



RACING *in* RED *in* 2011

NEW RACEDATE - Saturday 26th March

December 2010

Annual Apsley Racing Club Newsletter

From the President.....



After last years disappointment, we were all looking at the skies. Fortunately we had rain before and got it after – what a great break!

The Pre race ball was a great success,

Simone and her band of helpers are to be congratulated!

Race day was good, new sponsor DiGiorgio Family Wines were much appreciated! Even without the TAB support we had good fields and great racing. The punters club once again proved profitable thanks to Gary Taylor and Maureen Payne. A big thank you to all the committee who put the day on.

“Kelmo” won the Apsley Cup; part owned by ex Apsley man Dale Keatley. It should be noted that the previous Apsley President’s horse, Campaspe River came 3rd.

The track was in excellent condition congratulations to Kelvin & team. Thanks to all our sponsors – so keep supporting them.

Thanks to the McGinty family for their buses. The post race get together was a huge success and I would encourage this to be part of our future - **Tom Porter**

Thank you to our sponsors

The Apsley Racing Club would like to acknowledge their 2010 sponsors, with out the generous support from these business the Apsley Races would not be possible

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Thank you to Christine Bull Photography who took all the photographs used in this newsletter.



A great weekend for young and old at the 2010 Digiorgio Family Wines Apsley Cup Weekend

“What a fantastic weekend” was the common phrase as crowds left the 2010 DiGiorgio Family Wines Apsley Cup held on Sunday at the Edenhope Racecourse.

With outstanding Autumn weather and ideal track conditions the Edenhope racecourse came alive in a sea of black and white. Massive crowd numbers and a full racing field ensured one of the biggest and most successful Apsley racing club meets of all time.

Huge numbers of Black and White entries were taken in the Mantra Hotels Resorts and Apartment fashions on the field, this was taken out by Jen Marsh of Naracoorte who designed and created her own outfit and hat for the day.

Marquee sales were up, and with the perfectly manicured lawns and garden areas it felt like you were at Flemington for a major race day.

The race day followed a black tie ball in a marquee at the Apsley racecourse. The ball was an amazing night with and was like walking into something in Melbourne in a high class establishment. The ball was well attended with people coming as far away as Deniliquin, Adelaide, Melbourne and locally from Frances, Naracoorte, Balmoral, Harrow, Horsham and everywhere in between. The entertainment by Adelaide band Flirt and local musician Elijah Maddern made sure that there was not a spare space on the dance floor all night. The ball was thoroughly enjoyed by all ages and organizers were absolutely wrapped with the numbers and behavior of the crowd.

Thank you to our Community

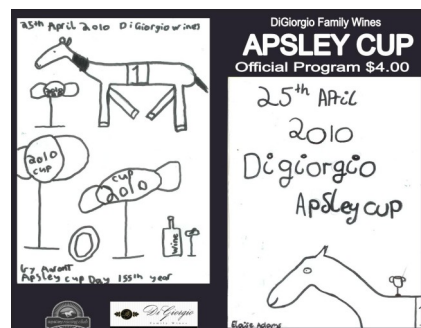
Without the support of such a fantastic community putting together successful events such as this would not be possible.

A special thank you to the Apsley Primary School Parents Committee for the fantastic job they did with the catering. The Edenhope Lions Club for their work on the gate and for the assistance on raceday of the Advance students from Edenhope Collage. Simone Mueller and her team for the outstanding job putting together the successful Back to the Track Ball. To everyone who attended or helped out we thank you.



Race book cover winners

Congratulations and thanks must go out to Eloise Adams and Aaron Trowbridge for designing the 2010 Racebook cover.



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Mantra, Hotels, Resorts and Apartment Fashions on the Field

Dress in Red and join the fashion stakes, a Mantra Hotel Accommodation packages valued at over \$450 each is the major prizes for 2010.



Membership

Apsley Racing Club memberships are available from January 2010. Cost is \$12.50 a single and \$25 a double.

Suggestions

If you have suggestions that you think will improve the experience of Apsley Cup Day please share them with the committee by placing them in the suggestion box at the Apsley Post Office or emailing them to s.mcdonnell@countryracing.com.au

Gift ideas

The post office is selling ARC wine glasses, stubby holders and ties.

Photos

Christine Bull Photography took some fantastic photos at the Ball and Races, to order a copy please contact her bully@bordnet.com.au or 55865230

Enquiries

For further information, race day bookings or enquiries please contact **Sara McDonnell** on P/F: 03 55851508 M: 0407 717740
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Annual General Meeting

The Apsley Racing Club 2010 Annual General meeting was held at the Border Inn Hotel on Thursday 14th October at 8pm.

Raceday Packages

Get amongst it, make the most of a Saturday meeting and enjoy a great day out at the Apsley Cup with family, friends and work colleagues, cost is very reasonable so go ahead, secure a base for the race and book a Marquee package today.

• Umbrella Package \$160

4m umbrella, 1 table & 10 chairs

• Mini Marquee Package \$260

3x3m marquee, 1 table 10 chairs

• Entertainer Marquee \$520

6x3m Marquee, 2 tables, 20 chairs

Extra's or tailored packages, Pre Sold alcohol packages and catering also available



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**NEW DATE for the 2011
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Apsley Cup
Saturday 26th March
Racing in RED**



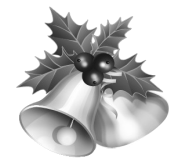
156th DiGiorgio Family Wines Apsley Cup.....

Racing in RED is the theme for the 2011 DiGiorgio Family Wines Apsley Cup. We are very excited to be able to announce that this year we will have our TAB status reinstated. Gates open at 11am and the day will again feature, free childrens entertainment, punters club, the Mantra, Hotels, Resorts and Apartment Fashions on the Field and a great day of racing.



After the Races.....

A great night out for all the family will be organized after the races. Details of this will be publicised closer to the event. Please keep checking our facebook page for updates on this and the races.



The President and Committee of the Apsley Racing Club wishes you a safe and happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you at the Apsley Cup in 2011

ARC Committee

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