



Taranaki Carriage Drivers

January/February 2020



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Hello from the Newsletter Editor

The year is spinning by. It seemed it was New Year's Eve only a day ago and now it is rocketing towards March! The weather is fantastic for driving, though the ground might be getting a bit hard, but no waterproofs have been needed for quite a while.

I have been helping out in various ways at CDs while I am taking an unscheduled break from driving. It has been very interesting and most enjoyable. Writing for dressage has been most illuminating and I hope I can apply some of the things I have learnt while watching from the side-lines. It is interesting how few drivers stop at X and I am sure I am one of the ones who does not, so that will be something for me to practice.

Our Graded Dressage with an OHE the following day is fast approaching and entries close on Friday 13 March. Come along and take part, or join in helping to make it runsuccessfully if you are not driving.

Several of our members have been active at CDs and all have acquitted themselves well. All have been placed in some stage of a CD – good luck to those of you travelling to Gisborne and all the best for Makotuku a fortnight later. There are carriage driving competitions at HOY this year – details are noted in this newsletter.

Have fun driving your pony or horse for the rest of the season, or helping make the sport possible.

Raewyn Ancell has provided most of the lovely photos for this newsletter – thank you Raewyn.

Andrea



Sarah and Dark Hunter charging through the water at Tangi.

President's Report

Hi everyone,

I hope it's not too dry where you all are. We've been quite lucky this season and its only just beginning to get quite dry on the farm now and we are starting to feed out to the cows. This season, I have the least number of horses, that I've had in years so my horse paddocks have too much grass and I'm having to manage their weight – not usually a problem in February!

So far this season, Dark-Hunter and I and Steph and Buck have competed at the Weal's January Combined Drive, Tangimoana and Carterton. All events were so much fun and we love catching up with fellow competitors. Every competition weekend is like having a horsey holiday.

At Carterton, we both went into the Open class for the first time. Unfortunately, we won't make Gisbourne CD this year but hope to get there at some point. Still plenty of competitions to come – including our club graded dressage and One Hour Challenge which is always a great weekend. It's my weekend to work on the farm unfortunately but I will be entering and doing my best to try and make it, so you may see me rushing in and out that weekend.

While it seems hard to believe at this point, I know the end of the season will come up very quickly and we will be back to winter driving – luckily, we have our winter series to keep us from having competition withdrawals! Good luck to you all for the rest of the season, I hope you and your horse enjoy every second of it.

Sarah



Helene Godfrey and Miss Stockholm at Tangi

NZCDS Dressage Championships 4th/5th January

4th January

NZCDS Training

1st Rob Marvin, Verona Lodge I'm a Vixen

ADS Preliminary Test 3

1st Rob Marvin, Rob Marvin, Verona Lodge I'm a Vixen 2nd Vincelle Marvin, Flash Gordon
3rd Karyn Mclachlan William of Orange 4th Rob Marvin, Sovereign Santa Maria.

ADS Intermediate 4 2005

4th Laura Buckley, Comet.

5th January – Championship Day.

BHDTA Pre Novice 2008

4= Rob Marvin, Verona Lodge I'm a Vixen

Preliminary Novice 80/100 2013

4th Vincelle Marvin, Flash Gordon

ADS Intermediate Test 3 1994

1st Laura Buckley, Comet.



Laura Buckley and Comet executing their dressage at Tangi



Vincelle Marvin and Carrot Top at Tangi

Waikato CD 11/12th January

Intermediate:

Dressage: 1. Donna Tholen 2 Steph Pool 3 Sarah Ogle

Cones: 1= Julie Coker & Steph Pool 3rd Sarah Ogle

Marathon 1. Donna Tholen 2. Steph Pool 3. Sarah Ogle

Overall 1. Steph Pool, Buck 2. Sarah Ogle, Somerset Dark Hunter 3. Donna Tholen, Willowpark Music Man

Training:

