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Congratulations North Eastern Zone!



Winners of the Inter Zone Teams Horse Trials for the Third time

PRESIDENT JAN FAULKNER



The year is flying by with August nearly over already and while it is only two months since the last report to the Council in June, I seem to have been quite busy with Pony Club affairs.

On the Sunday 11th July I was pleased to attend a lunch hosted by the Kinglake Pony Club and the Kinglake Riding Club, at their recently replaced club-room that had originally been destroyed in the terrible bushfires that ravaged the area.

This was held as a 'thankyou' to those many generous people who assisted in various ways to re-establish the grounds and facilities shared by both clubs.

Despite the wet weather and the surrounding area still looking bleak after being burnt, the hours of hard work were evident in the attractive new boundary fencing and the new dressage arena. The new clubroom, once a portable school room, was refurbished beautifully and there was a sense of pride and achievement among all who attended. Congratulations to Kinglake Pony Club members.

I was invited to attend the opening of the Rural Industries Campus at Wangarratta on Thursday 22nd July. This complex is part of the Goulburn and Ovens TAFE or "gotafe". With an \$8 million input from the Federal Government the buildings and facilities are magnificent and it provides another wonderful opportunity for young people to study a choice of equine related courses at tertiary level.

The Interzone Teams Challenge event was held at Werribee Park Equestrian Centre over the weekend of 24th and 25th July. The change of date made a huge difference to the numbers of riders competing and added to the success of the competition. Once again the riders, whether in Grade 3 or Grade 4, all displayed the true Pony Club spirit in club, zone or composite teams, supporting and encouraging each other throughout the three disciplines of the event.

I would like to acknowledge and make special mention of the small, dedicated and hardworking sub-committee who planned and conducted the event and a big THANKYOU to all those who volunteered at one time or another over the weekend.

From Wednesday 28th July to Friday 30th July I attended a Forum conducted by the Australian Sports Commission at Broadbeach in Queensland, as the Pony Club Australia delegate. It was quite daunting, not knowing another sole among the 440+ people attending, but many of the speakers were relevant to the aims and needs of Pony Club.

The PCAV Annual General Meeting was held in Sunbury this year and thanks to Leonie Lang, Zone Representative of Central Zone for organising the venue. In an effort to make attending the AGM more accessible to as many people as possible we aim to hold it somewhere within a 100km radius of the city each year. This year it was quite well attended and a highlight was the awarding of a Life Membership to Kaye Blanchard, the Zone Representative of Midland Zone. Kaye has been involved with horses for most of her life and we enjoyed hearing some of the background to this and her family.

I am pleased to announce that Clare Lewin has been appointed the Executive Officer of the PCAV. She will also continue in her role as Coaching Director.

Some other outcomes from the AGM included the election results for Vice President and Zone Representative for South Metropolitan Zone. I congratulate Vicki Kneebone and Sue Muirhead on their respective wins but I would also like to sincerely thank both Kammy Cordner-Hunt and Robyn Coutts for their contribution to the Pony Club Association while in their previous positions. A special thank you to retiring Zone Representative, Lyn Stevens for

her work over the past three years in the North East Zone.

My congratulations the other Zone Representatives who have been re-elected unopposed and I look forward to another busy and fruitful year.

My last sad note is to announce the passing of John Laird. John was the President of PCAV for ten years and PCA President for three years. The Association is indebted and most grateful for his contribution over this long period of time.

Cheers

Jan

VALE JOHN LAIRD

It is with great sadness that we note the passing of John Laird President of PCAV from 1989–2000.

John became involved in Pony Club in 1972 when his daughter Janice joined Tatura Pony Club. He was DC and Club President, President of Northern Zone, President of PCAV and in 1992 became President of Pony Club Australia. He also instructed, examined efficiency certificates, accredited cross country courses and judged games at Club, Zone and State level so he had a good understanding of most facets of pony club at all levels.

He will be remembered as a dedicated and quiet man with strong convictions who was always true to the ideals of the Pony Club Movement

PCAV AWARD RECIPIENTS 2010

PCAV LIFE MEMBERSHIP



Kaye Blanchard

Kaye was recognised at the AGM for her outstanding service to the Pony Club movement over a lifetime.

As a rider herself she introduced her three children to horses at the Charlton Pony Club where she held many club offices and worked tirelessly for the club.

At State level she has been the Zone Representative for Midland Zone for 15 years and travels to many State events as a scorer.

Kaye will maintain her connection to Pony Club for many years to come as her grand children start to ride

AWARD OF MERIT

Rachael Cocks	Ballan Pony Club
Kerrie-Anne Evans	Corio Moorabool Pony Club
Noelle Krooks	Colac Pony Club
Megan Tainsh	Corio Moorabool Pony Club
Melanie Musgrove	Werribee Pony Club
Medelaine Watts	Buchan Pony Club
Harley McGrath	Bealiba Pony Club
Hannah Ramage	Benalla Pony Club
Paul Guthrie	Cobram and District Pony Club
Emma Scott	Balranald Park Pony Club
Jason Scott	Balranald Pony Club
Megan Glenn	Moulamein Pony Club
Yolanda Kosach	Hastings Pony Club
Cassie Eckard	Drouin Pony Club
Kelly Stovold	Cockatoo and District Pony Club
Sherri Lee Jansson	Lillico and District Pony Club
Casey Morris	Phillip Island Pony Club

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

Beryl Gamble	Barwon Zone
Pam Whitten	Barwon Zone
Jane Neville	Barwon Zone
Wendy Abey	Central Zone
Fay Mitchell	Central Zone
Kevin Watson	Central Zone
Brenda Mitton	North Metropolitan Zone

*Congratulations to all
Recipients
Thankyou for your
contribution to Pony Club*

NCAS Pony Club Coach News

We have had a busy year with NCAS Preliminary Coaching, assessing coaches at 44 clubs to date with another 15 clubs scheduled for assessments before the end of November 2010.

In total to the end of August 513 coaches have attended Preliminary Coaching assessment days, of which 331 have been formally accredited, however just over 30% of those coaches have some component of their accreditation to complete. For the majority it is simply a matter of finishing their workbook and posting it to PCAV to be checked and their accreditation completed. Below is an indication of the volume that has been processed.

Workbooks distributed	No. Coaches attended assessment	Coaches yet to finish accreditation	Workbooks still in the field
1300	513	183	788

If your club has been assessed and you know you have coaches yet to complete their workbooks, please remind them and assist them in getting it finished as qualified coaches are only going to be a benefit to your clubs!

We have found that clubs who support their coaches training with sessions to complete the workbooks are having the most successful assessment outcomes and would strongly encourage clubs and Zones to follow this example.

Looking forward to 2011 we find that our funding is steadily decreasing so we are looking at modifying the remainder of the roll out to best enable us to get to as many coaches as possible. There are about 65 clubs scheduled so we will be looking to do joint assessments or Zone based assessments to catch as many keen coaches as we can. Clubs who declined their original dates many need to have their coaches also assessed at these modified assessments.

