



NZPCA - Newsletter – February 2011

Christchurch Earthquake

The thoughts of NZPCA are once again with the Christchurch people and the surrounding areas. Just when life was getting back to some sort of normality nature has sent a reminder message not to take her for granted. It is a very worrying time for everybody. But with every down side, there is a positive side. The emergency services throughout the country are calling up their people to volunteer their time in Christchurch. They are overwhelmed by the response. Clubs and other organisations are raising funds, clothing, toys, and even covers / halters and other horsey and other animal bits for the victims of this catastrophe.

Unfortunately this has also brought out the worst in some of the people. The authorities are urging people NOT to give to charities and people that they do not know, especially those door knockers who have no real identification, email requests, and telephone requests. Red Cross or the banks are the places that are safe, but in saying that there are also unscrupulous people who have plagiarised some of the names of these organisations with the hope that they will entice people to give money to them. Here are some websites that you can check out to ensure you are giving to the 'right' organisation: info on email scam

http://www.nzherald.co.nz/nz/news/article.cfm?c_id=1&objectid=10708487 info on some legitimate donation sites <http://nz.news.yahoo.com/a/-/top-stories/8888891/how-to-help/> list of scams put out by the Department of Internal Affairs http://www.dia.govt.nz/diawebsite.nsf/wpg_URL/Services-Anti-Spam-Reported-scams?OpenDocument. Have a look at these sites and make your decisions from there. My branch is going to be putting up a 'donations' bucket at our ODE this weekend and that money will be going to one of our local business men who has personally put up \$500 and is challenging others to match it or donate whatever they can. Awesome! Another crowd are asking for donations of halters, bridles, dog collars, and other animal goodies to send down. It is times like this that you are proud to be a Kiwi.

To Canterbury – you will come through this and remember – you are not alone.

Take care everybody and I know that you will all do what you can for our people in Christchurch.

Marj Steiner
President
NZPCA

Coaching and Training

H and A Certificate Examination Results

Results from the H and A examination held in at the Cromwell racecourse in early February 2011.

H Certificate - Janelle Gibson, Eastern Southland. Janelle now has full A Certificate.

A Riding Certificate - Anna Nesbit and Grace Manners-Wood, Central Otago.

The next North Island H & A Certificate examination will be held on the weekend of 11 & 12 June 2011, the venue is to be confirmed. The closing date for applications is 11 March 2011.

Examiners – the list of Examiners in the October 2010 NTC's was inadvertently titled 'New C Examiners'.

It should have read -
'New C+ Examiners'

- Charlotte Moss - Tauranga
- Kay Andrews – Tauranga
- Carolyn O'Grady - Tauranga
- Linda Hitchman - Waiuku
- Kim Deveraux – Franklin District

ECTP Qualified Coaches September'10 – February'11.

Level	Name	Pony Club
D	Olivia Chapman	Franklin District
D	Rachel Pawsey	Franklin District
D	Melissa Wallace	Bream Bay Kaipara
D	Natalie McLachlan	North Harbour
D	Diane Mumford	Thames Valley
D	Cheryl Ridgen	Christchurch
D	Teresa Trotman	Christchurch
D	Ella Causer	Golden Bay
D	Larissa Marchand	Christchurch
C	Wendy Roigard	West Auckland
C	Marisna Roodt	Waitemata
C	Nicky Harvey	Franklin District

Congratulations Coaches!

Examination Organisation - when organising exams it is essential that the process and rules are followed. We are hearing of cases where exams are being organised and decisions made by people who do not have the authority to do so. We refer to the rules regarding the appointment of Examiners and Technical Delegates in particular. The rule book must be adhered to and the organising must be carried out in a timely manner.

New Coaching and Training resources on the website:

JD5.35 Branch, Club or Area Coach

TR6.38 Procedure for Cross Crediting Overseas Pony Club Certificates.

