June State Council Meeting.
- 10.6 National Mounted Games Sub-committee
Zones may request a NMG Clinic. Dates each year are limited.
- 10.7 State Dressage and Showjumping Championships (2008 NZ – Elmore, 2009 CZ - Werribee)
Need Team Manager on entry form.
- 10.8 State Horse Trials Championships (2008 NMZ – Yeringberg, 2009 MZ – Fosterville TBA)
Yerringberg - Entries are looking good, TA report great.
- 10.9 Inter-Zone Teams Horse Trials
Zone list for officials co-ordinators needs more work by Zone Reps.
A Grade showjumping riders will be invited to an exhibition event indoors on Saturday Night.
- 10.11 Rules Sub-committee
- 10.12 Polocrosse Sub-Committee
- 10.13 History Sub-Committee
Surveys gone out, interviews of life members and DCI's,
Moved Kammy Cordner Hunt
That the State Council ratifies the date for the submissions for the History Competition be extended to 30 June 2008. Check website.
Seconded Anthea Sutherland

Carried**11. GENERAL BUSINESS**

- 11.1 Distinguish Services Award and Award of Merit Nominations are due at June State Council Meeting
- 11.2 2008 AGM Venue – Mulgrave meeting, office opening at 4pm, Mulgrave Country Club dinner and AGM, Central Zone for 2009
- 11.3 Note: That all zones be aware that Gear Rule 10.13 states that a rider for showjumping and dressage may wear one of the following : back number, bridle number or saddle cloth number.
- 11.4 Fiona Matheson sent a thankyou letter for her State Life Membership.
- 11.5 The PCAV State Council had previously given an exemption on the riding component of the C Certificate for State Level Events in early 2008 due to Equine Influenza. At the time, the ruling was : As much of the preparation for a certificate can be done un mounted, it was agreed that all certificate work such as written papers and horse care will be held in credit until such time as PCAV commences a normal rally program.
Now that we have resumed normal activities, riders who have completed the written papers and horse care sections have until the 16 June 2008 to complete the riding component of the certificate. Riders after that date must have successfully completed all components of the C Certificate to attend State Level Events.
- 11.6 All State Level Events Entry forms must go to Zone Sec and Zone Rep.
- 11.7 A heat policy and evacuation procedures are to be designed as a template for clubs – see Exec Minutes
- 11.8 It is with sad news that the State Council learned that Heather Crabbe (BZ) passed away. Our deepest sympathy is extended to the Crabbe family.

12. CLOSE MEETING 5.10pm**13. NEXT MEETING**

Executive	Tuesday 27 May 2008 at 10am (Mulgrave)
Training	Sunday Night Dinner at 7pm
State Council	Monday 16 June 2008 at 9am - 3pm (Monte Villa Motor Inn)



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