Some negotiations have begun, to set up joint assessments and letters have been sent to those remaining clubs asking for an update of their Preliminary Coaching status.

PLEASE RESPOND TO THESE LETTERS SO YOUR COACHES DO NOT MISS OUT!!!!

What do the Clubs/Zones need to do?

- Ensure people who register fully intend to see the accreditation through.
- Retrieve workbooks from coaches who change their minds and return them to the office.
- Start talking locally to other clubs about joint assessment.
- Keep contact with the PCAV office so that we can best assist your clubs assessment day.
- Clubs are also welcome to fund their own assessment day if they would like to, just contact the office for details.
- **Zones** – maybe look at whether you could “fund” some assessments for coaches within your Zone and run some training sessions to assist with workbooks.

Where are you!!!
There are 150 capable coaches who need to
FINISH workbooks to become
NCAS Accredited

Beyond NCAS Preliminary Coaching

The NCAS Level 1 manuals are printed and now in stock through the PCAV shop.

Level 1 will be a “user pays” system where coaches purchase their manuals at \$20.00 and work their way through using mentor coaches to sign off the various components, once ready the coach will then apply for assessment through the PCAV office. There will be an assessment fee but that amount is yet to be determined. The application forms for assessment are being developed and will be available on the website shortly. Coaches are advised that assessment days will not be conducted for individuals; a minimum of 6 candidates will be required to run an assessment day. These candidates do not have to be from the same club, they could be from around the Zone or even the State.

Any queries regarding NCAS Preliminary Coaching can be directed to Kate Wilson at the office on 8685 8925 or ncas@ponyclubvic.org.au

Below coaches training at the State Training Workshop held at Merricks earlier this year.



INTER PACIFIC EXCHANGE RALLY 2010

Shay Smith from Heytesbury Pony Club has recently returned from Hong Kong where she participated in the Inter Pacific Rally Exchange Rally where the Australian Team won the Nations Cup Show jumping competition.

The Rally should have taken place in 2009 but was postponed due to the Swine Flu Epidemic. Next year marks the 50th anniversary of the Inter Pacific Rally which will take place in New Zealand.

Shay sent this report

Report on the Inter Pacific Exchange 2010

Hong Kong/China

The Australian team consisted of Ally Hall from Tasmania, Elise Hunkin from Queensland, Kate Averay from Northern Territory, My Self, Coach Jan Morland from Queensland and Manager Carol Patterson from Queensland also. The team were all very nice, friendly and helpful. Jan and Carol were also great to go away with they were very helpful.

Places visited

We arrived at Hong Kong airport on the 22nd of July and we just arrived late enough to miss quite a severe typhoon. There were still warnings around the airport about a black rain storm we had no idea what that was. We found out later that it was a major warning for severe weather.

For the first night we stayed at the Kimberly hotel in Kowloon. The next day we travelled to Bees River Country club which was situated 15 minutes from Shai Tia. This place was amazing with such beautiful surroundings. The Bees River country club was where the cross country for the 2008 Olympics was held but there were no jumps left they had all been demolished as the golfers wanted their lovely course back.

We met up with all the other teams in the Inter pacific at Bees River they included U.S.A, Canada, New Zealand and Hong Kong. For the first day we had a tour around the stables in Hong Kong that afternoon. This was a real eye opener as most of the stables were double story as there was not a lot of space in Hong Kong it was also sad as horses lived in stables there whole life, some of the horses had various conditions from the heat and some days they weren't exercised. You don't realise how lucky you are to have the space in our country until you travel to places like Hong Kong and China. At one of the stables we saw one of the best race horses in the world now retired, Fairy King Prawn he was just living his life out in a stable on show to the public he did look very bright and happy though from all the attention he received from visitors and tourists. Our first few days at Bees River also consisted of a boat trip around some of the smaller islands off Hong Kong. We travelled about 45minutes before stopping off at an island to go swimming we could also swim to the island and have a look around. The water was amazingly warm so it was really nice to have a swim. The boat was a really good day to give all the teams an opportunity to socialise some more.

On the 25-07-10 we left Bees River and were heading into China. We had to cross through immigration to get into China and this was quite an experience and a little scary. They told us when you go through no coughing because you might be taken away and they might not let you into China from fear that we may have a disease.

We arrived at Camelot where we would be staying for the next week and this is where the competition was held. Camelot was amazing it was pretty much a resort with horse stables. It had everything to pools, recreation centre with in and outdoor basketball courts rock climbing walls you name it.

The days that we weren't competing we did a little travelling around some cities in China and also had a chance to do some shopping. We also had time during the day to look around as we only rode the horses in the morning or late afternoon as the conditions were so hot and humid.

One of the days in China we were very fortunate to receive a talk from Colleen Kelly who specialises in rider's seat, posture and balance. Colleen Kelly is a world-leader in rider balance, lecturing for many countries all over the world. We also had a one on one with Colleen. She looked at our posture and position on the horse. We told her a problem that we had with our position and she told us what to do to improve or fix the problem.

It was great to experience the food as I love Chinese food. I was adventurous and tried most foods, this is not always the best idea as you can end up with a bad stomach ache for a few days.



2010 PRINCE PHILIP MOUNTED GAMES CHALLENGE

Venue Dingley Pony Club
Date Sunday October 10th 2010



2011 STATE SHOWJUMPING AND DRESSAGE CHAMPS

Venue Elcho Park Equestrian Centre, Lara (Barwon Zone)
Date 27 February 2011

Dressage Tests Grade 1 F and G Grade 2 E and F
Grade 3 D and E

Showjumping Class 1 Table A (Art 238.1), Class 2 Two Phase (Art 274.5.2)
Class 3 Competition over two rounds, first not against clock
(Art 273 2.1,3.3,4.3,)



2011 STATE HORSE TRIALS CHAMPIONSHIPS

Venue Heytesbury Pony Club
Date 1st May 2011.



2011 STATE GAMES, FLAT TEAMS & MUSICAL RIDE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Venue Bacchus Marsh Racecourse and Recreation Reserve
Date 18th -19th June 2011

Program of Games

Bending / Baton Relay	Stepping Stones
6 Mug Race	Two Flag Race
Ball and Bucket	Flag and Drum Relay



2011 INTERZONE TEAMS HORSE TRIALS

Venue Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre
Date 23rd—24th July 2011



PCAV Calendar

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Competition

The horses that we used for the competition were from the Camelot Riding Resort. Most of the horses were at the same level. There were 4 horses in each team. Our horses were quiet nice for the dressage we had two days training on them before the dressage competition. We were the first team out on competition day and we all did really well Ally and Kate's horses were a little difficult but they rode them very well. We ended up third in the dressage competition we were all really happy.

