Bay of Plenty Area Pony Club

Champs Newsletter April 2011



This newsletter is an update on what has been happening with the organizing of NZPCA Horse Trial Champs 2011.

Countdown to Champs

The countdown to Champs 2011 is on! The cross-country course is nearly finished and the new jumps are looking fantastic

From what we've heard the selection processes around the country are going well. Don't forget that team entry to NZPCA need to be in by April 11th.

Dressage

Dressage tests will be performed in a long arena ($60m \times 20m$). Tests will be distributed by the NZPCA on 31 March.

Skits

The traditional lunchtime skits will be happening again this year on the Thursday before Champs starts.

Competition is usually fierce, so make sure you start planning as a team and come prepared to entertain – and be entertained!

Life outside the Equestrian Centre

If you manage to get some downtime while in Taupo make sure you check out some of the great activities on offer. From strolling the shores of Lake Taupo, soaking in the hot pools, or admiring the spectacular Huka Falls, there's loads of things to do once your riding activities are over. For more info on what to do in Taupo check out www.greatlaketaupo.com

Accommodation

Taupo is only 10km from the Equestrian Centre and has a great variety of accommodation options, from holiday parks to five-star.

The following venues are only five km from the Equestrian Centre and are aware that there is a Pony Club event on.

- Bayview Wairakei Resort has a special for Pony Club. Quote Bay of Plenty Area Pony Club when booking. Phone (07) 374-8021
- Wairakei Lodge (budget accommodation). Phone (07) 374-8265

Remember trucks/camping is available at the Equestrian Centre.

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