

May 22, 2007

Education Report

Submitted by Karen MacLean, Education Chair

A/B & C Evaluation Clinic. The Birds Hill Park facility has been booked for the weekend of July 13-15. This date was chosen to allow the candidates more time to prepare for C.P.C. National Examiner, Lynn Sanderson, who has agreed to spend the weekend with us. Choosing these days over a June date has resulted in a conflict with the Beach Party show. So far only one candidate has indicated this affects them.

I would like to request the use of the MPC jumps for the clinic, thus saving the \$100 Park jump rental. I have also booked the use of one dressage ring to allow the kids to practice in the actual ring. I forgot to ask Gerry ... do I have to supply letters or do the letters come with the ring? Lindy Norris has been emailed to request use of the cross-country course and if there will be a rental fee.

I have asked the testing candidates if they would like any "clinics" to prep for testing and I have received a few responses, both being assistance in the lungeing/teaching a student phase. Danae Martin has been requested as a possible source of knowledge and I will be contacting her. If Danae isn't available, I was thinking of Amy Hawkins, Jaclyn Day, Catherine McCullaugh. Any other suggestions?

To save travel for Westman candidates, I would like to arrange a session closer to home. Amanda has suggested Terry Klassen. I would appreciate suggestions of other individuals who could assist Amanda and the others in case the Klassen's are unable to.

Robby Norris has asked if her participation in the Evaluation Clinic is mandatory, since she has participated in past clinics. Yes? No? She would prefer not to, seeing she is only testing Phase 3 & 4 of the HA.

Emergency First Aid – I have two C2 candidates needing to take this course. Some clubs might have C1's gearing to test C2 next year. Could the DC's let me know if they have any kids wanting to take this course? I could arrange a group session if need be.

National Quiz. Throughout the upcoming months I plan on communicating with our regional teams and working with them to prepare for National Quiz. This will include day trips to different facilities, allowing broader visual exposure to feeds, poisonous plants, tack, harness, farrier. I have come across a copy of the 1992 C2 Level Quiz Bank. Although its 1992! I'm sure the questions/answers would be great study tools and will copy and send out to each quiz member.

Gina Smith clinic – April 21 & 22 – Gina is in the province this weekend and clinics are taking place with some of our pony clubbr’s participating.

Jacky Cooper clinic – May 21, 22, 23 – Glenboro/Boissevain.

Amanda Penner is having Jacky Cooper, from BC, come to her place to give her some lessons to help her prepare for her A. While Jacky is here, she is willing to give lessons to a few extra kids. If you have kids who already have their C level and are looking to test up this year, you might want to get into a session or two with Jacky.

The cost is \$45/lesson. Date: May 21-23.

Monday, Tuesday AM, and Wednesday would be 45 min private flat or jumping and Tuesday PM would be X-Country and a shared lesson(1 - 1 1/2 hrs ea.)

Clinic will be held at Amanda’s place near Glenboro or at Dyck's arena in Boissevain if it's raining, with the X-C lessons being held at Will’s in Carroll.

Contact information: for more info or to book some time call Amanda at 204-827-2717 or 204-724-6950 e-mail nelson8200@yahoo.ca

If you can think of any kids who would benefit from this opportunity, please pass on this information

Manitoba Wheat Board – grain sample board – At the Examiners Clinic last week, this was discussed. Deb – were you going to call and see if we can get a set for each club or should I?

CPC Badge Program – just a reminder as the riding season gets into full swing and stable management sessions gear down...check the Badge literature and ensure your kids are being presented with badges as they are earned. Also, for those kids attending Camp, remind them to keep track of what “clinics” they participate in as they will most likely earn a few badges throughout the week, possibly Arts & Crafts, Musical Ride/Quadrille, Natural Horsemanship, Drivers Ed, etc.

Badge Competition

A badge contest will be presented by the 75th anniversary committee. Members will be asked to design a badge for the anniversary. More information will follow as it becomes available.

Fall “Seminar”. I am still hoping to organize a seminar involving a few speakers. I attended something along this line several years ago, organized by RRPC. I would like to cover some stable management topics, i.e. equine dentist, vet, equine nutritionist, etc. More concrete details will be provided at the Fall Regional Meeting.
