

DC REPORT – May 2021 Rally

Welcome to the June rally DC report. This month we were meant to have a joint rally with Williamstown pony club. We would have had a total of 53 riders at the rally! It was going to be a big one!

However Covid again had other plans! So back to the drawing board for this rally!

We are lucky to be able to go ahead with the rally but we will have a split format for the day due to having a 50 patrons limit at the club grounds at any one time.

Our rangers and ready to ride will be starting at 9.45am, Gear check will be at 9.30am.

We will be running three sessions in a shortened format of 45mins. So have a good look at the rally planner and your instructors.

All rangers groups meet at the rangers yard and then following instructors advice on where to go next 😊

** **Lunch break will be between 12 - 1pm** - Unfortunately we cannot run a canteen and we cannot hang around and talk and have lunch at this rally - We need and in ride and out policy for our covid guidelines, If we can try and have all rangers and ready to rides out by 12.30pm and none of the next session groups arriving until 12.30pm please * Please keep in mind you will need to bring your own drinks and snacks for the day 😊*

After lunch our three groups Pharlapp, Archer and Black Caviar will be running three sessions at 45min intervals, again please follow instructors instructions on where and when to be next to keep the day following and no one misses out on any lesson times.

We will finish at 3.15pm and anyone that can lend a hand to pack up that would be great.

The pack up / Set up & canteen roster are invalid for this rally. I will be setting up and doing pack up so anyone with a spare min who can lend a hand that would be great 😊

REGIONAL RIDERS ONLY - Unfortunately we can only have regional based riders at this rally, so sorry for all our metro-based riders.... We can only go by what PCV will cover us with insurance wise and we cannot risk a fine to our club. Thank you everyone for your understanding and we will see who we can on Sunday and hopefully we will be back to normal for the July rally 😊

Games / Flat Teams State Championships June 20th

We finally received the news that our Team of 4, Team of 2 Macedon A and Team of 2 Macedon B will all be going through to state at the end of June. Congratulations girls you have all worked hard and have been training state, Let us keep pushing through till the State Championships. If we can get as many Macedon supporters as possible down to watch our teams that would be great! Its at Oaklands this time so not to far to travel. I will post our event times as soon as received 😊

Teams: Macedon team of 4: Coach: Lizzie Cox

Jayde Kirkham

Pip Rushford

Sophie Wall

Chloe O'Rourke

Team of 2: Macedon A – Coach: Lizzie Cox

Pip Rushford

Sophie Wall

Team of 2: Macedon B – Coach: Alex Hay

Olivia Logan

Kandi Parslow

Unfortunately, our Macedon games team did not make it through to state and are the second reserve team for the event. A VERY big thank you goes to Adriana Boyle! For doing such a great job coaching our riders and continuing to train right up till now! In this freezing and unforgiving weather. Everyone thanks you from the bottom of their hearts for your efforts in getting the team going and teaching our riders new skills. Well done to all our kids who trained and competed at Zones, thank you and lastly but not least a big thanks to our parents for running our kids around to events and to make trainings. We will keep practicing our games and get another team in next year! Go Macedon.



Certificates

We will be pushing through our certificates at the July rally! So please make sure you have ordered your book as we will be aiming to do some exams for our E, D and D* riders by the end of the year. So please come and see me if you don't have your book or don't know which one to get 😊

MACEDON PONY CLUB SHOW JUMPING DAY 27th June

Just a reminder our show jumping day is coming up the 27th of June! We want to see as many Macedon riders as we can representing us at our own event. SO please put in a reminder for the event and we will see you all there!

We will be running a Freshmans class for our ungraded riders, so we encourage all our rangers and ready to ride kids to come along and learn about a competition day 😊 Myself, Adriana, Alex and Jayde will all be there to assist you if needed.

Rangers and Ready to Ride Program

(This will now come into effect as of JULY rally due to restrictions on our June rally)

As most of our club is aware our rangers program has just blossomed in the past months where we are up to 17 members! Pony club Victoria also released a separate membership called "ready to ride" which is a non-competition type membership. We have both rangers and ready to ride members in our 17 members currently in the rangers ring!

We are now going to split these groups into two ready to ride groups and two rangers groups.

The difference is that the "ready to ride" Program is in the rangers yard and is the two session format as we have been doing, It is a beginner and entry level program.

The Rangers program will now be a three session program including one session after lunch! This is due to the price difference in a rangers membership. We will use this category for riders who are happy to have a more structured learning environment and more tailored lesson plans to the disciplines.



Don't panic! You can upgrade or down grade your membership as you see fit, Or if you are a ranger and only want to do two sessions you can! Or if you want to stay in the rangers yard, You can! We will be starting this process at the next rally to get more out of the program. Please come and see me if you have any problems or request any changes. We are more than happy to accommodate any riders 😊 Rangers and ready to ride will both be a friendly safe and happy learning environment for on and off the lead, no pressure 😊 We will speak to you if we think you need to upgrade to a rangers membership and are currently in the ready to ride program. Please have a look at the groups and session plan to confirm which membership your on and if you are riding two or three sessions, I hope that makes sense and please voice any opinions and feedback at the rally! Thanks everyone and see you all Sunday!

Riders out and about

Harry Walsh – Harry out and about at Cookatoo Gymkhana looking fantastic in his new Macedon pony club uniform! Well done and looking great representing Macedon Pony Club!



Hannah Rautman – 2nd Overall with Storm at the Cookatoo pony club Gymkhana, Well done Hannah and Storm!



Hayley Fino – Hayley was out representing Macedon Pony Club at the State Horse Trials in the grade 2 on both horses! Finishing 11th on Jayde and 15th on Thai and 5th overall in her team. Awsome work Hayley! Your doing so well on both horses! Congratulations!



Chloe O'Rouke, Spirit & Sam – Congratulations to Chloe and Spirit! At the State horse trials in the grade 4. Chloe was the highest point scorer in her team. Bringing her team up to a 3rd place and amazing 5th overall in her section. Also doing a great job on Sam in the Games event at Riddles creek coming home with a neck full of ribbons once again.



Sophie Wall and Lexi – Well done to Sophie Wall jumping double clear and ending up 11th overall in the Grade 3 at the Riddles Creek State horse trials! Go Sophie!



Grace Ayers and Sparrow – Great effort to Grace for coming home with a 4th in her class at the State/Zone horse trials at Riddles Creek. Even winning the best performed off the track in her section and winning a rug! Well done Grace 😊

A great effort Grace and all your hard work is paying off!



Audrey and Matilda – Audrey has been doing amazing in her interschool dressage with Matilda! Check out this cute photo from Boneo Park ISD Round 2, Where they were Champions Primary Prep!



Unfortunately, our competitions were cut short for the month due to the lockdown, we had many riders entered in the Riddles Creek show jumping day. I hope the lockdown does not last too long and we can have all our members back out competing.

Thanks for all the results updates, Upload on the Macedon Pony Club Facebook page or send directly to me so we can share your results with the rest of the club.

Thanks every one, See who we can on Sunday and hopefully we will be at full capacity for the July rally 😊