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President's Report

Welcome to 2009 and wow what a start we've had so far. Despite all the doom and gloom on the economic front I'm predicting a big year for DSJC.

After applying for loads of grants in the last part of last year we have been successful in obtaining nearly all of these so we will be fixing our doors on the shed so that we can encourage a few more people to drive the tractor, we will be purchasing a new Public Address system, electronic timing and display system and Generator, we've won a grant to help us run the National Youth Week Day and we are currently applying for a Facilities Grant to get the Indoor Arena happening. Fingers crossed we get that one too!

EA (Formerly EFA) organized a Jump Judges clinic which was well attended so now we will have some accredited judges in the NT at last. Soon there will be a Course Designers clinic being run also. Our main reasoning for these clinics is so that we can run Official EA jumping competitions – where EA registered riders and horses can now gain official points in jumping. NT has not run official classes for many years now, so it's awesome to see this occurring.

We have changed our grading system since last year however there will be more details in this newsletter and on our website.

This year we will have new merchandise for members and supporters to purchase. There will be new t-shirts, caps and drink coolers. Keep an eye out for these. We have also been running our slogan competition. The winner will be announced shortly with the prize being a complete set of the new merchandise for free.

Fred's Pass and Darwin Royal Show have extended jumping program this year so there will be more jumping available to all members.

We have a few new faces on the committee this year and I'd like to say a big welcome. As you've heard me say a thousand times already, we are a very busy little club with a small committee (with most of the committee already on three or four other committees at the same time) so any volunteers to help run events, raffles, pencil at shows, judge, paint, drive tractors, repair items, when needed, man the BBQ, etc is always happily welcome.

I look forward to a big 2009 and welcome those who have joined or returned to the club.

Happy Jumping.

Cassie

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What your committee is up to.....

I can't believe we already on our second committee meeting for the year—the time seems to be flashing by and nothing has really started yet. We have a wonderfully enthusiastic committee this year, with lots of new faces with exciting ideas. Monica is proving a whizz at grant writing and our new secretary Sheryl is keeping us all well organised and up to date with minutes and agenda (unfortunately she can't make us remember to bring them along to the meeting!) We actually have a man on the committee this year, so a big welcome to Darryl!

There has been a lot going on already as Cassie mentioned in her president's report, but other developments are the big changes going on with the Fred's Pass Show this year. The Show Society has decided to take over the running of the equestrian events - booking course designers, judges, buying ribbons etc so that will mean one less show for the committee to organise though of course we will support Fred's Pass Committee in anyway we can. Exciting stuff!

The committee voted on the winning slogans at the committee meeting on the 10th Feb—hilarious fun, and the rude ones proved popular but it was felt not appropriate for a family club (we might have to look into the cost of printing some t-shirts off on an adults only basis later in the year0. There were some fantastic slogans, so everyone picked their favourite six and the votes were tallied with two coming out on top—however I am not telling you which slogans won, you will just have to wait and see!

The issue of the shed doors continues—it looks like any changes we make are going to be very expensive, so more research will be done. Meanwhile Elizabeth's husband Pete has offered to decrease the width of the trailer by altering the poles struts, this will make it easier to get in and out of the shed. At the moment we are very short on tractor drivers so we will be holding a training day for volunteers to have a go...

The choosing of the new club shirts has been left in Sheryl's and Cassie's capable hands as choosing by committee proved too difficult. Fingers crossed they don't go for fluro pink as Monica suggested!

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 10th March—everyone welcome!!

TRACTOR DRIVING TRAINING

An important job is that of driving the tractor which tows the trailer in and out of the shed. At the moment we only have two people who are willing (or able) to drive the tractor. We need to share this burden, so the club is calling for volunteers to lend a hand. We will be offering prospective drivers the opportunity to have a practice as the first Freshman's day so drop Cassie an email to volunteer. Without tractor drivers there are no jumps, no jumps equals no show and as a club we can't expect Cassie to do it every single time, so please if lots of people volunteer it will hardly be a burden

END OF YEAR AWARDS

DSJC Committee would like to apologise to Taylor Gebert and Emily Palmer. There was a bit of hiccup with the tallying up of results for the Grade Champions for 2008. As a result we would like to announce that in fact Taylor Gebert was Open Champion for 2008 and Emily Palmer was 1m Grade Champion. Well done girls and our apologies for the mistake. Your awards are on their way.

