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Hi Everyone,

Halfway through the year already, next they will be telling us it is Santa time. Well I hope not yet, anyway.

Mr and Mrs Walker will be off very soon on their trip North in their Motorhome. We wish them loads of fun and safe travelling. I will be holding the fort at home with Melissa, Angie, Sally and David.

Sad News - I guess most of you that read Emma's Showhorses know of the loss the Evans and Talbot Families suffered with the passing of their lovely horses, **Thompsons Destiny** (Min) and **Marena Goldleaf** (Echo) a few weeks ago. I know along with us you feel for their losses and you wish them all the best.

We too have lost one of our horses recently, with the passing of our wonderful school horse, **Banjo**. Many of you started your riding career with him and will be saddened by the news.



Banjo standing in the centre chilling out at one of our Three Day Schools

Lectures - Thank you for all those attended Mrs Walker's lectures. It shows that you are willing to learn and why not learn all you can from one of Australia's most respected horsewomen. Maureen says that there is always more to learn and she always strives to learn new things. It is very important we keep an open mind to broaden our learning. I learn something new just about every day myself and I am always amazed by how much horses can teach you.

Show – Our first Show for our team this season will be Gosford on 1st August. I will place a list of Shows on the notice board as usual so you can see where we will be competing. It would be great if you would like to come along to watch and support your fellow pupils. There are many things you can learn from watching and you never know, you may want to compete yourself in the future. When pupils are ready we take them with us to help at the Shows and so they learn lots about the handling and preparation of horses in a way that few people have the opportunity. Later these pupils can progress to riding in the Shows on our reliable horses.

New Horses – We have been very lucky to be given **Marena Trade Winds** to use as long as we like. He is one of Marena Amber Folly's many prizewinning foals and has been very successful for the Coggon family of Queensland. Amanda Marfleet bought Trade in our "Reach for the Stars" Auction in 2006 prior to the family's return to live in England. We are planning to show him along with our other new horse **Marena Twilights** in the spring.

The Coffey Family's fencing and stables have been completed at to their new home and **Flare** and **Quest** have moved from Marena Stud to their new stables on the farm.

Carlie Lind has still been unable to ride her new horse **Charlie**. On his way to Marena Stud he sustained a puncture wound in his hoof and has had to have treatment and rest. Carlie had to be patient as she could not run the risk of him treading on something and doing more damage. He is back in work now and Carlie is riding him now.

Schools

The July School Holidays are fast approaching and with that comes our One- and Three-Day Schools and of course the special Marena Show for our pupils.

One Day Schools Tuesday, 6th July and Thursday, 8th July

These Schools are an introduction to School activities for the beginner pupils

Three Day School Mon, Tues & Wed, 12th, 13th & 14th July

These Schools introduce new activities and expand pupils' horizons

Sport and Recreation Friday, 16th July - 9am – 12pm

Contact Sport & Rec for any further information or bookings. Phone:-13 13 02 or 4362 3184.

Marena Show Saturday 17th July.

Marena Show and Family Day – Preparation for this Show will commence on Thursday 15th and Friday 16th. It would be appreciated if pupils or parents are able to help either day or both to prepare the horses and saddlery for the Show. Many hands make light work and don't forget there is a Best Presented class so the better your horse and gear look the better chance you have of winning this class. Every placing you gain goes towards your Overall Point Score Trophy for the day.

So come along to help and learn many things that only this situation can teach. **The cost is \$ 45.00** for the day's riding, that is the same as your usual lesson price.

All welcome, bring a picnic lunch to watch your loved one compete with fun for Prizes and Trophies. There will also be a Fancy Dress class for those who enjoy dressing up, but please let me know what your secret costume is so I know what horse it will look best on. Shh, mum's the word.

Please advise me ASAP which School you are attending and if you are also joining in our Show and Family day as I need time to organise our special day of fun. Entry Form over

THE HAPPY GROUP OF COMPETITORS AND HORSES AT THE MARENA SHOW 2008



Good luck to all in our next upcoming Marena Show on 17th July, 2010

REMEMBER: - “Reach For the Stars”

It's you're your choice how big a “STAR” you want to be.

Check out the new things on our Website: www.marenastud.com

