

Zone Examining Secretary's Report February 2010

So far I have only received one application for C testing – from Lilydale, the request for practical is Sat 27th March.

The following are the dates for written tests for this year 2010.

March	Wed 3 rd	
April	Tues 13 th	
May	Wed 5 th	
June	Wed 2 nd	
July	Tues 13 th	
Aug	Wed 18 th	(all written tests are held at Ringwood Pony Club.)

Three of our NMZ examiners have spent quite a lot of time over the holidays planning a “C” Certificate Information Evening” for our Zone. The evening is for parents, for “C” co-ordinators, for DC”s and for examiners. It will be held at Ringwood Pont Club on Friday 19th march at 8pm.

The focus is on the practical riding for the day, and will explain to you about what they are looking for on the day of the test, and the “Dos and Don’ts” for the preparation of each of the riding sections. For anyone who wants to ask questions about any aspects of preparing candidates it will be perfect. Resources for teaching – C books etc will be available for sale on the night.

Kylie, Anna and Melinda have planned it for the start of the year to benefit all clubs in their rally planning. As it is on 19th March, it is coming up very soon so please make sure that **all people** in your club know about it.

There are 2 fliers for every club here tonight, one for the DC and one for the C co-ordinator. Zone reps please make sure they get them ASAP.

Cost is **free** to anyone in N.M.Z. or non N.M.Z people are most welcome at a cost of \$5.00 each.

Please ring and register because there is printed material available for all participants who register on time.

No monthly tips for training C groups this month - just come to the clinic and learn it all!

K groups - Because we have many riders who have passed their C tests I suggested at the end of the year it would be a very good idea to have a look at the Pony Club K Notes. I suggest that you encourage all your C riders to do some **Pace activities** at your first few rallies and then they may be able to tick off some of their Pace Option for K early in the year. Please remember to **be selective** when beginning K, introduce activities one at a time because looking at the complete set of possibilities can be daunting to riders if they have not yet begun.

I have one K rider who is definitely doing our NMZ 40K ride in April. If there are any other riders who have finished C and would like to join in with the 40K ride please read the information on planning to ride in the K Notes ASAP and let me know.

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