

CANADIAN PONY CLUB



Annual Report

2011

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Fifteen Year Members

Ten Year Members

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15 & 25 Year Volunteers

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

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 Sillcox* 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

*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 2011

National Chair	Cathy Miller
National Vice Chair	Kim Leffley
National Finance Chair	Marcia Cooper
National Secretary	Maria Berry
Director – Alberta South	Pat Duke
Director – Alberta Central	Mary Busch
Director – Alberta North	Jane Goodliffe
Director – BC Islands	Kim Hunter
Director – BC Interior North	Marcia Cooper
Director – BC Lower Mainland	Carol McDonald
Director – Central Ontario	Sue Foell
Director – Manitoba	Maria Berry
Director – New Brunswick/PEI	Kim Leffley
Director – Nova Scotia	Margie Johnson
Director – Saskatchewan	Naomi Girling
Director – St. Lawrence Ottawa Valley	Anne Marie Fowler
Director – Western Ontario	Del Zelmer
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Active Member East	Kyra Holmes
National Past Chair	John Moehring
National Treasurer/Supplies	Phil Crowe (non voting)
Administrator/Membership	Val Crowe (non voting)

Message from the National Chair

This year was my first as National Chair and the learning curve was fairly steep. Fortunately, the journey was significantly aided by the dedication of our Management Committee as we addressed a number of issues related to the need for an understanding of the CPC structure, its ways of work and its lines of communication. The concerns which arose emphasized how challenging it can be to operate a volunteer youth organization within such a large and diverse area as Canada. During this year one of our greatest strengths was the willingness of those involved to commit time and effort to resolve many, sometimes contentious, issues always for the ultimate benefit of the organization and most importantly, all our members. With the ever-growing number of communication tools available in today's world, it has become essential for everyone to be aware of how to interact with each other effectively and constructively. Two important accomplishments were the establishment of a well-monitored Facebook page and the undertaking of a complete reworking of the CPC website which is anticipated to be up and running in the coming year.

In the past two years i.e. 2009 and 2010, CPC engaged in a number of events and projects both as celebrations and in response to the ever-changing nature of the needs of our members e.g. the 75th anniversary, the Jump Canada gala, the Testing Streaming program, the introduction of Riding Centres, consolidation of Discipline rules, etc. 2011 seemed to be a year to review, regroup and "go back to basics" – the importance of understanding the organizational structure, our governance model, and the need for vigilance in offering a safe, positive environment for our members to flourish. Questions and concerns which arose were consistently addressed with reference to our bylaws, rules and regulations and by encouraging all levels of Canadian Pony Club to make use of the tools and practices so carefully developed over the past number of years. Ever mindful of the changing nature of the society in which we live, we began the process of requiring Police and Vulnerable Sector record checks, and had an opportunity to hear about the Respect in Sport Coach/Activity Leader Program.

CPC was also active within the broader equestrian community, both nationally and internationally. We were actively represented at the two main meetings of Equine Canada, at the AGM and Sport Council meetings in Ottawa in February and at the Sport Council meeting in November in Toronto. While we do not have a vote on the Sport Council, the issues they are considering will have an impact on how we deliver our programs and where we will fit in the evolution of Canadian equestrianism. It is my sense that we are perceived as a vital grass roots organization of significant value to the credibility of any national equestrian program. In July, it was also my pleasure to attend the biennial meeting of the PCIA (Pony Club International Alliance) held in conjunction with the US Pony Clubs 10th Festival at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington. In addition to the US and Canada, Great Britain and Australia were in attendance to review each nation's activities and events since 2009 and to share perspectives and ideas for the future of Pony Club as an International organization. This meeting served as a reminder of our historical roots and provided a forward-looking perspective on the development of youth equestrianism around the world.

I wish to acknowledge with gratitude the contributions of the CPC administrative staff, the Management Committee and the members of the National Board. Significant work was accomplished on behalf of our membership throughout the year, and I am deeply appreciative of the support I received during my first year as National Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Cathy Miller
Chair

Section 2

Discipline Reports

Chair for Disciplines

Show Jumping

Tetrathlon

PPG

Dressage

Rally (no report received)

Quiz

International Exchanges

International Mounted Games Exchange
Inter Pacific Exchange

National Education Report

National Testing Report

Annual National Chair for Disciplines Report 2011

Individual Discipline reports have been submitted separately, but here is a summary of National Competitions hosted by the regions in 2011.

National Dressage was hosted by Western Ontario region.

National Show Jumping was hosted by British Columbia Lower Mainland region.

National Rally was hosted by Western Ontario region.

National Quiz was hosted by Alberta Central region.

PPG National A Championships were hosted by BCLM

PPG National Selection Camp was hosted by WOR.

An unofficial PPG National Masters competition was hosted by Central Ontario region.

The International IMGE Canadian Team went to Kentucky and competed at the world famous Kentucky Horse Park. At the same venue there was also an Invitational competition offered for Quiz, Show Jumping and Dressage, hosted by the USPC.

National Tetrathlon has a new National Chair, Shaun LaGrange, who is hoping to infuse new life and enthusiasm into the discipline across the country.

Maria Berry graciously stepped in as Interim Quiz Chair, and at the SAM in November, was duly elected official Quiz Chair for the next two years.

We will also be saying goodbye to Diana Locke as our National Show Jumping Chair and welcoming Carla Edge from BC as our new National Show Jumping Chair.

Alison Rainford continues as our National Prince Philip Games Chair, and is already planning for our hosting of the IMGE Tour of 2013 when it will be coming to Eastern Canada.

Thank you to all of our hard working National Discipline Chairs for everything that you have done for the Canadian Pony Club in 2011.

Respectfully submitted,

Jane Goodliffe
National Chair for Disciplines.

2011 CPC NATIONAL SHOW JUMPING REPORT

National medal finals were held in BCLM in August and were attended by 10 regions. There were 10 active members and 2 affiliates. Discussions were held with those attending and ideas were helpful for making changes to national rules. See the submitted rule changes. Organizers from the past few championships strongly support putting a C1 criteria for competitors as we need to be able to tell horse loaners that riders have safely passed the 3 foot height on their own mounts. There was a general consensus that 12 years was young to be riding a strange horse over 3 foot courses and so we propose increasing the age to 13 as of 2013 national medal championships. 2012 candidates may have already been selected so these levels won't change for 2012. We would like to ask regions who have not selected their candidates to consider these criteria as ideal.

Final Results – National Medals Finals – 2011

Regular Member Division

1 Sydney Hewins	Manitoba
2 Megan Kornder	Saskatchewan
3 Marlies Kerkhoven	BC Lower Mainland
4 Julia Locke	Nova Scotia
5 Amber Callan	Alberta Central
6 Samara Balfour	Western Ontario
7 Trevor Clarke	BC Lower Mainland
8 Katy Jorgensen	Alberta South
9 Samantha Lobbezoo	Central Ontario
10 Tess Billings	New Brunswick/PEI

Affiliate Division

1 Lisa Schultz	BC Lower Mainland
2 Emily Harris	BC Islands

National Show Jumping Medals Final for 2012 will be held in the SLOV region.

Respectfully submitted,

Diana Locke
National Show Jumping Chair

National Dressage Report 2011

National Dressage 2011:

Hosted by Western Ontario in Ancaster, Ontario August 14 – 16th, 2011. Chaperones, competitors and grooms stayed at Redeemer College where they enjoyed individual town home units that slept 8 including air conditioning, kitchen and living room and 2 washrooms. Redeemer was only a 5 minute bus ride from the Ancaster Fairgrounds where the riding took place.

Breakfast / Dinner were provided at Redeemer College, lunch was provided by the Mount Nemo Pony Club at the fairgrounds. All meals included a variety of options including healthier and vegetarian.

42 horses were provided for 42 competitors representing almost all of the regions in the Canadian Pony Club.

Results:

Starter Division

- Champion – Katy Praught – ANR
- Reserve – Morgan Whitelaw - ABS

Pre-Training Division

- Champion – Meghan Murray – WOR
- Reserve – Sydney Schiewe – ANR

Training Division

- Champion – Nicole Ketter – BCIN
- Reserve – Jessica Good - MB

1st Level Division

- Champion - Allie Schmidt – WOR
- Reserve - Shannon Davies – BCLM

2nd Level Division

- Champion – Jen Boogaards – COR
- Reserve – Kristen Wight - WOR

3rd Level Division

- Champion - Kayla Hauer – ANR
- Reserve – Meagan Overwater - ABC

FEI Children Division

- Champion – Elizabeth Fraser – BCIN

Affiliate Division

- Champion - Johanna McKeen - COR

Congratulations to all and thanks to all the Regional Chairs and the many volunteers that made this event successful.

National Dressage 2012:

Next year's event will be hosted by BC Lower Mainland in Maple Ridge, BC August 16 – 18th, 2012.

Dressage Rules:

Rule changes will be coming and delivered for the AGM.

Prince Philip Games Report for 2011

Western Ontario Region, Chair Barb Robinson hosted the National Selection Camp on the weekend of September 23-25. There were 10 wonderful young ladies vying for the coveted place on Team Canada. Each of these girls had to be selected at their regional level first. This team will travel to Australia from April 7 – 22, 2012. A coach and chaperone are to be selected by November. The riders selected are: Megan Dick, ABN; Kirsten Radcliffe, WOR; Kearstyn Sabourin, ABN; Tayler Vick, ABC; and Emma Wiebe, BCLM. Taylor Schneider from BCLM has agreed to be the alternate. We wish these people happy traveling and the best of luck in their competition. They are all wonderful ambassadors.

British Columbia Lower Mainland Region, Chairs Don Cornish and Nick Van Dongen hosted the national "A" competition on September 9 - 11. There were only 3 teams present with the results: first - BCLM, second - WOR, and third – ABN. The competition finished with only one point separating each team! Hopefully, this region has seen some of the benefits of loaning their ponies for another time. This region is in a building time and it was wonderful to see them work together for a successful time. These national competitions build friendships across the country and help the riders see how things are done in other areas of the country.

Central Ontario Region, Chair Dana Strickland hosted the National Masters Competition on the weekend of August 19 - 21. Because of an ineligible rider due to being under age, the teams showed good sportsmanship and agreed to run this competition as an invitational event instead of disallowing the rider to play. Alison Rainford, National Chair, asked that each region sending teams and national CPC still support the teams financially, as each team traveled in good faith and that a national gathering and exchange of friendships still took place. Thank you to the Management Committee for their last minute considerations.

