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ACT Showjumping Club Inc

SPECIAL OCTOBER EDITION

THE 2012 ACT SHOWJUMPING CUP

The 2012 ACT Showjumping Cup was held from the 5th to the 7th of October, and the event can be described as nothing less than a great success. I want to thank the organising committee, sponsors, and countless volunteers who gave up their time to help. Without you this event would not have been such a success. I would encourage any club member that wants to get involved to contact myself or another committee member and we will be able to point you in the right direction.

The weather really did provide all four seasons during the show, but thanks to the work put into the grounds, the arenas remained in good condition despite the rain on Saturday.

To say we had good numbers would be an understatement, with 194 riders competing, 355 horses on the grounds, and a total of 1519 showjumping rounds completed throughout the show. It was great to see so many interstate people come to Canberra especially for this event; we had people coming from all over –South Cost, Sydney, Victoria, North Coast & Riverina areas.

It was fantastic to see so many ACT Showjumping Club members in the winners circle throughout the show. On Friday in Ring 1, Emma Hughes won the Amateur class riding the lovely stallion Celeborne Ego Z. In Ring 2 it was great to see Emily Stanfield on Blazer, Amber McIntosh on Breaker Morant, Sharyn Reed on Mystic Roy and Jody Hughes on Noir all win their classes.



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On Saturday in Ring 1, Michael Cross won the Young Rider riding his super careful gelding Little Bear. In Ring 2, Sarah Davies won the Junior 1.05 class riding her new blonde mount Mike Manley. In Ring 3, it is fair to say that the McIntosh mother daughter duo dominated, with Amber McIntosh winning the 50cms and Lisa McIntosh winning the 60cms and 70cms.

On Sunday in Ring 1, Izabella Stone won the Young Rider riding Kinnordy Rameau. In Ring 2, Jessica Davies won the Junior 1.05m class riding the cute mare Can't Decide. Jody Hughes won the Junior 1.15m class riding the well known gelding Silver Chieftan. In Ring 3, Sigi Schnieder took out the cross rails and open 45cms riding Billy. Annabelle Creer won the 70cms riding Fire & Ice. The main classes of the show were held in perfectly sunny spring conditions. The Atech Cup was won by Jamie Smith riding Mr Witter. It was great to see club members Stephen Dingwall riding Cavalier Cudose and Clinton Beresford riding Emmaville Jitterbug place 3rd and 4th respectively. The ActewAGL Showjumping Cup was tightly contested and it was great to see an exciting jump off, with the class won by veteran rider Neville Cuzner riding SS Turbo Mack.

A point score which we had running throughout the show was the 'Amateur Point score' – winner to receive a Collegiate saddle. Congratulations to Alyssa Williams on winning the overall point score. The competition was tough (including Australia's 2011 Amateur Champion competing). It was fantastic to see two local ACT Showjumping Club members in the placings for the prize – Emma Hughes taking out runner up Amateur, and Rachael Vella in 4th place.

Congratulations to all the other place getters throughout the weekend and I look forward to seeing you all at the next jump club competition.

*Article by Fiona de la Mezzo
(Club Secretary)*

[Don't forget to check out the ACT Showjumping Club Website for full list of results.](#)



SPECIAL THANKS TO THE VOLUNTEERS

So as the Cup rounds up for another year, we always have a huge list of people to thank for their time and energy to help the show go ahead. This year I took on the role of volunteer coordinator so that I could give back something to the club, which was awesome! It was a very eye opening task, to manage and find help where we needed it, at times, lengths and tasks that suited you. It showed me just how much it takes to run these shows, and I think I will be forever grateful for the volunteers at any show I go to. It gave me the opportunity to meet so many of our newer members that were putting their hand up to help, which is such a great thing to see. No matter how many weeks and hours of preparation we could put into the roster to ensure we had enough help everywhere, on the day it is always a different story. There were so many people that pitched in to help in some little way that made the show happen. This proves that if everyone does at least one thing to help, we could run amazing, good value shows all the time!

This then makes the impossible task to thank all of you wonderful people, so thank you to absolutely everyone. Our club is growing and evolving into something I feel so privileged to be a part of, and I believe this is partly a result of all the newer and younger members stepping up to give back to the club.

