Committee Report

The February committee meeting was held on Wednesday the 16th at the RSL Club, with the Peter Gillis clinic dates and details finalized by Rachel Crease. Further training days/working bee dates allocated and our FINALISED dates for the 2011 One Day Events, With the first event to be held on the weekend of the 24th July and the second later in the year to be held on the weekend of the 18th September. Further Details TBA.

Committee Member Profile:

Name: Rachel Crease
Nickname: Rach (a shortening not a nickname)
Position on Committee: Sponsorship and Website
Hobbies: My Beautiful horse Tam Lin, getting out in the bush (especially with Tam), reading and cinema.

Goals for 2011:
- To be better at show jumping, and to be braver, would love to have a crack at prelim!

Goals for the club in 2011:
- It would be great if we could get all members involved in running and supporting the club, especially with running this year’s horse trials. Being part of the new Riverina Equestrian Association is exciting, exploiting closer ties with other clubs will be beneficial for us all. And something practical – let’s get the show jumps painted before our next major event in 2012. That gives us a whole year to do it!

Peter Gillis Clinic By Rachel Crease

Wagga Horse Trials hosted a successful eventing clinic in early March with Peter Gillis as coach and 15 riders, most from our club and CSU Equine Club, ranging from newcomers to pre-novice. Peter proved to be a calm and inspiring coach, giving us confidence over low fences before moving the challenges up a notch. And whatever he did was working … even the least confident of us were happily jumping out of our usual comfort zones by the end of the weekend! We rode cross country on Saturday and had perfect weather, with just one heavy shower to cool off the pre-novice riders in the late afternoon. After a slightly rushed start to Sunday morning showjumping, perhaps eight o’clock was a bit early in hindsight, Peter put in a big day in the indoor arena, battling a bit with the dust which was invading his recently operated on nose!

Fees for 2011:
- Family $50
- Individual $25
- University Student $15

Payable to Secretary

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- www.eventingnation.com
- www.threedaysthreeways.blogspot.com
- www.horsesuppliesdirect.com.au
- www.equestrian.org.au (EA)

- Entries are now open for the Berrima Horse Trials ODE (9-10th April) Enter online at www.nominate.com.au
- Entries are also open for the Silver Hills Horse Trials (23-24th April) enter via www.nominate.com.au

Mark your Diary!

- 26-27 March Albury Horse Trials—
  Entries via Nominate.com.au
- 3rd Barry Hillier Horse Trials (See attached forms)
- 9-10 April Berrima HT entries via Nominate.com.au
- 23-24 April Silver Hills HT -entries via Nominate.com.au
- 14-15th April Canberra HT -Entries via Nominate.com.au

EVNSW RULES

The 2011 EvNSW rules have now been released and are available from www.eventingnsw.com.au or www.Equestrian.org.au

Best to brush over the new rules and see if there are any changes which directly effect you, Better to be safe than sorry.

Here are a few excerpts from the revised 2011 rule-book;

**Whips**

- The whip cannot be used to vent an athlete’s temper. Such use is always excessive
- The whip is not to be used after elimination or after a horse has jumped the last fence on a course
- The whip is never to be used overhand, (e.g. a whip in the right hand being used on the left flank). The use of a whip on a horse’s head, etc., is always excessive use.
- A horse should never be hit more than three times for any one incident. If a horse skin is broken, its use is excessive
- An athlete identified as misusing or excessive use of the whip will be eliminated at the discretion of the Ground Jury or Technical Delegate

**Summer Uniform**

In the situation of significantly warm conditions, the Ground Jury or Technical Delegate, in conjunction with the Organising Committee, can decide that Summer Uniform may be worn in Dressage and Jumping. Jackets are not required. Sleeves must cover the shoulders and upper arms.

General Business

If you haven’t already **PLEASE** check out the new Eventing Dressage tests, these can be found at www.eventingnsw.com.au

If you have recently attended an event, clinic or any training day and would like it featured in the newsletter please feel free to contact me via the above email address.
Held over the weekend of the 18th—20th February the REA Show Jumping club held their Championships at the Gundagai Show grounds.

With the Gundagai AG show held over the same weekend the Show Jumping attracted many spectators, those that stayed and braved the down pours of rain throughout the weekend viewed a great display of horsemanship and perseverance of the riders that continued.

The classes ranged from the unofficial 50cm classes through to official A and B classes with the Nat Blundell’ former ride “Girl With a Curl” taking out first place in the GUNDAGAI VETERINARY CLINIC D GRADE. Less than 6 points with Harriet Gruen aboard. The next class McDonalds GUNDAGAI JUNIOR saw Local superstar Tom McDermott and “Capone” take out top position, Tom also won:

- STEWART MACK ELECTRICS YOUNG RIDER—”Alice’s Wonderland”,
- COOTAMUNDRA VETERINARY CLINIC C & D—”SL Limerick”,
- HORSELAND
- McDonalds GUNDAGAI JUNIOR—1st on “Capone”, 2nd “SL Wave”,
- MARTIN HAY PLANT HIRE YOUNG RIDER— 1st “Alice’s Wonderland”, 2nd “SL Eclipse”,
- KATH MOSS MEMORIAL A& B—“CP Rolex”

The GUNDAGAI REAL ESTATE C & D class saw Melissa Jasprizza aboard “Reinsman” collecting first prize, The Ben Blay sponsored “THE SQUIRREL” D GRADE saw Madeline McDonald with “HF Fiora” in first position.

Well travelled Stephen Dingwall of Cavalier Performance Horses took out the GUNDAGAI MEAT PROCESSORS D GRADE with his mount “Cavalier Cu-dose” the 4yo Gelding by “Camelot Ego Z”.

A congratulations to all riders that competed over the weekend, and to the hard working committee that organized such a successful event.

Looking forward to more REA Show Jumping events and next years Championships.
Wagga Wagga Horse Trials Classifieds

Upcoming Wagga Horse Trials Events

- Training day 20th Feb, CSU cross country course Gap Rd, off Old Narrendera Rd, 10am star til 12pm.
- Hunter Doughty Show Jump Course Building clinic 4 June 2011 Details TBA
- Next committee meeting 20th April RSL Club meeting room 2 (opposite children’s centre & behind the dining area) If venue is changed an email will be sent to notify members.

Wagga Equestrian School

Offers instruction on well educated and reliable school horses for all ages and levels of ability, Prior to being in Wagga, Jane Lindholm worked for 12 years as chief instructor for Steve Jefferys in Sydney.

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There were no real dramas, only two falls and both were spectacular feet first landings … the best way to go if you’ve got to! There was a great atmosphere at the clinic, a lively dynamic between riders and plenty of spectators to take pictures and give moral support where needed. We had a visitor from Wangaratta, Barbara, and look forward to seeing her at more of our clinics and events. All the horses were brilliantly behaved even those having their first outing, it should be noted here that our president Raegan has a novice off-the-tracker with a spectacular jump. Raegan actually gets the ‘stayi. Peter will be back again, I think in July and September for some clinics that the CSU Equine Club will host. Thanks to everyone who supported the clinic. We are all looking forward to the next one. Cheers Rachel.

I would just like to take the opportunity to thank Rachel for all her hard work organizing this Clinic, it was enjoyed by all and a very good opportunity to undergo training with a very experienced rider and trainer. Well done Rach!