



Bealiba Brumby



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Bealiba Pony Club Makes a Clean Sweep of Horsham



The Midland Zone Qualifying Event for Flat, Games and Musical Ride Teams produced 1st Places in each for the Bealiba Pony Club - this means that in June we will be sending three teams to represent us at the Geelong PCAV Event.

The troupe from Bealiba started off shakily - Faye got a flat tyre on the truck, Bill lost some of his load (including sleeping bag) along the way & a few of us got a good tour of Horsham before we found the badly signed grounds.

Our Flat team was the first to go through a gear check on Sunday. Although each of the team - Katrina, Maddy, Chloe and Lotty, & perfect scores for their presentation they lost on the gear checking points through interpretations of the rules by the gear checkers - nothing that is actually set down in the rules. There was not much use in complaining - our competitors missed out on points too. The team rode a good flat ride then, in the indoor arena, rode their pairs ride. Although a little spooked by this new environment the horses performed well. Finally the Flat Team had to their do unrehearsed ride which had a different format this year as the examiner told them the ride once, while the riders were on horseback. The riders immediately then rode it, without the usual 5 minutes to lead with the judge at E rather than C.

With only one other team as competition the same four riders had very little time to get ready for their, rather under-practiced, Musical Ride.

Next it was the Games Teams. Again this year we had two teams going. One team (A) was made up of Kellie, Danni, Tahnee, Lauren, Frank, Sam and Tess. Another team (B) consisted of Toni, Kylie, Ross, Demcy, Abby, and a rider from Maryborough. With Eight teams competing, there were many exciting heats of the Games events, including a new one for this year, Postman's Chase. Everyone had a great time and enjoyed themselves, except, maybe, Nugget, Ross' Pony, who kept on nicking back to the finish line before he was meant to.

At the end of the day it was just fantastic to find that Bealiba Pony Club had won the Flat Team Event, Musical Ride and Games Team Event as well as collecting the Shield and Trophy for the Flat Team Ride and Games Team Trophy. This means that our riders will be heading off to Geelong Showgrounds to compete against other Zone Teams on Saturday June 7th and Sunday 8th. We would love to see any supporters of the Club at Geelong on either day.



Yes.... Its THAT time of year again...

Please remember your membership is NOW DUE. The cost is \$75 for the first then \$65 for the second and subsequent riders in a family. Please get your funds in soon.

Remember, the Pony Club has a deadline to pay PCAV by. Remember too that our membership cost is one of the lowest of any Pony Club in the State ... but we're MUCH better value



Riders and Drivers Donate Our Lease!

Despite the big numbers at our Easter Clinic we managed to squeeze the "Riders and Drivers" from Guildford. Once again that club was very unobtrusive and didn't get in the way while we used the grounds. Our clinic might have provided some entertainment or maybe enthused some of the members who stayed at the grounds for the Easter Holiday period. Some of the members even found they featured on a "Greetings From Bealiba" Post Card. The Guildford members found that their shower ran cold so they replaced the club's gas bottle as well as donating about \$450 to the club. That is very handy money and can go straight towards paying the Hall Committee for the rent and insurance of our club grounds.



©Did you hear about the Irishman who couldn't tell the difference between his two horses?

His friend suggested measuring them, that didn't help though, the Irishman discovered that the brown horse was only an inch taller than the white one!©

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Coming Events...

May	24 th	Zone Teams Challenge	Werribee Park
	25 th	Maryborough Horse Trials	Maryborough Pony Club
June	8 th /	State Games & Flat Team Championships	Geelong Show Grounds
	9 th	(Flat & Musical Ride on Saturday, Games on Sunday)	
	15 th	Pony Club Rally	Bealiba Pony Club
	22 nd	Showjumping Instruction (\$20 for Bealiba Riders)	Dunolly Horse Activity Club
	22 nd	Navigation Ride	Bendigo Pony Club
July	5 th /6 th	Interschool Horse Trials	Harcourt Pony Club
	9 th /10 th	Pony Club Clinic - with Alan, Rosemary & Debbie	Bealiba Pony Club
	13 th	Dressage & Combined Training Day	Dunolly Horse Activity Club
	13 th	Show Jumping Day	Bendigo Pony Club
	19 th /20 th	Instruction with Alan Mitchell & PC Rally (Sun)	Bealiba Pony Club

Happy Birthday

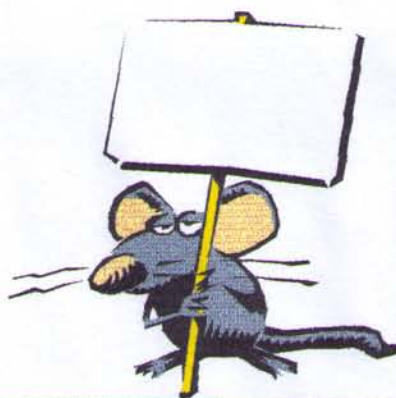
Serena - who was 19 on May 6th

Tahnee- who will be 17 on May 31st

Abby- who will be 7 on June 1st

Mitch- who will be 11 on June 9th

Frank- who will be 13 on June 3rd



*The Governments
sign about the
horse yards had
to be moved! Not
only was it in a
terrible place but
the grammar was
incorrect.
Thanks Phil H.*

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The Easter Holidays gave us an unexpected day of instruction from Alan the week after our rally. Unfortunately Debbie Browell couldn't get the day off work to give us Cross-Country instruction. Instead of going for height, Alan concentrated us on our control of our horses through very tight corners. The day went well although Lady Di, Maddy's Pony, narrowly missing out on a one way trip to the knackery. (Maddy will be spending next year on a Rotary Exchange trip to Finland and will not be riding the Pony much next year).

The lack of a second instructor gave our Flat/Musical and Games teams a valuable opportunity to put in a practice. Thank you to all the riders and families that supported the day.

Be aware of the dates for July when Alan will be back here and NOTIFY FAYE OF YOUR INTENTIONS SOON

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Rosemary's Halts

Here are Rosemary's Rules for a halt. Keep practicing them - they make the instructions clearer to the horse!

- Look at your hands
- "open" your hips/pelvis
- poke out your bum

Crude instructions - but They work



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At the start of each rally, remember to give your card & \$3 to Phyllis. Please don't make her have to hound you for it. It's YOUR card, YOUR responsibility. Any cards that are not picked up at the end of the rally are left in the club rooms in the wooden card holder. They are not taken by any of the club officials. It's up to you to take care of it.

How did the instructor try to make horse riding enjoyable?

He tried to stirrup some interest!

Please help and contribute articles and results to the newsletter. Phone 5465 3571 or e-mail moonambel@hotmail.com

Please notify us of any changes to your details (phone # etc), before we send them all into PCAV at end of May.

Take a look at your other PCAV items - armband, tie, badge. Please tell me if you need any more. I'll be putting in a new order very soon.