Before the next competition which was the kangaroo cup we had a few days off. For the kangaroo cup we were in mixed teams so there was a person from each country in each team. For the first part of the Kangaroo cup we had mounted games on small ponies from the Camelot riding school. This was very entertaining to all the people watching. The horses in the team I was in were very naughty and uneducated; they kept cutting across lanes all the way across to the other side of the arena which resulted in bad results after all the games. The next part of the Kangaroo cup was a triathlon which included, a bike race, rock climbing basketball shoot out and a swimming race holding a blow up hippo. This was a great day and we got to know the people in our team quiet well.

The main event for the competition was the Nations Cup showjumping. The selected horses we drew were quiet nice and after riding them we were all happy with the horses we drew. We had two days of training on these horses before the competition. The first day of competition went really well with us all receiving all receiving 4 penalties or less.

Experience

Some of the experiences I had were seeing horses in double story stables, as there was not a lot of room in Hong Kong. Horses never had a



chance to go into a paddock and some days they were not exercised it was different seeing this as I'm used to seeing horses out in paddocks most of the time so this was an experience in itself. The inter-pacific team was an amazing experience and we met some great people on this trip. The organisers from Hong Kong were very helpful and friendly. Kate the main organiser did an amazing job running this great event. It was great to meet everyone from the other countries as we all had lots in common and it was really good to talk about the different ways we lived our lives and cared for our horses and to combine different cultures in the different countries.

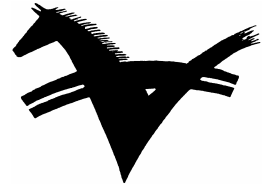
I would just like to really thank the PCAV for selecting myself for this great experience and opportunity. I learnt so much and met so many great people from the different countries that I will know and be friends with forever. I really enjoyed my time over there with the team, coach and manager and wished that it didn't have to come to an end.

Thanks again

Shay Smith

Riders who hold a B Efficiency Certificate and who will be Under 21 years of age on January 1st 2011 can apply for selection for the 2011 Inter Pacific Exchange Rally. Got to the Latest News section of the PCAV website for forms and more information

INTERNET SOCIAL NETWORKS & PONY CLUB MEMBERS



Facebook, MySpace, YouTube, etc.

The recent boom in Internet social networks such as MySpace, YouTube, Facebook and other forums have proven to be a great way for people to share information, ideas and opinions, and keep in touch with family and friends.

We understand Pony Club Members like to use these sites to communicate with one another on a social level between rallies and events. We ask that all Members treat their fellow members, club officials and instructors with respect by ensuring the language and comments they use are respectful, treating others, as they would like to be treated.

It has come to our attention that some Club Members may have recently been using Internet sites, including those mentioned above, to post disparaging and inappropriate comments and materials. It is important to remember that such conduct is absolutely unacceptable and is not in line with PCAV's values and Codes of Conduct. Breaches of the Codes of Conduct may lead to disciplinary action and serious breaches may lead to you be asked to leave pony club or by having your membership suspended.

Pony Club's Codes of Conduct expects you to be supportive of others and to treat them with respect, courtesy and tolerance. You should never resort to verbal abuse, harassing behaviour, hostility or violence. You should treat all those involved with Pony Club as you would like to be treated.

We would also like to remind Pony Club Members of the potential risks that posting your personal information in the public domain may pose to you, your family and friends. Remember many of these sites have features that allow you to restrict access to your information to trusted people. Loading photos of you and your friends, listing your school or work, where you will be going and other personal details in the public domain where the information can be seen by anyone, has the potential to impact your own personal security. Please be aware of this when communicating in such public forums and be careful.

State Council August 2010



PONY CLUB and EADRA - EMERGENCY ANIMAL DISEASE RESPONSE AGREEMENT

Essential Reading for all Horse owners

EADRA (the Emergency Animal Disease Response Agreement) is an agreement between the State and Federal Governments and the livestock industry. Its purpose is to coordinate action in the event of an outbreak of exotic disease within the livestock industry.

The horse community has no EADRA agreement with the Government.

The Government has stated that it will not take any action in the event of an exotic disease outbreak if there is no EADRA in place.

The Council of Pony Club Australia, whose members represent all State Pony Club organisations, voted unanimously at its last meeting to support the establishment of an EADRA for the horse community.

The EADRA sets out the working arrangements and cost sharing details in the event of an exotic disease outbreak. The EADRA guarantees that the Australian Government will underwrite the costs of an emergency response, enabling decisive action to be taken immediately. Such rapid action is critical in the effective control and eradication of an exotic disease – as we saw with equine influenza in 2007. It should be noted that more than a third of the 65 diseases presently listed in the EADRA, could affect horses. When an outbreak occurs, a management group consisting of representatives of all parties to the agreement will decide whether to respond or not, based on which option will be the least cost to the horse community. It is estimated that the cost to the horse community if EI became endemic would ten to twenty times more than the cost of its eradication.

After an emergency response that is managed under the EADRA, the Australian Government allows up to 10 years to repay an industry's share of costs. The money would be collected through a levy.

When the emergency response is agreed, the levy is triggered and set to an agreed value. Pony Club insists on a "zero levy" where no money is collected until an emergency actually occurs. Monies are then collected through the agreed mechanism, and the response costs that are due to the Commonwealth are repaid once the outbreak has been eradicated or otherwise resolved. This option means that until an actual emergency disease incursion occurs, industry pays nothing. When there is an incursion, the Australian Government guarantees that it will meet the response costs immediately, and industry can pay back its debt over time.

There is considerable flexibility as to the method of collecting a levy, and various mechanisms have been suggested. The Australian Government has some guidelines that must be followed, including a requirement for simplicity and ease of collection. While such a collection mechanism(s) should be as fair and equitable as possible, it is generally accepted that whatever the methods used, it will never be possible to 'capture' 100% of horse owners.

The suggested levy mechanisms are basically of two types.

A levy on horses or owners. The levy would be applied on the registration of horses, or on annual memberships paid by owners, or on entry fees paid for events. This form of levy would place responsibilities on our volunteer club officials for its collection. Our volunteer Club officials could be liable for heavy penalties if they fail to comply with the regulations. Pony Club Australia opposes the introduction of this form of levy because of the responsibility it places on our volunteers.

A levy on horse related products. The levy would added to the price of the product. Products that have been suggested include bagged horse feed, horseshoes and worming paste. Responsibility for the collection would rest with the manufacturers or wholesalers of these products. Pony Club Australia believes this form of levy is acceptable.

The Federal Government has given the horse community until 1st December to reach agreement on an EADRA, and requires convincing evidence that such agreement exists.

All Pony Clubs and members and other horse owners can help in ensuring we have an EADRA by writing or emailing simply stating that you support the signing of an EADRA, but that you oppose any levy that places the responsibility for its collection on our volunteers.

Letter and emails should be sent to the executive officer of the horse community's submission:

Dr Diane Ryan

Elizabeth Macarthur Agricultural Institute, PMB Box 4008, Narellan, NSW 2567

Horse.EADRA@industry.nsw.gov.au

More information on EADRA and the suggested levy mechanisms can be found at www.animalhealthaustralia.com.au and clicking on the Horse Industry and EADRA box.

