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National Prince Philip Mounted Games Championships

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REPORT AND RESULTS

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Thank You...

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On behalf of the Pony Club Association of Queensland Inc (PCAQ) Organising Committee I would like to thank you for your participation in the **2010 Mitavite National Prince Philip Mounted Games Championships**. We were delighted to see every Pony Club Association in Australia represented at the Championships.

I must also congratulate every State and Territory represented as all team officials and representatives clearly displayed the Pony Club ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty. Of particular note were the Senior riders who assisted with the equipment for the Junior Championship. These ideals are a credit to the Pony Club movement within Australia.

The Championships also attracted significant sponsors:

MITAVITE: Provided Tshirts and caps for all line stewards and equipment stewards as well as a bag of food for each horse that was lent for the championships.

HORSELAND AUSTRALIA: Provided the beautiful championship rugs.

HORSELAND FOREST GLEN: Provided the caps for all horse handlers.

COOROY MOUNTAIN SPRING WATER, WIMMERS SOFT DRINKS: Provided bottles of water and a variety of soft drinks including the Cafe Earth range for all competitors.

I-SPY PIES: Provided pies for lunches in the Canteen.

Once again, Paul Smith showed his support for Pony Club through his photographs during the championships as well as the dinner. His website is www.paulsmithphotography.com.au for those interested in viewing and purchasing photos.

I must also thank my fellow organising committee members as these championships would not have run as smoothly as they did without the hard work they all put in. Thank you:

Zone 6: Martin Pettifer, Tonia Murtagh, Cameron Lindsay, Vivienne Lindsay, Beryl Burkhardt, Sonia Law

Zone 26: Lisa Dohle-Smith, Narelle Gilbert, John Diegan, Russell Duncan

Thanks also to the wider pony club community who generously donated their time to assist in some capacity during the championship or lent their horse for use during the day. These Championships would not have been as successful without your valuable contributions.

Congratulations to New South Wales for their wins in both the Junior and Senior Championships. We hope you enjoyed the experience of competing and visiting Queensland!

Danny Marr

President

PCAQ Inc Mounted Games Sub-Committee

Background...

It was in 1985 that the Australian Pony Club Council sought permission from Prince Philip to use the name 'Prince Philip Mounted Games' for the conduct of official National Mounted Games Championships within Australia. This request was granted in 1986 and an elegantly engraved silver cup was presented on behalf of Prince Philip to the Australian Pony Club Council for perpetual competition.

The aim was to increase the popularity of Mounted Games in Australia and to encourage active, happy riders whose success does not necessarily depend on expensive ponies – just careful, systematic training and determination. With practice and patience, mounted games helps to develop skills, horsemanship and a fabulous team spirit, which complements all equestrian disciplines.

The Itinerary...

Majority of teams arrived on Wednesday 21st July with airport transfers provided from the Sunshine Coast Airport to accommodation at the Maroochy River Coach House near Maroochydoore. All teams arrived wearing their full uniform with pride and respect. Northern Territory arrived on Thursday 22nd July and some Senior teams arrived on Friday 23rd July due to work and school commitments.

A planned excursion to the world-famous Australia Zoo was organised for Thursday 22nd July. Unfortunately the organised bus broke down and a smaller bus was sent to transport teams to the Zoo. Thanks to the good nature of the Tasmanians who volunteered to take their hire car to Beerwah so all could fit on the smaller bus. A full option of shows were provided at the zoo including an otter feeding demonstration, feeding the elephants, the Crocosuem and a Tiger demonstration. Some teams elected to take public transport back to the accommodation whilst others were content to take the provided transfer back in the late afternoon.

On Friday, bus transferred the teams to the local coast strip of Mooloolaba wherein teams could take part in a range of activities including Underwater World, Go Karting, Ten Pin Bowling, strolling the boardwalk, etc. Two buses were then available to transport teams from Mooloolaba back to the Accommodation for a brief 20 minute stop over then through to Nambour. In Nambour, teams were able to visit the competition grounds and inspect the equipment for the games.

A meeting was held on Friday night between the Chief Judge, Cameron Lindsay, and Coaches to discuss the competition.

Once again, buses transferred teams from the accommodation at the Maroochy River Coach House to the competition grounds at Nambour and return on Saturday. A celebration dinner was also held at the Maroochy River Coach House

Bus transfers were also available on Sunday to transport teams from the accommodation to the airport although some teams preferred to use their own methods to the Sunshine Coast Airport.

