

# Fassifern Horse and Pony club Newsletter

April 2008

Hello Everyone!

We are finally getting back on track and we hope to outline in this newsletter some of the upcoming events that will get you out and about in the horse world!

Firstly, we will give you a summary of what was covered at the last general meeting-

Code of conduct – a reminder for all riders to remember that the instructors are voluntarily giving of their time and need to be given the courtesy of your attention and respect by listening to their instructions. It would be appropriate for parents to reinforce this with their children as without instructors we have no musters!

Muster timetable –

8.45am line up for gear check. Riders are not to enter a group unless they have been gear checked, hence you need to be on time! Those who line up on time do not need to be penalised by those who are late. We all know that horses sometimes do not want to load etc, so if you are late you need to wait until an instructor is made aware that you need a gear check before joining your group.

9 – 10.30 1<sup>st</sup> session

10.30 – 11 m/tea

11 – 12.30 2<sup>nd</sup> session

12.30 – 1.30 lunch

1.30 - last session

**2008 Muster timetable – watch this space for more exciting additions!**

April 26 - Dressage focus – guest instructor Vanessa Craig

May 10 – show preparation focus – guest instructor to talk on rider class, presentation and etiquette.

May 24 –

June 14 –

June 28 –

July 12 –

July 26 – Zone 3 Training day for Showjumping on the Saturday and Dressage on the Sunday. The FEI World Cup is on at Warwick as well and anyone interested in going as a group up for a look please see Barbara Irving. No muster on this day as there is too many other exciting things to go to!

Aug 9 –

Aug 23 –

Sep 13 –

Sep 27 –

Oct 11 –

Oct 25 - last muster for the year!

**Riders wanting to qualify for state events** - as there are not as many events scheduled for this year as yet and the lack of events in the latter part of '07, some riders are going to find it more difficult to qualify for states. If you have any concerns you need to speak with the Chief Instructor Margaret Harvey.

**Grounds maintenance** - we need people to volunteer to mow the lawn, whipper snip around the cross country jumps etc, etc. If you have any other talents and are able to assist with this very important aspect of club maintenance please email Keith Sullivan or ring him and he will happily give you a job! See his contact details at the end of the newsletter.

**Club Captain's Report** - David would like to organise a skating social outing on a weekend day – he will have a date for the next newsletter, so if you have any preferences – let him know!

**Who's been out and about** – we have lots of club members who are out competing in all sorts of equine sports – if you would like to share with us your tales of stardom or dust just email Alison and she will include them in the newsletter.

**May is the month for worming against bots** - get your wormer from the club house for \$20-00 each ( can worm up to 3 ponies or 2 horses) and support your club at the same time - \$5-00 goes to the club!

**New Zone dates** – 8 June is the Zone Championship for Showjumping at Rosewood. 1st June is the Zone Dressage and Combined Training.

**Want to compete?** Do you know that you need to put your nominations for some events through our Nominations Secretary Kerri Tow? Contact Kerri on 54 639663, email on [kerri\\_tow@aapt.net.au](mailto:kerri_tow@aapt.net.au) or alternatively send it to her at 781 Roadvale Road, Teviotville 4309.

**Anzac Day** - the Pony Club is marching – if you would like to join in please meet Jennette at the Anglican church in Church St at 10am dressed in either club uniform or club shirt and jeans.

Please note July 26 is excursion day – to either participate in the Zone training or watch (or compete) at Warwick. It is great to go to Warwick and cheer on our members who compete – there are some good stalls and lots of yummy food there as well! There will be no muster this day.

**Schools with specialist Instructors for muster days** – we want to have more guest instructors coming to our musters, so if you know any, please

make contact with them and see when they are available and then let Barb now so it can be included in the muster plan.

Next meeting – 15 May 7.30pm. Barbara Draheim usually makes a pretty good cake, so come and try it!

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Chocolates for sale at the canteen – the proceeds of the sales are going towards our end of year break-up, so tuck in!

Don't forget .....

# Pony Club is

# FUN!!!!!!!!!!!!

