

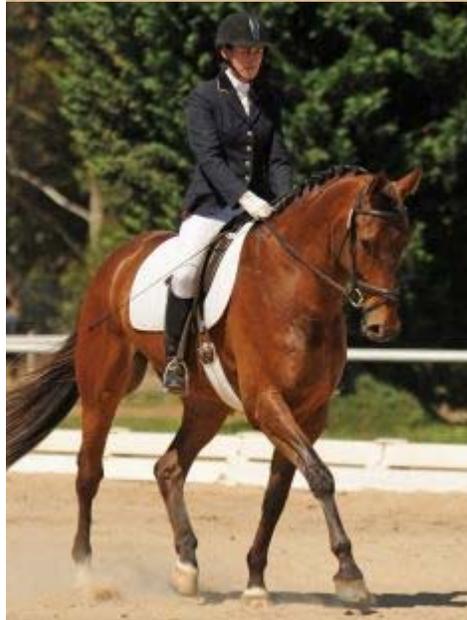
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## NEWS OCTOBER 2011

Much excitement in October, Spring Championships at AHDC, Masters Games and SVDC Championships, eventing in full swing, all go in SA.

Firstly we must send huge congratulations to Ria Grivell and AR Galileo for their selection as one of just three SA riders onto the 'National futures dressage squad'. Well done Ria and Leo, this is very exciting. This was followed by their very good performance at the Spring Championships for second place in both the Prelim and Novice with scores of over 70% in both tests.



*Ria Grivell and AR Galileo*

Congratulations must also go to Jane Cafareli and AR Beaujolais who also performed very creditably in both Preliminary and Novice at the Championships, what a great partnership, we look forward to following their progress through the ranks.

At the Australian Masters Games held in SA this year Denise Dawson and AR Bianca performed very well in hacking, SJ and Dressage for a total of ten medals, five gold, three silver and two bronze, well done Bianca, cleaned up in lightweight hacking events and this was something different for us, plus a Gold and Silver on the Novice tests and a Silver and Bronze in the Preliminary.

Bianca and Denise also competed successfully in the SVDC Novice Championships, didn't quite make champion but had some good percentages for a second and third.



*AR Bianca*

On the eventing scene we must congratulate Steph Heysen on her win at Reynella Horse Trials on her Northern Romulus gelding, Kalinga Michelangelo. We should add that they also competed in the Elementary Dressage at the Spring Championships, also with very good results, go Steph and Miko!!!



*Steph Heysen and Kalinga Michelangelo*

Also doing very well on the eventing scene we have Ryan Fletcher and AR Renaissance, unfortunately the rider had a little seniors moment at Reynella on the weekend and missed not one but two jumps, this funnily enough robbed them of their win :o). We will put the blame on Bella, his mare, who has been giving him sleepless nights going well overdue with having her Bravo Romulus foal. She has now foaled and presented Ryan with a gorgeous bay filly, so maybe we should forgive him :o)