CALENDER OF EVENTS

SAT 7TH MARCH	FRESHMAN DAY
SAT 21 MARCH	FRESHMAN DAY
SAT 28 MARCH	FRESHMAN DAY
SAT 4 APRIL	YOUTH WEEK FUN DAY
SUN 19 APRIL	FRESHMAN
SUN 26TH APRIL	ANZAC DAY COMP
FRIDAY 1 MAY—MON 4 MAY	JUMP CLINIC
FRIDAY 15TH – SUN 17TH MAY	FRED'S PASS SHOW
WED 27TH MAY SUN 31 MAY	JUMP CLINIC
SUN 14TH JUNE	DRY SEASON FROLIC
SUN 28TH JUNE	LATE JUNE COMP
SUN 5TH JULY	FUN DAY
FRIDAY 10TH JULY– SUN 12 JULY	JUMP CLINIC
WED 15TH JULY—SAT 18TH JULY	KATHERINE SHOW
WED 22 JULY—SAT 25TH JULY	ROYAL DARWIN SHOW
SAT 1 AUG	TURF CLUB SIX BAR
SAT 8TH AUG—SUN 9 AUG 24 AUGUST	NT SHOW JUMPING CHAMPIONSHIPS
SUN 23 AUG	JUMP FINALE

NEW JUMP GRADING SYSTEM

Our old system of grading as grown up over the years and as a result was getting more difficult to handle and generally understand., so hence the new system. Hopefully it will be easy to follow but bear with us if there are teething problems.. There are a few major changes—such as 45cm is now only open to riders under 14years (adults can still jump at this height but they will be HC so not eligible for placing or ribbons). This decision was made to encourage our younger riders and give them a chance of winning those much coveted DSJC ribbons. The other big change is that you will also gets points for second and third, and if you ride two levels higher than your grading, points awarded will be doubled. The other thing for riders to note is that due to PCANT adopting Victoria's pony club grading system, the levels at which pony club graded riders are placed within our grading system have changed.(Can all pony club riders please notify either Karen or Jane of their new pony club grading once they have been graded for 2009.) You can find the new grading system at the end of the newsletter, along with the new gradings (which haven't changed but just look different!) If you have any questions talk to Jane, Karen or Cassie.

EA SHOW JUMPING JUDGES CLINIC 18TH JANUARY

This was a one day course with Graeme Webb, who is a level three jumping judge and FEI level course designer and also the Chairman of the Qld Jumping Committee and on the National Selection Committee. There was a good turn out with 19 prospective judges turning up to Gerry Wood's community rooms. (by the way, love the chicken clock Gerry) armed with the up-dated FEI rule book. Wow it was a full on day with us working through the rule book, then sitting an exam at the end. Hopefully some us will end up accredited so that we can run the EA show jumping classes that we have planned this year.

Thanks to Karen for organising this (and bringing lots of yummy biscuits) and to EA NT and QLD branches for covering 75% of the cost.





From your ENT (Equestrian NT) Show Jumping Delegate

Intro

For those that aren't aware, the EFA (Equestrian Federation of Australia) recently changed its name to Equestrian Australia (EA). Each State/Territory branch has taken on the new name as well, so the NT Branch is now known as Equestrian NT (ENT). EA is the peak sporting body for Equestrian disciplines in Australia. The Darwin Show Jumping Club is affiliated with EA.

What's happening in NT?

To support all EA disciplines in the Territory, ENT is pursuing several accreditation courses. A show jumping Judges accreditation course was held in January. We had a really good turn out of people, and subject to a few administration processes, we should now have some accredited Show Jumping judges in the NT! This is a fantastic result for the NT.

We will also be looking to facilitate some training to assist interested people in becoming accredited Course Designers. The accreditation process is quite involved and will likely include a day of theory plus a full day of practical and an examination process. This will be our first step toward "growing our own" in terms of officials.

With some official show jumping hopefully getting kick started at the Fred's Pass Show (all be it only 1 class at this stage!) riders are reminded that if they wish to compete in official EA show jumping classes, they must be full Senior or Junior EA members and they must be competing on an EA registered horse. The rider must have an EA "Competitor Licence" and the horse must have a current performance card.

If you only have part (or even none) of the above requirements but you would like to compete officially, and possibly get official grading points (National grading system) then feel free to contact me and I can point you in the right direction!!!

Thanks,

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DSJC GRADING RULES – introduced January 2009

Darwin show Jumping club has its own grading system which is completely separate from EA grading. The rules for the grading system are listed below. If you have any queries please contact a member of the committee.

