

CDA

Cooloola Dressage Association



Letter from the Editor

Welcome to a new year with CDA. As I'm sure everyone is aware, the newsletters have been a bit hit and miss in recent times due to lack of committee members and time, nevertheless, we have now solved the problem!

Allow me to introduce myself. My name is Sam Howard, I am new to CDA this year but come from a few good years on another well-run club committee. I have been riding for 16 years, choosing dressage as my main discipline. I enjoy training my horses and train using Equitation Science principles. My main horse is a 16.2 black Warmblood cross named Goblin, who is only new to my paddocks and I cannot wait to start competing with him.

But enough about me, this year is shaping up to be a ripper. This year the committee is aiming to bring 4 official competitions, as well as numerous training days, hopefully some coaching clinics, and possibly a few fun days. Check out our current calendar attached at the bottom of the newsletter for further information.

We are also aiming to apply for more club grants this year, to aid in both upgrades to the grounds at Gunalda, as well as sports grants to help sponsor coaching clinics for our members. So exciting times ahead for CDA!

Please if there is anything you would like to see in the new CDA newsletters, email me on moo_clock@hotmail.com, and if you have any information you would like to share, please send it in! Until next month, keep trotting!

Sam Howard- Newsletter Editor.



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**MEETINGS ARE 3RD
TUESDAY OF EVERY
MONTH**
NEXT MEETING- 19th Feb
Gympie RSL Snooker room.

2018 Presidents Report- Helen Ward

2018 has been a great year for C.D.A, it has seen our Club relocate to Gunalda Campdraft Grounds where we have ample room and plenty of shaded areas for our competitions.

We started at Gunalda with our first Training Day which was very well supported by our Members and riders. Thankfully 2018 was kinder to our Club than last year where we only cancelled 1 event this year.

On behalf of Cooloola Dressage Assoc. I would like to thank our wonderful sponsors Darren and Donna Groves at Groves Engineering, Tom & Fe Kelman at Kelman Bowen Therapy, Judith Gratham Catering, Melissa Bouilly at Gympie Saddleworld and Zoe Olszowy at Patterson Rugs. If it was not for our Sponsors we could not run our Annual Championships Event, please join us in thanking each and every one of them and support our local businesses whenever you can.

I would also like to say a massive thank you to our committee members, Judy Carsley and Bronwyn Bulmer, I know this year has not been the best for you both and I am truly grateful you both have stood by me and our Club with all you both do for C.D.A.

Huge thank you to Fe Kelman for all the work you put into finding our Judges and Pencillers for all our competitions, this is no easy job and I know firsthand how tough it can be to organise. Tom Kelman and his Merry Helpers for always having our arenas up and ready to ride in at each comp. After our September comp I have a new appreciation of all that you guys do for our Club, I may or may not have had a few choice words to say about this day.

Robyn, Bron and Donna – Thank you for taking on the Draw for me this year, I am forever grateful that I had 1 less job to carry out before the competitions, I know it's not an easy job (especially when you get some of us on 2 or 3 different horses) but you have all done a fantastic job for CDA, thank you.

Robyn, thank you for having our Tests and Clipboards ready and very well organised for all our Judges and Pencillers and of course Sue Dale for making sure we always have our ribbons and enough of them to hand out at our end of day presentations.

Thank you to Judith Gratham for your loyalty and hard work you put into catering at our days to keep us all free of hunger and dehydration. It's not a CDA comp. without you there. Huge thank you to all our riders, members, workers and everyone else I may have missed for making C.D.A what it is today. It is truly one of the very best Clubs I have ever been involved with and always enjoy our social horse loving days together.

Lastly and by no means the least I personally want to say a huge thank you to Pete, Claire and Graesyn, the support my family have given me throughout the years of being on this committee for C.D.A has been tremendous. They are always by my side and ready to help no matter what the job is at task, from driving the 2 hours to set up arenas, to gear checks, announcing and being my strappers and drink holders. Thank you all so much for your support.

