

CANADIAN PONY CLUB



Annual Report

2015

Canadian Pony Club Annual Report

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Honourary Life Directors

Pam Dillingham*
D. Kendal
Val Crowe

Adele Rockwell*
Jacky Cooper
Margo Gaglione

Barbara Kemp*
Virginia Buchanan-Smith

Honourary Life Members

Don Armitage
Guy Koopmans
Gordon Monro
John Phillips*
Sandra Silcox*
Phil Crowe*
Mary Henry
Nonie Mulcaster
Lenora Shiels*
Heather MacDonald

Deirdre George
Basil Kuglin
Maura Muspratt
Millie Pratt
Robert Smith
Crawford Dales
Bob Inglis
Jeane Owens
Gayle McPherson
Sandy Agatiello

Doris Jacobi
Elizabeth V. Mann*
Captain Mark Phillips
Adele Rockwell*
Harold Thompson
Barbara Grimm*
Liz Inglis
Dorothy Kirby
Maylea Manning

Examiner Emeritus

1992	Barbara Kemp* Trixie Montgomery	1993	Jean Simpson Dawn Ruthven
2000	Sandra Silcox* June MacGillvray Doris Jacobi Yvonne Pink Minna Renz	2009	Milli Pratt

National Chair's Award

1999	Phil* & Val Crowe	2000	Crawford Dales & Barb Grimm
2001	Alanna Palmer	2002	Carollyn Crewe
2003	Margo Gaglione	2004	John Moehring & Ken Craig
2005	Gwen Barnes	2006	Del Zelmer
2007	Mike Macbeth	2008	Liz Inglis
75 th Anniversary	Karol Shipley	2009	Cheryl Leask
2014	Kent Gudmundson		

*deceased

I. AIMS & OBJECTIVES OF THE PONY CLUB

To encourage young people to ride, and to learn to enjoy all kinds of sports connected with horses and riding.

To provide instruction in riding and horsemanship, and to instill in members the proper care of their animals.

To promote the highest ideals of sportsmanship, citizenship and loyalty, thereby cultivating strength of character and self-discipline.

II. MISSION STATEMENT

To develop competent and knowledgeable young horse persons who combine enjoyment, responsibility, sportsmanship and good citizenship with the pursuit of various equestrian activities.

III.MOTTO

Loyalty Character Sportsmanship

CANADIAN PONY CLUB BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2015

National Chair	Kim Leffley
National Vice Chair	Jane Goodliffe
National Finance Chair	Marcia Cooper
National Secretary	Maria Berry
Director – Alberta South	Colin Jorgensen
Director – Alberta Central	Debi Jensen
Director – Alberta North	Jane Goodliffe
Director – BCIR	Danica Rice
Director – BCIN	Marcia Cooper
Director – BCLM	Ian MacLean
Director – Central Ontario	Karol Shipley
Director – Manitoba	Maria Berry
Director – New Brunswick/PEI	Jennifer Hanson
Director – Nova Scotia	Alissa Cue
Director – Saskatchewan	Naomi Wilson
Director – St. Lawrence Ottawa Valley	Cat Hunter
Director – Western Ontario	Sherry Jackson
Active Member West	Maeghan Forster
Active Member East	Jessica van Nostrand
National Past Chair	Cathy Miller
National Treasurer/Supplies	Phil Crowe (non-voting)
Administrator/Membership	Val Crowe (non-voting)

REPORT OF THE NATIONAL CHAIR

If you like rollercoasters - the pace, the unanticipated, sudden direction changes that leave you spinning, the unpredictability, the thrill of the unknown, the feeling of "safe" risk, the rapid ups and downs... 2015 has been a real rollercoaster ride for Canadian Pony Club.

On the plus side, there have been some victories:

- We had a visibility at the EC convention that allowed us to educate and present CPC's value to the convention attendees.
- We began discussions regarding how to better our communications and consideration of a partnership with a University who could provide feedback to us as part of a project for their students.
- We looked at a new model of testing using Rubrics (still under development).
- We gathered information and guidelines regarding potentially adding some new activities to our programs (Western Track, Visiting Instructor Program and others).
- We undertook translation of our D-D2 and C level education materials to open new markets.
- We went live with our online clothing store.
- We started a national newsletter to share information and unite the country.
- We voted in a new structure allowing for a 3rd Youth Director, increasing our exposure to grassroots membership and our visibility to and feedback from our member.
- A successful IPE was held.
- New branches and centres were opened.
- We expanded our Horsemasters program to allow for national competition involvement and testing options.
- We saw results from our registration with the Changelit program.

But there were also great challenges:

- We lost a friend and long-time volunteer in our Treasurer Phil Crowe, and underwent a change in Finance Chairs at the same time. Thanks to commitment and dedication by Val and Amber (who both undertook Phil's roles until new mechanisms and people were in place) we navigated that transition as Elaine Webster moved into her new role as Treasurer. No change of this magnitude is without its friction points but we have weathered the worst of it and continue to move forward.
- As well, under new EC model rules, we now have no voice in our National Equine Body without paying a \$2000 membership fee - which is 10x the value we currently pay and gains us only the right to send delegates to the AGM to have input into selecting voting members who MAY OR MAY NOT represent our views. As well, rather than being supported and integrated with our Canadian Equine representative body, we continue to compete with them for the provision of youth equestrian training in Canada.
- We dealt with significant regional tensions relating to issues such as adult drinking at PC events, breach of trust and misappropriation of PC funds at a branch level, ignorance and/or wilful disregard of Testing protocols and regional governance practices resulting in destructive regional division. There has been much confusion and discontent within PC caused by some who seek to use our programs and members for financial benefit, or who have a different vision for what they feel we should be.

We as a Board have work to do as we battle this culture of "achievement at all cost", and "personal benefit before greater good". And it will take the skills and time commitment of all around this table, focused not only on our roles as liaison for our own regions, but as a national governing body, entrusted with the visioning and managing of practices and protocols for this organization, to move us forward effectively into the future. Some things will have to change, some may be added or removed, and some may move in priority, but we must move beyond the status quo as our membership numbers and member feedback tell us it is not serving us adequately in today's marketplace.

As the people chosen and entrusted by our membership to safeguard and shape this organization, we must endeavour to be an active, engaged, working body for our members, being about the business of the entire organization - not only during our limited and busily structured times together semi-annually, but as ongoing committee members, researchers, information gatherers and sharers, and voices of unity for this organization throughout the year as we seek to stabilize, build on and grow this countercultural organization in a world so desperately in need of what we offer.

We are all here because we believe in the value of this organization. As National Directors and Board members, you are all so much more than just "information couriers" back and forth to your regions. Each person at this table bring a unique perspective and skill set to the mix. This organization NEEDS those skills and talents to shape our path forward and if we are all willing to tackle the issues of the broader organization, those beyond our own borders but which impact them, we will be ensuring the continuity and relevance of a program that has shaped lives, and contributing to the improvement and efficient running of the very regions we are tasked with representing.

Section 2

Discipline Reports

Chair for Disciplines

Dressage Chair

Show Jumping Chair

Rally Chair

PPG Chair

Tetrathlon Chair

Quiz Chair

Education Report

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National Chair for Disciplines Annual Report 2015

We started our year with another successful Mini Disciplines conference in Toronto which all the National Discipline Chairs managed to attend. We consolidated all of our competition dates and venues for the year and then set dates and hosting regions for two years ahead. This small conference has been such an innovation and we can achieve so much in a short weekend.

All of our disciplines held National competitions. Dressage was hosted by Alberta Central who put on the very first competition with just the two levels, Training and First Level. It was a well-run competition which also for the first time included a Stable Management portion.

Show Jumping was hosted by Saskatchewan, and again was a well-run and exciting competition. Our new National Show Jumping Chair, Kathy Marston attended and she now has some first-hand experiences to go forward with in 2016.

Rally was hosted by Nova Scotia and they continued with the formula of a working Rally with clinicians. Participants gave positive feedback on this format so it will continue in the future.

PPG A was hosted by Alberta North with a six team lineup and Masters was hosted by Central Ontario. The International Tryout camp was hosted out in Nova Scotia.

Tetrathlon had two competitions running; one out on Vancouver Island, and one in Western Ontario. Hopefully the Tetrathlon movement continues to grow in more regions and we can work towards an actual National event.

Quiz, our largest National Competition was hosted magnificently by Alberta South over the Thanksgiving weekend.

Canada also hosted an International competition this year. The Inter Pacific Exchange was hosted by all three Ontario Regions and welcomed riders from the UK US and Australia. Hosting any International Exchange is a daunting task but everyone gave it their very best and put on a fabulous tour and made us proud to be Canadians. Our National Rally Chair, Jacqui Dennis, did an amazing job of coordinating a very successful event.

Respectfully submitted,
Jane Goodliffe,
CPC National Chair for Disciplines.

Discipline:

Dressage

National Competition (2015):

This year's National Dressage competition was hosted by Alberta Central under Regional Dressage Chair, Carla Valentine. This was the first year on the reduced format of only offering Training and First level. We also revised this year's competition to remove the Written test component in favour of Stable Management.

Results:

We had a total of 14 riders represented by 9 regions.

Division	# of Riders
1st Level	4
Training	10
Grand Total	14

Region	# of Riders
Alberta Central	3
Alberta North	1
Alberta South	2
BC Islands	0
BC Interior	2
BC Lower Mainland	0
Central Ontario	2
Manitoba	1
New Brunswick / PEI	1
Nova Scotia	1
St. Lawrence / Ottawa Valley	0
Western Ontario	1
Grand Total	14

The following are the champion and reserve champions of each division.

Division	Competitor	Region	Score	Placing
Training	Kayla Mitchell-Chadwick	ABC	74.75	1st
	Kate Carter	BCIN	72.66	2nd
First Level	Deshann Valentine	ABC	73.71	1st
	Lindsay Shearstone	COR	72.20	2nd

Sponsors include: Apple Saddlery, Greenhawk







**National Competition (Next Year):
National Dressage in 2016 will be hosted by Manitoba. First notice has been sent out and is due March 1st.**

CPC National Show Jumping Championship 2015

Saskatchewan Pony Club hosted the CPC National Show Jumping on July 23-26th 2015 in Saskatoon, SK. 11 competitors attended the event from all across Canada – Nova Scotia, Western Ontario, Central Ontario, Saskatchewan, Alberta Central, Manitoba, Alberta South, Alberta North, and Vancouver Island. We provided 6 grooms to assist all the riders. Pony clubs from our region provided breakfast and lunches each day.

The first day was arrival with a meet and greet at the hotel, swag bags, saddle pads and buckets with tack cleaning and braiding tools were given to riders. swag bags and tack store coupon were given to the grooms. Our region provided shirts for riders, grooms, chaperones, officials and committee members. Second day the riders were matched to their horse and given a lesson, with the coach for the weekend, Michele Hough. In the afternoon everyone was invited to a tour of the Western College of Veterinary Medicine at the University of Saskatchewan Campus, followed with dinner at Mulberry's. Saturday night one of our sponsors donated box seats to the RCMP Musical Ride.

The following 2 days were the competition and riders competed in 3 phases- flat, gymnastic and medal with a switch ride at the end. Riders were placed based on these 3 phases and a turn out score for each phase.

The cost of such an event for 11 competitors is high but worth all the work and expenses to have pony clubbers from across Canada meet each other and gain knowledge.

All grooms and volunteers were able to attend all the events and meals for no fee. Overall the event was well received and felt to be a success.

We had the Honourable Major Don Atchison attend our closing ceremonies and present prizes. Coolers for all horses that were donated.

We want to thank our hard working committee, officials, local pony clubs, and sponsors, without all of this support our event would not have been a success.

Submitted by: Cindy Klassen ADC for LSPC and CPC Regional Show Jumping Chair



Swag bags



Coolers for horses that were donated



Riders on their alternate horses



Coolers for top 3 riders



Some of the many prizes



1st Place: Brennan McCullagh, Stonewall, MB, Quarry Ridge Pony Club, Manitoba Region – horse Autobot & Major Don Atchinson



Top 3 riders

1st: Brennan McCullagh, Stonewall, MB, Quarry Ridge Pony Club, Manitoba Region – horse Autobot

2nd Jenna Wolos-Knopp, Saskatoon, SK, Saskatoon Pony Club, Saskatchewan Region – horse Paramount

3rd Heather David, Stony Plain, AB. Garden Valley Pony Club, Alberta North Region – horse – Skylar



Front Row L-R: Michelle Hough, Kim Hodson, Nancy Hibbert, and Cindy Klassen

2nd Row L-R: Connie Dorsch, Sue Britton, Colleen O'Hagan, Taryn Grey, and Naomi Girling

3rd Row – Shea Britton, and Ava Klassen

Absent: Sandra Huculak, Moira Remmen and Terry Klassen

National Rally Year End Report 2015 Jacqui Dennis

2015 was an active year throughout the country for Regional Rallies. A lot of the Regions will have new Rally Chairs in 2016. Good luck to them all. I'll start out listing the Regions that held a Rally and sent in a report.

