

Evangeline Pony Club
Annual Report 2006

Evangeline began the 2005/2006 season with a Halloween party followed by a trip to Ross Farm where we learned about fitting a harness properly. It was a great experience and one which we will probably repeat this year. We also managed to send a team of children to Truro to participate in the Tetrathlon clinic. The shooting was a little chilly, but the swim and run warmed everyone up!

Stable Management lessons started in October and ran weekly until May with a short break at Christmas. We held our cookie dough fundraiser in November and celebrated the Christmas season with a bowling party and gift exchange.

During March break we held a PPG Clinic for our members at the Greenwood Horse and Recreation Club. Later in the week we held a mini quiz at the Lutz residence with the kids teaming up in pairs. This proved to be a lot of fun and a good challenge too!

In May we attended the C/D Quiz at West Valley. This was a terrific social event for our members and a good learning experience! May was also written test time and the end of our stable management meetings. We also said good bye to one of our members who has now joined a Pony Club in British Columbia!

The first week of July we held our Pony Club Camp at the Greenwood Horse and Recreation Club. It was a very busy week with a Chris Irwin Clinic taught by Jolene Buchholz, a Dressage Clinic taught by Cheryle Cassista and a PPG Clinic taught by Michelle Smith. Daily riding lessons were given by Alissa Cue. Some of our members choreographed their own freestyle programs, which they demonstrated for the club and parents at the end of the week. Badges were also given out at this time. Camp week also saw the arrival of our new club jackets and pants!

Unfortunately, we were forced to cancel the Dressage Is Fun Show due to lack of entries. We had several people contact us to register after the deadline had passed. We would have had enough to run the show had all these entries arrived prior to the deadline. Please keep this in mind if the show runs this year. We are a small club and cannot afford to order ribbons, pay for facility rental and hire judges without a commitment from riders. Ribbons are ordered at least 30 days before the show, which is why the deadline is so firm.

This was a development year for our club and while we did not have riders for C or D Rally, we were able to send a team to the D Challenge in Truro and again in Windsor. This was a great experience for our girls and they did very well!

Our riding tests were held in July and September. We had 5 D1, 3D2, 1 C, 1 C1 and 1 B2 test. All our riders were successful in their endeavors! Congratulations to them and many thanks to their instructors Alissa and Michelle who volunteer their time throughout the year to make it all possible!

In September we held our elections and have a new executive:

DC – Lisa Messenger
ADC- Katia Canciani
Secretary – Cindy Giffen Johnson
Treasurer – Leona Conrick
Test Chair - Becky Lutz

Our web page will be maintained by Mark Buchanan.

Many thanks to Zena Rice, Cheryl Spurr and Shelley Cue for volunteering the past 2 years to serve on our executive! They continue to participate with the club and are ready to help us along as needed...

The 2006-2007 year is already off to a good start. Registration nights have been held, cookie dough order forms are circulating and our Halloween party is Oct. 30th. Our first stable management meeting is scheduled for Nov. and should be quite exciting as the fire department are coming to speak to us about fire safety in the barn!

Hope you all have a great year and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year!

Respectfully Submitted,
Zena Rice