VICKI'S MEMBERSHIP CORNER***New Publications in the PCAV Shop*****The New Zealand Pony Club Coaches' Resource Manual**

An excellent Manual that covers all aspects of coaching including planning, rider development and psychology.

Starting at D Efficiency Certificate level it works through all Certificate levels to A covering riding on the Flat, jumping and cross country.

The manual is A 4 size, easy to read with plenty of diagrams and photos to help illustrate the points being made

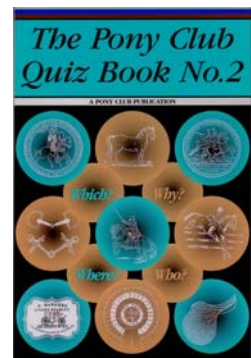
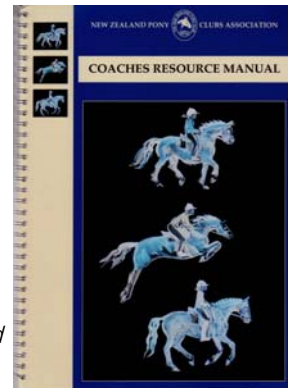
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BHS Quiz Book 2

This is a companion Book to Quiz Book 1 with new Quiz questions and answers ranked from easy through to difficult.

Great for unmounted rallies, camps and wet days

\$40.00 plus postage and handling

***PCAV Data Base email address use—Hints when sending bulk emails***

When using the PCAV data base to send emails it is recommended that you use the

Bcc field when adding addresses rather than the To field or the cc field

This will mean that the email addresses will not be displayed to every body and so it will help to protect the individual.

It is also suggested that emails using data base addresses should only be used to disseminate PCAV information such as warnings, clinics or events and not for For Sale advertisements.

Clubs who wish to help prevent clogging up email addresses of their officials could set up a separate club address through free servers such as gmail, yahoo, hotmail etc



PCAV STATE SUB-COMMITTEES

National Mounted Games

Chair	Vicki Kneebone
Senior Coach	Richard Glenn
Junior Coach	Scott Cruise
Senior Team Manager	Frank Scarce
Junior Team Manager	Tim Ling
Development Co-ordinator	Sarah Ross
Committee	Chris Dyson, Iain Ross, Andrea Davis, Ro Cruise, Albert Pol, Barry Pearson, Marilyn Healey Susan Leitch

Flat Teams, Musical Ride and State Games

Chair	Philip Cobbledick
Committee	Frances Corry, Daphne Christopherson, Oriel Gardiner, Laurie Cruise, Robyn Coutts, Stan Barrett, Chris Morris, Jan Bromwich, Judy Beasley, Deirdre Davey, Glen Drake, Daniel Morris and Daryl Karp

History	Kammy Cordner Hunt
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Interzone Teams Horse Trials

Chair	Leonie Lang
	Deirdre Davey, Linda Smith, Wayne Cuthbert, Peter Favaloro, Val Armstrong, Aimee Cuthbert

Zone Chief Instructors

Barwon	Maxene Argento
Central	Ruth Feltoe
East Gippsland	Gregory Hair
Midland	Aileen Marshall
North East	Kammy Cordner Hunt
North Metro	Rachael Edwards
Northern	Jeanette Graham
Southern Metro	Sue Korver
Wannon	Anthea Sutherland
West Gippsland	Oriel Gardiner

Rules

Chair	Clare Lewin
	Steve Bragg, Linda Smith, Anthea Sutherland, Vicki Kneebone, Sue Muirhead

INTER ZONE TEAMS HORSE TRIALS

This Event continues to be very popular with the Grade three and four riders many of whom would not have the opportunity to rider at Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre.

The change of date from the Mothers' Day weekend also saw a rise in entries this year which enabled the Event to break even financially. This year the committee made merchandise available which also proved popular.

The Cross Country course was challenging enough for a State competition but not daunting. There were a number of disobediences and 3 minor falls. The jump in grade 3 with an option confused some inexperienced riders.

The pre event course walks were popular with approximately 50-60 in each group. Amy Holland (pony clubber with an A certificate) and Anthea Sutherland (Wannon Zone Rep) were both excellent guides





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PCAV STATE COUNCIL MINUTES

Ballcourt Hotel, 60 Macedon St, Sunbury. Vic. 3429

Monday 23rd August 2010 9.00am

MEETING OPEN

1. PRESENT / APOLOGIES

Present: (Chair) President - Jan Faulkner, Vice President - Vicki Kneebone, Vice President - Philip Cobbledick, Treasurer - Pam Davey, BZ - Deirdre Davey, CZ - Leonie Lang, EGZ - Stephen Bragg, MZ - Kaye Blanchard, NEZ - Kammy Cordner-Hunt (delegate), NMZ - Linda Smith, NZ - Bronwyn Glenn, SMZ Sue Muirhead, WGZ - No delegate, WZ - Anthea Sutherland, SCD - Clare Lewin

Apologies - Darrelyn Boucher WGZ

2. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES (29th June 2010)

Moved: Steve Bragg

That the Minutes of the State Council Meeting held on 13th April 2010 be approved.

Seconded: Deirdre Davey

Carried

3. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

Items not ready for Council

- 3.1 Club Voting Rights (at Rules Sub-committee)
 - 3.2 Multiple Rides at Flat Teams and Musical Ride (at Games Sub-committee)
 - 3.3 Review of reimbursement of Coaches (NMG and other State personnel)
 - 3.4 Fall of rider at State Games - at Rules Committee
 - 3.5 Membership Year payments to May 15th - Bylaw amendment (at Rules Committee)
 - 3.6 Paddling at water jumps - letter BZ (at Rules Committee)
 - 3.7 Advertising Policy and MAD magazine (Pam Davey & Linda Smith)
- Pam Davey reported on the proposal being developed.

Moved: Kaye Blanchard

That that Pam Davey and Linda Smith develop the concepts further and come back to Council with more concrete costing and a plan for producing the Magazine

Seconded: Steve Bragg

Carried

Items requiring additional developments and discussion

3.8 Scoring for Teams at State Showjumping and Dressage Championships

Clare to work with Kaye to make sure the wording in the schedule reflects the method of scoring for teams. It must reflect that Teams may consist of 3-4 riders with the best three scores to count. In order to be eligible for a team placing at least three members of the Team must complete the scheduled classes without elimination.

3.9 Facebook and other Internet Social Networks. A Statement has been prepared that will be included with the next MAD Magazine which outlines what sort of postings may constitute a breach of the Code of Conduct and also the dangers of posting too much personal information on these sites.

Jan Faulkner has developed a draft 12 month agreement for Issie Hill and Adrian Dowell who are the current PCAV Facebook arbitors.

