



# COR BITS

**Feedback is Welcome ...** Please send comments or suggestions to [Bob Inglis](#), COR Communications Chair.

## January, 2000

Happy New Year! Happy New Millennium! May all of you in Pony Club enjoy a happy, successful, safe future in everything you do.

Much has happened since the previous edition of COR Bits, so a recap of the last part of 1999 is in order. Here goes:

### National Rally

From all accounts, the first National Rally in several years was a big success, taken all in all. COR members, parents, Regional Officials etc are to be congratulated for their efforts, especially Sara Brown (more about her later). Teams members from Alberta wrote an interesting and glowing account for "Horses All", the newsletter of the Alberta horse world, commenting on both organization and the high quality of the horses they rode. Thanks, Alberta!

As always there were a few hitches and glitches from which we can learn, but nothing serious. Never worry about something from which one learns, is my motto.

Plans are afoot for a National Rally in Nova Scotia in 2001.

### National Quiz

As always, COR sent teams to National Quiz, held this year in Nova Scotia. While our teams didn't sweep the medals, they did have a good time enjoying down east hospitality.

### CPC Semi-annual General Meeting

This meeting was held in Toronto on November 5th, 6th and 7th, 1999. Judging by the minutes, this was a very busy and constructive meeting, with many issues discussed and decided. The Semi-Annual is the meeting at which elections are held so that National Chairs have ample time to think, plan and prepare for the coming season.

Our new National Chair, replacing Jacky Cooper, is Virginia Buchanan-Smith of WOR. For those of you who don't know Virginia, her trade marks are sanity and good manners!

Our new National Vice Chair is COR's Karol Shipley. Can you see a good team shaping up here?

Also of interest to COR members, four people from COR were elected to other Chairs:

Barbara Grimm was acclaimed as National Disciplines Chair

Daina Codlin was re-elected as National Dressage Chair

Sara Brown was elected National Rally Chair (end result of her hard work on National Rally?)

Liz Inglis was elected National Communications Chair (expect Bob to provide advice and backup)

For further information, contact Karol.

### **First "Annual" Awards Banquet**

We tried this as an experiment, thinking kids might prefer receiving awards on a special night rather than just a part of an AGM. So, on Friday November 12th we threw a dinner and dance. IT REALLY WORKED. The turnout was great. Food, catered by Nancy Codlin, was delicious and abundant - a real invitation to pig out! There were many, many door prizes to be won. We all had a great time. Many thanks to Karol Shipley and the Pickering Pony Club (table decorations), Bill Murray, Audry Robbescheuten and all the volunteers who worked hard to make this a successful evening. Before the night was half over, people were talking enthusiastically of making it an annual event for real. Anyone willing to volunteer for the committee for next year's banquet?

### **Annual General Meeting**

COR's Annual General Meeting was held at Windfields Farm on November 27th. Once again, Nancy Codlin provided catering services (delicious). Reports were received, and volunteers thanked for their hard work and dedication to Pony Club. The key piece of business at this meeting was the election of the Regional Committee for 2000. Here's the lineup:

|                                  |                     |
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| Regional Chair/National Director | Karol Shipley       |
| Vice Chair South                 | Bill Murray         |
| Vice Chair North                 | Tracey McVittie     |
| Finance Chair/Treasurer          | Elaine Webster      |
| Recording Secretary              | Audry Robbescheuten |
| Membership                       | Barbara Grimm       |
| O.E.F. Representative            | Carol Burke         |
| Communications                   | Bob & Liz Inglis    |
| Dressage                         | Nancy Codlin        |
| Education                        | Georgia Gale-Kidd   |
| Quiz                             | Robyn Van Berkel    |
| PPG                              | Linda Denis         |
| Working Rally                    | <b>VACANT</b>       |
| A/B/C Rally                      | Jan Jamieson        |
| D Rally                          | <b>VACANT</b>       |
| Show Jumping                     | Sandra Roshinko     |

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| OPCTOC                 | Catherine Burke   |
| A/B/C/D Testing        | Gwen Barnes   |
| Tetrathlon             | Carmen Cotter   |
| Properties             | Cheryl Marsella   |
| Youth Representatives  | Kevin Durward, Christy Barnes, Beth Murray  |
| Visiting Commissioners | Bruce Brown, Nancy Codlin, Helen Mackin, Sue Robinson, Sandra Sillcox, Helen Smith, Burle Summers, Toni Tompson |

### **Farewell to Big Ben**

In mid-December, Pony Clubbers were saddened to hear of the death of famous show jumper, Big Ben. A memorial message has been posted on the main Pony Club web page.

### **And into the Future ...**

The year's barely begun and we're already into the new programme. January 15 will see a Testing Forum at 8:30 am, COR Regional meeting at 10:00am and COR Executive following. The forum and Regional meeting are at Spencer Hall as usual. The Testing Forum is in preparation for the National Testing and Education Workshop scheduled for early February in Winnipeg.

The CPC AGM will be in Guelph in April. We expect that a number of COR people will attend, since it's within driving distance.

Our competition schedule is taking shape - see COR main page. We anticipate as successful a year as last year, maybe even better.

And the next COR AGM is set for November 25th, 2000.