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## The Bega Showjumping Club Newsletter



The winners of the 2010 "Nimmity Bell" Pointscore held over four shows; Nimmitabel, Delegate, Dalgety & Bombala. First, second & third went to Brett Clarke, fourth to Johnny Flower and fifth to Tom Otton. Brett is presented the bell by competition sponsor Sue Williams of Alpine Motors in Cooma.

## It is time...

Finally, following a "better late than never" general meeting of the Bega Jump Club, it has been decided that "it is time" to start another year of Jump Club. This comes off the back of one of the most hectic

show seasons in my life time so I shamefully admit it has been hard to find the motivation to get going again. Nevertheless, I have been missing you all and the opportunity to jump the

horses again so I hope to see you all at our first Jump Club day on the 16<sup>th</sup> May at the Bega Pony Club grounds. More on that day later.

In the meantime, the Bega Showjumping Club has done itself proud yet again in staging the 14<sup>th</sup> Bega Showjumping Cup and assisting to run the showjumping rings at all of the local shows. These events of which I would like to briefly report on, starting with the local agricultural shows;

*Pambula Show:*

The Bega Showjumping Club's association with the Pambula Show started several years ago when the late Keith Gordon was finding it harder and harder each year to attract committee members to the ring. These days, Keith granddaughter Jess James does a job that would make her Pop proud by organising the showjumping ring with the assistance of our club. This year Jess introduced a second ring on the second day which stayed under 90cm of height and attracted many Pony Clubbers. Unfortunately, these days the Pambula Show has to compete with the Cooma Showjumping Spectacular which in it's own right is a first class show. Those competitors who chose to stay on at Pambula had a very enjoyable time competing for the substantial prizemoney. The rider of the show award might go to Brooke Smith who absolutely 'cleaned up' on the first day with a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Junior and a win in her first D grade on "Paddy's Choice". Another

highlight of the show was the late introduction of a "Hoof & Woof" event in which contestants did one round on their horse and then repeated the same round with their dog, either by leading it or carrying it. It proved to be very entertaining and attracted a lot of attention from the general public. The Grand Prix was won by Jamie Smith riding "Wait A While" who was hot off his memorable win of the Bega Caltex Showjumping Cup the weekend before. *Jugdes - Chris Smith, Richard Otton & Marie Smith CD-Kirsty McPaul*

*Candelo Show*

Candelo Show is always a nice show to work at with a plentiful supply of smiling ring crew. This makes it easier to cope with the lack of space and obvious OH&S problems in the warm-up arena and horse traffic areas. A little more common-sense from riders would help the situation! Although not

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heavily supported, the three junior events are always a highlight on the show calendar for some of the less experienced horses and riders, particularly the under 10's who don't have a special event just for them at any other show. The courses all day were very "in your face" with fences coming up quickly in the small arena but proved to make for fun competition. It was good to have help on hand and a bit of time to help everyone around, especially in the height classes which I think are a valuable part of the program. *Judge – Jack Wilson CD-Kirsty McPaul*

### *Eurobodalla Show*

Moruya Show is a show renowned for being a socially fun show with its "home made" entertainment and rodeo ring. That is once you have negotiated the limited parking space, small warm-up arena and side-shows right beside the ring. This show too relies on the help of Bega Jump Club members to run its showjumping arena. It never ceases to amaze me how popular this show is with horse people. This show by far had the most entries out of any other. Maybe it is because the program supports all levels of horse and rider well. Brett Clarke dominated this show by winning most events. The Open Six Bar was once again a hotly contested event and a very hard line to negotiate with so much atmosphere around the grounds. Well done to Neville Cuzner and the gutsy little mare "Turbo Rose" for taking out the class. *Judges- Laurie Paine & Jack Wilson CD's – Kirsty McPaul & Jack Wilson*

### *Nimmitabel Show*

Well it was nice to see updated gear at Nimmitabel thanks to Peter Evans who got the society to purchase keyhole tracking and cups to attach to the old wings. Peter also done a great job changing the showjumping program which attracted truckloads of horses to the show. The height classes were very well attended and the D grades not too bad. Unfortunately the ground was just way too hard which was a big turn off, especially for the open horses. There were a lot of "foreigners" going around the height classes and clear rounds were hard to come by in the open events. Well done to Alisa Williams who done very well to get that large team of horses around all day and finish with a good win. *Judges – Richard Otton & Stewart Smith CD-Kirsty McPaul.*

### *Cobargo Show*

"The drought breaker!" What a show! A few height classes on Friday, a great night out at the Cobargo Hotel, and off we all go home the next day! It was unfortunate for show organisers that the floods came the same time as the show but no one was complaining. It was good to hear that despite the horse events being cancelled, the show was a huge success, particularly in the mini rodeo arena. The good news I have heard on the grapevine is that the Cobargo Show Society are planning to have two showjumping rings including official showjumping events at their Spring Show in October....stay tuned. *Judge – Laurie Paine CD – Greg Vella*