3.10 Showjumping break away cups – Vicki Kneebone

Vicki reported that the average price of break away safety cups is \$120/pair. These can only be used with key hole wings. An average of five pairs would be required per course as they are only needed on back rails of spreads. They should be used for A and B grade jumping and at State Championships. It was strongly recommended that Zones source them for their events and that there be a phasing in process.

Moved Vicki Kneebone

Break away cups must be used for all sections of the PCAV Showjumping and Horse Trials Championships on back rails of spreads from 2011

Seconded Kammy Cordner HuntCarried**4. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AND DECISION****Strategic Plan Review**

4.1 State Council was given a copy of the current strategic plan to review before the next meeting when it will be prioritized and updated

Administration4.2 Office report

Memberships are still being processed daily, a new alarm key pad has been installed, computer system is being upgraded and cleaners have been engaged.

All the staff are to be commended for their contribution and hard work over the last three months which are the busiest of the year.

Barbara Cichowicz has resigned to go overseas and her position will be advertised. The new position statement will be expanded to include general office duties as well as book keeping functions

4.3 Interpacific Interviews

Applications close with PCAV on October 1st. Interviews are to be conducted prior to the November Council meeting by Pam Davey, Jan Faulkner and Clare Lewin

4.4 Subcommittee nominations and appointments

Public OfficerMoved: Phillip Cobbledick

That The Treasurer Pam Davey be appointed as Public Officer

Seconded: Kaye BlanchardCarriedState Games and Flat Teams CommitteeMoved: Phillip Cobbledick

That Deirdre Davey, Robyn Coutts, Daniel Morris and Daryl Karp be endorsed as the State Games and Flat Teams Committee

Seconded: Steve BraggCarried

Moved: Anthea Sutherland

That Phillip Cobbledick be nominated as the Council representative to the State Games and Flat Teams Committee

Seconded: Deirdre Davey

Carried

Inter zone Teams Horse Trials

Moved: Phillip Cobbledick

That Peter Favalaro, Leonie Lang, Val Armstrong, Wayne Cuthbert, Aimee Cuthbert and Linda Smith comprise the Committee for the Inter zone Teams Horse

Seconded: Vicki Kneebone

It was noted that the IZTHT and the State Games and Flat Teams were very close together and both required a heavy workload so it was recommended that people did not sit on both committees

Carried

Moved: Linda Smith

That Leonie Lang be the Council representative

Seconded: Deirdre Davey

Carried

National Mounted Games

Moved: Kammy Cordner Hunt

That Iain Ross, Rosemary Cruise, Andrea Davis, Chris Dyson, Albert Pol, Marilyn Healey, Susan Leitch, and Barry Pearson comprise the National Mounted Games Committee. The nominations for Coaches and chaperones of Scott Cruise, Richard Glenn, Tim Ling and Frank Scarce would have Positions on the committee with non voting rights

Seconded: Linda Smith

Carried

Moved: Phillip Cobbledick

That Vicki Kneebone be the Council nomination to the National Mounted Games Committee

Seconded: Kammy Cordner Hunt

Carried

Moved: Anthea Sutherland

That Kammy Cordner Hunt be nominated for the History Committee

Seconded: Kaye Blanchard

Carried

Executive Committee

Moved: Linda Smith

That the PCAV Office Bearers of The President, 2 Vice Presidents and the Treasurer to be the Executive Sub Committee

Seconded: Kaye Blanchard

Carried

Rules Committee

Moved: Bronwyn Glenn

That Sue Muirhead, Anthea Sutherland, Vicki Kneebone, Linda Smith, Steve Bragg comprise the Rule Committee.

Seconded: Pam Davey

Carried

Events

- 4.5 2011 Nationals Update
Subcommittee coordinators have been working on their areas and a meeting will be held shortly
- 4.6 Appointment for Technical Delegates
Dressage and Showjumping Championships 2011 – Vicki Kneebone
Horse Trials Championships 2011 - Neil Clinton
Games and Flat Teams Championships 2011 – Steve Bragg
Inter Zone Teams Horse Trials 2011 - TBA
Prince Phillip Games Challenge 2010 – Phillip Cobbledick

Rules Committee

- 4.7 No meeting

Correspondence received

- 4.8 Games and Flat Teams Committee notifying of Games for 2011
It was pointed out that only one game is changed per year as this does not cause clubs to expend a great deal of money making new equipment with which to practice. The committee has a rotation process for the games that enables games requiring similar skills to be rotated through the program.

Moved: Phillip Cobbledick

That Stepping Stones replace Tent pegging for 2011

Seconded: Leonie Lang

Carried

- 4.9 Wannon Zone - Coleraine Pony Club requesting a change to the distance and number of obstacles in the current short course event rules.
Recommended that this letter be forwarded to the Rules Committee for consideration

- 4.10 NMZ - use of PCAV intellectual property by other organisations

Moved: Linda Smith

That PCAV gets some advice on investigating how to protect its intellectual property

Seconded: Pam Davey

Carried

Moved: Anthea Sutherland

That a sub committee of Linda Smith and Pam Davey investigate the options regarding protection of PCAV intellectual property and come back to the next meeting with recommendations

Seconded: Vicki Kneebone

Carried

Reports

5. Treasurer's Report
- 5.1 Financial reports

The Treasurer gave a summary of a new method of reporting the financials currently being instigated. This move has been undertaken with the approval of the auditor. The accounts will be divided into four sections with separate entries and spreadsheets for each. This will enable a much clearer understanding of the financial position at any given time and will allow event organisers to produce realistic meaningful budgets.

The Auditor has also recommended that the date for the AGM be moved to later in the year to allow the financials to be prepared in a timely manner. Currently the Constitution states that the AGM must take place before end of August which puts everybody on an extremely tight schedule.

Moved: Pam Davey

That the Constitution be amended to state that the date of the AGM be no later than the 30th of November each year

Seconded: Steve Bragg

Carried

Note - this motion will have to be taken to a Special General meeting in order to change the Constitution. A SGM will be organised in conjunction with the next State Council meeting

6. Membership Report

6.1 See Annual report

7. President's Report

See MAD magazine for a full length report – in brief

- Kinglake PC held a BBQ at their new clubhouse as a thank you to those who had helped re establish the grounds.
- Zone Teams Horse Trials was a great success, congratulations to the committee

8. Coaching Director's Report

8.1 NCAS Update

The roll out through clubs is still progressing well but we will be moving to a user pay system in the near future as the funding cycle has almost finished

8.2 Pony Club Australia Conference

This was held on the weekend of August 14 & 15 at Holiday Inn Melbourne Airport. Mentor training was conducted by the PCA AIS Sports Consultant and was very well received. The weekend gave State level assessors a chance to meet and discuss progress and issues relating to NCAS assessment.

