

# KYNETON PONY CLUB NEWSLETTER

January 2024

## Upcoming Birthdays

### January

3rd – Velvet Mancuso

## Upcoming Events

### January

21<sup>st</sup> – Corio & Moorabool PC Combined Training

27<sup>th</sup>-28<sup>th</sup> – Gisborne EA Horse Trials

### February

4<sup>th</sup> – KPC Rally

10<sup>th</sup> – PCV Mounted Games Skill Clinic & State Team Squad  
Selections

17<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> – Gisborne PC Horse Trials

25<sup>th</sup> – Glenlyon PC Horse Trials



## THE COMMITTEE

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# Presidents Message

## December Rally

We had a nice and relaxing December rally, which went over 2 days. Trial ride, camping and polocrosse, topped off the end of the year for many riders. Thank you again to all families throughout the year, without the families and volunteers this club could not run.

## Rally

Our next rally is on Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> February and we also have a last minute Show Jumping Freshmans which will be held on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> February. Kiara is planning this day, so if you would like to help out in anyway please let kiara know.

## Memberships

A reminder that as of 1<sup>st</sup> of January your memberships need to be renewed in order to compete/do clinics, and also to have insurance. To renew your membership just log on to JustGo and renew riders and family members. Please ensure all new riders or club supporters over the age of 18yo must also have a WWCC. Again as advised we have different memberships on offer this year along with the standard Junior & Senior riders, we now have Adult riders and all memberships we can offer Pay As You Go, please contact the committee for more details. Also on offer is for non-members an annual user fee, again please contact the committee for further details.

Look forward to see you all at the February rally. Stay Safe and see you soon.



# Get to know a Rider

## Savannah Jenner

1. *How old are you and when is your birthday?*  
I'm 11 years old and my birthday is on the 27/9/2012.
2. *How long have you been interested in horse riding and riding horses?*  
7 years
3. *How many people in your family ride horses?*  
1
4. *How many horse(s) do you and your family have?*  
5
5. *What are your horse(s) names, breed and ages?*  
Jewel is 9 years old and is a part-bred arab. Sabaahn is 12 years old and arab x welsh.
6. *What treats do your horse(s) like?*  
Stud Muffins.
7. *Do you live on Acreage?*  
Yes 14
8. *What is your favourite Competition type and why?*  
Probably just plain showjumping because it's less stressful.
9. *Where do you like to go riding?*  
Any cross country course.
10. *What is one thing you would tell someone who is interested in starting to ride horses?*  
Don't rush the process.

# Out & About



Makayla and Izar - Gisborne  
Showjumping - Open grade 4

Makayla and Izar - Gisborne  
Showjumping  
1R - 1<sup>st</sup>  
2R - 2<sup>nd</sup>  
Overall - Reserve Champion