Dressage: Rob Marvin 2. Vincelle Marvin

Cones: 2= Rob Marvin



Colleen Rebay and Milo of Lorien at Tangi

CDDA CDT Tangimoana 25/26 January

Open Large Pony

Dressage: 1. Jennifer Carew 2. Helen Paddison 2. Colleen Rebay, Milo of Lorien

Cones: Helen Paddison 3. Colleen Rebay

Marathon: 1. Helen Paddison 2. Jennifer Carew

Overall: 1. Helen Paddison, Bryn 2. Jennifer Carew, Willowview Express

Open Tiny Pony;

Dressage: 1. Laura Buckley

Marathon 1. Laura Buckley, Comet

Intermediate

Dressage: 1. Sarah Ogle 2. Karen Blakelock, Jubilee Johnny Cash

Cones: 1= Sarah Ogle & Steph Pool & Hetty Carter & Donna Tholen

Marathon: 1. Donna Tholen 2. Steph Pool 3 Sarah Ogle

Overall 1. Donna Tholen, Willowpark Music Man 2. Sarah Ogle, Somerset Dark Hunter 3. Steph Pool, Buck

Training

Dressage: 1. Rob Marvin 2. Vincelle Marvin, Carrot Top

Cones: 2. Rob Marvin 3. Vincelle Marvin

Marathon: 3. Rob Marvin

Overall: 1. Rob Marvin, Sovereign Santa Maria 2. Tessa Ball, Poppy 3. B Macfarlane, Parkbrae Beyonce

Novice:

Dressage: 1 Rob Marvin, Verona Lodge I'm a Vixen

Cones: 1= Rob Marvin & Vincelle Marvin Flash Gordon & K Shepherd & W Beherns



Karen Blakelock and Jubilee Johnny Cash

Wairarapa CDT 8th/9th February

Open Tiny Pony

Dressage: 1. Laura Buckley 2. Sarah Ogle 3. Steph Pool

Cones: 1. Laura Buckley 2= Steph Pool & Sarah Ogle

Marathon: 1. Sarah Ogle 2. Steph Pool 3. Laura Buckley

Overall: 1. Laura Buckley, Comet 2. Sarah Ogle, Somerset Dark Hunter 3. Steph Pool, Buck

Novice Driver:

Dressage: 1. Vincelle Marvin, Carrot Top 2. Rob Marvin Sovereign Santa Maria

Cones: 1= Sue Monk, Iceman & Rob Marvin & Karen Kendall



Christine Tarrant and Ben 10 at Tangi

Sarah and Steph's Driving Adventures; WSWDA CD, Clareville, Carterton.

An early start to travelling on Friday morning had us arriving at the showgrounds not long after lunchtime. Having plenty of time to walk the dressage and cones was great although doing it in the heat of the day was not the cleverest idea but we were lucky enough to be able to go for a nice cold swim that afternoon which felt amazing.

Dark-Hunter and Buck, who arrived spotlessly clean and rugged, really enjoyed the challenge of getting as much dust from the yards under their rugs as possible – Thank God for baby wipes on Saturday morning! Carterton was very dry and brown and the horses were not happy to find no green grass, not that they needed it.

A great Friday evening spent sitting in the shade of Rob & Vincelle Marvin's horse truck for cheese & crackers and Cider with them and Karen Blakelock.

First time for us both in Open Tiny Pony meant an early start on Saturday morning to get up at daybreak, get the boys fed, dusted off and plaited up. Dark-Hunter and I were second to go for Dressage and Steph and Buck third.

Dark-Hunter has had a bit more energy added to his feed lately so we had a good warm up to check his brain was switched on and headed in for our dressage test. I was very happy with how he went and Steph and Bucks dressage also looked very nice from what I could see of it.

Over to the cones and off we go! Nice steady canter around till a slight misjudgement meant Dark-Hunter and I completely took out the right-hand cone on Number 19 – oops! If you are going to get a ball down, you might as well do a good job of it, ha ha ha. Steph and Buck were in next for cones so we hung around to watch, and (sorry Steph) but Yay for me – they totally wiped out the cone on number 14! So 3 penalties for us both in cones – gotta keep the competition interesting (and close).

