

## Diary dates in brief

### April

- 12th Rally
- 26th Obstacles

### May

- 5th confirm dinner
- 6th Meeting
- 8th Social
- 15th Entries close
- 16th Working bee
- 17th **CLOSED**  
**RIBBON DAY!!!**

### June

- 12or19th Gear sale (dates tbc)

# Kapiti Riding Club



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**WOW!!!**

**Congratulations Nikki Robinson**

**On your outstanding achievement at winning**

**Pleasure horse of the Year, 2015 at HOY**



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## **KRC Events**

### **April**

#### **12th Sunday**

Rally at Waikanae arena. Melda instructing

#### **26th Sunday**

Obstacle course on riverbank road , Otaki \$5 donation .... To be confirmed

### **May**

#### **5th Tuesday**

Confirm dinner attendance with Lesley Mckenzie

#### **6th Wednesday**

Meeting at Gail's home , Arcus Road, Te Horo

#### **8th Friday; Social get together;**

Curry Town, Otaki dinner time to be confirmed

#### **15th Friday**

Entries close for our ribbon day at waikanae park arenas

#### **16th Saturday**

Working bee at waikanae park arenas to set up for our ribbon day 2pm

#### **17th Sunday**

CLOSED RIBBON DAY!!!

It's going to be exciting, team work involved... Perhaps... Challengers....always....fun.... Definately!!!

Full details in this newsletter

### **June**

12or19th June gear sale at Te Horo hall - date to be confirmed

7pm set up, \$5 per seller, member or non-member, box will be supplied to put unwanted, useful gear to be handed over to Kiwi Care people that help horses over seas, and are always looking for bits, bridles, halters.....useful equipment ... This box is not to be used as a dumping ground for old broken gear ;)

## Events

### 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.

## What's on...

3rd May

Plimmerton FARM TREK

The Pukerua Bay Light Horse Club is holding a fundraising trek over Plimmerton Farm, thanks to the generous owner Ian Benge.

Assembling at 10.00am

Parking for floats and trucks will be in the paddock next to St Therasas school by the Plimmerton roundabout.

\$20 per rider or \$30 a family.

Your ride will take you high up on the hills overlooking Plimmerton with magnificent views of Mana Island, Porirua Harbour and the Cook Strait. The ride time should take approximately 3-4hrs.

BBQ and refreshments will be available.

This is not a CTR ride. It will be ridden at a leisurely pace on great tracks. Suitable for unshod horses.

Please contact Liz Antunovic or t el. 2338968 or 021 2600746 to register your interest.

10th May. HDG. Dressage series Waikanae park

### Using Waikanae Cross Country course

KRC members can use Waikanae Cross Country course for schooling their **own** horses. It cannot be used to school other people's horses, or to take non-members over the course.

If you would like to use the course, please phone Heather McCaffrey on 022 152 1775 and let her know your preferred time and day.

## **Closed Ribbon Day – 17 May 2015**

***The emphasis for this day is participation and fun!!***

This year we have decided to change the format of our Closed Ribbon Day for a bit of fun / variety.

The format will be as follows:

9am Arrive

10am Start

Obstacle course and Prix Caprilli – both running at the same time.

Lunch 12 noon.

12.30 – 1pm – Working Hunter and flat classes – both running at the same time.

As usual everyone will be divided up into two classes. This will be your own choice and is really down to your jumping preference. You will be required to pre-enter (no entries on the day). One class will have small (very small) jumps and the other class will have larger jumps. The jumps in the Working Hunter will be a maximum of 45cm for one class and 75cm for the other class.

### OBSTACLE COURSE

This will consist of 8 obstacles. This will include a gate, a bridge, canter circles, and some sideways and backwards movements (among other things). Riders will have a maximum time to complete the course. Each obstacle will be marked out of 10 as to how well it is completed. You may ride past an obstacle, but of course you will not get any points for that obstacle.

### PRIX CAPRILLI

This is a basic dressage test ridden in a 40 x 20 arena with jumps. There will be two jumps set up in the arena. You will be required to jump four times in the test. You will receive a copy of the test before the day. You may ride with a crop / spurs / have a caller etc if you wish. The lower class will be jumping over caveletti type size and the other class will be jumping over 60cms. If the jump is done at a trot, your horse is allowed two canter strides after the jump (any more will be marked down). This test is judged like a dressage test with emphasis on the horse's way of going, the rider, and the horse's gaits. What they are looking for is the smoothness and rhythm of a dressage test, just with jumps in the middle. If you have a refusal or knock-down it will be marked as a course error so you get a 're-do', but will lose 2 points from your total score at the end.

### FLAT CLASSES

There will be four flat classes:

Best riding club mount

Best horse / rider combination

Most suitable for adult learner.

Best paced.

### WORKING HUNTER

This will be a combination of a short flat workout and then a number of hunter-type jumps (pickets / brushes – and anything else we can build!!) There will be two options – for one class the jumps will be a maximum height of 45cm and for the other class they will be a maximum of 75cm. This will be judged on style.

If you wish to enter – please call / text /email Angie on the following:

027 2355517

04 2938469

gallandz@paradise.net.nz

**Entries will close on Friday 15 May (to enter you must be a current financial club member, no other requirement)**

**Reminders.**

Don't forget to phone **0223 104788** 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.

At the rallies can ALL members take part in helping put out and put away. We understand that some people have genuine reasons for not being able to help and members understand, but it would be nice to have other members help out at other times.

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.

A very warm welcome to

**Priscilla Kay**

**Sylvia Moynihan**

our latest KRC members

HOY Result:

**Erin Tandy on Struck by Lightning**

Pleasure Horse Section (28 riders):

- 2nd Best Paced
- 4th Best Rider
- 5th Best Combination

And in the Pleasure Horse Championship class (14 riders):

6th place



## Nicola Robinson's win at HOY



Robyn Murphy:  
Couldn't have gone to a more humble  
deserving lass. So thrilled for you,  
can't really put it in words

Izzy Baxter:  
You do us all proud! Kapiti Riding  
Club is pretty darn special having so  
many hugely talented riders and  
their horses

Mary Pagnamenta:  
Lily is a tribute to years of hard work and correct  
schooling on Nicky's part. she certainly did not  
look like that 10 years ago!!! To me it is inspira-  
tional to see how a horse's whole body and muscu-  
lature can change so profoundly with correct ,  
consistent, structured work. Not many people could  
make that journey and effect such a transformation,  
Nicky , you are amazing.