



# MADEC newsletter

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## CLUB DAYS

3rd weekend of the  
month

## President's Report March 2012

Well how good was the February rally?? Ron Waddell was just GREAT, don't you think?? I for one had a great time and as far as I know everyone just about jumped a level higher than expected over portions of the course!! Twelve months has made us all that little bit more experienced and wanting to test ourselves. Look out for all the HT enthusiasts apparently there are four official events this calendar.

Some members have been out and about with fabulous results. MADEC always seem to have great form out at Competitions and without a doubt all the hard work and travel time pays off. We are still getting heaps of feedback on how smart our uniform is, keep up the good work.

MADEC committee are still looking for helpers for the Official MADEC Horse Trials coming up in April. We have the usual helpers but we do need considerably more, so if you have partners and friends and cousins that can put their hand up for the 14<sup>th</sup> we would be so appreciative. Everyone will be allocated a job and if you are unable to fill it you will need to organize some one to fill it for you. Do not leave that up to the committee to organize, we have enough to do as it is.

Our March rally organised by Julie King is with Tamara Fox (a Level 1-ADV judge), she will be going through Dressage tests with you and then giving you pointers and then you will get to ride again, hopefully improving your test the second time around. I believe she will be showing the riders in the higher groups some of the more difficult movements and how to ride them, to gain more points in your tests while at Competitions.

MADEC became the beneficiaries of the film BUCK, which was screened on the 8<sup>th</sup> March. Wayne Anderson was the guest speaker and MADEC members provided finger food for the night, and a great night was had by all who attended.

As a club we took on the gate for the Merrijig Rodeo which was a great night for families and friends alike. MADEC members did yet another fantastic job working together as a team with a little fun thrown in and look forward to reaping the rewards of our hard work, a big thank you to those who helped out.

Ride well, always with a soft hand.

*Jane*

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# Elmore - Echuca ARG Dressage Championships

Three members of MADEC travelled to Elmore on the 11<sup>th</sup> & 12<sup>th</sup> February to compete in the Echuca ARG's Weekend Dressage Championships. Whilst the weather held off raining for us, it was very hot and extremely windy. All horses behaved well despite the windy conditions and we all had a great time together. Echuca held a friendly and well run event with maximum numbers in all levels with over 200 competitors in total over the two days.

Saturday saw Margie, Lauren & Justine compete in their assessed levels riding the B and D tests. Margie and Ruby rode two great tests, which saw the combination just out of the placings in 3B, but coming 3<sup>rd</sup> in 3D. It was Lauren's first dressage weekend out with Sir George, and they certainly are an attractive pair. They competed well, and their results too, were just out of the placings. Justine & Superman were happy with their tests for a 6<sup>th</sup> in 2B, and lucky enough to come 2<sup>nd</sup> in 2D, obtaining Jackpot Runner up as well. Saturday night saw the trio off into town after making sure their equine partners were happily settled in their yards, and had a lovely social drink and meal with other competitors.



Sunday dawned another hot windy day. Margie again rode some beautiful tests and won the 3C, and were just out of the placings for 3E. Sir George didn't feel 100%, and Lauren wisely scratched that day, but stayed on to support her other MADEC members. Justine and Superman had another good day riding the 2C and 2E, and were happy with the tests, but were pipped at the post for placings.





# Donvale ARC - Horse Trials



Our members, Judy Dixon riding Bella, Lauren Farrell riding Celebrity Jack (Chester) and Kerryn Gooding riding Bamborough Brandy Snap ventured to Yarra Glen for the Donvale ARC Horse Trials on the weekend of our last rally. All 3 rode in the Level 3 and after nice dressage tests were all just out of the placings, Lauren did a wonderful clear round in the showjumping, Kerryn 1 rail and Judy a couple of rails over a very uneven course on the side of a hill. All three combinations did fantastic clear rounds cross country to finish just out of the placings overall but were all thrilled with their great rides. The cross country course was fantastic, the event was well run, and it is one to put on your calendar for the future.





# Riddells Creek Annual Dressage Jackpot



Mansfield and District Equestrian Club members and Dressage enthusiast's Justine Wedlock and Penelope Thomson travelled to Woodend on Sunday to compete at the Riddells Creek Annual Jackpot

Dressage Day. Although warm temperature were forecast a good breeze made the day more pleasurable, the Woodend recreation reserve has a number of sand arenas available for competitors with a very strong field of nearly 80 competitors over the six grades from Level 5 to Advanced.

