

....the 9th Chukka....

PASA would like to congratulate the incoming executive.....

Congratulations to Manfred Rohwer as he takes on roll of President.

Manfred is an Equine Veterinarian in the Summerveld region. His interests are equine lamenesses and surgery.

They have recently opened a practice in Johannesburg and have another practice in Cape Town. They are busy with an interesting Junior Associate Program that has resulted in a large number of younger vets being in the practice. This has become very exciting and rejuvenating.

Manfred's personal interests outside of the veterinary work are mountain biking and golf. Then of course polocrosse.



The executive as follows.....

Vice President and Discipline.	- Francois Du Toit
Junior President	- Karen Cocker
Director of Coaching	- Karen Cocker
Chief Umpire	- Debbie Dick
Convenor of Selectors	- Gavin Cocker
Chief Handicapper	- Andrew Heynes
Athletes Representative	- Emma Hall
Horse Welfare Officer	- Kerry Lynn
Veterans Coordinator	- Paddy O'Sullivan
International Liaison Officer	- Karen Cocker
Development Officer	- Brent Von Benecke

Congratulations to all and PASA wishes you all the very best!!

It is with great sadness we bid a fond farewell to Jack Higgs. A short tribute about Jack Higgs....



Jack was born into a polo playing family in 1932. His father John Higgs, a farmer, played polo in the Zastron area. Jack loved sport, not only did he enjoy playing polo with his dad, he also played rugby at provincial level.

Jack met his wife, Jeanette, at Wits University, where Jack studied Geology, they married after Jack graduated.

Jack gave up polo when his children started to ride. The family joined the Matamo Polocrosse club in the early 1960's. Jack played an integral part in setting up the PASA structures and fine tuning the rule book.

Jack has been part of the South African Polocrosse Community for the past 60 years. His children, and many of his grandchildren all grew up playing

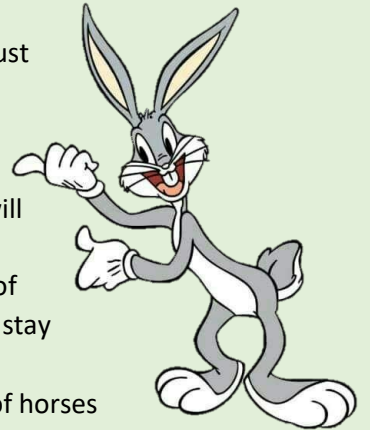
polocrosse. I remember so many family debates over the years about Polocrosse. As you can imagine I was told quite often that back in the day the game was far faster because they used shallow nets. Don't get me started on the multiple horse, stock saddle and 6 minute versus 8 minute chukka debates!

Sport does evolve and Polocrosse certainly has changed. One thing that has not changed, is the wonderful community who play Polocrosse. This is something my Dad held close to his heart. The fact that you can play in a tournament alongside your spouse and children, is something very special. The friends you make at Polocrosse become your family. We are truly blessed to have had a father so passionate about family and Polocrosse. May he rest in peace.



REMINDERS:

- Club Secretaries, please remember the PASA R40 Levy per player, this must be worked into your entries.
- Please also remember the R10 SAEF levy per horse must also be worked into your entries for the dope testing fee payable to SAEF. This was sent out on the SAEF newsletter two weeks ago. The dope testing will be done at any tournament without notice. SAEF have advised that the money will put into a separate account to cover the vet fees, at the end of the year depending on how many dope tests are done the fee will either stay the same or be reduced.
- Please read the "Newsflash" sent out by Kerry Lynn about the updating of horses passports to "SAEF" Passports! This process needs to be completed by SA Champs. The step by step guide to this is on the SAEF website!



Happy Birthday to the following for the month of February....



Shane Mansfield

Justin Tegg

Evette Gemmill

Hylton Choice

Nqobile Mdluli

Ian Lynn

Fiona Lin

Gabriella King

Angus Dick

Gordon Rae

Justine Holland

John Rae

Jake Shaw

Elri De Jager

Hazel Stanley

Antoine Cilliers

Alex Van Eden

Lin-Marie Cloete

Lambert Van Der Nest

Hannes Botha

Christopher Thornhill

If your name is not here on your birthday month please check with your club secretary that it has been put onto the affiliation list correctly when it is sent through to PASA!!



