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Senior Camp and Regional Testing

Both the Senior Camp and the Regional Testing for 2008 were hosted by the Baldur Pony Club at Will Farm in Carroll.

The Senior Camp was a new concept for this year, based on the premise that Portage would not have room for all the kids in one place. 18 D2 – B members gathered together from Wednesday, August 20 until Sunday, August 24 for 5 days of jumping, x-c and Dressage lessons, special SM lectures and lots of SM question & answer reviews. Jackie Allen, a recent A graduate from Nova Scotia, was the main clinician, with 2 days of Dressage lessons with Suzanna Danyluk offered to all participants. All participants, parents and instructors were fed on site with parents doing the prep and cleanup.

We would like to sincerely thank the parents from the other Branches who stepped in to help when plans had to be changed at the last moment.

The camp seemed to be very popular and the kids really seemed to enjoy the lessons and even the SM reviews.

Thanks to Sharon and Earl Will for allowing us the use of their beautiful facilities and to the Baldur Dads for working so hard to get the new bathroom and shower facility ready in time.

Regional Testing was held immediately following the camp. Examiners were Susan Wensink from ABS, Lesley Cruickshank from SLOV, Danae Martin from MB and Jackie Allen from NS. The examiners were high in their praise for the facility as a testing venue. Everything was so close and no hauling was required.

On Monday we tested 5 candidates, all of whom were successful:

Brettlynn Wood	C1 Riding
Michelle Johnson	C2
Katrina Johnson	C2
Sara Berry	HB
Cailey Nichols	HB2

On Tuesday, we tested 3 candidates, all of whom were successful.

Karly Woods	C2
Sydney Hewins	C2
Katie Boisvert	C2

I can't help but feel that some of the reason for the successful testing was due to the candidates attending such an excellent clinic right before the test.

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