The International Mounted Games Exchange was hosted by the USA this year. Jazz Graham, Kristen Pym, Jacquie Kelton, Jessica Wallin, and Jordan Cornish represented Canada on the team. Unfortunately, Travis Van Dongen was forced to withdraw because of a broken arm. This is a wonderful opportunity for both members and adults to see how things are done in other countries and to take part in a cultural exchange as well as an international competition. The team played well with third and fourth decided in the last race: Great Britain, Australia, USA, and Canada. There were a good number of parents and supporters in the stands this time!

Many regions across the country hold varying regional games events. Some are blossoming; some are extremely competitive. Once again, the Central Canada Zone was the only zone in Canada that still held a zone competition. Thanks to Central Ontario Region for ably hosting this event. There were teams from Western Ontario, Central Ontario and St Lawrence/Ottawa Valley regions who arrived for their competition at Dana Strickland's Brelview Farm. The Guelph Pony Club from WOR won the opportunity to travel to BCLM for the national A final while the Grand River team from WOR and the Uxbridge/Scugog team from COR attended the nation Masters weekend.

I would like to thank all of the parents and volunteers of Canadian Pony Club who make these events happen.

Respectfully submitted by,

Alison Rainford
National PPG Chair

PRINCE PHILIP GAMES

NATIONAL A REPORT

BCLM hosted the National A's this year on September 9-11. Unfortunately we could only accommodate 3 teams, as once again pony lending was a big issue. We will continue to try to convince people out here that lending their ponies is actually good training and won't ruin a pony for life.

The teams stayed at the Riverport Holiday Inn in Richmond which was 15 minutes from the meet & greet in Vancouver and 20 minutes from the competition in the other direction in Surrey. We suggest this Hotel because there is bowling, swimming, movies, rock climbing etc. within walking distance. The continental breakfast is also really convenient.

The meet & greet was at Southlands Riding Club in Vancouver. It was the start of their Country Fair and this event was called The Hoe Down. They open up all the doors at the Club House and set up tables inside and outside. We met just as the event was starting so it wasn't too busy and had a meal of hot dogs, food trays and snacks. The coaches and I found a quiet table to go over the packages. The teams finished the evening watching a 4 bar competition and then gathered in the club house to mingle.

The competition was held on Saturday under sunny skies. We ran 2 sets of six races, then broke for lunch, then finished the final set of six races. It was the closest competition I have ever witnessed in my years with PPG. There were no eliminations and all 3 teams were tied at three different points of the competition with no more than a 2 point spread between first and third for the entire competition, with many photo finishes. All 3 teams were tied after the 16th race and the 17th race was a tie between Ontario and Vancouver. It was the 18th and final race that decided the winner. Vancouver finished first, Ontario second and awarded the sportsmanship trophy and Alberta finished third. It was a fine display of talent and sportsmanship.

We had the wind-up party Saturday evening back in Surrey at a residence close to where the competition was held earlier that day. There we had a pool/hot tub party and a wonderful dinner put on by the Schneider family. Many thanks for being wonderful hosts and making the evening a lasting memory to an awesome day.

Overall the weekend was a success with everyone concerned and many thanks to the pony lenders and the volunteers that made it happen.

Respectfully submitted,
Don Cornish, B.C.L.M. P.P.G. co-chair

NATIONAL QUIZ CHAIR'S REPORT

I am very excited to be taking on a new role as Interim National Quiz Chair and will endeavour to do the best job I can in assisting my regional counterparts with any organizational or problematic issues that they may encounter while I am Chair.

My first task as Interim Chair was to attend National Quiz in Calgary which took place at the Sheraton Cavalier from Oct. 7th to 9th, 2011. The weekend as usual was packed full of activities which were organized by a committee of very dedicated volunteers who I must say did a wonderful job. There are always glitches, especially when hosting a major event the size of National Quiz for the first time. But with the help of many hands and the dedication of Val and Phil Crowe, all ran smoothly.

Our weekend started Friday afternoon with Registration and team photos. After supper, Isabelle Forsstrom, the host region's (ABC) Regional Quiz Chair, welcomed everyone after which they had a very hands-on activity which the participants all enjoyed. The competitors were organized into mixed groups, given "craft material" and a rag mop to make a replica of the famous horse they had previously drawn in the time allowed! When the whistle blew, there were some handsome "horses" ready to run. Cones were set up, "horse" and "rider" relays, involving flying lead changes and extended trots, took place with so much cheering the walls were truly vibrating!

A youth meeting took place that evening as well as a Chaperone meeting. After that meeting was over I introduced myself to everyone.

Saturday morning the written test took place between 9 and 11 after which the marking panel got busy and began marking the tests. The games took place in the afternoon and were finished by 3:30 and the evening's activity was a visit to the Calgary Zoo where there was a wonderful buffet supper organized for all participants. The Captain's Review took place after everyone returned to the hotel at 9 p.m.

Sunday morning the I.D. stations started at 9:00 a.m. When all was done the participants went on their second outing which was to Spruce Meadows, along with their bagged lunch from Subway. They had a great tour of the facility, walking along the Grand Prix course that many had only seen on TV.

Back at the hotel, the final Captain's Review was held before everyone began to focus on getting ready for the banquet and awards presentations.

Results are as follows:

AB Team – 1st place – BCLM; 2nd place – COR/SLOV/WOR; 3rd place – BCIN/NS; and 4th place – ABC.

AB Individual winners – 1st – Teigen Bond, BCIN/NS; 2nd - Eleanor MacLean, BCLM; 3rd - Nadine Brewster, ABC; 4th - Kyra Holmes, COR/SLOV/WOR; 5th - Mireya Hooper, BCLM; 6th - Kate Dickson, BCIN/NS; 7th - Trevor Clarke, BCLM; 8th - Mary Pigozzo, COR/SLOV/WOR; 9th - Casey Leroux, BCLM; 10th - Kayleigh Anne Redish, COR/SLOV/WOR.

Affiliate Team – 1st place – ABC; 2nd place – MB; 3rd place – BCIN/BCLM/SLOV.

Affiliate Individual Winners – 1st – Amanda Penner, ABC; 2nd – Kerry Moore, MB; 3rd – Sara Berry, MB; 4th - Lisa Schultz, BCIN/BCLM/SLOV; 5th - Carolyn Wight, BCIN/BCLM/SLOV; 6th - Kally Cowan, BCIN/BCLM/SLOV; 7th – Kelly Brouwer, ABC.

C Team – 1st place – U.S.; 2nd place – NS; 3rd place – WOR; 4th place – BCIS; 5th place – ABC; 6th place – SLOV; 7th place – BCLM; 8th place – SASK; 9th place – MB; 10th place – COR.

C Individual winners – 1st - Katie Marciniak, SASK; 2nd - Talia Bond, NS; 3rd - Melissa Bayer, SLOV; 4th - Caitlin Brast, WOR; 5th - Rachel Ehlers, US; 6th - Jessica van Nostrand, NS; 7th - Megan Kornder, SASK; 8th - Kaitlyn Henderson, COR; 9th - Allie Schmidt, WOR; 10th - Camas Ussery, BCIS.

For full results you can visit the website and look under National Quiz 2011.

I thoroughly enjoyed my first experience as National Quiz Chair and look forward to meeting and assisting my regional counterparts should they have any questions or need help with any aspects of National Quiz.

While attending National Quiz a meeting was held on Friday evening, Oct. 8th between Val Crowe, Phil Crowe, myself and Nancy MacIsaac, the US National Quiz Chair Re International Quiz Exchange and North American Challenge. A report was forwarded to the Chair for Disciplines, Jane Goodliffe and there will be more information on this proposal at the AGM 2012 .

I look forward to continuing in my role as National Quiz Chair. I will do my best to continue in Carol's footsteps to ensure that our National Quiz remains a viable and enjoyable event for all pony club members.

Submitted by Maria Berry,

National Quiz Chair

National Tetrathlon Report 2011

- For the second year in a row the national competition was cancelled.
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- Three competitors from B.C. competed in the U.S. Gold Book with fantastic results.
 - Megan MacDonald was the Senior Women's Champion
 - Kelsey MacDonald was the Junior Women's Champion
 - Taryn Koreman placed 7th in the Senior Women's category
- Two competitors, Philip Cigagna and Megan Macdonald, competed in the International Exchange hosted by the U.K. and Ireland pony clubs.
 - British Regional Championships: Megan (7th), Philip (10th)
 - Irish National Championships: Megan (4th), Philip (16th)
 - British National Championships: Megan (10th), Philip (20th)
- One additional member, Kelsey MacDonald was invited to compete at the Irish Nationals based on her performance at the U.S. Gold Book. She placed 37th out of 175th and had a 1st place ride.

The 2011 Nationals were to be held in Nova Scotia; however, the organizers did not feel it was viable based on the situation in the previous year and early responses they received from the regions. Following the announcement of the cancellation, disappointment from some regions was voiced with the concern that current athletes do not have anything to look forward to in order to help motivate their training.

This discipline needs to be revitalized, specifically in regions where it has been steadily declining. Hopefully in the coming year, more regions will host regional events in order to support a national competition with representation from more than 2 or 3 regions.

Nationals are scheduled to be held by Alberta North in 2011. The Modern Pentathlon championships are scheduled to be held in British Columbia. As some of the competitors compete in both competitions, it is worth considering hosting these two competitions within the same region (or within reasonable distance) and back to back to reduce travel costs for those athletes who would attend both and to boost the number of potential athletes.

There has been an initiative started to work with the international regions to develop consistent criteria for the selection of athletes to international competitions. This work has developed slowly so far this year, but should be completed in early 2012.

The next International Tetrathlon exchange was originally scheduled to be hosted by Canada (BC) in 2014, however, Australia has agreed to host this event.

This was my first year (partial year) in the position of Tetrathlon chair. There will be much work to do in the coming months/years to rebuild this discipline; however, I am encouraged by the interest shown in some of the regions.

Respectfully Submitted,

Shaun LaGrange
CPC National Tetrathlon Chair

Section 3

Regional Reports

NB/PEI

Manitoba

BC Lower Mainland

St. Lawrence-Ottawa Valley

Nova Scotia

Alberta North

BC Interior North

Alberta Central

Saskatchewan

BCI

Central Ontario

Western Ontario

ABS



NB/PEI Regional Pony Club 2011 Report

In 2011, the NB-PEI Region of the Canadian Pony Club has experienced a number of important changes. Our membership continues to grow and our members are now reaching higher levels of testing and competition. This is exciting, as our region has been very small and our members have been, for a number of years, very young and inexperienced. In addition, we have not had a large number of 'Pony Club Alumni' parents to carry forward the experience and traditions of generations past. We are now finding them and they are coming forward to help preserve and develop the depth of knowledge and experience in this great region.