The Celebration Dinner...

A Celebration Dinner was held on Saturday Night following the competition. A 192 people attended the dinner consisting of 86 team members, 8 invited guests and officials and 98 family, friends and organising committee. Vice-President of PCAQ, Megan Wray, welcomed all to the dinner and efficiently officiated the dinner. Cameron Lindsay, Chief Steward and Judge, presented the New South Wales Senior Team with their Trophy whilst Sonia Law, Organising Secretary, presented the New South Wales Junior Team with their Trophy. All teams introduced themselves and Dave Harris took great pride in introducing the Australian Team who will be departing for England shortly. Paul Smith was also present to take team photos at the event. All teams members presented themselves well and spoke well when required. Another credit to the pony club movement in Australia.

The Competition...

The Australian competition generally consists of twenty-one different games over a three to four-hour period, usually without a break. The riders don't take their own horses to the competition, but ride horses provided by pony club members from the Host State. Riders use different horses for each set of three games. In other words they will ride a minimum of seven and a maximum of twenty-one different horses for the competition. Horses they have never ridden before.

The sets and games for the **2010 Mitavite National Prince Philip Mounted Games Championships** were:

Set 1: Ball and Bucket 5 Mug Race Postman's Chase
Set 2: Five Flag Stepping Stone 3 Mug Race
Set 3: Bottle Race Hi Lo Race Pony Express
Set 4: Fish Race Housewives' Scurry Hurdle Race
Set 5: Stick Pegging Mitavite Race (Spillers) Pyramid Race
Set 6: Rope Race Potato Picking Scramble Two Flag
Set 7: Balloon Bursting Canadian Race Tyre Race
Spare: Old Sock Race

The Horses...

The general consensus was a good mix of horses were provided ranging from 12.2 to 15 hands in size with a wide range of experience. Some were seasoned mounted games ponies whilst others are focused in other disciplines. This provided the riders with the opportunity to display a range of horsemanship skills in a level playing field.

Horse coordinators, Lisa Dohle-Smith and Narelle Gilbert, had the unenviable task of collating horse information, organising into groups, coordinating team saddle cloths and gear check on the day. Congratulations ladies for a job very well done!

Of course, this task would not have been possible without the contribution from the pony club community in Queensland. Thank you to the following for their horses:-

Atkinson	Buster
Badger	Boo and Gypsy
Bradfield	Libby, Holly, Doc
Brown	Domino, Lacey, Spirit
Burkhardt	Happy, Sarahbelle
Burraston	Pooh, Bobby
Davis	Ollie, Chester
Dohle	Chester, Puzzle, BlueBell
Dohle-Smith	Bandit
Duncan	Montana, Cheyenne, Sundance
Eastwell	Monte, Silverjack
Gilbert	Bess, Rosie
Kuhnert (Alycia)	Joker, Snickers
Kuhnert (Mel)	Drifter, Indy, Chief
Law	LJ
Lindsey	Casper, Phantom, Roxy, Alya
Loertscher	Manar
Madsen	Ginger
Marr	Ralph, Snowy
McLauchlin	Honey
Miller	Crystal, Misty
Moreland	Classic, Gundi
Nataile Adams	Shelly, Will
Short	Dusty, Spinifix, Jasper, Poppy, Lilly, Bundy, Mouse
Smith	Pixie
Usher	Freckles
Whear	Jacko
Youles	Heidi

The Equipment...

The equipment was made by local Phil Short from the Glass House Pony Club and the crew from Marrs Management, under the watchful eye of Danny Marr. The equipment was consistent between lanes.

The Workers...

Numerous workers were required to make these Championships happen. On top of the Organising Committee, who I have already sincerely thanked, I would also like to acknowledge the contributions of...

Alycia Kuhnert	John Diegan	Narelle Gilbert
Belinda Short	Joy Weston	Pam Jennings
Beryl Burkhardt	Kim Michael	Phil Badger
Bruce Smith	Kylie Connelly	Phil Short
Cameron Lindsay	L Robson	Phil Stanford
Carol Badger	Lara Messbauer	Rachael Law
Carolyn Favelle	Laurie Kemp	Roland Loertscher
Craig Lisett	Leane Kretchmere	Sam Norton
Crystal Adams	Leteesha Lindsay	Sean Kemp
Dale Emery	Lisa Dohle-Smith	Sharyn Davis
Darren Lindsay	Lorelle Arnold	Shaylee Kretchmere
Dean Fitzgerald	Marie Farrelly	Sonia Law
Diane Youles	Megan Robson	Sue Smith
Dianna Vanderpal	Megan Wray	Tracey Barkle
Donald Youles	Melissa Kuhnert	Vivienne Lindsay
Fran Moreland	Merill Mahwhinney	
Hilary Gilbert	Michaëlle Atkinson	

