



FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

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If you are riding
a horse you love,
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A WORD FROM THE PRESIDENT



Wow what a great way to start the season showing for OWRC! The weather gods shined on us as we welcomed 40 horse/rider combinations for our November show. A huge change from last year. The revamped arena surface is great.

Huge thanks to everyone who stood up and helped in anyway they could what an awesome team we have! Planning already underway for the January show. So keep up that great training and let's make it even better! Hope to have a couple of club days in December as it's a quiet month for showing. If anyone has any suggestions or thoughts on what they want to work on or want help with let me know, I'm always happy to help. **Cheers and enjoy your ride, Fe.**

WHAT'S NEW

PRESIDENTS WORD

TRAINING

EVENTS

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Jonelle Price – winner of Badminton Horse Trials and a NZ Olympic Equestrian Team member.



TRAINING



AQHANZ South Island Training with Taj & Matt.

A group of OWRC members were lucky enough to attend the AQHA Amateur clinic held in Christchurch at the RDA indoor arena at the end of September.

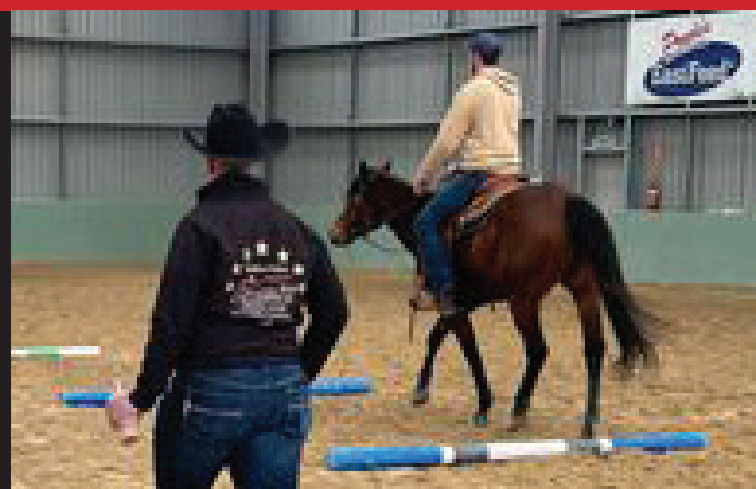
From start to finish it was a fabulous weekend of learning. Starting with a one-on-one on Friday afternoon. We went through what problems we were having and what we wanted to achieve in the coming season. Then the trainers got on and rode our horses to feel how they were going. It was great to see what they get our horses to do. Found some obvious holes and things to work on! Saturday was a full day with pole training with Matt and cone exercises with Taj. We were able to carry on with all these exercises to cement them in our minds getting some great tools to take home with us. Finished up with showmanship training and tips on Sunday. A huge thank you to Lindsey McPherson, President of the AQHANZ for organising this for the South Island. Big thanks to Taj and Matt for coming and I certainly hope they return!

Matt Freiberg of Matthew Freiberg Performance Horses

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Taj Carson of Taj Carson Performance Horses

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- Take part in amazing training clinics utilising the best trainers from NZ, Australia and America
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- Participate in competitions and activities which promote our Quarter Horses and in turn gain points that go towards lifetime awards
- Youth Development Squad programme - we hold training camps and encourage our youth to work towards the participation in the Trans-Tasman Challenge and Youth World Cup
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- Receive informative Newsletters
- Achievement Awards



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TRAINING

Kelly Keenan Lessons, Winter Training 2023

Winter training with Kelly sees a few more newbies are returning members.

This opportunity has been attracting a number of different western disciplines from ropers and barrel racers, our western showies to those starting out. Always great to see the advancement during regular winter sessions and people coming away with a smile on their face. Big thanks to Renee for organising, hosting and making this happen.

Junior Youth at Kelly Keenan training.

