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# Bealiba Brumby

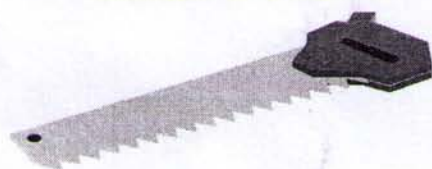


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## Happy Birthday, Ms President.....

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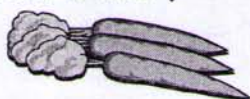
All of the members and friends of the Bealiba Pony Club would like to say a belated Happy Birthday to our founding member and President ....Phyllis. A couple of weeks ago Phyllis turned 60!!! The pony clubbers have all contributed towards some wheels for Phyllis. Many Happy Returns of your Birthday, Phyllis - and every one else should watch out for their ankles - scooters love them ...



**T**hank you to all those who lent a hand, two weeks ago, for the working bee. On the grounds we managed to make several new cross-country jumps. Some of you may have gone over them with Debbie during the clinic. Many hands made light work for tidying up the club-rooms too so made the clinic a little easier.

**And don't forget that other, special birthday for all our four legged friends on August 1<sup>st</sup>**

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## Snug as a Bug at July Clinic

Once again, our Pony Club was blessed to perfect weather for our two day clinic in July. Some of us took advantage of an offer from Rosemary who gave us some extra dressage instruction on the Tuesday before the clinic. Rosemary is very keen on working you horse on the ground, or "in hand" work if you are at all serious about training your horse to do well at dressage. A few minutes of working your horse this way showed us it wasn't nearly as easy as it looked but it gave us a good insight into how important it is



to

make your aids obvious to your it. By working on the ground you give your horse much clearer messages and don't mix up the message with shifts in you weight or conflicting signals from either rein. Rosemary is very enthusiastic that any of our riders who are at all serious about improving their dressage, practice In Hand work with their horses - REGULARLY.

During the clinic Rosemary, once again took us all through the drill of teaching some very basic dressage commands on our horses. These lateral movements are essential to any more fancy or progressive dressage riding AND THE RIDERS WHO HAVE BEEN SHOWN THESE EXERCISES SHOULD PRACTICE THEM REGULARLY.



Rosemary comes quite a distance out of her way to come to our clinics but wont continue to help us out if she feels she is wasting her time. Lets make Rosemary know how much we value her and practice the maneuvers she has shown us plenty of times before the next, three day clinic in October.

**R**esults from the last few months are pretty sketchy - as usual. Please let me know when you have been in an event. All the members and friends of the club love to know the events that our riders compete in - even if you think the result is not worth knowing about!

Otherwise in the clinic was up to its usual excellent fun, quality learning and exhaustion standard, for riders, ponies and the helpers. Thank you to all who helped make it that away (especially to the soup makers!)



Last month our riders were well represented at the Dunolly Horse Activity Club's CTD. Chloe was 2<sup>nd</sup> in Grade 2, Sam 1<sup>st</sup> in Grade 3, Tess 1<sup>st</sup> in Grade 4.

Last Saturday Debbie and Toni Weir were 4<sup>th</sup> in the Dunolly H.A. Navigation ride with Rebecca and Tamara Wardlaw 6<sup>th</sup>. On Sunday's Horse Trials at Maryborough none of our riders (Lauren, Chloe in Grade 3, Lotty, Tess in Grade 4, Toni, Ross in Grade 5) were ribbon winner except Kirsty who came 3<sup>rd</sup> in Grade 4 and a special ribbon for Gwinny in Pre-Grade.

### Nursery Rhyme Navigators



Full marks to Toni Weir and Victoria Harper who had clearly done their homework for the Nursery Rhyme Navigation Ride at our July,

Two Day Clinic. Out of all the competing pairs in the event ( and there were over 15), Toni and Victoria ran out victors by knowing their Rhymes better than any of the other riders on the day.

