

NORTHERN METROPLITAN ZONE

CHIEF INSTRUCTORS ANNUAL REPORT FOR ZONE AGM - AUGUST 2011

The 2010/2011 has been a very productive year for the DCI/ZA panel.

CLINIC / TRAINING DAYS REPORT:

Several successful and well attended clinics have been run over the past year:

- We have once again held many Junior Rider Clinics throughout the past year. Since the last AGM, clinics have been held at Yarra Glen, Mooroolbark, Lilydale and Eltham so far. We still have another clinic booked for October at Yarra Glen Pony Club. Overall clinics have been well attended and remain unique to our zone. They attract riders from neighbouring zones for this reason. The success of these clinics is largely due to Brenda Mittons tireless work in promoting and filling these clinics. Thank you to Brenda and her team for all their efforts.
- NMZ held a very successful Games workshop in February at Parkview in Wonga Park. Thanks to our facilitators and riders for the evening, and a big thank you to Gill Gasgoine and Brenda Mitton for their co-ordination and efforts on the night
- A C Night Clinic was also held in July at Ringwood Pony Club. A big thank you to Anna Beard, Diane Baxter and Kylie Parker for all their efforts and preparation with handouts for attendees to take with them.
- NMZ also hosted 2 senior rider Cross Country clinics in January and April. Both these clinics were instructed by Adam Benson and held at Wandin Park and Yarra Glen respectively.
- In January 2011, NMZ held a dressage clinic and workshop for selected riders at Anne Levingstons place in Macclesfield. This was very popular and riders gained a lot of advice and knowledge at the clinic.
- NMZ hosted 2 NCAS workshop nights facilitated by Kate Wilson. Thanks to Kate for her efforts with these nights.
- Other zones also ran clinics through out the year and NMZ members were also invited to attend clinics run outside our zone.
- NMZ will be hosting a State Training Workshop later in 2011 at Wandin Park.

CLUB VISITS REPORT

Club visits are continuing to happen throughout the zone, with some visits already completed and others coming up for the remained of 2011. Thank you to those clubs that have had a club visit and assisted beforehand with the club visit form. Please be reminded that if there are club matters that need addressing, please don't wait for your "official" club visit to happen, we are available for you all year round.

NCAS ROLLOUT:

The NCAS Preliminary coaching scheme has progressed well throughout the past year. Its been very pleasing to see so many coaches gain accreditation and we look forward to starting the NCAS Level 1 rollout shortly.

DCI / ZA MEMBERS -

Last August, we officially noted and recognised Brenda Mitton for her tireless work in obtaining the PCAV Distinguished Award. We had notification that Kate Wilson was stepping down in her role as Secretary on the panel, so we welcomed Jenna Kelly into the Secretarial role. We also accepted the resignation of Melinda Royston.

OFFICIAL LISTS:

The DCI/ZA panel has produced an up to date dressage judges list and Instructors list throughout the past year. We have also publicised our Dressage Judges Abbreviation list which has proved to be very popular within and outside our zone. Thanks to Peter Smith and Sue Winter for their ongoing efforts with this.

CERTIFICATES:

It has been very pleasing to see riders throughout NMZ obtaining or working towards efficiency certificates throughout the past year. A big thank you to Diane Baxter for her efforts in ensuring practical and written exam days are well run.

SUMMARY:

I would like to thank the Zone Executive, and clubs in NMZ for their continued support with Pony Club. A big thank you goes to the fantastic DCI/ZA panel for their efforts throughout the year.

All panel members have been a wonderful support, not only to me as Chief Instructor, but to members within our zone. Your efforts are greatly appreciated.

I look forward to working with clubs in this role as Chief Instructor in the next coming year.

Rachael Edwards NMZ Chief Instructor.