

5. Head Coach Report

As a matter of courtesy to our coaches and to protect the club funds all riders not attending a rally must text Chris Beach by Monday so coaches can be finalized for the rally.

Coaches For the Season

Chris outlined the plans for the instructors this season. There are 7 Coaches for the season ahead and Chris had tentatively arranged the groups already for discussion at the Instructors meeting. An Instructors meeting will be held before the season commences to outline the responsibilities of the instructors and to introduce them to the Club Executive.

Ginny and Hazel Thompson will coach the two senior rides.

Chris Beach and Sue Whidett will coach the intermediate rides

Brittany Newman Marrs, Tash Rochefort-Rennie and Christine Latch will coach the junior rides.

Danni Yeates may be asked to come and run a show jumping clinic. Chris is to look at the rally plan and work out when that might fit in.

Chris to ask coaches of any rally nights they will not be available. A Coaches Rally booklet is to be developed by Jenny and Chris so this outlines the rally responsibilities for each coach.

Action Point: Jenny and Chris to design the Coaches Rally booklet and have this ready for the coaches meeting.

Action Point: Caitlin will arrange a coaches meeting to be held at 77 Whitehills Road sometime between the 13th – 30th September 2014.

Coaches Training

Most coaches have already completed one level of training pertinent to the level they are teaching at. Brittany Newman Marrs will go on a coaching clinic this year.

C Exam

Chris hopes to arrange a c exam prior to Christmas.

Games To Be Included at Each Rally

Chris would like a new game to be introduced at every rally leading up to Christmas. The game is to be set up and the rides below senior level can rotate through that game as part of the normal rally plan. There will be three slots 5.30 – 6.00, 6.00 – 6.30, 6.30 – 7.00. Parent help is required to set up the game and run the game for each group. These groups will routinely rotate through flatwork, jumping, games and cross country.

There was discussion about children opting out of games and doing another activity however games is part of the curriculum and teaches all sorts of skills. Chris explained that any member that does not want to participate in any activity should still support their group by observing or assisting.

Action point: Jenny Savannah agreed to manage the parents to set games up each week.

Instructions and equipment for games is all available at the club.

Other Coaching Related Matters

Jenny sought clarification around junior and intermediate group description and how this related to the junior co-ordinator role. It was explained that Chris needed assistance with managing the groups and certificate levels up to the c level.

It was agreed that some identifier for our coaches would be good – a cap or a vest.

Action Point: Caitlin to investigate

Chris would like the Club to request Richard Lloyd that we have one small area on the flat that we can maintain for jumping especially in the period prior to Christmas. Perhaps the area behind the clubhouse and stockyards.

Action Point: Caitlin and Paul to ask Richard Lloyd this month if that would be possible.

Adult Ride

Chris was asked by Karen Richardson to ask about an adult ride to be held at Wainui Pony Club. There was much discussion on the matter with the main points being that it was not core pony club focus and the adults would need to be responsible for the organisation, how it would run and most importantly doing everything in accordance with our landowner's wishes. The adult ride could not compromise the Wainui Pony Club in anyway. If this was able to be organised a ground fee would be charged by Wainui Pony Club over and above the Adult Membership. Adult Membership provides access to the Pony Club grounds on a rally night only. There had been instances in the last season that had compromised the Wainui Pony Club and that had upset the land owners – we do not want to repeat that situation.

Action Point: Caitlin and Paul to ask Richard Lloyd this month if an Adult Ride on the pony club grounds would be acceptable.

Action point: If access is established Marina will discuss the development of the Adult Ride with Karen and a proposal will be presented to the Wainui PC committee.

6. District and Area Meetings

Kim and Marina are our representative on both the District and Area Committee. Thank you for taking this on and representing us so well. Minutes from these meetings are circulated routinely. Nothing to report at this meeting.

General Business

a. Membership Dive

Jenny suggested we should advertise the club to get our membership up to maximum numbers of 50 riders. Jenny also suggested that we need to offer all levels of riding including a lead rein group. There was much discussion about whether we should focus on lead rein or not. It was decided to wait and see what levels approached the club for membership. Chris said she could arrange a lead rein coach should the numbers require it. Jenny said that parents would be willing to assist if the numbers were low. Jenny also suggested that Karen Richardson could pull together a advertising Flyer in a jiffy (she would owe her a bottle of wine for suggesting it). This needs to happen quickly so we can distribute the flyer etc.

