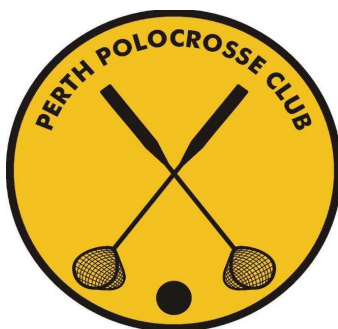


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Juniors at Albury

The WA Junior team had great success at the Australian Junior Classic held at Albury, coming 3rd out of 12 teams on borrowed horses. Also a huge congratulations to the following juniors announced for the Australian Representative Squad;

Taj Smith
Charlie Freeman
Patrick Muir
Jacob Wilding
Kacie Crabb



From left: Mitchell Tiver, Patrick Muir, Jake Wilding, Tom Keightley, Eliane Trahorsch, Tori Woodall, Kacie Crabb and Lucinda Covill with Team Coach Trish Jones. Photo courtesy of Catherine Crabb

Adrian Lester was part of the winning A grade team at Albury with Matt Davidson , Lyle Scott, Chris Sillitoe, Trent Cooper, Jeremy Thurkle .



The aim of Off the Track is to promote retired racehorses post racing and try to increase the demand for them. Among other things, they do this by sponsoring shows, events and classes for OTT horses and awarding prizes and/or prize money to the 'Best Performed Thoroughbred' at these events. Racing and Wagering WA fund this program and they are offering to sponsor polocrosse at the two zone championships and the state championships this year. More information will be available after it has been approved by state council.

Our Sponsors



The Perth Equine Hospital has come on board with the club and you would have seen the owner Paul O'Callaghan playing in the new shirts at South Midlands carnival. Some members have the new shirts too so as the old Horse Hospital shirts wear out members will be replacing them with the new ones. Paul bought the Horse Hospital practice so he is situated in Ascot but travels far and wide to see his clients.



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Australian Premium Feeds are coming on board this year to help us with our juniors and are looking to sponsor the Open Junior plus the Junior E at the state Championships. Look out for their products in all feed stores. It is usually in white plastic with their logo on it.



Did you also know Australian Premium Feeds is the only company to have conducted testing on all fodder it uses which meets **all states** legislation. Because of our rigorous testing procedures our compressed hay & chaff can be transported not only into South Australia but Victoria and New South Wales.

Club News

The club has attended Margaret River and Capel this year and South Midlands so far. Capel was the perfect starting point for some of our new players. Capel giving them game after game to play all weekend and against players of the same ability. Welcome to all our new players Georgia, Sonia, Elise, Anauk, Celine, Henry, Paul, Lance and Brodie. Have I missed anyone?

Also check out this article written by one of our new members.

<http://m.theaustralian.com.au/life/health-wellbeing/polocrosse-ball-game-for-horse-lovers/story-fnr5f5xi-1227343507680>

Coaching Clinic

As you would be aware the following Level Coaching clinic is planned for the Midwest. There is also another planned for Central and Southern at Foothills on the weekend of the 13/14th June. If you are interested please contact Mandy Marriott (Director of Coaching) dorset1downs@gmail.com to express your interest. If members feel they do not meet the below criteria but still wish to be considered contact Jane or Mandy direct to discuss.

Coaches must meet the following prerequisites

Coaches must be at least 18 years of age

Participation in the sport at A or B grade playing level and/or A or B Grade umpire for at least 2 seasons in Australia or close involvement in the sport for four seasons

Successful completion of Australian Coaching and Officiating Unit approved Beginner Coaching Course within the previous 2 years (details of this will be forwarded to all interested parties).

Coaches must possess a thorough understanding of the rules of Polocrosse

The National Coaching Director on advice from the State Coaching Director must approve applicants for Level 1 accreditation.

Coaches must be a registered member with the Polocrosse Association of Australia Incorporated through their respective State Association

Coaches must be an Australian Citizen or an Australian permanent resident

Payment of required fees

Ledge Point



On April 26th members of the Perth club took part in the 'Polocrosse in the Park' event in Ledge Point. Several members camped overnight and had the opportunity to test out the very friendly atmosphere of the local pub for dinner. Then were serenaded by Michael Abbot at the Muir camp on his trusty guitar.

There was a nip in the air that night so they were lucky to have a late morning first game which took place on the cricket pitch that Mary converted in to polocrosse field. I doubt they will be playing cricket before some serious maintenance to the pitch after a few hours of horses digging the lovely grass up.

There were lots of attractions for the kids ie bouncy castles, lolly buses and a life saving coffee vendor for Mary. The VIP tent was full and all enjoyed the demonstration, so much so that they asked for Perth to do it all again next year.

Congrats to Rachel Day for organizing such a great day.



Barastoc

Here are the winners that played as a Perth team at Warwick this month Chris Dunlop, Dean Ryan, Adrian Lester, Michael Richardson (Queensland) , Ray Miller (South Midlands, Jeremy Thurkle (Walkaway).



WA U21 Girls playing at Barastoc



Last but not Least Congratulations!!!



Jake Wilding won 2013 Junior Champion Polocrosse Australian Stock Horse riding Edenhope Elegance owned by The Lester Family.



Patrick Muir won 2014 Junior Champion Polocrosse Australian Stock Horse riding Narangullen Zac owned by Millendon Stud



Rachel Day won 2014 Division 1 Champion Polocrosse Australian Stock Horse on Balwyn Kenny owned by the Day Family.