



National Capital Equestrian Club – PO Box 3458 Weston Creek ACT 2611

Did you hear about the CRC Sand Arena?

Exciting news! The old sand arena sited alongside the Barton Highway has been refurbished. This gives us a sand surfaced arena of 70m x 25m. We will be placing an arena within the arena. This refurbished arena will mainly be used for our higher level tests at our future events including the Classic War-Up on Sunday 11 April 2010.

PRODUCT RECALL - DUBLIN ONYX HELMET

The manufacturer of Dublin Onyx helmets wishes to voluntarily recall all Black or White basic Dublin Onyx helmets for inspection due to a possible manufacturing fault.



The outer shell is coming away from the foam inner mould due to insufficient gluing at point of manufacture. This problem affects only the basic Dublin Onyx Helmet in Black & White (item codes: 441218 – 441241) and does not affect Purple Onyx helmets, wick lined or leather harness versions.

The problem only affects stock made in China, not previous stock made in New Zealand. You can identify if your helmet was made in China by looking for the internal sewn in label with “Made in China” on the reverse side. If you have purchased this item since 01 December 2009, please contact the store of purchase urgently to arrange inspection of your helmet.

Note to all gear check stewards - It is recommended that for any forthcoming events, stewards ask each rider to read the recall notice and confirm they have checked their helmet accordingly before competing.

FEBRUARY 14 Training Day – Cancelled due to Rain

Our training day scheduled for 14 February 2010 was cancelled due to the severe weather. The severe weather warnings on the Friday made our minds up and we made the decision to cancel before the arenas were erected. This proved to be a fortuitous decision as it pelted down for the entire weekend. We certainly needed the rain, but could have wished it on another weekend.

A **full refund of entry monies** will be made to all competitors. We can manage the full refund as we were able to avoid the expenses normally incurred in the days immediately prior to a competition. The refunds are now being processed and your refund will be mailed to you shortly.

Coming Events

Saturday 20 March 2010 – Autumn Hack Show at CRC – DATE CHANGE!!!!!!

Sunday 11 April 2010 – Canberra Classic Warm-Up at CRC

Sunday 20 June 2010 – Winter Woollies – Official/Associate at CRC

Sunday 25 July 2010 – Young Riders Competition at CRC (up to 29 yrs)

Sunday 22 August 2010 – Masters Competition at CRC (30s & over)

Sunday 26 September 2010 – Spring Hack Show at CRC

Sunday 24 October 2010 – Official/Associate Competition at CRC

Sunday 5 December 2010 – Associate Competition Day at CRC

EQUESTRIAN AUSTRALIA – Insurance Requirements

On 1 October 2009 the rules changed for insurance requirements for EA Insured Clubs when running events. Clubs (i.e. NCEC) can run events and if members of EA or NCEC compete then they are no longer required to complete a member waiver. If non-members of EA or NCEC compete then they are now required to complete a non-

member waiver form and pay \$20 for the event to cover Day Membership to the EA – which gives insurance coverage at that event only. This money is forwarded to EA and is not retained by NCEC. No longer will members be able to claim affiliate membership to another EA run club – so if you are a member of WPCSA, TARC etc and are not a member of

the EA or NCEC – you will be required to fill in the non-member waiver and pay the \$20. Details can be found on the EA website at www.efanational.com More information is available on the day at events or will shortly be updated on the NCEC website.

“Riding: The art of keeping a horse between you and the ground. ~

Author Unknown.”

CANBERRA CLASSIC WARM-UP 2010 at CRC

Sunday 11 April will see us run our traditional Canberra Classic Warm-Up competition which is run prior to the ACT Dressage Associations Canberra Classic. This competition has both official and associate tests. This year we are using the top two tests in their category i.e. the C's and D's for Preliminary to Elementary and the B's and C's for the Medium to Advanced. We are also using the top two preparatory tests. This competition enables our local riders to get a warm-up competition in prior to the big day at EPIC. This year will see the higher level tests being conducted on the refurbished sand arena for the first time. This will assist our higher level riders with good footing and a surface similar to the one they may train on.

Entrants need to note that the insurance information on the entry form was incorrect, but the website entry form has now been updated, so please refer to this form for Insurance details.

Young Riders Competition - Sunday 25 July 2010

We have obtained approval from DressageNSW to run an extra day and we are organising a Young Riders competition. This competition covers ages from the very young to 29 years old. The age breakups for the day will coincide with our rider of the Year age groupings to enable successful NCEC members to be included in that award.

We will also be running leading rein dressage tests. This is a first for Australia. These tests will be judged under the EA rules except where they differ from the rules. i.e. dress etc. Leaders and riders will dress as they would at a show. One test is a walk only and the second test has a very small amount of trotting. The small arena size of 20m x 40m will be used for these tests. The tests will be up on the website late April.

For the unattached riders, two tests at each level from Preparatory up to Advanced will be offered. The higher level tests will be run in the sand arena.

Garlands will be awarded to the Champions at each level.

Got some news? Let us know and we can publish the details in the next newsletter.

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Your NCEC committee members are: Liz Pugh, Alison Cox, Lesley Gillis, Jacqui Knobel, Amy Little, Susan Elekessy, Dianne Burgess, Steph Debaecker and Sophie Dale and their contact details are on the web www.ncec.asn.au