

Macedon Ranges Dressage Club

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October 2009 Newsletter

MONTHLY MEETING

Meetings are held on the first Thursday of the month. The next meeting is Thursday 5th November.

Where: The Victoria Hotel - Woodend at 7:30pm.

We enjoyed the Vic so much for the AGM that we decided to try it again.

All members are welcome!

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM was held at Victoria Hotel on October 8th. There was a very good turn out and it was terrific to see some new faces at the meeting. Some positions stayed the same but there were a few changes. See later in the Newsletter for the new positions for 2010.

2009 RALLIES

November 28th

Kylie Burton @ Juravon

December TBA

NOTE: Rally times are posted on the MRDC website, on the Thursday before the rally.

NO DOGS ALLOWED AT RALLIES

IMPORTANT NOTE:

Due to our rallies becoming more and more popular, if in the event a rally is booked out with members waiting on reserve. Then those members who have booked in with two horses will be asked to select to take only one. This is to allow all members an opportunity to ride at the rallies.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT @ JURAVON

Only one vehicle at a time through the gates.

Lunch at the Rallies

Join the instructor and other members for lunch and a chat on rally days. To help with catering, please bring a plate of food to share.

NEW MRDC COMMITTEE (2009-2010)

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Karan Grieve

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Jennifer Holmes

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Regina Banninger

Natasha Dillon

MRDC Fees

An item for discussion at the recent meeting was setting fees for the new year. There has been an increase in the HRCV levy and insurance which will necessitate a small rise in fees.

The following fees were approved for the 2009-2010 year:

Riding Member: \$120

Non-riding: \$60

Dual member: \$50

Please complete the membership form and return along with your cheque and membership card to Karen Thornton at the above address. Alternatively payment can be made by EFT – see below.

Note that if you are intending to compete, your membership needs to be paid and your card stamped before you can ride at any competitions in November.

EFT payments

If you wish to make payments for membership, rallies or anything else by EFT, please contact the treasurer Ric Howells who will give you the bank account details. Ric can be contacted on 54 262221 or by email at rjhowells@msn.com

HRCV TTT Dressage

Two teams have been entered for TTT Dressage in November. More details about the teams next newsletter

New Members

Welcome to the following people who are new members of our club. We hope you enjoy your time with our club and look forward to seeing you out and about at rallies and competitions soon.

*Jennifer Newman-
Sharlene Annesley
Angela Tennant*

HRCVA Competition

October 24th: Macedon Ranges HRCVA competition @ NEC Werribee.

Most of the organisation is in place for this competition and we are looking forward to a great day.

The following members have put in an enormous amount of work already to ensure that the day runs smoothly:

Lee Howells as Event secretary has organised the draw & scoring team as well as coordinating with Werribee Park.

Karah Grieve has organised judges and done a wonderful job to get sponsorship for the event.

Fiona Cooper has spent hours making phone calls and organising volunteers for the day.

Ric Howells has been handling the money matters.

Karan Grieve has planned the catering for the day.

Thank-you to these people who consistently put in a great effort to plan events. They are a well oiled machine and make the job look easy whereas, in reality, it is anything but.

Of course the day would not run smoothly without all our members who volunteer to help on the day. Fiona has organised enough pencilers but still needs a few people to gear check and collect tests. If you can help at all even if only for one or two hours, please contact her on email:

theclub.uniform@optusnet.com.au

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Sponsors

The following businesses have already offered to sponsor our competition so please support them. Contact details are at the end of this newsletter.

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National Dressage Coaching Scholarship

Recently Chris Sievers applied for the National Dressage Coaching Scholarship through the High Performance Panel with sponsorship from the AIS. This included travel throughout Australia; attending national squad training sessions; assisting in talent searches for future 'stars' and horses and a Tafe Sports Administration training/course.

Apparently there were a large number of applicants and Chris was lucky enough to be one of only two in the final selection. The interview was conducted as a tele-conference with 4 of the high performance panel situated through-out Australia. Unfortunately after much consideration Chris just missed out but has been approached for consideration to assist in future activities.

Well done Chris!

Dressage Festival

December 10th – 13th: Equestrian Victoria Saddleworld Dressage Festival @ NEC Werribee.

Members wishing to volunteer can contact Caroline Coleby on ph: 0432 505 774 or at dwts@live.com.au

Pony Dressage

Susanna Clarke is looking for feedback from members who are interested and/or compete in Pony Dressage. She would like to hear your comments about the way the EV completions run and the points system. Please contact her with your ideas – this will help with planning and running Pony Dressage competitions in future.

susannah_clarke@hotmail.com

LEADERBOARD 2009-2010

Rider	Horse	Points
Karah Grieve	Angel	35
Brenda Cotter	MD Hot Chocolate	27
Karen Thornton	Noah	16

Please note that a horse/rider combination can only win once in a three year cycle. However a rider may still enter the competition on another horse.

Send your results to Karah either by email or snail mail on the form.

Out and About

With all the spring competitions happening, quite a few of our riders have been out competing recently. The following are some of the results I have heard about:

Whittlesea Plenty Valley Dressage Competition 19/9/09 @ Werribee

Novice:

Karen Thornton & Noah
Test 2A:5th, Test 2B: 7th

EV Fundraiser 20/9/09 @ Werribee

Novice:

Karen Thornton & Noah
Test 2A: 5th, Test 2B: 6th

Lancefield EG Dressage Jackpot 24/9/09

Level 1:

Natasha Dillon & Northern Cyrus
Test 1E: =3rd, Test 1C: 5th

Level 2:

Karah Grieve & Angel
Test 2C - 1st and Test 2E =2nd and 1st in the Jackpot

Liz Dillon & Rebecca Monson
also competed at Level 3.

Bulla ARC Dressage & CTD
19/10/09

Level 1:

Natasha Dillon & Northern
Cyrus

Test 1D: =2nd, Test 1F: 3rd

Level 3:

Liz Dillon & Nordenfeldt

Test 3F: 7th.

Hidden Valley Midweek
Dressage Jackpot 21/10/09

Level 1:

Natasha Dillon & Northern
Cyrus

Test 1C: =3rd, Test 1E: 2nd.

Well done to all riders!

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