



Gauteng Horse Society

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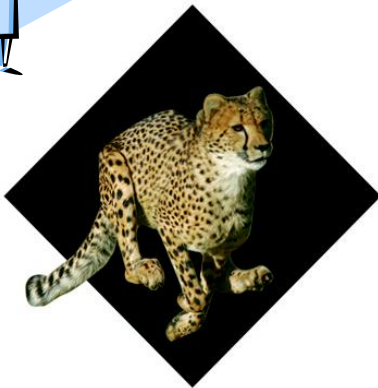


Newsletter - December 11



GAUTENG NORTH AGM & TROPHY AWARDS

Our Region had our AGM on Friday, 25 November 2011 at the Farm Inn.



Thank you FARM INN!



What a successful event! The Region expressed their gratitude to the Farm Inn for making use of the excellent facilities. Thank you to all who attended. Furthermore, thank you to all the relevant persons who sponsor beautiful Gauteng North trophies!



Eventing

Vaulting

Dressage



Reining

Jumping

The GAUTENG NORTH EXCO comprises of a total of 6 EXCO (executive) members.

A warm word of welcome is extended to the new committee for 2012!

Blue is Best! Blue needs YOU!

2012 COMMITTEE

Chairperson incl. Administrative portfolio & Newsletter - Sheleph Burger

Vice-Chairperson – Frieda Smalberger

Dressage – Caro Sykes

Equitation – Eino Vuorinen

Showing - Leoni Pitcher

Showjumping – Rika van Vuuren

Vaulting (co-opted)

Eventing (co-opted)



The portfolio of Gauteng North trophies (57) look as follow:
 10 Dressage, 11 Showing, 3 Breed, 6 Equitation, 6 Showjumping, 13 Vaulting, 3 Eventing, 2 Reining.
 Other trophies include an OOPS! trophy, Special Needs trophy & an Appreciation trophy.



THE 2011 NORTH EXCO FOR MONTHS OF HARD WORK, COOPERATION & DEDICATION DURING 2011!! YOUR EFFORTS ARE HIGHLY APPRECIATED! A SPECIAL WORD OF THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING CHAIRPERSONS WHO IS RETIRING AT THE END OF 2011 :-
JANE MORRIS-ABSON (WHO CHAIRED DRESSAGE AND WAS ALSO MY RIGHT HAND), CECILIA MICHALETOS (SHOWING), ALET HERBST (SHOWJUMPING), and KIM DE VILLIERS (VAULTING)
IT WAS A PLEASURE WORKING ALONGSIDE WITH YOU! BLUE WILL MISS YOU !!

Your Registered Region

ENSURE THAT YOU ARE REGISTERED IN THE CORRECT



REGION!!!!!!!!!!!!

This is a reminder that if you wish to change your region, there is a **window period between 15 December and 15 January during which you may change** – no changes will be accepted outside of this window period unless you have physically relocated. You can check what region you are currently in by calling GHS Office on 011 702 1657.

CONGRATULATIONS **SA JUNIOR CHAMP TEAM MEMBERS**

Dressage Open: Shelby Kleynhans, Catherine Laing, Alexandra Lynch, **Caitlin Pitcher**, Natalya Michalakis | (Chef d'Equipe – Barbie Gertenbach)

Dressage Novice: Kelsey-Jo Baumann, Victoria Conlan, Kira Lynn, Charné Raubenheimer, Amour Nel

Equitation Open: Tanya Chelin, Laurence Mowatt, Cinzia Pasteris, Cailin Fensham, Jessica O'Brien

Equitation Intermediate: Anton van Wyk, Michal Bands, Victoria Conlan, Chereen Pestana, Zoleka Mosiah

Eventing: Katie Keller, Raquel McHardy, Kimberley Lotis, Sophie Foster, **Chanté du Preez** | (Chef d'Equipe – Karen Keller)

Showing: Alexandra Lynch, Catherine Laing, **Caitlin Pitcher**, Sarah Wilkinson, Victoria Conlan | (Chef d'Equipe – Lynda Kirchmann)

Showing Challenge: Victoria Conlan, Kelsey-Jo Baumann, Abigail Tucker, Taryn Rault, Lena Lubbe | (Chef d'Equipe – Lynda Kirchmann)

Jumping Open: Cinzia Pasteris, Shannon Smith, Tanya Chelin, Laurence Mowatt, **Tamara de Jong** | (Chef d'Equipe – Rogan Asken)

Jumping 1.20m: Tayla Colley, Jason Hyslop, Claire Malone, Stuart Hofmeyer, Marelize Vermeulen | (Chef d'Equipe – Lorette Knowles-Taylor)

Jumping 1.10m: Abigail Tucker, Chantal Wybenga, Anneke Vreken, Tayla Marshall, Kimberley Lotis | (Chef d'Equipe – Chad Cunningham)

Jumping 1.00m: Michaela Demaine, **Ané Barwise**, Michele Irwin, Angelique Zeghers | (Chef d'Equipe – Jenny Ford)

Jumping 0.90m: Laetitia van de Venter, **Daniella Machine**, Charmoné Riley, Kyla Bruyns, Lucy Leimer | (Chef d'Equipe – Jenny Ford)

