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## **June Newsletter**

On a particularly wet, cold and windy night, a good turnout of approx 20 members attended the June meeting. After the initial business of previous minutes and treasurers reports were read and accepted and uniform queries (do we need to order more) was covered, the meeting continued with the ongoing business of the grounds and facilities development.

I am sure that many of our newer members (myself included), are unaware of the history of the development of Bennisson reserve and the efforts that CIPC and BARC have made to bring the reserve to that of an excellent equestrian facility for the benefit of members. After our meeting last night, attending members came away much wiser.

Wendy gave an excellent report of the history and ongoing development. We were given interesting details of how half the grounds are regulated by Native Title legislation, this area being where the clubroom improvements are planned to be erected (toilets, showers and eventually new kitchen). Dealing with Native title has been brought about due to the necessity to relocate the toilets as the existing block (which is on a separate title- the Bennisson Hall site) are deemed to be in a very poor state of repair and beyond a cost beneficial upgrade. Details of septic drainage (to prevent trees being affected) were given, this being one of the issues that have delayed this stage of the project. Also there have been several changes to the design of improved toilet/kitchen areas, which requires new quotes each time, this has all added to the delay. However, it has been done to try to get the most "bang for the buck", i.e. getting very an adequate and cost effective relocation/renovation that complies with all relevant legislation

Quotes for the toilet project had been received by the sub committee which had been examined and their decision to accept an offer means that the project can be started as soon as it is finally accepted by Council. Max Clavarino has been approached to project manage this and it is expected that it will commence very soon.

The disabled mounting block is almost complete, however there has to be some modifications to ensure that it complies with building regulations and specifications that are necessary for such additions to Public land.

We are deeply indebted to all our members and friends who have spent endless hours in the development of our grounds and facilities. Without creating a list and (in my usual fashion) offending those that I have inadvertently omitted, please accept our thanks.

I must, however, give special thanks to Bob Collins, who has given endless advice and guidance, as well as preparing plans for the new toilet/kitchen block at no cost to either BARC or CIPC. Bob has also ensured that we do not contravene our obligations to DSE, Shire, HRCav and PCAV by being ignorant of regulations pertaining to buildings and erections (Disabled Mounting block) on our grounds, which is a Public reserve.

To our representatives Wendy, who has been with this project since conception and has borne most of the burden and Anne, who volunteered to join the sub committee after there was a vacancy (and has been on a very steep learning curve), we also give our heartfelt thanks.

The total project still has to be completed with haste as we have been granted an extension to the original completion date due to the difficulties encountered. As it stands, the \$90,000 grant will be consumed by the planned works and there may be a shortfall to cover any overspend. BARC has agreed to cover half of the overspend and it is understood that CIPC will cover the other half. These guarantees are subject to full details of expenditure and compliance with statutory regulations.

Sponsorship has been sought and will be acknowledged with the erection of signage around the arena. This sponsorship will be \$150 per year (renewable), and it is anticipated that ten sponsors will be the recommended number selected.

Further working bees to complete grounds and arena will be needed for planting trees and shrubs (to replace those lost in the works and for beautification). Completion of kick board on arena and distribution of the excess topping at the Foster end of the arena is another task to be undertaken. In fact as a living entity there will always be some "housekeeping" activities to attend to for the club and facilities (even if it is picking up lazy people's horse poo!)



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Despite the wintry conditions we have still had a good number of members out and about, competing and representing BARC. Please make sure you get your Club Member Profile into Chris, she says there are only 4 in (so far), so don't be shy... just get it done!! The 2 teams that represented BARC at recent TTT HT had mixed success, but Corinne H's and Linkman 6<sup>th</sup> in L2 and Tracey and Layout 7<sup>th</sup> in L3 were highlights. Maree and Sophie also placed 16<sup>th</sup> in her L4, Deb and Hamish 17<sup>th</sup> L4 and Liz and Rem 20<sup>th</sup> in her L5. There were approximately 38 riders in each section with 6 in L4, well over 400 riders in all. We also had club members wearing their other club colours on the OC to assist in the smooth running of the competition (Michelle, Appy Club and Elinor, Merricks). Full results of outcomes in "Out and About".

### **Calendar of events.**

19/6	Barc rally (Janelle Dorian)]
20/6	Wonthaggi ARC Official Show Winter woolies
11/7	BARC Meeting
17/18/7	Barc rally (day to be decided according to availability of Instructors)
11/8	BARC Meeting
15/8	TTT Nav ride (see Chaff Chat) entries pretty soon!!
21/8	Barc Rally (Dressage test ride and chat in preparation for Jackpot)
29/8	Dressage Jackpot Part 1 Sale (Official)
8/9	Barc Meeting
18/19/9	Barc Rally
26/9	Dressage Jackpot Part 2 BARC (Official) Won Wron
13/10	Barc Meeting
16/17 10	Barc Rally

### **OUT AND ABOUT**

Beck and Max	2day clinic at Glenys', lovely weekend, learnt a lot. Meeniyana PC Gymkhana, 1 <sup>st</sup> Novice Rider, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Hack O16 hh, 3 <sup>rd</sup> Pleasure Hack.
Lisa and Jim	Lesson at Glenys' managed to squeeze into Saturday and had a fantastic lesson. Jim really working from behind!
Nicky and Andy	3 Clear rounds Show Jumping at Meeniyana PC Gymkhana... Woo hoo!!
Wendy and Ben	SEDC Dressage Ayr Hill, 7 <sup>th</sup> and 9 <sup>th</sup> (overall 7 <sup>th</sup> ) Jackpot
Julie and Joe	Joe's first outing at Meeniyana Gymkhana, very well behaved. 1 <sup>st</sup> Best Presented, 1 <sup>st</sup> Novice Ridden Hack, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Ridden Hack, 1 <sup>st</sup> Led Hack, 1 <sup>st</sup> Rider O18. Res Champ Ridden Horse and Res Champ Rider... Wonderful day for all riders including BARC members.
Granny Sue	took 2 little grand-daughters to their first Gymkhana. 6 ribbons each 1 Del was soooo embarrassed at being demoted to Fun Ring!!
Karen Z	Froze in Canberra watching awesome classical dressage with Philippe Karl student. Totally inspiring!!
Maree and Sophie	TTT HT 16 <sup>th</sup> L4 Sec. Meeniyana Gymkhana, 1 <sup>st</sup> Open Handy Mount, 3x 1 <sup>st</sup> , 1x 2 <sup>nd</sup> 1x4th in Novelties.
Laurel and Joey	TTT HT. had a great dressage test (were in 2 <sup>nd</sup> place) but Joey didn't like the X C jumps! Look out for Laurel on her new BIG boy Jet.
Deb and Hamish	TTT HT 17 <sup>th</sup> L4 sec. Jumped really well but dressage not so flash!



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Elinor and King Felix

2<sup>nd</sup> Melton HT L2, 9<sup>th</sup> Westcoast HT L2, 3<sup>rd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> in first Advanced test at Hill.

SEDC Dressage comp Ayr

Liz and Rem

TTT HT 20<sup>th</sup> in L 5B, completed our first HT including WATER then bucks, SJ clear too. Absolutely stoked and hooked on HT!  
Clinic at Sale & DARC with Denis Crane, Flat and Jumping. He worked us out pretty quickly and gave me some great tips to work on specific to our combination. Great Instruction, kind, calm and positive. Worth the trip over to Bushy Park (even the scenic route on the way there!!)