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Pony Club Camps – Still a Winner

Mega Camp a mega success

Last week 176 Pony Club members from 28 Pony Clubs across NSW and the ACT gathered to enjoy fun, friendship, games and learning activities for the week – just as riders in the region have enjoyed for the past 35 years.

“Pony Club camps - from single Clubs to groups of Clubs in the same region - have been popular throughout the 80 years of Pony Club in Australia, but this camp is a real standout,” Pony Club Australia CEO Dr Catherine Ainsworth said.

“To organise 480 riding sessions over five full days for groups of 6-9 riders and their horses, is a real logistical achievement. Even catering for so many, plus their family members and all the helpers, is a huge task.

“Activities ranged from lessons in the favourite and most common disciplines of showjumping, cross country riding, mounted games and dressage, to plenty of new things to try for many of the riders – cattle awareness (for campdrafting), musical rides, horse massage, polocrosse and tentpegging, and the practical – balance boards, feeding, first aid and theory sessions to help riders pass their certificate proficiency levels.

“We commend the organisers for the efforts they go to give riders a great educational and entertaining experience each year. The friendships they build as well cannot be overestimated.

“Pony Club is primarily a youth movement which aims to foster the values of Unity, Responsibility, Innovation, Accessibility, Leadership and Integrity, to create great horsemen and horsewomen and great citizens.

“These Clubs certainly do that.”

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