



PHAETON PARK  
STABLES

# STABLE TALK

All the latest from the stables

SEPTEMBER 2021

## HORSE AND PEOPLE NEWS

The first rains of the season has fallen and we are looking forward to seeing Phaeton Park looking green again after a dry winter.

We like to wish farewell and good luck to Shannon who is off overseas to study.

Ava and Erin have taken over the ride of Shannon's Confidential Agent.

Remember to get your horse's blanket washed, repaired and safely stored at home so it's ready for next winter.

## 2022 PHAETON PARK CALENDAR

It's that time of the year to put our Phaeton Park calendar together. You may have seen it on the tack room door. If you would like to be featured on our 2022 calendar, don't miss out on a spot!

Please send a good quality, hi-res photo of you and your horse or pony via email to [design@grafixreloaded.co.za](mailto:design@grafixreloaded.co.za) by no later than 15 November.

## GROOM COMMUNICATION

If you would like your groom to tack up your horse up for you, please remember give him enough notice so he can prepare your horse for you on time.

## BUSINESS DIRECTORY

COVID has presented us with many challenges over the past year and a half, especially with respect to business. So we have started a business directory that lists the businesses only our Phaeton Parkers are involved in. It will be updated and distributed every month with the newsletter. It will also be attached to the tack room door. If you would like your business to be advertised in the directory, please fill in the form available at stables.

## SMOKING AREAS

Our designated smoking areas are in the parking lot and under the gazebo next to the jumping arena. Please ensure you put your cigarettes out properly and throw them away in the bins provided. Avoid dropping stompies or ash near any dry grass, shavings or teff.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### "L" CHRISTMAS PARTY

4 December.

Details to follow.

### DECEMBER PONY CAMP.

14 - 16 December.

Pony camp features fantastic learning opportunities, exciting activities and of course, lots of riding. Limited space available so be sure to book early. Chat to Mariska for more details.

## SHOW RESULTS

### PHAETON PARK TRAINING SHOW

*Prelim 2 Dressage*

1st - Mbasa on Gaby 76.8%, 2nd - Jade on Rocket Countdown 72.3%, 3rd - Isabella on Pot Luck 71%, 4th - Gabrielle on Arizona 69.1%, 5th - Lexy on Arizona 65%, 6th - Maia on Camilla 61%

*Prelim 4 Dressage*

1st - Sarah on Diodata 84.1%, 2nd - Kim on Ozone Man 82.6%, 3rd - Georgia on Cross My Heart 79%, 4th - Daniella on Toby 78.69%, 5th - Ava on Master Spirit 75.87%, 6th - Vanessa on Delagio 73.7%, 7th - Jenny on Solitaire 73.2%, 8th - Nicky on Rock of Gold 68.2%, 9th - Olivia on Cody 68%

*Novice 4 Dressage*

1st - Courtney on Rock of Gold 77.6%, 2nd - Erin on Dixie 76.9%, 3rd - Ava on Kelly's Heir 74.7%, 4th - Ava on Confidential Agent 73.3%, 5th - Jenny on Solitaire 69.5%

### *Class 2 Competition*

1st - Milla on Ozone Man, 2nd - Jaiden on Gravity Plane, 3rd - Jaiden on Gravity Plane, 4th - Imani on Pinotage, 5th - Nadine on Captain, 6th - Mila on Pot Luck, 7th - Nadine on Captain, 8th - Imani on Pinotage, 9th - Lexy on Arizona

### *Class 3 Accumulator*

1st - Kaden on Timberhitch, 2nd - Erin on Confidential Agent, 3rd - Milla on Ozone Man, 4th - Mbasa on Pound, 5th - Chloe on Conjo, 6th - Vanessa on Delagio, 7th - Chloe on Conjo, 8th - Mila on Pot Luck, 9th - Carmen on The Chaser

### *Class 4A Speed Accumulator with Joker*

1st - Daniella on Toby, 2nd - Kaden on Timberhitch, 3rd - Vanessa on Delagio, 4th - Kourtney on Conjo, 5th - Daniella on Little Princess, 6th - Mbasa on Pound, 7th - Kaden on Timberhitch, 8th - Sienna on Fair Trade

## CAKES/PIZZA

Kim (PD), Joan (PD), Julie x 2, Chloe, Gareth, Carmen, Shelly, Mila x 2

## BIRTHDAYS

Happy birthday to Daniella, Iliana, Imani, Jade, Tracy, Nadia, and Lindsay.

