



# Perth Polocrosse Club Newsletter

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## STATE CHAMPIONSHIPS

It is upon us again the main event for WA polocrosse the Polocrosse Association of WA State Championships and it will be a large event due to a selection carnival for all players who want to compete at Darwin next year at the Australian National Titles. The organizing started back in May and is on track in some areas but well behind on the fields due to so much rain and some dear people cutting up the fields in a car last week. Before that the fields had been verti drained, sanded, mowed, swept and sprayed. Hayley has the licencing all in order for the liquor and the City of Swan plus the bins. Big Help Mob has some vollies coming in to help in the kitchen. New underground power line has been laid, thanks to the State Equestrian Centre, yards sprayed (more to do) and mowing under control.

**WHEN KIDS PLAY SPORT OUR WHOLE COMMUNITY WINS!!**



## BIG HELP MOB

Simon and Mary trained it to the Fremantle Maritime Museum last month to help along with a group of vollies clean (yes Mary did clean) their artefacts in the glass cabinets. We also vacuumed and dusted the old whaling boat along with the tops of the glass cabinets. It was good fun, so after the state champs a group of members from our club are going to do another mission.





## **RSA**

To all the members who committed to doing the *Responsible Serving of Alcohol* training, thank you very much for taking the time to do it. Here is a site if anyone else wants to complete their RSA and it only costs \$12! <http://www.hia.edu.au/online-courses/wa-rsa-45/>



## **IRWIN**

Smack in the middle of the 14 consecutive days of rain Perth made an excellent showing of teams for the Irwin carnival making the standout gold a dominant colour over the weekend. In all, 42 teams played at the carnival.

New love was confronted by a nosey parker as Sharna's new flame Michael was pursued relentlessly over the weekend by Robyn Smith wanting answers. If that wasn't enough for that notorious family, Mary Day decided it would be more interesting to shower with the fellas. But alas, Robyn and Mary put in a good effort but it turned out not to be good enough to take out the Elegance and Class Award for the weekend with honours going to Tia with her celebratory 18<sup>th</sup> Medley.

Thankfully, on the scoreboard we stood out well with our C mixed coming home as convincing winners. Further points for the club came with Dean Ryan taking out champion ASH and Asher Smith winning best pony award for E grade on Bundy.

Thanks to all that came and let's hope we can have the same fun and results at South Midlands. And let's hope that Bruce Smith can work out how much fuel he will need to get his truck there this time.

## **SOUTH MIDLANDS**

Over 50 members competed from our club at south Midlands with many new members giving it a go. All a bit daunting for them and also the parents of the juniors but they did it, well done! A big thankyou to all the helpers as well. With so many members competing our coaches do struggle at times as most will play as well and times are not always in their favour.

## TWIN PINES

Twin Pines at Northam put on a great show for such a small club. The weather on Saturday was not nice with so much rain and wind. I really think it must have something to do with the federal election. Perth was represented by eight teams, the B grade came second in the finals and our D reserve won. Our captain was busier than normal as she had to watch as many games as possible which had players from our central zone (Murray, South Midland, Bruce Rock, Foothills, Perth and Twin Pines) that wish to be selected for the zone teams at Walkaway in two weeks' time

## MOONYOONOOKA

A week later six teams headed up to Moonyoonooka, they had only just got their gear dry from last weekend ..... Yes you guessed it, we had true Geraldton weather. It rained all Friday night, most of Saturday along with the gail force winds. Sunday was mostly wind. The fields were fantastic to play on, tea Saturday night was impressive as usual and the company good fun. Perth won the D grade and Dale Mateljan won best pony for C Mixed. It was a small carnival to what Moonyoonooka are used to hosting but as usual the committee and their volunteers done a great job. Now we are heading into the main carnivals with Walkaway hosting the Northern Zone Championships in two weeks.



