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Irish Pony Club

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## Newsletter Winter 2011

**Once again we would like to congratulate all members who have achieved success since the issue of the Autumn Newsletter. Congratulations to all who passed their tests, especially Debbie Flavin who passed her H test. Waterford Pony Club was very well represented this year at the Millstreet Pony Owners & Young Riders Charity Show in October, congratulations to all who participated.**

### **Renewal of Membership 2010**

Membership for 2011 - €100 per child

We in Waterford Pony Club have decided the following:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> child in family €100
- 2<sup>nd</sup> child in family €100
- 3<sup>rd</sup> and subsequent children of the same family €80

Please find attached your membership form, which must be filled out. Each child wishing to become a member must complete an individual form I.E. **one child one form. Please return completed membership forms to John Burke (Treasurer).**

**NB: FINAL DATE FOR RETURN OF COMPLETED MEMBERSHIP FORMS IS 31<sup>st</sup> December 2011**

Please note that, due to the Insurance environment at present, no child may ride at a pony club event or a pony club rally without being a paid up member.

**No membership card no attendance.**

**Membership takes a minimum of two weeks to be processed.**

**All renewal/membership forms to be sent to John Burke Treasurer.**

All members must have a tack check in accordance with 2011 Irish Pony Club Tack Sheet and all must be in order for you and your pony for the coming season. Safety and Health is an integral and vital part of the Pony Club Code of Practice and therefore we must insist that all tack is as it should be, in accordance with Pony Club policies and procedures. To this end, spot checks will be carried out at all Pony Club Activities.

**Please Note: Every horse/pony must be registered with the Irish Horse Board to be eligible for movement. Please check your pony/horse passport/documentation is in order. All owners should ensure that horse/pony vaccinations are up to date. Spot checks will be carried out at Pony Club activities in the coming year.**

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## **CHRISTMAS 2011**

### **CHRISTMAS PARTY:**

**Venue:** Stonehaven Equestrian Centre  
**Date:** Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December 2010  
**Time:** 7.30pm – 9.30pm

Plenty of fun and games are guaranteed. Those who would like to attend please book in with Hilary Farrell @ 051-873259 by Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> December next.

### **Waterford Hunt St. Stephens Day Meet**

**Venue:** Tramore  
**Date:** Monday 26<sup>th</sup> December  
**Time:** 12 noon

### **Pony Club CHILDREN'S HUNT**

**Venue:** Rocketts Castle by kind invitation Driver Family  
**Date:** Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> December  
**Time:** 12 noon

### **Kill Harriers CHILDRENS HUNT**

Date and venue TBA, possibly mid to late January. Details will be posted on website.

### **Show Jumping League: -**

Following a very successful start to the first round of the Area 3 showjumping league, the dates for the remaining rounds have been confirmed as follows:

- ❖ Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> November @ Mill Road, Thurles, kindly hosted by Golden Vale PC.
- ❖ Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> December @ Ballyrafter Equestrian Centre, kindly hosted by West Waterford P.C.
- ❖ **Final** Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> December @ Nuenna Farm, Freshford kindly hosted by Kilkenny PC

Anyone interested in taking part in the league please contact Peter Oates @ 0872633742 or Olive Hackett @ 0868823705 for further information. Classes from 40cm to 1.10m – see details on website.

### **Show Jumping Training shall begin in February 2012.**

### **Event Training shall begin in February 2012.**

### **Tetrathlon/Minimus and Games training shall all begin in the Spring.**

**TREK: Woodstown Carpark to Creaden and surrounding area. ( will be organized in February)**

Trek is for all levels and ages. Parents and lead rein children welcome.  
All treks shall be subject to weather conditions and adequate supervision. Those interested, **including Parents**, please text or call Clare 085 7749824. Please confirm the week before so that we can ensure adequate supervision.  
(NB Parents are more the welcome on treks but shall not be covered under Pony Club Insurance)

Please ensure membership is paid early to ensure you can participate in these various activities.

**WATERFORD PONY CLUB ARE SPONSORING A HORSE IN THE IRISH HORSE WELFARE TRUST SANCTUARY, WICKLOW FOR 2012 @ a cost of €5.00 per month.**

A picture of the horse shall go up on the website soon and we shall go a visit the horse and the sanctuary in 2012. Please see website [www.ihwt.ie](http://www.ihwt.ie) .

**PROVISIONAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY 2012 to be confirmed at a later date on the website**

**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.

*The Committee of the Waterford Hunt Pony Club would like to take this opportunity to thank all those parents/guardians who very kindly and generously gave of their time and property so that pony club activities could run smoothly during the pony club season 2011.*

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to All**