As the outgoing President I would also like to say that in 2019 I would like to see ALL our members to please step forward and take on a job for our club, no matter how big or small the task please help lighten the load on our committee. Unfortunately, without help we cannot continue to lean on the small few that are always there day in and day out. I would like to see C.D.A go forward in 2019 and to do this we need the support of all our members. With 2019 being Cooloola Dressage Assoc. 20th Anniversary let's make it a great year together.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and New Years and look forward to seeing you all again in 2019.

Happy Riding

Helen Ward

2018 President.

AGM- 2nd December 2018

The 2018 AGM and Christmas party had a great turn out. The club has welcomed many new faces to the committee, ready and willing to take on jobs to create a fun and successful 2019!

The Christmas party saw great food, fun games and good company. Well done to the committee for the planning, and thanks to the Gympie RSL for their hospitality and private function room. Well done to all who won awards and prizes, and thank you again committee for the prize organization and giving. Included here are the awards results, well done to everyone!

Participant prep

- **Champion Inkahoots ridden by Zoe Olszowy**
- **Reserve Champ- War Song ridden by Madonna Woodward**
- **3rd Just One Kay ridden by Helen Ward**
- **4th Romani ridden by Robyn Royle**
- **5th Maeve Keeva Baby Doll ridden by Hayley Cross**
- **6th Miss Abby ridden by Deborah Honeywill.**

Participant Prelim

- **Champion- Rybrooke Billy Boy ridden by Belinda Norris**
- **Res. Champ- Incitement ridden by Lily Bromilow,**
- **3rd Wataphrase ridden by Michelle Winston**
- **4th Victoria Park Archon ridden by Bronwyn Wood.**

Participant Novice

- **Champion Jake ridden by Alison Bernadin.**

Participant Elementary

- **Champion Firing High ridden by Helen Ward**

Competitor Prelim

- **Champion Pintara Breanna ridden by Sue Dale**

Competitor Novice

- **Champion Firing High ridden by Helen Ward**

Competitor Elementary

- **Champion Love You Beautiful ridden by Tom Kelman**

Competitor Medium

- **Champion Sylvester Stallone ridden by Emalie Rowan**
- **Reserve Champ. Don Dalliance ridden by Celina Branch**

Competitor Advance

- **Champion Sylvester Stallone ridden by Emalie Rowan**



Tom Kelman, Helen Ward, Sue Dale, Zoe Olszowy and Emalie Rowan with their awards.

Awards table and prizes.



NEW COMMITTEE AND JOBS LIST 2019

Welcome to all new and existing committee members and those who have taken on jobs for 2019. I have listed names here, for both recognition and also a handy guide for who to contact for what. I aim to collect contact details and provide an easy contact area in newsletter for all involved.

2019 Committee are as follows -

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Risk Management - Zoe Olszowy

Web Site - Helen Ward

EA Calendar and Event Programs - Helen Ward

Competition Draw - Robyn Royle and Donna Groves

Scoring and Results to EA - Sam Howard

Arenas Up - Tom Kelman in charge and team- Sam Howard, Zoe Olszowy, Donna Woodward

Clipboards and Sheets - Emalie Rowan

Ribbons - Sue Dale

Judges and Pencillers - Fe Kelman

Catering Contact - Helen Ward

Gunalda Grounds Contact - Peter Corbett

Judges Clipboards and Sheets - Emalie Rowan

Grants and Funding - Tienelle Cross

Approved grants for Campdraft Association-

Gunalda Campdraft Association has recently had the approval for government grant funding to improve the grounds at Gunalda. This is great news as we all know the grounds need some TLC. So far, they have snagged enough funding for the purchase of a new water pump so the arenas can be watered, as well as some yard panels so there will be more available yarding for future events. Well done to the Campdraft committee for their work with this, and I will keep the club updated with any new information on ground upgrades as they come to light.

Updated Dressage tests for 2019-

For those who don't already know, EA have created all new dressage tests beginning 2019. I have to say, I was happy for the change, the new tests are different and exciting, but also a little daunting at the prospect of now re-writing the knowledge in my head!!

