



NEWSLETTER

Hot on the Scent

March 2020

Greetings Everyone.

The hunting season is underway again. This Saturday we had the Intro to hunting day at Poodles hope you all had fun. This was a great opportunity to remind your horse about how to jump spars!

As you may have noticed the Corona Virus outbreak is having a massive effect on our country with many events being cancelled. The hunt Association have put out a recommendation list which of actions to prevent spread during hunt meeting which we will send around. Sorry Inga but hugging is out! As is kissing and hand shaking. At this stage we will still have shared hunt breakfasts but anyone that doesnt want to participate can choose not to. Hand washing/sanitizing before eating is obviously an essential protocol.

We will update as necessary.

Otherwise a big thank you to those who worked on the Kumeu gates. That event would be cancelled now so we were very lucky to still be able to have it as a fund raiser. Thank you all for your time and effort. Also a big thanks to those that have come to our sparring days good turnouts meant lots of work was done cant wait to get out there and jump these upgraded spars.

While on the topic of working bees if you have any time next Thursday 26th there is a working bee at Mike Smales to smarten things up before the opening hunt. From 10 am on.

Hunter trials havnt been run for a few years so we thought it was time to get all those trophies back out there with some new names on them. Michelle Wakeling is kindly organizing this for the 18th of April. If you know anyone you can approach for prizes /sponsorship please do so.

A big congratulations must go out to Linda Dickenson for surviving the first stage of Trek for Life. This event had many younger people shattered and complaining but Linda kept on smiling to the end despite challenges along the way. Nearly 200km of riding later I think she's keen to take on stage 2 next year an inspiration to us all. Well done Linda.

Happy Riding Janine



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HOUNDS TO BE AUCTIONED FOR 2020 HUNT SEASON

VISION 2nd season bitch went well last season.

PEGGY 4th season very thorough and sensitive nose.

PIRATE 4th season and has been top dog for a couple of years but others might give him a run for his money.

QUARTZ 3rd season she is a tireless worker and odd one out with her colour.

NERO 5th season dog, put a dollar each way as he does some great work.

WILLOW. 2nd season always right up with the play and would prefer to hunt for 5 or more hours.

MANFRED 5th season was just starting to work roads and tracks last season, invaluable if he continues this.

NIMBLE 5th season always there or thereabouts, one for the odds.

TEREX 2nd season dog which went very well last season.

BARGAIN BIN

LISTENER and LEISURE Older Dannevirke hounds doing their first season here, tried and true, very honest and will be an asset.

NEW ENTRANTS

ARROW, ARREST and ARCHER, Arrow and Arrest shaping up well and Archer later developer but might well show litter mates up.

HUNTSMAN'S TIPS Your guess is as good as mine, all these hounds and others that are not being auctioned are working as a team which is the name of the game GOOD LUCK PUNTERS !!

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Bits and Bobs

Kaipara Hunt members feature in Horse of the Year Show at Hastings.

Michelle and Sammy Wakeling had a great week at Hastings, Sammy was 4th in the 13 and under Medal Equitation and 6th in the pony 1.05 on Gem. Then she lined Trigger up in the 1.10 Pony Championship and WON. Fantastic effort. Well done Sammy!!

Michelle has had a great season on her fiery Ginga, " Brave" has talent but is a bit hot. To cap off a very good season she rode a double clear in the 5yr old series class for 5th place and provisionally this puts her 1st= in the National 5yr old Series. Brilliant Well Done !!

Don't forget Bruce who drove them down and flew back to oversee the Kumeu Show fund raiser. Thank you Bruce.

HOUNDS

I gave the hounds a bit of a break working them up in Feb when it got really hot and dry but they seem to have retained their fitness and are on the case when they get onto the "quarry"!!. We have a couple of older "imports" and last year's new entrants are going very well and this year's new entrants trying hard. Just can't wait

Go Hare

Daf

BUZZ John McLaughlan huntsman for Dannervirke Hunt has had some serious health issues recently. There's been a bit of a fundraising organized to pay for some firewood, as a small way of assisting him, through a few tough months. He's a good friend of Daf's and if anyone wants to contribute a small donation, please see Daf at the Opening Hunt.

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Opening Hunt information

In these trying times with COVID-19 we have had to make a few changes.

Our opening Hunt on Sunday 29 March will only be open to Kaipara Hunt current financial members, sorry no exceptions. Contact Albert to pay your sub or make an arrangement for part payments if necessary BEFORE THE OPENING HUNT ! No caps.

At this stage the hunt will run more or less as usual.

The Hunt Breakfast is optional but if not attending you are expected to leave for home after informing the Master and not have a gathering separate from the hunt breakfast.

We do take a register of attendance and take guidance from the Government we do encourage social distancing and personal hygiene.

Anyone feeling unwell or who has been in contact with anyone unwell, or in isolation, should keep away.

For Sale - Kaipara Hunt Apparel

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