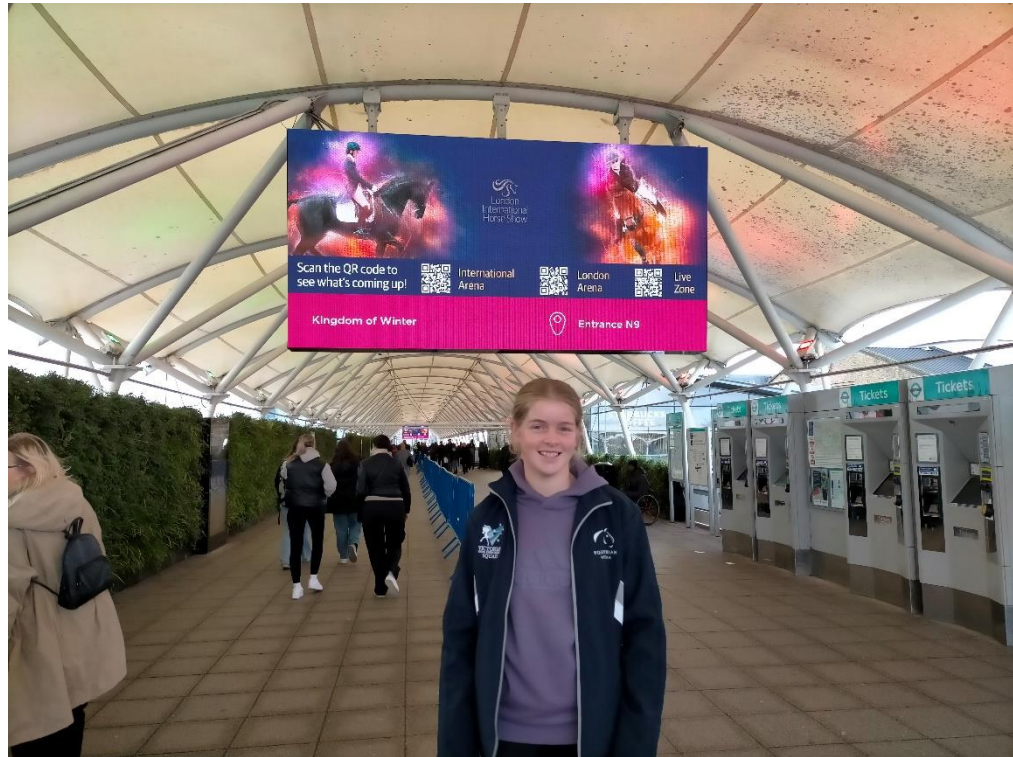


# Out & About



Ruby on Leo - Glenlyon Sports  
Day  
XC Race - 1<sup>st</sup>  
Glenlyon Cup 1200m - 3<sup>rd</sup>

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Rose at London International





# No hoof, no horse

What does it mean? For centuries, back when horses were used for work and war, people understood that if a horse's hooves were not right, the horse was unable to work. Now we also realise bad feet means the horse is probably in a fair bit of pain, and that's a welfare issue.

The hooves have to be able to carry the entire weight of a horse – and when he gallops, one foot has to be able to do this!

Here's some tips:

- The hoof can be susceptible to issues such as founder (laminitis), stone bruises or corns, seedy toe, thrush, sand cracks, punctures, and navicular disease. If your horse is lame and you cannot see an obvious cause or you cannot treat the cause, don't wait too long to call a vet.
- Hooves should be kept trimmed or shod according to the horse's workload and the surface he lives and works on. Consider hoof boots if you require your horse to do short term work on a rough surface.
- Allow horses access to salt licks and mineral blocks
- If you know what your pasture lacks, some manufactured equine supplements may be beneficial.
- Your farrier can advise if oiling your horses's hooves would be helpful and what to use.



# Horse Breeds

## Brumby

**Origin** - Australia

A brumby is a free-roaming feral horse in Australia. A group of brumbies is known as a “mob” or “band”.

Brumbies are the descendants of escaped or lost horses, dating back in some cases to those belonging to the early European settlers. Today they live in many places, including some National Parks, notably Alpine National Park in Victoria, Barrington Tops National Park and Kosciuszko National Park in NSW, and Carnarvon National Park in Queensland. Occasionally they are mustered and domesticated for use as campdrafters, working stock horses on farms or stations, but also as trail horses, show horses, pony club mounts and pleasure horses. They are the subject of some controversy - regarded as a pest and threat to native ecosystems by environmentalists and the government, but also valued by others as part of Australia's heritage, with supporters working to prevent inhumane treatment or extermination, and rehoming brumbies who have been captured.

There are no predators of feral horses in Australia, although it is possible that dingoes or wild dogs occasionally take foals. On average, 20% of the feral horse population dies each year, mainly from drought, poisonous plants and parasites. Few feral horses reach 20 years of age. The maximum possible rate that feral horse numbers can increase is 20-25% per year.

Wild brumbies are used in brumby training camps by organisations that promote positive interactions between troubled, high-risk youths.

Wild brumbies are also used in the brumby catch and handle event in stockman's challenge competitions, where riders are required to catch a free running brumby from their horse within a time limit.





