

## Spring Showjumping Festival

19/20 September 2009

North and Northwest Showjumping club celebrated the arrival of spring with a two day showjumping competition on the weekend.

The event attracted riders from all over NSW. Classes catered for all levels of riders, from beginners to those competing at a very high level.

The president of NNWSJC, Annette Maunder reported that she was very happy with the weekend.

“Entries were up on last year and we attracted a great range of competitors. It was exciting to see so many people travel from Newcastle, the Hunter Valley and the Central Coast to join us.” said Annette.

“Showjumping is a fantastic sport with a strong family basis. Men and women can compete against each other on an even footing. Sometimes you even have parents and children riding against each other.”

North and Northwest Showjump Club riders picked up many ribbons on the weekend, with Courtney Bartlett, Anna Kibble, Jade McCusker, Lucy Munt, Barry Munt, Jack Maunder, James Hetherington, Brian Chinnock, Jackson Cormie, Olivia Gallegos and Allan McCusker all picking up places in Ring 1.

In Ring 2, members were strongly in the placings, with Charlotte Brooks, William Sylvester, Alana Johnson, Serena Osborne, Jess Sylvester, Laura Munt, Maddison Kidd, Anthea Moran, Lucinda Hubbard and Georgie Gengos taking home prizes.

Life members Greg and Cheryl Backhouse were again present to support the club in their capacity of judge and course designer.

The club's next event will be a club practice day on the 18th October.