Membership increased from 61 in 2010 to 72 members (75 including 3 new 2011/2012 extended memberships) in 2011. We have been actively recruiting some of the older junior riders in our area who are already competing in a number of Equine Canada disciplines (eventing, dressage, hunter/jumper) and showing them the opportunities available to them through joining Pony Club. The word is spreading that being in Pony Club is a positive experience for young riders and horse enthusiasts and we hope to increase our numbers to nearly 100 members in 2012.

The NB-PEI region has continued to gain valuable skills due to the talent we have in coaching, extremely hard-working individuals who have made Pony Club a volunteering priority and have put forth countless hours of volunteer work to provide a positive and truly fun experience for our members. We are very fortunate to have a small, but very dedicated group working in this region.

We have worked hard to have a number of our riders successfully test this year. All clubs in our region have had either spring or fall testing, with members ranging between D and C2 levels. With hard work, we will have our first B candidate in the region in many years – this will be a very exciting milestone in 2012.

Additionally, we are working diligently to increase our examiner pool by encouraging 'retired' examiners to get updated and start testing again, in addition to recruiting older tested members to start thinking about testing – we intend to run an Examiners clinic in the region in the spring or fall of 2012 to ensure that standards are consistently being evaluated at all levels.

Our small region relies heavily on Regional events to foster pride and competition amongst our members. The members of our clubs genuinely love regional events such as described below:

- In May, 2011, our Regional Quiz was held at the University of New Brunswick in Fredericton and saw between 45-50 participants, ranging from E to C levels. Organised by our Quiz Committee and Fredericton Pony Club, the 2011 Quiz provided a wonderful social opportunity in addition to a great competition for all our members – lots of great memories were made. We hope, in the next year or two, to have members ready to attend the National Quiz.
- In August our Regional Rally was held at Hampton Riding Centre in Hampton, NB and was organised by our Rally Committee and Hampton Pony Club. The schedule needed to be adjusted at the last minute in order to work around an impending hurricane, but the competitors adjusted well and it was, once again, a great experience for the teams who attended. We are in discussions now about finding a suitable venue for a higher-level rally, as we have a number of C level members who are ready for a bigger challenge at the Regional Rally.
- Our Show Jumpers were fortunate enough to have a series of 4 shows with Pony Club Jumper classes – our first show had an excellent turnout and while numbers were lower for the 3 subsequent shows, we have had very positive feedback from show organizers that they enjoyed offering these classes and are willing to do so again in 2012. We had generous sponsors for these classes and we hope that they will continue to support our up-and-coming Show Jumpers next year.
- Our Dressage riders were busy this year, competing within the region and beyond. There has been discussion initiated by our Dressage Chair in terms of what shows can be used for Pony Club

purposes. The debate over EC Bronze shows versus provincially-sanctioned dressage shows should provide for interesting talks in the future..

In terms of National level competition, the NB-PEI region saw a few members compete amongst fellow riders across the country.

- Tess Billings (Fredericton Pony Club) attended the National Show Jumping Championships and while this was primarily a learning opportunity for her, she enjoyed the experience and we are glad she was able to represent our region. She is one of our older 'new' members so was on a huge learning curve by attending this competition, but took it all in stride and made us proud.
- We sent 4 riders to the National Dressage Championships:

Justin Smith	Hampton PC	Starter Division	4 th place
Morgan Bourque	PineHill PC	Pretraining	8 th place
Katie Jardine	Hampton PC	Training	9 th place
Jen Ogden	Hampton PC	First Level	3 rd place

Overall, it has been a very successful year. We have had a number of changes within the administration of our region, including an Acting Regional Chair for most of 2011. We hope that this new group of parents and volunteers will rise to the challenge and provide the best possible friendships, experience and memories to our Pony Club members.

We look forward to another year of growth and learning in 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Touchie Blakely
Regional Chair, NB/PEI Region
Canadian Pony Club

MANITOBA PONY CLUB REPORT

By Maria Berry, Past Regional Chair

Manitoba Pony Club had a very busy summer after suffering through a devastating flood in many parts of the province. Wet weather in late spring caused the cancellation of some events but July, August and September were hot and dry and the events that were scheduled were successful ones.

Syd Hewins of Brandon Pony Club represented MB at the 2011 CPC National Show Jumping held in BC and came away with the championships win. Manitoba is very proud of her achievement.

The CPC Dressage Nationals held in Ancaster, ON in mid-August with Jessi Good and Shannon Maclean representing MPC at the Training and First Levels respectively. Congratulations go to Jessi Good in becoming reserve champion at the Training level.

Congratulations also go to Jessi Good of Quarry Ridge Pony Club for her prize winning logo submission! Jessi surprised herself with her artistic skills when she decided to create a new logo for MPC. Jessi hoped to create a design that showed pony club's three disciplines...Dressage, Jumping and Cross Country. Her design, stitched in white and green, does just that and is easily recognizable against the black fabric of the jacket, or green fabric of the polo shirt. As Jessi's prize for having her design selected, she received 50% off the purchase of her regional jacket. Watch for the new MPC regional pin...coming soon!



Manitoba Pony Club is very proud of all the time and effort that Karen MacLean has spent getting regional clothing together and available for purchase. Now our Manitoba teams will be able to have consistently good-quality, attractive clothing to wear to National Competitions on a regular basis.

As I write this report MPC has not had its AGM yet so will give a verbal report at the SAM as to the changes in the board members. It is hoped that we can get some new blood into the board as some fresh new ideas go a long way into making an organization such as ours run smoothly and keep up with the times.

Most of the MPC clubs have reorganized this fall with our membership close to the same as it was last year, around 101 members from 2011.



BCLM REGION
2011 Year End Report



The BC Lower Mainland Region finished off the 2011 year with its first Celebration Banquet. The year was so full with members competing all over the globe we felt a gathering to celebrate and showcase our athlete's adventures and successes was the best way to share their experiences. We had presentations from all the discipline representatives in the form of power points to music which will be now being shown again at social and promotional gatherings. The youth reps will be tasked to organize this PC banquet again for 2012 with greater lead time to boost attendance and to gather more items for the silent auction which raised funds for BCLM.

2011 has gone out the same as it came in, with a flurry of requests for letters of reference from BCLM members who were vying for positions to represent BC and Canada at events and recently for the Governor Generals' Award of Excellence.

As the year comes to a close the executive and Governance of BCLM has plans to complete its proposal for recognizing BCLM high point members at local events and to build new policies that better serve and support our volunteers.

Tetrathlon finally realized its goals and achievements and was able to send 3 athletes to the Kentucky Invitational as well as having one official (and one unofficial) candidate qualified to compete internationally. At this time Tet has found a renewed energy and interest with numbers increasing and members enrolled to attend clinics.

BC hosted a very successful **National Medals** competition this summer not only by competition standards but in the social aspect of being the host. We were able to provide a social area on site where all competitors, chaperones and extended family could gather for meals and lively conversation. We utilized the immediate local business for our social activities and were able to provide fresh, local foods to showcase beautiful BC in so many ways. We had 3 athletes represent BCLM at this competition and are very proud of their achievements and sportsmanship.

Marlies Kerkhoven placed 3rd, Trevor Clarke, 7th with Lisa Schultz 1st in the affiliate division.

On the Thanksgiving weekend in October, 9 members from BCLM along with their 2 chaperones flew to Calgary to participate in **National Quiz**. All members of the C team were attending National Quiz for the first time gaining valuable experience...

C team 7th out of 14

Kate Meffen	20th
Alyssa Winkler	23rd
Hayley Mica	28th
Sophie Stephens	35th

56 participants at C Level

AB Team 1st out of 4

Eleanor MacLean	2nd (.17 points behind 1st place)
Mireya Hooper	5th (1.35 points behind Eleanor)
Trevor Clarke	7th
Casey Leroux	9th

13 participants at AB level

Affiliate Scramble

Lisa Schultz	4th
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Members of the AB team and Affiliate Scramble were all experienced National Quiz competitors demonstrating what is possible when you have some ideas about what to expect....

We enjoyed a hearty laugh at our year end banquet celebration when Eleanor MacLean divulged how she was 1 point out of first place – she forgot her PC passport!!!

National Rally

Team 1

Hailey mica - captain

Jenni George - rider

Jami struys - rider

Katelyn Offereins - groom

Team 2

Ginnel GUNN - captain

Lisa Schultz - rider

Marianne Struys - rider

Teams won 1st and 2nd and individually they cleaned up as well - results are on website

Shannon Davies represented BCLM in the National **Dressage** competition held in Western Ontario.

National Competitors - PPG

B.C.L.M. hosted the National "A" P.P.G. Championships - September 9-10, 2011 at Panorama Ridge, Joe Brown Park, Surrey B.C.

B.C.L.M. National "A" team - coach Nancy Brook (Vancouver Pony Club)

Annie Brook

Emma Wiebe

Dani LA Fleur

Taylor Schneider

Elizabeth Chasmar

Traveling Competitors:

I.M.G.E. 2011 Tour (International Mounted Games Exchange) Kentucky U.S.A. July 6-23, 2011

Jordan Cornish

National Masters Championship - August 19-21, 2011 hosted by Central Ontario Region (COR)

B.C.L.M. National Masters team - Coach Sheila Burgess

Emma Wetherill East Maple Ridge P.C.

Naomi Tidball Vancouver P.C.

Sarah Gilmour Vancouver P.C.

Tessa Ladner Vancouver P.C.

Travis Van Dongen East Maple Ridge P.C.

International Candidates (for I.M.G.E. 2012 team) September 23-25, 2011 hosted by Western Ontario Region (WOR)

Taylor Schneider Vancouver P.C. (alternate)

Emma Wiebe Vancouver P.C. (team member)

C2 Testing – 2011

•24 candidates attempted tests. 16 were successful at the first attempt and a further 5 completed the level attempted after the August re-test. 17 achieved their full C2, the remainder passed various parts.

•Candidates appeared to be less ready for C2 testing this year than in the last couple of years when the pass rate has been close to 100% at the first attempt.

- Candidates appeared well prepared for the SM phase; the part of the test giving candidates the most trouble was Over Fences.

B/B2 Test Results:

25% of candidates choosing full B testing was successful in achieving their Full B (2 out of 6 candidates).

88% of candidates choosing partial testing were successful in all the parts they tested (7 out of 8 candidates).

B2 Testing in May and July:

100% of candidates choosing full B2 testing was successful in achieving their Full B (1 out of 1 candidate).

80% of candidates choosing partial testing were successful in all the parts they tested (4 out of 5 candidates).

B Re-Testing in October:

83% of candidates re-testing was successful (5 out of 6 candidates).

•**Eight BCLM candidates attempted the A** written test on 16 January 2011. Seven of the eight met standard.

