Diary dates in brief

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- **23rd** Social gettogether.

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- 25th / 26th January 2014 NITE

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October 2013

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Humble beginnings

It was a hard last race to watch, when Dean Barker didn't bring back the America's Cup. So many had brushed to one side the obtuse comments that Jimmy Spithill made, suggesting at 8-1 down, his team could still be the ones to bring home the cup.

Let's not speculate which one of the multitude of changes actually made the difference and kept the cup on US shores, but in any event, talent and effort had much to do with the success for both teams.

Dean Barker was just 23 years of age when he got involved in the America's Cup.

Whilst the race doesn't have much to do with getting out and about with our horses, the drive seen in both teams, has everything to do with the success our Kiwi riders are setting in the international field.

Yet again last month provided us with the opportunity to enjoy our amazing equestrian athletes and see them bring back acclaim and success to Kiwi shores.

Those same Riders all started competing within their local riding club, attending Rallies to build up their confidence and knowledge before moving on to bigger and more challenging competitions.

Yesterday the Te Hapua CTR rode past my gate and it was heart warming to see so many riders involved, getting out there and getting involved. Building their confidence, the relationship with their horse and gaining competitive experience.

There was good number of riders at the back of the field, who were happy to walk along, simply being part of the event, beginning their journey to greatness, no matter the level of the competition.

Happy reading....Sam

KRC Events

October

- 16th Sub committee meeting, for 'Have a go' committee. Claire Brown's, School Road
- 27th Trek. 10am. Location TBC.
- **23rd** Social get-together. Curry Town, 7:30pm. Please confirm to Claire Brown by 21st if you would like to come along, numbers will need to be confirmed with restaurant.

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- 6th Meeting. Sandra Ray's. 8pm
- 10th Rally. Further details to be confirmed

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- 7th December KRC Xmas Dinner. Location tbc but put the date in your diary now.
- 8th Have a go day

Reminders.

Don't forget to phone **0223104788** if you are worried that an event will be cancelled due to weather conditions. The latest there will be a message is 8.30am on the day.

Please clean up all horse poo, hay and rubbish from around your float/truck and pathways as well as from all weather arena and surrounding area. Please take it home with you until a better solution is sorted out

We welcome members bringing new people along. They can come to 3 rallies but then they must decide if they want to join.

New routine!

Recent rallies have brought great numbers of club members along, which is fantastic to see. An increase in numbers also provides the need for more structure, to ensure that everyone

gets the most from the day. Firstly the club is responding to the increase in participation and ensuring that future rallies will have an increase in the number of instructors available.

9:30am Rally set up. New faces are desperately needed to help support the events.

Let the Rally organiser you are there for the event. They will be wearing a hi-vis vest. See if you are needed to help out before tacking up!

Listen out for the bell which will indicate the start of the event. This will happen promptly at 10am

The end time for the rally will be 12 noon.

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Events

October Sunday 20th Horowhenua ODT -Waikanae

November 3rd - Otaki pony club, jumping

NITE 2014 NITE has been confirmed for January 25th and 26th, 2014.

Team I Angie. Val. Sandra R. Sands D. Glenda. Nikki R

Team 2 Robyn M. Marcella. Claire. Jane. Nikki H. Emily T

WATRC Upcoming CTR season dates

3 November Maymorn, Upper Hutt
24 November Marton (New)
15 December
Rhona Fraser Challenge, Battle Hill (*Premier Points*)



Reminders. If you haven't already done so, it's now time to pay your subs!.

This will be the last newsletter you receive for those that hadn't yet paid!

RESULTS

OK so it's not technically a result, but HUGE congratulations to Karen Trotter who is now officially off to Australia with her Grand Prix pony Flamenco. Only 2 NZ combinations are going. Karen will be taking her groom; Cindy Kent

Waikawa Beach CTR

Novice Lorraine Patmore—3rd Gail Foley—2nd

Marton Brick and Tile Val Ballinger—3rd Nicky Robinson—4th Sandra Ray—5th

PLEASE remember to send in your results to:

minxpalmer@slingshot.co.nz so that they can be included in the next newsletter. Our club members do like to hear how we are all getting on.

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available to repair Canvas and Synthetic covers. I am also offering a <u>local</u> pick-up and delivery service to cater for people that may work fulltime, or have a busy lifestyle -- for a small additional fee for petrol costs.

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For sale

Sandra De Ruiter has a Cross Country stop watch for sale. \$25. Please contact her for more details.

Stallion at stud—Darby LS. Chestnut jumping bred stallion, 16hh \$900 stud fee

Phone Melda Gibson 06 368 7306

Or e-mail Melda@kapiti.co.nz

SAFETY FIRST

It's been tragic to read the news reporting fatal accidents involving horses and vehicles.

There are a few basic steps everyone needs to take before venturing on the road:

- Wear a high visibility vest to make sure you are as visible as possible.
- Test the water with friends and family on a quiet country road, is your horse ready for fast moving vehicles
- When you are riding along, check you have enough space to get out of the way if needed.
- Always wear your riding hat, no matter how short the journey
- Be cautious

Remember many drivers are unable to read the signs of a horse under stress, or have the necessary knowledge to know how much room you need. Be pro-active to keep yourself and your horse safe.

THANK YOU...

Thank you to everyone who helped at the combined training day, it was a huge success :)