Vaulting: C Grade – Individual Team: Melanie Harcourt-Cooke, **James Turner**, **Shea Wright**, Karabo Mafokate

Vaulting: E Grade – Individual Team: Tannica Bentley, **Christy-Joy Raubenheimer**, Kamo Kgosi, Nkululeko Thapedi

GAUTENG NORTH DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Hi, the results are now available on the website.

http://www.bluequine.co.za/images/show_results/2011/chez_charlene_graded_dressage_show_19_nov_results.pdf

http://www.bluequine.co.za/images/show_results/2011/charvid_training_dressage_show_20_november_results.pdf

http://www.bluequine.co.za/images/show_results/2011/charvid_training_dressage_show_19_november_results.pdf

SHOWING

2011 CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS | Willows Equestrian Centre 27 November 2011



SHOW HACK / SHOW PONY
ILIZWE SILKEN RIBBONS Trophy
CHAMPION : Kyla Meintjes x Ordep Laylita

SHOW RIDING HORSE / PONY
STONYBROOK SHOGUN Trophy
CHAMPION : Stephanie Tere Blance x Liberty's Anytime Anywhere

SHOW HUNTER
ASHGAR RIVERSANDS Trophy
CHAMPION : Johann de Klerk x Devondale Yankee

WORKING RIDING
WATERSIDE FULBROOK Trophy
CHAMPION : Ashlin Raath x Yankee Bizz

WORKING HUNTER
WATERSIDE QUEEN OF THE NILE Trophy
CHAMPION : Simone Ackermann x Lorelock Who's Your Daddy

OVERALL SHOWING CHAMPION FOR 2011
GEMSTONES Trophy
CHAMPION : Kyla Meintjes x Ordep Laylita

OVERALL WORKING CHAMPION FOR 2011
LIBERTY Trophy
CHAMPION : Ashlin Raath x Yankee Bizz

OVERALL SHOWING CHAMPION (Victor Ludorum) FOR 2011
MISTY MEADOWS 'BEAUTIFUL ONE' Trophy
Leigh-Ann Herselmann x Alzu Sandstorm

LEAD REIN CHAMPION FOR 2011
MARSOLL STABLES Trophy
CHAMPION : Nika Hersensohn x

UPCOMING SHOWS/CLINICS

THREE JUDGES IN THE NORTH

Dressage show at
Charvid Eq Centre (training) & Chez Charlene (graded)

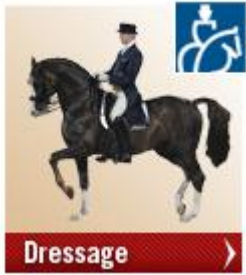
11/12 February 2012

24/15 April 2012

16/17 June 2012

11/12 August 2012

17/18 November 2012



**** Please peruse the GHS website for all other graded shows ****

www.ghsinfo.co.za/schedule.html



Misty Meadows Graded/Training Equitation shows during 2012

28 January : Equitation at Misty Meadows

http://www.bluequine.co.za/images/shows/2011/gn_equitation_champs_2012.doc

2012 shows on 10 March, 5 May & 14 July



HIGHER INTER-REGIONALS 4&5 February 2012

Higher Grade Inter-Regionals

- This show has been set for 4/5 February due the request that it be separated from LIR, and away from the busiest time in the calendar for the higher grade riders.
- It was agreed that team selection will be based on the entries received – the schedule to be adapted to advise members accordingly. The closing date would be a week earlier.
- Showing Individual Classes will be added, from which the teams will be selected.
- Window period for changing regions to be made from 15 December to 15 January 2012.



Saturday, 14 January 2012

Equitation clinic @ Zambesi Equestrian Centre
Please, contact Elaine Pestana 0825532409 or

elainepestana@hotmail.co.za



May 2012 be the year you achieve wonderful things!

Life is short.
Smile while you
still have teeth.



HAVE YOU REGISTERED FOR THE D6 COMMUNICATOR YET?

Be kept abreast of events by this useful communications tool.

[Click here to register](#)

Once you've registered, send on to your friends so that they too can keep informed – even if they're not GHS members!



God's Gift Stables

The above stables have been opened on Saturday, 15 October 2011
Gauteng North wishes Caro Sykes all the best with this new venture!



Hi Sheleph,

Kindly could you send this out to our region please ? Much appreciated, Rika

Attention all Jumpers, Jumping Instructors and Stable Yards, Please would you send me your email addresses as I have taken over the 'reins' as Jumping Chairperson and would like to include all interested parties in the formatting of a suitable selection process in order that we may be a combined united force at both the Higher and Lower grade Inter-regionals. The calendar has altered and our first competition is the Higher Grade Inter Regionals 4/5 February 2012, so there is little time to get ourselves organized!!!

Please send your details to rikavanvuuren@gmail.com ! Let's set the bar for the other regions and make 2012 a "blue" one !

