



GIBBER GABBER

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Love this photo



Tori and Polly have a cuddle!

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Dates for August 2010

RALLY DAY – SUNDAY 8 AUGUST

GEAR CHECK 9.30AM

RIDING FROM 10.00AM

NO RALLY DAY – SUNDAY 22 AUGUST
HOWEVER THE WAMBOIN WHIPS WILL
BE HAVING MOUNTED GAMES
TRAINING

WORKING BEES:

Peter Evans would like 2 or 3 people on Sunday 8 August to continue fixing the exterior wall sheets on the clubhouse.

Please call Peter Evans on 6238 3043 if you can help.

NEW EMAIL FOR OUR SECRETARY:

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Louise Baldwin

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING:

Tuesday 24 August, 7.30pm

Quick Residence, 122 Bingley Way

All Associate and Senior Members welcome!

OUT & ABOUT REPORTS

BEEN TO AN EVENT? Why not tell the GG Editor or write a brief article yourself for publication in your club's newsletter? Go on, don't be shy!!!! We love to hear about how everyone is having fun with their equine friends!



Above: Wamboin Riders who took part in the recent Zone 16 Dressage Champs (missing Ceilidh). *Photo: Steve Quick*



Above: The Wranglers took out 3rd in the best presented stakes at the Zone 16 Mounted Games Championships – great look girls!

TWO WAMBOIN TEAMS NOMINATE FOR STATE MG CHAMPIONSHIPS

It is very exciting news that for the first time in a very long time (not since 2006), Wamboin Pony Club will nominate two teams for the PCA NSW Mounted Games Championships.

The Wamboin Warriors:

Katie, Lauren and Penny Slater
Ally and Jack Durr

The Wamboin Whips:

Amy Evans, Mara Sutcliffe, Laura Worden,
Andrea Thompson and Nicole Smith

QUIZ QUESTION



Who were the members of the other last Wamboin State team? And what was their team name?

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING ZONE 16 EVENTS

ZONE 16 ONE DAY EVENT

WHEN: 15 AUGUST 2010

PLACE: EQUESTRIAN PARK, CURTIN

See www.zone16.pcansw.org.au for full details. ENTRIES CLOSE with Louise (our Secretary) on Friday 30 July.

ZONE 16 GENERAL MEETING

WHEN: WEDNESDAY 15 SEPTEMBER

PLACE: CRC CLUBHOUSE, 7.30PM START

See www.zone16.pcansw.org.au for full details.

ALL MEMBERS SHOULD CHECK THE ZONE 16 WEBSITE REGULARLY FOR IMPORTANT NOTICES TO ALL MEMBERS.

JOBS TO BE DONE ON A RALLY DAY

Every rally day there are a number of jobs to be undertaken in order to support our riders to ride and the instructors to instruct. As a small club, the jobs to be done will mean that pretty much each rally day all mums, dads or other support people will be involved in performing at least one job. Our Vice President, Leanne, will be drawing up job rosters and EVERY FAMILY will be on these rosters. The jobs to be done on a rally day can be broken down into three key groups:

1. SET UP OF EQUIPMENT
2. CANTEEN DUTY
3. PACK UP OF EQUIPMENT

For EQUIPMENT SET UP: the rostered families will need to be at the pony club grounds at around 9.15am. The Instructors will either be on the grounds to provide guidance on what equipment is needed where or they will have contacted you before hand with their equipment needs. Your job is to set up the necessary equipment by 10.00am on the rally day, ready for the riders to commence the riding activities.

FOR CANTEEN DUTY: Alison Evans is our Canteen Coordinator and she will ensure a suitable meal plan is fully supplied. Your job on canteen duty is to set up the clubhouse (unstack chairs, tables etc, unlock the toilets etc); do food preparation, including BBQ when required; serve food; clean up and pack up the canteen.

FOR EQUIPMENT PACK UP: at the conclusion of riding activities for the day, all equipment used must be packed away again and secured. NO ONE should leave the grounds until all the equipment has been packed away. Pack up often provides a great opportunity for the riders themselves to assist and demonstrate other attributes (other than riding ability) that are considered each year in the annual awards.



WAMBOIN PONY CLUB MATTERS

JOB ROSTER

RALLY DAY	CANTEEN	GEAR SET UP/PACK UP
11 July	QUICK	BALDWIN
25 July	THOMPSON	BROWN
8 August	HARRIS	EVANS
12 September	WENSING/WOODROW	SUTCLIFFE
26 September	QUICK	BALDWIN

IF YOU CAN'T FULFILL YOUR ROSTER ON THE SPECIFIED DAY, PLEASE ARRANGE A SWAP WITH SOMEONE WHO CAN.

Who will you nominate for the Tonka in 2010?

Tonka Trophy (Perpetual Shield)

The Tonka Perpetual Shield has been awarded at Wamboin Pony Club for many, many years. It is one of two non-riding annual awards.

