



# Cedar Grove and District Riding Club

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Well we have held our first dressage day for the year with success. Well done to all the riders and thank you to all those that helped.

## *President Report*

Hello horsey lovers. It has been a great start to the year. We are nearly clear of EI and finally back on our horses, (I think they like it too). First I would like to thank you all for having the confidence in me as your new president. I will do my best for everyone and hope my contributions and ideas give everyone the opportunity to try some different disciplines during the year. If anyone has ideas, opinions or questions, please do not hesitate to ask. I was pleased with our first day for the year, I'm really looking forward to our next dressage day and jumping day. It is also great to see that we have so many members, 52 at the last count, I would love to see more of you at meetings. Your support and contributions are important and much appreciated. Thanks again and I'll talk to next month, happy riding. Catherine Mackie

## *Up coming dates*

22<sup>nd</sup> March – Kids lessons  
12<sup>th</sup> April – Kids lessons  
13<sup>th</sup> April – Working bee  
26<sup>th</sup> April – Jumping Equitation  
26<sup>th</sup> April – Kids lessons  
27<sup>th</sup> April – Internal Dressage day  
4<sup>th</sup> May – Internal Jumping day  
10<sup>th</sup> May – Kids lessons  
17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> May – Dressage Clinic (full)  
24<sup>th</sup> May – Kids lessons  
25<sup>th</sup> May – Open Dressage day

The next meeting is on the 9<sup>th</sup> of April at 7pm, at the clubhouse. We have 52 members, which is fantastic and we would love to meet you all and let you have your say into the club. The best way to that, is to attend the monthly meetings.

If you use the facilities at the club ground could you please remember to lock the gates.

Thank you to all those that helped out on the dressage day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March. However we do require help at the end of the day. I realise that you are tired and want to take your horse home but we still need help to pack up.

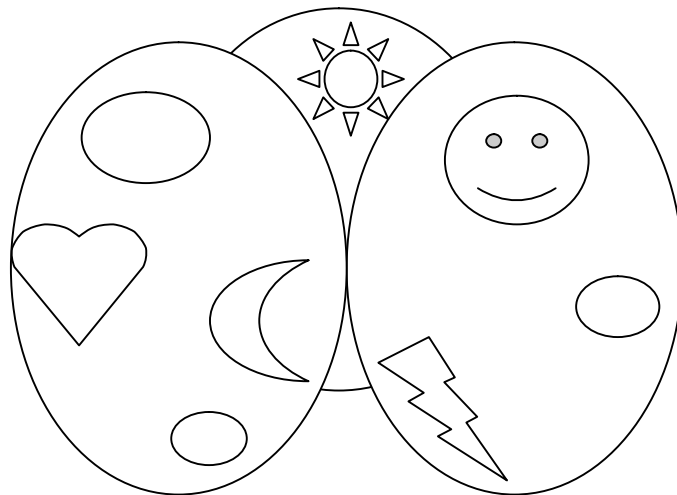
I would like to say a BIG thank you to Shire Saddlery who sponsored the Dressage day on the 2<sup>nd</sup> of March.

**Wanted**, a double horse float. If you know of one for sale please give Katreen a call on 0401594776.

We are going to start a sale page in the newsletter so please email me if you have anything that you wish to put in it.

A few of the Ladies are looking at putting out some jumps on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> march if anyone is interested. Starting at about 9am. If you are interested please let Xanthe on 55433459 or Jess on 0421 488 261 know.

Could members please email Anita on [anita\\_hangs@hotmail.com](mailto:anita_hangs@hotmail.com) with your email address and whether newsletter by email would be better for yourself? Thank you.



## *Riders Profile*

### YOUR PRESIDENT CATHERINE MACKIE

Catherine has been riding since the age of 16, but did not get serious with the sport until she moved to QLD in 1989. She joined Darra-Oxley Pony Club in 1992, where she met fellow rider and now best mate, Sylvia Nelms. Catherine competed in pony club for 12 yrs. In 1999, Catherine obtained her Level C instructors certificate, and then went on to a novice dressage judge in 2007. From 1998 Catherine was heavily involved in show horses and was very successful showing American Saddlebreds, Arabians, and Pintos. In 1999 at The Royal Brisbane Show, she won her nominated class and took out Reserve Champion Pinto Gelding, with her dual registered Saddlebred/Pinto, Wilson. Two years later the same gelding, along with her other Saddlebred Blaze of Glory, (who was the son of the Broncos mascot BUCK, and is half brother to Nancy's Junior) Catherine won a National High Point Rider Award with the American Saddlebred Association of Australia. Along with many Champion and Supreme Champion wins at Ag show and at State Level, High point awards with both Saddlebred and Pinto Breeds. In 2005 Catherine and Bill won the Club Champion award at PRARG and the New Comer Dressage award, and in 2006 Sylvia won the same award. Catherine is still doing dressage and her goals are to be an EFA Level 1 instructor and an accredited jumping equitation judge.

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