I've tried my hardest not to mention any names, but I would like to say a huge thank you to my mum Julie, and the canteen team that were there to feed and look after all the fabulous volunteers while I was riding (so I hope you all come back next year)!

On the whole, the Canberra Cup is still my favorite show on the calendar (not biased at all!) and I hope that it will continue to grow and improve for next year with all of your help. We have such a wonderful club, which we should take pride in to make it easier on the many extraordinary, hard working volunteers that have been running it for the past 30 years.

Thanks again to everyone, and your feedback is appreciated ☺

*Article by Steph Davies
(2012 Cup, Volunteer Coordinator)*



[Photos by Rhiannon Ellis]

Thank you to our sponsors

Canberra's Equestrian Park was the picturesque setting for this year's ActewAGL Showjumping Championships 5-7 October 2012. Friday the sun shone, Saturday it rained and the Sunday, was bright and sunny, a perfect day for the day of competition highlights and the presentation of prizes provided by our sponsors.

The show's sponsors were made welcome by our ACTSJC hosts and enjoyed refreshments in the ActewAGL marquee overlooking the main arena. This location is the ideal viewing platform for our invited guests to experience the exhilarating sport they so generously support.

This year the club welcomed sponsors who have a long association with ACTSJC and Canberra businesses committing financial assistance to the event for the first time.

It is wonderful to have sponsors who make our showjumping events possible, but how lucky we are to have sponsors who love the sport and take a personal interest. They personally made the presentations to the winners and added a welcome word or two.

It was lovely too to hear from the younger members of the sponsors' families. Jessica Spence and Emma Hughes added their thoughts as did the two delightful young women representing ActewAGL.

Don't forget to thank our sponsors, and if you need any of their services be sure to contact them, as they are sure to be able to help you out.

*Article by Kaye Johnston
(Announcer)*

Thanks from one of our sponsors

As sponsors, competitors and organisers we feel that the ACT Showjumping Club Championships was a wonderful success. This is mainly due to our wonderful club members who volunteer their time performing the many different tasks required to run a show of this size.

The show would not be able to be run if it were not for the many hard workers who put in many hours planning the show, running the events and then packing up afterwards.

Also a big thank you to our faithful sponsors who continue to contribute to our events.

We are so pleased to see so many of our local competitors and members doing so well and placing in classes.

*Grant, Heather, Emma and Alyssa Hughes
(Forest Park Riding School/Emmaville
Performance Horses)*



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PRESENTATION NIGHT

Saturday night of our ACT Showjumping Cup (6th October) we had an awards evening, hosted by Horsezone. Winners & runners up of our annual Eric Haltiner Shield and Melissa McPherson Trophy were handed out. Claire Sturgess (ACT Showjumping Club member) was able to take some photos for us – see below.

[Don't forget to check out the ACT Showjumping Club Website for full list of results.](#)



Horsezone integration of ACT Showjumping Club website

Buying and selling horses just became easier for ACT Showjumping Club Members! We have now integrated our website's For Sale page with Australia's number one equine site, Horsezone.com.au!

If you have a showjumper to sell, it's now simpler than ever to gain exposure to exactly the right market and if you're looking to buy a horse, we can help take the hassle out of searching for your perfect match.

To sell a horse on Horsezone and ensure the advert appears on the ACT Showjumping Club For Sale page, go to horsezone.com.au and register. If you are already registered, login to your account and click on 'List a horse in Classified section', 'Add new Classified', 'Horses', then choose your breed and enter text for your add. To ensure your listing shows up on the ACT Showjumping Club For Sale page too, be sure to include 'Showjumping' as one of your disciplines - all showjumpers advertised for sale and located within at 100km radius of the ACT will appear on the Club's For Sale page. Once all the text is uploaded, go to the next page and upload photos (jpg images), then decide if you want to 'Feature' your horse (this will gain extra exposure on Horsezone by showing your listing at the top of its breed and intermittently on the home page for two weeks). Next step is to go to the Checkout, where you can really help out your club! At the Checkout, below the heading 'Horsezone Club Contribution' click on the drop down arrow and find ACT Showjumping Club. By clicking on the Club you will ensure that 10% of your listing fee is returned to the Club as sponsorship dollars!

By advertising on Horsezone not only are you getting maximum exposure for your horse but you are also helping out the Club!

