

THE WELLINGTON AREA TRAIL RIDING CLUB NEWSLETTER

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Message from Ed...

Hi everyone, what a fantastic day at Maymorn – beautiful weather and a good turnout to look a few photos on the day, which are on the back page. Please note that our next ride is to be held at **Moonshine** – NOT Karapoti, due to access.

We are in desperate need of a **barbeque person** – is anyone keen to fill this role? Please contact one of the committee members if you are.

Next ride – Moonshine...

Date: 31 October 2004

Start time: Meeting starts 8am.

First rider out 8.30am.

Directions: From SH1, head towards the Hutt Valley over the Haywards Hill. Once past the golf course (just before the hill) there is a large turn-off into Moonshine Road. Continue on until it splits into two roads – take the Bull Run Road on your left – DO NOT go up Moonshine Hill Road. Follow the pink markers to the MotoX course. If coming from SH2, go over the Haywards Hill. When you get to the bottom, turn right into Moonshine Road and follow the directions as above.

Distances:

Junior:	20km
Novice (fun ride):	15km
Warehouse Gain:	20km
Intermediate:	30km
Open:	30km

Just a reminder that Bomac are sponsoring this ride.

Contact: Jacqui Mason 04 527 7111

Cancellation: A message will be left on 04 3838 490 advising if the ride is still on – please do ring this number before 6am on Sunday.

Reminder: **Registered riders** – PLEASE remember to put your numbers on your entry forms if you are not pre-entered, and fill your forms out at the rides!

No smoking and no dogs please!

PICK UP YOUR HORSES'S POO!!



Gabrielle and Ebi Deuss at the finish line – wonder how Ebi was feeling after his ride!

From the President...

Congratulations to Jacqui Mason and the organisers of the Maymorn ride for a well marked ride in lovely weather. I am sure everyone thought spring had arrived at long last, though Monday put paid to any such hopes.

There was a good turnout of enthusiasts both old and new and the ride was very pleasant except for the barrage of gunshots which could be heard loudly on one's eardrums. Most horses seemed to cope with this without raising a hair, but my girl used it as an excuse to get her heart all aflutter. She would have found something else if it hadn't been that. The hills were a little challenging for some horses used to the flat and there was a bridge which at least one horse I know leapt right over.

The venue coped with the number of horses adequately but it would be under pressure with too many more. Access for trucks is constrained because of a sign on one of the bridges stating that the axle limit per axle is 7 tonnes. Our 10 tonne truck had to be reversed for a couple of hundred metres before it could be turned around. It was just as well we were late otherwise the flats backed up behind us would not have been very happy. Ebi was all set to go home, but Eunice Tyler came to the rescue, and eventually set out on our young 4yo mare, Aspen Hills Farhanna. Two green horns together, they did very well. Farhanna was born in April so she complies with the age limit for CTR, i.e. it is the calendar birthday not the 1st of August which applies. Officially you would say she is five years old.

All in all everyone seemed to have a good day and the Novice (Fun) class was again well attended. Thanks to the Wairarapa and Waitare competitors for travelling so far.

Gabrielle Deuss

Winners at Maymorn...

Open: Sandy McCuan – P&R & Dust Lad

Intermediate: Sharon Nickless – Twin Oaks Tania

Warehouse Gain: Ruth Best – P&R & Ace

Novice: Maggie Hill – Kate

Junior: Tessa Deuss – AA Star

Groom & Turnout...

1st	=	Ashley French
2nd	=	Emma Mason
3rd	=	Liz Antunovic
4th	=	Sharon Nickless
5th	=	Lynnda Kessell
6th	=	Helen Schofield



Days of our Rides...

Anxious glances at the weather forecast leading up to the Dunstan sponsored Maymorn ride left most riders fairly relaxed, but at Jacqui and her few organisers who were up at the venue on a Sunday in the dodgy weather and beginning to get a little tense.

Sunday dawned brilliantly fine, but the ground showed the effects of the rain with the churned up grass/mud driveway through the parking area having a road cone placed there to prevent further mishaps.

