



# Bealiba Brumby



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## Tahnee, Lauren and Company Compete at Coldstream

Last weekend Bealiba had two riders entering in the Midland Zone team. Lauren rode two Dressage, Grade 3 tests and Tahnee rode three, C Grade Showjumping rounds to contribute to the score of the Midland Zone team that was entered. All of the riders did well on the day although the horses felt a bit stiff and sore after the long drive to Coldstream. There wont be the same problem next year when the event will be held at Avoca so we have "home ground" advantage. Tahnee and Lauren made sure they bought along plenty of strappers (just about half the club!) who gave our Brumbies lots of moral support. They are all clued up now and next year lets hope the Midland Zone team is made up of Bealiba riders only.



Thanks to everyone who helped out and made cakes for the Dunolly market, on Jan 11<sup>th</sup>. We made just under \$400 !!

Q: When do vampires like horse racing?  
A: When it's neck and neck.

## Healthy Pony Club - that's Us

Just before Christmas our club was given the great news that we won the competition amongst any of the other submissions from our Zone and have won 4 back protectors for being judged the most healthy pony Club in this Zone. Well done to all those who helped put it together - Melissa, Chloe and Alan Mitchell. But most of our thanks goes to Adrian Cook who many of you will have seen around the club taking video footage and helping to set up our PA systems. Adrian edited old and new film and added some great technological gizzmos that lead to a very slick 3 minute or so film that the PCAV were so impressed with they are keeping on file to use for presentations to show just how good and how far Pony Clubs can go - with a little help from all the members and friends - well done Brumbies

## Carbine To The Rescue

Our eight riders were fantastic ambassadors for our club at the Inglewood Christmas Event on December 22nd.

The riders all wore blue jeans and white shirts with red or blue stars and tassels. The shirts were made by Betty, who also introduced them, one at a time, into the arena. The only one who let the side down was Rocker who treated the crowd to a bucking display minutes after the beginning of the musical ride. Chloe managed to take Rocker out and made a quick swap to take over on Carbine. The rest of the ride went off without any problems and the audience was very impressed - even though the height range with Chloe riding on little Carbine behind tall Cabello looked pretty strange!





## Rheola Gymkhana - cancelled?

March - April is such a busy time for the Pony Club that the committee has decided that we cannot stage the gymkhana this year, at Rheola. At this stage we don't know whether some-one else in the area will take the event on but, if you have a look at our calendar, we just don't have enough free time to devote to it. We apologise to any one who was really looking forward to the event. Maybe they could put their names forward to volunteer the organisation of the day for next year.



**Don't Forget The Roster**  
Please remember - if you can't help out on that date arrange your own swap with another parent in the club.

Today: Astbury/Bartlett - kitchen

Deary - toilets

Delaney/ Gibbs - drink bottles

Fry - laundry

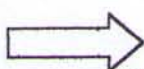
Next rally: Gibbs/Harper - kitchen

Harris - toilets

Lendon/Deary - drink bottles

Jones - toilet

If you have any queries about the duties required please see Veronica.



**Support our Pony Club and buy a tube of worming paste from Phyllis**

## Feeding Your Equine Friend

*The following list is what you need to think about when feeding horses or ponies:*

\*Clean paddock \*Worming \*Shelter \*Rugs  
\*Changing seasons \*Teeth \*Hay \*Chaffs \*Vitamins & minerals \*Work you require your horse to do

What does your paddock have to do with feeding out hay and chaff?



*Lets have a closer look at our*  
**Paddocks**

Paddocks should be **cleaned weekly** or **rested** this is due to the worming cycle. If your paddock is not cleaned or rested it becomes riddled with worms and sour grass these paddocks are called "horse sick" and no matter how much you worm or feed eventually there can be little if any effect. You can see why it is important to look at your **paddock first**. If it is not clean, you cannot achieve the best results from worming or feeding.

**Overall this will mean money wasted in** feeding and worming, poor condition of your horse, loss of weight and ill health i.e. vitamin deficiency and colic. Worms can be the cause of colic but you can read more about worming in the next issue

## **So.....How clean is your horse paddock?**

*For more hints on Pasture Hygiene Management see notice board*  
- Anita

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February	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Neangar Park PC	C T D	
March	9 <sup>th</sup>	<b>OUR GYMKHANA</b>	- counted as our rally	Open
	10 <sup>th</sup>	Harcourt PC	Show Jumping day	
	16 <sup>th</sup>	Zone instructors school		
	23 <sup>rd</sup>	Charlton PC	Horse Trials	Grades 1 to 5
	25 <sup>th</sup>	Zone meeting	St Arnaud	
	30 <sup>th</sup>	Bendigo P C - J. C.	Gymkhana	
April	13 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Zone Horse Trials</b>	Horsham?	
	15/16 <sup>th</sup>	2 day clinic	Bealiba	
	20 <sup>th</sup>	Pony Club Rally	Bealiba	
		Donald PC	Gymkhana	
	27 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Games & Qualifying Event		



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Congratulations to Danni, Tahnee, Lauren, Chloe and Lotty for each being the first candidates from the Bealiba Pony Club to gain their C Certificates (Serena and Kelly already gained theirs when members of M'brough PC). Riders 13 years and above must hold these certificates to be eligible to participate in the State PCAV events.

