

# Gibber Gabber



## State Mounted Games

Twenty eight teams with 140 competitors travelled from all over NSW for the Bungendore Community Bank State Mounted Games Championship over the weekend of the 29-30<sup>th</sup> September at Bungendore Showground.

Most riders arrived the Friday before to complete the fitness check; however it was cancelled due to foul weather, and was done before the races began on the Saturday.

Everyone rose on the Saturday morning very apprehensive, as the previous day had seen plenty of rain and was cold (however not exceptional in Bungendore). Riders completed the presentation and fitness check and then the games began.

Ten games were run over the weekend, and for each race there was a final; the top 5 fastest times from the juniors competed against each other, likewise with the associates. The races that were run over the weekend included; Ball & Bucket, Hi-Lo, Milk the Cow Race, Sword Race, Balloon Bursting, Tyre Race, Stepping Stone Dash, Five Flag, 9 Ring & Rope Race.

Our zone (Zone 16) dominated the leader board, with eleven teams entered into the competition.

In the 17 to under 25 age division (associates), Team Black Sheep from Zone 16 stood out from the flock with an almost perfect overall score of 97 out of a possible 100 points. Team Black Sheep consisted of Katie from Wamboin Pony Club, Zac Hope, Frances Barnard, Georgia Hope from Canberra Riding Club and Aleira Plath from Michelago Pony Club.

Team Blue from Zone 26 came in second place with 66 points. While Zone 16 Team Extreme scored 57 points to place third overall. In a very respectable sixth place was the Zone 16 Team Magic Mike's which consisted of Amy Evans from Wamboin Pony Club, Tom Thorek, Zoe Walker, Jess Simpson and Bec McLean all from Murrumbateman Pony Club.

In the under 17 year's age group (juniors), Zone 16 Team Wamboin Warriors took out first place with 86 points. The Warriors consisted of Penny & Lauren Slater, Ally & Jack Durr and Laura Worden. On behalf of the junior competitors and the Wamboin team, Laura spoke very well at the presentation ceremony to thank the organisers, volunteers and riders for a great competition.

The Beauty and the Beasts from Zone 26 came in a close second with 82 points. In third place, the Gearvs Gap Gallopers from Zone 16 scored 68 points.





Below & above; Laura, Jack, Lauren, Penny & Ally – Wamboin Warriors



2012 PCS NSW State Mounted Games  
Champions – Associate  
Black Sheep – Zone 16

# State ODE

The weather was not kind to the 2012 PCA NSW ODE Championship which was held on the 6th/7th of October in Albury/Wadonga. Wamboin had one rider, Lauren competing at the event. Unfortunately steady rain fell throughout Saturday. Despite this the dressage phase was successfully completed by midday and the XC started early afternoon under very dark skies. By mid afternoon, with a thunderstorm overhead and a waterlogged course, this phase was abandoned for the day, with only the Championship and A grade riders completing their cross country before it was deemed too dangerous. The Showjumping on Sunday 7th October was run under clear blue skies but unfortunately the XC phase could not be resumed.

**CONGRATULATIONS** to the stoic and all-weather Zone 16 team, who romped in as Zone Champion Team - on 33 points, 16 points clear of the reserve champion team from Zone 12.

The Zone 16 Champion Team comprised:

Ellie Miller and Kaloona Grace - 2nd in the **Associate** Advanced Division

Loren Slater and Asperview Firestorm - 4th in the 15 & U17 Advanced Division

Kathleen McGrath and Shar Amoon Em Su - 5th in the 15 & U17 Advanced Division

Tori Doak and Brego - 4th in the 13 & U15 Advanced Division

Other results for our riders completing **the event** were:

13 & U15 Advanced Division - Andrea Thompson & Rothdale Law & Order 8th on a count back

15 & U17 Novice Division - Kirsty Field & Heygate Orphan Annie 12th

17 & U25 Novice Division - Adele Clarke and Mumbulla Pearl 5th, Margaret Palazzo & Russian Charm 6th, Riana Philbey & Narrangullen Vodka 9th

Unfortunately, under extremely trying conditions Lauren was eliminated in the cross country phase because she had 4 refusals, which meant that she was then unable to compete in the showjumping. Of the 14 riders that started the cross country phase in her age group, only 9 riders completed the course.

