

Hunter Valley Cutting Horse Club



JAN-FEB 2009

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TRAINING DAYS

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Belltrees Station:
* 21/22nd Feb 2009
* 4/5th April 2009
* 2/3rd May 2009

PREWORKS

Bookings: Geoff Saxby
Wingen Showground
LIMITED BOOKINGS
(Futurity/Derby horses ONLY)
Sat 23rd May 2009

SHOWS

Entries: Lexie Hicks
Ph: 02 4930 1485
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Gresford Showground
22nd March 2009

Wingen Showground
23/24th May 2009
(Affiliation Pending)

Well I would like to welcome all of our club members to another great year of cutting in 2009. At our last AGM, I was again elected as Secretary/Treasurer for this coming year. I will do my very best to fulfil this position once again.

Last year was a successful year with a number of training days and shows held throughout. We were proud to donate a total sum of **\$3,000** to **Chris McCarthy** for whom we held a charity show for in November at Wingen. Along with this cheque, was another amount kindly donated to Chris from one of our club members, Hamish Lee-Warner. We would like to thank Hamish for his kind donation.

AGM

Our club recently held our annual general meeting at Belltrees Station. We had a good representation of members from our club, actually quite a few more than we have had for a few years. I would like to welcome the following office bearers and committee to our club:

President: Geoff Saxby
Vice President (1): Peter Hill
Vice President (2): Ross Hicks
Secretary/Treasurer: Sam Akers
Committee:
Lexie Hicks (*Show Secretary*)
Peter Fitzpatrick
Annette Fitzpatrick
Gottfried Schulz
Steve Museth
Trian Estatheo
Peter Shumack
Colin Moore
Blair Scott

We appreciate the attendance of our members at our AGM and especially those that were elected as office bearers and committee as their commitment to the club will ensure that the clubs continuation and the members best interests' are dealt with as a priority.

Being part of our 'working committee' may be hard at times, but be sure that the time and effort contributed towards our club is greatly appreciated!

CONGRATULATIONS

On behalf of our Club, I would like to congratulate Geoff Saxby and 'Cherry Oak' on a very successful win at the recently held 'Eastern Falls Cutting - Futurity Show' at Armidale. Geoff won the Non Pro futurity on his little chestnut gelding 'Cherry Oak' aka 'Jimmy' with a 147 in the final round held on Sunday 8th February, 2009. It is a wonderful achievement for Geoff, as he has now won a futurity on both 'Georgy Oak' and 'Cherry Oak' which are full brother and sister. Obviously a good mix of breeding and training has given him these results.

Not too far behind Geoff in the final was Michael (Spook) Neville who placed 4th on 'Cat Trez' with a 144 and Peter Shumack, 9th on 'Catmando' with a 136.

In the snaffle bit event, we seen Blair Scott place 4th on his lovely little mare 'Racketeer Smart Kitty'.

Our club was very well represented with a number of our members competing at this show, and we would like to congratulate all of them!

JUST CUTTIN WEBSITE

We are in the process of setting up our club with the well known website 'Just cuttin'. When you enter the website www.justcuttin.com.au you will see a link to 'Clubs', hopefully we will be listed in this link. We are hoping that this will be up and going in the very near future. You will be able to see any future training day dates as well as upcoming shows and any other club news. Our newsletters will also be listed on there for you to view at any time.

PIC'S FROM OUR JANUARY BELLTREES TRAINING WEEKEND

Photos courtesy of Julie Wardell



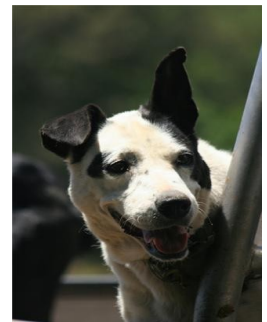
Bob Johnston



Brenden Bailey



Ross Hicks



*One of Anto Whites
'posing' dogs!*

SHOW ENTRIES

We are now taking our entries for all of our shows by a completed form returned to our show secretary Lexie Hicks, along with payment. I have enclosed a form for our upcoming show at Gresford, for your convenience.

Taking 'pre-paid' entries means a lot less work for us girls (Annette, Kay, Deb, Lexie and I) in the office on show day. It also makes it easier on competitors not having to worry about 'going to pay entries' on the day.

This entry system will not be made mandatory for our upcoming show at Gresford, but will be from the next show onwards.

CLUB MEMBERSHIPS

Just a quick reminder that club memberships fell due on the 1st January, 2009. If anyone would like to renew their membership, please forward your payment and membership form to myself at the address listed on the front of this newsletter. If you require another membership form, or know of someone who would like to join our club, contact me and I will forward one to you.

That is all from me, keep cutting...

Sam