



NMZ Examining Secretary Report – 9th of August 2017 - AGM

E, D, D* 2017 Certificate

We continue to have many riders throughout our zone work achieve their E, D and D* certificates this year. Congratulations to those riders on broaden their horse mastership knowledge and commencing their PCAV certificate journey.

C 2017 Certificate

This year we have had 64 candidates all successful pass their C certificate congratulations to those riders on their achievement and new found knowledge; I hope it continues to support you on your horse journey. The following clubs have completed their C certificates this year:

Yarra Glen, Healesville, Donvale/Templestowe, Upper Yarra, Seville, St Andrews, Kangaroo Ground, Hurstbridge and Yarrambat.

Thanks goes especially to those host clubs; who time and effort helps these days run.

C* and K 2017 Certificate

To my knowledge we have not had any candidates undertaking these certificates this year but we encourage those riders interested to do so. They are a fabulous learning opportunity that challenges your skills as a rider and a horse owner.

'B' 2017 Certificate

Manon Schey from Healsville has booked in for her the B certificate and will be under taking her pre-assessment shortly. Congratulations Manon!

Congratulations to all riders you have been working towards or completed their certificates this year from E right through to B. Thank you instructors, DC's, certificate coordinators and parents who have helped, prepared and supported our candidates along the way. Your expertise, time and effort are greatly appreciated. A huge thank you also goes the fantastic group of assessors who give up their weekends and travel all over our zone to assess and support these riders; without them the achievement of certificates could not take place.

Lastly I would like to thank Kylie Parker and DCI Panel for all the help and support as I learn to ropes in this new role.

Lauren Howes ☺

Chief Instructor/DCI Panel Report – Prue King

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NMZ had a busy year on the coaching front. Apart from providing NCAS coaches for approximately 180 club rallies through the year there was a huge demand for judges for countless dressage, combined training and horse trials competitions. The DCI Panel ran three workshops for coaches in the 12 months, using Mary Longden teaching Creative coaching, Sue Leslie teaching How to coach showjumping and the zone's own Kerrie Hill teaching a very interested group of riders and coaches about Musical rides and Formation riding. I hope these workshops have encouraged more junior coaches to undertake their NCAS training to maintain the consistency and standard for which NMZ is recognised throughout the state.

I'm pleased to say three of our senior coaches also presented components of state training workshops this year, one of which NMZ hosted very successfully at Pony Club Park. Lower level riders were well catered for with a number of Brenda Mitton horse trials clinics but our older riders seem not to attend zone-run clinics and I wonder if it's because of a lack of time that suits all or because these riders are coached by currently competing riders. This may be something that needs addressing so the seniors are better catered for. We were also behind other zones in our interest in Ride to Time this year.

We have new people on the DCI Panel and I believe this augurs well for the future. My thanks to panel members and zone executive for all their support and I wish Rob Welch zone's incoming head coach, all the best in his new role.