### *Bega Show*

I don't know about you but I had an absolute ball at Bega Show. With the stress of the drought lifted and the ground in outstanding condition, the horses jumped outstandingly well and the riders responded. Thanks to the fantastic horse & rider friendly courses of Gavan Chester, each jump-off was a spectacle and hard fought contest. It was great to see so many smiles in the presentation line-ups. Bega is always a show for the top guns to shine. The Champion Showjumping rider awards went to Lane Clarke in the Juniors, Rachel Vella for the Associates and Grant Hughes in the Seniors. *Judge – Anne Garner CD-Gavan Chester*

### *Delegate Show*

A hard one to keep showing up to year after year but Delegate's loyal bunch of supporters had fun. Course designer Jack Wilson added some colour to the arena by bringing a bit of fill. Poss Otton was one jockey down and provided comic relief riding Tom's horses. Brett & Lane Clarke cleaned up again taking a convincing lead in the "Nimmity Bell" pointscore. An honorable mention must go to Heather Franks who hasn't been seen on a horse in public as yet. At Delegate however, Heather debuted in the Open Bounce Pony riding "Shout" and came third! The completion of jumping events signals the start of the race to Royal Dalgety for a good park and a visit to the pub. *Judge – Laurie Paine CD- Jack Wilson*

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## Show Snapshots



**Left to Right:**  
Brett Clarke and "Charnwood Lyric" winners of the Country Energy C&D Grade Grand Prix presented by Chief Ring Steward and sponsor rep Peter Douch at Dalgety Show.

**Tom Otton & "Devito" competing in the Open Grand Prix at Dalgety Show.**

Kyle Johnson back in the saddle on board "Charnwood Lyric" in the tough 1.20m class at Bemboka Show.

**Hard working Nimmitabel Show committee person, Peter "Sketa" Evans takes time out for a ride at Bemboka Show.**

Alisa Williams drives all the way from Wollongong to ride at our shows. Here she rides the Williams and Alexander owned "Willandra" in his first competition season at Bombala Show.

**Jamie Smith is arguably the "King of Cups" after winning nearly every Grand Prix class on the local circuit. Here he is riding "Mr. Whitter" at Dalgety.**

A great picture of the young star Lane Clarke riding "GH Rambo" at Bemboka in the 1.20m.

**Emily Evans from Narooma riding "Lewis" at the Bemboka Show.**

Bombala Show committee person Anita Walder riding her "Harley Bug" in the C&D Grade event at Bombala Show.

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## *Dalgety Show*

Dalgety is a really nice show with a committee who really try to please everyone, a task that we all know is impossible! The showjumping program really does cater for everyone with a nice sprinkling of Junior events, height classes and open events. The showjumping arena has been moved away from the sheep as much as possible and the arena is watered in the lead up. The gear is borrowed and looks great. The jumpoff's were well contested again and the riders were competing for great prizemoney thanks to the wonderful sponsors. Brett Clarke won the C&D Grade Grand Prix and Jamie Smith won the Open Grand Prix. As for pleasing everyone, I didn't hear any complaints – well done Dalgety Show! *Judge – Michael Archer CD- Greg Vella*

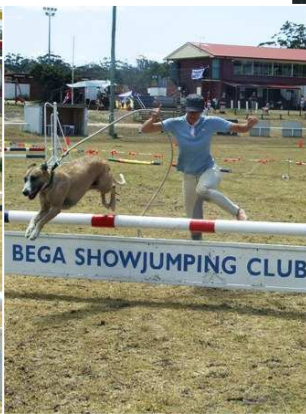
## *Bemboka Show*

Bemboka definitely had a different feel about it this year being the final round of the inaugural "Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year Series". It looked different as well with the likes of Jamie Smith and Neville Cuzner bringing their best horses out in an attempt to beat Brett Clarke to the winner's podium. It was a fun day of showjumping with the course designer trying something a little different with the courses replicating something similar to what you would see indoors. It was great to see a large representation of Jump Club members participating throughout the day. What really added to the excitement was that the lead of the Senior Pointscore exchanged between Brett, Jamie & Neville throughout the day and the competition went right down to the line. In fact it was the very last competitor of the day, Brett Clarke riding "GH Tigerlilly" who won the last event and bagged himself the series. *Judge – Chris Smith CD- Kirsty McPaul*

## *Bombala Show*

The last of the local shows, Bombala, is always a tricky one to compete at with limited room in the jumping arena, many obstacles to avoid and of course THE SHEEP! The prizemoney however is fantastic and it is great to see some new gear creeping into the collection which was purchased with funds raised by the hard-working committee. You felt sorry for the little juniors trying to cope with shying ponies and the D graders spooking their way around. The competition however, really hotted up during the day with the C&D Grade event and the Open Grand Prix event in particular providing top class viewing. The Grand Prix jump-off was sensational and congratulations must go to all of the competitors for showing such professional displays of riding. I hope that Wilton's, the loyal sponsors, were as impressed by the event as I was and will continue to support the class in the future. Brett Clarke was the eventual winner with the only double clear. Brett also took out 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Nimmity Bell Pointscore. *Judge – Laurie Paine CD-Kirsty McPaul*

## **Hoof & Woof event – Pambula Show '10**



**Left to Right:** Cherie Forehan & "Dennis", Hayley Jessop & "Niffy", Jenny Ginivan, Craig Matthews & "Bouncie" (R.I.P. Bouncie) No dogs were harmed in the making of this event.