For more information go to

<http://www.nzpca.org/resources/#>

NZPCA Dressage Championships



Photo courtesy Barbara Thomson

The triumphant Northland Team - Samantha Felton holding the Atchison Trophy, Julie Flintoff, Anna Telfer, Kay Flintoff – Team Manager. Front, Mihi Shepherd, Rebecca Donovan, Joy Robinson and Heather Grant – NZPCA Vice President.

The tenacity of Pony Club riders is to be commended. The storm which swept through the North Island Dressage Championship at Taupo did nothing to dampen their enthusiasm as they continued to ride in atrocious conditions. Northland were out to beat their 2010 second place and they did it in style with team members Mihi Shepherd and her pony Ngahere Romeo scoring 73.57 % to win the Barbara Harvey Rosebowl for Junior Champion while Julie Flintoff riding HR Windrush won the Blue Legend Rosebowl for Senior Champion. The South Island Championship was held at Ashburton and the local Area, Ashburton, South Canterbury, North Otago was the highest placed on the day and ended the Championship in tenth place.

Overall results: 1st Northland 1580; 2nd Bay of Plenty 1547; 3rd Waitemata Rodney 1523; 4th Franklin Thames Valley 1514; 5th Auckland 1420; 6th Waikato 1416. **National coaches' rosettes for best senior team** - Bay of Plenty 1155. **National coaches' rosettes for best junior team** – Franklin Thames Valley 1167. **Blue Legend Rosebowl for senior champion** – Julie Flintoff, HR Windrush 423. **Barbara Harvey Rosebowl for junior champion** – Mihi Shepherd, Ngahere Romeo 412. **NZPCA rosette for senior secondary school champion** – Alix Campbell – (Waitemata Rodney) Kristin School. **NZPCA rosette for junior secondary school champion** – Renee Faulkner (Franklin Thames Valley) Rosehill College. **NZ Horse & Pony Magazine plaque for best first time riders: junior** - Rhiannon Harrison (Waitemata Rodney) Showfields Papanui JB, **senior** – Kelsi Parker (Bay of Plenty) Delta Louisville.

The 2011 Inter Pacific Tour of NZ

2011 Itinerary - Due to the Christchurch earthquake the Inter Pacific committee is re-evaluating the tour itinerary as the teams were due to fly into Christchurch on 1st May 2011. We are in contact with the overseas nations and will keep them and you updated on the tours itinerary. The Nations Cup will remain at the Kihikihi Domain and the teams will depart New Zealand on 15th May. It has been decided that the teams will consist of five riders. Anna Nesbit (OS) comes into the team to join

Oliver Steele (FTV), Marisna Roodt (WR), Holly Morrell (BOP), Lauren Cooney (AUK). Emma Simpson (ASCNO) becomes the first reserve and Katie Meredith (CBY) the second reserve team member.

HOY Raffle for the Inter Pacific Tour - In early February Club Secretaries were sent raffle tickets to sell on behalf of NZPCA to fund raise for the Inter Pacific tour. The HOY organisers offered NZPCA the opportunity to be involved in the raffle with the prize being a saddle generously donated by Bates and valued at \$4,400.00. Tickets were allocated pro rata to Clubs based on the number of riding members per Club.

The proceeds of the raffle will be split between NZPCA and the HOY organising committee. The butts and payment (cheques to be made out to Horse of the Year) are to be returned to Sue Hansen by 7th March please. The raffle will be drawn prior to the commencement of the second round of the NZPCA Area team's show jumping competition at HOY.

Thank you all very much for supporting the raffle – either by selling or buying tickets. Your support is very much appreciated.

Horse Trials

Mike Etherington-Smith cross-country seminar - for a comprehensive report of the seminar held at Kihikihi read the report in the March issue of the New Zealand Horse and Pony Magazine. Sarah Milne interviewed Mike and provides an insight into Mike's background and knowledge. The seminars were sponsored by Alltech New Zealand, Eventing NZ, Waikato Area Eventing and the New Zealand Pony Clubs Association.