The Deuss family didn't make it to the parking area – their truck was much too heavy to cross the little bridge so they had to park quite a distance from the rest of the crowd and ride to the parking area.

There was a slight breeze, the occasional cloud, and many smiling faces as everyone realized how lucky they had been.

Quick vetting by Des Bassett and Terri Fordham meant there were few snarl ups and riders were ready to leave on time. Though some of them didn't due to the start clock not having been checked. I was guilty of this myself, and it is a good reminder that the start clock is the time you must go by, so always remember to check it and set your watch to it before you ride out.

The ride was very pleasant, and the "hoon" along the bottom track with discs in hand was great fun. The guns were very loud as we approached the locked gate (part of the Open & Intermediate ride only) but the hoon didn't seem to mind.

All the rides were back quite early, and it was great to see new faces in the novice getting up to receive their ribbons.

We were very fortunate to have this ride sponsored by Dunstan, who provided not one, but two bags of feed for the winners of each class. This was hugely appreciated by the club and the riders.

All in all, the ride went off without a hitch, and everybody can thank their lucky stars that the first two rides of the season, which tend to be a little cold and wet, have been the exact opposite. Fingers crossed it continues this way for the rest of the season.

A huge thanks goes out to everyone who helped on the day: ride organiser Jacqui Mason, tinker Helen Percival, Vet writers John Percival, Kelly Mason & Nic McCuan, Kath Leves & Mark Johnson on entries/results, Vet Des Bassett and heart rate monitors Terri Fordham and Eunice Tyler.

See you all at Moonshire.

Nicole Murro

P&R Appaloosa trophy...

It has been requested that the P&R Appaloosa trophy will only be given to a registered Appaloosa this year.

So if any Appaloosa owners would like to vie for the trophy this year, you will need to register your horse as soon as possible.

New NZEF rules...

Under the new NZEF rules, you are required to bring the following to each trail ride:

- NZECTRA and NZEF cards (for all classes except Novice "fun" class)
- Log book

The rules are very very strict – NO CARDS AND LOG BOOK means NO GRADED RIDE. You may enter the graded rides NON-COMPETITIVELY, but you can only do one of these per season.

Please remember them as you would hate to have to say no at the entries table. I'm afraid there can be NO exceptions.

Entries can also be emailed to me: leves@paradise.net.nz

Thanks,

Kath Leves

Ex Pony Club riders are invited to ride for their clubs as a team for the **50th Jubilee of Pony Club**. This will be an eventing championship and the minimum jump height for cross country is 85cm – you must be over 21 years of age. Please contact the NZEF if you are interested.

Club shirts...

Get your's for the new season!

Polo shirts

- Short sleeve front logo \$21.26
- Short sleeve front and back logo \$33.10
- Long sleeve front logo \$32.00
- Long sleeve front and back logo \$43.81

Polar fleece vest

- Front logo \$46.00
- Front and back logo \$57.88

Sizes are from small to xxlarge.

NB: Front logo is the club oval shaped design, back is club name in inch high gold lettering. Both are embroidered not screen printed.

Vests are fully lined with two zipper closing pockets.

For more information contact Sandy McCuan:

Telephone: 383 8787

Fax: 383 8785

Email: mccuan1@xtra.co.nz

Postal address is:

84 Happy Valley Road,

Owhiro Bay

Wellington

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Classifieds...



Horses:

- **P&R Colidas Image**

3yo gelding, s~~e~~ is P&R Colidas Hopeful lad and dam P&R Dustis Milindaw (as full sister to P&R Dustis Sowprint). He is very qui~~t~~ to handle and has been bro~~u~~ght into goto Nick Van Der Sands (DBraught horses). Nick mak~~e~~s atop job of breaking in horses, and they are very settled when he has finished with them. He will mature approx. 15.2hh and is very athletic with good pace Price is \$3,250 which includes breaking in fee of \$900).

