



West Australian Team Penning Association

Friendly, family oriented and fun

OCTOBER 2010 NEWSLETTER

Team Penning at Harold Adkins Stampede Arena in Bullsbrook on the 16th October had 13 teams competing.

For the first time we had a junior encouragement team, with Brooke Marsh and Lisa Bartlett-Torr who are both under 13 having a go and they did a great job too. Well done girls!

Thanks to all our competitors for being ready at the gate on time and keeping the event flowing, and thanks to those members who assisted in moving and collaring (and catching!) cattle, as well as coming up and asking how they could be of assistance – your help was greatly appreciated. Thanks once again to Torben Bendtsen for his work in the cattle yards and timekeeping (he also makes a mean cheesecake). Steve McDowall and Karl Buckley were our announcers – thanks guys. Steve also gets a special mention for entertaining us in the arena, on foot at one stage ☺

We did manage to “misplace” one rather flighty beast, last seen heading over a fence into a paddock full of bulls. We’re hoping to get this back soon, and will keep a closer watch on the low rails next time we need to run cattle through the back race at Bullsbrook.

Results were as follows:

Bullsbrook, October 16 2010

	1st Round	2nd Round	3rd Round
Sponsors:	WATPA	Dog Box Australia	The Stockade and Top Hatters
1st place	3 cattle penned - 1:24 Daz McDowall Steve McDowall Cathy Bendtsen	3 cattle penned - 1:24 Daz McDowall Leah Broderick Karl Buckley	3 cattle penned - 1:55 Leah Broderick Rob Broderick Jeanette Murray
2nd place	2 cattle penned - 1:56 Sarina Laurin Karl Buckley Bec Flavel	2 cattle penned - 1:24 Teresa Warner Claire Pettit Jilly Wegner	2 cattle penned - 1:40 Sarina Laurin Karl Buckley Bec Flavel
3rd place	1 cow penned - 1:11 Jenny Stamp Kelly McDonald Tom Kress	1 cow penned - 1:53 Carol Grgic Kelly Manning Georgie Troup	2 cattle penned - 1:42 Jenny Stamp Kelly McDonald Tom Kress

A Word From Our Sponsors...

For the first time we dipped into a prize pool sourced from entries at this event, so all rounds had prizes. Thanks to our wonderful sponsors for their contributions.

The winners of **Round 1** received \$150 cash (\$50 each) from our prize pool. Second place received \$30 cash each.

The winners of **Round 2** won \$150 cash (\$50 each) thanks to Leah and Rob Broderick of:



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Their website is: <http://www.dogboxaustralia.com/> and you can contact Rob or Leah on 9574 4744.

Second place getters received \$30 cash each from the prize pool.

Round 3 winners received \$50 vouchers from James Gardner of The Stockade, which has a great range of country clothing:



James adjoining store, Top Hatters, supplied the second place getters with \$30 vouchers. James is a great supporter of team penning, so if you're in the city, pop into his Wellington Street and Barrack Street shops for a look at his stock. You might find a great team penning outfit!



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Most Valuable Individual Rider Standings

This is calculated on the placegetters in the random round:

Member	Saltriver 11 Sept	Bullsbrook 16 Oct
Deb O'Connor	3 points	
Heath Stewart	3 points	
Tom Kress	3 points	
Leah Broderick		3 points
Daz McDowall		3 points
Karl Buckley		3 points
Jeanette Murray	2 points	
Mary Ann Williams	2 points	
Sean Fitzgerald	2 points	
Jilly Wegner		2 points
Claire Pettit		2 points
Teresa Warner		2 points
Shaelyn Meyer	1 point	
Bec Flavel	1 point	
Eric Parminter	1 point	
Carol Grgic		1 point
Kelly Manning		1 point
Georgie Troup		1 point

Silver Buckle Series Standings

Lastly, we have the Silver Buckle Series standings, which are calculated on rounds one and three for nominated teams:

Teams	Saltriver 11 Sept	Bullsbrook 16 Oct	TOTAL
Mad Moovers	3 cows 0:56 3 cows 1:53	3 cows 1:24 0 cows 2:00	9 cows 6:13
Bling It On	0 cows 2:00 1 cow 1:45	2 cows 1:56 2 cows 1:40	5 cows 7:21
Coondle Clan	3 cows 1:15 0 cows 2:00	0 cows 2:00 0 cows 2:00	3 cows 7:15

We've made an alteration to how this competition will be run in order to encourage more entrants – your 6 best events will be used to calculate your score, so if you can't make all the events you can still have a good chance in the series. It only costs \$10 each to enter for the season. If you want to make a silver buckle team but need extra members, just call or email our secretary Cathy and she'll help to find another member.

If you can't get all three team members to an event, you can use one or two other people as an alternate rider without paying any extra. Just bear in mind that there will only be 3 buckles, so you'll need to sort it out within your team who's taking the buckle home at the end of the season.

Campdraft Sponsorship

As we've donated the use of our PA system to the Dardanup Campdraft, they've listed us as sponsors of the Maiden Draft, so our club should get a good mention over the Campdraft weekend.

We've also loaned the PA to Gingin Campdraft's inaugural event, which was on in late October, so received exposure through announcements at their event too.

Second Chance Horse Rescue Calendar

WATPA has bought a spot on the fundraising calendar of Second Chance Horse Rescue, which we support by donating 10% of our shirt sales profit.

Canteen

Unfortunately, our canteen people have pulled the pin, so it looks like there won't be a canteen at Byford – be sure to bring your food and drinks.

Pen Panels

Did anyone notice our shiny new pen? We now own our own panels! They're well built and solid, so should do a good job of standing up to the pressures of cattle. Thanks to Jamie Withnell for delivering them to Bullsbrook for us for free.

Raffle Prizes

Sarina Laurin won the bridle donated by Harold Pitcher of Pitcher's Saddlery. Harold has donated 3 bridles to WATPA, so there'll be another one up for grabs at the next event at Byford. Be sure to bring some change to buy a raffle ticket – \$3 each.



ABCRA Membership

Don't forget to send your ABCRA membership number to Cathy (watpa.sec@gmail.com) as soon as you receive your card if you're one of those people who've sent away their application but hadn't received your membership card by the last team penning.

Purchasing ABCRA training day membership is really worth it if you plan on attending more than 1 or 2 team penning events – it only costs \$35, which would take you through until the 30th April. This is much cheaper than paying \$12.50 per event.

Next Team Penning

Our next event is at Byford Rodeo Grounds on the 6th November at 1pm. Entries are closed for this now, so if you didn't get your entry in you'll need to wait until Bullsbrook on the 18th of December, which will be our first evening event for the season, starting at 5:30pm. Entries close the weekend before the event.

Please make sure you pay your entry before you send in your entry form (or send a cheque with it), as entries won't be accepted without payment. This also means ensuring your team members have paid at the time of entering.

Remember, we have a maximum number of 20 teams, at which point the entries will be closed. Keep in touch with our website <http://www.watpa.org.au/index.htm> for up to date information.