Quirindi, represented by Sonia Lumber (left), Tamworth, represented by Melissa Penrose (second from right), and Bendemeer, represented by Faith Dixon (right) have all won pony club of the month. They are pictured with Zone 5 chief instructor Jude Alston (second from left) and Bev Fletcher (middle) representing Horseland. **110309GOB01**

Three clubs $1000 richer from online competitior

THREE Zone 5 pony clubs have been named Pony Club NSW's "club of the month". The online competition was introduced in June 2007 and asks clubs to submit a screed about their club and/or members, their presentation of which they are judged on. The winning club then receives $1000 worth of products from Horseland. This prize includes dressage cones, lunging equipment, an equestrian computer game, bandages, books, training aids and other exciting resources. Bendemeer was the first of the Zone 5 clubs to win, winning in August. Tamworth followed in November and then Quirindi last month. Their screed was submitted by junior member Kate Lumber and spoke of the strong committee, opportunity to receive specialist tuition, and the way that it is more than just a pony club.

Horseshorts

Tamworth's entry noted 2008 as a positive and busy year, hosting one of its most successful jamborees, recognising its long-standing members and tireless volunteers and having the opportunity to experience the first event held at the Australian Equine Livestock and Events Centre, and watching some of its members and parents compete. Bendemeer's scribe said the club was "family-friendly, community-orientated and committed to the learning and skill-building of the kids that belong to it". Their presentation included some photos of snow. There are approximately 300 clubs within the State.

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A GREAT day was had by all who attended Tamworth Team Penning's club day at Moonbi on Sunday with 120 runs and four divisions of barrel racing. The next club day will be on April 12 at Moonbi. Nominations open April 1 and close April 8 or when full. Tamworth Team Penning would like to advise that they are not associated in any way with Team Penning Australia.

Open Results: 1 65 38.77 Jane Cox, M'Liss & Ben Parkinson, 2 115 42.72 Peta Christie, Mary Morgan & Louise Kimber, 3 93 48.07 Brian Penrose, Simon Tolhurst, Amy O'Neill. Youth: 1 29 108.91 (3) Chikera Ryan, Kristy Whitby & Sam Dewick, 2 72 100.19 (2) Chikera Ryan, Kristy Whitby & Adam Greenland, 3 88 149.05 (2) Ken Miall, Lane Sincla Tori Wheeldon; Junior: 1 1 40.70 (1) Lesiel, Sophie & Ja inta Cooper, 2 36 120.27 (Jade Sinclair, Natasha & Geo gia Achurch, 3 98 126.74 (Luke Buckley, Jacinta Sophie Cooper. Junior Encou agement Award was presente to Luke Buckley.

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THE NEQHA will this Satu day be running an "A" Q approved paint and appaloos show at the Old Indoor Aren There will be an early start 8am for miniatures. Larg horses be prepared for a approximate 9am star Enquiries to Karleen c 67830197 or Carme 67671406