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### The Bega Caltex Showjumping Cup 2010

The 14<sup>th</sup> Bega Showjumping Cup was a huge success. Things were a little worrying for a while when not many entries had been received before the closing date. We shouldn't have worried though, the entries rolled in eventually and in comparison to last year, ring one entries were up a little and surprisingly, ring two entries were slightly down. Thank you to all jump club members who supported the show by both competing and volunteering help where needed. Thank you to Chris Apps for irrigating the arena to perfection. Thank you to Ken Wells from Wellspring for donating the time and machinery to fertilize the arena. Thank you to all members who turned up to working bees and meetings and got all of the gear painted and touched up to the best of our ability. A huge thank you must go to our sponsors, we had over 70 of them! Most of the sponsors have something to do with the Club and the rest are very generous for donating their money or goods to our event. Please support these businesses whenever you can and thank them for supporting the Bega Showjumping Club. Thank you to our officials over the show. Ring one judge Jan Golding is a true professional and her knowledge and "law enforcement" is a breath of fresh air. Gavan Chester was the course designer in ring one. Gavan was called only a few weeks out from the event due to our original designer pulling out. What was even better than having Gavan as a designer was having Leeson Sirett, also an international course designer, deciding to spend his new year holiday in Bega and assisting Gavan with his plans. In ring two we had local course designer Jack Wilson who not only worked tirelessly during the event but also ensured we had enough quality gear by carting a lot of gear from Cobargo with him. Ring two judging duties were shared between Graeme Crawshaw from Albury and Madge Salway from Cobargo. As usual, the Bega Showground did not fail in staging great showjumping performances for three days straight. It was always great to see Bega Showjumping Club members winning various events at the Cup but the Club's proudest moment was when Jamie Smith won the big one, the Caltex Cup in true style. Kirsty McPaul reports for the Bega District News;

#### **Local Rider Captures the Cup – Bega District News 8<sup>th</sup> Jan '10**

For the first time in its fourteen year history, the Bega Showjumping Cup has been won by a local rider. Jamie Smith of Angledale, north of Bega pulled off two fast, sleek and clean rounds in the Bega Caltex Showjumping Cup to beat a class field of fourteen competitors much to the delight of the home crowd. After the first round set by course designer Gavin Chester, fifty percent of the field had gone clear over the rider-friendly course ranging between 1.40m and 1.45m in height. Seventeen-year-old Clinton Beresford of Bega rode an outstanding first round, only incurring 4 faults for a rail down at the second fence. Bega Showjumping Club Vice-President, Sandra Kenny was one of the seven to complete the first round with zero penalties. Jamie Grant, formerly of Bega, had two rides in the Cup. He finished the first round clear on one horse and with four faults on the other. Local favourite competitor, Grant Hughes of Canberra, only managed to go clean on one of his three mounts in the first round. Anna MacGregor came all the way from Perth to contest the Eastern Showjumping circuit and was the black horse of the Bega Showjumping Cup competition, relatively unknown among the audience apart from the fact, as explained by the commentator, that the horse had an unblemished record since crossing the Nullarbor. Hayley Coman, the 22-year-old daughter of Bemboka born and bred Olympic Showjumper, Jamie Coman was very disappointed when a short blank in concentration led to her turning the wrong direction after one fence. After realizing her mistake, Coman turned around to incur 4 faults for an error in course and another penalty for exceeding the time allowed.

The scene was set for a very exciting jump-off with all combinations invited back to contest the second round with the competitor who finishes with the least faults and fastest time to be declared the winner. The course consisted of some technical lines, the option for some tight turns and a traditional long gallop to the last fence

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which was of course the naming sponsor's Caltex fence which was situated right in front of the ring-side grandstand, much to the crowd's excitement. The last jump was a massive spread fence, 1.55m or 5'2" in the old scale in height.