•BCLM hosted 13 candidates for A testing in early August 2011. Eight were from BCLM and 5 were from out of region: 4 from BC Islands and one from BC Interior North. The HA test was held at Thistle Equestrian Centre in Vancouver, while the RA was at Maple Ridge Equi-Sport Centre.

•Congratulations to the two BCLM candidates, Kathleen Beekmann and Amanda Brook who completed their full A level this year.

•Other BCLM member achievements: Eleanor MacLean and Nayla Charbonneau completed their RA level and Laura Patterson passed her HA.

•Seven candidates testing A this year attempted the entire test at once and only one of these passed all phases.

Many Thanks, to the proficient volunteers and members of BCLM

Sincerely Darcie Kerkhoven
BCLM Regional Chair

St Lawrence & Ottawa Valley Region Regional Chair's Report 2011

2011 was a bit of an up and down year in SLOV. We ended the year with a high of 213 members but lost 2 branches when their DCs resigned and no one else was willing to take on the duties. Luckily most of the members transferred to other branches. A third branch went into a hiatus due to a variety of reasons but we hope that they will eventually start up again. We gained one new branch (Barrhaven P.C.) and they seem to be doing well so far. The remainder of the Region stayed strong and we had good participation in our various Regional activities. We also participated at a National level with members attending National Dressage, National Rally and National Quiz where they were all very successful.

Over the year branches organized various workshops, clinics and educational sessions some of which were opened up to other members of the Region. Some of the more unusual activities included some horseball clinics and an equine theatre production of "The Highwayman".

Our Winter Education Camp was well attended with 73 members and 32 chaperones from 13 branches taking part. Thanks to Sheila Wark and her enthusiastic volunteers for organizing this event which was held at MacSkimming Outdoor Education Centre and thank you to the clinicians who gave up part of their weekend to help us. This was our 6th year of Winter Camp and we hope that this will continue to be successful.

In April we took part in the National Testing and Education Road Show. Gwen and Bev visited us and imparted much useful information to some of our testers and educators.

Regional Quiz was the next major activity in our Region with members from most branches participating. Thanks to organizer Lynne Blackburn and the many volunteers who wrote and marked the tests, ran the games, oversaw the visuals, organized the food and kept the participants happy throughout the day. Our teams for National Quiz are selected at Regionals and we were able to send a full C team, 1 A/B member and 1 affiliate member to National Quiz in Alberta where they were very successful. Our C team placed 6th with Melissa Bayer placing 3rd individually. Kayleigh Redish at the A/B level was on the 2nd place mixed Region team and placed 10th individually. Carolyn Wight was on the 3rd place mixed Region Affiliate team placing 5th individually. Melissa was also a member of the winning Canadian C team taking on the U.S. in the Canada/U.S. Quiz Challenge.

Our Victoria Day weekend D Working Rally was held at the farm of our National Director, Anne Marie Fowler. Many thanks to Anne Marie, Lori Wickert (our Rally Chair), Brenda Salmon and the various clinicians and other volunteers for making this another successful weekend. Members from 9 branches took part. The SLOV D Rally is open to members from E to D2 who receive riding and stablemanagement instruction plus take part in a stablemanagement competition over the long weekend.

Our C Working Rally was held in July at Hawkrige. Many thanks to Elaine Davies for allowing us the use of her beautiful property. Unfortunately this was the last year that we will be able to use Hawkrige as the property is being converted for other uses. We had an excellent turnout and a successful weekend thanks to the hard work of Lori Wickert, Brenda Salmon, their volunteers and all the riding and stablemanagement clinicians.

Following a mini-meet, attended by 38 members and a shooting clinic we ran our Regional Tetrathlon in June. 28 members participated which was way up over the last few years. Most of those participating were at the lower levels but all thoroughly enjoyed the weekend. Thanks to Brian Zimmerman (our Tet. Chair) and his team for re-energizing Tetrathlon in SLOV.

Prince Philip Games followed on July 1st. Our PPG Chair withdrew a bit earlier in the year so Regional Chair, Liz Tucker took over the organising of the event. Thanks to Wendy Waller for agreeing to host the games. We had great day. 45 members from 10 branches took part with 6 teams at C level, 2 at B level, 1 at A level and 2 at Masters level. Charleston Lake, winners at the Masters level, went on to compete at the Ontario Zones competition where they placed 4th.

Our major activity of the year was organizing National Rally. Alex Walker headed up the team which included members from many of our branches. Oakhurst Farm was a very accommodating and gracious host for the event. Unfortunately numbers were low but I think that those who came from B.C.L.M., Nova Scotia, Western Ontario, Central Ontario and SLOV had a great time. With the agreement of the National Rally Chair we decided on a new approach this year which allowed the riders an opportunity to try out their allotted horses during a clinic with qualified clinicians from our area. As part of the social activities participants enjoyed a day of zip lining in the Gatineau Region of Quebec. Many thanks to Alex Walker, Jocelyn Kelly (our cook), Phil and Val Crowe for their usual excellent job of scoring and to all the chaperones and volunteers for pitching in the help make the event a success. Thanks to Apple Saddlery for donating saddle pads for the winners and also for donating hats to the winners of all our Regional Competitions. We appreciate their continued support.

Regional Dressage and Show Jumping followed. These were held over one weekend at Hawkrigde. Unfortunately the weather was not as kind to us as it had been at National Rally but everyone remained cheerful. After qualifying at last year's Regional Dressage competition 2 riders attended National Dressage in Western Ontario. Congratulations to Jen Boogaards for being the Level 2 Champion. Katiana Fleck, our 2nd rider also did well at the competition.

Testing took place at most of our branches over the summer and fall. Congratulations to the following SLOV members for achieving the following levels. Charlotte Harman completed her A level teaching in Manitoba to achieve her full HA, Matt Kidney successfully completed his lungeing to achieve his full B2, Katiana Fleck achieved her HB2 and Natasha Matte and Melissa Bayer their full Bs. Jeanette Gladwin achieved her HB and Sarah Fraser her full C2.

Many of our members also compete successfully in area horse trials, dressage shows, Trillium hunter/jumper shows and schooling shows. After the busy summer things quieted down a bit. In November one of our volunteers organized a bus to take members to the Royal to make use of the free tickets donated to our Region by the Royal Winter Fair. This is always an activity enjoyed by all who go.

Our final Regional activity of the year, besides our AGM, was a successful all day clinic covering a variety of topics for a variety of Pony Club levels. More of this type of clinic will be offered in 2012.

Following the Japanese earthquake the Region participated in the Japan Relief auction organized by the O'Hanlons and were able to purchase a dressage clinic with Paula Fedeyko, a rising dressage star, which was enjoyed by some of our members.

In order to help defray the costs of running a National Competition and to support our members who travel to Nationals we again ran a Regional tack trunk raffle. This year we also offered additional prizes. Each branch that sells tickets gets back a percentage of their sales so that it also benefits their own branch members. Our \$2 levy on each entry in a Regional Competition was continued. SLOV also received a grant from the OEF which will be used to support education and safety clinics etc.

Many thanks to our Executive and Discipline Chairs for all their hard work running education clinics, testing, Regional Competitions and keeping our membership records and our books straight. Thanks also to our Visiting Commissioners for always being available and our 2011 Youth Rep, who is currently in the U.K. at Queens University's British campus. Finally a big thank you to all our D.Cs and volunteers. We depend on you to keep our branches and activities running smoothly.

This was my final year as Regional Chair. I shall continue to keep involved in the Region and I wish everyone a successful year in 2012.

Liz Tucker
SLOV Regional Chair to December 2011

NOVA SCOTIA REGIONAL PONY CLUB ANNUAL REPORT 2011

In 2011 we had seven active Branches and 142 members. The Regional Board of Directors met four times. Although we had planned to host National Tetrathlon, it was cancelled due to lack of response by the other regions. Margie attended the SAM and the AGM as our National Director and provided a comprehensive report that follows. Once again our branches, committee chairs and discipline chairs were active and did a wonderful job in 2011. We discussed ways to increase our membership as it has been one of our biggest challenges and Margie has indicated that she hopes to work more on this in the upcoming year if she is elected to continue as our membership chairperson.

Reading through the discipline annual reports brings to mind the wonderful opportunities that are available to members. This year we had members travel for PPG, Show Jumping, Dressage, Rally, and Quiz. We also had a member, Julia Locke (Opportunity) represented our region at the National Show Jumping Championships in August. Rachel Foote who was selected to be part of the CPC team to compete at the Inter Pacific Exchange and had a wonderful time. Nova Scotia members should be proud of their efforts and successes this year. Several of our members from Evangeline travelled to what they believed was a national competition only to find out it could not be run as such. Subsequently we received a letter praising the members for their response to the disappointment. This commendation is something for which those members should be very proud.

Each of our seven branches were active in 2010 with riding lessons, stable management lessons, camps, clinics, testing, badge work and fundraising. We are looking for 2012 with enthusiasm. Unfortunately, Colchester and Eastern Shore were not active this year. This year Fairwinds club was disbanded. More details from each of the disciplines can be found in their reports that follow.

Respectfully submitted,
Sheila Bower-Jacquard,
Chairperson, Nova Scotia Regional Pony Club

ANR CHAIR'S ANNUAL REPORT

2011 was my second and final year as Alberta North Region Chair and I have enjoyed getting to know many of you better and was able to participate in several Regional, National and International events.

Janette Strome, our Education Chair ran Theory classes for our C2 and up candidates at the Percy Page Centre. As promised, Janette organized two overnight Theory camps at Camp Nakamun which were very well attended. This is a huge amount of work, but I know that the kids all greatly appreciate it!

Our Spring Organizational Meeting (SOM) was held on Saturday, April 16th where Branch activities were Sanctioned and Regional Events were planned.

Regional Quiz was held on May 8 at the Carvel Community Centre, which was organized by Carole Day.

PPG Camp at Darwell was held on the May long weekend and the weather co-operated much better this year with some sunshine!

PPG Regional finals were held in Thorsby on July 23 and 24th. The two Central region teams attended again the B and C divisions. The results of our international candidate competition were also announced at Thorsby and successful candidates, Kearstyn Sabourin and Megan Dick were sent forward to attend the National Selection Camp hosted by WOR. These two girls were successful and will be going to Australia in 2012. I was able to attend the Finals on Sunday as Jessica and I had just returned from the International Mounted Games Exchange in Kentucky. That was a fabulous experience and I'm so glad that I was able to be there to see the Canada Team play!

I was able to attend National Dressage Championships with Jessica, Sara Johnson, Katie Praught,

Regional Show Jumping and Dressage Finals were held at the Whitemud Equestrian Centre again this year August 27 & 28th. It was a very hot weekend and I had great fun being the announcer on Saturday! Sunday, not so much fun in the Show office all day doing Dressage scores, but can't be all fun and games!