BCIN- Rally was held at Topline Stables, with 10 teams entered, of which 3 were mixed teams. Eight branches sent in members and/or teams to participate this year. There was a range in age from 6 years to 21 years, many friendships were formed and lots of laughter was heard the whole weekend. As this will be my last Rally I hope that another parent will step forward to continue on with Rally. It is a Pony Club event that the members really enjoy and they get a chance to showcase the skills they have learnt. It is so wonderful to see the way that they pull together as a team, with those Captains showing leadership qualities, that will hold them in good stead for the rest of their lives. It is more than a riding event – friendships are forged, and it really does exemplify what Pony Club is all about – Character, Loyalty & Sportsmanship. Participants made it very clear, they want the event yearly.

Saskatchewan - Rally Camp 2015 was a big success! Held over 3 days, Aug. 10-12. Park Valley Pony Club hosted an awesome event held at the home of Laurel Vaadeland near Big River, SK. We had 11 participants from 3 different SK clubs (down from 14 last year) which was still a pretty good turnout. We had 3 fantastic clinicians come out to teach the dressage, x-country and show jumping lessons followed by a mock competition each day. This year we also incorporated Tetrathlon events as well, fitting the shooting, running and swimming events in during down times of Rally. The camp was jam packed with fun and learning!

Manitoba – We held both a working Rally in the spring and a Regional Rally in August. Both activities were well attended and very successful. As with some of the other Regions, we hold our Regional Rally in conjunction with a HT to help share the costs.

Alberta South - Unfortunately Alberta South does not have much to report. We had to cancel C Rally due to low numbers. I believe we had only 6 members registered. It was very disappointing as I know Cochrane Pony Club worked very hard to organize the event. We are not really sure why so few C riders are interested in Rally.

D Rally was also cancelled due to the weather.

E Rally had only 5 members participate. Again, not really sure why the low numbers.

Nova Scotia - Rally was held July 12, 2015 in Truro and was run in conjunction with Central Nova Horse Trials. Stable Management set up was the afternoon of Sat., July 11 with judging starting late afternoon and throughout Sunday. Riders competed in both Rally and Horse Trials. There were 4 teams with a total of 23 participants (16 riders) from 4 Branches. Registration was on a per person basis: \$50 grooms/captains, \$75 Entry rider, \$95 PT rider, \$100 T. Pony Club supplement the rider costs by \$10.50. Total revenue was \$1,570; expenses were \$2,407.34 (includes \$10.50 rider subsidy) resulting in a deficit of \$837.34.

Things to consider:

- Starting Rally the afternoon before the event allowed time for SM set up and course walk
- Holding Regional Rally in conjunction with Horse Trials is very effective from an organizational stand point, we only needed to coordinate SM judges and Rally scoring.

- The costs per rider and burden of additional fees is higher when Rally is held with HT however this can be reduced if PC members purchase NSHT membership as part of NSEF fees and Canadian Eventing if they are getting an EC Membership.
- The trend nationally is to hold Rally as part of a sanctioned HT event and this is recommended for NS for 2016.
- Central Nova is able to provide stabling and stalls for tack rooms which would be a challenge at Hobby Horse.
- Entries MUST be received by the deadline with payment to allow time to collect any missing information.
- Allowing time for a social activity is something to consider

BCLM- We had 71 members attend rally this year, and it was great to see members from the Island and Sunshine coast attend. The weather was great for the competition. This year BooBoo bear only appeared in the early mornings instead of on the xc course this time.

After the opening ceremonies, we held a captain's meeting and reviewed how to do trot up - this was great info and we also did Q and A for so many new captains this year.

We held a mini rally meeting one night with great input.

If any pony club members have yet to experience rally, it is a great time with lots to learn and lots of fun and friends to meet.

WOR - There was no Regional ABC Rally held in WOR this year. The Rally Chair moved out west in March and no one stepped forward to take on the role.

COR – did hold a working Rally at Woodwinds South. An excellent facility and great pony club supporters. (No report received). And also stepped forward to host a fun Combined competition and host the IPE Teams for 3 days.

National Rally - Nova Scotia hosted National Rally August 20-23 at Hobby Horse Farm.

Participation

A total of 6 teams participated with 23 members. Regions represented were: BCLM, WOR, SLOV, NB/PEI and NS.

Making it work

Although a small region, all of the NSPC Branches contributed by selecting one of the options for support (meals, money to cover cost of meals, tack rooms (horse trailers and all the supplies), etc. Branches were given various sponsorship/support options to pick from.

Within a small region it is difficult to get volunteers. Although several requests were made for volunteers to be part of an organizing committee none came forward. In the end the Regional Chair and a few parents who were asked to do specific tasks provided support to the Rally Chair. Having an organizing committee to share the work load and make sure no details are overlooked is recommended. The checklist provided within the Rally rules was very helpful.

Horses for Pool

Securing horses for the pool was a real challenge. Most of the horses came from Pony Club members. The region was only able to offer 4 Pre Training level horses and no Training level horses. Although 5 members requested to ride PT, one volunteered to drop down to Entry level. To help horse owners feel more comfortable in lending their horses' time was permitted for owners to talk to the riders to discuss their horses. For each horse there was a local PC member who was familiar with

the horse. This also eased the stress of the owners in lending their horses. Owners and coaches were permitted to be on site for the first ride after the draw – this was something that was requested and agreed to, again to ease the mind of the horse lenders. Using several horses from one owner or school horses would eliminate this. Although not all the horses had schooled the course before Rally they were given lots of time for schooling in advance of the actual competition.

A suggestion would be to have a specific CPC horse lending form, I used a combination of what I found on the CPC website and what had been used for IPE. The form should have a space for the horse owner to sign that they are agreeing to the terms of the document.

Tack Rooms

Due to space limitations horse trailers were used as tack rooms and local Pony Club Branches were provided a list of items to supply. To ensure all teams have the same supplies this list should be very specific and the supplies provided should be checked to make sure only what is on the list is provided. This will avoid the concern that some teams may have an advantage over others based on the supplies provided.

It is also suggested that each horse lender provide their own set of clean brushes as some were very particular on what brushes were to be used on their horses.

The Venue

Hobby Horse was a great venue and participants commented on the suitability. The house was at capacity with 33 people as extra parents and siblings came along. The Wades were exceptional hosts and very supportive. Having a facility that could accommodate everyone under one roof with lots of bathroom capacity and full kitchen was a real benefit.

Clinician

A highlight of the Rally was John Williams the clinician. He was excellent coach and spend a lot of time with the riders to ensure they felt comfortable with their mounts. The extra time coaching did make the schedule very tight from what was originally planned and members felt rushed in SM set up and preparing for the day of competition. As a former US Eventing Olympian and internationally recognized course designer John has very strong credentials but his personal style and level of patience with the members, officials and organizers was exceptional. NS Pony Club worked in partnership with Horse Trials Nova Scotia to bring John to the region. Following Rally John stayed and did a Horse Trials clinic which helped to reduce his costs for Pony Club. A suggestion would be to provide the clinician with the proposed itinerary well in advance to make sure the allotted time for group rides, course walks, etc. is appropriate for them.

The Schedule

As referenced above the riding instruction took longer than the allotted time making the schedule tight. Only one other clinician was scheduled and this worked well as time would not have permitted more.

Having more time for organized social interactions would have been good and is recommended. It was unfortunate that travel schedules did not permit all members to stay and participate in the social event on the Sunday.

Planning a social activity during the days of the working rally is a challenge both time wise and transportation wise.

Budget

Total revenue: \$11,007

Total expenses: \$10,935.96

Profit/Loss: \$71.04 profit

Note: Rally was eligible for a grant of \$2,000 from CPC as more than 3 provinces were represented.

Rally Day

The day of competition went well other than a thunder storm that held up the Stadium Jumping for a few hours and in the end it was cancelled and scores were calculated without this phase. The captains and grooms class were held inside with the captains class being a command type class using only 2 jumps.

The weather conditions meant that parents and others were in the stable when scores were posted. This unfortunately resulted in parents interfering and encouraging members to challenge scores and decisions of the ground jury.

National Rally Chair - I would like to thank and commend Darlene for doing such a fantastic job for National Rally. It was well organized, the clinician was fantastic and I think all the kids learned something, had fun and had a great competition. I know the lack of volunteers did make more work for Darlene and her team. Darlene's suggestions are great ones and I hope to add to "Organizing a Rally" hints and go through the rules with my committee.

I am still looking for a Region to host National Rally in 2016. COR has indicated interest for 2017 & Alberta North has indicated a willingness for 2018. Hopefully a western Region will step up and offer for 2016.

Jacqui Dennis

Inter Pacific Exchange 2015

IPE ran from July 31- August 17, 2015.

On July 2, CPC received notice that Hong Kong would not be able to participate. They had been having trouble fielding a team. At the last moment a 2nd rider declined to come leaving the team with only 2 riders. This left the tour with 4 teams each consisting of 4 riders, Team Manager and Coach for a total of 24 members. Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada attended. One Canadian & one US rider were 22 years of age.

The teams arrived in Toronto on Friday, July 31 and stayed one night in Toronto at St. Mikes College. After a visit to the CN Tower we headed off to Barrie to be hosted by Central Ontario Region. Woodwinds South was a wonderful facility with a huge kitchen/lounge for the teams to gather and eat. Sleeping arrangements were in tents-a true Canadian experience. It was nice that the adults were able to either sleep in a trailer or have cots in their tents. The second day in COR a huge storm was set to blow in. We moved all the tents inside the arena with the adults putting their cots up in the spare room in the lounge. This worked out well even with no power for a day. Although COR had trouble with finding volunteers and horses the teams did not notice. Hellaina did a wonderful job organizing and it was a great 3 days of getting to know all the teams, a fun Combined competition and local events – bowling and Kempfest. Kempfest is set up along the waterfront. It includes hundreds of market vendors, artists and food.

Next the teams were off to Blue Mountain Resort in Collingwood. A luxury resort in the Blue Mountains. IPE rented one condo with a kitchen/living area with the teams staying in the hotel portion. This gave us a gathering place to eat and hang out. While here the teams went zip lining in the mountains, did some rides at the resort, hung out at the pool/hot tub and ended the tour at the beach on Thursday, August 6. A favourite portion of the tour.

We headed back down to Toronto. While in Toronto we visited Medieval Times, Ripley's Aquarium, St. Lawrence market and added in Casa Loma. The teams were game to try different food so meals were a mix of restaurants – St Mike's cafeteria, Sushi, Egyptian, and Medieval. We left Toronto early Sunday morning to make the 2-hour trek to Olympic riders Ian Roberts & Kelly Plitz's facility – Dreamcrest. Ian not only provided the facility but most of the horses for this Short Course. Obtaining horses and volunteers was a challenge. Jen Fievet (Zelmer) did an awesome job and brought many of the volunteers and some horses. Former Regional volunteers of WOR who had committed to making the trek to Dreamcrest arrived. Since the horses were school horses the fence level had to be lowered but the competition still ended up being fun and different.

On Sunday evening, we headed to the University of Guelph to stay in residence. IPE were the only residents in the building which had a very large lounge and kitchen area. It worked out perfectly. The building was old with thick walls and the internet connection spotty. The best place in the building was in the lounge, thus ensuring that the group interacted.

The itinerary was set to either have the morning or the evening free. The teams confirmed numerous times they wanted to be busy. If there was only one thing on the itinerary for the day they asked if they could do another. Tours included Mennonite Farm Tour, a Police Tactical & Canine

Demonstration, a BBQ hosted by Bright Water Pony Club (ride had to be cancelled due to weather), Niagara Falls, Grand River Raceway, visit to 2 tack shops and a Mennonite Dinner. Friday was the free day of the tour. The teams themselves decided early on they would like to go to Canada's Wonderland. Since the budget was looking healthy, IPE paid for the bus to Wonderland and asked that each team member pay \$35 toward the ticket price.

The final competition was held at a stunning new Eventing facility – Bronte Creek.

Overall organizing the IPE has been a highlight for me. I would like to thank Dana Balfour, Kathryn Roe Guerin and Jen Fievet for being on board for the two years it took to plan. I loved every minute of the tour and feel it was a success both from a Canadian point of view and from the participating country's point of view. I am still on facebook with most team members and continue to value how Pony Club has shaped so many wonderful youths around the world.

Jacqui Dennis

Prince Philip Games

National A PPG Championships 2015:

At the end of August, Alberta North Region hosted the National A Championships here in Edmonton. Teams arrived here by the Friday (the Nova Scotia team got here a little earlier for some sightseeing) and settled into their hotel on the west end of Edmonton.

On the Saturday we had complimentary passes for everyone to attend either Galaxyland or the World Waterpark at the world famous West Edmonton Mall. After a fun day at the mall, we then met for a chilli supper in the evening. We met at the Whitemud Park which is adjacent to Whitemud Equine so that everyone would know where to come the next day for the competition. We had introductions to all the team members and their coaches and chaperones and a couple of ice breaker activities. After supper the pony profile binders were given to all the coaches so that they could take them back to their hotel/homes to plan their strategies for the next day. We also gave the visiting teams time to go through all our equipment so that they would be more familiar with what to expect in the competition the next day.

