President’s Report

This year we seemed to have achieved quite a lot.

We saw our 1st aggistees move on to new homes and since then Lisa Pickering has taken over our paddock, along with Jackie and is doing a wonderful job of managing it. (ie. Electric fence, for 1 reason or another)

The second arena was resurfaced with sand in time for our Dec. gymkhana and has been sprayed a few times to try and keep weeds away, and this will need to continue over the next couple of years.

Tree planting was done around the grounds with more to come along the drain.

The front fence was restrained and fixed & we were given permission to let horses graze around the arenas, this has helped keep the grass down, but I wish they would eat the weeds as well.

We had our club gymkhana in December using both arenas, with quite a few of our own riders and some visitors attending, seemed to be quite successful even though it was windy.

Due to very – very hot weather in Jan. the January rally was cancelled. All other Rallies seemed to go ahead without too much of a hitch, and attendance varied throughout the year.

This year we have tried to coordinate our rallies to match up with Zone events.

Power was connected to the club rooms in April just in time for our Turning on the power rally and Easter egg hunt. It was wonderful to see so many members/supporters/family & friends together at our club to make the day very successful .

Carley resigned as a rally coordinator early this year, and with some sweet talking I managed to talk Helen Coleiro into taking her place to give Karen a hand, this helps give us a younger riders perspective to riding as she has 2 of the youngest riders.

During the year we also restructured our membership fees to include anyone with EA membership.

This was done to try and bring in more members, and give locals a chance to use our grounds, hoping they will join in at our rallies.

In the last few months a change to the constitution was registered and a copy is now available to all members on our website.

Thanks to Kim Thompson, we sent of paperwork for 2 Grants available and are still waiting for the result of them.

Special thanks to Jackie for her time spent at our club cleaning and looking after the clubrooms & toilets before rallies, and keeping up with the paperwork, phone calls, emails and attending Zone meetings.

Even though she doesn’t ride I feel she is a valuable member of our club.

Thanks to those who spent time doing odd jobs around the ground during the last year.

It’s also good to see the grounds are being used by members, I know I have gone past and called in on many occasions and seen members using the arena.

I would like to thank all committee members who attended meetings regularly, and would like to encourage any members wishing to contribute to the club to join the new committee.

I understand we all have busy lives but part of that is our growing and changing club and how it runs.

Sounds like a lot could be going on in the next year with the grounds hired out in Aug. and the Tour down under ending in Paracombe.

Rosemary Drury

President 2013/2014

Next Committee meeting

Canteen - coordinator needed

Lunches for next Rally?

4th August

[SA Friends And Equines](mailto:safriendsandequines@gmail.com)

Sunday 17th August

Canteen – Lunches & snacks?

[**Carol Neller**](https://www.facebook.com/carol.neller?fref=ufi) at your AGM, can you organise helpers for Zone Finals Dressage ring - need two pencillers ready to go at 8.45am and you'll need manpower and a vehicle that can tow a trailer to pull down the two rings after the event. Also all Zone PC members required at Equus at 12 noon on Saturday 9th August for set up of the event! If you have ppl there for your AGM, would be a good time to get this sorted.