## SELECTORS

I will explain why it is important to get your names in on time for carnivals, and I know Moonyoonooka was a hard one because it was only a week after Twin Pines which left you little time to see if your horse was ok to play and to get transport and such. The selectors understand all that. It is important that you email your names to **both Trish and Mary** in case one of us does not write it down or get your email. Any changes (can't go, can go now) after the cut off for names please contact Trish as she is the captain and communicates with the PAWA and the host club not Mary. If you cannot get hold of Trish please do contact Mary and she will find Trish.

This may explain why Mary keeps hassling you with lists of names.

- Team entry closes **9PM TUESDAY NIGHT** prior to the carnival.
- **ALL POOL AND BORROWED** get entered into the database so they are not missed, with the number of teams and players going to each carnival. For this reason it is important they are entered into the pool so the host club can match them to a team based on the email you send to

inform them.

- **AFFILIATIONS** are to occur **PRIOR** to 12pm on the Wednesday the week prior to carnival, this includes upgrades for limited players (three carnivals only). **Not the Wednesday before you play at a carnival.**
- **TRANSFERS** of any kind are to be submitted 7 days prior to the carnival that the player wants to play at.
- Make sure you put your carnival fees into the correct account and early in the week before the carnival please. The majority are great but there is the minority that are making it difficult.



## **FACEBOOK**

Just a reminder that no polocrosse member is to enter anything on face book that is negative to our game, it will be automatic suspension of your membership. This includes comments on umpires, other clubs and or any club members. If you have a question about umpiring ask our state umpire Trent Cooper or if you have a complain write a letter as he will always want it in writing. Of course positive and fun comments are always welcome.



## **UMPIRE CLINIC**

The Central Zone held an umpires school at the beginning of this month and it was very well supported with over 30 members from our zone attending. A big thank you to Trish for organizing it all.

## **WESTERN MUD RUSH**

The Western Mud Rush has been and gone. The positive side of the event is all the competitors

had a fantastic time and it was well organized. The club raised \$3660 dollars through donations from the competitors being allowed to park their cars on Gilles property and one other on Hadrill road. We also have invoiced the State Equestrian Centre for the use of our bar and club rooms so well over \$4500 raised. A big thank you to Gille and her volunteers.

## **NORM**

Many club members helped celebrate Norm Paxman's life at Pinnaroo cemetery then at his and Gloria's house on the 26<sup>th</sup> August. Norm is one of our founding and life members and a very special man not only to his family but to all the people who met him.

## **RAFFLE**

Rachel, Penelope and Eve have the raffle in hand, if your family have not donated an item can you please contact either of these ladies and do so please.

## **PHOTO**

Can anyone guess who these elderly men are?



## **ZONE TEAMS**

Congratulations on Bruce, Dean, Sharna, Tia, Jake, Eliane, Taj, Tory, Patrick, Saskia and Sophie for getting into the zone teams that will be playing at Walkaway next weekend.

## **ROYAL SHOW**

We also have Patrick, Tory, Eliane, along with Tara Chown, Louise Richards, Gus May, and Casey Crab in the Royal Show team. So if you can go to the show on Thursday the 3<sup>rd</sup> to support all our juniors it will be great experience for them. All these juniors families are hosting a Victorian junior team member that are over here to play at Walkaway as well as the show.

## **PONY CLUB**

The Pony club of WA have two large events coming up that will impact on camping and yards at our grounds. There will be campers and horses from the 25<sup>th</sup> of September until about the 9<sup>th</sup> of October. The last event is the National interschool Championships so there will be horses and visitors from all over Australia.

## **LOST PROPERTY**

I do have a Perth Jacket that belongs to someone. Maybe I got it at South Midlands or Twin Pines. Also have a couple of Perth playing shirts as well. I do recommend you put your names on both items as you guessed no names. The club still has a few Club jackets left but in the larger sizes if anyone would like to purchase. They are \$80.

## **BUSY BEE**

Please try and keep the weekend of 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> free as this is the weekend we try and get the grounds and the surrounds all sparkling for the state championships, if it ever stops raining. A few of us will be down there this Saturday afternoon mainly to coordinate what has to be done in the next 3 weeks and many members find it easier to do their jobs during the week.