

# Orange Grove Horse & Pony Club Newsletter



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## Welcome to 2025

Hello and welcome to the 2025 season! We look forward to an exciting year, full of fun and learning.

The newsletter will be sent out each month and will provide updates on what has been happening at our club recently, and what we can look forward to in coming weeks. Feel free to contribute with photos and comments about what you have been up to in the horse world. The newsletter is a great way to share and communicate with other club members.

Well done to all the riders who came along to our Intro/Qualifier rally last Sunday. We enjoyed an earlier than usual start in order to beat the heat. It was great to see some familiar faces and a bunch of new members. Our first (official) Rally for the year will be on Sunday 9th March.

## 2024 Windup

Last December we held our final event of the year; the Windup and Trophy Presentation. A fun day was had with great food, lots of trophies and a crazy extra- large waterslide. Well done to all the winners! Special mention to Angela who was awarded Life Membership!

### Club Trophies

Highest Overall Points - Hailey Snyman

Best All-Round Pony Club Member - Aleska Wearne & Madison Kain

Most Improved Rider - Makayla Roberts

Most Improved Rider First Year - Kaitlin Hughes

Presentation of Horse, Saddlery & Rider 12rs & U - Chloe Roberts

Presentation of Horse, Saddlery & Rider 13yrs & Over - Jessica Hamerton

Presidents Award - Karl Falls

Most Helpful Pony Club Member - Lilly DelSimone & Morgan Falls

Best Pony Club Adult Supporter - Justine Hughes

Log Book Award 10yrs & Under - Nieve Burns

Log Book Award Over 10yrs - Sophie Ellis

Life Membership Award - Angela Whelan

### Merit Awards (Groups)

Oranges - Madison Kain

Watermelons - Stella Woolston

Apples - Indi Wass

Mangos - Phoenia Van Der Laan

Pears - Morgan Falls

Blueberry's - Camden Falls & Bryanna Whelan





Out and About



Hailey might need to bring a trailer next time!



We forgot to take a photo of Angela receiving her Life Membership award, so here's this one instead.

Harper receiving her first place award for PCWA Dressage Leaderboard at the PCWA awards night.



Camden using  
her pony Smack  
as a springboard



Harpa on her  
new horse Qi



Morgan and Bliss at  
Kwinana horse  
beach



## Rally Tips and Tricks

Here are a few friendly tips and reminders of how we can all help make our Rally's run smoothly:

- Please make sure that you attend our morning meeting at 8.20 a.m. The meeting allows us to all get together for a brief overview and inform everyone on how the Rally will be run that day.
- We also quickly mention other important things that are going on within the club, zone or state, and introduce all the coaches and instructors for the day.
- As soon as the morning meeting has finished, we all break into our groups with your coach, and help setup for the first lesson.
- Make sure you are not wearing any jewelry, that includes necklaces, watches, bracelets, hoops or any earrings that aren't studs under 5mm.
- Please ensure you are on time to all your lessons; it is unfair on others if you do not arrive on time.
- Arrive at all lessons unmounted with your helmet on, stirrups rolled up, hair done above your shoulders or in a plait, and holding the reins in both hands.
- Please ensure that you are courteous and polite towards our coaches. They are here to help and enable your education in a fun way.
- Please thank your coaches at the end of each lesson. As a club we really value our coaches, and your appreciation can go a long way.
- At the end of the final lesson for the day please make sure you help pack away all the jumps and any other equipment. Everyone is invited to help with pack away including riders, parents, and any other supporters looking for a few minutes of light exercise. Many hands make light work!



- Finally, please ensure your yards are clean and the manure is scattered away from the yards in an open area. Please don't throw manure under the trees.

## Kelmscott Horseland Orange Grove Dressage and SJ Series

The Orange Grove Series, officially sponsored by Horseland Kelmscott is fast approaching. We're excited to have an amazing group of sponsors supporting our events for 2025. Many amazing prizes are there to be won. Entries are now closed, but for those who have signed up, we are looking forward to having an amazing and fun day at our series.

For all members, please make sure that you complete your helper duty. This goes a long way to ensuring our event runs smoothly. There is a mandatory helper duty for all club members throughout the three series event and it would be amazing if all members could contribute as much as they can. Whether that be just doing your helper duty or supporting our committee in the office, your help is appreciated!

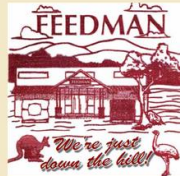


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KELMSCOTT**  
OGHPC Dressage &  
Showjumping Series 2024





A big thank you to our Series sponsors from last year. We look forward to your continued support in 2025.



**Joke of the Month**



How does a horse say hello?

" Hey! "



**Birthdays**

A big happy birthday to the following riders this month:

**January**

31<sup>st</sup> - Kaitlin

**February**

6<sup>th</sup> - Camden

11<sup>th</sup> - Charlotte

28<sup>th</sup> - Sienna

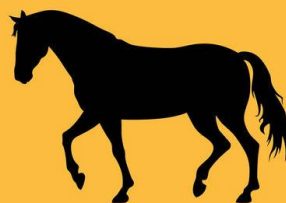


**Tip of the Month**

Please shut the gate!

When entering our grounds, please make sure you close the main gate after you drive through on arrival, and when you leave. We love our horses, and don't want them getting away! Please also mention this to any family members and other supporters who visit our grounds during the day.

**PLEASE**



**SHUT THE  
GATE**



## Upcoming Events

### March

Sunday 9th March - Rally 1

Sunday 23<sup>rd</sup> March – OGHPC Showjumping and Dressage Series, Event 1

Saturday 29th & Sunday 30th March - PCWA State Tetrathlon Championships.

### April

Sunday 6th April - Rally 2



PCAWA Go for 2&5 program

<https://www.ponyclubwa.asn.au/go-for-25-race-around-the-state-2/>

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