We also need to thank our young horse handlers who ensured horses were saddled ready for competitions and made sure they were fed and watered throughout the day:

Aiden Pearson	Grace Weiss	Romy McCullough
Amy Bradfield	Jamaica Atkinson	Sasha Norton
Brittany Sanker	Jordan Weiss	Tracey Madsen
Chelsea Davis	Jordie Palin	Zoe Fagan
Ella Skoupy	Leesa Eastwell	
Georgia Boor	Nathan Brown	

The Results...

The Junior Championships were won by the New South Wales team of Georgia Hope, Matthew North, Patrick Ryan, Lauren Slater and Penny Slater. The team was ably coached and managed by David and Diane Harris respectively. Only six points behind were the silver medallists from Victoria. Bronze medallions were presented to South Australia and place ribbons were awarded to Queensland, Western Australia and Tasmania.

The Senior Championships were also won by the New South Wales team of Gareth Farmer, Rhys Farmer, Zac Hope, Katie Slater, Patrick Fitzsimmons. They were also coached and managed by David and Diane Harris. The silver medallists were the Victorians closely followed by 3 points to the Queensland team. Place ribbons were awarded to Western Australia, South Australia, Tasmania and Northern Territory.

Full details of teams and the results of each game follow.

Junior Teams



<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Queensland</i>
Lizie Craine	Kimberley Baraiolo	Peter Archer	Pat Dyson	Georgia Hope	Teleeka Adams
Lousie Fraser	Tyson Heaven	Reanna Bowman	Joe Pearson	Matthew North	Tim Burraston
Harriet Haddleton	Jamie Kah	Andrea Hendrey	Kate Ross	Patrick Ryan	Ben Eastwell
Mitchell Hutton	Bobbie Lewis-Baida	Skye Ranicar	Aidan Somers	Lauren Slater	Selena Madsen
Tazma Thirley	Molly Murphy	Beatrice Tanner	Tiffany Sweet	Penny Slater	Callum Miller
<i>Coach:</i> Sean Corbin	<i>Coach:</i> Brad French	<i>Coach:</i> Barry Harper	<i>Coach:</i> Scott Cruise	<i>Coach:</i> David Harris	<i>Coach:</i> Russel Duncan
<i>Manager:</i> Natasha Ellery	<i>Manager:</i> Avon Baraiolo	<i>Manager:</i> Phyllis Pyke	<i>Manager:</i> Tim Ling	<i>Manager:</i> Diane Harris	<i>Manager:</i> Tamara Bondfield

Junior Results

Event	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place	5 th Place	6 th Place
Ball and Bucket	NSW	WA	VIC	QLD	TAS	SA
5 Mug Race	NSW	VIC	SA	QLD	TAS	WA
Postman's Chase	QLD	NSW	TAS	VIC	SA	WA
Five Flag	VIC	NSW	SA	QLD	TAS	WA
Stepping Stones	VIC	QLD	NSW	WA	SA	TAS
3 Mug Race	VIC	WA	SA	NSW	QLD	TAS
Bottle Race	NSW	VIC	WA	SA	TAS	QLD
Hi Lo Race	WA	NSW	VIC	QLD	SA	TAS
Pony Express	WA	SA	NSW	TAS	VIC	QLD
Fish Race	NSW	QLD	SA	WA	VIC	TAS
Housewives' Scurry	VIC	NSW	SA	QLD	WA	TAS
Hurdle Race	SA	WA	VIC	TAS	QLD	NSW
Stick Pegging	VIC	QLD	NSW	SA	TAS	WA
Mitavite Race	NSW	TAS	SA	VIC	QLD	WA
Pyramid Race	NSW	SA	VIC	TAS	WA	QLD
Rope Race	SA	NSW	VIC	TAS	WA	QLD
Potato Picking Scramble	QLD	NSW	VIC	= 4 th SA & WA		TAS
Two Flag	TAS	WA	VIC	QLD	SA	NSW
Balloon Bursting	NSW	VIC	QLD	TAS	WA	SA
Canadian Race	VIC	NSW	QLD	SA	WA	TAS
Tyre Race	NSW	VIC	QLD	TAS	WA	SA