*Please note - there was no newsletter at our last rally. From now on I will mail out newsletter and meeting minutes the week before the rally.*

### Show Jumping Competition & Show Jumping and Cross-Country Competition Jump Dimensions

SHOWJUMPING				HORSE TRIALS				
Grade	Start hght	Max Hght	Spread	Grade	X-C Hght	X-C Sprd	SJ Height	SJ Spread
PA	1.15m	Nil	1.5m	1	1.05m	2.40m	1.05m	
PB	1.00m	1.38m	1.2m	2	0.9m	2.0m	0.9m	
PC	0.85m	1.08m	0.9m	3	0.75m	1.35m	0.75m	
PD	0.70m	0.93m	0.60m	4	0.6m	0.90m	0.60m	
PE	0.53m	0.76m	0.53m	5	0.45m	0.60m	0.45m	

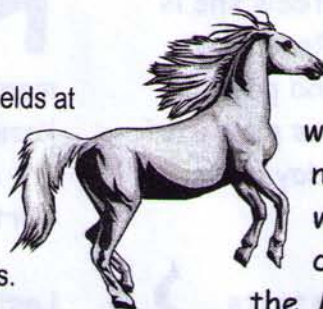
Could every one who ordered a T shirt from Kellie, for the Geelong State Event please collect and pay for them today ☺



# Zone Shield Event in Bendigo

Next month our club will be defending two shields at the Zone Team Flat Ride and Jumping Events, which will be held in Bendigo. Last year the event was held in Ararat and Bealiba Pony Club was the surprise winner for both the Team Flat Ride and Team Show Jumping events. This time the enthusiasm of the potential Shield defenders is a bit disappointing. Last year we were able to comfortably field three teams - this year we're struggling to put two teams together and organising practices has been impossible. We must be conscious of maintaining our name as good sports within the Zone. Winning the Shield is just a bonus - a thing that hangs on our wall some people, sometimes notice. The main point of the event is to be included in a team - to practice with other riders and horses in an exercise about co-operation (and isn't that what Pony Club is supposed to be about?).

Let's make Bealiba's name what it used to be - fun and good sportsmanship with a have-a-go mentality for ALL Pony Club activities. Applaud other teams for their successes and keep our problems to ourselves.



Welcome To Our New Member  
Cara Johnstone, from Harcourt who is in our  
birthday list for this month!

Another event that was on recently - that has nothing to do with this graphic, was that Tamara Wardlaw competed in the Pony Trots at the Maryborough Trotting Track recently (I don't know the result of her race but Great Stuff, Tamara, for having a go!!)

## Happy Birthday

Tamara - who was 7 on July 15<sup>th</sup>  
Maddy - who was 16 on July 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Kellie - who was 18 on August 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Alison - who was 13 on August 3<sup>rd</sup>  
Danni - who will be 17 on August 22<sup>nd</sup>  
Laura - who will be 13 on August 29<sup>th</sup>  
Demcy - who will be 10 on September 10<sup>th</sup>  
Toni - who will be 12 on September 12<sup>th</sup>  
Tess - who will be 12 on September 15<sup>th</sup>  
Kylie - who will be 11 on September 18<sup>th</sup>  
-wow - a great time for Brumby Babies ...

# coming events .....

August 24 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Show Jumping & Flat Teams	Bendigo PC	
Tues 26 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Meeting	St Arnaud	
31 <sup>st</sup>	Dressage Day	Ballan PC	Gr 1-5, Open
September Sat 6 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Dressage Judges Clinic		
9 <sup>th</sup>	PCAV Council Meeting		
Fri 12 <sup>th</sup>	Zone Dinner		
14 <sup>th</sup>	Bendigo Show	Open	
	Maryborough PC Junior Committee Show Jumping & Dressage		
21 <sup>st</sup>	Pony Club Rally	Bealiba	
20 <sup>th</sup> & 21 <sup>st</sup>	EFA Horse Trials	Charlton PC	
28 <sup>th</sup>	PC Gymkhana	Horsham	
	CTD	Mandurang South	
October			