Sunday was our competition day. The weather was great but windy, so we had to improvise for a couple of the games when it came to stability of the props. All of the teams and their coaches were truly amazing to work with. Sometimes things get a little fraught in the heat of competition, but this group was fabulous to work with. We did have a somewhat difficult time when it came to recording results though. ALL of the teams except for ANR wore a navy blue shirt of some kind!! I was so thankful that I had two judges at each line and even then we had to enlist others to verify. Because there were six teams it was also quite difficult to see across the huge grass playing field so we employed binoculars too. The final results were:

1.	Alberta Central (Wild Things)	121
2.	WOR (WORriers)	98
3.	Nova Scotia	85
4.	ANR (Electric Zebras)	78
5.	BC Island (Valley Girls)	65
6.	BCLM	56

The spread of points is partly due to the large number of teams competing.

We managed to get all of our awards and prize giving (we made sure that every team went home with a ribbon and a prize) finished by 3.30 so that teams could get to the airport to fly back home.

I cannot thank my regional PPG players and parents enough. Hosting is teamwork and everyone was very supportive. The equipment crew and judges all did a fine job so that the games ran fairly smoothly. Thank you too to all of the MGA players who also lent their games ponies. Without the pool ponies there is no competition.

I would also like to commend all the riders that attended the Championships. They were patient with the slow ponies and rode the spiky ones without complaint! It was a pleasure to work with all of those talented PPG players. I truly felt that our competition embodied all of the aspects of Loyalty, Character and Sportsmanship that Pony Club is all about.

Jane Goodliffe, ANR PPG Chair.

IMGE Tryout Camp:

Hosted by Nova Scotia

- Alexis Vahey
- Danielle Henderson
- Savannah Weber
- Shayna Dyrland
- Shalom Leger
- Alternative: Dakota DeJong

Feedback from the camp:

All of the kids thought that the camp should be longer; they thought it would be helpful to have 3 days. The first day to be a warm up ride to get to know each other, and a second day for the first try out, and a third for the second try out.

2015 International Mounted Games Exchange:

Hosted by the USPC

July 12-26, 2015

Washington, DC and Lexington, Virginia

Canadian Team 2015:

- Aniela Breen Guelph PC
- Jazmin Peace-Wynter Guelph PC
- Sami Siegle Pembina River PC
- Bryson Stickland Uxbridge Scugog PC
- Alycia Zdolski Grand River PC
- Alternate: Marina Kirillovich Strathcona PC

Coach Nicole Robinson

Chaperone Sandra Radcliffe

Results

1st: Australia

2nd: Britain

3rd: Canada

4th: USA

IMGE Selection Camp Report 2015

IMGE camp went well, we had great weather and all the riders played great! Riders arrived at Rohan Wood Stables on Thursday and Friday evening. The Cue family was our host family and all the riders camped out in camper trailers at the farm. On Saturday, they helped prepare Breakfast and do horse Chores which was followed by the first Mounted Try-Out. All riders rode the same pony through a timed Matrix which was designed to have them show off their skills. They then worked on some skill specific games and then moved into interviews and lunch.

In the afternoon, the riders went to the Fundy Shore and to ONTree Adventure Park which was a huge hit. It was also a way for the riders to get to know each other and show their leadership skills and their ability to be team players. On Sunday, they participated in some unmounted team building activities and continued with interviews. In the afternoon, we had a mini meet and the judges had an opportunity to give some feedback.

I asked the riders for feedback and they really want the camp to be longer. I don't know how long the camps usually run as I just modeled off of what I saw in WOR last year but they all felt the first ride is a bit of a right off as they are all so nervous and didn't know each other. They said it would be nice to have a "Warm Up" day and then a day for the first try out and then a third day for the second try out. I said I would pass that feedback along.

It was a great weekend and all 7 riders exemplified the Pony Club motto. They were all great ambassadors for their Regions and the judges and host family were very impressed by the maturity of the candidates. A huge thank you to our National Youth Rep East Jessica van Nostrand for volunteering all weekend, the Cue Family for hosting and our judges who volunteered their time all weekend.

Alissa Cue

National Tetrathlon Report October 2015

by Pamela Piddocke

This year has seen a significant increase in the number of regions participating in Tetrathlon.

Both an East and West Invitational Championships were held.

West was put on by British Columbia Island Region and had approximately 29 participants from all over the region and a few came from BCLM region. They provided shared horses for those without or coming from a far. They put on a first-class event.

East was put on by Western Ontario Region but I have not received a report on numbers etc, but it sounds like they had lots of fun.

Also, members from WOR participated in Eastern US pony club Tetrathlon Championships event. No report received but sounded like a great time.

Several regions held either regional championships or branch events including SLOV, BCLM, Alouette, Vancouver, Glen Valley, Cowichan Valley, Headwaters, Centaurus, Guelph, BCIR sorry if I missed someone as I did not receive many reports.

MB new regional Tet chair has put a plan forward to build Tetrathlon in her area. BCLM, BCIR, WOR, SLOV and COR will continue building their programs.





NATIONAL QUIZ CHAIR'S REPORT

Submitted by Maria Berry,
National Quiz Chair

Another year has come and gone in my role as National Quiz Chair and I have gladly let my name stand for a fifth term. Due to some family health issues I was unfortunately unable to be as active as I would have liked in communicating with my very nice bunch of regional quiz chairs who on the most part work quite diligently to make sure that quiz continues to be one of pony club's best-attended and more exciting events. Now that the last surgery has taken place and my husband's recovery on its way, I feel more confident in committing to continue in my role for the upcoming year.

This year was no exception and in fact we had a record attendance with 98 members taking part in the 2015 national quiz hosted by Alberta South Region and held in Calgary at the Courtyard at Marriott Calgary Airport. The facility was exceptional and the food and service second to none. Kathy Marsden and her very capable committee made Val's and my job quite a bit simpler especially with Jacqui filling Phil's very hard-to-fill shoes in the scoring department. We missed Phil as I'm sure we will continue to do each year.

As mentioned the record number of attendees included 9 A/B teams and 17 C teams taking part, with the Alberta South C team of Tamara Booy, Katherine Smith, Edward Marsden and Mallory Goodmanson taking top honours and Tamara Booy on top with the 1st place C Individual honors. A/B team top honours went to the BCLM team of Thea Rogak, Laura Forde, Laura Mills and Kyara Hunter, while Caitlin Brast took home the AB 1st place Individual honors. For full results you can visit the website and look under National Quiz 2015.

The weekend as usual was packed full of activities which included line dancing lessons on Friday evening, a supper and western roping demonstration at an area feedlot on Saturday evening as well as a tour at Spruce Meadows on Sunday afternoon before the banquet and awards evening in the big ballroom, along with a DJ and dancing until midnight.

There weren't many glitches to contend with and when there were they were sorted out in short order. Due to the large number of entries, games on Sunday morning took longer than expected and are something that will be addressed in the future should our entry be so large that timing becomes a major issue.

This was the second year where next year's hosting committee leader or her appointee was able to attend to observe and take notes on how National Quiz should be run. Karen McInness from NB/PEI region took a lot of information home with her to Charlottetown, the host location for National Quiz 2016. As National Quiz Chair I continue to believe that the money spent to ensure that national competitions are run at a consistent level each year is money well spent. Karen took home with her a myriad of info which she will put to good use in helping her region host a successful quiz next year.

I continue to believe that changing the order of the quiz program with the written and ID on Saturday followed by the games on Sunday has been accepted as participants appear quite relieved that the "hard stuff" is done and now they can relax a bit and have some fun. It also makes for easier marking and far less chance of any errors being made.

I look forward to being able to continue in my role as National Quiz Chair should the board see fit to re-elect me. I will do my best to continue to ensure that communication is one of my key priorities which in turn ensures that our National Quiz remains a viable and enjoyable event for all pony club members and volunteers for years to come.

Testing Report

I would like to begin by congratulating our new A's for 2015.

RA Members

Mona Beckman	BCLM
Anne Marie Duarte	SLOV
Marlies Kerkoven	BCLM
Miranda Spencer	BCLM
Taryn Koreman (FR)	BCLM
Tori Morgan (OF)	SLOV

HA/SA Members

Mona Beckman	BCLM
Marlies Kerkoven	BCLM
Tori Morgan	SLOV

Full 'A' Members

Mona Beckman	BCLM
Anne Marie Duarte	SLOV
Marlies Kerkoven	BCLM

Well done everyone!

We held a Testing Conference in March hosting the Test Chair and two Examiners per region. Several new progressive changes came out of this conference improving testing accessibility through the levels. All regions benefitted from the exchange of ideas and connections developed. I would like to thank the Board of Directors for this opportunity.

We held 'A' level tests in two regions this year. BCLM hosted both RA and HA tests inviting BCIN candidates to join them. SLOV then hosted an HA and RA test. Thank you to Maple Ridge Equi-Sports Centre, Jill Diamond of Diamond Stable, Burle & Kay Summers for Canterdown and Tess at Terelisa Farm for allowing us to use their facilities.

The board has approved testing for Horsemasters. Horsemasters will be able to test all levels D through to A.

The winter has been spent reviewing a proposal to extend the flat ride stream down to D2 level. Notice will be out soon to the regions.

I'm looking forward to a busy 2016, hope you are too.

Respectfully submitted
Gwen Barnes
National Testing Chair

National Education Report

National Education has had another good year. I was in six different regions this year and would like to applaud the efforts being made by all the hard-working Regional Education Chairs and their committees who are providing a solid education to our members.

We are pleased to recognize the following members who won the CPC Award of Excellence Scholarships:

\$1000 – Alexandra Lukey, Vernon Pony Club, BCIN

\$1000 – Mona Beckmann, Mission Hills Pony Club, BCLM

\$500 – Lindsay Booy, Springbank Pony Club, ABS

We have also completely rewritten all the Study Guides and Workbooks so they are now completely up-to-date with the most current Testing Procedures. Thank you to Ellen Huckabone from SLOV for her assistance in this project. In addition, we added a B2 level. I am asking the Regional Education Chairs to survey their regions to see if there is a need for the French editions to be updated. The D, D1 and D2 Workbooks and Study Guides have been updated and a C Study Guide is ready for review.

We appear to be having better use of our National Education Grant, with more regions participating this year, which is wonderful. I have already had a number of enquiries about the 2017 Conference Grant so it is good to see the enthusiasm there.

The Canadian Pony Club Education page on Facebook is another facet of our program that appears to be growing. The page is very active and provides a variety of information on many topics from solid sources. We have just passed 500 members on the page.

One project I have been working on for the last couple of months arose out of the T & T Meeting that we had in Toronto in the spring. There, we were discussing the Required and Recommended Reading Lists; issues that were arising were cost and storage of books, books being inaccessible and out of print, old and out-of-date information being in the books, and so on. The suggestion was made that 'someone' needed to compile all the valid information into one source. To that end, I have now undertaken what has turned into a bit of a research project, but ultimately I have been more than happy with the result.

The intended audience is members who are 'A' candidates; the focus is on modern-day situations and solutions, including current research, coming from a Canadian perspective. I have included links to Youtube videos and online quizzes that will help candidates with their studying. I think this is a very good way to try and bring Canadian Pony Club into the 21st Century.

The scope of this project is quite large, but I feel that if I chip away at it section by section, hopefully it will be done in a year or so. At this point, those topics that are complete can be found on the CPC website under:

What We Do – Education - Reference Material

The intention of these resources is to be in addition to what we already have, and to support those upper level members who may be studying on their own. However, having said that, here in BC the Ministry of Education has a 5 year plan whereby all reference books and resources will

soon be online and hard copies will no longer be used in schools, so this may be the way to go for CPC, too.

I have made an extensive list of references so those books and websites can be referred to if the member is wanting even more information.

Respectfully submitted

Lezah Williamson
National Education Chair

Section 3 Regional Reports

B.C. Island Region Annual Report

1. **BC Islands Region Pony Club** had 6 clubs in 2015 including; Metchosin, Cowichan Valley, Salt Spring Island, Parksville Qualicum, Comox and Campbell River.
2. **Dressage:** Our Regional Championships took place as a part of the Cowichan valley Pony Club on October 18th. It was a success and another is planned for the coming year. 6
3. **Testing:** Regional Testing took place at Avalon Equestrian Centre in August. Four members were tested in part and complete up to C2. Susan Harrison was the senior examiner. All were successful.
4. **PPG:** All BCIR teams put in fine performances at the final regional 2015 play date. We also sent teams to Edmonton, for Nationals which all of our participants enjoyed. We intend to participate again this year. 48 members participated.
5. **Rally:** BCIR was well represented at BCLM Rally 2015 with one ABC team and one D team. Special thanks to Rally Rep Michelle White for organizing. It is our intention to send two or three teams this year.
6. **Activity Planning:** Regional Activity Lead positions for most key activities (PPG, Rally, Quiz, Badge, Stable Management, Hunter/Jumper Show) have been filled, as have Testing Leads
7. **Executive 2015 / 2016:**

District Chair- Conrad Schartau (Cowichan Valley)

1. Assistant Chair- Rupert Koyote (Cowichan Valley)
2. Treasurer- Tara Denton (Westbrook)
3. Secretary- Colleen Jansma (Westbrook)
4. Testing Chair- Colleen Jansma (Westbrook)
5. Education Chair- Louise Williams (Saltspring)
6. Membership- Michelle White (Cowichan Valley)
7. National Director- Danica Rice (Cowichan Valley)
8. Fundraising Marketing and Communications- Danica Rice (Cowichan Valley)
9. Rally Chair- Michelle White (Cowichan Valley)
10. PPG Chair- Becky Mason (Saltspring Island)
11. Tetrathlon Chair- Danica Rice (Cowichan Valley)
12. Dressage Chair- Patty John (Cowichan Valley)
13. Show Jumping Chair- Leah Partridge (Comox Valley)
14. Quiz- Shannon Buck (Campbell River)
15. Member At Large- Linda Zimmerman (Comox Valley)
16. Youth Representative- Pending nomination acceptance

Youth Representatives

Winter, Mia, Gemma, and Anna are all nominated as regional youth reps.

