



**APRIL 2018**

**NEWS UPDATE**

Next muster:

Sunday 15 April 2018

**Other Dates:**

21-22 April – BHPC Camp at Burpengary Equestrian Centre

12 August - BHPC Combined Training competition event

**Muster Dates for 2018 – please diarise now!!**

25 February

25 March

15 April

27 May

17 June

22 July

19 August

16 September

21 October

18 November

# Brookfield Horse & Pony Club Newsletter

**PCAQ CALENDAR:**

Some events to note:

15 April – Official Dressage – Wynnum Pony Club

22 April – Gymkhana – City of Ipswich Pony Club

22 April – Official Dressage & Combined Training – Greenbank Pony Club

29 April – JF McGill Formal Gymkhana – Moggill Pony Club

5 May – Official Combined Training – Redcliffe Pony Club

5 May – Formal Gymkhana – Runcorn Pony Club

6 May – Sporting Gymkhana – Runcorn Pony Club

12 May – Official Dressage – Gumdale Pony Club

Please see the PCAQ website for competitions and events, at

<http://www.pcaq.asn.au/Calendar/Events.aspx>.

For information on rules for the various disciplines, go to “Rule Books” at

<http://www.pcaq.asn.au/Resources/RuleBooks.aspx>.

**PCAQ Helmet Compliance**

Remember to check your helmet for compliance with PCA regulations. Helmets need to comply with the following standards:

AS/NZS 3838 (AU) and ARB HS 2012; PAS 015

(UK); ASTM F 1163 (USA); VGI (Europe);

EN1384 – *Only for helmets with manufacture date up to and including 2015.*

Helmet compliance expires 5 years from date of manufacture.



## **Chief Instructor's Report**

### **Zone 1 Instructors' Refresher Clinic – Saturday 10 March**

The success of the Pony Club movement depends greatly on having enthusiastic and knowledgeable instructors. This Zone 1 Instructors' Refresher and Preparation Clinic organised by Erika Woodland was essential for the training and accreditation of PCQ Zone 1 instructors. Many thanks to the following BHPC riders who came along to help out by taking part in lessons on the day:

- Annie Bremner
- Asha, Chloe & Halle Crane-Winters
- Emily & Grace Davis
- Emma & Sophie Weitemeyer

Your contribution was vital for the success of the day!

### **March muster**

Many thanks to Erika for organizing the March muster and to all the instructors who assisted on the day. 45 riders had fun with all the different activities and practised events for our next Ribbon Day muster. Among the riders we welcomed 8 riders who were our guests for the day from Yarawa Pony club, and 6 Trial Day riders.

### **Next Pony Club Muster**

**Sunday 15 April: 8.45 am – 3.00 pm.**

This muster is the first of our 2 competition Ribbon Days. Results from these 2 days add up to give us our Group Winners at the end of the year. All riders come in formal uniform, with horses clean, plaited and well presented. Great practice for the Gymkhana at Moggill Pony Club on 29 April.

The programme will be: Presentation, Rider Class, Junior Handler, Pairs of Riders (non-competitive), AM 7 Show Jumping and 3 games (Drum & Peg, Bending and Bounce Pony). Ribbons will be awarded for each class, as well as prizes for overall group winners and placegetters. The "one horse, one rider" rule will apply for points on the day. If you require a formal uniform please contact our uniform co-ordinator (Emma Tait at [emmatait74@gmail.com](mailto:emmatait74@gmail.com)).

### **Camp 21 – 22 April**

Our BHPC camps have always been a highlight of the year for both children and parents. So many great activities, with the beach ride the highlight for many. So far, we have 22 riders registered to attend the formal lessons, and 7 riders doing the fun activities. If you want more information please email Erika at [erikawoodland@bigpond.com](mailto:erikawoodland@bigpond.com).

### **ANZAC Day Horse Parade 25 April**

We have again been asked to participate in this year's ANZAC Day remembrance at the Brookfield show grounds with a led troop of our Pony Club horses and ponies. We would like as many members and horses to participate as possible on Tuesday 25 April from 10.15 am to around 12.00.

Please email Anne-Maire at [amwilt@bigpond.net.au](mailto:amwilt@bigpond.net.au) if you plan to attend.

### **Rules and regulations**

Please read the BHPC Handbook, By-laws and Codes of Behaviour on the BHPC website (<https://www.brookfieldponyclub.org.au/information-for-members/>) and make sure that riders as well as all parents and guardians understand the information.

### **BHPC Management Committee Report**

#### **2018 membership**

A great big welcome to the new members who joined in the last month. We currently have 64 riding and social members.

#### **Signs**

New signs have been ordered for the Rita O'Hanlon arena, Canteen and Horse Parade areas to ensure the Pony Club is adequately visible to all users and the community, and creates a sense of identity. Signage for the arena will include rules concerning the arena's use.

#### **Website**

Christine Killip has been working hard on upgrading our BHPC website. It should be the 'go to' place for any information that you need about BHPC. Many thanks to Sandi Palmer for all the work she has done on the website in the past.

## **Cedar Grove T Shirt Hack Day – Thanks to Claire Power**

Emily McCabe has been out and about competing and having fun riding Paige and Bella. Emily rode Paige in her first competition. First competition for Emily riding her and Paige's first ridden competition at the Cedar Grove T Shirt Hack Day in March. She did really well and came home with lots of ribbons and even won the beginners' pony class.



Congratulations Emily!! You have worked really hard with both ponies to win these ribbons. Love your happy smile.

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