The Bealiba riders all passed their tests (jumping, dressage, horsemanship and a written test) easily although a few issues arose. One was a rumour from some riders of other clubs that rope, "horsemanship" halters were not accepted. We checked out this at the Midland Zone meeting and it was not correct. Individual Pony Clubs may have rules about some types of halters (& ropes) not being legal but they are acceptable here. A second problem was in the definition of splints. No one from any club got the correct answer!

Our riders will be able to give an idea of what was required for our next batch who will sit the test in March.

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**I**f anyone has missed seeing Danni around as much its because she's now a working girl! In January Danni started in a position as a Sport's Trainee, at an Equestrian School in Beaconsfield. Congratulations, Danni!! In the meantime Phyllis is looking for a replacement who can do a thousand tasks a day ... forget it Phyllis - you will never find anyone as hard working as Danni

## Lotty's Snippet

**If you have a chestnut horse, feeding him pumpkin can really improve coat colour. Chop up a piece of pumpkin including skin and seeds and microwave around 8-10 minutes, until it is soft. Mix in with feed.**



PCAV?  
Zones?  
Sections?



What does all this mean??

The Pony Club Association began in Britain in 1929. The P C A has over 200 Pony Clubs (the Bealiba & District Pony Club is club number 246) & 8000 Pony Club Members. The Pony Club Association of Victoria was formed in 1954.

PCAV is affiliated with the British Horse Society, the Australian Pony Club Council and the Equestrian Federation of Australia (Victorian Branch).

The affairs of PCAV are administered from its State Headquarters at Warleigh Grove, North Brighton. At the time of purchase, this was the first centre in Australia, wholly owned by a State Pony Club Association.

As Pony Clubs started all over the state, things got too big to manage so the state was divided into Zones. There are 10 Zones – ours is the Midland Zone with colours orange and black. That's why the Zone's wavy jump saddle is orange and so are the blankets you wear when you are representing the Zone. The Midland Zone has qualifying events where it selects riders to make up a team to represent them at State Level. If the rider is 13 years or older they have to have a C certificate. There are also a few other events put on by the Midland Zone and last year our club won three shields and one trophy – *lets do it again.*

Midland Zone:

President: John Lane

Secretary: Don Roach

Representative: Kaye Blanchard

We have Zone meeting every second month that Faye or Melissa go to to represent our Club in any decisions that need to be made and our Zone Rep. — Kaye, goes to meetings at PCAV every second month to Represent our Zone at State meetings. The Zones are so large and have so many clubs in them that they are divided into "Sections". The Bealiba Pony Club is in Section D of the Midland Zone.

For more information look at

<http://ponyclubvic.org/>



## Rosemary's Workout For Bealiba Brumbies

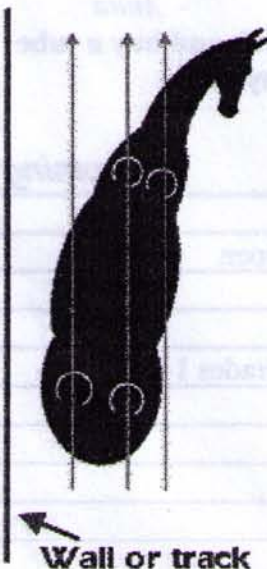
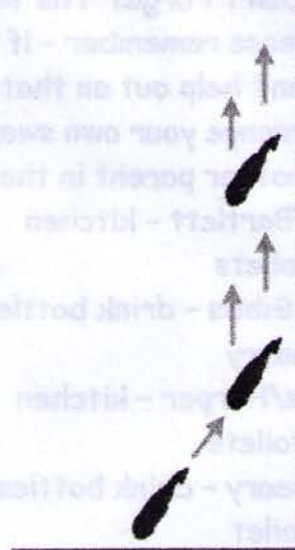
1. Practice your walk/ halt transitions MANY times before you move on to the next maneuver.
2. Then practice walk and pirouette BOTHWAYS at a walk. Remember to give the aid to pirouette involves turning BOTH hands to the direction you want the horse to go in and using some pressure from your OUTSIDE leg.



3. Practice halts and half turn on the forehand in BOTH directions. Keep pressure on the bit - this tells the horse NOT to move forward. Apply pressure behind the girth with one leg - the opposite to the way you want the horse to turn.

4. Walking around the arena cut the corners (eg K to A). Do this, trying to maintain the horse looking straight ahead whilst using the outside leg to push their hind quarters across. This is the basis of "Shoulders In" (when their head is towards

the arena wall) and "Counter Shoulders-In" (when their hindquarters are towards the arena wall).



This exercise involves **LEG**

**YIELDING.** The Aids for a right leg yield are as follows:

The right rein asks for the bend.

Left rein opens & goes forward, establishing the direction of movement & allowing

The horse to bend while still supporting the horse.

The RIGHT leg should be applied on, or just behind, the girth, asking for impulsion & moving the horse's hindquarters over.

The LEFT leg is applied on the girth.

Weight is central or inside hip slightly forward.

Check out this website for a lot more

detail <http://www.ridinghabit.com/guide/lateralwork/legyieldhowto.html>