



# Perth Polocrosse Club Newsletter

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## HOME OF AUSTRALIAN POLOCROSSE NATIONALS 2008

### WHAT'S ON:

#### *What's on?*

*World Cup is on in Warick, Queensland from the 23rd to the 29th of April. This international event will prove to be a winner for all spectators, competitors and horses. We must thank all the volunteers, the Australian polocrosse horses, sponsors and coordinators for making this event happen.*

*Trish, Matt, Katie, Tia and Sharna drove across early with their horses to play in the tournament before the World Cup. Jason is flying in to join them and Phil is also flying over to help with the umpiring.*

*Green Horse Carnivals.*

*Woodginellup has its carnival on this weekend followed by Capel at the end of the month. This will bring a close to polocrosse carnivals until the main season which starts in July.*

#### *Upcoming Events*

*There are not too many event in need of volunteers at the moment, so if you know of any please let me know! They do not necessarily have to be EFA run events*

*YEE HAA – The rodeo is back in town*

*AND WE'RE DESPERATE FOR HELP!!!*

*Does this interest you???*

*Would you like to get free entry into such a fun and exciting event???*

*If you've never witnessed the thrills and spills a rodeo has to offer,  
now's your chance!*

*All I need is help from 3:30pm – 6:30pm on the 25th of April and you  
get a food voucher and free entry*

*Contact Jess Blackwell at the EFA TODAY BEFORE 3pm on 9296  
1200 / [volunteercoordinator@efawa.com.au](mailto:volunteercoordinator@efawa.com.au)*

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*DO YOU NEED A TOUCH UP ON GEAR CHECKING OR  
PENCILLING??*

*ARE YOU A NEW VOLUNTEER???*

*WOULD YOU LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT VOLUNTEERING IN  
EQUESTRIAN DISCIPLINES??*

*DO YOU WANT TO MEET OTHER LIKE MINDED PEOPLE??*

*IF YOU ANSWERED YES TO ANY OF THESE THEN YOU SHOULD  
COME ALONG TO OUR VOLUNTEER WORKSHOP.*

*We will be holding a volunteer orientation, gear checking and  
pencilling workshop on the 17<sup>th</sup> of May from 5:30pm (although it won't  
technically start til 5:45pm at the earliest for those of you who work).  
Get in early to register your interest. This will be an informative and  
social occasion and it would be good to see lots of faces. It's also a  
great way to learn more about the industry and make some  
connections with other people who enjoy doing the same stuff.  
Thanks to those of you who have already registered your interest. If  
anyone would love an opportunity to speak to other volunteers about  
gear-checking, a specific sport or being a volunteer in general, please  
let me know.*

*WHEN: THURSDAY 17<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2007*

*WHERE: STATE EQUESTRIAN CENTRE, BRIGADOON*

*TIME: 5:30PM – 8:30PM*

*INCLUDES: REFRESHMENTS, VOLUNTEER SHOWBAG & ATTENDANCE CERTIFICATE.*

*CONTACT: JESSICA TO REGISTER YOUR INTEREST*

*[volunteercoordinator@efawa.com.au](mailto:volunteercoordinator@efawa.com.au) / 9296 1200 on Thursdays or [Equestricare@hotmail.com](mailto:Equestricare@hotmail.com) otherwise.*

*Perth H&PC Showjumping & Dressage Day*

*29<sup>th</sup> April*

*Perth H&PC will be needing people to help with putting up showjumps & arenas for this competition. If you would like more information or to help out please let me know at [volunteercoordinator@efawa.com.au](mailto:volunteercoordinator@efawa.com.au) or on 9296 1200.*

*If you know of any other events that may need the help of an EFA volunteer let us know and we will get in touch with them to see if we can help out!!*

### *PINTO SOCIETY*

*The Pinto society are going to have a garage sale at our grounds on the 12th of May. Ring Tracy for more information on 92963025. Maybe some of our members might have some gear to sell or buy.*