Justine riding Superman and Poss riding Kindara Clover entered their current levels and were permitted to compete one level above also. Both members took advantage of the chance to ride four Dressage tests in the one day and both were rewarded with some fantastic results. Due to the order of the running of the day the pair had to ride their higher tests first before their allocated graded tests. Justine and Superman were first up in the Level 1B with a brilliant 1<sup>st</sup> place and (62.31%) and the 1E and 5<sup>th</sup> giving the combination an overall 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Jackpot.

Justine and Superman competed in the level 2B with an 8<sup>th</sup> and the 2E and a 2<sup>nd</sup> (66.09%) place and an overall Jackpot place of 5<sup>th</sup>. Poss and Clover in the level 2B with 3<sup>rd</sup> (62.27%) and 2E and 8<sup>th</sup> place with an Overall Jackpot place of 6<sup>th</sup>.

Poss and Clover then competed in the Level 3B with two blinding scores of a 2<sup>nd</sup> (78.95%) and the 2E with (82.27%) and a combination overall result of 2<sup>nd</sup> in the Jackpot.

The competition year has really only just begun, these results are true testament to the tireless hours competitors put into their sport, as well as the time and commitment of travel to events.



# Other Results

Two of our members went all the way to Pakenham for the EA and Pony Club Horse Trials on the 11th and 12th of February. Nic Bertalli riding Frisky Time rode in the Preliminary EA and did a lovely dressage test, had a rail in the showjumping and clear cross country to finish in 3rd place. Nikki Grey riding Smarty Class (Snippy) competed in the Grade 2 Pony Club and after a lovely dressage test, clear showjumping, and cross country placed 2nd. The cross country course was very challenging being on the side of an extremely steep hill and both girls handled it beautifully.

## MADEC Uniforms

It's out with the old and not so old so that we can keep things current so we're having a SALE — 50% off the 'old' uniform and 10% off the new uniform. Applies to current stock only - Items will be available at Rally this Sunday

	Item	Current Price	Discounted Price
Old Logo	Polo (Sz 12 & Sz 14)	\$35.00ea	\$17.50ea
	Quilted Black Vest (XS)	\$100.00	\$50.00
	Saddle Blanket (GP)	\$35.00	\$17.50
	Jacket (Sz 12)	\$70.00	\$35.00
	Windcheater (Sml & Med)	Free to Good Home	Free to Good Home
New Logo	Polo (Sz 10 & 14)	\$35.00	\$31.50
	Jacket (Sz 10, 12, 14)	\$70.00	\$63.00
	Green Vest (Sample Sz 12)	\$130.00	\$117.00
	Peak Caps	\$20.00	\$18.00
	Helmet Hiders	\$25.00	\$22.50
	Ties	\$20.00	\$18.00
	Saddle Blanket (GP)	\$35.00	\$31.50

If you would like to purchase any uniform items please contact **Julie King 5775 2192 or 0409 380 133**  
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# *Dressage Workshop with Tamara Fox*

## *Sunday 18th March*

Morning and afternoon sessions are being offered to participate in a workshop for dressage.

You will be able to watch as an experienced horse and rider go through some dressage moves and then you will be able to use the skills learnt and try them out for yourself under the expert guidance of Tamara Fox.

This day has been run at other clubs recently and has had great feedback.

Cost to participants \$15.00 Fence sitters \$5.00

Lunch will again be offered and we encourage all members to come along and join us, whether you are riding or not.

Gold coin donation for lunch and drinks on sale for \$1.50

Your session times will be posted here on the website prior to the day.



The sessions are approx 3 hours for Levels 5 & 4 starting with theory, demo, ridden, then 3 hours with levels 3,2,1 same way.