Eventing Rules

Annex 3 – unfortunately the Eventing NZ dressage tests listed in Annex 3 were incorrect. Annex 3 has been updated to reflect the correct tests –

Introductory: Eventing L1 – L4 and NZPCA Junior Riding Tests

Pre Training: Eventing L1 – L4 and NZPCA Intermediate Riding Tests

Training: Eventing L1 – L4, A1 – A4 and NZPCA Intermediate Dressage Tests, NZPCA DC HT Tests

Open: Eventing A1 – A4, B1 – B4 (Pony Club excludes B2 as it includes a rein back) and NZPCA HT DC/A1 Tests. For more information go to

http://www.nzpca.org/new/horse_trials/index.php

We remind members that Pony Club rules that differ from Eventing NZ Rules are available on the website and in Annex 6 of the Eventing NZ Rule book. New reprint / update of the Eventing rule book should be out during March.

In particular we draw your attention to DRESS

- **Whips:** A whip no longer than 100cms for ponies and 120cms for hacks and including lash may be carried in a dressage test up to and including Pre-Training level.

- **Gear Inspection:** Dress and saddlery will be inspected before each test and after being passed no change will be made. Competitors with unsafe or forbidden gear will replace it and re-present themselves to the gear checker before starting. It is the responsibility of the rider to be ready to start on time under penalty of elimination.

(Each test refers to each phase)

MINIMUM STANDARD FOR MEDICAL PERSONNEL AND SERVICES AT EVENTS

- Effective from 1 February 2009 Version (in current ENZ Rule Book).

SCORING

Scoring for all Pony Club Events including Area Trials and Championships will be -

- First refusal, run-out or circle of horse at obstacle
20 Penalties
- Second refusal, run-out or circle at the same obstacle
40 Penalties
- Third refusal, run-out or circle at the same obstacle
Elimination
- Fourth refusal, run-out or circle on XC Course
Elimination

(For other faults refer to ENZ Article 660)

For more information go to

http://www.nzpca.org/new/horse_trials/index.php

Area Trials – Trials to select Area teams for the NZPCA Horse Trial Teams Championships are well underway throughout New Zealand. We wish riders good luck and hope to see as many riders as possible at Taupo in April. **Please Note:** For Area Trials and at Championships, the show jumping combinations has been amended to read '2 doubles'.

Training Championship Class - a reminder that 3 riding members per Area are eligible for the 2011 Championship class.

The dressage test will be ridden in a long arena.

Membership Forms and Fees

As reported in the January 2011 Newsletter, February 7th was the final date for Membership forms to be submitted to NZPCA and Membership fees paid. That date has passed and we are loath to announce that several Branches and Clubs have chosen to forfeit their membership.

We thank the Branches and Clubs who have returned their Membership forms and fees. The database is a work in progress.

Please Note: The Coaching & Training Programme funding for the 2011-12 year is based on membership numbers, so by not submitting membership figures Branches and Clubs are restricting the amount of funding available to their Area and therefore their riders, coaches and officials.

Pony Club Promotion

Pony Club will be attending the HOY and will be sharing trade space with Equine E Learning (EeL), Massey University, NZ Equine Industry Training Organisation (EITO) and the New Zealand Equine Education Trust (NZEET). Come along and visit us on site.

Show Jumping

South Island Show Jumping Championship



South Island Show Jumping team winners - Amberley Gold

Correction – we apologise for incorrectly listing the names of the winning SI show jumping teams in the January 2011 Newsletter.

Placegetters were - 1st Amberley Gold, 2nd Lorneville/Makarewa, 3rd Waihora, 4th Eyreton Navy, 5th Matarua, 6th Balmoral.

HOY - Twelve teams have entered the Pony Club Area team's class at the HOY. The first round will be held in arena one on Friday 18th at 9am, and Round two will be held in the International Arena on Saturday 19th at 12.30pm.

We hope to see many Pony Club members there in support.

Please Note: Team managers and coaches – a meeting will be held on Thursday 17th at 4.00pm in the main office.

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