The draw order for the second round was seeded with the rider with the highest amount of faults going first. Nearly every rider reproduced a similar result in the second round as they did in the first. Young Beresford unfortunately just touched the first fence for another 4 faults to add to his first round but really put the pedal to the metal, zooming effortlessly around the rest of the course, finishing the competition with a very satisfying result for the youngest competitor to ever contest the event. It wasn't long before the seven riders who went clear in the first round entered the arena for the Jump-off. Jamie Smith was early to go out of the zero faulters and showed great focus as he scooted across the start line. Smith's mount "Mr. Whitter" is a slightly built, short striding thoroughbred who really needed encouraging forward to stay on the job. Although "tapping a little timber" Smith really nailed the ride, with no check at all in impulsion and galloped through the finish flags smiling "catch me if you can!" And as they say, the rest was history. Although they tried hard, no body could beat the boy from Bega who has been desperately trying to capture the Bega Showjumping Cup since the inception of the event in 1995. A great cheer erupted from the local crowd as the last horse finished and Smith and "Mr. Whitter" were announced the winners of the 2010 Bega Caltex Showjumping Cup.

The competition was fierce over the whole three days. Many visitors stating that this show had some of the most entertaining competition they have witnessed in a long time. This is thanks to our course designers Gavin Chester in Ring One and Jack Wilson in Ring Two who designed great courses that were challenging but encouraging with each jump-off contesting a good percentage of competitors from the first round. With many in each jump-off, competitors really had to work for their dollar, this in turn provided a visual treat for the spectators. Amongst those competitors were many Bega Showjumping Cup members who were proving very hard to beat on their home ground. In fact, out of the twenty five events on the program, fifteen of them were won by Bega Showjumping Club members. The Malcom Slater Memorial for the rider with the highest pointscore in Ring one went to Ally Lamb of Sale. The Eagle Embroidery Award for the rider with the highest pointscore in Ring two went to Nathan Williams, formerly of Bega.

The 2010 Bega Caltex Showjumping Cup has been deemed another great success. This is due to the great voluntary help received by those who run and organise the event and the many sponsors who donated to make this one of the richest Showjumping events on the circuit. The Bega Showjumping Club would like to thank these sponsors and volunteers and also the fantastic competitors who supported them and provided top class competition.



**The Winners!** Finally the Cup stays in Bega. Left- Jamie Smith and "Mr. Whitter" clear the last fence in the jump off. Right- Jamie receives the Cup from Helen Slater.



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**Left to Right:**  
Les Symons wins the first D grade event riding Melissa Turner's "Beach Chick". Les is presented by sponsor Chris Reid of TCR Concrete Pumping. **Sandra Kenny & "Alando" finish the Cup on zero faults – great effort!** Clint Beresford & "Belcam Atlantis" finish his first big event with 4-4. The youngest rider to ever compete in the Cup. **President Poss Otton manages to squeeze in a ride on "Howie Brother" and pick up a ribbon along the way.** Craig Matthews riding Sue Jennings' "True Illusion" on their way to winning the Junior Championship. A proud moment for Les Symons when three of his horses come 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> in the tough junior championship. Katrina Turner, Shanon Turner and Lane Clarke are on board. **The winner of the Malcom Slater Memorial Trophy for the highest pointscore in Ring 1 is won by Ally Lamb of Sale.** Ally is presented by loyal Cup supporter, worker and sponsor **Helen Slater, assisted by Paddy Otton.** Brooke Smith and the ever faithful "Paddy's Choice" notch up one more six bar win. **Great photo of Jack Wilson presenting Lane Clarke and "GH Rambo" with a blue ribbon that he won in Ring 2.**

### Our Boys – Top 5 for Youth Olympics!



Craig Matthews and Clint Beresford find time to relax in Sydney recently while trying to qualify for the Youth Olympics to be held at Singapore in August this year.

Turn your back for two seconds and look what Bega Showjumping Club members Craig Matthews and Clint Beresford have got themselves in for! You may remember last October at the NSW State Showjumping Championships in Canberra, these two boys competed in a 1.20m qualifying event with the hope of gaining a Certificate of Capability to be eligible for selection to go to the Youth Olympics. Both boys gained their COC and were therefore eligible to proceed to the next step of the selection process. Unfortunately, there is only one spot available for an individual competitor to go to the Olympics, not a team. However, it was with great excitement that the boys learnt that both of

them made it to the final five for selection! Since then the boys have been in Sydney attending a selection camp under the supervision of the selectors panel. During this camp, the riders have been required to ride each others horses. This is because the selected rider will have to ride borrowed horses at the actual Youth Olympics. The boys were quietly confident with their ability to ride the other horses but at the same time know that they are up against stiff competition in Tom McDermott, Sarah-Louise MacMillan and Jack Maunder. This weekend the boys will be competing on their own horses at the SIEC Weekends of World Cups in Sydney. The Australian representative should be announced after this weekend. Not bad for a couple of local lads, Bega Jump Club is very proud! Good luck Clint and Craig.



### The Ammo Horseland Bega Rider of the Month

Last year the Bega Showjumping Club was invited by Horseland Bega to be a part of a Nature Vet Ammo Wormer promotion in the form of a 'Rider of the Month' competition. Craig Matthews, Lane Clarke and Jed Smith won the first three awards. Here are the winners of the

last 6 months since the last newsletter.