8. **AGM:** The Annual General Meeting was held 4th October, with the above people being elected
9. **Quiz:** Regional Quiz for BCIR was held in April at the Bradley Centre in Parksville, with 54 people in attendance / participating. We sent members to Calgary for Nationals.
10. **Education Camp:** We had a Regional Education Camp for all ages and levels at Seven Springs in Nanoose from in March. Members from every club participated and we had over 40 participants. Ages 9 and up stayed for the whole weekend and attended clinics appropriate to their levels Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday. Younger members attended Sunday only. There were clinics in PPG, Bandaging, Lunging, Grooming, Braiding, Trailering, Test Preparation and more.
11. **Tetrathalon:** Regional Tetrathalon was held last week of June at the Cowichan Fairgrounds. We had ages 7 to 17 participating in all four sections of the event. Five clubs participated in Tetrathalon including; Metchosin, Salt Spring, Cowichan, Parksville/Qualicum, and Comox. Plus two out of regional competitors from BCLM.
12. **Showjumping:** Our Regional Show Jumping Championships took place as a part of the Comox Valley Pony Club show in June, there were 12 entries. At least one member Halle, participated in Saskatchewan at National Level.



1. Photo 1 Testing at Avalon Equestrian Centre
2. Photo 2 Testing at Avalon
3. Photo 3 BCLM Rally Dressage Warmup

Respectfully submitted,

by Conrad Schartau, Regional Chair

B.C. Lower Mainland Region Annual Report 2015

As we close out 2015 and enter into our 2016 membership year our active member number continues to decline making financial sustainability a greater challenge. I imagine smaller regions have been faced with these challenges over the years and may not have been able to fund their National and international candidates as BCLM have had the ability to for many years.

Travel and participation expenses have increased over the past several years and it is essential for our volunteers, athletes, coaches and chaperones to secure sponsorship and fundraising in order to send the number of representatives BCLM has grown accustomed to.

We are ever thankful to the Agwest Veterinary Group who has sponsored our adjoined booth at the Mane Event for a second year now. Allowing us to fill our booth with volunteer members over the course of the 3 days who enthusiastically promote everything Pony Club! Next year each PC branch member will bring their club photo album making it even more personal to their recruiting efforts.



In conjunction with the Mane Event gala, we have a “Combined High point award” where members compete at both regional show jump and dressage on the same horse and additionally an award for the traditional “Three Day Eventing High Point” being the second individual High Point award presented to participating members at their tested CPC level. Gorgeous, black quilted vests, embroidered with the CPC and BCLM logos were donated by the Asmar Equestrian clothing company which were presented in front of a captive audience, by Jim Wofford, prior to his clinic session. Grand slam of PR☺!



We continue encouraging our members to participate in the BCLM regional events while participation itself in some fashion is mandatory for selection to National /International events. Resumes can take many years to build so each and every regional activity is vital for our “would be” candidates to attend in order to build upon their QC (qualifying criteria) records. I hope and believe this message is becoming a commonly known fact and that our members and their supporting families are looking ahead, planning, financially, physically and strategically to be prepared for the day they are eligible to apply for these outstanding opportunities.

In 2015, two teams representing C and the A/B team members competed at National Quiz where our amazing C team placed 2/17, while our A/B team reigned supreme for a record, first place finish in a 5th consecutive year! We are fortunate to have our “BCLM Alumni” come back to chair the quiz committee for a 2nd year, as well as head the monumental task of the 2016 regional quiz competition.



We sent two members to the Inter Pacific exchange and while the girls did well individually on preceding days when it came to the final competition they placed but did not show. We heard as many incredible stories of the extreme weather conditions as well as the top drawer facilities they visited, it was a fantastic experience and we enjoyed watching the posts along the journey. Many thanks to the hosting region, chaperones and coaches who gave of their time and energy without you, this would not happen.

National Rally was a rip roaring success for BCLM, our very competent contingent was humble leaders who happily stepped up to ride the cast off horses and turn adversity into success. Further, the Struys family has offered to head a “working” National Rally, to be incorporated into our Regional BCLM Rally 2016 or 2017 in case you didn’t know.

Happily, our PPG contingent is back up and galloping again after a 2-year drought when Chris Richardson stepped up to fill the mandatory “PPG Chair” position. Our members enjoyed an active sanctioned season locally which went towards their QC requirements to be selected for National competition.

Tet is showing some signs of life however this still seems to be a challenging discipline to secure volunteers and events. There is active talk of some clinic type events but hope of more in the way of events is desired.

Testing is run by a few individuals who give enormous amounts of their time and energy to see the process through from branch to national testing, they give of their personal time even when some have no active members involved. We anticipate capitalizing on “piggy backing” with the National “A” test moving forward, this beneficial detail has gone unutilized in recent years, so, with costs continuing to increase across the board it is ever critical to minimize expenses and maximize opportunity whenever possible.

In early 2016 the education committee has planned a lunge clinic for all interested BCLM members lead by master EC facilitator and PC National examiner Maureen Walters – ultimately geared to educate A level candidates but national and regional BCLM examiners as well.

Education in BCLM seems to be working toward being self-funding and geared to geographical pods which serve members at the C2 level and above that need direction and resources. BCLM education has traditionally been a physical and financial resource for C2 – A candidates but there has been a shift and call for all members D- A, to be included in educational opportunities. As well, individual branches are beginning to create their own C2- A programs that are reflecting success and I would guess this system must be in place in regions where geography also separates their branch members.

I would include in this section /activity our very diligent and motivated testing rep and safety officer, Brian Gavin.

Further, we would endeavor to ensure our (and your) Regional and National examiners are current with the mandatory: 1st Aid certificate, Concussion awareness, and Make Ethical Decisions courses, as per Equine Canada requirements. Additionally, that every examiner is current and up to date with 2015/16 lungeing standards and course design, resulting in safe testing practice and procedures for each and every CPC member coming before them.

BCLM continues to provide an affiliate board representative to the HCBC (Provincial Sport Organization) on behalf of BCIR and BCIN.

In closing, I welcome Tracy Carver who is transitioning into the regional chair position by 2017. She brings to BCLM a desire to revisit the CPC operations manual and bring BCLM closer in line with the Rules and Regs as they appear. As the years pass volunteers may have forgotten or do not have the time to research the guidelines and job descriptions resulting in distance and or deviation from what is required in the CPC Downloads; documents which are soundly based, relevant and should be reviewed regularly.

Best Regards, Darcie Kerkhoven and the BCLM regional board.



Saskatchewan Region Pony Club

Annual Report 2015

2015 was another successful year for Pony Club in our region. Our membership continued to be around 100 members, many of which are new, young riders, which bodes well for the future of Pony Club.

Branch testing went well, with 6 branches testing over 70 candidates from D to C1 level. Regional testing saw 8 members testing in late August. We had examiners from BC and Alberta come to examine these riders. This was a learning for all involved. For the first time in Saskatchewan, a re-test was offered in October for those who qualified to try again.

The Western College of Veterinary Medicine once again hosted its annual Equine Education Day. This is always a highlight for Pony Club members, especially the younger ones. It fits very nicely as an add-on to our Stable Management program.

Branches also volunteered to work in our Pony Club booth at the Equine Expo in February. This is always a good way to let people know about the program, and hopefully dig up new members.

The high-light of our year was hosting the National Show-jumping Championships. We had a terrific committee, and we were very proud of the event that we put together. We had 11 riders, excellent weather, great horses, a wonderful group of volunteers, and lots of fun!!! We are now beginning to look ahead to hosting National Quiz in a few years.

Another great riding year is in the books!!



Central Ontario Region Pony Club 2015 Annual Report

COR's Year in Review:

March: Regional Youth Education Conference

April: Regional Quiz

May: Dressage Qualifier, PPG Meet #1, Working Rally

June: PPG Meet #2 & #3

July: Fun Rally, Show Jumping Qualifier, Dressage Qualifier

August: Le Trec, Hosting IPE, Hosting PPG Masters

September: Dressage Finals, Show Jumping Finals

October: Members to National Quiz, Regional Banquet

December: Regional Annual General Meeting

The year may have its busy times, but it seems like no time is down time in Pony Club! Before heading into show season, Central Ontario Region hosted its second Educational Youth Conference. This brought together 100 members and their parents to be engaged with various aspects of the equine industry: hoof dissection, technical rescue, SPCA, polo and dentistry were popular sessions, and Pony Club alumni were featured as panelists to share what they've done since being members.

If a family wanted to fill every weekend with something horsey, it wouldn't be difficult: Regional Quiz, a three-meet PPG series, qualifiers and a final for each of Dressage and Show Jumping, Fun and Working Rally, Tetrathlon events in WOR and COR, and a most-fun Le Trec event keep our members busy! This year, we added a weekend of hosting the Inter Pacific Exchange teams in our backyard – literally.

For its recipient of the 2015 Ontario Equestrian Federation "People Make a Difference" award, COR chose Nancy Codlin. Her work on the conference in 2014 and 2015 really helped to maintain Pony Club's place in the industry, connecting our members with representatives from various fields.

Education

COR held a very successful second-year-in-a-row 2015 Youth Education Conference in the spring that saw members from across the region and neighbouring WOR as well. COR's annual Working Rally weekend was again a popular place to be. Members bring their mounts for lessons on the flat, over fences and on cross, and take part in stable management lessons. For those who don't already take care of the horses from dawn to dusk, this is a weekend full of learning!

Membership

With 181 members to close the year, 2015 is lower than any year previously, but shows a loyal following. The proportion of new members is at the same level as 2013, and the older members are staying with the organization.

Testing

	2014	2015
Number of Clubs/Centres that tested	14	10
Number of Testing Sessions this year	36	22
How many examiners tested our members	18	16
Number of Novice Examiner Assists	6	9
Total Number of members tested	107	81
Did not meet standard, or did not finish	4	2

COR Disciplines in Photos



Nova Scotia Pony Club 2015 Annual Report Regional Chair Report

We ended the year with 138 members, which is a significant decrease from 2014. We had a full program this year that was enjoyed by our members. Our 3rd annual regional camp was a success with several branches participating. Our volunteers worked diligently to support the youth in their activities. We had an increase in members participating at a national level and there appears to be more awareness among our members regarding national events with a desire to set this as their goal. We hosted National Rally this summer and our committee worked long hours to put together an event that was very successful. Our discipline chairs and committee chairs have provided annual reports that are included below.

Respectfully submitted,
Valerie McDermott, NS Reg Chair

National Director 2015 Annual Report

Things have been fairly quiet over the summer months with everyone busy with Regional and National Events. National Fees remain the same this year at \$80.00. National is taking applications for a new East Youth Member. If you have a member in your club that is 18 years old and interested in this two year position, I encourage them to check out the CPC website for more information. This is an excellent opportunity for members to see the country and meet CPC Youth. If anyone has any issues they want brought forward to SAM in November, please send them my way as I am compiling a list. It is also with a heavy heart that we remember Phil Crowe who passed away recently. He was a great supporter of pony club and embodied the spirit of CPC 4 Life. He will be greatly missed by both the whole CPC family as well as his own. As a result of Phil's sudden passing, things may be a bit slower in the National Office as Val spends some time with her family.

Respectfully Submitted Alissa Cue

Discipline and Committee Annual Reports

Communications 2015 Annual Report

As we start a new membership year I would like us to resurrect the newsletter and use a new format e-news!!!

It is done thru an email database...some programs are available free of charge and we take all our events and send out one mass e-newsletter and as we get busier...it is a greater communications tool for the Region. It also takes some of the burden off our branch DC and executive for event reminders...

Registration forms and links to CPC and the NSPC website can be inserted...current event pictures can be circulated to celebrate the many successes we have in the Region.

Respectfully submitted, Valerie McDermott

Dressage 2015 Annual Report

Regional Dressage was held on July 4th, 2015 and hosted by Annapolis Pony Club. The club put on an impressive show and the weather was beautiful for the day of competition. 30 pony clubbers from 5 clubs participated in 5 levels: Entry, Starter, Pretraining, Training and 1st Level. This number was more than double the entries in the previous few years. Exciting to see this amount of participation in NS.

We had only one member qualify for Nationals in 2016 in the 1st level division out of 5 participants and that is Samantha Symonds from Annapolis Pony Club. Congratulations Samantha! Our qualifier in the Training division was Ariel Boesener, also from Annapolis with some impressive scores. We also had 7 other participants who potentially are eligible for Nationals in the training division for the 2016 National Event in the event our champion is unable to attend. They are as follows according to placings but eligibility according to age and PC Level will have to be verified: Hayleigh Stewart, Esme Hudson, Halie Sproul, Sydney Milne, Mirah Stultz, Alexandra Hutchings, Ryanne Doherty. We had Delaney McKenzie also participate with impressive scores but would be ineligible to participate at Nationals in 2016 in the Training Division due to her participation at Nationals in 2015.

