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Hello from Davidson Equestrian

Hello to all our sponsors, clients, owners, students, family and friends. This inaugural quarterly newsletter is being published to keep you informed of the events and activities of Davidson Equestrian.

The year is certainly flying by and the State and National Championships are coming around again. The Australian Showjumping Championships are to be held next month in Dubbo and Shane will be busy with a team of horses. The Queensland Eventing Championships are to be held at the beginning of November just before Adelaide 3DE.

We have both been busy giving lessons and clinics with the National Interschool Championships to be held at Werribee next month. We wish the students the best of luck – go the Queenslanders!

We will be welcoming some new faces over the next couple of months with eight mares due to foal. This includes jumping bloodlines with our own stallion Catargo and dressage stallions such as Scolari. We look forward to having the new stallion C'est La Vie joining the stud team this year!

We wish everyone the best of luck for the remaining competitions this year!

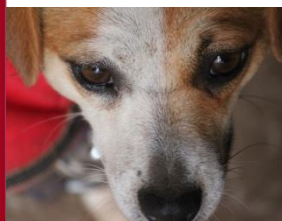


Top: Shane Davidson and Fairbanks Catargo at Brisbane Royal

Bottom: Mattea Davidson and Fairbanks Elle at Kooralbyn CNC ODE.

UPCOMING EVENTS

17-18 Sept – Warwick CNC
 24-25 Sept – Scone CNC
 8-9 Oct – Toowoomba CNC
 15-16 Oct – Goulborne CIC
 14-16 Oct - Australian Showjumping Championships
 22-23 Oct – Maryborough CNC
 5-6 Nov - Queensland Eventing Championships
 11-12 Nov – Shepparton World Cup
 18-20 Nov – Wodonga World Cup and Adelaide Three Day Event
 25-27 Nov – Sale World Cup



*Watch this space: New faces to be introduced soon
 – by Catargo and Scolari!*

Recent and Upcoming Clinics:

- 21-22nd Sept: Qld Team Training @ Toowoomba for Pony Club Nationals
- 23-25th Sept: Proserpine Clinic
- 29-1st Oct: Mudgeeraba Pony Club Clinic



**Fairbanks C'est La Vie
A NEW STALLION FOR THE
DAVIDSON TEAM**

Davidson Equestrian welcomes Fairbanks C'est La Vie to the competition team. Cass as he is affectionately known, is a 4 year old warmblood stallion bred by Fairbanks Stud. He is sired by our own World Cup Showjumping stallion Fairbanks Catargo, out of a Contango II mare who has produced many successful dressage horses such as Fairbanks Whitney who was on the QLD Squad and competed up to Advanced.

Cass began his competition career this year and has attended many of the World Cup and agricultural shows competing over the smaller heights and will start in the D Grade classes next year.



WORLD CUP SHOWS AND THE EKKA

The first competition of the run was Toowoomba World Cup held at the beginning of August. This show always has a good turnout with many of the southerners making the trip to the Darling Downs. The horses all jumped well with the young horses gaining some experience as well. Caspar has stepped up to the bigger classes placing 7th in the 1.40m and just having one down in the Mini Prix on the last day. Lulu was super to jump one of few clear rounds in the first round of the David Overton memorial Futurity class and had just one down in a tough jump off to be placed 5th. Catargo jumped well the second day to take 4th in the 1.45m but unfortunately injured his heel during the World Cup to be sidelined for a couple of weeks.

Onto the Brisbane Royal for a week with the four younger horses, Caspar, Cargo, Elle and Lulu. Caspar placed in two out of his three starts and Lulu jumped some super clear rounds just being out of the places a couple of times.

Next stop was Caboolture WC with Caspar winning the Futurity with a quick time in the jump-off. Cargo was also 8th in this class with the two younger mares Elle and Lulu also jumping clear in the first round. Elle was then 5th in the 1.20m on Saturday with two clear rounds and also gained points toward the Barastoc Young Horse Series. Lulu took 2nd place in the C Grade which was a difficult track in the indoor with a double near the gate catching a few combinations out. Elle jumped double clean in the D Grade Championships on Sunday to finish in the top ten and Cargo jumper super to just have the last rail in the jump-off of the C Grade. Caspar was the stand out of the weekend having his first start at World Cup level to only have two verticals down. Throughout the combinations and oxers he showed his scope and ever-improving back-end.



Left: Fairbanks Caspar



Right: Fairbanks LuLu

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“There are only two emotions that belong in the saddle; one is a sense of humor and the other is patience.”



Shane Davidson and Fairbanks Caspar

GLEN HAVEN PARK GRAND PRIX

A big congratulations must go to the Hamood's for organising such a fantastic event. The riders were well looked after being transported to the local pub for dinner on Saturday night and treated with a cooked breakfast Sunday morning. We look forward to another great event in 2012.

This event hosted the finals for the Barastoc Young Horse Series. Lulu and Elle were 5th and 6th respectively in the Future Stars class on Saturday gaining points for the Barastoc Series with Elle finishing 3rd overall for 2011 and Lulu finishing 6th. This is a great incentive for riders with younger horses sharing the prize pool for double clear rounds.

Caspar placed 2nd in the 1.30m on Saturday with two clear rounds and Lulu was placed 4th in the Young Horse Grand Prix on Sunday.

KOORALBYN ODE

This was a successful weekend with Cargo placing 2nd in his first Two Star start. Elle finished on her dressage score in the Pre-Novice to win the class. The baby of the team, Cappuccino was 1st in her second eventing competition with a dressage score of 82.5%.

A big thank-you to Nic and Karen for their help during the weekend and well done for coming 2nd and 6th respectively!



Mattea Davidson and Fairbanks Cargo



MATTEA AND CARGO AT MELBOURNE 3DE

Mattea and Cargo were placed 6th at Melbourne International 3DE in June going clear showjumping and cross country just adding one time penalty to their dressage score.

THE NEW TRAILER

Shane has been busy building the new trailer over the last several months. The trailer carries 11 horses, feed, tack and will eventually be fitted out with a living area! Thank-you to the sponsors for providing us with fantastic signage.



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**Davidson Equestrian
welcomes Savanna Parker to
the team!**

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