Sonja Hay, Junior Youth

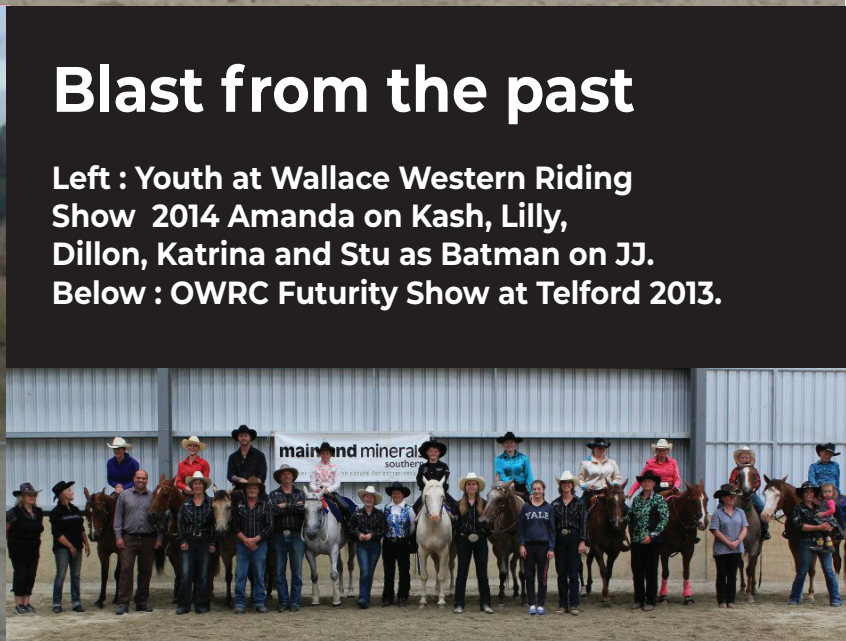
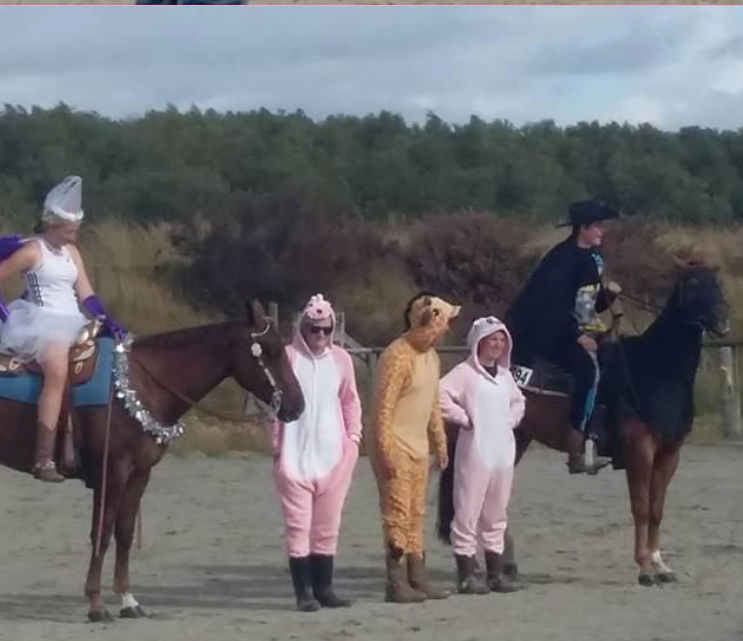
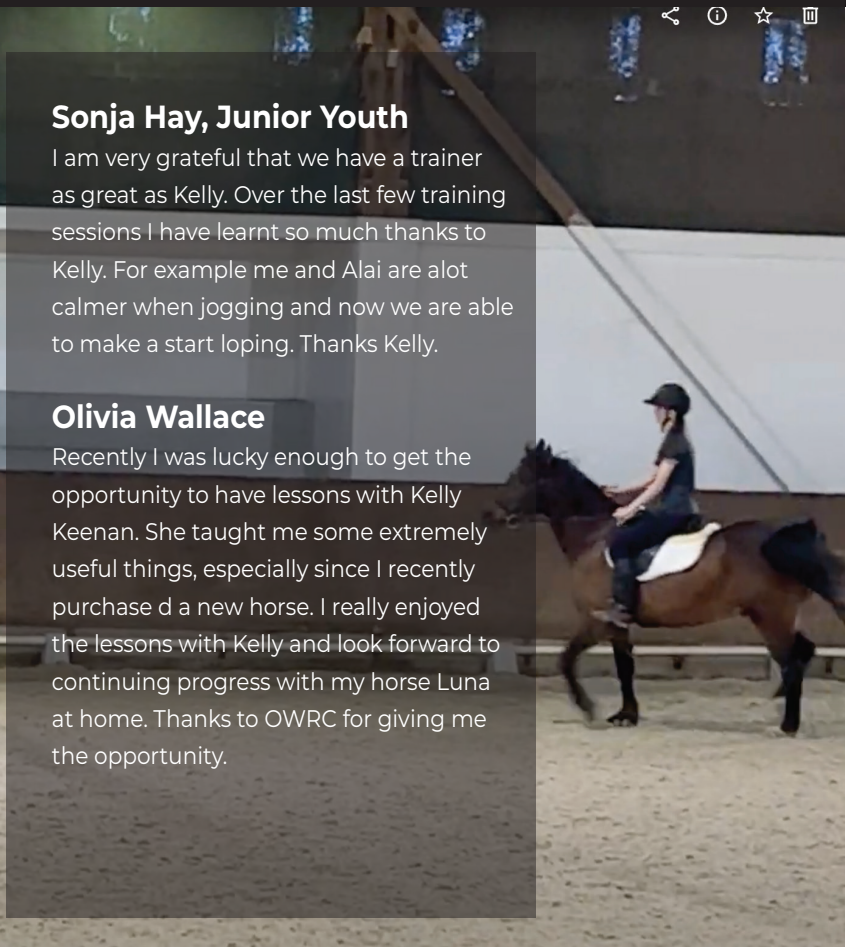
I am very grateful that we have a trainer as great as Kelly. Over the last few training sessions I have learnt so much thanks to Kelly. For example me and Alai are alot calmer when jogging and now we are able to make a start loping. Thanks Kelly.

