

# Giddy-up



NEWSLETTER OF RDA JENNIBROOK FARM

NOVEMBER 2011

## PRESIDENT'S WORDS

GRAHAM CROUCH

*This is a condensed version of the President's Report to the AGM. I wish to express my gratitude to the Committee Members who have worked with me throughout the year in a competent and dedicated manner here at RDA Jennibrook Farm.*

Thanks also go to our Coaches, Lorna Ellery, Merridee Parker and Karen Aspery, who have spent countless hours in training our riders for various competitions. The results of their hard work shine as our riders come away from the competitions with smiles and happiness.

Thanks to Tanith Ramsdale and Sam Davis for their contributions.

Bill Freeman and other volunteers have performed maintenance duties beyond expectation and their hard work is appreciated.

Fundraising & Donations of special note are:-

**Morphett Vale Bowling Club** - donation

**Alawoona Stitches** - a patchwork quilt

**Rock'N' Roll Festival** at Glenelg (Thanks to Sandy & Kirrily)

**BBQ day** at Woolworths at The Hub

**Sue Schutt** - donation of jewellery

**Cherie Freeman & Pauline Summers** for the distribution of donation tins to various businesses.

A special carrot award to our hard working horses who continue to give much pleasure to all.

*(To read the complete President's Report for 2011, prepared for the AGM, just ask at the office)*

## RDA STATE DRESSAGE CHAMPIONSHIPS 2011 & SPECIAL OLYMPICS - PRIX CAPRILLI

Well done to all riders who competed at the Mallala Equestrian Centre on Sunday the 18 September 2011, all riders and horses looked marvelous.

Riders from RDA Jennibrook Farm were - Justyn Beckman (*Good Guys Sam*), Simone Dean (*Good Guy Sam*), Felicity Isherwood (*Jack*), Kayla Houltham (*Copper Mask*), Andrew Tanner (*Cherokee*), Aled Williamson (*Copper Mask*). All our riders worked hard to learn their dressage tests and improve riding skills. Congratulations to you all and thanks to the families who supported the riders throughout the training sessions. Thanks also to all the Coaches and volunteers for preparing riders and horses for the RDA State Dressage Championships.



*Aled Williamson (Jennibrook Farm) & Matthew Davis (Victor Harbor) Highest scoring riders at the RDA State Dressage Championships 2011.*

## RIDING FOR THE DISABLED JENNIBROOK FARM

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Thursday & Saturday mornings

## Management Committee 2011/2012

Hon. President

**Graham Crouch**

Hon. Secretary

**Pauline Summers**

Hon. Treasurer

**June Boscence**

Other Members

**Anita Ellery**

**Lorna Ellery**

**Sandy Fuller**

**Merridee Parker**

## Coaches

**Karen Aspery**

**Sam Davies**

**Lorna Ellery**

**Merridee Parker**

**Tanith Ramsdale**

Newsletter Editor

**June Boscence**



RDA Jennibrook Farm received a special thank you from Sheila and Matthew Davis for the loan of 'Jack' during the recent RDA Dressage State Championships.

Matthew rides with the RDA Victor Harbor, and is shown riding 'Jack'.

*IN LIFE, HORSES ARE SOME  
OF THE BEST FRIENDS  
YOU'LL EVER HAVE!*

## NEWS IN BRIEF

**DONATION:** Thank you to **The Original OPEN MARKET Inc.** who donated \$300 to RDA Jennibrook Farm. This well known market is on every 1st & 3rd Sunday at The Reserve, Beach Road, Christies Beach.

**40th ANNIVERSARY.** Riding for the Disabled SA are planning a number of special events during 2012 to celebrate the 40th anniversary of its founding. RDA SA would like to hear from people involved in the early days and include them if possible in some of the events. More updates soon.

**THE BIG BURN.** Volunteers from the **Country Fire Service** were on standby during the burn-off of the large heaps of fallen tree branches the Centre had accumulated over many months. Appropriate permits had been obtained, but we were glad to have the **CFS** on site during the burn. A BBQ lunch was provided. Thank you to all concerned.

## INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING?

RDA SA volunteers receive training and experience in a wide range of activities. There are 13 RDA Centres in SA. If you enjoy the outdoors, would like to make a difference in the life of a child with a disability and work with horses, contact **RDA Jennibrook Farm** or **RDA State Office**, details below:-

**RDA Jennibrook Farm** Phone: 8322 4244 (Thursday or Saturday)

**RDA State Office** Phone 8331 1833 (Monday to Friday)

## GRANT TO UPGRADE FENCING FROM THE CITY OF ONKAPARINGA

Visitors to our Centre will have noticed work being done to the fences alongside the driveway and the raceway next to the riding paddock. A Minor Capital Works Grant has been received from the **City of Onkaparinga** towards this project.

Bill Freeman kindly agreed to attend the Centre on Wednesdays to supervise student volunteers from the Bowden Brompton Community School. The first part of the project was to remove the old fence wire and posts. The photograph shows Bill Freeman and students from Bowden Brompton Community School engaged in this work.

After the fence was removed, another team of volunteers with the post hole digger soon had the holes dug and the posts rammed into position.

Bill with the help of the maintenance team of volunteers completed wiring the fence and hanging the gates.

Thank you to all for a job well done.



## Riding Develops Abilities