



VEA Newsletter; July 2008

1. Melbourne 3DE 2008

Most readers will be well aware of the 52nd running of Melbourne 3DE in June 2008. Some of the results that earned riders points in the 2007/2008 Victorian Event Rider of the Year awards (ROTY) included:

Olivia Bunn and GV Tuscany in the CCI ***,

Andrew Heseltine on Sunbury Lodge Pandora 2nd in the CCIJ*,

Georgia Clifford riding Kolora Stud Falkrich 11, 6th in the CCI*,

Will Enzinger rode ESB Irish Endeavour into 9th place in the CCI***,

Amanda Howell riding Koyuna Tora Bora, which competed in the CCI** with Kelly Mort last year, won the CCI**!

Amanda had a good weekend with Sunvalley Donnerhe 3rd CCI*, while **Seamus Marwood** was 2nd on War Wizard in the CCI*,

Young rider **Lucinda James** came 5th in the CCI** on ESB Irish Denial,

Cassie Lowe and Bentleigh Gambler were 9th CCI** and **Sally Morrison** on In Your Dreams was one place better in 8th,

Katja Weimann and BP Gallantry took 3rd place in the CCI **.

Well done to all Victorian eventers who managed to get a horse qualified for this important event.

And well done to the work done by the committee in putting this event together. Some committee members and volunteers I saw working on cross country day included Jack and Mike Sullivan, Geri MacGregor, Mark Griffiths, Richard Mitton and

Bad luck to Yona Lloyd who after a good year on Springfield Fergus was unable to finish after breaking his collar bone.

2. Janelle Pitts and Em Anker in the UK

Em made the trip to Luhmuhlen in Germany to compete at the CCI**** after having to miss Badminton Horse Trials. They travelled over with Stuart Tinney and Vettori. Em and Balmoral Cavalier made it clear around the cross country but sadly, despite all the hard work and patience Em has put into getting Finn right, she was unable to compete on the final day.

Em was on her way home at the time of writing and Balmoral Cavalier due to follow after quarantine. Mr Showoff and Finn will be on the same flight home around the middle of August.

It seems that the team for Beijing has been selected and this should be announced by the time this newsletter is distributed.

3. Annual VEA Rider of the Year Awards Cocktail night

Tickets for this night are on sale now by downloading the form off the VEA website, www.viceventers.com.au

As well as a great chance to celebrate the year with other riders and supporters, the annual Victorian Rider of the Year awards will be presented to the Rider of the Year, Amateur Rider of the Year, Horse of the Year and Volunteer of the Year.

4. Inaugural 'State of Eventing in Victoria' forum.

VEA will host the first annual eventing forum where the many issues facing our sport

will be discussed. Stay tuned for details of the time and place.

All welcome.

5. 2008 VEA Combined Training day.

To start off the 2008/2009 eventing season, VEA is running a combined training day at Werribee Park. The day will give riders a start for horses at the venue of the Friends of Werribee Park event 3 weeks later.

This year the show jumping will feature some element of cross country in the show jumping. This may be show jumping fences on an angle or in an apex.

The handbook is missing the correct address:

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