The day ran very smoothly and the club was able to manage running the show at a profit partly due to the number of entries. Great Job. 2016 Regional Dressage is open to any club that wishes to take on the show as a club fundraiser. Please contact me if you would like to take this on in your club.

At the National Level we only had one NS participant attend in Calgary mid July. Delaney McKenzie from Annapolis Pony Club. Delaney was the runner up to Champion by scores and eligibility in 2014 and was willing to participate after our Champion, Dawson Boesener was unable to attend. Jennika Fuller who qualified in 2014 also for 2015 Nationals in the 1st Level division was unable to attend Nationals in 2015 due to a conflict in dates. Delaney represented NS well with a 3rd place finish.

Changes to the National Event this year was the replacement of the written test with a stable management phase as well as a clinic prior to riding any test after the horse selection which by all accounts was very well received. Further changes are being reviewed with a request from the National Chair to provide feedback and/or suggestions. If you would like to see any changes to the format of either our Regional Event based on qualifications or at the National Level to improve knowledge and experience please contact me so that we can discuss.

Biggest challenge this year remained the travel and eligibility requires for chaperones.

Respectfully Submitted:

Kim Stewart,

NS Regional Dressage Chair

Fundraising 2015 Annual Report

The NSEF Sunsweep tickets will be available for clubs to sell again in 2015 thru NSEF.

A Nova Coffee fundraiser is still available for branches to run and take advantage of the Nova Coffee partnership.

Many branches do individual fundraisers in many shapes and forms from EC shows, Hunter/Jumper clinics to auctions and the favorite tickets sales on lobsters, goody baskets.

Remember when you are running these fundraisers in your branch communities to also have the promotional material about NSPC on hand to distribute and promote your branch.

We have been looking at a CPC/NSPC license plate for a fundraiser.

The license plates can be ordered, I can have a sample made for everyone to see it for the next meeting

Respectfully submitted, Valerie McDermott
NSPC Fundraising Chair

Membership 2015 Annual report

Nova Scotia Pony Club finished off the 2015 membership year with 138 Members. Annapolis - 26 Avon - 33 Evangeline - 31 Opportunity - 10 South Colchester - 9 Tantramar - 14 West Valley - 15 our region suffered another year of declining membership this past year.

On the Promotions side, branches were encouraged to put up posters/leaflets from the CPC website downloads in their areas and to look for media opportunities. This is certainly an area that could be expanded although word of mouth can be effective also. This may be an opportune time to promote CPC Centres to local stables should the Region wish to do so.

Respectfully submitted
Margie Johnson

PPG 2015 Annual Report

Nova Scotia PPG had its best season since I took over as Chair. We had our biggest turn out at our Regional Zones which may mean that PPG is gaining in popularity. We sent one team to National Masters PPG in Ontario. Alissa Cue was the coach and the team consisted of Hannah Benedict from Avon and Halie Sproul, Kaelee Keddy and Jessica vanNostrand from Evangeline. COR did a great job of hosting the event and the ponies were top notch. Nova Scotia placed third in a very competitive field. We also sent an A Team to Edmonton. Jackie Allen was the coach and the team consisted of Maggie Dewar, Sara Hall and Grace Reynolds from Tantramar, Maddy Singer from Avon and Elora Oliver from Evangeline. The A Team also placed third on a competitive field and were only a few points behind the winner. Both teams participated in a training camp prior to the trip that was held at Rohan Wood Stables. It has been very exciting to see that Nova Scotia has moved from just participating at Nationals to being very competitive. Nova Scotia also hosted IMGE Selection Camp and it was a great weekend having the best PPG players in the country try and qualify for team Canada. It was very exciting that Maddy Singer from Avon qualified to attend the training camp. This was the first time NS has had a candidate in over 20 years which is awesome. Members who attended the camp went to Blommidon and OnTree as well as enjoyed a Lobster Supper at Rohan Wood Stables. Members had to cook and help with chores as well as attend mounted practices and interviews. I would like to thank our pony lenders Ruthie Mullen and Clara Settler for adding a few new ponies to the mix. A huge Thank You to Jackie Allen and Katelynn Marshall who donated their time all weekend to judge as well as to the Cue Family for hosting. Stay tuned for clinic opportunities in the near future.

Respectfully Submitted
Alissa Cue

Quiz 2015 Annual Report

On March 28th, Evangeline Pony Club hosted a regional quiz that was used for the selection of the members for the provincial quiz teams.

The successful members that were selected for the C team were: Michael Congdon-Opportunity, Rebecca Yorke-Opportunity, Michal Chega-Evangeline, Kaelee Keddy-Evangeline

The successful members that were selected for the A/B team were: Jessica van Norstrand-Evangeline, Halie Sproul-Evangeline, Joecy Peters-Opportunity

On Thanksgiving Weekend, the teams traveled to Calgary, Alberta to attend National Quiz. The teams were very successful!

Michael placed second individually and as the Atlantic region representative in the NAC (North American Challenge). He also placed first individually in the NAC, and his team placed second. The C Team placed seventh overall, and third in the games portion!

The A/B Team placed sixth overall, with Jessica placing sixth place individual overall.

Prepared by Samantha Haley

Regional Rally 2015 Annual Report

Rally was held July 12, 2015 in Truro and was run in conjunction with Central Nova Horse Trials. Stable Management set up was the afternoon of Sat., July 11 with judging starting late afternoon and throughout Sunday. Riders competed in both Rally and Horse Trials.

There were 4 teams with a total of 23 participants (16 riders) from 4 Branches (Avon, Opportunity, Tantramar and West Valley). Two of the teams were scramble teams so it was nice to see members from different Branches working together.

Registration was on a per person basis: \$50 grooms/captains, \$75 Entry rider, \$95 PT rider, \$100 T rider as the registration fees for Horse Trials is based on competitor level. The NSPC executive agreed to supplement the rider costs by \$10.50 as they were higher than previous years and riders also had to incur other membership fees.

Total revenue was \$1,570; expenses were \$2,407.34 (includes \$10.50 rider subsidy) resulting in a deficit of \$837.34.

A new spreadsheet adapted from WOR and National Rally was used and made scoring easier. The official HT scores were used in the spreadsheet and combined with SM scores. No penalty or bonus points were given.

Thanks to all the members who participated, parents who volunteered and to Opportunity Pony Club for their support in preparing the meals, billeting and score keeping.

Things to consider:

- Starting Rally the afternoon before the event allowed time for SM set up and course walk
- Holding Regional Rally in conjunction with Horse Trials is very effective from an organizational stand point, we only needed to coordinate SM judges and Rally scoring.
- The costs per rider and burden of additional fees is higher when Rally is held with HT however this can be reduced if PC members purchase NSHT membership as part of NSEF fees and Canadian Eventing if they are getting an EC Membership.

- The trend nationally is to hold Rally as part of a sanctioned HT event and this is recommended for NS for 2016.
- Central Nova is able to provide stabling and stalls for tack rooms which would be a challenge at Hobby Horse.
- Entries MUST be received by the deadline with payment to allow time to collect any missing information.
- Allowing time for a social activity is something to consider

2016 Regional Rally proposed date of July 16 - 17 at CNHP in conjunction with Horse Trials.

National Rally

Nova Scotia hosted National Rally August 20-23 at Hobby Horse Farm.

A total of 6 teams participated with 23 members. Regions represented were: BCLM, WOR, SLOV, NB/PEI, NS.

All of the NSPC Branches contributed by selecting one of the options for support (meals, tack rooms, etc.). Thanks.

Securing horses for the pool was a real challenge, thank you to all of those who lend their horses!

Hobby Horse was a great venue and participants commented on the suitability. The house was at capacity with 33 people as extra parents and siblings came along. The Wades were exceptional hosts and very supportive.

A highlight of the Rally was John Williams the clinician. He was excellent coach and spend a lot of time with the riders to ensure they felt comfortable with their mounts. The extra time coaching did make the schedule very tight from what was originally planned and members felt rushed in SM set up and preparing for the day of competition.

Jacqui Denis, National Rally Chair attended and was a great support to have on site.

Areas of concern she expressed were:

- switching of horse/rider combinations. This should only be permitted if there is a safety issue
- inappropriate parent involvement with the coach, organizers and ground jury

Budget

Total revenue: \$11,007

Total expenses: \$10,935.96

Profit/Loss: \$71.04 profit

Note: Rally was eligible for a grant of \$2,000 from CPC as more than 3 provinces were represented.

Team Nova Scotia

Hayleigh Stewart, Captain

Samantha Symonds, Rider

Delaney MacKenzie, Rider

Esme Hudson, Groom

Joecy Peters, Rider for WOR

Team N.S. placed 2nd overall and 2nd in Stable Management. All riders placed well.

Officials

Ground Jury: Diana Locke, Emma Foote, Pam Levy

Technical Delegate: Pam MacIntosh
Riding Clinician: John Williams
Score Keepers: Jacqui Dennis, Kim Stewart
SM Judges: Emma Foote, Erin McDermott
Lecture: Sue Ross
Safety Officer: Francis Struys

Thanks to ALL who helped make National Rally a success!

Submitted by: Darlene Stevenson

Testing and Education 2015 Annual Report

EDUCATION:

Regional Camp:

The NSPC Regional Camp was held on July 27, 28, 29, 2015 at the exhibition grounds in Windsor, NS. Thirty members from seven branches attended. The days were packed with riding lessons, stable management topics, horse chores, crafts and fun. Thanks to Crystal Tattersall and Jackie Allen for organizing this and to the many volunteers who made it work! We are grateful for your hard work!

There are plans to organize another regional camp for next year and volunteers are needed soon, to start planning the 2016 camp. Please contact Crystal at ctattersall@eastlink.ca and Jackie at jackieallenapc@hotmail.com if you have suggestions, ideas or wish to volunteer for this worthwhile project.

I think this is one of the most important annual activities that we organize regionally. It is a very effective opportunity for education and also a chance for our members to meet others and interact with equestrians of the same age and skill level. The social interaction is good for the kids and very good for our own cohesiveness as a region. Regional Camp and D Challenge provide the only opportunities for our D level - younger members to participate and compete regionally. It is very important to continue these activities for our youngest group!

The Education Grant Report was submitted, October 5, 2015.

TESTING:

Branch testing:

All clubs except West Colchester ran a branch test this year. Evangeline, Annapolis and Avon ran two tests (Avon's second will take place on October 24). All candidates so far were successful in achieving their goals - so well done DCs, Test Reps and Coaches!

A few things to note:

1. the region is in need of new EITs. We had three this summer but two have now completed their requirements and will be Junior D examiners next season. DCs please encourage your candidates who are C1 level or over and approaching their 16th birthday to consider becoming an Examiner in Training.

2. I have been tracking mileage paid to examiners for branch testing in 2015. At the T&E Workshop in April, we noted that some branches have to pay exorbitant amounts of money for examiner mileage. Also, some examiners are not frequently used because they live far away. I will have a summary of this at the next regional meeting. The committee is thinking that some kind of mileage subsidy or cost-sharing may be appropriate.

3. any branches who used EITs for testing or organized branch pre-test clinics should send receipts to the regional treasurer ASAP, if you have not already done so. FYI, the region will reimburse branches \$50 for each EIT attending a test (max of two/test) and \$150 for a pretest clinic run by a qualified regional examiner.

Regional testing:

The Regional Pretest Clinic was held at Killeavy Stable on June 21. The clinician was Jackie Allen. Four candidates attended (C2 through B2 levels).

All four candidates attended the Regional Test (also at Killeavy) on August 8. Georgia Gale-Kidd (WOR, senior) Julia Young and Inga Hansen were the examiners. Congratulations go to Michael Congdon - C2SM, Maggie Dewar - C2, Jessica Van Nostrand - B2SM and Joecy Peters - B2 phases 1 and 3.

We have had frequent failures at regional testing in the last few years. Candidates preparing for test levels C2-and-over really need to be more active outside of their own branches. DCs, coaches and parents need to encourage these members to ride with outside coaches whenever possible. More practice with lunging and teaching is also needed. The NSPC Education Committee hopes to address this problem in 2016 but we will need assistance from all our supporters to get this message out.

DCs and Branch Test Reps, please be aware that the internal deadline for application for A testing was October 15. The deadline for C2 through B2 testing is February 1. (If you have an A candidate, please contact me by email immediately. (.... there may still be time.....)).

Application forms are found on our web page. Please try to ensure that candidates have their First Aid certification up to date at the time of application.

The Testing Grant Report was submitted September 29, 2015

Gay Hansen

NSPC

T&E Committee Chairperson

Show Jumping 2015 Annual Report **Regional Show Jumping**

In August, Avon Pony Club successfully hosted the Regional Show Jumping Competition at the Windsor Exhibition grounds. There were 8 teams in attendance which encompassed 32 members from Avon, Annapolis, Evangeline, West Valley, and Tetramer. Due to some concerns that were raised at the competition, hosting clubs will be reminded to adhere to the National rules, specifically in regards to coaching at the event and qualifications for course designers.