Olivia Wallace

Recently I was lucky enough to get the opportunity to have lessons with Kelly Keenan. She taught me some extremely useful things, especially since I recently purchase d a new horse. I really enjoyed the lessons with Kelly and look forward to continuing progress with my horse Luna at home. Thanks to OWRC for giving me the opportunity.

Blast from the past

Left : Youth at Wallace Western Riding Show 2014 Amanda on Kash, Lilly, Dillon, Katrina and Stu as Batman on JJ.
Below : OWRC Futurity Show at Telford 2013.



COMING EVENTS

Club Day

TELFORD ARENA, BALCLUTHA.

SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER, 12 -4PM
\$10 FEE PER HORSE.

PAST EVENTS

Fundraising

Garage Sale

A very BIG thanks to Nicki and Barry at the Concord Garage and helpers for all your hard work organising a very successful Garage Sale that kicked off our fundraising for 2023 raising \$3,500.

Pinecone Collection

Thanks to all the OWRC members and supporters that turned up for some back breaking work and team bonding collecting \$15,000 of pinecone seed for export. Thank you to Paul and Sue Greeves for managing this opportunity for us. Some of these funds have been spent on a recent pole purchase to enhance our trail courses.

Thanks to Des for recent repairs to the Club trailer and getting the gear trailer back in action.



6-7 January Otago Show 2024

TELFORD ARENA, BALCLUTHA.

Watch out for the Jotform prior to Christmas. Be great to see you all there.

17 DECEMBER 2023

HAVE A GO SHOW - WALLACE

Check out their facebook page for details.

20-21 JAN CWRC SHOW, CHCH.

27-28 JAN WALLACE SHOW, STHLAND.

3-4 FEB FEDERATION SHOW, CHCH.

17-18 FEB RVHA SHOW, CHCH.

9,10&11 FEB AQHANZ, CHCH.

9-10 MARCH OWRC SHOW, BALCUTHA.



PAST EVENTS

November 2023 Show

What a fantastic start to the season with forty horses in attendance. Exciting to be back at Telford with the improved surface.

The weather gods where very good to us. Record entries in the showmanship with fifteen in the class.

The new format worked well and everyone enjoyed the communal BBQ in the evening and catching up. Our judge was Morag Thorne, thanks Morag. Always a pleasure!

Thanks to the team that all played there part in making the show a success. Alway great to host those of you who traveled from Christchurch with you with your horses. Always happy to host you guys and appreciate the positive contribution you make to our show.



Private Training with Kate Elliott

Six of our OWRC members headed to Cust to make the most of this talented Aussie trainer from Breakoday Quarter Horses Melbourne. We learned heaps, especially about the benefits of half halts and how to ride a zillion poles! Highly recommend. Thanks Kate. We will be back. And thanks to Di and Sharon for all your organising!

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