Points will only be awarded when there is a minimum of 5 horses that complete the course (eg not eliminated or retired) and two or more horses have clear rounds and go in to a jump off. Only Table A classes will qualify for points (where there is more than one round). Eg classes such as Take your own line, six bar and Jigsaw will not qualify for points.

1st Place – 4 points

2nd place – 2 points

3rd place – 1 point.

If you gain points in a grade two levels higher than your horse's present grade - double points will be awarded. Eg if your horse is graded novice and you gain points in preliminary D – you would gain the following points:

1st place – 8 points

2nd place – 4 points

3rd place – 2 points

If you and your horse have a pony club grading, you will automatically be put in the appropriate grade thereby starting with the relevant number of points eg if you are grade Pony Club C grade, your horse will be grade Elementary and will acquire 22 points automatically. If your horse is ungraded please nominate at which level you would like to be graded. If your horse has EA official points please notify the committee .

DSJC is hoping to run EA Official Classes this year. Points acquired for these classes will be as per EA rules and will be separate from the DSJC grading system.

PREPARATORY

Max 1st round height – 45cm no DSJC grading points. This grade is only to riders under 14 years old, though riders over this age are allowed to use this height as a training round by riding HC (this means they are not eligible for ribbons or to go into the jump off.) Up-grading from this level is at the discretion of the DSJC committee. Horse / rider combinations that gain points at Elementary and above or are graded PC E grade or higher will not be eligible for this grade.

NOVICE

Max 1st round height – 60cm no DSJC grading points
Horses will be upgraded from Novice when they have gained 22 points. Pony Club E graders will automatically be put in this grade.

ELEMENTARY

Max 1st round height – 75cm 22 DSJC grading points
Horses will be upgraded from Elementary when they have gained 44 points. Pony Club D graders will automatically be put in this grade.

PRELIMINARY D

Max 1st round height – 85cm 44 DSJC grading points
Horses will be upgraded from Preliminary D when they have gained 66 points. Pony Club C graders will automatically be put in this grade.

1m D GRADE

Max 1st round height – 1m 66 DSJC grading points
Horses will be upgraded from 1m grade when they have gained 88 points. Pony club B graders will automatically be put in this grade

D grade

Max 1st round height - 1.15m 88 DSJC grading points
Horses with 86 points will be upgraded to Open. Pony club A graders will automatically be put in this grade.

Open

Max 1st round height – 1.20m 110 DSJC grading points

PLEASE NOTIFY DSJC IF

- 1. YOUR HORSE HAS EA POINTS**
- 2. IF YOUR HORSE IS PONY CLUB GRADED**
- 3. IF YOU ARE UNDER 14 YEARS AND WANT TO JUMP PREPARATORY**

If for any reason you feel your horse needs to be down-graded please contact the committee.

NEW GRADING SYSTEM—INTRODUCED JAN 2009

Elementary—22—43, Preliminary D Grade—44 –65, 1m D Grade 66—87 Open D Grade 88—109 Open—110 upwards

HORSE	POINTS	GRADE	PC GRADE	USUAL RIDER
ALALIN PARK TERISA		NOVICE		Kate Naga
ARCHIE		NOVICE		S Glencross
AZAYID		NOVICE		J Stanley
BARRAKUDA	34	ELEMENTARY		T Wuttke
BELLA		NOVICE		J Wuttke
BJ	4	NOVICE		T Gebert
BLOSSOM		PREPARATORY		A Simmons
BOB	72	1M D GRADE		S Connelly
BOUNCING SAM JAGO		ELEMENTARY		R Smit
BUNDA BOSTON		NOVICE		K Henderson
BYALEE JUSTICE	26	ELEMENTARY		E Palmer
COLOUR THE DREAM		NOVICE		K Clark
COUNT LA MOOLA	34	ELEMENTARY		B Syrimi
DEBONAIR	26	ELEMENTARY		M Colman
DECISION	4	NOVICE		D McKenzie
DELLARAZHO		NOVICE		K Colliver
DREAMWEAVER		NOVICE		S Starmer
DYNA		PREPARATORY		R Woolley
E FARM MISSING LYNX		NOVICE		M Farrington
EL GEM'S INFINITY TWIST	110	OPEN		L Mutimer
EMERALDS ODYSSEY	30	ELEMENTARY		K Balke
EUNGELLA GUAPA		NOVICE		A Harburn
FASHION		PREPARATORY		S Shaw
FLASH HENRY	34	ELEMENTARY		E Jacob
FLOWERVALE FREEDOM		NOVICE		K Wrigley
FOREIGN CAFÉ	44	PRELIM D		P Mason
FOXWOOD IMPERIAL CROWN	78	1M D GRADE		E Palmer
FREESTYLE	48	PRELIM D		C Fien
GC MADONNA		NOVICE		E Arthur
GULLY		PREPARATORY		D Nicholson
HARDY HA HA	4	NOVICE		J Fallas
HAWK		NOVICE		S Marcon
HOLLYBROOK MILTON	22	ELEMENTARY		S Bird
IMOGEN		PRELIM D		Michaela Butt
IRISH TOWN		NOVICE		V Lines
IVANOFF STAR	4	NOVICE		H Tapp
JANEILS STAR ATTRACTION		NOVICE		T Syrimi
JIMINY CRICKET	99	OPEN D		S Connelly
JOKARA SCANDAL		NOVICE		J Roach
JOKARA SERENADE		PREPARATORY		A Pate
JUST GUS		NOVICE		C Mayo
KARA		NOVICE		L Laurie
KIANA PHOENIX	30	ELEMENTARY		A Woolley
KOALA SONCHEY		NOVICE		T Stone
KULCHYA		NOVICE		E Davies
KUMBIDGEE INVERWAY		PREPARATORY		K Lambert