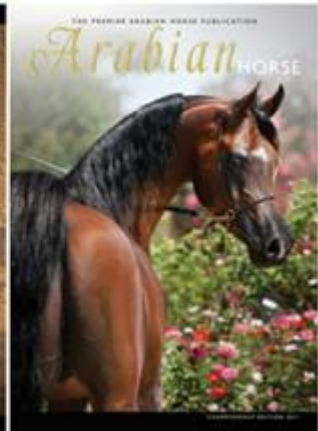
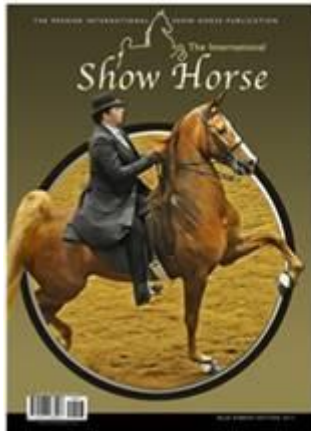
"Why do you like show jumping?"

"... Beauty and excitement. The elements of trust, talent, training, love, and danger make show jumping a thrilling and aesthetic experience. It's really the ultimate test of two nervous systems--the kinetic transfer of the rider's muscle to the horse's muscle enables them to clear those jumps. And there's nothing like it--horse and rider forming an arc of beauty, efficiency, and power, like a double helix."

"DNA," "Yes, DNA, the code to life."

Kind regards and thanking you in advance !

Rika van Vuuren | 079 326 7094



The links to the now free online copies of Arabian and Endurance Horse Magazine.

<http://www.mysubs.co.za/Arabian-Horse-Magazine>

<http://www.mysubs.co.za/Endurance-Horse>



NEW NORTH MEMBER
Welcome Christo!
GAUTENG NORTH WISHES TO
EXPRESS THEIR HEARTIEST
CONGRATULATIONS TO
SUNETTE & ANDRIES van
SCHALKWYK WITH THE BIRTH
(19Oct11) OF THEIR BEAUTIFUL
LITTLE BABY BOY ! !



BLUE is BEST - BLUE needs U!

GHS GROOMS MEMBERSHIP

GHS is very proud to present the Grooms Membership!

With the grooms membership GHS will be more representative

Equestrian sport carries an elite and wealthy image, yet the sport provides employment to large numbers of individuals. As funding opportunities arise from the Lotto, Department of Sports and Recreation, or corporate social responsibility a more holistic picture of the sport will provide additional reasons for further investment in the sport.

Most of the members of GHS employ 1-3 grooms. The provision of employee benefits is often difficult, costly and inaccessible. By consolidating the grooms population through a GHS membership, we are able to begin accessing benefits at significantly reduced rates.

The Grooms Membership is intended to develop the workers in the sport. The membership is linked to a proposing active-GHS member, who is the current employer and takes responsibility for the proof of legal employment status. The Grooms Member does not have a vote. Should a Grooms Member wish to convert to become an Active Member, this will be permitted.

To date we have identified the following important areas:

1. Personnel accident insurance for grooms attending shows
2. Participation in the protection of the constitution, rules and regulations of the society
3. Training opportunities – to improve skills and potentially engage grooms members in career development
4. Annual competitions to recognize the best groom of the year
5. Access to HIV/AIDS testing and linkage to treatment in 2010/11

Future aspects that will be explored, based on the population size and diversity will include:

- Funeral cover – we are working on this aspect, but need folks to sign-up before the policy can be economically beneficial;
- Pension funding – access to low-brokerage pension funding opportunities, ahead of the legislation requiring pension funding;
- Low-cost medical scheme opportunities, with donor and government co-funding ahead of the implementation of the National Health Insurance

GHS has managed to secure a partnership with a non-profit organization

“Right to Care” the following AIDS Benefits will be on offer:

- Right to Care will provide educational material to be posted on the website of the society for free access and download;
- Right to Care will provide GHS with access to the “Proudly Tested” 24 hour call centre line, staffed by nurses for HIV information and linkage to treatment care. This call centre will be accessible to all members of the Society;
- Right to Care will provide access to posters on sexual and prevention education to be posted on the website for free access and download and printing by the members;
- Each of the six GHS regions will receive two scheduled HIV Counselling and Testing sessions per annum;
- HIV positive individuals will be provided with access to CD4+ count testing for staging of the HIV disease;
- All participants will be offered TB symptom screening at the time of HIV testing, and where TB suspects are identified, TB testing will be offered in the form of sputum sample testing referred to the National Health Laboratory Services;
- At each testing sessions will be linked to a treatment site for all patients who are found to be HIV positive for access to antiretroviral treatment;
- Through the linkage to a treatment site, consultations and treatment costs will be provided by the Department of Health, and supported by Right to Care and USAID;
- For HIV negative men, circumcision has been shown to reduce the risk of HIV acquisition by 60%, Right to Care will offer circumcision through one of the high volume circumcision sites at Helen Joseph Hospital, Germiston, Yusuf Dadoo Hospital;
- Partner testing will be encouraged and provided at no cost.

Membership Requirements

- Grooms applying must be legally employed (with a valid work permit if a foreigner), and employed by an Active GHS member.
- A copy of ID plus ID photos must be submitted with application.
- This is a non-voting membership.
- **The cost per annum of this membership is R100 + VAT (R114,00).**