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**NEWSLETTER AUTUMN 2011**

**Welcome to new members:**

**Emma Cullen, Lucy Mulcahy, Meg Walsh, Molly Walsh,  
Jordan Pim, Jennifer O'Hara, Ruth Phelan, Kate Foley,  
Laura Lynch, Bonnie Walsh and Shane Molloy, we hope you  
enjoy your time in Waterford Pony Club.**

**Congratulations to:**

**Tommy Harty who won a European Gold Medal in Portugal,  
Aine Treacy, Ruth Cusack and Shannon Maguire who qualified for  
Starfinder,**

**Ellen Brennan who qualified for the RDS Horse Show (competing  
Saturday and Sunday),**

**Shauna O'Brien & Sarah Dowley who qualified for Combined  
Training, RDS (competing Saturday & Sunday),**

**Gillian Bond who qualified for the the Connemara Performance Class  
RDS (competing Wednesday),**

**Louise Kent who is on the Irish Senior Tetrathlon Team competing at  
Tattersalls on 13<sup>th</sup>/14<sup>th</sup> August**

**And**

**all those who competed in the Minimus, Festival and the Waterford  
Pony Club ODE this year.**

**We hope to see you supporting your fellow members at the  
various competitions.**

## AUTUMN SCHEDULE 2011:

### RALLIES :

Rallies will take place as follows:

- Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August - by kind invitation of the Hassett Family, Ballyristeen, Bunmahon (drive straight through Kill village and take the 1<sup>st</sup> turn to the left)
- Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> September - by kind invitation of the Kiersey Family, Ballyhussa, Kilmacthomas
- Friday 9<sup>th</sup> September - by kind invitation of the Farrell Power Family, Kilbride South, Tramore

Those wishing to take part in the rallies must book on the previous Monday/Tuesday with Hilary Farrell at 051- 873259 or 087-9528323 between 7pm-9pm to ensure appropriate numbers of instructors are booked for rides. Should members not book in time, we may have a problem accommodating everybody. In the name of safety we must have appropriate ratio of instructors to members taking part in rallies.

**NB : PRE BOOKING AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME IS IMPERATIVE**

Instructors and their rides will be displayed on the notice board and on arrival please note your ride when paying rally fee €10. No member may mount before instructor arrives.

**Please arrive at rallies 6pm for 6.30pm start.**

All rallies will run weather permitting. Cancellations will be decided by 4pm on the evening of rally and will be posted on website if possible. Please contact Hillary in doubt.

### MINI-CAMP:

Mini-camp will once again take place at Rockett's Castle by kind invitation of the Driver family, weather permitting on 15<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup> August 2011. Please contact Maria Kiersey @ 087 2481392 to book and fee of €75 is payable in advance. Camp is strictly for 11 year olds and under only.

### TREKKING – FOR ALL PONY CLUB MEMBERS & PARENTS:

- Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August 3pm - Laketour Stables, Tramore  
Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> August 3pm - Laketour Stables, Tramore  
Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 3pm - Laketour Stables, Tramore  
Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September 3pm - Mahon Falls, Comeragh Mountains

3pm meet at Laketour Stables, Tramore, Co. Waterford open to all Pony Club members. €10 per person on your own pony (arrangements regarding hiring trekking ponies should be made directly with Laketour stables and this will be covered by

Laketour stables insurance). Trek to lakes, gallops and cross country (jumping optional). Trek is for all levels and ages. Members shall be divided into suitable groups and supervised. Parents and lead rein children welcome. Please park in area on left before turning up to Laketour Stables (there will be sign up). All treks shall be subject to weather conditions and adequate supervision. Those interested, **including Parents willing to help supervise**, please text or call Clare 085 7749824.

**Please confirm with Clare 085 7749824 by Monday prior to the trek so that we can ensure adequate supervision.**

**(N.B. Parents who wish to hire pony/horse from Laketour Stables to trek are very welcome, parents shall not be covered on pony club insurance but shall be covered under Laketour Stables insurance.)**

### **TETRATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS – TATTERSALLS 13<sup>TH</sup>/14<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2011**

NATIONAL AND INTERNATIONAL TETRATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS INCLUDING TEAMS FROM AUSTRALIA, UK, CANADA AND USA.

