

# Alice Springs Pony Club

## Newsletter May 2009



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-24th May ASSHC gymkhana

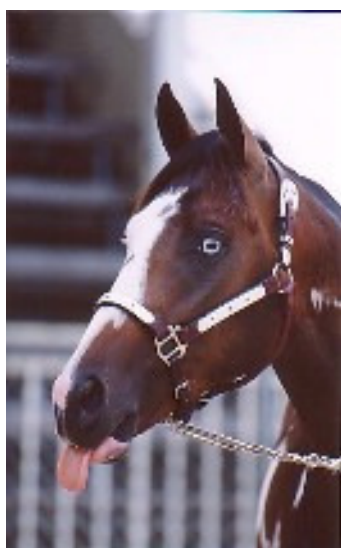
-31st May ASPC rally 5

-7th June ASDC Comp

-13th/14th June NT PC Championships

13th June ASSHC trail ride

14th June CAWRI



The last month has been a very busy time for pony club! The sleep-over/fun weekend was enjoyed by all and I'd like to say thank you to all who helped out especially Ros Beckhouse who travelled from Katherine to teach our pony club members Prince Phillip games.

The Pony Pursuit held at Pioneer Park on Family Fun Day was also a great success with Darcy Turner being our winning jockey this year, we raised nearly \$1000 with our pony rides being very popular with the crowd.

Thank you again to all who helped.

Last weekend was the HOTY show and congratulations to all who competed. ASPC members made sure the canteen ran smoothly and this also turned out to be quite a good fundraiser. The NT PC Championships will be held on the 13/14th June and our Showjumping and Dressage squads have been training hard. Good luck to all our competitors.

Angela Copland

### PONY CLUB CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Northern Territory Pony Club championships is being organised a little differently this year.

It's a 'virtual' championships so our teams don't have to travel all the way to Darwin to compete against all the other pony clubs in the NT.

It works like this. The weekend of June 6 and 7 Darwin and Katherine pony clubs will compete in dressage and jumping equitation, then the next weekend the same judges will come to Alice Springs where our riders will compete in the same tests.

Points will be scored for placings and this will give us the overall champion teams in each discipline and individual champions.

**You don't have to be in a team to compete!** You can enter as an individual and be in the running for southern region champion. But you do have to be an ASPC member and you have to be graded to compete in the jumping.

Jumping equitation is like dressage over jumps – it's about correct position and technique, rather than how high or how fast like traditional showjumping.

Dressage levels and tests are:

1.2 and 1.4	Under 13 yrs
2.1 and 2.2	13 to under 15 yrs
2.3 and 2.4	15 to under 17 yrs
2.4 and 3.1	17 yrs +

If you want to enter please contact Angela and she can send you an entry form.

We hope lots of pony club members will come along on the weekend of June 13 and 14 to support our riders in the championships. Competitors can be picked for Northern Territory representative teams for national comps from these events.

May

Ayla Stevens

Thea De Graff



# CANTEEN DUTY

31st May– Cross & Taylor

21st June –De Graff & Copland

## Horse Of The Year Show 2009 (some) Results

**Horse Of The Year-Seawave(Shirley Stanes)**

**Galloway of the Year-The Ambassador(Tegan Copland)**

**Pony Of the Year– Lesfield Gaymaster(Tegan Copland)**

**Pair of hacks(any height) Thea DeGraff-Divine Rhapsody**

**Sasha Allen-Metrogold**

**Pony Hack 12hh & under-Tegan Copland-Lesfield Gaymaster**

**Novice Pony Hack 14hh & under-Courtney Summers-Joanne.**

**Rider 9-12yo-Tegan Copland (The Ambassador)**

**Rider 8yo & under-Kiera Stevens (Kings Knight)}**

**Junior Show jumping champion-Lucy Doyle**

**Senior Show jumping champion-Sam Hill**



## CLASSIFIEDS

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## SLEEPOVER/FUN WEEKEND 2009



Jade having a go at vaulting with a little help from Ros.

Contestants for the crazy hair competition



Winner of Crazy Hair competition- Courtney Summers.

## Meet our Members

Every month this section will introduce some of our Pony Club members and their horses. This month we meet Lauren Yan .

**Horses name:** Savanna

**Age:** 17 **height:** 15.1h

**Your age:** 11

**How long have you been riding?**

Approx. 2 years on and off, on a whole variety of horses...

**How long have you owned your horse and where did she come from?**

Started leasing her from Jane Grundy in August last year.

Savanna is from SA and was a trotter in her early days

**Favourite discipline:** Jumping

**Biggest achievement so far:**

Stars under the stars last year 1st.; Combined training this year 2nd in dressage

**Ambition for 2009:**

Do well at the Alice Springs Show

**How often do you work her?**

3-4 times a week

**Do you have time for other hobbies? If so what are they?**

Netball, and reading whenever possible

**Biggest bad habit (you)**

leaning too far forward - still working on my seat!



## NEWS

Congratulations to Tara McCormick and Dean O'Brien for their selection in the NT Senior Mounted Games team. Tara and Dean will be going to the Pony Club National Championships in Sydney in July.

Unfortunately there weren't enough riders for the Northern Territory junior team.

Good luck to all those riders sitting their D and D\* exams this weekend.