



# NEWSLETTER

## Hot on the Scent

April

Hi everyone from Lock Down on Russek Road

Who knew that as we got our hunters and hounds fit for the season that Covid - 19 would stop us in our tracks.

As we wait for the government on the 22 April to direct us, we all hope that we might get a few hunts in before closing.

The ground conditions in the Kaipara Hunt area have continued to stay dry and extremely hard under foot.

I have kept my hunters ticking over but do admit it is hard to stay enthused. On a more positive note time at home has been spent well catching up on all those odd jobs.

So with not much to report in this newsletter it is just about staying in touch and having a bit of fun.

Take care everyone stay safe.

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### Life In Lockdown

Hello everyone

Hope you all well in your bubble

I will tell you a bit about mine. In my bubble are Keith my partner, Floris my son, Buster the dog who is very happy to have us all home and of course Izzy, Demi and Amber the three horses. We build some little jumps in the back paddock and we are still allowed on the farm at the end of the road so we still cruising around on the horses. The garden and house are looking beautiful (haha) never been so clean. I am keeping in touch with my family in Holland who are as well in lock down and video messaging my grand children in Nelson.

All are good so far

Keep up the good work stay safe, stay home and hopefully we will be back hunting soon.

TALLY HO from Els

Hi Guys,

How is life with you all in the lockdown? Most of you will be riding your horse(s) at home perhaps. Always better than being cooped up in your house. I, who cannot ride yet, am venturing out on the farm per Shank's Pony with the help of my walking stick. I am better off than many who haven't a farm to walk on. Big adventure yesterday when we drove to our local shop in Mangawhai for groceries. Another big adventure today when I had a flu vaccination Wow!! The Herald has been making a huge effort to print pages of puzzles! Is the Advocate the same?

Khan and Higgins were such a pain yesterday when I tried to catch them to put them in the next paddock - Khan being the ringleader! He is supposed to be an old horse - Higgins even older!! Seriously though I hope you are all well and keeping to your bubble. Short pain, long gain. Hope to see you all when this virus thingie is all over and we can get back to normal and get together again for a bit of fun!

Chins up from your Patron, Jo

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What lockdown means for me.....

On an average day, when I'm not working, my day consists of 30 mins back exercises first thing, followed by lungeing my horses and picking up masses of shit! We usually go for a walk round the village before dinner.

I've done a few St John shifts since lockdown.....what we've been noticing is a sudden interest in bike riding and DIY jobs! Consequently we've dealt with a few sprained ankles; usually older patients who last rode their bikes 20 years ago!! On day 1 of lockdown, we had to deal with an old fella who thought it would be a good idea to wash the roof of his campervan.....he had a dislocated shoulder and a broken arm after falling off the roof....

Taking patients to hospital is quite an experience....if there's any suspicion at all of covid-19, you are greeted outside the entrance and your patient is swabbed before being admitted. Everyone wears full protective gear and it's impossible to recognise anyone. My first time was like landing on Mars! Extremely surreal!

It'll be good to get back to normal, that's for sure!! I'm so fed up of lungeing, and i can't wait to ride at the beach again and get out hunting! I miss the fun and banter of getting out and about!

2 weeks down, hopefully only 2 -3 weeks to go!!

See you all soon Inga

## Reminder subs are due now

Please note subs were due in August 2019, thanks to everyone who has paid online. We appreciate your support during this time, the hunt expenses keep rolling on.

You can check out the subscription form and read previous newsletters on our website

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### Masters Favourite Recipe

#### Apricot Glazed Meatloaf

500g minced beef

500g sausage meat

1cup breadcrumbs

1 onion (chopped)

2 tsp curry powder

1tsp parsley (chopped)

1 egg

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup milk

$\frac{1}{2}$  cup water

Blend together (I use my kenwood mixer)

Shape into loaf and place in a large greased baking dish.

#### Apricot Sauce

220g can apricots

$\frac{1}{4}$  cup vinegar

2 Tsp brown sugar

Place in a blender until smooth simmer for 5 minutes.

Bake 180 oC 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours basting with apricot sauce.

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### Bits and Bobs

Hello

Kaipara Hunt kennels in lockdown 2020

The hounds are all well and are coping with cabin fever. Fortunately just prior to lockdown there was an influx of hound tucker which was great as the cupboard was getting bare. The hounds are hoping to get some hunting in!

The horses, Lola and Toby are in work and have been doing some cattle work for the last few days and Polly is staying over the gully and getting some exercise.

The huntsman is ticking along quietly and in his bubble "staying out of trouble" and hoping like hell the daily tally keeps coming down and we can get some part of our season in. The hounds won't be as fit as they might have been but had a long build up which should stand them in good stead. Here's hoping GO HARE

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# Daf's Lockdown Quiz

1. What year was the Kaipara Hunt founded and who was the first Master and huntsman 3pts
2. How many huntsmen has Kaipara had to date and who has served the longest (be careful) 3pts
3. Who is the longest serving huntsman in NZ and how many seasons has he done inc 2020. 2pts
4. How many female huntsmen in NZ currently hunting hounds.1pt
5. Which is the northern, eastern, southern and western most hunts in NZ in 1986 4pts
6. What year was there a dead heat in the Great Northern Steeples Name the horses and jockeys.5pts
7. Correct terms for the Points (trophies) on a hare i.e, Ears, feet and tail 3pts
8. How many Masters and Joint Masters has Kaipara had and how many consecutive seasons did Jo Hall serve as Master 2pts
9. What have a hound and a boat have in common 1pt
10. How many affiliated hunts currently in NZ 1pt
11. What colour will the hunt clips be in 2021 1pt
12. Who was the first female jockey to win the Wellington Steeples and on what horse.2pts
13. How should you greet a Master on a hunt morning 3pts
14. NZHA have imported 2 hounds from England this century name them and the hunts they came from 4 pts
15. 3 generations of one family have hunted hounds in NZ. Who were they and which hunts did they hunt hounds for 8pts
16. Name the 2 current huntsmen in NZ who went to Christs College and the hunts they have served for.6pts
17. Name the NZ galloper which has the most wins, how many wins and owner and trainer (clues nickname the Washdyke Wonder and the owner filled in as huntsman for South Canterbury for part of a season.4pts
18. A current Master trained and part owned the winner of last years Winter cup at Riccarton Name him and the horse.2pts
19. Kaipara currently has joint Masters. What were their maiden names.2pts
20. Who won the Olympic Cup at 2020 Horse of the Year and what was her maiden name.2pts

Total 59 points

email answers to [dafd@xtra.co.nz](mailto:dafd@xtra.co.nz) by 31/4/2020

1st Prize Bottle of BUBBLY Hopefully we'll be out of bubbles by then !!