We wrap up 2011 with our Annual General Meeting on November 27th and our Banquet in the evening. We have a great turnout so far and are trying a new venue at the Stony Plain Ramada Inn.

As I wrap my first year as Chair I would like to thank all the Discipline Chairs who have run their programs so well and have helped me learn the ropes this year.

Looking forward to a great 2012 with much more knowledge than I had this time last year!

Respectfully Submitted,

Sandy Wallin
ANR Regional Chair

BCIN Annual Report

National -

Quiz - BCIN had a team attend National Quiz in October, Karen Ritchey (Quiz Chair) attended with chaperone.

Dressage – 3 members from BCIN participated, Nicole Ketter Champion Training level, Elizabeth Fraser FEI Children's Champion. Official chaperone and parent attended, didn't send our Dressage Chair due to financial constraints within Region.

International -

Inter-Pacific Exchange – Mariah Chapman selected for Canadian team, A level BCIN member at that time, her Mom, Sheila Taylor selected as team Chaperone. Held in New Zealand, Canadian team Champion for Nations Cup in ShowJumping. Mariah has showcased her experience and presented a slideshow at a couple of Regional functions.

Discipline Reports -

Rally – Sandy Agatiello – Regional Rally held in August, had 13 teams attend, great experience for all. Region hosting Rally again 2012.

ShowJumping – Pam Ketter – Regional Championships held in July, hosted by Thompson Valley Pony Club branch, included a medals class. Unable to organize a medals clinic. Position taken on by Nicole Jackman for 2012.

Dressage – Susie Poulsen-Suerink – Regional Championships held in July same weekend as Showjumping, will have members qualifying for National Dressage Championships to be hosted by BCLM in August 2012. Same format for Dressage Championships July 2012.

PPG – no activity in our Region, no report.

Tetrathlon – Christine Peckham – had a member apply for National Team, but no selected, have tried to get some interest in Tetrathlon with setting up clinics, not much interest at this time throughout the Region.

Quiz – Karen Ritchey – our Region hosted 2 Quizzes (one in South, one in North) held on the same day, same time due to distances. Held March 3rd.

Testing – Therese Ferguson – B testing held in August 2011, one full B passed, partial B2 (teaching, unable to complete jumping phase due to lame horse at test), one full C2 passed. Sherry Lukey – Testing Chair – 2012, date set for B/B2 testing.

Education – Terri Dickson – 2011 Chair -

Examiners' clinic held in South, Roadshow held North and South (thanks to Bev and Gwen for putting together an excellent presentation), series of 4 educational teleconferences held for parents and members. Mock testing held in South in conjunction with the Examiner's clinic. Unfortunately, attendance not that great.

Heather Peacock, Chair for 2012, has dates set for Mock testing, and Longeing clinic in March 2012.

Membership -Tricia Cooney – 2011 – memberships at the end of 2011 season at 280.

Michele Onsonge – 2012 – Membership Chair – membership Feb. 9/12 at 237.

Re-activated branch in our Region – West Kootenay Pony Club Branch – currently have 10 members.

Communication – Nadine Krywonos (took over position part way through 2011).

Receives all BCIN information and distributes to Branches. At this time, we do not have an active website for BCIN, haven't anyone who has taken on that task at this time.

Youth Report – North rep – Meghan Foster – no report at this time.

South rep – position open.

Respectfully submitted,

Sandy Agatiello,
BCIN Regional Chair

Alberta Central Region

2011 Regional Report

ABC had a wonderful 2011 season. Our membership is staying steady around 130.

We began our year with a regional C Spring Warm-up Clinic in April. We had a wonderful instructor come and give a lesson each day along with Stable management each day as well. This is more for the older kids to get a good start to the year. It was very successful with about 16 kids.

In May, we had a Cross Country Clinic. We had around 10 members come out to that. Not as good as turnout as expected because of the late spring here in Alberta.

PPG camp was the first weekend in June and a great time was had by all. Around 26 members and great weather this year. Two days of camp and preparing for the Alberta Championship. Our kids did super and had so much fun.

We attempted Tet, but were unsuccessful in hosting a weekend clinic. The region is struggling to get Tet going.

July long weekend was the Jump Clinic. Because of the long weekend the attendance was down from the usual. The kids that did attend had a great weekend and had a great time.

July is filled with Branch camps and activities. It is a very busy month for the Branches.

August started off by our Rally Camp. It was held in Thompson Country and attendance was good this year. Two wonderful clinicians and the kids learned so much. It was only four days this year, as we are trying to not loose so much money with rally. This year was successful.

We also held a Jump Show in August. Just for fun and the kids love it.

We sent four members to Dressage in Hamilton and one member to BC for Show Jumping. The kids did well and all had a super time.

Our regional show was the last weekend of August. Super warm weather and great attendance. The first day was dressage and the second was jumping. It was put on by Haunted Lakes and they did a super job. The kids had fun and so did the parents.

October was very busy as we hosted National Quiz. To many of us this was our first National event and is was wonderful to host. We had lots of volunteers and lots of things to keep our volunteers busy. I think the event was successful and a good time was held by all.

ABC had a wonderful year in 2011.

Year End Report 2011

Saskatchewan Region

This year saw Saskatchewan remain even in terms of membership. We have not changed much over the last few years. The one difference we are noticing is the dropping out of our upper levels and the increase in new membership. Approx 20% of our membership is C2 and up. We as a region are trying hard to encourage our senior members to return to the fold. Our AGM this year saw a motion pass which exempts our affiliates from paying regional fees and the clubs are strongly encouraged to look at offering discounted rates for their assistance within the clubs. These young people are a strong asset which should be encouraged and valued. Our regional executive has three past and present pony clubbers as members. We continue to look for ways to bring them back to the fold!

Saskatchewan regional pony club members continue to represent us nationally in both pony club events and non-pony club events.

This year we sent Megan Kornder, of Heartland Pony Club, to represent us at national show jumping. She was one of the youngest members present and did us proud. Congratulations to Megan!

This year Canada had summer games which had the provinces pitted against each other at the show grounds at Bromont Quebec. Again, Megan Kornder of Heartland Pony Club was a Saskatchewan team member in Dressage. Their team returned with a silver medal! Paige Hodgins, of Saskatoon Pony Club, was on the show jumping team representing Saskatchewan. She too was a silver medalist. This may not have been a pony club event, but these girls are pony clubbers and as such were exemplary ambassadors of the organizations.

Diana Pella

Saskatchewan Regional Chair

BC Islands Region Pony Club Year End Report 2011

Our 6 Branches and 1 Centre all participated in a full slate of branch activities and all participated in several regional events. With a predominantly young membership and under new leadership the Region is focused on education and raising awareness of the many opportunities offered by Pony Club.

Organized by our Education Chair, Cowichan's Kate Woodland, our region kicked off the year in March with a second well attended and greatly appreciated Stable Management Camp for 23 C's and up. For 2012 the youth have asked for presentations by a vet and a farrier in addition to tips for success delivered by examiners.

Salt Spring Branch and Quiz Chair Beth Mason again hosted and ran, another great Quiz event in April. Six branches were represented. We sent a C Team to national Quiz where they placed 4th overall. Two BC Islands members from Salt Spring PC attended an International Quiz opportunity in Kentucky.

Show Jumping Chair Susan Harrison organized an Introduction to Medal Show Jumping Clinic with Norah Ross in May which was very well attended by all branches with 20 attendees. The day included a tour of Norah's top notch training facility Foxstone Stables. As Pony Club graduate, Norah clearly attributes some of her success as a highly respected and very successful trainer to the learning opportunities she had in Pony Club. Once again Emily Harris represented the Region with success, this year as an Affiliate, at National Show Jumping.

Also in May we were very fortunate to once again have the opportunity to learn from the expertise that Bill McDonald brings to any Tetrathlon Clinic. Thanks to the generosity of Cowichan's Jeff Winship, a great opportunity was provided to learn and practice the varied skills that make this activity such fun. They have a great plan for developing this event for 2012.

Comox Branch and Regional PPG Chair Marlene Hackert ran a great PPG Introduction in June that was enthusiastically attended by 3 branches and 20 riders. Hopefully 2012 will see more branches participating.

The July Regional Rally Camp based at the Cowichan Exhibition Grounds and very well organized by Metchosin's Anita Rados, Rally Chair, made use of Avalon Farms Cross Country and due to some footing concerns greatly appreciated the offer of Lynn Adam's facility for Show Jumping lessons. The youth had a great time at camp which was very well attended by 19 youth. A Working Rally is planned for 2012.

Regional Test Chair, Violet Reynolds, organized a lunging clinic in March which was intended for B and A level riders. We had 4 riders start the testing process for their A levels. It is clear that candidates at this level need extensive hands on opportunities to have success. Our Testing and Education conference in April was attended by 5 of our branches (one missed due to highway closure). Our Regional Testing in August for C2 to B2 candidates was again held at a great all in-one-place facility, Avalon Farms, owned and operated by the Winship family.

For a number of very valid reasons, a Dressage Regional Clinic tentatively planned for the fall did not take place. Harbour City Pony Club is planning to hold an event in 2012.

At our AGM in October the consensus for 2012 is to focus on training examiners, especially youth to assist at the branch level, and to possibly have some regional events be multi-discipline in order to save on time and travel expenses. Several branches with various challenges benefited from regional support.

Respectfully submitted,

Regional Chair – Susan Harrison



Central Ontario Region 2011 Annual Report

COR's membership grew slightly in 2011 to 237 active members, plus some 160 associate members/volunteers, across 19 branches. Two new branches – Horseshoe and Simcoe – were launched and members enjoyed education sessions, clinics and competitions across the disciplines.

The Regional Committee met nine times in 2011, including our Annual General Meeting in December. This year, over 150 members, parents and friends attended COR's annual banquet, held on the last Saturday in October. Attendees really participated in our "black and white" art deco theme and enjoyed seeing each other out of "barn clothes", all dressed up.

COR was able to send teams to National competitions for quiz, dressage, show jumping, rally and PPG. The active members came home with great memories, while COR organizers and parents learned, once again, how much is involved in organizing a successful National event!

Education

In 2011, Central Ontario Region hosted 2 regional education opportunities open to all active members:

- **Show Jumping Clinic:** On April 3rd, members participated in a clinic with Kevin Sweeney at his farm, Kildare Stables in Peterborough. Kevin is coach for the Trent University Equestrian Team which involves riding unfamiliar horses. Kevin allowed participants to ride school horses in their lesson over fences, allowing many more riders than would have been possible otherwise. COR received positive feedback from this clinic with many really appreciative of having horses available onsite.
- **Working Rally:** The weekend of June 24-26 saw 54 riders/horses and 7 unmounted members from 12 branches participating in COR's 2011 Working Rally. There were 15 chaperones, 3 barn helpers, 2 junior instructors and 3 executive members who attended as support staff. Members rode in 4 group lessons and attended 3 unmounted sessions (Polocrosse with Ed Huges of Polocrosse Ontario, saddle fitting with saddlemaker Eydie Vandenburg, and Chiropractic & Acupuncture with veterinarian Roesmarie Bahr).