### *GINGIN EXPO*

*Gingin Expo is on this Saturday 21st at Gingin. Weather looks great so worth a trip up to have a look.*

*Sharing stories: Growing Stronger Together*

*Everyone Welcome*

*You are warmly invited to recognise **National Volunteer Week** by celebrating diversity and working towards greater inclusion of all people in volunteering and the community.*

*Be inspired by stories from diverse volunteers*

*Have the opportunity to think about how we can include more people in volunteering*

*When: Tues May 15 1-4pm*  
*Where Swan Park Leisure Centre*  
*Gray Drive, Midvale*  
*What else Afternoon tea provided; please let us know of any special needs that we can help out with*  
*Who can come Volunteer coordinators and volunteers*  
*RSVP (essential) By 7 May to*  
*[swanvolunteers@swan.wa.gov.au](mailto:swanvolunteers@swan.wa.gov.au) or 9250 6421*

### **GIDGEGANUP PONY CLUB CAMP**

*Barny and Jo Langford, Mary and Rachel Day and Nikita Lane had a wonderful day coaching polocrosse at the Gidgeganup pony club camp. We had four groups of children ranging from 5 year olds to teenagers. They were already sorted into their groups, so we started with the little ones first and finished with the teenagers as the concentration is well on its way out for children by three o'clock in the afternoon. The pony club is a great one with children and volunteers having a fantastic facility to use for their camp.*

*Thank you to Barny and Jo and their niece Chelsea for travelling all that way to help out. A big thank you to Rachel and Nikita who I bribed to come with me. Imagine what it would be like to be in a group on your own????*

**NEW ZEALAND**

*Phil Day travelled to New Zealand with David Sillis ( Australian Chief Umpire) on the umpire exchange program to umpire at New Zealand's National Championships. So Mary, Janet (David's wife and personal secretary), John and Jane ( a couple from the Bungendore polocrosse club in NSW) all went along for the entertainment. We had a great time, the best company, a beautiful country and friendly people. We hired a car or was it a jet that fitted us in but we had a bit of trouble with the luggage fitting, also one of the passengers got car sick!*

*Polocrosse..... well that was an education for Phil and I. Me especially as there was no food and no bar and no toilets. Polocrosse is very small over there with probably only as many members as we have in WA alone. They play under the international rules I think and the game was not as flowing as our high grade competition. Their standard of presentation is not as high as ours is now but I am sure they will get there. There were some outstanding horses and players. I caught up with Ginni the pom and Wayne Hundley while there. Look it made me appreciate what the PAWA does for our club and their members.*

*We flew home and spent a couple of days with David and Janet and their two daughters Megan and Linda. What great people, they are so hospitable and good fun. We had a look at the War museum in Canberra and that was very moving and a credit to our country.*

*Barkley and Rachel ran the farm while we were being tourists. All animals were alive, the lawns green and the house in one piece when arrived home. What we don't know won't hurt us.*

### ***Interschool Championships***

*These are being held on the 20<sup>th</sup> to the 22nd of April at the State*

*Equestrian Centre. South Midlands and Perth are putting a polocrosse demonstration on at the indoor arena at 1900 on the 20th. We have Emily Trainer, Rachel Cobley, and Jill Warner from South Midlands. From Perth there will be Rachel Day, Adrian Richards and Louise Richards. Paul Martin will be our commentator. Thank you to the South Midland Club for helping and all the parents and horse owners for delivering horses and children for the evening. Paul from Statewide Steel (makes great panels and feeders and gates) you are a dear for taking the time to help out.*

### **BACK IN AUSTRALIA**

*As you will notice I am back in Australia and WA. I am not ignoring the club and its members but the club's computer is in hospital waiting for parts and my mobile phone has died. So along with that is many contacts and their information. I am using Rachel's computer which has a different brain than mine along with programs missing so I cannot open all attachments.*

### **SPONSERS**

*There are no logos in this newsletter as this computer cannot open them. I apologise to our sponsors for not displaying them.*