

Bacchus Marsh

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Newsletter

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Out and About:

Little River Triple Challenge results for BMPC were Champion Grade 4 Dressage- Emerald Borgelt; Champion Grade 2 Dressage- Jamie Harding.

Prince Phillip Games- Aaron Megson's team came first in seniors.

Geelong Show Jumping weekend results included Lochie Bailey- 1st in both 1.1m AM7 and AM5 and 3rd in 1.05 class. Carissa Bailey- 1st in 90 cm class and 3rd in 85cm class. Ashleigh McLean- 1st in 85cm class.

Interschool Showjumping day teams event- 1st place for Lochie, Carissa and Ashleigh. Overall winning individual- Carissa, 2nd place- Lochie. Abby McLean- 1st AM&, 3rd top score and 4th in equitation.

Club News/ Events:

Thankyou evening- The committee would like to organise an evening at the club rooms for a get together with riders and family to thank you all for the support you have given in the running of our club fundraising events- it has been a hectic few months. Further details will be emailed, but if anyone has any particular ideas, please let a committee member know.

Nina and Yona Lloyd lessons- lessons will once again be offered to those interested riders on a fortnightly basis at the BMPC grounds commencing Tuesday 4th October. First lessons generally start at 3.30pm and run through until 8/8.30pm.

Dressage/flat work with Nina is half hour lessons for 2 riders. Jumping lessons are 1 hour for a group of 4 riders. Cost per rider is \$15 per lesson.

For those wishing to participate, please register your interest with Sam or Toni at this rally.

Payments are made in advance at BMPC rally, and a timetable is arranged. If you are unable to make your lesson time at any time, it is your responsibility to either arrange for someone else to fill your position or your payment for the lesson is forfeited.

Payments are to be made at the October rally and the timetable will be supplied to all participating riders at the same time.

BMPC Pre Royal Show- Sunday, 14th August saw a great turn out and a successful day for all events. Thanks to all who helped out in the lead up and running of the day.

Security of the BMPC Grounds- The committee is in the process of organising to lock the grounds in between rallies. This will mean that the arenas and cross country on the hill will only be accessible by key. Any BMPC members wishing to be issued with a key please see De or Mick so numbers of keys required can be gauged. Key memberships will also be considered for non BMPC riders who hold EFA membership.

PCAV Insurance Update- A decision has been made by PCAV to upgrade member's insurance cover. This upgrade will mean that any PCAV member who sustains an injury during any horse riding activity anywhere at any time will be covered by insurance. Initially we thought were of the understanding that this was occurring immediately, but have been advised that it is to commence in the next financial year. For those members who did pay the additional \$20 at last rally, please see a committee member re getting this reimbursed.

Junior Committee News-

Any outstanding chocolate money is due back at this rally.

Cook books- are available for \$10 each- created by the junior committee as a fundraiser for the Relay for Life.

Relay for Life Roster- has been posted- for any changes etc please see Sarah Denning.

National Games Teams- mounts required for the weekend of 1st-2nd October at Werribee Park. Please see Trish or Mick if you are able to offer a suitable horse for this event as 80 mounts are needed. Forms relating to this are available on the PCAV website.

Australian Mounted Games weekend- an event is being held at the BMPC grounds next weekend (10th and 11th September). Feel free to come out for a look. The canteen is being run by the BMPC.

A Few Reminders-

There are to be no dogs on the grounds at rally days or during any PCAV events.

Please update your medical arm bands as well with your new green cards- whilst this is not enforceable at competitions it is encouraged.

It is the riders responsibility to make sure your cards are correct and up to date re grading's etc, it is not the DC's responsibility.

Canteen News-

As a reminder, **no** riders are permitted in the canteen during rally days.

September Rally helpers-

Stirling, Thompson and Vigor families.

You will need to be available to start at 10.30 am and duty finishes after lunch once everything is cleaned up.

Please note that your assistance is still required in the canteen on rally days to support the efforts of the ladies who are running it.

If you are unable to help out in the canteen for your rostered month, please advise Meg or Sharon in advance or arrange to swap with another family.

Updates on BMPC Grounds-

A number of improvements and maintenance projects are currently being planned or underway, these include-

1. Re-establishing 2 arenas on the sand using semi permanent fencing so that when hosting events needing the whole space, these can be removed then reinstated for rally day needs. Mick is co-ordinating this project- ongoing
2. Developing a new water jump on the flat area of the cross country course- Peter Bailey is co-ordinating this with Ewen Kellett which will make a great improvement to the cross country course- Ewen is available to commence this in November so it will be ready for use for our March 2012 horsetrials.
3. Establishing a round yard for lungeing.

If anyone has any ideas re improvements to our club/facilities/equipment or any comments/feedback- please write these down and put into the cards box for the committee to follow up and discuss.

Happy Birthday- To our riders born in September



Madison Closter

Upcoming Events-

Rather than paying for upcoming events at rally days in the future please complete your entries individually and send through to the hosting clubs events secretary. Please see Sam at this rally if further information is required.

- 10th September- Leighdale PC BEDS round 5 gr 1-5.
- 18th September- Portarlinton PC Open Show
- 18th September- Ballarat PC Novelty day
- 8-9th October- Ballarat PC 2 day horse trials gr 1-5 and Open.
- 16th October- Ballan PC Horse Trials- Grade 2-5.
- 22nd October- Smythesdale Gymkhana and Novelties Day
- 23rd October- Drysdale/Leopold Pc BEDS round 6 gr 1-5
- 29th-30th October- Colac 2 Day Horse Trials gr 1-3 and EFA.