

Bendigo Pony Club

MARCH 2011

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PONY EXPRESS



Mother and daughter working as a team!!!!



COMING EVENTS MARCH

13TH-BEALIBA PONY CLUB GYMKHANA

20TH-NEANGAR PONY CLUB OPEN DRESSAGE DAY

27TH-MIDLAND ZONE HORSE TRIALS MALDON PONYCLUB

D.Cs report March 2011

Hello All,

Our clubs fund raising clinic for equine flood relief held at Mandurang on February 13th was a huge success. The day was very well supported by riders from many different clubs as well as open riders and we raised over \$1600 which is to be donated via the EFA to Equine Flood relief Queensland. Thanks to everyone from our club who helped in anyway.

Then for a few of our riders it was time for the Barastoc Horse of the Year show at Werribee. This is a mammoth event with over 2000 entries and runs over 5 days. The horses are beautiful, the competition is very tough, the judges are international and the weather and conditions at the National Equestrian Centre all make for a challenging week. Well done to Bendigo Pony Club riders, Britt Holmberg, Indi Shepheard, Maddison, Morgan, & Montanna Maud, Jaclyn Long, Sally Dwyer and Georgia Welch on your well deserved results.

Angela Goudge, Ella Knight, & Morgan Marshall all rode well and did a great job representing our club and our zone at the State show jumping and dressage championships at Elcho Park, Lara last weekend. The camaraderie and fun of being part of team events like this one is something I encourage all pony club members to experience.

It is possible to be part of a team in pony club competition from the time you are graded which brings me to the zone horse trials which are to be held on March 27th at Maldon. Horse trials are heaps of fun and allow you to put into practice lots of what you learn at rallies. It would be great to send a couple of teams to Maldon so please let me know if you would like to be part of a team for this fun event.

Til next month

Happy horsing,

Fue

Angela Goudge & Theo

Grade 2 State Dressage





The Club extends a warm welcome to our newest members & their families:

Laura Philbrick

Bella Carty

Marissa Humbert

Celine Roberts



We hope you enjoy your time at the club and that you learn lots!

SUPPORT YOUR CLUB

**Bendigo Pony Club
Interschool
Equestrian Team Event**

**ALL CLUB MEMBERS!!!
If you go to school and you ride a horse you are eligible to enter this event. Please support your club's major fund raiser of the year by entering in a team and encouraging other riders from your school to do the same. We need to work together to make sure this is the best Interschools yet!**



**Sally Dwyer Girton Team 2010
Interschools**



Congratulations Morgan Rose Maud!



Morgan & Missy D Day 2010



Morgan & Missy at Barastoc 2010

Our congratulations go to Morgan Maud for the dedication and commitment she has shown to her riding and her horses. When Morgan first started riding Missy at pony club she was VERY scared of jumping. Missy was a great jumping pony but it was a new experience for Morgan. Even trotting over poles was difficult for her. However Morgan wanted to jump so she gritted her teeth (Her mum Lisa also gritted hers on many an occasion) and attended every jumping clinic, never missed a rally and is now very competent and confident at jumping grade 4.

Then Morgan got bitten by the showing bug. That same determination she showed when learning to jump stood her in good stead accumulating in Morgan and Missy winning the HRCV highpoint award at Barastoc in 2010. Whilst this was a wonderful achievement Morgan aspired to greater things in the show ring... the open rings were calling her! The hunt was on for a show pony and in no time Aspen way Amazing Grace came to live with the Maud's. Grace was a young pony, not long broken in and with a lot to learn. Morgan had lessons with Grace to learn how to get her going for the show ring and determinedly put into practice all she learned at her lessons. Lisa also embarked on a steep learning curve, learning to present a show pony for the ring. Their months of hard work paid off at Barastoc 2011 where Morgan and Grace won

- 1st Childs pony in the riding pony section
- 5th in junior led
- Top 12 junior saddle pony
- Top 10 Newcomer Pony with over 30 in the class

What an AMAZING journey in only 12 months. Well done Morgan and Amazing Grace proving that determination, persistence and hard work always pays off.



