

# Bacchus Marsh

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## Newsletter

February, 2011

Welcome back for the 2011 pony club year. Welcome to our new families and riders. The committee hopes everyone has a great year.

### **Out and About:**

(Please send any results you would like added to the newsletter to Paula Cooke.)

### **Club News/ Events:**

#### **Working Bee's-**

As per De's email, if we could have some assistance today to pack up all of the equipment on the arena after the rally has finished it would be most appreciated. Mick is preparing to spray the weed that has taken hold over the summer break and then we are getting further sand spread on to the arena to maintain it at a great standard for future rallies and events.

With the first of BMPC's horse trials looming on the 20<sup>th</sup> March, grounds preparation is going to be occurring the week before, which includes slashing; tidying up around jumps- mowing/wiper snipper; flagging cross country jumps; setting up dressage arena's and show jumping courses. If anyone is available for an hour or two during the week leading up to this, please see De at the March rally. Final set up preparations will be completed during a working bee on the 19<sup>th</sup> March. Your help would be most welcome.

De will be organising a job's list for the horse trials- if anyone is not able to help on the 20<sup>th</sup>, please let De know ASAP.

#### **Happy Birthday-**

To our riders born in January/ February (apologies if anyone has been missed)

Jessie Kospartov  
Leah Paterson  
Rebecca Gebbie  
Kristine Megson  
Ashlee Denning  
Briana Peterson

Emily Dickinson  
Elysia Burgess  
Jessica Wardell  
Josephine Thompson  
Jessica Baker

## **Canteen Roster-**

### **March Rally-**

Thompson; Vigor and Aldred families.

### **April Rally- forward notice-**

Burgess; Callow and Closter families.

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

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

**Sales and 2nd Hand Uniform Cupboard-** please see Ros Baker for any of your uniform needs.

**Memberships-** Please see Paula Cooke for any enquiries relating to memberships their applications and payments.

### **Rider Groups and Rally format-**

Just a reminder to check the notice board for next months afternoon rally events and put your name down for the event you would prefer.

## **Upcoming Events-**

Please see Fiona Bailey re payments for any events and the notice board for any posted event details.

Feb 13<sup>th</sup> - Barwon Valley PC Dressage and S/J Day Gr 1-5.

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> - Drysdale/Leopold PC horse trials Gr 2-5

Feb 20<sup>th</sup> - Riddels Creek Dressage and Showjumping (central zone)

Feb 27<sup>th</sup> - State Dressage and Show jumping championships- Elcho Park

March 12<sup>th</sup> - Ballarat PC 2<sup>nd</sup> Triple Chance- S/J and topsy ring (see noticeboard)

March 12<sup>th</sup> - Mt Duneed PC Open Horse Show

March 13<sup>th</sup> - Ballan PC Barwon Zone Games Competition (this is a great practice run for those wishing to compete in the state games)

March 13<sup>th</sup> - Gisborne Dressage and Showjumping (central zone)

March 20<sup>th</sup> - Bacchus Marsh PC Horse trials Gr 1-5.

## **General Information-**

Members from the Colac Pony Club are looking to organise events and social outings for older pony club riders (b/n the ages of 17-25) within the Barwon Zone if there is enough interest generated. If anyone is interested in further information re joining this zone group, please see Tracey.

The state S/J and Dressage Championships being held at Elcho Park- Corio on the 27<sup>th</sup> February requires assistance from all of the zones clubs. Please see Tracey if you

are able to help out on the day as we are still a few helpers short. Bacchus Marsh Pony Club is running the B Grade show jumping event.

The club is also required to donate 2 raffle items (b/n the value of \$25-50) to this event- if anyone is able to help out with this please see Tracey or De.

Representing our zone from Bacchus Marsh Pony Club at this event are- Lochie Bailey- B grade show jumping; Carissa Bailey- C grade show jumping; Jamie Harding- Grade 2 Dressage. Stephanie Thompson and Sarah Denning are reserves for the C grade show jumping.

### **Dates for the Future:**

State Show Jumping & Dressage Championships, 2011 to be held at Elcho Park Equestrian Centre, Lara

State Horse Trials- 2011, 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup> May at Heytesbury.

Interzone Teams Horse Trials Championships- 2011, 23<sup>rd</sup>/24<sup>th</sup> July, Werribee Park National Equestrian Centre.

Zone eliminations- Games, Flat and Musical Ride- Easter Sunday 2011- ?Corio

State Games, Flat and Musical Ride- Bacchus Marsh, 18<sup>th</sup>/19<sup>th</sup> June 2011.

PCAV Rider Squads- Dressage, Eventing and Show Jumping- expressions of interest invited for riders graded 1-3 in Dressage and Eventing and A,B or C S/J- go to the Pony Club Web for details.

### **Annual General Meeting:**

Being held on 29/3/11, at 8pm in the club rooms. One of the agenda items will be to adopt the Pony Club constitution. New committee members nominations will also be called for so please consider coming along and helping out with the behind the scenes running of the club. The AGM will be followed by the committee meeting.

### **Reminders:**

No parking on the lawned areas adjacent to the club rooms and tanks- please park either at the day yards (accessed via the campdraft entrance) or at the harness club stalls.

No dogs are allowed on the pony club grounds.

Memberships for 2011 will be due in May due to a PCAV request so that memberships may be processed in a timely matter and not interfere with pony club riders attendances at competitions/events. Memberships remain current from July-June each year.

Membership Cards: Gradings. With horse trials starting could riders make sure they are correctly graded, and if more than one horse is being used then all combinations of horse and rider need to be graded.

Arm bands- the colour of the medical arm bands card is not relevant, however Bacchus Marsh pony club recommends that you update your arm band each year when receiving your new cards so that information remains up to date and is visible.