## MOOLMANSHOEK ADVENTURES

Thank you to Sarah Florence for sending us her lovely story about her experience at Moolmanshoek:

"We set off on our annual pilgrimage to the incredible place, Moolmanshoek. We are blessed and privileged every year to go to such a special place with our riding friends. This is a place where all horse lover's dreams come to life. Of course on the way, we get to experience Natalie's exciting and very stressful quiz, which makes the drive quite a fun experience! The only problem is trying to avoid the pothole craters in the road while still trying to spot the roof colour of a distant house.



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Once you enter the gates of Moolmanshoek, you see the horses, mountains and lush nature; it's instant happiness. After checking in and greeting our friends, you can feel the energy and excitement for the first ride. There is a tense excitement to see which horse Wiesman has allocated - nervousness evaporates to relaxation as you learn that this is yet another amazing horse that climbs cliffs as though it's a Sunday stroll and enjoys having a snack of grass while teetering on a cliff edge.

After bonding with your new horse friend and deciding if you are part of the Cameron "A" team or the crazy Natalie team, it is off to a scrumptious supper. The Saturday ride is the highlight - a long adrenaline-filled ride over the mountains and flats, with a lovely picnic organised by Mafie in the middle. This is the right time to catch up with the stable friends' latest news, enjoy the majestic surroundings or just meditate while on these amazing creatures. It is amazing that all levels of riding are catered for, and no one is left out - we all really appreciate all the thought that goes in these weekends!

The Saturday supper is where the winner of the quiz is announced to much excitement and arguing over the exact colour of house roofs, and other quiz answers. We also get to see what prizes we "won" for all the antics of the day.

Sunday we were in for a treat - a sunset \ night ride. What an experience this turned out to be - a beautifully set sundowner with a view over the farm followed by a night ride back - the ultimate trust in your horse when you can see absolutely nothing in front of you!

Monday arrives with a mixed feeling of the last ride on our horses but also saying goodbye to our host and friends (both human and horse). Thanks to Moolmanshoek's staff, Phaeton Park and all our friends for another special year, new memories and always looking forward to the next one!"

Our greatest appreciation goes to everyone who arranged / sponsored prizes for the Moolmanshoek trip.

Thank you to:

- Sonja - Bubbles & Bows Doggy Parlour
- Willamien - Fourways Vet (deworming)
- Sean - Farrier
- Petra - Physiotherapy
- Catherine - Saddlefitting
- Andre - Equine Dentistry
- Horseman's Haven
- Milmac
- Lene - Barclay & Clegg
- Kirsten - Switch Energy Drink
- Janine - Royal Canin
- Natasha - Optimum Nutrition
- Nicky - Trade Corp
- Nadia - Micro Focus
- Vanessa - STBB (Western Shoppe vouchers)
- Nicole (horse products)
- Wayne - Pam Golding
- Chloe - LFP Group (wine, Western Shoppe vouchers, Steyn City restaurant vouchers)
- Lindsy - EQ Emporium
- Ellie - Bogart
- Marius - Otek International



## BLONDE OF THE MONTH

**Julie** had two moments this month involving keys. One morning, her husband phoned Vee as Julie was busy in a lesson and wasn't answering her phone. He had to take the kids to school but couldn't find the keys for their other car. Julie found them in her handbag at stables. So he had to Uber the kids to school.

On another occasion, Julie managed to lock her house keys inside the house. She had to push one of her kids through the dog flap to get them!

**Wendy** also managed to lock her keys inside the house this month. She arrived home from stables only to discover she didn't have her house keys with her. She looked through the windows and saw them sitting on a table inside. She finally managed to retrieve them using a pool brush.

Ava, who has two horses, was going to a show with only one of them. **Vee** instructed a groom to get the horse and take him up to the horse box. With super show mom Kelly being away, Ava's dad, Andrew, was there to support Ava. Between Nickaela, who didn't know which horse was supposed to be going, and Andrew, who didn't know which horse was which, neither of them took note of which horse was being loaded onto the box. When they got to the show, Ava met them, opened the box and told them that it wasn't the right horse. Vee had sent the wrong horse! Luckily there was enough time to go back and get the correct one.

Phaeton Park kids with their Milmac prizes at Moolmanshoek.