#### **NOVEMBER WINNER: Lucy Evans**

Lucy is one of the Club's newest and youngest members. When on board the adorable bay pony "Charlie Brown", this is simply the cutest combination going around. Lucy, her Mum, Dad and sister Emily have been traveling down from Narooma to Jump Club to improve their jumping skills. Charlie's cheeky temperament has tested Lucy's riding ability throughout the year but after lots of practice and some helpful advice from Sandra Kenny, Lucy and Charlie really got it together in time for the Bega Showjumping Club Annual Open Competition. They pair gained a creditable second and third place in the first two events.

#### **DECEMBER WINNER: Jamie Smith**

Only one event was on the mind of Jump Club Members this month and that event was won by one of our own. Well done once again to Jamie Smith for not only winning the prestigious Bega Caltex Showjumping Cup but for also being the first local to win the event. Jamie has gained many wonderful achievements in his lifetime and he ranks this win as one of his best. Jamie backed this win up by winning many of the major events at our local shows.



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## **JANUARY WINNER: Brooke Smith**

Brooke had a fantastic month in January at the local shows. It all started at Pambula when Brooke brought home enough prizemoney to make the average weekly pay cheque look ordinary! Not only did she place on all three horses in the junior, she then turned around and won her first D grade event on the evergreen "Paddy's Choice". Brooke's consistent performances continued throughout the month at Candelo, Eurobodalla and Nimmitabel putting Brooke in contention to take out the Junior Showjumper of the Year Series.

## **FEBRUARY WINNER: Tom Otton**

To be fair, there was one other rider who was outstandingly consistent over the local shows. If there was an award for the rider who competes in the most events, it would certainly go to Tom. Tom is in each and every event he can possibly go in and is always ultra competitive. From riding young horses in the 60cm and good old "Jim" in the Juniors to riding the open grade horses in the Grand Prix classes, you name it, Tom was in it. Tom is definitely someone that supports the local shows to the max. His best performance could arguably be his win with "Febe" in the Hoof & Woof.

## **MARCH WINNER: Brett Clarke**

It was hard to look past a record like this; winner of the Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year Series and first, second and third in the Nimmitabel Pointcore. This sums up yet another successful show season for Brett Clarke whose achievements indicate that he dominated all shows, both on the coast and the monaro. Brett acknowledged the many owners that gave him the ride on their horses to help him achieve these awards.

## **APRIL WINNER: Clinton Beresford**

This award can be shared between both Clinton and Craig Matthews for the outstanding achievement on being selected onto the top 5 short list for the Youth Olympics to be held in Singapore this year. Both Clint and Craig have been training hard and doing a lot of traveling and competing at shows, this month the Sydney Royal Show, the Showcase Show at Windsor and now the Weekend of World Cups. Let's hope Clinton's performances such as those at the Bega Cup will not go unnoticed by the selectors.

Congratulations to these riders. You may collect your prize voucher from Kirsty so you can redeem your Ammo Wormer drench from Horseland Bega. Be sure to redeem your prize before August so that you can go into the draw to win the major prize for the 09/10 season. Thanks to Jackie and Midge from Horseland Bega for introducing this great competition to our club.

## **Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year Series**



Father and son team, Brett and Lane Clarke were the proud winners of the Inaugural Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year Series.

On Sunday the 27<sup>th</sup> March, almost 100 people attended the presentation dinner at the Asian Pearl Chinese restaurant in Bega for the winners presentation of the new pointscore competition introduced for showjumping events on the Far South Coast. The evening was truly a nostalgic trip down memory lane with many stories and yarns shared throughout the night. I say a trip down memory lane because we all learnt that a Pointscore of the same name actually existed for ten years during the 60's and 70's. The original pointscore was won by the likes of Paddy Otton, Keith Gordon and Madge Salway. It was great to hear stories on the night from Paddy, Madge and Mrs. Gordon, the wife of the late Keith Gordon. Reflection was the order of the night. Reflection on

showjumping on the Far South Coast in the good old days, the foundations that were built and how it got to where it is today, and reflection on the 2010 season that had concluded only one

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week earlier. Perhaps the highlight of the night was the unexpected presentation to Paddy Otton of the Richard "Paddy" Otton Cup. For the first time ever we saw Paddy absolutely speechless when Stewart Smith presented this large gold trophy to Paddy. On one side of the trophy was engraved the ten winners of the series from the 60's and 70's. On another side was the winner of the 2010 Series Senior winner, Brett Clarke and on the other, the winner of the Junior Series, Lane Clarke. Paddy can do with this trophy what he wishes, no doubt it will be proudly displayed in various places around the Far South Coast show scene for all to see and admire. Brett and Lane too received a perpetual shield as well as their prize jacket and rug sponsored by Chester & Smith Pty Ltd, Bega. The series itself was a fantastic one. It was truly touching to see how much it meant to the riders to be a part of this competition. Kirsty McPaul reports for the Bega District News;

### **Series Winners Announced – Bega District News 21<sup>st</sup> March 2010**

Bemboka Show on Sunday the 14<sup>th</sup> March marked the final round of the inaugural Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year Series. The series, run over the seven local shows on the Far South Coast, was initiated last year following the passing of two local showjumping identities Keith Gordon and Graham Johnson. These gentlemen were great contributors to the sport, both qualified showjumping judges and course designers and volunteers in everyway possible to the local show circuit. In honor of their memory, the series dedicated memorial trophies to the two men, hence the series been split into two divisions, the senior award in memory of Mr. Gordon and the junior award in memory of Mr. Johnson.

