



Berrimah Riding Club

Edition Six 2008: Rally Six

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

BRC Campout
Fri 14th - Sun 16th MAR, RRR

Baker Shield and Northern Region Dressage Champs
Sun 23rd MAR, DHPC Grounds, Lagoon Rd.

BRC Show Jump Grading Day
Sat 29th MAR, RRR

Darwin Show Jump Club National Youth Week Funday
Sat 5th APR, FPR

International Mounted Games Selection Trials
Sat 12th/Sun 13th APR, DHPC Grounds

Cross Country

Some of our older riders got to have a go over the newly-erected Kim's Folly (the wooden cross country fence in the camp draft arena!) with Kim. I got to watch the second session of riders, and was impressed with the ease with which our horses jumped it, particularly Elizabeth and Henry, who didn't get flustered at all, even at a quicker pace!

Frankie took some more dressage this week, while Camilla

took our games riders (who aren't looking too bad either!!) Remember, there will be Baker Shield practice sessions at the Campout—on the Saturday afternoon. The teams will also be selected around this weekend, and so if you want to be considered, please get down to the Saturday of the campout so that our team coaches can see you in action!



The younger girls had their usual lesson with Bianca in the camp draft arena (helped out by Susan for the first session) They all proved their great knowl-

edge of the D syllabus, with several of our girls getting ready to take their D or D* tests in the next few months.

And our sympathy goes out to all the riders whose horses are lame—Justine (who has 2 lame horses!!!) Susan, Rian.... And Kelli Clark who managed to cut her hand at work!!! Oh, and Ayrial who has a bad eye... Everyone had better get better for the Campout on Friday!



Baker Shield Teams

The Baker Shield and Northern Region Dressage Champs are coming up, so the BRC teams will be announced very soon! Everyone who put their names down for a team should be practicing at home now, and the dressage candidates should be thinking about learning their tests.

A reminder, the tests are:

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| Under 13 years | Prelim 1.4 |
| 13 yrs & under 17 | Novice 2.3 |
| 17 yrs & under 26 | Novice 2.4 |

If you are selected to be on the Baker Shield Games team, you will need to have your horse ready to go at DHPC

grounds by 8am on Saturday morning—clean, with clean and safe tack (including BRC saddle blanket and BRC brow band, which will be given to you soon) For the games, the BRC rally uniform must be worn.

If you're on the Northern Region Dressage team, you will need clean safe tack, also including saddle blanket and brow band, and your white dress shirt and tie.

Note: reserve riders must also be there and ready to go in case of last minute problems with another team member!

Anyone who isn't on the team should come down and cheer us on — it's a great day!

Star of the Week...

Michaela Bradley



The Campout

Only a few days until the campout begins — so everyone should go to the BRC website www.berrimahridingclub.com where I've put up a page (Campout Central) dedicated to information re the campout. I have a list of things to bring, a detailed timetable of activities (including what we're eating for dinner!!)

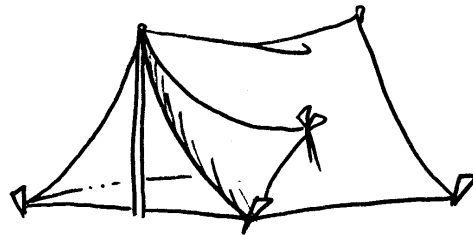
A reminder to everyone that you will be camping, so please organize to bring your own tent, or to share a tent with another camper. We encourage our campers to share tents, so that no one has to stay on their own at night!

The treasure hunt that is being held on Saturday morning from about 830am is a must-be-at, as Taylor and Susan have been working hard to make it great fun! The games under lights will also be great fun, as we will play great novelty games, like the biscuit eating race, bending (maybe Irish bending, if only we can convince Heather =)) and anything else you'd like to do!