Head to the EA website <http://www.equestrian.org.au/dressage-rules> to find all the new rules and tests for 2019.

Tip: If you are unsure if your tests are current, they have changed the names of the tests back to letters ie: Preliminary 1.1 is now preliminary IA 1.2 is now IB 1.3 is now IC , and so on for all levels. So if your papers have only numbers, they are old and need refreshing!!

Memberships 2019

A reminder that all memberships are now due for renewal, please find membership form attached to newsletter email, or find the form on our website. Pricing for 2019 memberships are as follows-

- Renewing individual- \$45.00
- New individual- \$50.00
- Renewing family- \$60.00
- New family- \$65.00

New CDA Website

Cooloola Dressage Association Inc. has a new look and a new website for 2019 designed by one of our members, Bronwyn Wood from [Brand House Co.](#) At a General Meeting late last year it was agreed that it was time to have a new online home where we could showcase everything about our club.

The new website can be found at www.coolooladressage.org.au.

On there you can find [forms](#), including the 2019 membership Form and Horse Health Declarations, a [calendar](#) of all our events including programmes, once available. There are [links](#) to EA, EQ and Nominate, a page acknowledging our [sponsors](#) and [contacts](#) for our committee. If you don't know how to find us there is a [Google Map](#) on the website too.

We encourage all members to submit photos for our [gallery](#) page (images no larger than 2,000px and please state who is in the picture). For those wishing to buy and sell, we have our own [classifieds](#) page too. To submit an item for sale please send a picture and information to Helen, our President at corbettscreek@hotmail.com

So, don't forget to head to the website for our event programmes, the first of which is a [Training Day](#) on March 17th.

Thanks again to Bronwyn and Alan Wood from Brand House Co. Bronwyn kindly donated her time to create our new website, as well as new logos consistent with the new voted club colours. If you have any need for branding or marketing, please contact them with any questions

The logo for Brand House Co. features the word "BRAND" in a large, thin, sans-serif font. The letter "A" is replaced by a simple line-art triangle. Below "BRAND" is the word "HOUSE CO" in a smaller, spaced-out, sans-serif font.

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BUILDING BETTER BRANDS

New club shirts and club colours

After a recent online club survey, members showed overwhelming interest in a new club shirt design and colours. And with the help once again of Bronwyn from Brand House Co. they are Logo'd to match. I am very excited about these shirts, as I had similar ones made at my last club and they were very well received.

Shirts consist of a soft moisture wicking, stain resistant fabric, with CDA logo's back and front. They have a white "bib" area with zip up collar, making them suitable as a competition shirt under a jacket, as well as an everyday wearing shirt to show off and support our club. This is a bespoke design, created just for CDA.



Sizing is average ie: I am a size 8 and fit a size 8 well in these designs.

Price per shirt is \$45.00

NOTE: to pre order a club shirt, you will need to email me your size and how many you would like, to- moo_clock@hotmail.com or call or text 0439 776 561 and pre-pay for your shirt order.

Payment can be made to:

Cooloola Dressage Assoc. BSB : 014-585 Account number : 497 895 013

I have set a pre order deadline for the 26th January 2019, as there is an 8 week production timeline, and we need to get this order sorted ASAP!

PLEASE ENSURE YOU PUT YOUR NAME AS A REFERENCE, OR SEND A RECIEPT THROUGH TO ME WITH YOUR ORDER, OTHERWISE YOUR MONEY MAY GET LOST AND YOUR PAYMENT MAY NOT BE GUARENTEED!

CDA Events – 2019 Calendar Changes or updates will be highlighted

February- Tuesday 19th – meeting Snooker room Gympie RSL

March- Sunday 24th – Training day. *Program on website, contact Helen Ward for more information.*

April- Sunday 7th- Official and Participant Dressage day.

May – Sunday 26th- Training day

June- Sunday 9th Official and Participant Dressage day

July- Sunday 28th- Official and Participant Dressage day

August- Sunday 18th- Training day

September- Sunday 1st- CDA Dressage Championships.

October – Sunday 13th- Training day.

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