Testing

COR's Regional Testing Rep reported the following for 2011:

- Number of clubs who tested in 2011: 15 (2010-15; 2009-12; 2008-16)
- Number of tests held: 22 (2010-29; 2009-19; 2008-31)
- Number of different examiners used: 11 (2010-15; 2009-17; 2008-20)
- Number of novice examiner assists: 8 (2010-7; 2009-5)

Total numbers tested by Branch:

1. Ajax [2] D-1, D1-1
2. Brooklin [8] D-2 D1-6
3. Centaurus [10] D-1 D1-2 D2-6 C2/B-1
4. Durham [6] D-5 D1-1
5. EcoRidge [5] D-1 D1-4
6. Horseshoe [13] D-9 D1-4
7. Kawartha [2] C2-2
8. King [6] D-1 D1-3
9. Maple [9] D-2 D1-3 D2-4

10. Oshawa [1] D-1
11. Rising Star [5] D-3 D1-2
12. Temiskaming [6] D-6
13. TNY [8] D-1 D1-7
14. Uxbridge-Scugog [4] D-2 D1-2
15. Victoria [3] D2-3
16. Whitchurch [14] D-10 D1-2 D2-2

Total number of pony clubbers tested: 102 (2010-73; 2009-66; 2008-119)

Total number who did not meet the standard: 0 (2009-2; 2008-5)

Only one Examiner clinic was offered in July in 2011 as all examiners were invited to attend the Roadshow presentation in February. At the all-day Roadshow there were presentations by the National Education Chair, Bev Hewitt, and the National Test Chair, Gwen Barnes. All the new rule changes in the 2011 Testing Procedures were reviewed. We had over 50 in attendance including 12 examiners.

Competitions

Quiz

Regional Quiz 2011 saw a recent record of participants – 117 active members at all levels, from 14 branches, signed up for the competition. Organizers had the happy problem of trying to figure out how to get all the teams through the four different phases – written, oral, visual and, the ever-popular games.

Dressage freestyle creator Tamara Williamson demonstrated to members how easy it can be for them to find music and choreograph their own freestyle routines.

COR sent a strong C Team to National Quiz in Calgary – Janene Howran, Hilary Howran, Kaitlyn Henderson and Amanda Treen. National Youth Rep (East), Kyra Holmes represented COR at the A/B level. These members really supported each other through the preparation and practices beforehand, and during the event. Congratulations to them all!

Dressage

Rules: The most significant achievement for the Dressage Discipline in 2011 was the complete re-write of the Central Ontario Dressage Rules.

Dressage Shows: For 2011 forward, it was decided that only 2 qualifiers would be held annually with the Regional Final organized and hosted by the Central Ontario Region. We held 2 successful qualifiers and the Regional Finals during the show season.

	# Riders	# Tests
June 5 Kawartha – Durham Qualifier	45	117
July 24 Uxbridge-Scugog Qualifier	25	53
Sept. 25 Regional Finals	23	65

At the year end Finals, we used a new format, where we had a learner Judge who also participated in the Judging. These marks were not used for scoring, but they did provide our riders with a 2nd opinion concerning their ridden test. Interestingly, the placings were identical and all within 2% points of each other. This speaks well to the Dressage Judging program in Canada.

National Team: The National Dressage Championships were held at the Ancaster Fairgrounds in the Western Ontario Region. Although there is always a challenge in getting enough horses for this event, the Central Ontario Region stepped up and supplied four horses/ponies for the event and three grooms. COR riders attending the 2011 National Championships were:

2011 Dressage National Team Results

Starter Level: Jessie Rowe, 68.026, 3rd place

Pre-Training: Janel Semple, 67.365 3rd place

Training Level: Janene Howran, 68.603, 4th place
First Level: Meaghan Lloyd, 63.185, 7th Place
Affiliate Third Level: Johanna McKeen, 63.64, 1st Place

Fundraising: Throughout the show season COR spent a great deal of time fundraising for the National Dressage Team and the National Show Jumping competitor. We held several barbeques, for which volunteers were supplied by our Nationals team members and their families. Our Regional Show Jumping chair donated the audit fees for the Regional Show Jumping clinic and Michele Migus for her assistance in support of National Show Jumping.

Education: A dressage clinic was held in April with Katie Stephenson and Young Rider, Megan Lane. In attendance were 21 members and several parents. The session was well done, with many compliments from the members.

Show Jumping

In 2011, COR had 3 qualifiers and a finals competition. We had 59 riders from the following 12 branches participate: Durham, Centaurus, Brooklin, Victoria, Rising Star, Uxbridge-Scogog, King, Maple, Kawartha, Eco Ridge, Horseshoe and TNY. 51 riders qualified for Finals, where we had 30 registered riders. Thanks to Centaurus, Brooklin and Maple for hosting this year's qualifiers.

Year end results can be found in the Fall CORBITs the web site. Trophies were handed out to year end Champion's at Banquet.

Samantha Lobbezoo competed at National Show Jumping – congratulations, Samantha!

Prince Philip Games (PPG)

COR hosted 3 regional PPG meets this year in May, June and July. They were held at Brelview Farm in Woodville. There were over 90 PPG'ers who participated this season. The 11 branch's who had members play were Centaurus, Durham, King, Maple, Oshawa, Rising Star, Temiskaming, Toronto North York, Uxbridge-Scugog, Victoria & Whitchurch!

We sent 2 A and 2 Masters on to zones which were held in July. They were hosted by COR this year at Brelview Farm. Our Masters team of Stacy Bootsma, Nathan Kersten, Meg Scott, Emily Lindsay and Jessie Rowe (who took the place of our affiliate rider Jocelyn Donaldson) went on to compete at Nationals. Due to some issues with rules, the competition was not able to continue as a "National" event, so it was decided to host it as a COR fun day. The COR team were the winners of this competition.

Our Region had 3 members try out for IMGE selection camp. Rachel Scott and Michelle Treen both attended the IMGE selection camp in WOR. Unfortunately, neither of the girls was named to the 2012 International team for Canada. COR is very proud of their efforts and we were pleased to have them represent COR in this endeavour.

New this year was a team spirit award donated by Brelview Farm. This went to the team at the 2nd and 3rd meets that displayed the most team spirit both in sportsmanship as well as in their overall turnout and presentation. The winners for the 2nd meet were Team 5 Star, the mixed Uxbridge Scugog/Toronto North York/Oshawa and Victoria. The 2nd meet award went to the mixed C team from Rising Star/Uxbridge. The turnout and team spirit was fabulous from all of the Branches.

We recognized our year-end champion teams from each division at our year end banquet. COR now has in our possession the award created and donated by Tynedale Pony Club for PPG. It is to be awarded as a "sportsmanship" trophy.

Rally

National Rally – was hosted by SLOV in 2011. COR's Kyra Holmes attended as a Team Captain and Shay Lucas attended as a groom. Kyra came in first place in the team captain competition and Shay came in 2nd in the grooms' competition. Congratulations to both of them we are proud of you!

They both reported that National Rally was a great experience, meeting and working members from across the country.

ABC Rally – Regionally COR does not hold a rally for our members, as we do not have enough members riding at this level to support a competition. Our friends in Western Ontario Region extended an offer for our members to join in their competition but we did not have any interested members for 2011.

D Rally – For the second year in a row, the event was held at Fobby River Farms in Mount Albert, Ontario. COR extends many thanks to the support of Al and Sue Collins; their kindness and assistance truly made both our 2010 and 2011 D-Rallies wonderful events.

As usual we had a variety of weather conditions including a few sprinkles of rain, but this did not dampen our spirits. I would like to congratulate all our branches for their impressive “stalls” and displays. It was great to see all the teamwork within and between the branches.

This year’s competition saw 33 riders, 37 grooms and team captains from 9 branches participated in D□Rally 2011. This was double the number from 2010. The number of riders at each level was as follows: 1 Affiliate competitor, 6 D2, 19 D1 and 7 D.

Overall rankings for 1st place were:

Affiliate: Emily Lindsay, Shatar, Rising Star

D2: Emily Fraser, Colbalt, Horseshoe

D1: Rachel Stewart, Ferris, Horseshoe

D: Reilly Norman, Timbit, Rising Star

The panel of judges were Anna Ritchie, TD; Nancy McMahon, Dressage; Katie Stephenson, Stadium Jumping; Kyra Holmes and Dawn O’Neil, Stable Management. D□Rally is a huge undertaking, essentially 3 shows in one day. Its success can be attributed to our great volunteers, who continue to give their time and expertise.

Le Trec

Durham Pony Club was pleased to host the 2011 LeTrec at Rowe-Ling Hills Farm and Fiddlestick Farm on Sunday, August 28th. There were a total of 28 riders, including some adults who competed in their own division, who enjoyed a day of fun competition under sunny but slightly windy conditions. (Ok – extremely windy conditions but no heat or flies to contend with!).

As has been the case in past years, the team with the “best team spirit” was recognized and awarded. What a treat with “Harry, William and Kate”, all resplendent in their wedding gear came forward for their award!

The Region thanks our members, volunteers and officials who all helped make 2011 a successful year.

Respectfully submitted,

Laurie Blake

Chair, Central Ontario Regional

(with files from COR Discipline, Communication, Education & Testing Chairs)



2011 Annual Report

Highlights from 2011:

- Membership has increased to 342. This marks a 43 % increase over the past 3 years
- Volunteerism continues to be high. All Regional Committee positions are filled and an election had to be held for one position that was contested.
- Six members stepping up to take on National roles:
 - Alison Rainford National PPG Chair
 - Lynn Morris National Rally Chair
 - Sherry Jackson National Dressage Chair
 - Sean La Grange National Tetrathlon Chair
 - Heather Agnew National Communication Chair
 - Danielle Kelton Active Member Director East
- Hosted National Dressage. Participating were 42 competitors & 24 grooms from 11 Regions
- Hosted IMGE Tryouts with one WOR member Kirsten Radcliffe selected to the 2012 team to compete in Australia.
- Held the Testing / Education Road Show in February with 60 in attendance
- Philip Cigagna competed in International Tetrathlon in UK/Ireland and Jacquie Kelton competed in the IMGE in Kentucky. The IMGE team was coached by Dylan McPhail and the Chaperone was Sandra Radcliffe, both from WOR.
- WOR had one member represented at National Show Jumping in BCLM, three at National Rally hosted by SLOV, five at National Quiz hosted by Alberta Central and four at National PPG A's hosted by BCLM.
- The Region had 10 members test up to C2 from 7 different Branches.
- Two members were recognized at the OEF (Ontario Equestrian Federation) Annual Awards Banquet. The "People Make a Difference" Award was presented to Suzanne Robertson who has devoted many hours to WOR as the Regional Secretary. The Cassie Bonnar Award is given to a Junior member of the OEF who has made a significant contribution of time and effort to the equestrian sport and was won by Kathryn Robertson.
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- Regional Championships were well attended with the exception of Tetrathlon and A/B/C Rally which had a drop in attendance.