Being done nice and early left us plenty of time to watch some of the other horses and drivers do their dressage and cones, which was really nice.

Saturday afternoon was the drive around and have a look at the marathon course and obstacles. The obstacles looked like some nice, spread out, speedy ones – my favourite! Also, a water obstacle – Dark-Hunters least favourite and Steph found herself a new friend – the spaceman at MO3.



Steph and the Spaceman at MO 3

We walked the obstacles and made our decisions for Sunday.

Saturday night was a great meal put on by the club, everyone gathered at the Pony Club rooms for dinner and then prizegiving for the Dressage and Cones. Dark-Hunter and I placed 2nd in Dressage and 2nd equal in Cones, Buck and Steph placed 3rd in Dressage and 2nd equal in Cones. Both 1sts were taken out by Laura & Comet – some very tough competition!

The evening was then cut short when it started to rain and everyone headed back to their floats/trucks for the evening to prepare for the marathon the next day.

Luckily for us, it only rained lightly for a couple of hours as we discovered a couple of leaks in the float and went to sleep with a bucket in one spot and a towel in the other!

Up the next morning and the sun is shining. Headed out for one last look at the obstacles before it was time to harness up and set off. This time, the marathon section was only 1 section and was only 7.4km long with 5 marathon obstacles.

MO1 was under the trees and has some long runs with some tight turns and was the only MO that went to F. Another loop around the end of the showgrounds and into MO2 – large round bales with some cones set up gave you a couple of options.

MO3 was around mounds and had the spaceman on top of one mound. As we came around the side of the mound, Dark-Hunter caught a glimpse of the spaceman (scary looking plastic bag thing, haha) on top of the mound and we nearly took out the white flag for C as he shot sideways but managed to pull around in time.

Around the other end of the showgrounds and up to MO4 – the water! Dark-Hunter is not a fan of water so if there's a water option, we take the option that will have him in the water as much as possible. So, I decided to cut across the water to get to A instead of going around and he went straight in! Through A and diagonally across the water to B, out and around to C then back in on the diagonal for a long run through the water to D and he cantered! First time cantering in the water and the waves coming off him and the cart absolutely soaked me from the waist down. My boots were full of water but it was so much fun and very refreshing on a hot day.

Around another loop and into MO5, set up with jumps and cones and a bit of circling before a quick slow down and into the end cones to finish. We definitely enjoyed the faster speed times in open, hardly any filling in time, just keep on going. Both boys passed the vet check and it was pack up time (the worst part) while we waited for the results.

Dark-Hunter and I ended up 1st in Marathon and 2nd Overall
Steph and Buck 2nd in Marathon and 3rd Overall with Laura & Comet coming 3rd in Marathon which put them 1st Overall. There were 2 points between Laura and I and 2 points between me and Steph – a close competition!

Congrats to the other competitors who also did well and a huge thanks to the organisers and helpers for the awesome effort they put in so that the rest of us can have such a great time away.

Next Competition – Makotuku, then Horse of the Year – Can't Wait!!

Sarah



Comet's Ruby – Progress report:

Ruby has started losing her foal coat around her eyes and muzzle. It looks like she is going to stay pretty much the same colour. She is growing like a weed and running rings around her mother. She is quite the active little tearaway.

Laura



Rob Marvin and Sovereign Santa Maria



Single Seat

\$250.00

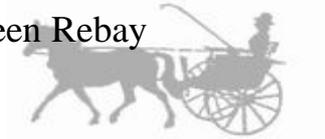
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Horse of the Year Carriage Driving 2020

1. Jump and Drive

Friday night 13 March

2. HOY Carriage Driving Trials Sunday 15th March 9am

It will consist of a dressage test, followed by a cone course which will include 2 obstacles within it.

