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## **Editor's ramble**

As I write this there is no snow other than man made and the Birkebeiner Classic and Ski de Femme will probably not run. If there is any snow it will be too little, too late to run any events this weekend. The casserole dinner was a great success, see a report elsewhere. Keep watching the club website for late breaking announcements of any kind.

## Pre Season Casserole Dinner Report 08/06/2013

### (Queens birthday long weekend)

The event was very well received, Thanks to our MC Helen, all the kitchen helpers, all the people who helped set up and packed away, and of course the great food supplied.

**Attendance:** 110 people (approx half of them young people)

About 90% RSVP'd!

Next year may have to find a bigger venue.

Reports of the presentations that took place follow below. Michelle Forrer received the Ian Ryan Award and Ken Harvey received a certificate of appreciation for his long service in many roles.

## 2013 Ian Ryan Club Award

### Some Background

In 2000 the Club decided to present a Club Award each year to a '*Quiet Achiever*', '*Best Club Person*' or the '*Best Volunteer*'. It was to be called the Ian Ryan Award in memory of Club member Ian Ryan who tragically died at the end of the 1999 Kanagaroo Hoppet.

The award is to a Club member *who has worked hard behind the scenes to make sure programs and activities are provided to other Club members.*

Selection process — The previous two winners plus the President select the winner for the year. This year the award goes to Michelle Forrer.

### Michelle Forrer Citation

1. Michelle has been a *member* for 17 years.
2. She has co-ordinated the *Junior Joey Program* for 8 years. This program was initiated by Jim Gargan in 2004.
3. She has drawn up a *Pre-Season Activity Calendar* for the last 5 years.
4. She has been the co-organiser of the Junior Birkie Camp conducted from Bogong OEC on a number of occasions.
5. She initiated improvements to the *Clubhouse* including co-ordinated the painting of the feature wall.
6. She has participated in many *clubhouse working bees* over the years.
7. She has represented the club in *interclub relays and the VSA Club competition.*
8. She has been a regular *Hoppet Helper* on the Friday setup day and been proactive in encouraging other school teachers to come up and assist.
9. She has been an *instructor on club* conducted *Ski de Femme days* over many years.

8 June 2013



Ken Harvey being presented with a Certificate of Appreciation by club president Helen L'Huillier



Michelle Forrer with the Ian Ryan Award together with Julie Ryan, Leah and Shaun

### **Ken Harvey citation**

In recognition of his contributions and service over 35 years. Ken was Vice President from 1979-81, 1986-87 & 1992, and President from 1981-1985. Ken has been a committee member over many years and served on a number of sub- committees. His contribution to club activities, namely as a Hoppet helper, race official and Search & Rescue member are recognised.



The Haywards have a waxing rack which they no longer require and it is free to a good home. Contact the editor for details on where to get it.

## Club Calendar

### July

|                |  |             |                  |              |
|----------------|--|-------------|------------------|--------------|
| Sat 6 10:00am  | Birkebeiner Classic (C) 2.5/5/10km@          | Falls Creek | Bill Little      | 0357544174   |
| Sun 7 10:00am  | Ski de Femme (F) 1/2.5/5km @                 | Falls Creek | Ronice Goebel    | 0357544910   |
| Sun 7 10:00am  | Fast and Female                              | Falls Creek | Allison Stoddart | 0416 627 747 |
| Th 25 7:00pm   | Mid Season dinner                            | Rois        | Kerry Lucas      | 0407814114   |
| Sat 27 9:30am  | Aust Sprint Champ's (F) Open/Jun */** CC/FIS | Falls Ck    | Bill Little      | 03 5754 4174 |
| Sun 28 10:00am | Aust Open/Jnr 2.5/5/10 (C) */** CC/FIS       | Falls Ck    | Bill Little      | 03 5754 4174 |

### August

|                |   |             |                |              |
|----------------|---|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| Sun 18 10:30am | RV Rush/Sun Valley Ramble (15/7.5km) (F)@ | Falls Creek | Race Secretary | 03 5754 1045 |
| Sat 24 9:30am  | Kangaroo Hoppet (F) 42km CC/FIS @         | Falls Creek | Race Secretary | 03 5754 1045 |
| 9:40am         | Australian Birkebeiner (F) 21km @         |             |                |              |
| 9:50am         | Joey Hoppet (F) 7km @                     |             |                |              |

## 2013 BNSC Mid Season Dinner

Mid-Season Dinner at Roi's Diner

When: Thursday 25th July

Where: Roi's Diner Restaurant, 179 Kiewa Valley Hwy, Tawonga

Time: 6:30pm

Cost: \$20.00 per head (please note: The club is subsidising the meal by \$15.00 per head). Drinks are not included.

Club members will enjoy a delicious 2 course dinner. There will be some choice on the set menu. Vegetarians and others can be catered for, but please advise when you RSVP.

RSVP to Kerry Lucas by Monday 22nd of July.

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## CLUBHOUSE CHARIOT

The new chariot is now housed in the clubhouse, for young families to use. The chariot holds 2 children. There is also a set of ski's and harness for those families who already own a chariot, for conversion to snow.

Any queries please contact Paul Gray on 0403188481.