Phone Rae Mutch 07 847 5555

- **Relko Jafa**

Granddaughter of Ngapa Jousif, 1yo chestnut Ab mare, pretty quiet, bvely fast walk. Has been ar~~o~~od mare for years but did a 40km ride in youth. Suit confidat beginner or child. No vice

Phone Gabrielle 04 237 5085

- **Flight of Fancy –available for lease**

Well bred, laid back Arabian mare. Fancy had done one season of CTR until she broke her accessory carpal bone – which has ow healed. She ison lame but needs to be built up sbwly. She is very s~~a~~to handle, good to shoe, flat, etc. We don't need heat present.

Phone Gabrielle on 04 237 5085

- **Arabian gelding**

3yo, well handled, very good natured and good conformation.

Phone Gabrielle on 04 237 5085

- **Standardbred mare**

15.1 / 15.2hh, 1yo, has huted and jumps well, easy to catch, shoe and flat.

Phone Helen 04 976 1191 Mon–Fri after 6pm or in the weekend or leave a message on 027 208 1130

- **Ken the Confidence Builder –for lease**

Ken has been leased out as a confidence builder in the past.

He is very gentle and totally bombproof. 15.1hh. All gear included in lease including bit No heavy riders please.

Phone Kath on 04 237 8122

- **Fernhill Suriya** (Aurere Surzada x AAkatalina), rising 4o pure Arabian grey gelding. Mature 15hh. She has fantastic nature and exc. endurance breeding (double Kbtan). Fantastic movement and coformation. Hillraised. Loads of potential. Ready to break in. Owner overcommitted. \$3,000

- **Houston** 1/2 Ab, 1/4 standardbred, 1/4 TB, 1yo grey gelding 15.1hh. Broken in but regen, heavier build, good heart rates. Very honest, absolute character. Approved home only. Ph Tina Moore 06 322 9800

Shonnie's Sport Horses:

- One stunning black gelding, rising 4yo, 15.2hh, will mature to 15.3hh or more, Kaimanawa/Appaloosa, bred for endurance/ CTR

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Ph Shonnie for more details 04 232 5734

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Website...

BJ has started up a website where everyone is free to put their thoughts/photos on recent rides, horse ailments, horses/tack for sale or lease etc. Have a look, the link is:

<http://groups.msn.com/Head2TailHorseProducts>

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Pre ride entries...

Ring me anytime before the ride, upto 9pm – 04 237 8122. I will take your entry and assign you a bib number and a time out. Please accept the bib number given, as doing results much easier if they are given out in order. Please also have your registration numbers ready.

At the ride, there will be a box with your bib in it, and in the is a folder with your entry form, vet card, and ride certificate. Collect these, then go to the entry person taking payment, pay and you are all done. Entries now has a time frame. Entries open at 7:30am and close at 9am. For newcomers who do not know this, an exception will be made **THE BEST TIME** if they arrive late.

Everybody please fill out your forms IN FULL. You have registration numbers, PLEASE put them on the entry form. It makes my job much easier, as I also type up the results afterwards.

When you have filled out your forms, you then go to the person taking payment. Go there first and pay and get your bib. THEN bring your vet card to the time out person (usually me) to get your time out. Make sure it gets written on your vet card. Your time due is your own responsibility to work out.

Early start times from 8:30 to 9am is allocated to Opens and Intermediates only. They may start later if they want, but because they have the greatest distance and the longest ride time they get this first half hour to themselves. Warehouse Gain, Juniors and Novices leave from 9:05am. Any questions please phone me

Kath Leves

Wairarapa Calendar...

7 November	A	Admiral	CTR Points
5 December	F	Forestry	CTR Points
9 January	T	Te Whanga	Endurance Training
24 January	K	Kaiwhata	CTR Points
6 February		Tinui	CTR Points
20 February		Mangataerere	CTR Points
6 March		Awaroa	Endurance Calendar



Ashley French's new bed and blanket!



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Jacqui Mason and Cleo (Jacquety all the fun jobs!)



Nicole Murro and Ramsey (look who spotted the camera!)



Shonnie Gordon and Sonik



Ashley French and White Eagle