Individual Medal Results:

2'	1 st	Gillian Davidson – Avon 2
	2 nd	Ruby Francis – Avon 1
	3 rd	Robin Gorveatte – Tantramar/West Valley
	4 th	Abby Lewis – Evangeline/West Valley
	5 th	Erika Rudolph – Avon 2
	6 th	Sydney Miline – Annapolis 1
2'3"	1 st	Sam Clark – Avon 1
	2 nd	Paige Chisholm – Annapolis 1
	3 rd	Brianna Partridge – Avon 1
2'6"	1 st	Victoria Mastin – Evangeline/West Valley
	2 nd	Rachel Cleveland – Annapolis 1
	3 rd	Kate Clark – Avon 3
	4 th	Elora McGirr – Evangeline 1

Team Placings:

1 st	Annapolis 2
2 nd	Avon 1
3 rd	Avon 3
4 th	Annapolis 1
5 th	Evangeline/West Valley
6 th	Avon 2

	5 th	Azlyn Bezanson – Avon 3
	6 th	Haylee Rafuse – Avon 2
2'9"	1 st	Mirah Stultz – Evangeline/West Valley
	2 nd	Maddy Singer – Avon 3
	3 rd	Kaelee Keddy - Evangeline
	4 th	Hannah Benedict – Avon 2
	5 th	Sabrina Corradini – Avon 3
	6 th	Ryanne Doherty – Annapolis 2
3'	1 st	Samantha Symonds – Annapolis 2
	2 nd	Tara Hilchey – Avon 3
	3 rd	Esme Hudson – Annapolis 2
	4 th	Alex Oulton – Annapolis 1
	5 th	Emily MacNeil – Avon 1
	6 th	Maggie Dewar – Tantramar/West Valley
3'3"	W	Kasey McDermott - Tantramar/WestValley

National Show Jumping

Nova Scotia had two members apply to attend the National Competition in Saskatchewan this year, and Jessica van Nostrand was selected as the successful candidate. Jessica had a great experience, placed 5th overall and also received the sportsmanship award.
Submitted by Julia Locke

Tetrathlon 2015 Annual Report

- No report for 2015

Regional Youth Rep 2015 Annual Report

We had a very busy year, with regional events and hosting National Rally. The Regional camp was well attended and the venue worked well for the camp this year and helped with running a smooth program. The instructors and clinicians were very knowledgeable and all members had a good learning experience You could see the progression from day 1.

Some branches still struggle to select a youth rep and it would be beneficial to the club's members and to the region to have those positions filled , it is the ideas from the membership that help us provide more educational clinics and events. Other than some basic ideas, like how to acquire some more participation for national events like Quiz and Rally, there has not been much action on the youth side. We've created and use the Facebook group so that the youth reps can communicate in a way that is more accessible for us.

I really enjoyed my year and the experience I've had in the region while as a participant member or representing youth at various events.
Kasey McDermott, Youth Rep-NS
Pony Club

ANNUAL BRANCH REPORTS 2015

Annapolis Pony Club 2015 Annual Branch Report

Annapolis Branch had a very busy year starting with Stable Management in early February. We did our stable management 2 times a month until summer and decided to continue with stable management once a month starting in the fall going forward.

Annapolis Branch saw members compete at Quiz, PPG, D Challenge, Regional Show Jumping, and Hosted Regional Dressage with 30 participants in attendance, National Rally & National Dressage.

We enjoyed a dry summer lesson program and a very successful annual camp held at Hobby Horse in Coldbrook.

Testing took place in 2 stages – written tests held at Evangeline Middle School in early April with our ridden tests done at the end of August at Clayhill farm. Everyone testing was successful in his or her results.

Branch AGM and registration scheduled for Wednesday, October 14th. There are several vacant positions available on the executive this year. I've decided to step down as DC, having been on the Executive for 5 years, it was time for a change. Sue Foote will not be a returning parent member, she was our treasurer on the Executive and our Secretary has decided to step down. We have many parent members who are interested in these positions going forward so I am confident we will have a full complement of Executive members to fulfill the 2016-year.

Wishing everyone a wonderful fall and looking forward to 2016!

Respectfully Submitted

Denyse Doherty, DC Annapolis Pony Club

Avon Pony Club 2015 Annual Branch Report

Avon Pony Club Members had a very fun-filled, eventful summer with attendance at lots of Pony Club events and outside shows.

We hosted Windsor Spring and Windsor Summer Horse Shows. Both shows were very well attended and all members volunteered in the shows to help make them successful.

Our Club hosted summer camp the first week of July which was very well attended. Our members had lessons and lectures on a daily basis, with practices for PPG, Rally, Show Jumping and D-Challenge throughout the camp and during the summer. We also enjoyed a barbeque and swimming party at the end of Camp where camp awards were given out and appreciation awards were presented to our camp assistants, guest lecturers and helpers.

Avon sent an A Team to Regional PPG. The team was coached by Jackie Rusaw and assistant coach, Jake Rusaw. The girls (Marina Crowell, Sam Clark, Kate Clark, Brianna Partridge, Rhyann Rusaw and Maddy Singer) worked hard, practicing on a weekly basis to prepare for the games. Team Avon placed 2nd overall (only losing to 1st place by 1 point) and had lots of fun at the competition. Hannah Benedict practiced and competed with a Masters Team out of Rohan Woods Stables.

We had two members from our PPG participants selected to compete with Team Nova Scotia at the A and Masters levels. Maddy Singer represented Avon on the A Team in Edmonton on August 28th and Hannah Benedict represented Avon on the Masters Team in Ontario on

August 21st. Both girls had a great time traveling and competing with Team Nova Scotia at the National competitions and made many great friends. The A Team placed 3rd and the Masters Team placed 3rd. Maddy Singer was also nominated to attend International Mounted Games tryouts held September 5th weekend. She had a great experience, made some new friends that she stays in touch, but unfortunately was not selected for the Team.

We had two teams attend the Regional Rally/Horse Trials in July. Both teams competed and placed well in the event. All of the girls had a great time. Avon #1 (Maddy, Tara, Ruby and Brianna) placed 4th in stable management and 2nd overall. Avon #2 (Hannah, Sam, Sabrina and Kate) placed 2nd in stable management and 4th overall. Maddy Singer was the recipient of the "NS Provincial D Rally Challenge Trophy donated by the Henry Family" and Ruby Francis was the recipient of the "NS Provincial C Rally Challenge Trophy". Maddy Singer and Tara Hilchey also placed well in the Horse Trials Competition and Maddy received an award for being the top placing Pony Club Member in the Horse Trials.

We had one member, Hannah Benedict, attend the Regional Dressage, having a great experience and doing well at the event.

This season we hosted written testing and ridden testing at the D, D1 and D2 levels. Everyone was successful in competing the levels they tested at. The D2 girls are finishing the cross country portion of their testing on October 25th. We are in the process of setting up testing at the C level for late fall 2015/early spring 2016.

We hosted Regional Show Jumping on August 16th and a D-Challenge on August 17th. Both events were well attended. We had 8 teams at Show Jumping, including 3 Avon Teams, 2 Annapolis Teams, Evangeline, Evangeline/West Valley, and Tantramar/West Valley, and 4 teams at D-Challenge, including Avon, Avon/West Valley, Evangeline and Annapolis/West Valley. Lots of hard work was put forward by the competitors and lots of fun was had by all.

We held our first Show Committee Meeting in September, 2015 and have started working on our 2016 Windsor Spring and Windsor Summer Horse Shows. We are looking forward to hosting Regional Show Jumping and a D-Challenge once again in August, 2016.

We are commencing our fall lesson and lecture program in a week and have approximately 6 new members looking to join the Club. We are very excited to be looking at registration of approximately 38 to 40 members in the upcoming season.

The Avon members and parents would like to thank everyone for attending all of the 2015 events and hope to see everyone out again next season.

Thank you,
Tanya Singer
DC - Avon Pony Club

Eastern Shore 2015 Annual Branch Report
- No written report was provided.

Evangeline 2015 Annual Branch Report

Evangeline Pony Club has had a very busy summer season. With most of our members participating in most Regional Events. We had two teams attend Regional Show Jumping - one team attend Regional Dressage and 1 team at each D Challenge. Our members had a great time and we were very pleased to be represented at so many events. Our members' goal is to try and have a Rally Team for next year. We ran a week long summer camp the first week of July and our members enjoyed lessons with Jill Barker and Katelynn Marshall with Stable Management being taught by Jessica vanNostrand. We had a great camp with over 25 members participating. We also sent 8 members to Regional Camp in Windsor at the end of July. Our members really enjoyed trying the trail and liberty activities. We had quite a few members attend National Events this year and would like to congratulate the following members: Jessica vanNostrand-Masters PPG, Show Jumping and A/B Quiz, Kaelee Keddy-Masters PPG and C Quiz, Bailey George-Masters PPG, Halie Sproul- Masters PPG and A/B Quiz, Michal Chega- C Quiz and Elora Oliver- A PPG. Evangeline is looking forward to another busy season with lots of exciting winter activities planned. We are looking at having around 32 members again this year and registration is well under way. Our members are kicking off the New Year at Kingswood Camp doing a badge weekend Oct 17-18, working on their quiz skills and physical fitness.

Respectfully Submitted

Alissa Cue

Evangeline Pony Club D.C

South Colchester 2015 Annual Branch Report

- No written report was provided.

Friendly Breezes 2015 Annual Branch Report

- No written report was provided.

Opportunity 2015 Annual Branch Report

Lectures finished within a couple of weeks of the April regional meeting and Pony club members spent the summer attending various clinics and shows. Camp was held June 28th-July 2nd at CNHP. Suzanne Perry was the stadium/flat coach and 3 members attended the Andy Wadowski cross country clinic that was held July 1st.

Our executive/parent meeting was held Sept 21st with plans being made for the fall. Lectures will begin again October 24th, new member registration on November 1st and returning members to have their registration forms/fees in by December 5th. Some lectures to include tack fitting, showmanship and teeth (vet/dentist). AGM is planned for November 21 combined with quiz station fun, meeting and potluck.

Testing took place on September 19th with 4 candidates achieving D2 riding/C1 SM, D2 SM, D1 and D1SM. All members will continue to work on stable management throughout the fall and winter and will also continue to work on their riding skills.

We have three members of our club attending National Quiz Thanksgiving weekend, 2 on the C level team and 1 on the A/B team.

Valorie Shaddick
OPC DC



Tantramar Pony Club 2015 Annual Branch Report

2015 was a great year for the Tantramar Pony Club, based out of Galloway Stables, in Port Howe, Nova Scotia. Congratulations to all members on a successful and busy year for everyone. In your role as a Pony Club member, you have all provided the necessary enthusiasm to achieve your personal and team goals; ensured the good standing of the club; and helped raise the level of knowledge of Pony Club in your community. Your family and community, and all those who understand that knowledge, skill and strength are important for youth, benefit from your dedicated involvement.

A special thank you is extended to parents, grandparents, other volunteers, and to our Coach, Dawn Helm. A profound appreciation is extended for the passion, talent and time you've committed to the Club. Please accept a heartfelt and well-deserved congratulations for the club's continued success, and a commendation for the teamwork you have all demonstrated. Under your guidance, the club has provided our members and others in the Pony Club community access to subject matter experts, examiners, and ideas that help build the future of our young members.

Our AGM was last held on October 5, 2015 where memberships signed up for the 2015 Pony Club year and a final Christmas gathering was held to celebrate the year with members learning about horse teeth (and enjoying sweets and great friendship). Carrying on the tail of the 2014 year, which marked the busiest year of the club, it was clear 2015 held both promise and expectation with a focus on safety and fun for everyone! Tantramar Branch had seven members in 2015.

Winter lessons

From January to April, the club met at Galloway Stable on the last Sunday of each month for a riding lesson with Dawn and Stable Management with Gay. The severe winter weather played havoc with our plans so to compensate for missed time, members were asked to study on their own between our meetings. Each member used their PC workbooks and books to cover stable management topics before our meetings and come with questions. This new system worked brilliantly and those who prepared in advance were well equipped to apply what they learned and ready for testing and quiz.

Regional Quiz, March 27

Quiz is organized to test theoretical knowledge of horsemanship and of various Pony Club activities. This was a great event attended by two Tantramar members: Quynn Morrison and Haley McRae.

Regional PPG Tryouts, May 18

This was attended by Sara Hall, Maggie Dewar and Grace Reynolds at Rohan Wood Stables in Aylesford, NS. With games and races, this was a high-spirited, fun day for everyone. Three Tantramar members were named to the Regional team to attend Nationals in Edmonton. Weekly practices ensued, lead by Lori Hall at Galloway Stable (see PPG Nationals).

Horse Show, May 30

Delayed due to the excessive snow and wet ground from the winter thaw, the Tantramar Pony Club show held at Galloway Stables was a huge success. Over 30 participants attended with many trailered horses to compete in this event. Awards were given out for over 47 events and sponsorships were received from almost 25 sponsors recognized during the show. Thank you

notes were sent to the sponsors to express our gratitude for their support. This event involved many volunteers from a cross section of PC member families. Rider dedication and skill was demonstrated through the high quality of riding seen during the show. Thanks to all who participated as competitors and volunteers.

