

Colchester Pony Club Report 2004

Registration : Registration was held Nov 2/03 . Twenty-one members registered 18 returning and 3 new.

AGM: The annual general meeting was held Nov 12/03 . Plans were made for the year .Executive for 2004 were elected .They are : Cheryl Johnson DC ,Janet Geldart ADC ,Kathy Mattocks Treasurer , Shawn Webb Secretary ,Directors Debbie Leslie Test rep ,Anne Hamilton D level rep ,Shirley LaCourciere C level rep ,Cathy Johnson Communications ,Stacey Paupin Fund-raising .

Stable Management : Lectures began Nov 30 th and continued in Jan, Feb and March at Brookfield Church on the first three Fridays of the month. D and D1 levels were taught by Shirley LaCourcierre, D2 by Kate Mattocks and Emily Dexter, C1 and C2 by various lecturers (Lauren, Margie, Cheryl, Arlene and Elizabeth).

Badges : D levels worked on Grooming and handling at Bello crest farm and Apple saddlery and Breeds at Janet Geldarts.,as well as several members participated in the regional badge weekend earning their handy horseman and Tet badges.

C level earned their blankets and bandaging badge at Bellocrest Farm .Erica and Amanda attended the regional badge weekend earning their handy horseman and natural horseman badges. Badges were given out at the end of the year to all who earned them participating in the regional activities.

Christmas Party: Thank-you to the Hamilton's for hosting the Christmas Party .Pony Clubbers enjoyed a sleigh ride and potluck at their farm on Dec 11th.

Quiz : Ten C members participated in the Eastern Shore Quiz, five C members participated in the West Valley Quiz. Katie Gloade and Emily Dexter qualified and participated as part of the Nova Scotia team that placed 6th at the National Quiz in BC on the Thanksgiving weekend.

D members participated in two Tantramar novice /D quizzes in May and Nov.

Fund-raising : Nov/03 we sold wreaths and Christmas trees supported by Bellocrest Farms; Jan /04 Tickets were sold at a Bearcats game on a dinner and Movie; tickets were sold at the Truro Raceway June /04 we hosted a Primary Circuit Hunter Show. Funds from these were used to enter quiz, rally, PPG and help with camp and testing.

Dressage : Six members participated in the regional dressage is fun show.

Camp : Camp was held July 12 -15th . Sixteen members participated with one guest from Avon Pony Club. Instructors were Jill MacPhee (dressage) Andy Wadowski (cross country) Jill Redden (jumping) Lauren Johnson(D and PPG) Jackie Allen PPG . Stable management was taught by Lauren to the C group and Erica ,Amanda ,Carrie and Beth to the D. A stable management competition was held.

Testing: Written tests were done at the conclusion of lectures in April; riding tests were done at the end of camp for D -C1 levels .Successful candidates were .Emily Webb D1, Janice Cameron, Jessica Martin, Becky Baines D1, Megan Annand D2, Marlee LaCourciere, Amanda Johnson, Crystal Weatherbee C1 . C2 testing was completed on Sept 18th by Erica Johnson and Amanda Leslie.

PPG : PPG was practiced during camp and a team formed for the PPG cup .They practiced once more at Johnson's and participated in the regional PPG competition on July 25th. The team of Amanda Johnson ,Megan Annand ,Andrea Hamilton ,Emma Geldart and Shelby Gatti placed 5th in the A division.

Rally : Regional ABC Rally was held in conjunction with the CNHP horse trials . Colchester entered a C team of Erica Johnson ,Marlee LaCourciere (pre training) Amanda Leslie ,Carrie Hoyt (starter). The team placed 5th.

Three D members participated in D Day placing 5th. Emma Geldart, Andrea Hamilton and Janice Cameron.

National TET : Erica and Carrie participated as grooms for national Tet that was held in Truro .They enjoyed the experience and met a lot of Pony Clubbers from across Canada.

Regional Dressage and Show Jumping Championship was to be held at CNHP and hosted by our club on Sept 4th but had to be cancelled due to lack of entries.

Banquet : To mark year end Janet Geldart hosted a pot luck dinner. Awards were given out for participation in club and regional activities. Regional badges were given out that were earned throughout 2004.

Cheryl Johnson DC