State Training Clinics

80 plus people attended the clinic hosted by Northern Zone at Swan Hill Jockey Club. The grants allowing these clinics to be fully subsidised has been utilised but PCAV will continue to partially fund the training with participants being asked to contribute \$15.00 towards the day. There were a few hiccups relating to equipment available and it was felt this could have been overcome with a coordinator appointed for the day

9. Sub – Committee Reports

9.1 Pony Club Australia

The next meeting will be in November. A Secretary's meeting will be held annually with the November meeting

International trips – PCA will follow Cricket Australia guidelines as far as notifying Government bodies and organisation is concerned.

The MOU between EA and PCA as per the ASC requirement is being addressed again via the new EA Executive Officer.

An Operational plan for PCA is being developed.

PCA will monitor opportunities for international exchanges for its riders via other equestrian disciplines. They will develop a policy to monitor the selection process and criteria to send these riders away.

9.2 PCAV Executive

The current staffing of the office was discussed at length and it was resolved that the roles of Executive Officer and Coaching Director be consolidated to create one position.

Moved: Steve Bragg

That Clare Lewin be employed as Executive Officer and Coaching Director for the period of her remaining employment contract, which is due to expire on 31st. December 2012. This position will be subject to review 6 months prior to this date.

Seconded: Linda Smith

Carried

As the current bookkeeper has resigned the position will be advertised and the new position statement will be expanded to include general office duties as well as book keeping functions.

Moved: Linda Smith

That the Executive Sub Committee be given the mandate to interview the applicants for the Bookkeeper/office position.

Seconded: Steve Bragg

Carried

9.3 Equestrian Victoria

- Code of Conduct development in line with National Policy
- Day insurance for training only in future.
- EADRA discussion continues but the levy will be on horse feed, wormer and shoes
- New CEO at EA is very pro active and is assisting in IT system upgrade to encompass entries, draws, recording volunteers etc.
- Strategic Plan - to be simplified. & aims and sections only. Released on website 28.8.2010.
- EV News published 1st. September
- RASV – joint measuring system agreement with EV
- Landers & Rogers – Solicitors – new employee contracts being drawn up, incorporating new awards . This firm specialises in Sporting organisation work
- A new category suggest – Associate member, no vote, receive minutes and EV News.
- Membership numbers as of 22 July - best in years
- WPNEC is unable to charge caravans for power (as it is not a registered caravan park) but duty of care and OH& S require that all safety precautions are taken and costs for powered sites will increase to cover this.
- New grading system on hold for time being.

I congratulated the WPEC for the cleaning of the toilets and showers so thoroughly over the Inter zones Teams Horse Trials weekend.

9.4 Chief Instructors' panel – no meeting

9.5 State Games, Flat Teams & Musical Ride Sub Committee

A request came from the 2009 musical ride judges for consideration suggesting that instead of the musical ride being judged by two judges who judge the entire ride that one judge judges the technical and one judges the artistic.

Moved: Vicki Kneebone

That the current system of judging the musical remains in place

Seconded: Deirdre Davey

Carried

Steve Bragg suggested another letter go to Zones seeking people interested in judging the musical ride

Upgrading the facilities equipment at Bacchus Marsh will be written into the budget for the event.

9.6 National Mounted Games Sub Committee

The Venue for the Prince Philip Challenge will be Dingley Pony Club on Sunday October 10th – schedule on the PCAV Website.

9.7 State Dressage and Showjumping Championships – Barwon Zone

The program has been put together by Judy Beasley and needs to be finalised by PCAV Office

Dressage tests Grade1 F & G, Grade 2 E & F Grade 3 D & E

Show Jumping

Class 1 Table A (Art 238.1)

Class 2 Two phase (Art 274.5.2)

Class 3 Competition over two rounds, first round not against clock (Art 273.2.1, 3.3, 4.3)

(Special conditions for scoring)

Vicki Kneebone as TD has made her preliminary inspection. Dressage on sand, a very good venue plenty of warm up and great facility for riders and spectators

9.8 State Horse Trials Championships – 2011 Wannon Zone

Organisation is progressing well.

9.9 Inter-Zone Teams Horse Trials

Minutes & financials supplied. The event was very well received by all and the organising committee are to be congratulated. The change of date meant there was a full contingent of entries allowing the event to record a small surplus.

The date and venue will stay the same for next year. Volunteers list will be sent electronically and via post and will include options to select a job.

Riders are to be reminded that if they arrive before 4PM on the day(s) before the event they will be charged a facility fee (by WPNEC) of \$15 per horse for that day on top of their entry fee

9.10 Rules Sub-Committee –no meeting

10 General Business

- Steve Bragg reported that EGZ wishes to develop its own membership retention system. Wish to grade riders at zone clinics. Some of these riders have several horses that they need to have graded and qualified. The general consensus was that this defeats the club based aspect of Pony Club.
- Deirdre Davey raised a question on the definition of "enclosed lungeing area" in the current Bylaws It was decided to leave definition as it is
- Kaye Blanchard thanked the Council for her Life Membership award
- Jan Faulkner will be approaching PCA to recompense PCAV for work done on behalf of PCA by Clare Lewin
- Jan Faulkner will be on holiday for 5 weeks and Philip Cobbledick will be acting President during that time

Close Meeting – 15.45



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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and CONFERENCE ***22nd August 2010***

Held at the Ballcourt Hotel, Sunbury hosted by Central Zone

Minutes

1. OPEN ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 10.30am

2. PRESENT

People Present

Wendy Abey, John Barlee, Kaye Blanchard, Jacinta Blanchard, Tony Blanchard, Kylie Blanchard, Phillip Cobbledick, Kammy Cordner Hunt, Robyn Coutts, Laurie Cruise, Diane Curtis, Aimee Cuthbert, Wayne Cuthbert, Pam Davey, Deirdre Davey, Jan Dear, Adrian Dowell, Justin Dullard, Jan Faulkner, Ruth Feltoe, Chris Feltoe, Bronwyn Glenn, Paul Guthrie, Issie Hill, Phil Holland, Sue Hollins, Jim Hurley, Graeme Johnstone, Vicki Kneebone, Leonie Lang, Clare Lewin, Christine Linton, Lu Marciniak, Fiona Matheson, Brenda Mitton, Sue Muirhead, Peter Muirhead, Jim Page, Margaret Page, Keitha Raabe, Jill Reece, Andrew Rodaughan, Bette Scougall, Linda Smith, Lyn Stevens, John Stevens, Anthea Sutherland, Liz Turner, Jenny Waldhauser, Kevin Watson, Kate Wilson

Clubs Represented

Ararat, Bacchus Marsh, Bairnsdale, Ballarat, Benalla, Braodford, Charlton, Cobram, Colac, Deniliquin, Dennington, Gisborne, Kangaroo Ground, Kyneton, Lockington, Maldon, Mansfield, Maryborough, Meeniyan, Mentone, Mooroolbark, Mornington Peninsula, Moulamein, Nunawading, Riddells Creek, Ringwood, Rochester, Swan Hill, Tooradin, Werribee, Wyena

3. APOLOGIES

Barwon Heads Pony Club, Anna Beard, Pat Barlee, Diana Earp, Rachael Edwards, Angela King, Clarrie King, Jeanette Laffan, Robina Stevens, Mandy Tripconi, Jenny Walker

4. CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES (23 August 2009 Minutes)

Moved: Robyn Coutts

That the Minutes of the AGM 23rd August 2009 be taken as circulated and read.