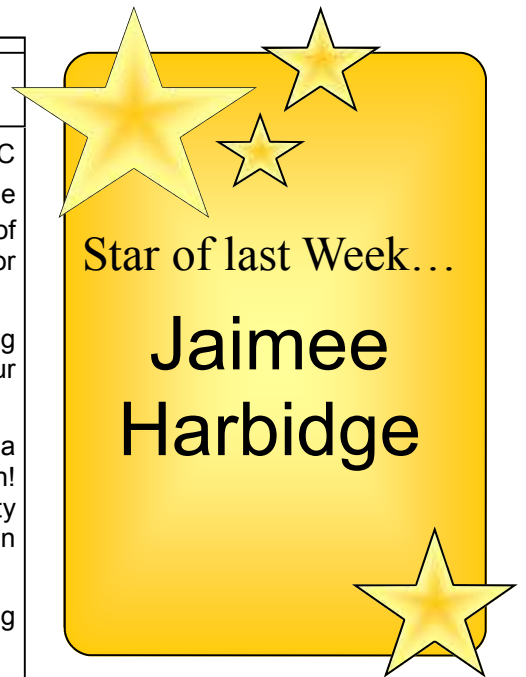
So, come down with your tent and horse on Friday at about 4:30, and the riding will get underway from about 6pm!

Thanks to all the mums who are making this a great weekend for us, cooking and supervising us! And to the instructors of course, who will be there for the weekend!!

Don't forget to pack a water pistol, (if you have one) some photos of you and your horse (preferably in BRC uniform!) for the scrap book, and any old brow bands you might have at home. And, lots of horse magazines!! (and pray no rain!)



See you all at the Campout!



End of Rally Dinner

Any good suggestions for a good venue for the BRC End of Rally Dinner?? If you think of a great spot, please contact Anne Coleman: coleman.smit@aapt.com.au, or Jenny Glencross: glencross@westnet.com.au

Allow me to Introduce...

Ayrial Harburn

Your Name: Ayrial Harburn **Age:** 17
Horse's Name: Eungella Guapa (Lunes)
Started Riding at: nearly 8!



How did you get into riding/horses generally?
Wongabilla Equestrian Centre was my first experience at 7 yrs old.

What do you love about riding?
The horses, the bond we develop over time. The feeling of freedom & mobility.

What has been your greatest achievement?
Finding my horsey—soul mate, twice, Timmy and Lunes!

What do you look forward to most in the 2008 season?
Mainly to have fun and improve!

Tell us about your horse!!
Eungella Guapa: Warmblood mare, 12 yrs old (?) She slobbers a lot and likes to smooch, two things that don't mix well...



Allow me to Introduce...

Taylor Gebert

Your Name: Taylor Gebert

Age: 12

Horse's Name: Molly and Roy (also know as WP Kathleen and Orana Park Royalty)

Started Riding at: 6 years of age



How did you get into riding/horses generally?

Mum used to ride but then sold her horse when she got married. When I was 5 Dad bought Mum a horse. A year later I got my first pony (Polly)

What do you love about riding?

Being up on the horse and feeling the breeze, especially when I'm jumping. It's just a passion that I have.

What has been your greatest achievement?

Winning Champion Pony at the Royal, Champion Show Pony and Show Hunter under 16hh at Horse Of The Year and Australia Day Medal 2007. + being on the NTPC Show Jumping Championship Team 2006 (we won!)

What do you look forward to most in the 2008 season?

Jumping my new horse Molly and taking Roy down South at the end of the year.

Tell us about your horse!!

Molly - 15.3hh bay warmblood x TB, loves to jump, she doesn't know how to buck. Loves food—apples, carrots, bbq shapes, plain flavoured doritoses, pretzels. Loves smooches and cuddles.

Roy—13.2hh Australian Riding Pony. Too smart for his own good. Does dressage, hacking and jumping. Wrecks every rug he has, and is very fat (has lost most of it though) Fav. Food Pizza crust.

Allow me to Introduce...

Kelli Clark

Your Name: Kelli Elizabeth Clark

Age: 19

Horse's Name: Jim - 'Multi Regard'

Started Riding at: 5 years of age



How did you get into riding/horses generally?

Wongabilla. Riding is in my family. My Mum rode when she was a teenager and mum and her family had a racehorse spelling stable. Our family brand is: **P.M.L.**

What do you love about riding?

Having a friend and competing, trail riding and Pony Club

What has been your greatest achievement?

With my old horse Darlington: Champ (for age group) 3 yrs in a row for NHPC games 2004,05,06. Champion PC rider RDS 2002. NTPCSJ Champion team 2006. Champion PC mount RDS 2005. - among other Champion and Reserve Places.

What do you look forward to most in the 2008 season?

Riding my new horse and all the trials and tribulations that go with it

Tell us about your horse!!

He is a 5yo 16.2hh TB who was born in NSW and raced in Alice Springs. He has been off the track 7 mths and has competed in dressage and jump combined training days. He looks like my old horse but bigger.