## Rally Day Report

Rally Day 7.10.12

On Sunday the 7th of October riders Penny, Charlie, Jack and Katie attended a small rally day at which Tracey instructed. Due to some miscommunication from our Senior Instructor the riders and Tracey believed there was a Rally Day on, and much to their surprise they were the only ones that attended. Upon returning home however, they realised it was indeed, not actually the second weekend of the month!

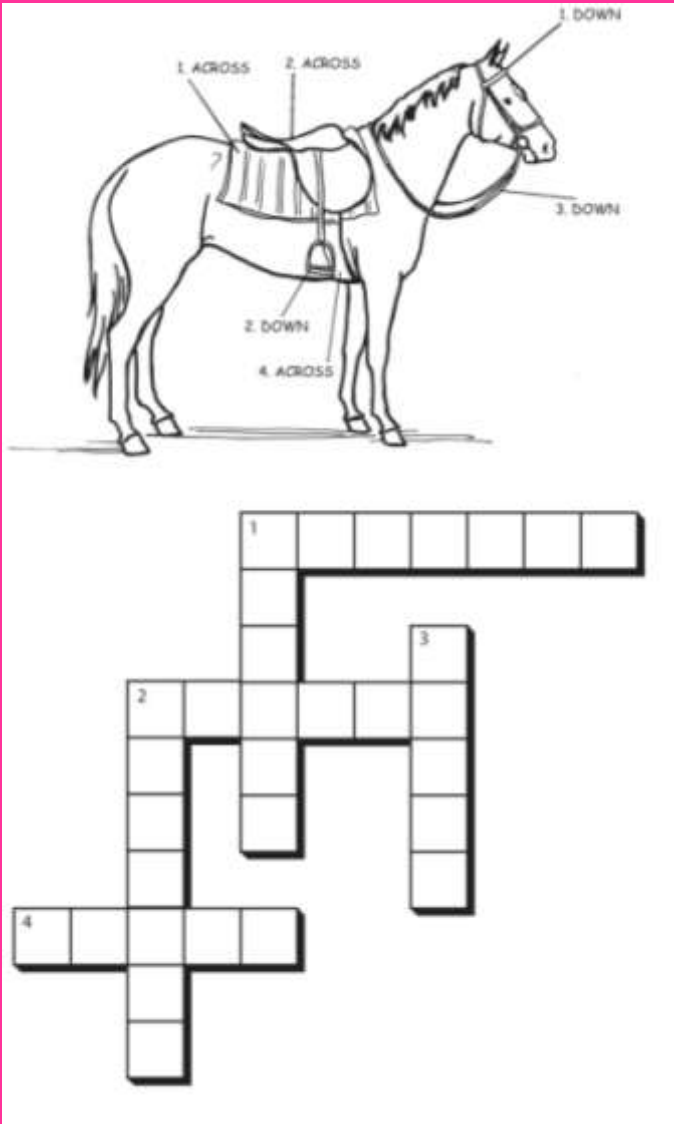
Anyway the riders still had a great time and did some flatwork and suppling exercises in the main arena and also practiced vaulting and did some mounted games.

They also did some showjumping in the sand arena and cross country out on the course. Despite having no keys, hence no access to a toilet the riders made the most of the day.

Thanks to Tracey for instructing.



# Activities



## Horse Breeds Word Search Puzzle

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 R T A N L E H O R R S E S A R  
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| ABYSSINIAN | DALES PONY    |
| APPALOOSA  | GELDERLANDER  |
| ARABIAN    | HIGHLAND PONY |
| ASTURIAN   | MINIATURE     |
| AZTECA     | MUSTANG       |
| BELGIAN    | PALOMINO      |
| BUCKSKIN   | PINTO         |
| CARTHUSIAN | QUARTER HORSE |
| CASPIAN    | SADDLEBRED    |
| CLYDESDALE | SHETLAND PONY |

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