# POLE EXERCISES

## Crisscross Part 1

### ETERNAL FORMATION

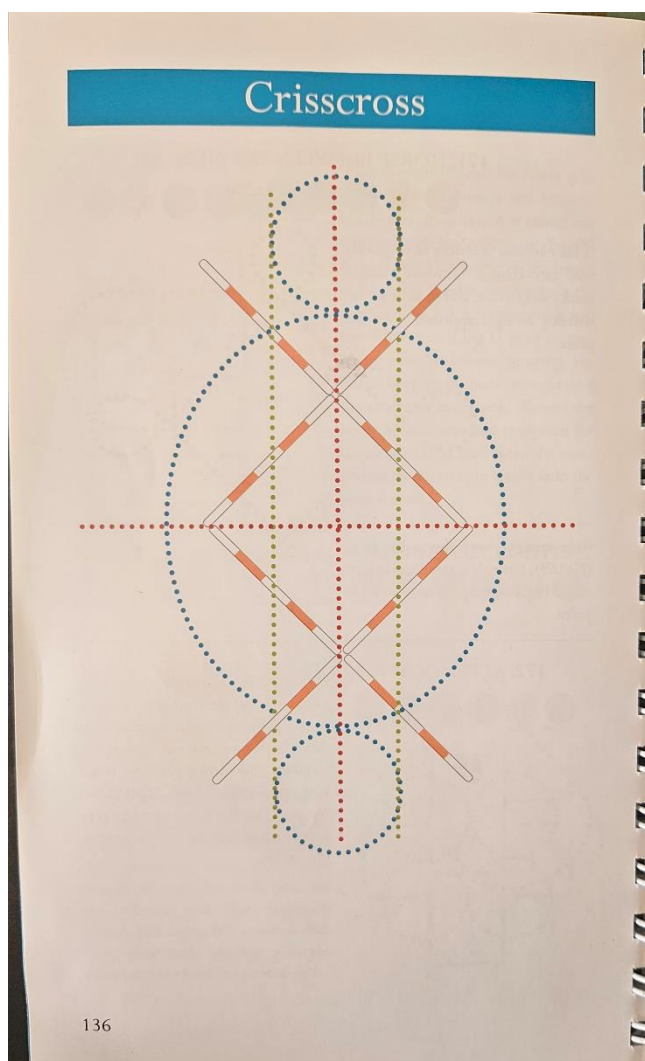
**Blue Route:** In this exercise, keep the poles on the ground or elevate them. In canter, jump the fences in a bow and make a circle before riding the next one. You can ride a couple of laps in the circle if you need to collect the horse. Ride in canter over the fences and trot in the circle or complete the exercise in trot. If your horse is too fresh on the fences, you can ride the circles in a canter and bows in trot.

### STRAIGHT TRACKS OVER ZIG ZAG

**Green Route:** Ride the straight over the zig zag poles. The spacing will suit most horses in walk and trot. The spacing will even suit some horse's canter.

### STRAIGHT TRACKS OVER THE CRISSCROSS

**Red route:** To ride straight over the crisscross with two or four poles will improve the rider's framing and horse's co-ordination. Note, the spacing doesn't suit all horses in canter. It is dependent on the horse's size, stride length and length of the poles.



# Kyneton Pony Club

## Uniform Price List

as at March 2021

<b>Polo's</b>	Short Sleeve	\$	40.00
	Long Sleeve	\$	40.00
<b>Jumpers</b>	Woollen Size 5-7	\$	60.00
	Woollen Size 7-10	\$	65.00
	Woollen Size 12-16	\$	75.00
	Rugby	\$	40.00
	Hoodie Kids	\$	56.00
	Hoodie Adults	\$	60.00
<b>Jackets</b>	Thick Jackets	\$	75.00
	Soft Shell Jackets	\$	75.00
	Tracksuit Kids	\$	60.00
	Tracksuit Adults	\$	65.00
<b>Pants</b>	Tracksuit Kids	\$	35.00
	Tracksuit Adults	\$	36.00
<b>Saddle Pads</b>	Full	\$	89.00
	Pony	\$	75.00
<b>Ties</b>		\$	25.00
<b>Caps</b>		\$	15.00
<b>Scarves</b>		\$	5.00
<b>Badge</b>		\$	10.00
<b>Medical Arm Bands</b>	Small	\$	20.00
	Large	\$	30.00
<b>Grading Card Holder</b>		\$	5.00