The series proved to be a hotly contested event attracting more riders to more shows. About half way through the series, 11 year-old Lane Clarke of Bemboka took a convincing lead in the Junior division and by the final round became untouchable. The senior division went right down to the wire with the top three placed competitors, Jamie Smith of Bega, Brett Clarke of Bemboka and Neville Cuzner of Bodalla all turning up at Bemboka Show and exchanged the lead amongst themselves throughout the day. The presumption was that who ever won the last event, assuming it would be one of these three, would be the eventual winner. The competitive tension has never been so thick in the history of Bemboka Show competition, the show now dubbed "Bemboka Royal" after the fantastic display of competitor's showjumping under pressure. Every rider was out to win, but to win what? No, it wasn't the prizemoney, there were no prizes or qualifications up for grabs, it was just the pride that came with being the very first winner of the Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year. The eventual winner was the last competitor of the day, Brett Clarke.

The inaugural winners of the Far South Coast Showjumper of the Year Series are a father and son team. The Graham Johnson Memorial Junior Trophy was won by Lane Clarke riding "GH Rambo". The Keith Gordon Memorial Senior Trophy was won by Brett Clarke riding "GH Tigerlilly". These two riders will receive a trophy jacket and rug which has been proudly donated by Stewart and Tracy Smith of Chester & Smith Stock and Station Agents of Bega. These awards will be presented at a special presentation dinner to be held at the Asian Pearl restaurant at the Grand Hotel in Bega. All competitors, show committee members, show sponsors and ring volunteers are invited to join the celebration on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> March starting at 6:30pm. The Bega Showjumping Club will be glad to 'shout' all of this years supporters to a feast from the Chinese buffet. Thank you to everyone who cooperated in making this series a success, a special thank you must go to the chief score-keeper Richard "Paddy" Otton who collected every result from every show.

## Back to Jump Club 2009...

For those members who were unable to attend the end of year celebrations for Jump Club last November, you missed another great weekend! The Christmas party and presentations were held down in the cattle pavilion. The food was yummy once again and the award ceremony very entertaining. It is always a great night out with the Bega Jump Club because is boasts so many lovable larrikins as well as talented

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showjumping riders. Unfortunately for most, those two qualities hardly ever come in the same package – sorry if I offend! The next day the Club hosted its Annual Open Competition Day but this year we were invited to be a part of the Bega Festival. It was great to be a part of the carnival atmosphere and the jumping was well received by an appreciative audience from the general public attending the festival. It was a great promotion for our club and hopefully we will be invited back this year. Kirsty McPaul reports for the Bega District News;

### **Festive Showjumping – Bega District News 10<sup>th</sup> December 2009**

The Bega Showjumping Club ended 2009 with a Christmas Party and Presentation Night on Saturday the 20<sup>th</sup> November. On the following day, the club was invited to be a part of the Bega Festival by holding a competition day in conjunction with the Rotary Fair at the Bega Showground. The club was happy to be a part of the festival and decided to hold their end-of-year Annual Open Competition Day. It was a pleasant change for showjumping competitors to compete in front of and interact with a different audience, mostly comprising of adults and children who had never witnessed the sport of showjumping close-up. Festival organiser Geoffrey Grigg was full of praise for the club for allowing the general public to be a part of its day. The club is in turn grateful to Mr. Grigg and the Bega Festival committee for inviting us to promote our wonderful club in this way.

The Presentation Night was a great chance to acknowledge what was a very successful year for the Bega Showjumping Club. In 2009, the club hosted the 13<sup>th</sup> Bega Showjumping Cup, helped coordinate the showjumping competition at 10 local agricultural shows both on the coast and on the monaro, and held 11 Jump Club Training Days attracting riders from as far as Mallacoota, Bombala, Canberra and Moruya. The Club currently boasts about 180 members and preparations for the upcoming Bega Showjumping Cup to be held on the 31<sup>st</sup> December, 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2010 are in full swing. Members are reminded that the club requires all hands on deck to assist with the running of the Cup and working bee meetings are held every Tuesday evening after work at the Bega Showground.

### **Award winners from the Bega Showjumping Club Presentation Night:**

Encouragement Awards: Jenna Goodlock, Jackie Curtis, Katie Snodgrass, Sue Liddington, Jodie Grant, Emily Rose Fenwick Wilson, Gemma Harrington, Noni Hill.