Seconded: John Barlee

Carried

Moved: Linda Smith

That the Minutes of the AGM 23rd August 2009 be accepted as a true and accurate account.

Seconded: Leonie Lang

Carried

5. APPOINT A RETURNING OFFICER

The attendees present appointed host Zone President, Elizabeth Turner, as Returning Officer for both the Vice Presidential vote count and the South Metropolitan State Councillor.

Candidates nominated Lyn Stevens and Anthea Sutherland as scrutineers for the Vice President count and John Barlee and Graeme Johnston as scrutineers for State Councillor count.

6. TREASURER'S REPORT

Pam Davey presented a summary of her report which was printed in the Annual report. A deficit of \$20,000 for 2009/2010 was noted and the Treasurer explained that measures have been put in place to reverse this position in the next financial year.

Moved: Pam Davey

That the Treasurers Report be accepted

Seconded: John Barlee

Carried

Moved: Pam Davey

That the Clements Dunne and Bell Partnership Chartered Accountants be appointed as Auditors for the year 2010-2011.

Seconded: Robyn Coutts

Carried

7. PRESIDENT'S REPORT AND AWARDS

Jan Faulkner invited people to read her report, which was printed in the Annual Report.

Jan thanked and commended the Zones and subcommittees who have organised and hosted State Events all of which were an outstanding success.

She made note of two PCAV Members selected to represent Australia in International events. Shae Smith went to Hong Kong for the Inter pacific Exchange and Patrick Dyson was part of the International Mounted Games Team in the United Kingdom.

Jan also spoke of the continued support from Government Departments in the form of Grants which support programs such as the NCAS rollout and State level Clinics.

She thanked the State Council and Executive Sub Committee members for their support and friendship and Clare, Vicki, Kate and Barbara in the office for shouldering greater responsibilities following the resignation of the Executive Officer.

Jan called on speakers from the Zones involved to assist her with the presentation of the 2010 Distinguished Services Awards. The recipients were Beryl Gamble, Pam Whitton Jane Nevile from Barwon Zone, Wendy Abey, Fay Mitchell and Kevin Watson from Central Zone and Brenda Mitton from Northern Metropolitan Zone.

Jan then invited Kaye Blanchard from Midland Zone to the floor and presented her with a PCAV Life Membership. Fiona Matheson – also a PCAV Life Member – spoke about Kaye's lifetime involvement with and commitment to the Pony Club movement.

8. COACHING DIRECTOR'S REPORT

Clare Lewin invited people to read her report, which was printed in the Annual Report. Clare highlighted the continued success of the NCAS rollout and State Training Clinics. She thanked the Council, sub-committees and staff for a year of consolidation and achievement. Clare also thanked outgoing ZCI's Gail Baggendorf (MZ) and Meaghan Harrington (EGZ) for their contribution over the years.

9. EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S REPORT

Acting Executive Officer Clare Lewin invited people to read her report printed in the Annual Report. Clare explained that the year had been one of consolidation with the Strategic Plan directing the areas of focus. The NCAS rollout gathered momentum, State training clinics were well attended and five rule books were updated. The membership remained steady and member attraction and retention is an area that would need to be addressed.

Clare thanked Vicki, Kate and Barbara for their extra effort and dedication following the resignation of the Executive Officer and State Council and the Executive sub-committee for their help and support.

Moved: Leonie Lang

That the President's, Coaching Director's and Executive Officer's reports be accepted.

Seconded: Anthea Sutherland

Carried

10. ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARERS

All positions were declared vacant and the following election took place.

President – Nominations received by due date

Jan Faulkner

As nominations did not exceed vacancies there was no election for President

Vice President – Nominations received by due date

Kammy Cordner Hunt

Vicki Kneebone

Both positions were declared vacant and an election by mail was held prior to the meeting. The postal and hand delivered votes were tallied by the Returning Officer, and one candidate was elected.

The candidate elected as Vice President for 2010-2011 was:

Vicki Kneebone

Jan thanked Kammy for her help and support during her time as Vice President.

Jan presented Vicki with a Vice President badge

11. ELECTION OF ZONE REPRESENTATIVES**Nominations received by due date**

All positions were declared vacant and as there were no other nominations for the positions, the following persons were duly elected for 2009-2010.

Barwon Zone – Deirdre Davey

Central Zone – Leonie Lang

East Gippsland Zone – Stephen Bragg

Midland Zone – Kaye Blanchard

North Eastern Zone –

Northern Zone – Bronwyn Glenn

North Metropolitan Zone – Linda Smith

South Metropolitan Zone – Robyn Coutts

- Sue Muirhead

Wannon Zone – Anthea Sutherland

West Gippsland Zone – Darrelyn Boucher

As there were two nominations received for South Metropolitan Zone the position was declared vacant and an election by mail held prior to the meeting. The postal and hand delivered votes were tallied by the Returning officer and one candidate was elected.

The candidate elected as Zone Representative for South Metropolitan Zone was;

Sue Muirhead.

Jan Faulkner presented a State Councillor badge to Sue Muirhead

Jan thanked the outgoing SMZ Zone Representative, Robyn Coutts, for her support

12. CLOSE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11.45am**CLOSE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 11.45am**

13. SPEAKER

Our guest speaker was Meaghan Sutherland a past Riddles Creek PC member and "A" Certificate holder who gave a very interesting presentation on her work as a Veterinary Nurse. Her speciality is large animals and AI. Her studies have taken her to various parts of the world where she has worked in state of the art facilities.

14. OPEN CONFERENCE

Jan Faulkner opened the conference and gave an overview of the afternoon stating how it is really positive to have input and feedback.

15. ITEM 1 – SUGGESTED CHANGES TO STATE GAMES TEAM CONFIGURATION

Laurie Cruise, Pakenham Pony Club spoke to his proposal to change the make up of teams in Pony Club Games.

His suggestion is to reduce the number of riders in the team from

6+1 riders to 4 +1 riders and change of the format of ages in the new smaller teams

Reasons :

- To allow smaller clubs to field teams at Zone qualifiers that currently miss out as the current team size is making it too hard to get a team together (West Gippsland has 24 clubs and only 10 were represented at qualifier)
- Simplify the age groups to make it easier to put a team together (open & Junior, or 2 age groups, as a suggestion)

This could allow, with smaller teams, to include more games which would be better as a competition and spread the style of games played and the skill levels.

This is all about getting more participation from more clubs, as games is just as important to teaching hand eye co ordination, balance and basic riding skills.

I would like to see more games played and more competitions, than just a qualifier and state champs.

What I would like is that PCAV would put a proposal to all clubs and Zones that the subject is discussed at club level and through the Zones, brought to council and Games committee. I know there are views that cannot see the benefits of this proposal. Mine is to see more clubs participating and more riders interested in playing.