ACTION POINT: Jenny to ask Karen to produce an advertising flyer for Wainui Pony Club

a. Pony Club Season Dates

FEES AND REGISTRATION DUE 30 AUGUST 2014

First Rally – 30 September 2014 – daylight saving starts 29 September 2013

End Rally – 31 March 2015 – daylight saving finishes 6 April 2014

Xmas Rally – 16 December 2014

Xmas Return – 20 January 2014

Total of 12 rallies before Christmas and 12 rallies after Christmas

If our grounds are not ready by 30 September we will have the first 3 rallies at Woodhill Sands. If there are any further delay to our grounds then theory nights will be held – Chris to develop a plan about where and how many coaches etc.

Flyers have already been notified of these event dates! Caitlin to liaise with Flyers through the season.

It was raised that we could split the rally and utilise several local arenas – instead of going to Woodhill Sands. *No action resulted from this discussion – may need to discuss further or find an owner to organise access to private arenas in the area.*

Rally Cancellations: Exec Committee make the decision by 2pm on the day of the rally. This is loaded on the website. All members to check the website. Kim can be contacted via text if people are away from internet access. Caitlin to ensure that Chris Beach and Michelle Hatton are contacted directly.

Action point: Caitlin Metz to contact Woodhill Sands about having our first three rallies at Woodhill in case our grounds are not ready.

b. Branch Events

7 December 2014 – mini ODE – 50 cm, 65 cm and pre-training classes

15 February 2014 – Intro - Open ODE – 65 cm, 80 cm, 95 cm and 1.05 cm All Four Levels.

26 April 2014 – Mini ODE

c. Cross Country Practice Nights

The committee need to arrange cross country practice nights as a fund raiser for the club – dates to be presented at next meeting so they can be advertised.

d. Catering:

We are very pleased to have Michelle Hatton back in charge of catering this year. The canteen contributed well to our fund raising last year. Paula Croft has arranged for a new fridge for the club and some new furniture!! Thank you to Paula

Action Point: Michelle will be setting up a rally night roster.

Paul to collect fridge and furniture and deliver it the club.

e. Working Bee

ACTION POINT: Stephen - A working bee needs to be organised before the season commences – there is a lot of rubbish to be taken away, equipment may need cleaning, rat bait needs to be laid in the clubhouse, saddle blankets and other gear put into plastic bins (Caitlin has supplied these), toilets cleaned and fixed up!!

f. Fund Raising / Sponsorship:

We are very grateful to continue to have generous sponsorship from GJ Gardner Homes. They would like to make changes to their signage and will liaise with Paul about that. Thank you GJ Gardner!

ACTION POINT: Kim to raise an invoice for GJ Gardner Homes, Paul to work with them on the signage.

g. Coffee at Events

Clayton has offered to make coffees at our events so that the club get the money from the coffees. Chris will talk to Clayton about what is required to make this happen (supplies, power, water access etc, coffee machines) as there was discussion about whether this would work or not.

ACTION POINT: Chris to talk to Clayton and outline what is required

This next point was not discussed at the meeting but this needs addressing by the members at the next committee meeting. ANY IDEAS WELCOME

Action point: We need to appoint someone to look into our sponsorship opportunities for the forthcoming season – any takers? There is plenty of grant funded money available but we need to be organised to take advantage of it. Some things we would like to purchase:

Container to store our jumping gear

New set of show jumps

Repairs to the toilet system??

Next Meeting is 11 September 2014 at 7.30 pm

Meeting Closed 9.45pm or thereabouts!

Action point Summary

| Action Item | Person responsible | Completion Date |
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| Close mailbox | Kim | 11 September |
| Coaches Rally Booklet | Chris / Jenny | Before coaches meeting |
| Coaches Meeting | Caitlin | Prior to 29 September |
| Games Roster for parents | Jenny | For when rallies start at home ground – 30 September |
| Coaches cap or similar | Caitlin | 30 September |
| Jumping area preserved prior to Xmas | Paul to ask Richard | 11 September |
| Adult Ride access to grounds | Paul to ask Richard | 11 September |
| Develop adult ride – dependent on outcome of above | Marina / Karen | 30 September |
| Membership Drive Flyer | Jenny / Karen | ASAP |
| Fridge and Furniture secured | Paul / Paula | 30 September |
| Working Bee date organised | Stephen / Caitlin | 11 September |
| Invoice GJ Gardner | Kim | Ask GJ Gardner |
| Coffee Idea progressed | Chris / Clayton | 11 September |
| Book Woodhill Sands | Caitlin | ASAP |
| Sponsorship owner | Calling for | 11 September |

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