Most Improved Awards: Sally Telford, Haidee Galeano, Jenny Pheeney, Cec Staples, Henare Fenwick Wilson, Kelsey Clark.

Determination Awards: Caitlin Reid, Lucy Evans, Mollie Britten, Esther Black.

Achievement Awards: Lane Clarke, Brett Clarke, Clint Beresford, Les Symons, Adena Williams.

High Achievers Awards: Hayley Jessop & Craig Matthews

### **The Charlie Smith Memorial Highest Pointscore Competition**

#### **Junior Pointscore Winners:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Tom Otton

Runner Up- Lane Clarke

Winner- Lane Clarke

#### **Senior Pointscore Winners:**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place- Sandra Kenny

Runner Up- Brett Clarke

Winner- Brett Clarke

#### **Ring 2 Champion-**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Lane Clarke

Runner Up- Danielle Beresford

Winner- Haidee Galeano

### **Horseland Unsung Hero Award**

Terry Kenny

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## The Club Person of the Year

Jodie Grant

## Results – Bega Showjumping Club Annual Open Competition Day 21<sup>st</sup> Nov 09

60 cm AM7 – 1. Emily Rose Wilson (Paddy's Choice) 2. Lucy Evans (Charlie Brown) 3. Sally Telford (Tommy) 4. Danielle Beresford (Top Shelf) 5. Brittany Stein (Dante)

75cm AM7 – 1. Samara George (Windra) 2. Kelsey Clark (Fine Line) 3. Gem Harrington (Presto) 4. Henare Wilson (Paddy's Choice) 5. Lucy Evans (Charlie Brown)

90 cm A2 – 1. Samara George (Windra) 2. Brooke Smith (Shout) 3. Poss Otton (Jacko) 4. Gem Harrington (Presto) 5. Tom Otton (Sunny Two)

1.05m AM7 – 1. Cec Staples (Power Ranger) 2. Sandra Kenny (Link) 3. Poss Otton (Howie) 4. Brett Clarke (Vegemite) 5. Brooke Smith (Shout)

1.15m AM7 – 1. Clint Beresford (Atlantis) 2. Brett Clarke (Blossom) 3. Hayley Jessop (Crystal) 4. Jed Smith (Red) 5. Henare Wilson (Rembrahnt)

1.25m AM7 – 1. Kirsty McPaul (Hero) 2. Sandra Kenny (Alando) 3. Sandra Kenny (Grandejuer) 4. Clint Beresford (Atlantis) 5. Jed Smith (Red)

## Start your engines...

Get ready because Jump Club is back for the year. Following the Clubs general meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> April, several dates have been decided upon for the new Jump Club year. The first day will be held next weekend on the 16<sup>th</sup> May at the Bega Pony Club grounds, under the Bega bridge. The showground is very heavily booked this year and I have not as yet received official confirmation that we can use the showground for the below mentioned dates. Please double check the venue of Jump Club days if you have not heard of conformation prior.

Be reminded that your current membership does not expire until the 30<sup>th</sup> of June so you still have two months left. If you know of anyone wishing to join before then, let them know that their membership will carry over to next year, so they will NOT have to pay twice in one year. The following program will apply for day one;

🌟 **Bega Jump Club Day- Sunday the 16<sup>th</sup> May**

🌟 **10:00 am Start**

🌟 **Working Bee at 8:30am Sunday Morning to set up arena**

🌟 **Bega Pony Club Grounds – Valley Street, Bega**

🌟 **PROGRAM – One Ring only**

1. Cross Rail (approx. 30cm)
2. 50 cm AM7
3. 65 cm AM7
4. 80 cm AM7
5. 90 cm AM7
6. 1.05m AM7 (Higher events if interest shown)

🌟 **Entry Fees \$2 per event**

🌟 **NO ONE IS ALLOWED ON A HORSE UNLESS THEY ARE A FINANCIAL MEMBER**

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The most important date for all members to remember is the Club's Annual General Meeting which will be on Tuesday the 18<sup>th</sup> May, 7pm at the Bega RSL Club. If there is one meeting you should go to this year, this is it. The subject of the Bega Showjumping Cup was touched on at the last meeting but it was decided to make an official decision regarding dates, sponsors, etc. at the AGM. If you have any suggestions you would like to put forward to the Club, this is your chance. Please find attached the minutes of the last meeting.

Well there you go. It has been almost five months since the last newsletter and it was delightful to report in this newsletter on so many success stories over the summer. I hope you will all be happy that Jump Club is starting again for another year next weekend. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact either myself or one of the office bearers at the top of this letter. Get in touch with all of those friends that said they would be interested in joining Jump Club this year and pass on all the information. Hope to see you all in the near future.

