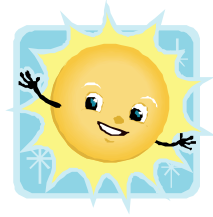
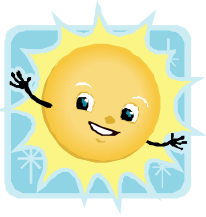


UNCLE NEV'S NEWS....

JANUARY 2006



HAPPY HOT NEW YEAR

We hope you all had a fantastic Christmas & New Year. Hasn't it been HOT!! Despite the heat it's been business as usual. The countryside dried up almost over night but that is part of our Australian lifestyle and it is Summer after all.



We welcomed the New Year with our first Navigation Ride which was held on the 15th of January. Seven pairs of riders set off, one pair at a time, following basic directions & looking for answers to their questions to make their way around a set course. They all enjoyed the challenge & did really well as there were some curly questions. A barbeque was enjoyed by everyone and the entrants compared answers to questions as their test sheets were added up. It was interesting to see how different pairs interpreted different questions & answers. Ribbons & certificates were presented after the barbeque & everyone had a great time. Placing's are as follows:

- 1st - Bryce Hall
- 2nd - Trevor & Madeline McLeish
- 3rd - Bronwen Lee & Alexandra Brunacci
- 4th - Monika Kielczewska & Stephanie Bolger
- 5th - Ron Juckert & Adele Greenwood
- 6th - Naomi Ross & Carly Stafilis
- 7th - Katrina McLeish & Terri Whitehouse

WELL DONE EVERYONE !



Our second monthly clinic was held this month. Clinics will be held on the last Saturday of every month. Two separate groups of riders enjoyed trotting over poles, leg yielding around traffic cones and refining their riding skills while learning a little more about how horses think & move. We look forward to seeing more of you at the upcoming clinics. Different instructors are being arranged, so each month we hope to have a variety of skills & techniques covered in our clinics.



Australia day weekend saw another day ride head over the mountain to the Magpie & Stump hotel. Everyone enjoyed a great lunch, a few drinks & a fantastic ride through our beautiful bush. Why not get a few friends together and book a day ride of your own!

UPCOMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY CLINIC - A general introduction to finer riding skills

When: Saturday 25th February 2006

Times: 10:00am & 11:00am (each session will be approx 45mins)

Cost: \$25 per rider. Horse hire available at \$25.

Bookings essential

TWO DAY RIDE

When: Saturday 11th & Sunday 12th March 2006

Cost: \$280.00 per rider.

Another opportunity to enjoy two whole days of riding and a wonderful evening on Saturday, which will include a mystery prize draw. That's right, one of you will receive a gift just for being part of the ride. Further details will be included in the next news letter.

Bookings essential

We hope you enjoy our news letters. If you have anything you would like included – helpful hints, items for sale etc. please contact Kris before the 20th each month on 5783 1315.



There is no secret so close as that between a rider and his horse

Robert Smith Surtees (1803-64)