Quiz	182	Every Branch represented	
Tetrathlon	48 for Day 1	Swim / Shoot / Run	19 for Day 2 Ride
Le Trec	24		
Dressage	64	in 5 Divisions	
Show Jumping	66	in 5 Divisions	
D Rally	63	in 5 Divisions	
A/B/C Rally	13 Riders with 13 Grooms	in 3 Divisions	
PPG	33 Teams	in 5 Divisions	

Regional meetings were held monthly throughout the year. Meetings for January through to April were held in conjunction with Discipline Workshops and Member Education sessions. In place of a business meeting in October, Heather Agnew, The National Communication Chair, gave a presentation on Social Media and its relevance to Pony Club. The Annual General Meeting was held November 19 at the Crieff Hills Convention Centre. Among the service awards presented were a 15 year pin to Tom Harris and a 25 year pin to Bob Simmons.

I would like to thank all of the dedicated volunteers who contributed to the success of the Region in 2011. I would also like to thank Apple Saddlery for their continued support in providing prizes for the Top Individual and Top Teams at all of our Regional Championships.

Respectfully Submitted
Del Zelmer, Regional Chairman

Alberta South Regional Report 2011

Memberships capped off at 275 registered pony club members, 2 of which are marked inactive. This represents 14 registered branches ranging in membership from 5 to 39 members each.

We were very pleased to hold an ABC Camp in 2011. The camp was fully subscribed, with 20 members attending. There were two paid instructors, Diana Keach from Australia and Scott Keach, her son, currently based in the United States. As well, there were four presentations by volunteers. The instruction at the camp was excellent and was well received by all of the campers. The instructors commented on how well-mannered and teachable everyone was.

Rally was also successful in 2011 - Pegasus & Delacour hosted E & D Rally on July 16 & 17, 2011. Both the weather & the horses were well behaved. Participants: 31 D Riders & 11 E Riders A conflict with another pony club event on the same weekend may have contributed to the lower than expected numbers.

PPG - Though we had to deal with a torrential downpour, 25 kids from Davisburg, High Country, Mini-creek and Priddis braved the weather to compete in the 2011 Regional PPG Championships. The kids were very flexible in handling a last minute venue change and were a great group of competitors showing both skill and sportsmanship. All the parents were very helpful and pitched in wherever needed.

ABS hosted a very successful Regional Championship Show in Claresholm. The show was well attended both the dressage day and the show jumping day.

ABS sent a team of 4 girls and one chaperone to the National Dressage Event in Ontario. Congrats to Becky Stadden, Abigail Hall, Morgan Whitelaw, and Kelsey Morgan.

ABS also sent one member to National Medals in Maple Creek, BC. This event was held at the end of August. Congrats to Katy Jorgensen for representing her region at National Medals.

Testing for 2011 included a large regional test in July with 8 members testing C2 and 3 testing B. One member just completed C2 SM and one did B flat. All the others completed the full tests.

Quiz 2011 was hosted by Prairie Rose Pony Club in Lethbridge. It was attended by 69 kids and many volunteers. The theme of quiz was "A Day at the Races." ABS was lucky enough to send two teams to National quiz this year as it was located in Calgary. Katy and Kylie Jorgenson, Kim Johnson, Megan Lavoie, Amanda Epp, Lindsay Booy, Emily Marston and Bryanna Anderson represented our region at quiz and did a great job, well done girls.

Many clubs also held their own local camps and tests throughout the year. It was a very fun and successful year for the Alberta South Region members.

Section 4

Miscellaneous Reports

Administrator's Report

Supplies

Membership

Communications

Web site report

Active Member Directors' Report

Administrator's Report 2011

As I complete my 12th year as the CPC Administrator, I continue to enjoy both the job and the people. The job continues to expand and the work is always interesting. We have a very dedicated and hard working Board who continue to make my job easier and I have enjoyed working with them over the past year.

We still have our assistant, Cheri McLaren, to help with data input and to cover for us when we go on holidays. I also hire casual help when the need arises.

Our big job this year was to move the Supply House to a new location. After a lot of searching, we finally found an almost perfect location, just one street over from where we live. This house has more space than the old one and is in much better repair.

The move itself took only one day, with the help of 2 of my best Pony Club families and their 2 trucks.

Day to day activities:

- ◆ Answering e-mail.
- ◆ Filing Branch Reports, Incident Reports and Associate Membership Forms.
- ◆ Ordering Supplies.
- ◆ Answering telephone inquiries.
- ◆ Updating the National Activities Calendar on the website.
- ◆ Keeping a log of daily activities and hours worked.
- ◆ Updating the International Events portion of the website.
- ◆ Updating the Directory

Here is a list of a few of the projects that have occupied my time over the last year, outside of my normal day to day activities:

- Prepared and sent out over 750 new member packages.
- Membership continues to be one of my bigger jobs, but in general it is going well.
- Assisted the International Mounted Games team organize their trip to the US.
- Assisted the International Tet Team organize their trip to the UK.
- Assisted the Invitational Quiz Team organize their trip to the US.
- Attended the IPCA meetings in Lexington, took and distributed the minutes.
- Assisted with the Governor General Scholarship applications.
- Prepared packages for all International Exchange tours.
- Acted as liaison between Canadian Pony Club and the US, Great Britain, Australia, New Zealand, Hong Kong and Ireland.
- Worked with the Web Master on the new web site.
- Organized the AGM and the SAM. Attended both meetings. Produced and distributed minutes.
- Assisted with the Calendar.
- Assist with National Championships as required.

The biggest part of my job remains both communicating and facilitating communication between the various groups and committees in Pony Club.

Supply Report 2011

In 2011, supply sales showed a marked decline.

We attribute this to the postage cost issue we identified in the 2010 report.

As a result, in 2012, we are altering our pricing model to allow for free postage on all orders over \$100.00. We have identified 2012 as a pilot year. At the end of the year, we will examine our profit picture and alter prices if necessary.

Some new books added to the list include:

The Horse Confirmation Handbook

The Principals of Teaching Riding

Equine Veterinary Medicine

Beyond the Hay Days

Leg and Hoof Care

Plus we now have military style hats with CPC on the front and est. 1934 on the back.

See the web for a complete list of all the materials that we carry, plus pictures of most items.

Membership Report

Our membership continues to decline, despite our best efforts. 2011 showed a slight increase over 2010, but the time frame is too short to tell if we are going into a holding pattern or possibly, membership is increasing.

We are not alone in our declining membership rates. Families are having less children, the recession has caused people to re-prioritize their spending and stay at home moms are a rare and vanishing breed.



Canadian Pony Club Report – Communications 2011

Items circulated:

- IMGE article in *The Rider*
- WOR posters
- WOR e-newsletter

National Communications Year-in-Review

In my first year as communications chair, I spent a lot of time speaking with Liz Ingles to transition and continue the work she's been doing for the past few years, particularly with the Wall of Fame.

In early summer, I wrote and pitched a story on IMGE and all of CPC's upcoming national and international events. The story received pick up in the following outlets (see hyperlinks for the story):

- WHOA! – June 2011 – National/International competition
- The Rider, June 2011 – National/International competition
- [The Rider, August 2011](#) (page 44-45) – IMGE
- [Saddle Up!, September 2011](#) (page 48) – IMGE
- Horse Community Journals – IMGE

In my dual role as National and WOR communications chair, I also pitched out a story on National Dressage. This really demonstrated what we can do with cooperation from our members and parents. I pitched the story to Hamilton media, as the hosting city for the competition, and also asked all participating WOR members for bios and photos. I contacted each of their local media outlets to gauge interest for the story and worked with the journalists to organize interviews with the riders as well as written content. The stories were picked up in the following outlets (see hyperlinks for stories):

- The Kincardine Independent – National Dressage, week of August 8
- The Kincardine News
- [Georgetown Independent and Free Press](#)
- [Dundas Star/Ancaster News](#)
- [Burlington Post](#)
- [The Wellington Advertiser](#)

In many cases, the story appeared on the front page of the sports section with a callout photo and headline on the front page of the paper. By localizing the event and giving the reporters a face for the competition, it was much easier to secure coverage and many of the journalists I worked with are keen to receive more content from us. I will use this as a case study in the media relations handbook I plan on pulling together as one of my 2012 objectives.

Western Ontario Region Year-in-Review

- This year I introduced an e-newsletter for our members and parents. I found that the emailed version was ok, but it was just sent to DC's and I wasn't sure who was actually passing it down to the members. The PDF file was quite large, so I switched to an e-newsletter to help those with dial-up and slower connection speeds to get in on the action.
- I know Cathy has brought copies of the brochure I created last year to meetings and I just wanted to demonstrate how I'm trying to encourage consistent branding for CPC within our region. The same designers who created the brochures also created the banners National subsidized last year. As you can see, we've maintained the same look and feel as the brochures, so the whole package looks coordinated. Despite what you may think, the banners were quite reasonable (about \$700 with the banner stands and delivery) and I'd be happy to speak with other regions about doing something similar if you're interested.

Looking ahead to next year

- Media relations handbook, complete with templates and tips on how to reach your local media
- Working cross-functionally with the regional communication chairs to foster a greater sense of community and idea-sharing
- Work effectively with the regional chairs to promote national events
- Continue research on Wall of Fame inductees
- Gain positive coverage for CPC by developing and pitching an article about former Pony Club riders and grooms participating in the London 2012 Olympics

Respectfully submitted,

Heather Agnew
National Communications Chair



National Website Committee Report

Operation and maintenance of the current website has been successfully transferred to John Moehring. We have added a link to our CPC face book page, which is managed by our Active member directors and changed the format of the news section on the main page.

Work continues on the development of the new website and is progressing slower than expected. Our original website work plan has been abandoned due to a need to develop the supporting databases and scripts to run the databases.

The original plan was for a basic website with mostly static pages and no membership area. The membership area was to be developed at a future date.