`Til then,

*Kirsty*

<b>Coming Events 2010</b>	
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Pony Club Grounds	16 <sup>th</sup> May
Bega Showjumping Club Annual General Meeting – 7pm Bega RSL	18 <sup>th</sup> May
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Showground	30 <sup>th</sup> May
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Showground	6 <sup>th</sup> June
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Showground	27 <sup>th</sup> June
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Pony Club Grounds	4 <sup>th</sup> July
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Showground	18 <sup>th</sup> July
Bega Showjumping Club – Competition/Training Day – Bega Showground	1 <sup>st</sup> August
Fossil's Cup Day – Bega Showground	15 <sup>th</sup> August

## Annual Open Competition Day – November '09



**Left to Right - Vicki Evans showing great style Samara George & "Windra Classic" were unbeatable Brittany Stein and "Dante" looking great Kirsty McPaul & "Hero" winners in the 1.25m**

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## MINUTES OF THE BEGA SHOWJUMPING CLUB GENERAL MEETING 27<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2010, BEGA RSL

- OPENED: 7.10 PM
- PRESENT: KIRSTY MCPAUL, JODIE GRANT, MR MALLYON, POSS OTTON, JENNY BERESFORD, REBECCA OPREY, SUE JENNINGS, ASHLEE GRANT, JENNY PHEENY, JACKIE CURTIS, BRETT CLARKE, ROB STEIN
- APOLOGIES; CHRISTIE CLARKE, JULIE MATTHEWS, NONI HILL, SUE LIDDINGTON, KATIE SNODGRASS, STEWART SMITH, STUART MCPAUL, JAN WHYTE
- TREASURERS REPORT JENNY PRESENTED TO THE MEETING REPORTS FOR CUP SPONSORSHIP, CUP ENTRIES, CUP EXPENSES, INCOME/EXPENSE COMPARISON REPORT, BREAKDOWN OF ENTRIES V'S PRIZEMONEY. JENNY WENT THROUGH ALL REPORTS WITH MEETING. TERM DEPOSIT ACCOUNT APPROX. \$32,000 - EARNING ABOUT \$110 INTEREST/MONTH, WORKING ACCOUNT APPROX. \$3,300
- CORRESPONDENCE IN:
- CORRESPONDENCE OUT:
- GENERAL BUSINESS
- THE MEETING LOOKED AT THE PONY CLUB CALENDER AND SHOWGROUND BOOKINGS AND DISCUSSED POSSIBLE DATES TO HOLD JUMPCLUB. FIRST DAY 16<sup>TH</sup> PC GROUND, 30<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 6<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 27<sup>TH</sup> JUNE, 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY PC GROUND, 18<sup>TH</sup> JULY, 1<sup>ST</sup> AUG, FOSSIL'S CUP 15<sup>TH</sup> AUG, 29<sup>TH</sup> AUG ? (MIGHT CLASH WITH OUT WEST) , 19<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER
- KIRSTY TO WRITE A LETTER TO BEGA PONY CLUB RE; USE OF GROUND ON THE 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY & 4<sup>TH</sup> JULY. KIM STEIN IS SECRETARY.
- JENNY B INFORMED MEETING THAT A CANBERRA JUMP CLUB MEMBER IS GETTING MARRIED ON THE 1<sup>ST</sup> JAN WHICH WILL ATTRACT SEVERAL CUP PEOPLE AWAY. JACKIE ALSO MADE THE STATEMENT THAT THE COOMA SHOW SEEMED TO DRAW RIDERS AWAY AS WELL. SUE MADE THE SUGGESTION OF HOLDING THE CUP ON WED/THURS/FRI WHICH WOULD WORK WELL AS IT FINISHES ON NEW YEARS EVE. THE DAYS WILL BE DECIDED UPON AT THE NEXT MEETING.
- BRIAN HAS CONTINUED TO LOOK INTO THE PURCHASE OF TIMING GEAR. THE FARMTEK BRAND IS BY FAR THE CHEAPEST AND IS THE SAME AS WHAT THE LUCAS FAMILY FROM TUMUT HAVE. THE ONLY PROBLEM WITH IT IS THAT IT IS NOT RECOGNISED BY THE FEI. FEI RECOGNISED GEAR WOULD COST 2-3 TIMES MORE. THE MEETING AGREED THAT IT WOULDN'T BE WORTH BUYING THE DEARER SET AS THE LIKELEYHOOD OF THE CLUB RUNNING A WORLD CUP IS SLIM AND IF WE DO IT DOESN'T COST MUCH TO HIRE. BRIAN TO BRING AN OFFICIAL QUOTE FOR THE FARMTEK EQUIPMENT NEXT MEETING.
- POSS BRIEFLEY DISCUSSED THE SUCCESS OF THE FAR SOUTH COAST SHOWJUMPER IF THE YEAR SERIES PRESENTATION DINNER
- NEXT MEETING: AGM 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY
- MEETING CLOSED: 8:40 PM