



Walkerville Branch of the South African Pony Club



Newsletter

May 2012



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April branch camp

Our branch camps just get better every year! The April 2012 camp was the longest camp we've had, with more boys than ever, and with special guests from Witpoort branch who joined us. The meals were both delicious and healthy, we had almost as many parents as kids, and the weather co-operated beautifully! We packed in a huge amount of fun and learning for both riders and non-riders

New achievement badge recipients

It was lovely to watch the group learning that took place in preparation for achievement badge testing; particularly the role play situations for the Road Rider testing! Congratulations to the following members for earning the following badges and certificates, they will be handed out at the next rally:



Mini-mucking out badge			
Akume	Bradley	Crizell	Jaime
Tristan	Tumi		
Turnout of Pony and Rider			
Charlize	Clara	Courtney	Donnelly
Gabriella	Liam	Meggan	Samantha
Wesley			

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Mini-Road Rider badge			
Bradley	Crizell	Charlize	Akume
Jaime	Tristan	Tumi	
Road Rider badge			
Clara	Liam	Wesley	
Road Rider certificate			
Courtney	Donnelly	Meggan	Samantha

Mounted Games

We were really sad to have to postpone the Inter-branch games on the day due to the awful storms in Midrand at the end of March. We are happy to confirm that they will be taking place locally at the Inter-branch show at Southern's next weekend! Please come and support on Sunday afternoon, in your branch golf shirt; even if you are not riding.

The Games team will have their final practice on Saturday 19th May at 10am at the MacKenzie's home. We wish Courtney, Donnelly, Gaby, Meggan, Sam and Tanisha speed, agility and loads of luck!

Inter-branch show and camp-over 26th – 27th May at Southern's

We have over 100 entries for Saturday's show classes, excellent judges, a beautiful local venue and a special parade at 09:00. The judges will choose the best turned out team, so all riders and mounts need to be immaculate. Those not riding are encouraged to join the team for the parade, in jeans and your branch golf shirt. Rogan Asken will be handing out Laurel and Long Service Awards to Gauteng & Limpopo region members and committee for years of committed service.

Walkerville branch are in charge of the show jumping, so branch helpers would be much appreciated, and fed! Please contact Chanty if you are able to help.

Competitors and branch members are invited to the regional camp over on the Saturday night. Please contact Michéle to book, and to get more details.

Next rally weekend

Our next unmounted rally is scheduled for Friday 15th June at the Gomes' house, with the mounted rally to follow on Sunday 17th June.

See you all soon, and until then, happy riding!

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