Each session will involve some theory, demo horse and then school figure riding. With the theory we will work on what dressage is about, training scale, judges perspective, and movement etc. We will also talk about the collective marks and what they mean on a test, and how to ride correct school figures. It will be great to have the opportunity to watch a demo horse for people to see the differences in the collected, working, lengthening and extended paces and also lateral work

# **MADEC CALENDAR 2012**

<u>Club Dates</u>	<u>Activities</u>	<u>Other Competitions</u>
15 March 18 March	Committee Meeting <b>Dressage Workshop</b> Organiser—Julie, Lunch—Robyn	4 Combined Training (Official) Whittlesea ARC 4 Horse Trials Kergunyah PC 4 CT & Dressage Jackpot Albury Wodonga ARC 11 Horse Trials Benalla PC 18 Horse Trials Moyhu PC & Bachhus Marsh PC 17-18 Dressage Champs (Official) RREC @ Elmore <b>24-25 TTT Combined Training @ Elcho Park</b> 31-1 CT SJ & Dressage (Official) Cobram Barooga EC
5 April 14 April	Committee Meeting <b>MADEC (Official) HRCVA</b> <b>Horse Trials</b>	1 Horse Trials Shepparton PC @ Cobram 22 Dressage Jackpot (Official) Glenvale @ Elmore 22 Show (Official) Wangaratta ARC 29 Dressage Jackpot (Official) GVEC @ Elmore 29 Horse Trials Barry Hillier @ Albury
17 May 20 May	Committee Meeting <b>Dressage &amp; SJ Clinic</b> Organiser—Amanda, Lunch—Kirsten	5-6 HT (Official) Yackandandah @ Kergunyah 5-6 Dressage Jackpot (Official) Whittlesea ARC 13 Combined Training (Official) Benalla <b>19-20 TTT Horse Trials (Official) Bulla</b>
14 June 17 June	Committee Meeting <b>Wine &amp; Ride</b> Organiser—Vanessa, Lunch—Amanda	
12 July 15 July	Committee Meeting <b>Horsemanship Clinic</b> Organiser—Margie, Lunch—Vanessa	8 Showjumping (Official) Benalla
16 August 19 August	Committee Meeting <b>SJ Clinic</b> Organiser—Jane, Lunch—Margie	<b>19 TTT Navigation Ride (Official) Tallarook ARC</b>
13 September 16 September	Committee Meeting <b>MADEC (Official) HRCVA</b> <b>Showjumping Jackpot</b>	30 Dressage Jackpot (Official) Benalla
18 October 21 October  25 October	Committee Meeting <b>Show Preparation &amp; Workouts</b> Organiser—Julie, Lunch—Jane <b>Annual General Meeting</b>	
14 November 15 November 17 November	<b>Twilight Rally XC at 6:00pm</b> Committee Meeting <b>Mansfield Show (Official) HRCVA Ring</b> Organiser—Kerryn	
5 December 6 December 8 December	<b>Twilight Rally XC at 6:00pm</b> Committee Meeting <b>Xmas Party</b> Organiser—Committee	



# Fundraising Success



"Buck" the film proved to be a huge success with 73 people from Mansfield and district and a further 20 people from the Marysville Trail Riders attending which resulted in \$750 being raised for MADEC.

A special thank you to Jane for organising the viewing and to Vanessa and Kirsten for organising the flyer and getting things organised and for all Committee and MADEC members who attended and provided a plate of food

Another huge success for MADEC was the Merrijig Rodeo where the Committee and several Club members worked at the Gate Entry for an 8 hour shift so that MADEC could be beneficiary to a share of the money raised by the Rodeo Committee.

As a club we need to remember that it is also about being part of a team and as a team we all need to work together in ensuring that our fundraising and rally days are a success.

All members benefit from the hard work that is put into these events and we need to ensure that throughout our year this hard work is shared equally amongst Committee and Club members and that we all continue to contribute to the success that MADEC is

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## MANSFIELD PRODUCE & PET SUPPLIES

Due to ongoing sponsorship at all our events, MADEC would like to encourage members and friends to support Mansfield Produce and Pet supplies for all their equestrian and pet needs and supplies. Francis and Liz Seaton have a huge range of feeds, supplements, grooming equipment, clothing etc for the horse enthusiast and you name it for all other pets. Currently Mansfield Produce and Pet Supplies is offering a discount to all members of MADEC on a range of products. Call in and ask for friendly advice. What they don't have they will try and get for you!!

### MADEC UNIFORM

New Polo Shirt \$35, Black Vest \$100, Green Waist Coat \$130, Black W/Proof Jacket \$70, \$75 with name.

Peak Cap \$15, Saddle Blanket Dr or AP \$35 Gold Tie with Cufflinks \$20, Helmet Hiders \$25

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