D Challenge, June 7

Tantramar has two D₁ level members; Haley McRae and Quynn Morrison and their ponies Paddy (Quynn) and Essex (Haley) were great as were their riders. Tantramar branch organized this event again this year. This is a wonderful venue for our younger members (only E, D and D₁ level members are invited) and often replaces "Rally" for this group. This event was hosted at CNHP in Truro. There were 12 competitors from three NSPC Branches. Safety Officer Glen Gorveatte was on the lookout for any incidents (thankfully none) and many parent volunteers made this event a great success.

Dressage Regionals, July 4

Maggie Dewar, Alex Hutchings, Haley McRae, Robin Gorveatte and Sarah Hall attended on behalf of Tantramar. It was a very hot day at Clay Hill Stable in Sheffield Mills, Nova Scotia. Horses were trailered in by Dawn and Lori (via Dave & Cheryl Allen). Members stayed the Old Orchard Inn at their own expense (with cost and room sharing where possible). Dawn Helm was Coach for this event and the team performed very well overall.

Pony Club Camp, July 5-9

This is always a great annual event. A five-day event, this camp included all of the levels appropriate to the Tantramar members and an additional non-Tantramar member attending from Annapolis Branch. Joecy Peters (Opportunity Branch) returned again this year to assist with the camp as Stable Manager. Dawn Helm covered the mounted lessons and each camper received one flat and one over-fences session each day. Gay Hansen covered stable management topics each afternoon. A group trail ride was held on the last day of camp. This year's camp included a Tetrathlon clinic, hosted by parent and Range Officer Glen Gorveatte and SFNS Shooting Coach Bob Selig.

The camp also included a Pre-test clinic with Jackie Allen to prepare the members testing this year for their Pony Club Levels. PPG Practice was organized by Lori Hall in preparation of the National event in August. BBQ lunch was provided by Gay Hansen daily. Parents provided a wealth of support including barn supervision and snacks.

Pony Club Testing, July 10

Tantramar members testing at Galloway Stables had already written their exams in June. Each exam was proctored by an overseer and graded prior to the practical test. The girls testing included Haley McRae and Quynn Morrison (D₂), Robin Gorveatte and Alexandra Hutchings (C Stable Management) and Grace Reynolds (C₁)

Examiners for the tests were Val Paton (PEI) Inga Hansen (former Tantramar Branch member). It was a long testing day after a busy camp, but riders and horses faired well. Congratulations to everyone for their hard work and dedication in a successful test day!

Regional Testing, August 8

Maggie Dewar was the first Tantramar member in many years to test at C₂ level – a Regionally administered test. The mandatory pretest was held on June 20 and the test on August 8. Both were held at Killeavy Stable in Wilmot, NS. Maggie was successful in all her test challenges and was awarded her full C₂ level.

Regional Rally, July 11-12

This event was attended by riders Maggie and Haley with groom Robin and Alex (team captain) at CNHP in Truro. Coming the day after camp and testing, this was a big challenge for our members. They did well and undoubtedly learned a lot about working through sleep deprivation! Only one injury (Haley) reminding us all about the importance of wearing sturdy boots when handling horses!

Regional Camp, July 27-29

Three girls attended regional camp with a chaperone; Sarah, Maggie and Robin and Lori Hall as chaperone. Horses were trailered in with the club participants. This year's camp was hosted by Avon Pony Club at the Windsor Fairgrounds. This three-day event provided members with a chance to meet other Pony Club members and included riding, stable management instruction and non-riding events (like a scavenger hunt). Members stayed at the adjacent Super 8 hotel with cost sharing to reduce overall expenses.

Regional Show Jumping, August 15

Hosted at the Windsor Fairgrounds by Avon Pony Club, Tantramar had three members attend: Maggie (Casper), Robin (Meicha), and Haley (Essex) with Coach Dawn Helm. Participants arrived the night before to settle in the horses that were trailered by Dawn Helm (Coach) and Dave Allen. Participants attended a schooling round and competed in events throughout the day.

PPG Nationals, August 29-30

This National event was held in Edmonton. Tantramar participants included the members who competed at the Regional event: Grace, Maggie and Sara. Three Tantramar PPG team members were joined by two other NS members to make the Nova Scotia Team - coached by Jackie Allen. The team performed well (third place overall – WOW!!) and their hard work practicing and fundraising throughout the summer paid off.

Fundraising

Fundraising for the club was conducted over much of the year and included several member-driven activities. Our first event of the year was our horse show at Galloway Stable. We are grateful to Dawn Helm for the opportunity to share this event with her. We share the fund raising and preparation for the show and split the proceeds. This year (as last year) the "Scotiabank Community Fundraiser" generously matched our fundraising efforts. We are very grateful for this support and it allowed us to support our camp, branch and regional testing, and support for our members going to National PPG.

Tantramar Pony Club members sold tickets on the Sunsweep raffle, hosted by Sport Nova Scotia. This fund raising opportunity is run several times per year. Tantramar members sold tickets on the March and September draws earning funds for the club (allocated based on individual votes by member families). Project-specific fundraising was held to assist the PPG Team attend Nationals in Edmonton, AB. These initiatives included a "Gojis" evening, various grocery bagging days and a table at the Tidnish market.

Information on these and other events can be found at the Tantramar Pony Club website (<http://tantramarponyclub.weebly.com>). Thank you to Glen and Susan Gorveatte for sponsoring and maintaining this site for the Club. Any photos or PC news can be sent to ggorveatte@gmail.com to updating the site as needed.

Thank you to everyone for the significant contributions you have made this past year. Your efforts are appreciated efforts and let's look forward to your continued participation in 2016!

Sincerely yours and respectfully submitted by,
Susan Gorveatte,
Secretary,
Tantramar Pony Club

West Valley 2015 Annual Branch Report

West Valley Pony Club has had another successful year. Our membership has grown to 15 members. We began the year with stable management lectures held bimonthly from January through May. We are very fortunate to have Pony club alumni Nicole MacHattie, DVM and Stephanie Lefurgey, farrier, continuing to offer this part of our program. We began a six week lesson program in May with our coach, Alex Beaton. In June we held an open cross country clinic. Despite low numbers it was a fantastic day and learning experience for those who attended. Members enjoyed a four-day summer camp in July at Kileavy Stables with Alex. The last day of camp was a pretest clinic to prepare members for testing in September.

Our members have enjoyed many regional opportunities this year. We had teams take part in Quiz, PPG, Dressage, Show Jumping, Rally, and D Challenge. Some members also took part in regional camp.

Our club held a D challenge September 13th. It was a fun day for members and although we had low numbers and rain, it was a wonderful learning opportunity for both participants and organizers.

West Valley had a very successful testing day on September 27th with all 9 candidates successfully passing their tests.

We held several successful fundraisers this past year including chocolate bar campaign, Sunsweep tickets sales, and grocery packing.

West Valley is looking forward to another enjoyable year. Going forward we are planning our Fall overnight camp at Hobby Horse Farm. There will be an awards banquet at Hobby Horse for year-end awards.

The club has grown and as such the need for individuals taking a lead in club activities has become necessary. Going forward in the coming year we will have a fundraising chair and a camp organizing committee.

Respectably submitted,

Carolyn Longmire



Manitoba Pony Club 2015 Review



2015 was another amazing year in Manitoba. Manitoba Pony Club is very fortunate to have a wealth of great volunteers which allows the smooth running of this organization and the events which we plan.

We have dates planned for 2016 which will see; Quizzes, Working Rallies, Camp, National Dressage 2016 and Rally

NATIONAL EVENTS RESULTS

Show Jumping: Brennan McCullagh : 1st Place Individual



Dressage: Michaela Pankratz : 8th Place Individual



REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Qualifiers for this year Nationals are:

Show Jumping: Jenny Peloquin (PPC)

Dressage: Emma Creasy (PV); Piper Lussier (QR);
Karla Iverson (RR); Michaela Pankratz (QR)

We are very proud of our members. The Mighty Manitoba!

EXAMINERS

MPC will be holding an Examiners Clinic, April 2016.

This will be a necessity in Manitoba as we currently have two new PC Centres for 2016 with the possibility of 2 more coming in the near future. Membership from the centres will be a huge boost our membership. More membership equals more examiners needed.

TETRATHLON

We will be resurrecting Tetrathlon within MB. We have a Tetrathlon Chair who is making dates for reintroduction of this program.

HORSEMASTERS PROGRAM

Two HM joined our membership. We are looking forward to enhancing this program in 2016 with the addition of testing being available.

NATIONAL QUIZ

Team A/ B: Karla Iverson - 15th placed B Individual & Member of a 7th Placed B Team

Team C: Brennan McCullagh, 29th Place Individual, Cassidy Moore, 8th Place Individual, Samantha Fontaine, 15th Place Individual and Abbey McLeod, 35th Place Individual



Abbey, Cassidy, Samantha, & Brennan 4th Place C team

Olympic Opportunities: Pony Club Skills Put to Use!

We had two of our members have the wonderful opportunity to work for, and train with Olympic eventers. Robin Hahn and Selena O'Hanlon.

Both members credited Pony Club as to the reason as to why the opportunity has arisen for them.



We look forward to 2016, to improve membership and the development of Pony Club within Manitoba.

Deborah Shepherd
Manitoba Pony Club Regional Chair



Western Ontario Region Annual Report 2015

Challenges:

While the following are some of the challenges experienced by WOR in 2015, we are optimistic that we can work towards resolution in these matters:

- Membership was down from year 233 to 182. Exit Surveys were sent around to try to determine the cause.
- Testing and divide within the region continue to be challenges.

Highlights:

WOR has four members in National roles:

- Barb Robinson - National PPG Chair
- Jacqui Dennis - National Rally Chair
- Sherry Jackson - National Dressage Chair
- Kathryn Robertson – Active Member Director East

Sherry Jackson is our National Director.

EVENTS:

The following is a summary of the Regional Events we held in 2015. In addition to this we also held mini meets, and clinics for some of the disciplines.

Discipline	Overview	# Attendees
C Rally	While we did not have a Regional C Rally, we did host IPE and it was a huge success. 4 Teams with 4 riders each plus Team Manager and a Coach for a total of 24 members. Attendees were from Australia, New Zealand, USA and Canada. The competition ran from July 31 – August 17 th and was a huge undertaking for Jacqui Dennis and her committee.	24
D Rally	We had the following # of competitors at D Rally. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • C – 3 • D2 – 6 • D1 Open – 4 • D1 – 8 • D Open - 1 • D - 5 	27
Dressage	Late competition in October this year. Offering levels from Entry to 1 st Level including a few freestyles and pas de deux.	21
PPG	Regional PPG had 4 Masters Teams, 4 A Teams, 3 B teams and 3 C teams. WOR Sent a team to National A's in Edmonton where they placed second. We sent 2 kids to the IMGE Tryout Camp in Nova Scotia. We sent 3 competitors, a coach and a chaperone from WOR to the IMGE in DC and Virginia.	14 teams

Discipline	Overview	# Attendees
	WOR is hosting National A in 2016.	
Quiz	<p>Continues to be our biggest event</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E Junior Level = 5 • E Open Level = 5 • D Level = 28 • D1 Level = 23 • D2 Level = 10 • C Level = 20 • A/B Level = 7 	98
Tetrathlon	<p>We sent a team to the US Eastern Invitational in Kentucky in July. Headwaters, Guelph and Mount Nemo all held mini-meets. We also had a Regional Tetrathlon competition in conjunction with an Eastern Invitational Tetrathlon and Mini-Meet August 22/ 23rd. COR was invited to participate in the Eastern Invitational. Results were not available at the time of this report.</p>	
LeTrec	<p>We had competitors in the following levels at LeTrec. Phase A was Orienteering. Phase B – Control of Gaits. Phase C – Obstacle Course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • D/D1 Division – 2 Teams (8 Competitors) • D2 Division – 12 Competitors • C+ Division – 5 Competitors 	25
WOR Camp	Our regional camp is a week-long camp with members and horses partaking in many educational, riding / clinics and social activities.	

2015 TESTING ACTIVITIES

Total number of candidates tested at all levels: 62

Total number of Branches testing: 12

Total number of Examiners testing: 13

Breakdown of WOR candidates tested/completed at each level:

- D 18
- D1 8
- D2 18

- C 6 (1 DNMS--riding)
- C1 9 (1 DNMS--riding)
- C2 2

- HA 1 (DNMS)
- RA 1 (withdrew)

In addition to the above we also held;

- 3 testing preparation clinics/mock tests (for potential candidates)
- 3 Examiners Clinics (1 Junior Examiner, 1 Adult Basic & 1 Intermediate)
- 4 Regional attendees to National Tester & Testing Conference

REGIONAL SUMMARY

Regional meetings were held monthly throughout the year. Meetings for January through to April were held in conjunction with Discipline Workshops and Senior Education sessions.

Our Annual General Meeting was held November 28th at the Centre Wellington Sportsplex in Fergus, Ontario with many speeches and presentations by our National competitors.

Many thanks to all of our dedicated and hardworking volunteers who stepped up to fill roles to ensure our members continued to have access to all discipline events.

