



Newsletter - December 2022

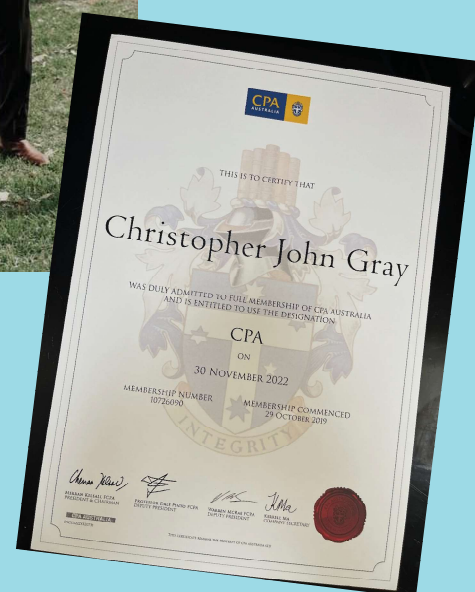
Hi Everyone,

The last newsletter for 2022. A very interesting year for sure. Christmas came so fast that you had to stop all normal work and prepare for that big day. As usual I did the morning feed up alone, in a hurry and fear of being the late arrival to the family breakfast in Bolwarra. Bruce and I arrived half an hour late. There was a bit of silence and then the words from a 4 year old grandson – “You’re late Grandma”. For the first time in 20 years someone offered to do the Christmas afternoon feed up. Thank you so much Tenille. I am very grateful.

Christmas lunch was held at Heath and Rozzie Ryans. Rozzie cooked and prepared a fantastic lunch for 18 people. Heath prepared the seafood and the endless drinks. Bruce and Lewis decided to “really” challenge Heath in the pudding competition. They nearly won but I think Heath pipped them at the post. I couldn’t believe that Heath only ate a child’s portion of food, just so he could try to eat most of the pudding and win – “so competitive”.

New Year’s Eve was fairly quiet. I am always concerned about the animals and fireworks, so I stay at home. A few friends came for eats and drinks before retiring early. We all talked about a better 2023 and put a lot of 2022 behind us.

December was a big month for my son, Christopher. He not only turned 35 years old, but he passed his CPA exam in Accountancy. We are proud of him and extremely happy that he is not going to study again for some time. He is so nice when he is not studying.



APDC held their last competition for the year on Sunday, 11th December. Tenille, Enda, Stephen, Lucia and Emi all competed. It's great to see them training and gaining more experience before the end of the year.

It is six months on from my riding accident, and I am recovering really well. In 2023, I will ride again and resume the beginner class at Step in Time Ballroom Dance School in Wallsend. If anyone is interested in starting Ballroom Dancing, please look up their website or ask me. It's so good to learn and so healthy for your mind and body.

Roseman has recovered from his sarcoid operation, and I think it is time we started training (slowly), if I can get on. I think he is as tall as Rhannarr.

In December we welcomed Toby and Scarlet to HVEC.

Over Christmas HVEC has had a full house of horses on agistment and people staying in the three areas of accommodation. A great start to the New Year.

In January 2023 we will be running several Children's Riding and Horse Care days. These days will be held on 5, 10, 12, 17, 19 and 25 January, and will run from 9 am to 4 pm. The cost is only \$77 for the full day, but you do need to have your own pony or horse. Please contact me ASAP to book in, as we keep the group sizes small to ensure everyone gets lots of professional teaching from myself and my staff.

Wishing all of you a successful, health and super positive (for you Christopher) 2023.

Happy New Year,

From *Shaun*



Christmas catch up with 2 horses I bred - Laura & Raffinni and Riley & Risto



Children's Riding and Horse Care Days will be held over January - book in now!