What are the Criteria?

The Tonka Shield may be awarded to any person who has worked hardest for the Club during the year.

It acknowledges a person who has contributed to the club in any number of areas; it acknowledges those that contribute as a constructive club member, working for the betterment of the club and its reputation. It can also acknowledge someone associated with the club who has made a significant contribution toward our club.

Any member of the WPC (including riders) may nominate any person for this award.

Tonka continued.....

Nominations are called by the Senior Instructor in November each year. So, why not give some consideration to those that you see fulfilling the criteria for this special award throughout the remainder of this year and nominate them in November?

This is just one way that members can seek to acknowledge the efforts and contributions of others for our club. Start considering who you would like to see acknowledged.

CANBERRA ROYAL 2011

Once again our esteemed Vice President, Leanne, is seeking Expressions of Interest from those riding members who would like to take part in the Pony Club classes at the 2011 Canberra Royal Show.

Leanne gave a briefing to the riders at the 25 July Rally Day about what is involved. We are mainly hoping to get some pairs and teams of fours entered to support these classes but to also have some fun as Wamboin Pony Club at what is the biggest agricultural show in our region.

Leanne will talk more about what's involved at upcoming rally days, so please do not hesitate to ask Leanne any question and Leanne will also do some instruction on show work outs and presentation.

Keep an eye out for the Wamboin Challenge Shield and Wamboin Gymkhana programs for November as these will include some events that will replicate what you might do as a pair or four at the Canberra Royal.

THE HISTORY OF SHOW JUMPING

Show jumping is a relatively new equestrian sport. Until the Enclosure Acts which came into force in England in the eighteenth century there had been little need for horses to routinely jump fences. But with this act of parliament came new challenges for those who followed fox hounds. The Enclosures Act brought fencing and boundaries to many parts of the English country as common ground was dispersed amongst the wealthy landowners. This meant that those wishing to pursue their sport now needed horses which were capable of jumping these obstacles.

In the early shows held in France, there was a parade of competitors who then took off across country for the jumping. This sport was, however, not popular with spectators as they could not watch the jumping. Thus, it was not long before fences began to appear in the arena. This became known as Leaping. 1869 was the year 'horse leaping' came to prominence at the Dublin horse show. Fifteen years later, Leaping competitions were brought to Britain and by 1900 most of the more important shows had Leaping classes. Women, riding side-saddle, had their own classes.

At this time, the principal cavalry schools of Europe at Pinerolo and Tor-di-Quinto in Italy, the French school in Saumur and the Spanish school in Vienna all preferred to use a very deep seat with long stirrups when jumping. This style of riding was perhaps more secure for the rider, but it also impeded the freedom of the horse to use its body to the extent needed to clear large obstacles.

The Italian Instructor Captain Fiederico Caprilli heavily influenced the world of jumping with his ideas that a forward position with shorter stirrups would not impede the balance of the horse negotiating obstacles. This style, now known as the forward seat, is commonly used today. The deep, Dressage-style seat, while useful for riding on the flat and in conditions where control of the

horse is of greater importance than freedom of movement, is sometimes referred to with disparagement as a "backward" seat in some jumping circles.

The first major show jumping competition held in England was at Olympia in 1907. Most of the competitors were members of the military and it became clear at this competition and in the subsequent years that there was no uniformity of rules for the sport. Judges marked on their own opinions. Some marked according to the severity of the obstacle and others marked according to style. Before 1907 there were no penalties for a refusal and the competitor was sometimes asked to miss the fence to please the spectators. The first courses were built with little imagination; many consisting of only a straight bar fence and a water jump. A meeting was arranged in 1923 which led to the formation of the BSJA in 1925. In the United States, a similar need for national rules for jumping and other equestrian activities led to the formation of the American Horse Shows Association in 1917, now known as the United States Equestrian Federation.

An early form of show jumping was first incorporated into the Olympic Games in 1900. Show jumping in its current format appeared in 1912, and has thrived ever since, its recent popularity due in part to its suitability as a spectator sport which can be viewed on television.



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Wamboin Pony Club

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Quiz Answer: The five members of the second state MG team in 2006 were Francis, Megan and Caitlin Judd, Phoebe Jenkins and Ellie Smith. They were called the Wamboin Whimps.

You know you are a horseperson when:

- You cluck to your car when you go up a hill.
- Your horse's hair is in better condition than your own.
- You refer to your car as "my portable tack room".
- You are excited when your friend tells you that there is a huge sale at the bridle shop, then you are disappointed when you realize they mean the bridal shop.
- You have the vet's number but not your kid's paediatrician on your speed dial.
- Your spouse can track dirt into the house all they want, but God help them if they muddy up the tack room.
- Your house is a mess, but the barn is as neat as a pin.
- Your nice clothes are the ones without horse hair all over them.