# *Syllabus of Instruction (Certificates) V's Grading*

The information below is to provide an understanding of the difference between the Syllabus of Instruction and Grading.

## **Syllabus of Instruction**

The Pony Club Australia Syllabus of Instruction is built on Certificate levels that enable the rider to continuously develop their skills in Riding, Horse Care and Citizenship. Members are encouraged to move through the Certificates at their own pace, but in the following order E, D, D\*, C, C\* or K, B, A.

Books for each Certificate can be purchased through your JustGo membership portal. These books are a fantastic way to improve your practical and riding ability through the Pony Club guidelines.

I recommend riders work through these books and when you complete a book, let me know so you can be assessed at a rally, passed, and then receive your certificate of completion. You will then be ready to move onto your next book.

## **Grading**

Typically, Gradings are used for riders who compete, even if it's just a couple of times a year. If you are a rider who doesn't compete, gradings are also a terrific way to track how you and your horse are progressing as a combination (horse / rider).

Grading is an assessment of the horse / rider combination.

If you change horses, this is a different combination, and the grading process will start again.

When you are graded, you can be graded on a number of different disciplines and types of competitions. These are:

- Dressage only
- Show Jumping only
- Horse Trials - Dressage, Show Jumping and Cross Country
- Combined Training Days - Dressage and Show Jumping

When you ask to be graded (ask your DC), the grading process will ensure you are competent in the disciplines you want to be graded in. This means you can successfully jump the height allocated to that grade and competently complete dressage. It's always best to start at the lowest grade and work your way up and remember, there's no hurry for you and your horse to move up the grades.

For most Disciplines / Sports, Grading starts at Grade 6 and works up to Grade 1, and then Advanced.

Show Jumping is the only discipline that starts at Grade 5 and works up to the Advanced level.

If you are unsure if you are ready to be Graded and / or at what level, it's always good to talk to the Instructors at Pony Club, or if you have a private instructor, talk to them too.



# KPC Code of Conduct

PCAV Code of Conduct 2010

The Pony Club Association of Victoria's Code of Conduct outlines behaviours that are expected of every person involved in our organisation, as well as identifying the types of behaviours that will not be tolerated. It applies to members, officials, adult supporters, coaches, instructors, spectators, family, friends, administrators and other members of our diverse pony club community. It applies to all PCAV, Zone and Club sanctioned activities.

The Pony Club Association of Victoria's Code of Conduct supports everyone to have fun in a friendly and inclusive environment.

## Our Values and Behaviours

### **Respect and Recognition**

- I will treat others as I would like to be treated
- I will treat everyone with dignity, courtesy and respect
- I will appreciate performances by all participants
- I will value and recognise good behaviours and the contribution of all
- I will communicate openly and provide constructive supportive feedback

### **Caring**

- The welfare of the horse is paramount
- I will be considerate of others
- I will encourage others to participate but I won't force the issue
- I will never resort to verbal abuse, harassing behaviour, hostility or aggression

### **Integrity**

- I will be open, honest and trustworthy
- I will do what I say
- I will be a Good Sport and encourage others to do the same
- I will not make any disparaging or belittling remarks about others
- I will abide by the Code of Conduct

### **Inclusion**

- I will support and help others
- I will be flexible and responsive to people's needs
- I will work collaboratively to achieve the best outcomes
- I will encourage the participation of all regardless of ability, age, gender, sexual orientation, race, culture or religion
- I will contribute towards an enjoyable and safe environment for all

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