



# Walkerville Branch of the South African Pony Club

## Newsletter



November 2012

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### Programme sellers at the Avis Derby – 7 October

A BIG thank you to Tanisha, Gaby, Sam, Courtney and Donnelly for braving the heat to sell programmes at the final Derby day at KEP! They sold R12 000 worth of programmes, got to sit on the Riders' grandstand to watch the Show jumping final...and got sunstroke !

### Thorntree Conservancy fair stand – 4 November

The 'Trick or Treat' Pony Club stand at the Conservancy Fair at the Walkerville show grounds on 4 November was manned by Michéle and Allan (and after studying for exams, Courtney and Donnelly took on the afternoon shift.) It proved to be popular with a wide variety of customers, and we made R500!

### AGM and outride – 18 November

The Wild West themed AGM was loads of fun as families dressed up and rode or walked towards the Western frontier (on MacKenzie land) where members practised their shooting and lassoing skills. After refreshments we headed back to the OK Corral (Gomes homestead) for the prize giving and a cowboy style barbeque.



### Trophies and winners

Our branch was awarded the Mounted Games Turnout trophy at the Interbranch competition in May, which Chanty presented to our team after giving her DCs report. Members who participated at the Interbranch show and quiz were given certificates.

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Congratulations to the Unicorns ably led by Donnelly and Wesley, who were the winning 2012 squadron! Gaby and Donnelly were awarded the *Best Turned Out* Child and Junior rider trophies respectively. Courtney and Donnelly attained their Gold certificates for earning over 21 Achievement badges, and received 2011 Inter-regional rosettes from National.

#### Merry Christmas and the 2013 Walkerville Hunt

We would like to wish Stacey and Gareth Ireland birthday wishes for their 18<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> birthdays!

Thank you to our members, parents, family and friends for your support during this year. We hope that you have a relaxing holiday and a super Christmas with your families.

Before you go into 'holiday mode' please note the annual Walkerville Drag Hunt is scheduled for *Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> January*, so get those horses fit if you want to ride or join us ☺



*Until the next rally, happy riding!*

**Michéle**

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