1. Dressage (HOY ribbons 1st – 6th)
2. Cones/Obstacles (HOY ribbons 1st – 6th)
3. Overall Scores (**HOY Champion & Reserve Champion** – placings to 6th)

This event will be judged on a combined score of Dressage and Obsthlon. Although it is a POD Dressage test, the dressage will be judged in normal manner.

The obsthlon will be judged on time and penalties awarded for errors, balls down etc.



Iceman being brave leaping into the water at Clareville.



Steph and Buck going so fast through the water at Tangi they made big waves.



Helen Paddison and Bryn

TARANAKI CARRIAGE DRIVERS
GRADED DRESSAGE
Saturday 28 March 2020 start 10 am
to be held at 1951 S.H. 3, Waverley.

Entry Fee; Members \$10 per test, non-members \$15 per test.
Graded dressage for horses registered with NZCDS.
Ribbons only 1st – 4th. Hats, gloves and aprons, please.
Please choose one or two tests from the four listed below.

- Class 1, ADS Training 2 (non-registered may enter)**
- Class 2, NZCDS Novice Training Test**
- Class 3, BHDTA Nov 80/100 2013**
- Class 4, ADS Preliminary 3**
- Class 5, BHDTA 1B 2009**
- Class 6, ADS Intermediate 4**

Drivers to enter a maximum of two tests. Training 2 open to non-registered Drivers.

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ENTRY FORM

Entries close Friday 13 March 9pm. late entries double fees.

Drivers Name.....

Address.....

Horse/Pony's Name.....

Dressage Registration Number.....

Classes entered.....

yard required. Yes/no.

How many yards? \$5 each.....

Please return to Colleen Rebay

1951 S.H. 3, Waverley.

Or rebay@slingshot.co.nz

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TARANAKI CARRIAGE DRIVERS

One Hour Combined Drive

Sunday March 29th 2020 10am 1951 SH 3, Waverley. South Taranaki.

Class 1. Novice Driver Class will be split into horse sizes. Speeds etc. will be notified after entering. Open to drivers who have never competed at a Combined Drive

Class 2. Open Driver Class will be split into horse sizes. Open to everyone else.

Class 3. Training Class will be split into horse sizes. Driver/horse combination not to have won a full Combined Drive Overall.

Multiple entries may be accepted.

Please note; Achievement Certificate Level 1 is required to do the marathon at this event.

Entry fee \$20 members \$30 nonmembers.

Entries close 13th March 9pm. Late entries may be accepted at double fees.

Dressage test Class 1 Training 3, Class 2 B.C.D. Novice 80/100 (2013), Class 3 NZCDS Novice & Training Test (Available on NZCDS website)

Marathon, under 6km. Some road with wide verges. Four Marathon Obstacles. Marathon to be driven blind, as we have limited access to neighbouring properties. Cone course and Marathon Obstacles open for viewing from 8am

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ENTRY FORM

Drivers name.....

Carriage track width.....

Address.....

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Horse/pony name.....age.....height.....

Class entered.....

Phone.....email.....

Entries to C. Rebay, 1951 SH3, RD 2, Waverley 4592. Rebay@slingshot.co.nz

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Vincelle Marvin and Flash Gordon doing their dressage at Tangi

Events Diary 2019/2020

2020

22/23rd February Gisborne CDT

7/8th March Makotuku CDT

10 – 14th March HOY

15th March Carriage driving HOY

15th March Allen Show CDDA, Timona Park

21/22nd March NZCDS POD Champs & OHE Taupo

28 March TCD Graded Dressage (Christine Tarrant, , convenor)

29 March TCD OHC (Colleen & Jacob Rebay, , convenors)

11/12 Waikato CDT, Te Awamutu

24/25/26th April NZCDS North Island CDT Champs, Taupo.

3rd May NZCDS North Island Council Meeting Taupo.

5/6th June NZCDS AGM Palmerston North.

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Cheryl Robinson and Oldesbrooke Quickstep at Tangi



Rob Marvin and Verona Lodge, I'm a Vixen