This item was discussed with many views being put forward and it was suggested that it be sent to the Games Committee for serious consideration

16. ITEM 2 – REVIEW OF GAMES TEAMS RULES

Paul Guthrie from Cobram Pony Club spoke to the proposal submitted by Cobram Pony Club

Creating Two Age Groups

Juniors-16 and under

Seniors- any age

By creating the two sections it will help decrease the danger of an accident, as older riders on big horses and younger riders on small horses don't mix;

Riders who are under the age of 13 should not be able to ride in the Senior Section, unless the Pony Club DC at Zone Level and then a Zone Official at State Level has allowed them, because they are capable of competing at this level

Reducing the Amount of Team Members

Four-five team members. Four team members on a field at a time, a fifth rider can be subbed into races.

A reduction of team members would not only make it less dangerous, as the amount of people and horses on the field can be dangerous, but this will also help the day run a lot smoother.

Increase the Amount of Games

Even if the above recommendations are not implemented, we consider this point very important, as there are riders who will discontinue competing in this event due to the lack of games. There are Pony Clubs who run these events that are

able to have more games than the state event, including Kangaroo Ground Pony Club and Cobram Pony Club. We recommend that something really needs to be done about this.

Team Coaches

The Team Coach for the Junior Team should be allowed to be on the field, but should not be able to enter the box, or help with passing of the objects. They should however be able to help riders before and after they are in the field of play.

Senior Team's coaches should not be able to do any of the above but stay outside the arena.

Senior Riders should be able to coach the Junior Teams (so long as they are over the age of 15). This would help Senior Riders learn to help teach and become leaders.

Stewards

There are too many people on the field, some of whom do not really know the rules. There doesn't need to be this many stewards on the field. In fact there only really needs to be people in each corner or lane to make sure the team has finished everything correctly after completing the game. The riders know the rules, some better than the stewards.

Please don't ignore these recommendations, because if you do you run the chance of making this completion unpopular and unattended. Cobram Pony Club will see by implementing these changes that this completion will become more popular, prestigious and will continue on for many years.

As the theme for this item is similar to item 1 and it was suggested it also be forwarded to the Games Committee for consideration.

Phillip Cobbledick spoke on the misconception of how change occurs. The games committee does not have the power to make changes this must come from the clubs.

Leonie Lang requested clarification on the process for making changes to rules. The process is club to zone to State Council. There must be a year lapse before a motion can be re submitted.

Kevin Watson cautioned that it is important that PC cater for all riders especially those of lesser ability and age.

16. ITEM 3 - ZONE QUALIFYING SCORING FOR GAMES

Mentone Pony Club submitted an item for discussion. Sue Muirhead spoke on behalf of the Club

Current rules for Zone games qualifying events are the same as for State Competitions. We wish to expand Bylaw rule 37.8b.11 to have a run off for first, second and third for Zone qualifying competitions.

This leaves no doubt on the day as to the best team to send to the State Championships whether it is two or three teams (depending on the year) With less than 15 teams in a competition it is hard to get fair and even team heats and much more chance of having equal scores after 6 games. At State competitions there are 25 teams and the count back system is still reasonable.

There was much discussion with most Zones indicating that they adopt a run off system at their qualifying events.

This issue to be passed on to the Rules committee for consideration for inclusion in the next Bylaws rewrite

17. ITEM 4 - "F" GRADE SHOWJUMPING

Langwarrin Pony Club submitted the following letter.

The executive committee of Langwarrin Pony Club would like to express their concern regarding the rules for "F" grade showjumping. The current rule does not state clearly the eligible age bracket nor the definition of experience (or rather lack of it) expected for this grade.

It is our understanding the "F" grade is for our youngest and most inexperienced riders. Without clear guidelines we are getting too many older and more experienced riders competing at this level.

It was generally decided that this is an issue with the grading process and more effort needs to be put into ensuring that DCs are trained and supported through the DCI/ZA panels. The proposed DC resource Kit will also help with this matter.

CLOSE CONFERENCE 3.00pm

Jan Faulkner closed the conference and thanked everyone for coming and wished them all an enjoyable year in pony club.

2011 Inter Pacific Pony Club Exchange Rally

New Zealand

The 25th Inter Pacific Exchange (50 years)

Application Information

Pre-Requisites for Selection:

1. Must be an Associate Member of a Pony Club affiliated with PCAV, and be less than 21 years of age on January 1, 2011.
2. Must hold a "B" Efficiency Certificate.
3. Must have show jumped and evented at PA and Grade 1 levels.
4. Must provide evidence of having proficiently ridden a number of different horses some of which must be "green".
5. Must be eligible to apply under PCAV rules of competition.
6. Must fulfil the PCA requirement – "Team members are required to pass a satisfactory physical fitness examination prior to team departure."

Additional Considerations:

1. As well as riding ability, applicants must possess some ambassadorial attributes, as they will represent their Country at the Exchange Rally.
2. As representatives of the Pony Club movement, all applicants' behaviour, attitude, speech, manners and dress must be exemplary at all times.
3. As guests of the Host Country at social functions, applicants must be able to speak/respond on behalf of their team, if called upon to do so.
4. The applicant should have a good basic knowledge of their own and the host Country, and be able to converse comfortably with peer and non-peer groups.
5. The applicant should have a sound knowledge of the Pony Club movement – its origins, structure and operation in their home state and at national level.
6. The successful applicant will be required to follow the Pony Club Australia Code of Behaviour, under the direction/supervision of the Team Manager.
7. Rider will be responsible for some travel costs, these are still to be confirmed and will be advised by PCA.

Your application should be accompanied with your Resume describing your achievements and an explanation, detailing the reasons why you should be selected.

Good Luck.

Closing date for applications: **1st October 2010**

Successful applicants will undergo an interview process after which, the final successful applicant will be presented to the PCAV Council at the February 2011 Council Meeting.

Mail Application to:

PCAV

2011 Inter Pacific Pony Club Exchange Rally

Application Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

_____ Post code: _____

Phone: Home _____ Mobile _____

Date of Birth: _____

Member of the _____ Pony Club.

Number of Pony Club membership years: _____

Applicant's signature: _____

Parent/Guardian (if under 18years) _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

To be completed by the Club District Commissioner (or President/Secretary if the DC is a parent of the applicant).

Efficiency Certificates currently held by the applicant:

Current Grading in:

Showjumping:

Eventing:

Experience in riding:

'Green' Horses:

A number of different horses:

Attendance at Club Rallies:

Involvement in Club activities – other than riding:

Attitude and Behavior as a Pony Club member:

Signed:

DC of _____ Pony Club.

Date:

Please attach any other relevant information as required.

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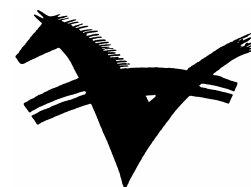
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Thanks Kaye