#### **IRISH TEAM.**

**LOUISE KENT IS A MEMBER OF THE IRISH SENIOR TETRATHALON TEAM COMPETING THIS WEEKEND. WE WISH HER THE VERY BEST OF LUCK AND ENCOURAGE ALL WATERFORD PONY CLUB TO GO AND SUPPORT LOUISE AND THE IRISH TEAM.**

### **END OF YEAR PARTY - THURSDAY 25<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2011:**

**Venue:** JACK MEADES  
**Date:** Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> August 2011  
**Time:** Commencing 7pm  
**Cost:** Pony Club members are free.

All Pony Club Members and families welcome.  
Please Contact Hilary Farrell @ 051-873259 or 087-9528323 as we shall need to know how many shall be attending.

#### **ROAD SAFETY TEST :**

Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2011 @ 10am by kind invitation of the Coughlan Family, Woodstown.  
Please contact Sinead Cooney @ 085-2795330 before 20<sup>th</sup> August 2011, if you wish to take the test. Training and the test will be organised when there are sufficient numbers.

## **LAURA BREHENY FUN DAY – SUNDAY 11<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2011**

**Venue:** Stonehaven Equestrian Centre  
**Date:** Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> September 2011  
**Time:** Commencing 11am  
**Events:** Dressage Competition: Under 12, Junior, Intermediate, Members.  
Entries to Geraldine Robinson 0879332499  
Showjumping Individual classes: 40cm, 60cm, 80cm & 1m.  
Entries on the day  
Team of 3 Show Jumping: each team member to jump a  
different height (40's/60's/80's)  
or (60's/80's/1m) or  
(40's/80's/1m)  
**Entries to Olive Hackett 0868823705**  
Fancy Dress: Pony and Rider  
Entries on the day  
Entry Fee: €10 per competition dressage, showjumping & per team member.

**All entries shall close on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2011**

### **WATERFORD PONY CLUB WEBSITE**

Please forward any photos of pony club members/activities 2010 to Geraldine Robinson @ [geraldinerobinson57@gmail.com](mailto:geraldinerobinson57@gmail.com) to put on the website. We will update as often as possible so look out for your photos.

### **Shop:**

All members are required to adhere to the official Pony Club dress code at all Pony Club events. The stock for the Waterford Pony Club is held by Maria Kiersey and Maria may be contacted @ 087-2481392. Stock includes, Waterford Pony Club jumpers, cross country jumpers, coats, silks, ties, badges, cross country bibs, manuals, etc. As a limited stock of goods is held, please ensure you order in time. Price list on website.

**Please note that due to the cost of hiring Instructors and riding schools, all training must be paid for, in advance. This includes eventing minimus/tetrathlon and showjumping. All bookings, together with full fee should be sent to the Mentors. Places are allocated on a first come/first served basis and if there are insufficient bookings, the training may be cancelled**

**PONY CLUB DATES 2011 TO REMEMBER (please see website for updates and changes)**

**AUGUST**

4 <sup>TH</sup> -8 <sup>TH</sup>	RDS DUBLIN HORSE SHOW (Ellen Brennan, Shauna O'Brien, Sarah Dowley and Gillian Bond competing)
13 <sup>TH</sup> /14 <sup>TH</sup>	TETRATHLON CHAMPIONSHIPS (Louise Kent competing)
13 <sup>TH</sup>	TREK LAKETOURL STABLES, TRAMORE 3PM
15 <sup>TH</sup> /16 <sup>TH</sup> /18 <sup>TH</sup>	MINI CAMP
19 <sup>TH</sup>	RALLY
20 <sup>TH</sup>	TREK LAKETOURL STABLES, TRAMORE 3PM
23 <sup>RD</sup> /24 <sup>TH</sup>	EVENTING CHAMPIONSHIPS TATTERSALLS
25 <sup>TH</sup>	END OF YEAR PARTY – JACK MEADES
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**SEPTEMBER**

2 <sup>ND</sup>	RALLY
3 <sup>RD</sup>	ROAD SAFETY TEST
3 <sup>RD</sup>	TREK LAKETOURL STABLES, TRAMORE 3PM
4 <sup>TH</sup>	ONE DAY EVENT (NOVICE) – BUNCLODY (see Irish Pony Club Website)
9 <sup>TH</sup>	RALLY
11 <sup>TH</sup>	LAURA BREHENY FUN DAY – STONEHAVEN E C
17 <sup>TH</sup>	MAHON FALLS, COMERAGH MOUNTAINS - 3PM