HORSE	POINTS	GRADE	PC GRADE	USUAL RIDER
LASKA MOONCH CHEY		NOVICE		T Stone
LILLY		PREPARATORY		W Shaw
LITTLE MAN		PREPARATORY		L Bisset
LITTLE RICHARD		NOVICE		K Henderson
LUCIFER		NOVICE		E Palmer
LUNAR RULER		NOVICE		T Stone
MAGIC VISION		NOVICE		J Burgess
MANALAY	30	ELEMENTARY		L Spencer
MANTON EL PACIS	66	1M D GRADE		Stephanie Glencross
MANZANA		NOVICE		C Pope
MAVERICK		NOVICE		L Bain
MILLY BUG	4	NOVICE		D Mutimer
MINACHANT CROSSBOW	22	ELEMENTARY		L Laurie
MINACHANT MODEL	26	NOVICE		Kirsty Naga
MOON RAE JET	38	ELEMENTARY		E Davies
MOONLIGHT MISTY		PREPARATORY		J Harbidge
MYSTERY POLL	22	ELEMENTARY		E Davies
NARINDA LACE	22	ELEMENTARY		K Fletcher
NEKARBO ELVIS	22	ELEMENTARY		B Simmons
NEKARBO LUKE	30	ELEMENTARY		G Simmons
OLYMPIC COCKTAIL	38	ELEMENTARY		J Wuttke
PACMAN	71	1M D GRADE		A Lenders
PAT		NOVICE		V Clifton
PIXIE		PREPARATORY		K Ainslie
PLAYBOY		NOVICE		J Bisset
PPP FUN & GAMES	66	PRELIM D		S Stocks
REMI		PREPARATORY		E Pate
RIVOLI MISS SCARLET		NOVICE		M Bain
ROSIE		PREPARATORY		L McKenzie
RUSH	73	1M D GRADE		Melville
RUSH HOUR	48	PRELIM D		J Burgess
SANDPALM ALICE		NOVICE		J Harbidge
SHANCEY	48	PRELIM D		C Fien
SHOWTIME		NOVICE		L Melville
SOLO CONTROL	97	OPEN D		L Melville
STABLE BOY		NOVICE		C Vandermolen
STONEAGE TALES		NOVICE		S Charlton
STORM	54	PRELIM D		S Seidel
TOM TOM	8	NOVICE		D McKenzie
TOSCA		NOVICE		A Ainslie
TRAZIR THEE GLADIATOR		NOVICE		M Jack
TS OUTBACK JACK	22	ELEMENTARY		K Wrigley
TS GIACOMO		NOVICE		T Syrimi
TURBO DRIVE		NOVICE		B McLean
WARREGO JESSIE	52	PRELIM D		K Ruzsicska
WHISKEY		PREPARATORY		L McKenzie
WOMBEENA BEVERLY HILLS		PREPARATORY		T Pate
WP KATHLEEN	100	OPEN D		T Gebert
YARRANDOO COBBLER		NOVICE		R Boland
YARRANOO RAMBLER		NOVICE		E Palmer
YARROLS BINDI BANDI		NOVICE		S Florance