Morgan & Grace Barastoc 2011



Goodbye & Good luck Morgan

This month we sadly say goodbye to Morgan Marshall and her family. Morgan is moving to Geelong to attend university to study architecture. Morgan joined pony club in 2003 on her lovely pony Missy (now with the Maud's). They had lots of fun together but all too soon Morgan grew taller and it was time for a new mount. Welcome to the Marshall family Mickey... or Mystery Lane. Mickey and Morgan soon formed a fantastic bond. Mickey developed into a true all rounder and together Morgan and Mickey had many successes at showing, dressage and horse trials culminating in 6th place at the PCAV State horse trials championships in 2008 in grade 2 and FIRST place in the special event for pony club combinations at the 2008 Melbourne Summer Royal horse show.



Morgan then decided it was time to move onto the challenge of a hack and Dennis, a 16.2 warmblood was purchased. At their first Bendigo show together they won the Alison Bogumil perpetual trophy for the most successful combination in the pony club ring.

Just last weekend the pair competed successfully in grade 3 dressage at the PCAV State show jumping and dressage championships at Lara with their team placing 6th. It was amusing for those of us watching Morgan and her very dedicated parents at this event as in between dressage tests Morgan would change into 'normal' clothes and the 3 of them would drive into Geelong to attend Morgan's orientation day at Deakin Uni. That is commitment!



Our thanks go to the Marshalls for their involvement and dedication to Bendigo Pony Club in your time with us. Morgan's parents, Geera and Bruce were always on hand at working bees and Bendigo pony club events to help in whatever ways were needed. Morgan always supported the clinics and was a keen competitor at all our events.

The committee and members wish you all the best for your future Morgan... remember to come and visit us as often as you can.

The Bendigo Pony Club Committee

BIRTHDAYS

MARCH

ELLA KNIGHT - 5TH

ASHLEA HOWARD-
11TH

JACLYN LONG –
16TH

JACINTA

MORRISSEY -20TH



Ella & Louis Vuitton Grade 2 Dressage



**Saran O'Connor-Williams, Angela Goudge & Ella Knight
Midland Zone Grade 2 Dressage Team**



Morgan, Montanna & Hannah

D Day winners 2010

**Details of the rally will be emailed to all members soon
STAY TUNED!!!!*

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REPAIRS TO ALL
YOUR RUGS AT VERY
COMPETITIVE RATES

DON'T FORGET... THE APRIL RALLY IS THE DATE FOR OUR CLUB'S ANNUAL INTERCLUB GYMKHANA. MEMBERS COMPETE IN

- RIDER CLASS
- HANDLER CLASS
- JUMPING
- DRESSAGE
- BEST PRESENTED
- PONY CLUB MOUNT
- RIBBONS TO 4TH PLACE
- HIGHPOINT TROPHIES FOR JUNIOR, INTERMEDIATE & SENIOR RIDERS

REMEMBER TO BRING A SWEET & A SALAD TO SHARE. BARBEQUE PROVIDED AT A SMALL COST



Hippopotomonstrosesquippedaliophobia is the fear of:

Long words!!!!



PLEASE EMAIL PHOTOS & DETAILS OF YOUR COMPETITION SUCCESSES TO LAUREN FOR INCLUSION IN THE NEWSLETTER
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IMPORTANT RALLY INFORMATION.....

- Please email Sue no later than the Wednesday before the rally to advise her if you will be attending the rally or not skfoley40@hotmail.com
- If you wish to leave a group early or want to swap please ask the DC. You may not always get what you want dependant on the size and dynamics of a group so please don't be disappointed.
- Club uniforms may be worn in these combinations only:
 1. Club polo shirt or rugby jumper or polo shirt under a rugby jumper
 2. White shirt and club tie or white shirt and club tie under the woollen jumper

Polo shirts are NOT to be worn under a woollen jumper

White shirts are NOT to be worn under a polo shirt or rugby jumper



DID YOU KNOW....

White horses are very un-common; however grey horses are not. A grey horse is born coloured and turns grey over time, some faster than others. A white horse is born white



There were no horses in Australia until 1788?

A horse can poop up to 14 times a day!!!!