



# Balmoral Newsletter

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## Up coming events

*Julia and Clint compete at Sydney CDI from the 7th to the 9th of May*

*Heather and Eve, Sam and Check compete at Glenbrae on the 10th of May*

*Sarah Williams and Inka, Louise and Reilly to compete at The Carlton Performance Horse Dressage Champs on the 16th of May at Tonimbuk*

*Sarah Williams to compete at the Peninsula Winter Cup Series at Treehaven on the 17th of May*

*Balmoral Trivia Night on the 12th of June! Keep an eye out for further details!*

## Dressage with the Stars

Dressage with the Stars is one of the highlights on many dressage enthusiasts calendar. And it doesn't take much to see why.

Some of Australia's best young horses battle it out to be eligible for selection to represent Australia at the World Young Horse Championships to be held in Germany!

The Grand Prix CDI2\* and Freestyle are also a major highlight for the event, with this year's Gold Class tickets selling out!!

The freestyle event is a major draw card for spectators as this is where Australia's top riders show off their artistic flare and develop a dressage test to music.

Julia Battams rode Clint Eastwood (aka Clint) in the Inter I

Freestyle event. They placed 7th in this event with a score of 63.833%!!! They also competed in the Pre St. George class and scored 62.719% which earned



**Above: BWS Westewind  
Below right: BWS Carabino**

them 8th place. Over all the pair finished 7th!

BWS Carabino and BWS Westewind left good impressions with the judges in the Young Horse 6 Year Old Class.

This was their first major event (having only previously competed at small competitions).

Carabino scored 7.5 (out of 10) for his walk and 6.8 for his trot which placed him =12th in the field. Westewind also scored 7.5 for his walk but 7.2 for his trot! This put him in 8th position!

The boys performed exceptionally well in the atmosphere and we hope you are as proud of their achievements as we are!



## News from the Stable Block

Stable Staff would like to take this opportunity to remind all users of the stable block of the following points of interest.

**Please do not walk horses past the stallions!** This is not only for your safety, but also your horse's.

**Please ensure all your rugs are clearly named.** As many

horses have the same rug, this will ensure that yours doesn't go missing!

**Please do not use school horse tack!** This is for the school horses only!

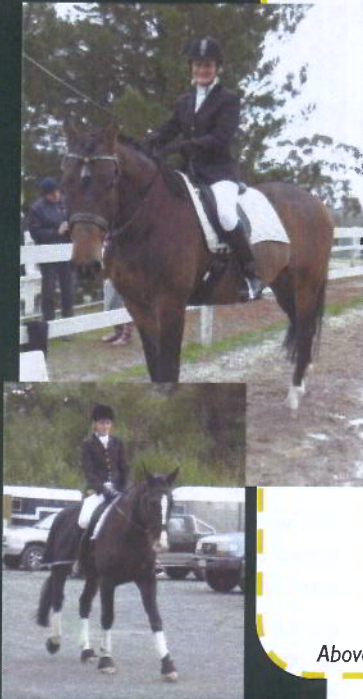
**Please keep the wash bay and yards clean.** This means cleaning up all manure, feed scraps and dirt!

Brooms and scoopers are located in between the toilet and tack room!

**Please limit water usage!** Although we have had some good rain, we need to keep saving water to ensure our supply for the coming summer!

**Need your horse clipped?** See Sam for further details on prices!

# Balmoral Riders Out & About



Despite the grim forecast of 14degrees, rain, thunderstorms and hail on Sunday April 26th, four Balmoral riders competed at Glenbrae's Winter Series!

Despite the weather, all riders achieved success! Courtney and Jilly placed 5th in the Novice. Catherine Goss rode Mozzie and placed 4th in the Novice. She started the test in dry conditions, but finished the test soaked to the bone!! Louise and Reilly also rode in the Novice (and in the rain),

placing 1st and 3rd.

A huge congratulations goes to Jane and Tango who competed in the Preliminary. This was Jane's first EVER competition!! Luckily they rode early and managed to stay dry! Well done Jane!!

On March 14th, Sarah Williams and Inka competed at Werribee at the Australian Warmblood Horse Association Gala. They also competed in the Preliminary section and placed 6th in torrential rain!

On the 15th of February both Sarah Williams and Sarah Cork competed at the South Eastern Dressage Club competition held at Ayr Hill. This time in sunny conditions Sarah Williams took out second place in the Preliminary, while Sarah Cork placed 6th in the Elementary.



Above Left: Jane and Tango. Below Left: Louise and Reilly. Right: Catherine and Mozzie

## School Horse Profile—CINDY

**Name:** Cindy (Mireen Toy Bell)



**Breed:** Arab Shetland cross

**Height:** 13.2 hh

**Colour:** Skewbald

**Age:** 28 years old

**Achievements:** Won Best Turnout at the Royal Melbourne Show (about 16 years ago!!). Has competed at many RDA Dressage Championships

**Interesting Facts!**

\*Cindy was broken in by Anne Skinner whose son Anthony took her to Pony Club where she was very

successful competing in many events. For many years she was an RDA pony (Riding for the disabled) and has travelled to Brisbane, Adelaide and Sydney to compete in RDA dressage championships.

\*Broken to harness and side-saddle.

\*She has taught many people how to ride.

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so you get value for money and that is very important to us!!

Our rugs can be seen on the Balmoral Stallions as Equus Rugs are proud sponsors of Julia Battams!

We also stock rider accessories such as gloves,

dressage socks, whips and grooming products! Soon we hope to be stocking a range of children's jodhpurs and boots!!

Our shop, located upstairs at Balmoral, will be opening every Friday evening from 6.30pm.