As work progressed on the website it became very apparent that it would be better to develop the database tables and scripts first, keeping in mind the features we would like to add in the future, as this would eliminate some duplication of work.

We are working to incorporate the following new features into the website

- An Active and Affiliate members area with Login
 - ability for members to update their profiles with limitations,
 - ability for members to see their profile including test levels and eventually activity results
 - ability for input of testing and competition results
 - ability for National and Regional Test chairs to access testing data
 - ability for National Chairs and National Board to access stats on participation by discipline
- An Associate area with Login
 - Ability to controlled access to confidential information based on need to know
 - Ability to update profile and view past history
 - Ability to update web pages assigned to their profile
 - Ability to input test results and competition results
- Development of an online shopping cart for supplies

As we did not want to create any conflict with the 2012 membership drive, we targeted January 1 as the release date for the new website. As we will need to shut the website down for 5 – 7 days to effect the transition and work out any bugs, we planned on completing the transition during the Christmas holidays when website usage drops to a minimum. At this point we are still working towards this target, but suspect based on the amount of work left to do, we may be delayed later into the new year. We have to-date put in an estimate 400+ hours into the development of the site and expect this number to double by the time we have completed the work

We do have the new website designed and partially active on a development server. I expect to be able to demonstrate the new website at the 2011 SAM.

Hope this meets with the Boards approval

Respectfully submitted

John Moehring

YOUTH REPORT

This year was a busy one for your youth reps! There were meetings at National Rally, National Dressage and National Quiz. Kyra also met with some of the USPC Youth Board members when she was at the USPC Festival in Kentucky.

National Rally was a big success this year, and everyone had a good time. There was a youth meeting that was supposed to be quick but ended up running over two Nights because everyone had so much to say!

National Dressage was a big success this year, and the participants' thought it was extremely well organized.

National Quiz was held and there was a well-attended youth meeting on the Friday night.

Overall, members have been enjoying testing streaming and stable management Streaming. They feel this has been a good way to keep members in and to help out members who may not have a horse capable of doing the different levels. With all the different levels, however, the members would like some form of Recognition, in the way of pins and discs. As discs are not given unless the full level is achieved, they are wondering if there is some way to differentiate the different Stable management levels. Possibly having a larger disc or even a separate pin was mentioned.

Many members had discussed ways of increasing membership in CPC. They felt having a more united and prominent marketing plan would be a good idea. Having advertising in the big Canadian horse magazines was mentioned, as it would promote the organization and hopefully get more people interested.

Kyra met with two delegates of the National Youth Board of the USPC during the Festival in Kentucky this year. They discussed the differences between the two country's pony clubs, and found that while the basics were the same, there were quite a few differences. Hopefully in the future there can be more communication between the youth reps in the different countries.

The last thing is the new CPC Facebook Page. At report print time, 300 people had "Liked" the page! There are status updates a few times a week during the year with results from national competitions, general horse news, and adventures of the pony Club members and alumni in the horse world. Since May 1, 2011, there have been over 40,000 post views, which means that the posts made have been seen that many times by people on Facebook! Pretty cool! (If you have not 'liked' the page yet – Please do!)

Our new Active Member Director from the East is Danielle Kelton

Respectfully submitted,
Kyra Holmes
Shelby Bochon - Duffy

Section 5

Notable Achievements for 2011

National Chair's Award

New Branches

Scholarship Recipients

National Quiz Awards

A Members

Ten Year Members

Graduates

15 & 25 Year Volunteers

25 Year Branches

50 Year Branches

Notable Achievements for 2011

NATIONAL CHAIR'S AWARD

Not presented in 2011.

New Branches 2011

Barrhaven Pony Club	St. Lawrence-Ottawa Valley
Park Valley Pony Club	Saskatchewan
Horseshoe Pony Club	Central Ontario

Governor-General's Award of Excellence Scholarship Recipients

B2/A Scholarships

Damita Hansen	Nova Scotia
Samantha Charlton	BC Lower Mainland

C2/B Scholarship

Stephanie Sawatzky	Manitoba
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National Quiz Awards

Billie Mann Award Top A/B Individual

Teigen Bond	Nova Scotia
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Adele Rockwell Award Top C Individual

Katie Marciniak	Saskatchewan
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Sandra Sillcox Award Top Affiliate Individual

Amanda Penner	Alberta Central
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Apple Saddlery Award Top C Team

Nova Scotia

Talia Bond, Jessica van Nostrand, Emma Foote, Kate MacDonald

Adelle Coffin Award Top A/B Team

BC Lower Mainland

Eleanor MacLean, Mireya Cooper, Casey Leroux, Trevor Clark

A Members 2011

HA – Kathleen Beekmann	BCLM	RA - Kathleen Beekmann	BCLM
Amanda Brook	BCLM	Eleanor MacLean	BCLM
Rebecca McOnie	BCIN	Nayla Charbonneau	BCLM
Laura Patterson	BCLM		
Charlotte Harman	SLOV		
	A - Kathleen Beekmann	BCLM	
	Amanda Brook	BCLM	

Fifteen Year Members 2011

KELLY BROUWER	THOMPSON COUNTRY	ABC
NICOLE JACK	GARDEN VALLEY	ABN
KALANDRA COWAN	LAKES DISTRICT	BCIN
NATALIE WOOD	GOLDEN EARS	BCLM
JOHANNA MCKEEN	OSHAWA	CO
SARA BERRY	BALDUR	MB
CAILEY NICHOLS	BALDUR	MB
KATHERINE NICHOLS	BALDUR	MB
MEGAN MACLEAN	QUARRY RIDGE	MB
BRIANNA KERR	HIGH COUNTY	WO

Ten Year Members 2011

DEVANN CRICK	HAUNTED LAKES	ABC
SHELBY CRICK	HAUNTED LAKES	ABC
HANNAH JENSEN	RED DEER	ABC
LINDSAY NAKONECHNY	CLEARWATER VALLEY	ABN
REBECCA WINK	NAMAO RIDGE RIDERS	ABN
CAYLEY PELTZER	BROOKS	ABS
KEARA MCMURDO	DELACOUR	ABS
ROBYN FELUCH	DEWINTON	ABS
MACKENZIE HENN	PEGASUS	ABS
EMILY MARSTON	PEGASUS	ABS
KATY JORGENSEN	PRAIRIE ROSE	ABS
ELIZABETH DUKE	SARCEE	ABS
LINDSAY BOOY	SPRINGBANK	ABS
EMILY MARTIN	SPRINGBANK	ABS
ALLIE COONEY	VERNON & DISTRICT	BCIN
MELISSA DUPUIS	COWICHAN VALLEY	BCIS
EMILY HARRIS	COWICHAN VALLEY	BCIS
ERIN WYLIE	CAMPBELL VALLEY	BCLM
JAMI STRUYS	MOUNT CHEAM	BCLM
MARIANNE STRUYS	MOUNT CHEAM	BCLM
LAURA PATTERSON	VANCOUVER	BCLM
HEATHER VILVANG	VANCOUVER	BCLM
ALEXANDRA REYNOLDS	KAWARTHA	CO
KAREN FOELL	TORONTO & NORTH YORK	CO
SARAH BROWN	BRANDON	MB
RHIANNA SAUNDERS	NORTH HILL	MB
NICOLE BROWN	QUARRY RIDGE	MB
EMMA DEALEY	QUARRY RIDGE	MB
SHANNON MACLEAN	QUARRY RIDGE	MB
AYLICIA SPITZKE	QUARRY RIDGE	MB
DEZARAY BALCOM-WINKELMAN	ANNAPOLIS	NS
CHANTAL PAUPIN	TANTRAMAR	NS
LAURA JACQUARD	WEST VALLEY	NS
KATEE HIBBERT	HEARTLAND	SK
KYLIE GARCHINSKI	QUEEN CITY TRAILBLAZERS	SK
ALLYSON GRAY	QUEEN CITY TRAILBLAZERS	SK
ANDREEA BADEA	SASKATOON	SK
CAROLYN WIGHT	KINGSTON & REGION	SLOV
JENNIFER BOOGAARDS	RIDEAU	SLOV
DANIELLE HEWITT	RIDEAU	SLOV
MARY PIGOZZO	GUELPH	WO
NICOLE ROBINSON	GUELPH	WO

Graduates 2011

Name	Branch	Region
SHELBY CRICK	HAUNTED LAKES	ABC
AMBER VICK	MEDICINE RIVER	ABC
HEATHER MCKENZIE	CLEARWATER VALLEY	ABN
LINDSAY NAKONECHNY	CLEARWATER VALLEY	ABN
STEPHANIE OSTAPEK	CLEARWATER VALLEY	ABN
ASHLEY SCHIEWE	CLEARWATER VALLEY	ABN
KELCEY KING	PEMBINA RIVER	ABN
DOUGLAS SCHNEIDER	STRATHCONA	ABN
CHELSEA HERYFORD	BROOKS	ABS
KEARA MCMURDO	DELACOUR	ABS
DALLAS PAGENKOPF	PEGASUS	ABS
REBECCA MCONIE	ARMSTRONG	BCIN
SAMANTHA CHARLTON	SALT SPRING ISLAND	BCIS
CASEY LEROUX	CAMPBELL VALLEY	BCLM
KATHRYN LESSING	CAMPBELL VALLEY	BCLM
EMMA BRADBURY	CENTAURUS	CO
HILARY HOWRAN	KAWARTHA	CO
KATARYNA BORYSIK	OSHAWA	CO
LAURA GILLIGAN	TORONTO & NORTH YORK	CO
EMILY BARLOW	SASKATOON	SK
KATRYNA WILLIAMS	SASKATOON	SK
JENNIFER BOOGAARDS	RIDEAU	SLOV
ANNE MARIE DUARTE	RIDEAU	SLOV
ANDREA ROBINSON	GUELPH	WO
BRIANNA KERR	HIGH COUNTY	WO
REBECCA GROSE	MILL RIDGE	WO

Affiliate Graduates

Name	Branch	Region
INGA HANSEN	TANTRAMAR	NS
KATHERINE NICHOLS	BALDUR	MB
MORWENNA GOODLIFFE	PEMBINA RIVER	ABN
JINNELL GUNN	GROVE	BCLM

15 Year Volunteers

Marlene Roman	BC Lower Mainland
Maria Berry	Manitoba
Karen McLean	Manitoba
Tom Harris	Western Ontario

25 Year Volunteers

Karen Marsh	BC Interior North
Marjetta Schliep	BC Interior North
Elaine Kopetski	BC Interior North
Heather McDonald	BC Interior North
Bob Simmons	Western Ontario

25 Year Branches

East Maple Ridge	BC Lower Mainland
Temiskaming	Central Ontario

50 Year Branches

Cochrane	Alberta South
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