

Newsletter - October 2022

Hi Everyone,

Two Weddings, a Birthday and lots in between. So much happened in October, before we lead into the end of year festivities.

The first wedding was on October 22nd in Bathurst. Cousin Bronte married a lovely young man, Shaun Van Uum at a gorgeous property in Yetholme near Bathurst. Horse owners of the past will remember Bronte, her sister Jessi and cousin Caitlin, often visiting the farm in their school holidays. They have many stories to tell which are far from boring, but they learnt to ride horses from Aunty Shaun and return home for a big rest. Congratulations Shaun (great name) and Bronte. Lots of love for the future years.

The second wedding, one week later, was my darling Lewis and Vanessa. They said the Columbians love to party and have fun, and that's exactly what happened.

The wedding was held at Belgenny Farm at Camden – a venue I can highly recommend. Vanessa, her dad Valerio and mum Martha, followed by my grandsons Hugo, Austyn and Myles (who brought the wedding rings), started the ceremony. Ecki was also there, and many Columbian friends and relations, 7 of whom had travelled from Columbia.

After the beautiful ceremony, the reception party began. One hundred people having a great time celebrating and dancing. It was truly a night to remember.

To prepare for all of this, I must thank Tracey Serhan, Utopia Skin & Spa Warners Bay, Hairs Rok Wallsend, Lisa McEvoy (resident hairdresser) and the one and only David Jones, Sydney.



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On October 29th was Hugo's 7th birthday. Three years ago I bought Hugo Alaska for his birthday. I think it was a good present. This year, only a water gun that he thinks is perhaps just as exciting. Alaska is still at HVEC, so she must be "just" obeying Grandma Shaun's rules.

Roseman update – he has had his sarcoid cut out and is recovering well. Looks like he plans to train again in 2023 with me – wish us well! I am still recovering well, and plan to start back riding Roseman in January 2023.

Farewell to Cassie & Indi, Bree & Sensi and Bonnie & Red. Welcome Heidi & Jonny Cash and Ilona and Roquet (Rocket).

I am coaching full time again. Please phone me on 0407 200 907 to book in for a lesson.

I am still recovering well but I don't plan to start back riding until January 2023.

We welcome two new staff members to HVEC – Lucia and Tenille. Lots of work to be done at the Equestrian Centre and progress to be made – welcome on board girls.

The Christmas Holiday full day Young Rider Programs will happen again these upcoming holidays. Please keep in touch for the dates. Last holidays was well received and I think that learning and fun was had by all!

Keep riding and training. Remember that your goal setting for 2023 is very important - start thinking and planning now.

Bye, from Shaun