OVERALL:	GOLD	NEW SOUTH WALES	121 POINTS
	SILVER	VICTORIA	115 POINTS
	BRONZE	SOUTH AUSTRALIA	91.5 POINTS
	4 TH	QUEENSLAND	86 POINTS
	5 TH	WESTERN AUSTRALIA	81.5 POINTS
	6 TH	TASMANIA	72 POINTS

Senior Teams



<i>Western Australia</i>	<i>South Australia</i>	<i>Northern Territory</i>	<i>Tasmania</i>	<i>Victoria</i>	<i>New South Wales</i>	<i>Queensland</i>
Michelle Brown	Hazel Fertier	Jessica Beckhouse	Tegan Lovell	Billie Pearson	Gareth Farmer	Tim Eastwell
Rhys Browne	Kate Maynard	Natalie Bell	Sabrina Docherty	Derk Pol	Rhys Farmer	Luke Gilbert
Ashlee Vesperman	Penny Maynard	Elisha Davies	Sarah Henley	Andrew Rodaughan	Zac Hope	Matt Gilbert
Lizzie Wharton	Shane Thomas	Jessica Steane	Sarah Cotton	Mathew Slade	Katie Slater	Peter Green
Stevie Whorboys	Brad Ward	Bianca Stimson	Samantha Gardiner	James Thomas	Patrick Fitzsimmons	Todd Patch
<i>Coach:</i> Bob Wilkie	<i>Coach:</i> Brad French	<i>Coach:</i> Rosalyn Beckhouse	<i>Coach:</i> Barry Harper	<i>Coach:</i> Richard Glenn	<i>Coach:</i> David Harris	<i>Coach:</i> Russell Duncan
<i>Manager:</i> Jacqui Dahlstrom	<i>Manager:</i> Avon Baraiolo	<i>Manager:</i> Jessica Beckhouse	<i>Manager:</i> Phyllis Pyke	<i>Manager:</i> Frank Scarce	<i>Manager:</i> Diane Harris	<i>Manager:</i> Tamara Bondfield

Senior Results

Event	1 st Place	2 nd Place	3 rd Place	4 th Place	5 th Place	6 th Place	7 th Place
Ball and Bucket	VIC	NSW	QLD	SA	WA	NT	TAS
5 Mug Race	NSW	SA	VIC	TAS	WA	NT	QLD
Postman's Chase	NSW	VIC	SA	QLD	TAS	NT	WA
Five Flag	QLD	VIC	WA	NSW	SA	TAS	NT
Stepping Stones	WA	QLD	VIC	NSW	SA	TAS	NT
3 Mug Race	NSW	WA	VIC	TAS	SA	QLD	NT
Bottle Race	QLD	SA	NSW	VIC	WA	TAS	NT
Hi Lo Race	VIC	WA	QLD	NSW	SA	TAS	NT
Pony Express	QLD	SA	WA	VIC	NSW	NT	TAS
Fish Race	QLD	WA	NSW	TAS	SA	VIC	NT
Housewives' Scurry	NSW	TAS	QLD	SA	WA	VIC	NT
Hurdle Race	NSW	TAS	SA	QLD	WA	VIC	NT
Stick Pegging	WA	VIC	QLD	NSW	SA	NT	TAS
Mitavite Race	VIC	QLD	TAS	SA	NSW	NT	WA
Pyramid Race	NSW	QLD	NT	WA	VIC	SA	TAS
Rope Race	NT	VIC	NSW	WA	QLD	TAS	SA
Potato Picking Scramble	VIC	= 2 ND NSW & SA		QLD	WA	TAS	NT
Two Flag	NSW	VIC	QLD	WA	SA	TAS	NT
Balloon Bursting	VIC	SA	NSW	TAS	WA	QLD	NT
Canadian Race	WA	NSW	VIC	SA	QLD	TAS	NT
Tyre Race	SA	WA	QLD	TAS	NT	NSW	-

OVERALL:	GOLD	NEW SOUTH WALES	131.5 POINTS
	SILVER	VICTORIA	123 POINTS
	BRONZE	QUEENSLAND	120 POINTS
	4 TH	WESTERN AUSTRALIA	111 POINTS
	5 TH	SOUTH AUSTRALIA	107.5 POINTS
	6 TH	TASMANIA	81 POINTS
	7 TH	NORTHERN TERRITORY	60 POINTS

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