ACT SHOWJUMP CLUB CHRISTMAS PARTY

When: Saturday 15 December 2012

Where: Irish Club Canberra - 6 Parkinson Street, Weston ACT

Time: 7:00pm in the main function room

\$20 per adult (includes buffet meal, dessert, tea/coffee)

\$10 per child under 12 years (includes meal from children's menu and dessert)

**RSVP and full payment required by 2 December 2012 - payment to be made to
Fiona de la Mezzo or Jennie Hutchinson**

**Payment can be taken at the next Jump Club Competition Day on 25 November,
or otherwise can be deposited into a designated account.**

**Contact Fiona on 0428 940 831 or yeeha.littlefee@hotmail.com
for further information or speak to Jennie.**

Any dietary requirements need to be flagged at the time of RSVP/payment.

STALLION DISCS

In the interests of public safety Equestrian Australia (EA), with the assistance of the National Sport Committees, has developed the following Stallion Safe Practise Guidelines for the management of stallions at competitions and public venues.

EA requests that all Australian events running under Equestrian Australia and FEI rules, make the use of the horse and float Stallion Identification Discs compulsory effective as of 01 January 2011 (see point 1 of the guidelines).

Equestrian Australia also recommends events and organisations adopt the following set of guidelines for the handling of stallions.



1. Stallions should wear official 'discs' at all times whilst at the venue. These discs are to be worn on both sides of head collars and bridles or on some part of the horse on both sides to identify to others that the horse is a stallion.
2. No stallion is to be moved around a venue without displaying the stallion discs and a suitable restraint. The restraint can be a bridle, a rearing bit or a chain lead rein over the nose or under the jaw.
3. Where possible all stallions are to be stabled. If suitable stabling is not available stallions need to wear a collar, which is securely tied to the outside of a truck or trailer. Stallions tied to the outside of a truck or trailer MUST be supervised at all times.
4. Stallions may be substituted in prize-giving ceremonies with another horse should the rider deem it to be safer.
5. It is recommended that riders and handlers of stallions at shows be over the age of 17 years; however, it is the responsibility of the parent/guardian to understand the full code of conduct for stallions at events. With the exception of rule 1.1.8 in the Show Horse Rules and Guidelines, stallions are not permitted in Show Horse classes at EA State or Championship events. All riders/handlers under the age of 17 years must be supervised by an adult/parent/guardian whilst at the event.
6. It is the stallion owner's/rider's responsibility to ensure that all possible safety precautions are taken.
7. Floats/Trucks that transport stallions should display the official magnet giving notice that there is a stallion on board.

These guidelines are consistent with Equestrian Australia's focus on improving safety by identifying risks and putting in place measures to mitigate those risks.

Stallion identification packs are available for purchase from the Equestrian Australia National Office (only the approved discs will be permitted).

For more information or to order the packs online, see the Equestrian Australia website:

<http://www.equestrian.org.au/default.asp?Page=24426>

Green disks = caution, stallion! Keep a wide berth.

2012 AGM IS FAST APPROACHING!

Our Annual General Meeting is coming up soon – it's the time when we appoint the Executive Committee to run the club for the next 12 months and to talk about how we have been going and, just as importantly, what we want to do to keep improving the Club and its program. It would be great to get some fresh blood, particularly younger people, on to the Committee. All members of the club are welcome to attend! Details are as follows:

When: Monday 22 October

Time: 7:30pm

Where: Weston Creek Labor Club, Teesdale Close, Stirling ACT

UPCOMING EVENTS

2012

November 25 – Training Day

December 16 – Competition Day

2013

February 3 – Training

March 10 – Training

April 21 – First Round – Melissa McPherson

May 5 – Second Round – Melissa McPherson

June 16 – First Round – Eric Haltiner Shield

July 28 – Second Round – Eric Haltiner Shield

August 11 – Canberra Classic

September 22 – Training

October 4/5/6 ACT Centennial Showjumping Cup 2013

November 24 – Competition

December 15 – Training

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Please contact Emma if you wish to place something in the upcoming newsletter.

Any ideas for future newsletters or website ideas always welcome.

Do you need something?

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Please refer to the list of our sponsors below and say thank you to them for supporting the ACT Show Jumping cup in 2012

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