Thank you to our sponsors Apple Saddlery for their continued support in providing prizes for the Top Individual and Top Teams at all of our Regional Championships and to Brubacher Harness Shop who generously donate a portion of Pony Club sales to WOR.

Prepared by:

Sherry Jackson
National Director
Western Ontario Region

Alberta North Region Pony Club
2015 Chairperson Report

Well, it has been another eventful year for our region.

We added 2 more clubs, Cross Border(Lloydminster) and River Valley(Whitcourt/Blue Ridge). We are very pleased to have them on board and look forward to seeing their members at our regional events.

The region was again able to organize several events: Winter Theory Camp, Rally Camp and clinic, Show Jumping and Dressage Finals, PPG Camp and Finals, Quiz, Tetrathlon clinic, and National A PPG competition. These events are organized by some amazing volunteers and they do their best to have the events run smoothly. There were some computer glitches that needed to be worked out from the Show Jumping/Dressage Finals , but with new programs come learning curves and those glitches to be worked out, so thank you to those members, who were affected by those issues, for your patience as the situation was rectified.

The Horsemasters program has been received by our region quite well, and it will be interesting to see what this new year will bring with those members being included in all the events that the region is hosting.

This year we had another opportunity to participate in a casino fundraiser, which went very smoothly. Thank you to the volunteers for working, without you we would not be able to do this very important function. The funds from the casino have provided our region with updated equipment, storage trailers for equipment, costs for instructors, judges, venues, etc to be subsidized.

I have completed another term as the Regional Chairperson, and have enjoyed the opportunity to do so. I enjoy working with all the wonderful women and men that comprise our regional executive and branch DC's/ADC's. You are all wonderful people who volunteer your time to this amazing organization. I also enjoy seeing the members forming friendships that extend beyond their own clubs, to me this is a network of people that have a common bond- their love of horses.

I would like to thank those volunteers that have decided to pursue other interests, please know that the time you gave to our organization has not gone unnoticed and is very much appreciated. I wish you all the best and don't forget about us, keep in touch ☺

In closing, I would, as I do every year, like to say a huge thank you to all the volunteers in the Alberta North Region. You are what makes this region as successful as it is. I appreciate the talents and time that you all bring to your clubs and our region. I am looking forward to a year of successful events, meeting new people, making new friends and the growth of our members.

Let us remember the motto for Canadian Pony Club:
Character, Loyalty and Sportsmanship in all that we do.

Respectfully Submitted by
Carol Judd



Regional Report for Alberta South Region - 2015

Alberta South Region experienced a very mild winter in 2015. It seemed like the members were out enjoying the outdoors with their horses as early as the end of March. Once again, the Region hosted seminars over the winter/spring period covering topics like First Aid and hands on Bandaging. The attending members stressed that having their horses present gave them a better understanding of the topics discussed. The region will look at running more “hands on” sessions in 2016.

The region also ran a set of two Testing/Examiners clinics; one for active examiners and one for new examiners or examiners who had not shadowed. We had 23 examiners from ABS, ABC and ABN attend. Many new names have been added to the list of examiners for our region.

At the end of March our region hosted a 2-day educational seminar. This seminar has become a yearly event that is growing in popularity. We had several different stations, instructors and educational material for review and study by the 60 members who attended. This of course set the stage for regional quiz, which was held in April 2015. We had a great turnout of over 100+ members participating in regional quiz. All team levels from snurf through to senior were represented and members qualifying from the Intermediate and Senior levels were fortunate to avoid the travel expenses and were able to stay on home turf as Alberta South hosted National Quiz in Calgary 2015. As hosting region we were able to send two teams at the Intermediate level and one at the Senior level to National Quiz. They now have the “quiz bug” and are all going to be working really hard to qualify for National Quiz 2016. We were very pleased with our Region’s organization of this huge event and our members conduct, participation and placings at National Quiz.

National Quiz Team 2015 - Senior



National Quiz Team #1 2015 – Intermediate



National Quiz Team #2 – 2015
Intermediate



The Whole ABS Gang!



Although hosted in a different Region, Alberta was also home to National Dressage in 2015. ABS sent one qualifying member for each of the training and Level 1 divisions to represent Alberta South in National Dressage in Olds, Alberta.

We also had a member representing our region at National Show Jumping in Manitoba.

The year progressed with many great showings and fun events for the members to attend. A few of the more memorable ones were the re-kindling of ABC Camp, which was held at the Millarville Race Track. Jonathan Asselin, a well-known name at Spruce Meadow was just one of the high lights for the participants, as he set up and instructed the riders through a jump course. Medals was originally planned to follow ABC Camp, however the horrific down pour forced us to reschedule Medals to be included in year end finals. Everything went off without a hitch. Another event that was well attended was a fun show called the “Halloween Howler”. The Region intends to host this type of show as a series of three in 2016. It is great fun to see so many members enjoying these events.

Cochrane Pony Club hosted a PPG Play Day on behalf of the Region and had 12 competitors. Due to the low entries, the competitors were placed on mixed teams. Eight games were played and they finished the day with a barrel race. All attending members enjoyed the games.

As well as the camp, PPG and the regional fun show the Region also hosted D Rally, Medals, Finals (Regional Dressage and Regional Show Jumping) and Testing, which were all well received and ran smoothly.

Testing came into play in the months of July and August as the Region attempted to address the request from various branches within the region. A Regional D testing, plus a Regional C1 Testing was held in hopes of making the testing easier for members to attend from smaller clubs who simply don't have the membership numbers, knowledge base or funds to run these tests.

The upper level tests C2+ were run in August and well attended by several members of the Region. Six doing complete C2, two partials and three members successfully completed their B testing.

On the administration side of Pony Club the Region held various meetings throughout the year as well as hosted our Annual General Meeting on November 28, 2015. The AGM was well attended and the slate was filled for 2016. ABS looks forward to a fun filled year in 2016 with the planning of many regional events. We are working hard at encouraging members to get out and attend some of the Regional events and making memories to treasure for a lifetime.

We look forward to a year of new challenges as we grow each of the disciplines within pony club.
On behalf of the Executive
Danielle Williams, Regional Chair

ABC Regional Report for 2015

Regular Regional Meetings were well attended and started off on schedule. We met in January, February, March, April and May before we dispersed to enjoy our Branch meetings and events. Then we reconvened in September and planned an AGM for November which was stormed out and postponed until January.

In March, ABC region offered a Tetrathlon intro. with 2 swim sessions and 2 shooting sessions. With a very poor turn out, the 4 kids that went had a lot of individual attention and a fun time.

In April, younger members met for D camp. This is an unmounted camp and for good reason with the snow storm that the kids woke up to Sunday morning.

In June, our PPG camp, which has traditionally well attended, was cancelled due to low numbers.

Branches planned their own summer camps and some Branches worked together to share camp responsibilities.

August was our Rally camp at which we had the pleasure of former Olympian and Pony Club alumni Sandra Donnelly coaching, as well as other fabulous instructors from around Alberta.

The end of August was our Regional Year End Show. We hosted many of our region's riders in Stadium Jumping as well as a medals class and Dressage tests. Dressage riders competed for their place at Nationals as well.

CPC Youth Rep's Report 2015

Active Member West: Maeghan Forster

Active Member East: Jessica Van Nostrand

National Meetings

AGM – Attended by both members. Was a good meeting, we all got to know each other a little better. And got to tour the facility for National Quiz 2015!

SAM – Attended by both members. Came out with some great marketing ideas to be brought to UNBC by Maeghan and UoA by Colin. Also began discussion about changing rules for streaming up to D2 and potential for streaming at the higher levels in the next year or so. With the inclusion of a streaming presentation by the youth reps giving results from the Word Café presentation at National Quiz 2014. It was also approved after a presentation by Jessica, that the youth rep east/west positions will now be a 3-year term.

Mini Disciplines – Attended by both members. Was a learning curve for Maeghan, introduced her to the National Board for the first time. Discussion included positive reports from dressage including exclusion of written tests, and some changes with SJ & Rally rules.

National Events

Show Jumping – Jessica was able to attend. Said it was an excellent experience and lots of fun!

Quiz – Both members attended. Was an excellent quiz, very fun and had an excellent theme for the city of Calgary! Some of the C2's that were attending for the first time definitely said they were going to work hard to come back again next year. We did a World Café presentation, and came up with some great results to be presented to the board. Lots of the answers were consistent with the world Café from 2014 Quiz. We were able to speak to lots of members about the opportunity of becoming a youth rep and how to apply for scholarships etc.

Summary

Overall, I think this year in Pony Club has been one of the most forward-thinking years we could have asked for. Implementing new ideas in the testing and education areas, while keeping the true pony club motto at heart, has been refreshing for our members. The new marketing ideas will hopefully bring in more members, as well as streaming stable management and flat riding will make a large impact on keeping those members. With the end of this year we unfortunately have to say goodbye to a much loved youth rep, Jessica. I can definitely say that the impact we made together would not have been the same without her. I cannot wait to see you all again next year. And welcome in the new rep who I only hope I can guide as much as Jessica has helped me!

Welcome to 2016!

Maeghan Forster & Jessica Van Nostrand

Notable Achievements for 2015

NATIONAL CHAIR'S AWARD

Not presented in 2015

New Branches

White Hills PC	NB/PEI
Harvey PC	NB/PEI
Freetown	NB/PEI
Trillium	SLOV
Cross Border	ANR
River Valley	ANR

Canadian Pony Club Award of Excellence Scholarship Recipients

B2/A Scholarships

Emma Dealey	Manitoba
Jessica van Nostrand	Nova Scotia

C2/B Scholarship

Colleen Richardson	SLOV
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National Quiz Awards

Billie Mann Award Top A/B Individual

Caitlin Brast	WOR
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Adele Rockwell Award Top C Individual

Tamara Booy	ABS
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Apple Saddlery Award Top C Team

Alberta South
Tamara Booy
Katherine Smith
Edward Marston
Mallory Goodmanson

Adelle Coffin Award Top A/B Team

B.C. Lower Mainland
Laura Forde
Kyara Hunter
Laura Mills
Thea Rogak

A Members 2015

RA – Mona Beckmann BCLM
 RA - Anne Marie Duarte SLOV
 RA – Marlies Kerkoven BCLM
 RA-FR Taryn Koreman BCLM
 RA-OF Tori Morgan SLOV
 RA Miranda Spencer BCLM

HA – Mona Beckmann BCLM
 HA – Marlies Kerkoven BCLM
 HA - Tori Morgan SLOV

A – Mona Beckmann BCLM
A - Anne Marie Duarte SLOV
A – Marlies Kerkoven BCLM

Graduates

Stephanie Ostapek	Clearwater Valley	ANR
Karley Finnegan	Sturgeon Valley	ANR
Justine Blocksdorf	Prince Edward Quinte	COR
Emily Barlow	Saskatoon	SK
Anne Marie Duarte	Charleston Lake	SLOV
Andrea Robinson	Guelph	WOR

10 Year Members

Kiki Landsbergen	Chinooks Edge	ABC
Dania Halsey	Medicine River	ABC
Danielle Henderson	Medicine River	ABC
Katrina Glover	Red Deer	ABC
Brooke Thome	Cochrane	ABS
Amanda Epp	Davisburg	ABS
Megan Epp	Davisburg	ABS
Rachel Glatt	Davisburg	ABS
Jillian Gregory	Quesnel & District	BCIN
Corrie Thirkell	Mission Hills	BCLM
Sierra Howard	Mount Cheam	BCLM
Annie Brook	Vancouver	BCLM
Solstice Pecile	Kawartha	COR
Rachel Scott	Victoria	COR
Rhiannan (Rhae) Wishart	Portage	MB
Callum Read	Prairie Valley	MB
Shyanne White	Hampton	NB/PEI
Hannah Foote	Annapolis	NS
Delaney Mckenzie	Annapolis	NS
Emily Baltzer	West Valley	NS

Kasey Mcdermott	West Valley	NS
Isabella Stuart-Biggs	Rivers Edge	SK
Paige Hodson	Saskatoon	SK
Aniela Breen	Guelph	WOR
Walker Breen	Guelph	WOR
Andrea Robinson	Guelph	WOR
Avery Kerr	High County	WOR
Jacklyn Brown	Westover	WOR

15 Year Members

Danielle Ostapek	Clearwater Valley	ABN
Nicole Ostapek	Clearwater Valley	ABN
Stephanie Strome	Strathcona	ABN
Leah Murphy	Brooks	ABS
Emily Lindsay	Rising Star	COR
Melissa Bayer	Appleton	SLOV

15 Year Volunteers

Anita Ostapek	Alberta North
Carole Chamillard	Manitoba
Sarah Read	Manitoba
Karl McCague	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
Anne-Marie Fowler	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley

25 Year Volunteers

Tess Greer	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
Cat Hunter	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
Diana Bayer	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
Liz Tucker	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
Mark Isenberg	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
NJ Ainslie	St. Lawrence/Ottawa Valley
Wendy Johnson	Western Ontario
Susan Roth	Western Ontario
Del Zelmer	Western Ontario

25 Year Branches

Quesnel & District	BCIN
Cowichan Valley	BCIR

50 Year Branches

None