



# PVQHA Update

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PVQHA NEWS

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## UPCOMING EVENTS TO NOTE ON THE CALENDER:

- **PVQHA 'A' Show**  
Saturday January 14th, 2012, Venue: Werribee Park Equestrian Centre.  
Judge: Cindy Herman
- **PVQHA 'A' Show**  
Saturday February 4th, 2012, Venue: Werribee Park Equestrian Centre
- **PVQHA 'A' Show**  
Saturday April 29th, 2012, Venue: TBA
- **PVQHA 'A; Show**  
12th May, 2012, Venue: TBA

## NOTIFICTIONS:

- The next two shows have been scheduled for Werribee Park Equestrian Centre as a contingency plan only—the committee are reviewing many options at present before the club establishes another home base again in 2012
- **WANTED: IMPROVERS**—our improvers have improved themselves out of the improver classes so tell your friends to get involved, we need new improvers!
- Check out our website at [www.pvqha.com.au](http://www.pvqha.com.au)
- Become our friend on facebook



## Goodbye 'Jack's Run' - PVQHA needs a new home in 2012

After the huge success of our recent Melbourne Cup Day Show the committee of PVQHA were shocked when the owners of the 'Jack's Run' facility informed us that they no longer wanted show events run at the premises due to the increase in numbers of horses and people attending the PVQHA shows. Our October show had 22 horses competing compared to 39 horses competing at our Cup Day Show.

The owner's felt that the facility was not designed to cater for such large numbers and they did not wish to invest further in the facility to expand it in order to do so. This notification was immediate and left the committee with the dilemma of where the club could hold their future shows?

A crisis meeting was held with the January Show looming to decide where to go from here. The committee voted to schedule the next show at Werribee Park Equestrian Centre in the

2nd arena. The venue was available for both the January & February Show dates so has been booked accordingly and will be the venue for these two shows.

This gives the committee time to view all other options available to PVQHA to become the future 'club base'. The facilities being considered are both in-door and outdoor facilities, many of which have been brought to the committee's attention from the membership, so thank you all for your input.

Werribee Park Equestrian Centre *WILL NOT* be this committee's future home base for the club—scheduling the next two shows here merely gives the committee time to review the options available without rushing into anything. The committee also felt that with the time of the year and the larger shows approaching soon after our January and February show dates that we may be able to attract competitors who do not normally attend our shows by holding them at

the Werribee Park Facility.

The committee encourages our regulars to make the trip to Werribee Park for our next shows. You'll be able to enjoy riding/competing at the fantastic Werribee Park arena and perhaps get to compete with some new faces and let them know how great our club shows are!! The shows will still be run with the usual happy & supportive atmosphere.

The committee, on behalf of all the membership of PVQHA over the past couple of year's would really like to thank Wendy & Tom Christensen for the usage 'PVQHA' has had of the 'Jack's Run' facility during this time—it is a great facility and we had many terrific shows and events at this venue. We appreciated it no more than on those raining days! Sadly we have just outgrown the facility but we really have enjoyed our time here & even though no more at 'Jack's Run' - for PVQHA the shows must go on!

## Melbourne Cup Day 'A' Show—A Great Day Out!

Melbourne Cup Day was a great show this year for the club! Our entries were up significantly from our other shows with the largest event for the day being the 'Open Walk & Jog' with 21 in it! All our classes had good number's of entries, far up on our other shows with 11 in the Senior horse Western Pleasure & great numbers in our Feature Hunter, Pleasure & Trail. Congratulations to Courtney Norbury who was the winner of the Feature

Hunter Under Saddle and to Jesse Matherick on board Judith Cotteril's horse to win both the Feature Western Pleasure and Trail.

Everyone who was the winner of a class during the day got to draw a ticket out of the bucket which awarded them a prize. These prizes included up to a \$50 voucher to Lowden's Saddlery and many other bags of goodies generously donated by one of our fabulous sponsors! Our Show High Points were all

the recipient's of a sash, a bridle bag and \$10 Lowden's Voucher for their efforts for the day. It was a big day out, but hopefully everyone who attended (& their horses) really enjoyed the day and went home with a ribbon and something out of the prize draw!

Special thanks goes to our show sponsor's Lowden's Saddlery, Grosso Family, David Norbury, Blue Ribbon Equine, Rob & Kim Bates, Macedon Ranges Feed Bin & International Animal Health

A very Merry Christmas & a safe New Year to all from the committee of the PVQHA!