

13 November 2011

Polocrosse Shines at the Ballarat Show

On Sunday 13 November the Ballarat Show crowd were witness to a two hour display of two senior sides and a junior side demonstrating the game of Polocrosse 'King of the One Horse Sports'.

The wet weather held off for the afternoon to see two under 21 chukkas battle against each other and two senior chukkas also dual for the promotion of the sport.

Not forgetting where it all begins we had a great line up of juniors who were more than willing to play chukka after chukka (in between the seniors) until their parents almost needed to drag them from the field. You can tell it is nearly 2012 polocrosse time!

It was a great demonstration of polocrosse and the enthusiasm from the players was fantastic. It is great to see all clubs merging into one for the promotion of polocrosse.

The field was heavily modified to almost half the size. This really tested the players and required them to rely solely on skill and quick thinking. Even from a polocrosse perspective it was exciting to watch the players adapt to the conditions.

On completion of the afternoon display, the Ballarat Show event organiser Gerard Ballinger commended the polocrosse association and the players for their great performance and has already asked us to attend next year.

Thanks must go to the following players and key helpers that allowed the day to run smoothly and hopefully generate some interest in the general community:

Team 1
Kristy Cooper
Amber Hobbs
Brad Cooper

Team 2
Aiden O'Leary
Libby Dummett
Steve Owen

Jim Forbes
Rona O'Dwyer
Ted Forbes

Zac Gleeson
Laura Jarman
Matt Jarman

Jnrs

Jasmine Shields
Bede Gray
Remi Gray

John Jolly
Taige Weir
Chelsea Williamson

Thank you also to Steve Owen for line marking, Annemaree for timing and scoring, Dave Williamson and Rob Jolly for goal waving, Josh Robson for commentating and Ricky Smith for umpiring.

Thanks also to the parents getting the juniors there and all players for being so diligent and great ambassadors for polocrosse.