

KYNETON PONY CLUB NEWSLETTER

September 2023

Upcoming Birthdays

September

11th – Lucy Tobin

27th – Savannah Jenner

Upcoming Events

September

2nd /3rd - Riddells Creek SJ & XC Clinic

3rd – KPC Rally

9th / 10th – KPC Working Bee @ 11am

9th – Melton Show Jumping Day

16th / 17th – KPC Working Bee @11am

17th – Riddells Creek Show Jumping Day

18th /19th – Ballarat Pony Club XC Clinic

23rd / 24th – Werribee Pony Club Horse Trials

October

1st – KPC Rally

8th – KPC Working Bee @11am

8th – Williamstown Show Jumping Day

14th / 15th – KPC Working Bee @11am

21st / 22nd – Yarrambat Pony Club HT, CTD & SX

28th – Woodlands Pony Club Freshmans SJ



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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

August Rally

The weather was a bit windy at times but turned out to be a great day all round. Bridget put on a great rally with Cross Country, Show Jumping, Games with Andrew, and a Chat with Heather about Eventing, at the higher level. It was great to see a full rally back in swing now that the weather(hopefully) is better, and the days are longer.

Open Day Rally

This rally we are hosting an Open day to the public, anyone who wants to ride that is not a member needs to contact Bridget, we are also opening up expressions of interest for riders over the age of 25. Please make all visitors welcome and if they have any queries, please direct them to a committee member.

XC Rebuild

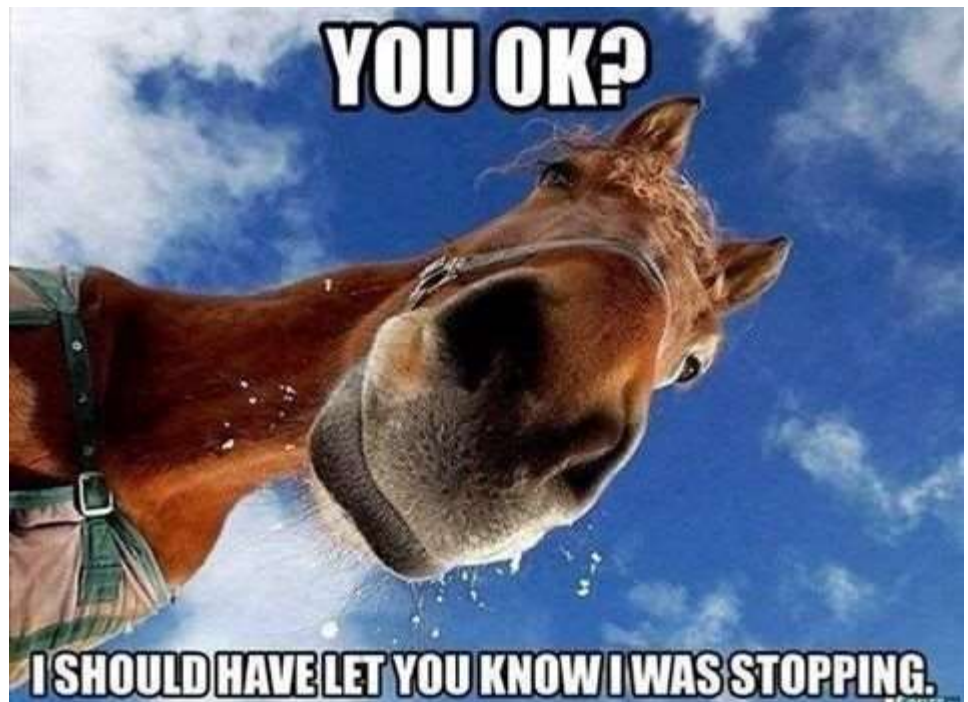
We are now down to the sticky end of getting this Cross Country course completed. As advised in an email on 24th August we have 10 weeks left to get this all done, so we need as many hands on deck to help out otherwise we will have to cancel our horse trials. Please see upcoming events/emails etc for working bee days.

Rally Day Grid

Please remember to read the grid carefully before each rally and check the times for everything. All families are to be at the ground by 9am at the latest to help set up for the day. I am seeing a few families regularly arriving later then this and not help set-up. This is not acceptable as we solely operate with the help of volunteers.

I look forward to seeing you all on Sunday

Cassie



Get to know a Rider

Makayla Waters

1. *How old are you and when is your birthday?*

13 and November 19th

2. *How long have you been interested in horse riding and riding horses?*

Liked horses since I was 4yo and been riding since I was 5yo

3. *How many people in your family ride horses?*

Just Mum and myself, but my nan and aunty's use to as well

4. *How many horse(s) do you and your family have?*

We have one leased out, and two with us currently

5. *What are your horse(s) names, breed and ages?*

Wizard, Shetland 14yo

Izar, Part Arab 10yo

Carter, Part Arab 13yo

6. *What treats do your horse(s) like?*

Licorice, Smoochies, Carrots, Apples

7. *Do you live on Acreage?*

No we agist our horses

8. *What is your favourite Competition type and why?*

I like eventing, because I love cross country and show jumping.

9. *Where do you like to go riding?*

Pony Club grounds - Kyneton, Glenlyon, Gisborne, Mandurang South, Bullengarook, also like trailing riding at Glenlyon.

10. *What do you want to be when you grow up?*

Veterinary

11. *What is one thing you would tell someone who is interested in starting to ride horses?*

It is going to be hard and easy, if you cant deal with falling off, don't ride.

Out & About



Ruby on Leo



Issy on Joe



Makayla on Izzy @ Bullengarook SJ day
5th Place in 2Phase

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Lucy on Leo



Natalia on Rex at her first rally



Kiara on Nick
Bullengarook SJ Day - Overall Champion,
Equitation Award
She also Competed on Beau and got 1st
in Open Grade 4



How are your Brakes?

Having good brakes and staying at your chosen speed are vital safety aspects. It is important to be able to control what the horse's legs are doing.

Teaching your horse to step back from the reins improves your horse's stop response. For the horse, stepping-back and stopping use the same muscles, so training step back really improves his brakes. Start this on the ground.

When riding, practice lots of downward transitions. Aim for four steps.

Practice halt or half-halt after jumping at the trot before cantering. Remember you set the speed. Rushing at jumps is dangerous.



Horse Breeds

Thoroughbreds

Origin - England

Scientific Name - *Equus ferus caballus*

The Thoroughbred is a horse breed developed for horse racing. Although the word thoroughbred is sometimes used to refer to any breed of purebred horse, it technically refers only to the Thoroughbred breed.

Thoroughbreds are considered “hot-blooded” horses that are known for their agility, speed and spirit.

The Thoroughbred, as it is known today, was developed in 17th and 18th century England, when native mares were crossbred with imported stallions of Arabian, Barb and Turkoman breeding. All modern Thoroughbreds can trace their pedigrees to three stallions originally imported into England in the 17th and 18th centuries, and to larger number of foundation mares of mostly English breeding. During the 18th and 19 centuries, the Thoroughbred breed spread throughout the world; they were imported into North America starting in 1730 and in Australia, Europe, Japan and South America during the 19th century. Millions of Thoroughbreds exist today and around 100,000 foals are registered each year worldwide.

Thoroughbreds are used mainly for racing but are also bred for other riding disciplines such as Show Jumping, Combined Training, Dressage, Polo and fox hunting. They are also commonly crossbred to create new breeds or improve existing ones and have been influential in the creation of the Quarter Horse, Standardbred, Anglo-Arabian, and various warmblood breeds.

