

Teams battle for top spot in final weeks of competition

CRICKET

MILO

Under 6s
 Batting- Levi Philpott
 Bowling- Lucas Cox
 Milo MVP- Matilda Blackman

Under 7s
 Batting- Sophie Suttor
 Bowling- Charlie Humphreys
 Milo MVP - Tully Robertson

Under 8s
 Batting- Alice Fergusson
 Bowling- Jaxon Turnbull
 Milo MVP - Aaron Cottam

Under 10s
First National Real Estate Blues
 (avg 44) def **Greg Toole**
Construction Bulls (avg 41)
 Batting - Callum Wilson

Bowling - Cody Honeysett
 Fielding - Danzell Honeysett
 Sportsmanship - Callum Wiseman

Home & Office Electronics
Warriors (avg 212) def **Squeez**
Juice Bar Redbacks (19.5)
 Batting - Riley Smith
 Bowling - Josh Meers
 Fielding - Anatasia Germon
 Sportsmanship - Callan Martin

The Property Shop Tigers (avg 41.5) def **Star Chem Discount Pharmacy Bushrangers** (avg 34.4)
 Batting - Cooper Devlin
 Bowling - Reuben Cavanagh
 Fielding - Will Slack-Smith
 Sportsmanship - Jacob Blanchard

Under 12s
McDonald Lawson d Perry St
Meats 92 to 67
 McDonald Lawson Batting: Alex

Morrisey 23 ret Fergus Ferguson 22
 Will Guilfoyle 19
 Perry St Meats Batting: Oscar Mahon 19 Connor McNeil 13 Jim Newman 13
 McDonald Lawson Bowling: Ben O'Brien 2-2 Will Guilfoyle 2-11
 Perry St Meats Bowling: Tom Browning 1-9 Jim Newman 1-8

Byron Place 57 d Inside Shop 55
 Byron Place Batting: S Sharma not out 12, R Cottam 11
 Inside Shop Bowling: T Hawkins 1-7 J Meredith 1-11
 Inside Shop Batting: L Lilywhite-Minnett 22
 Byron Place Bowling: M Germon 2-0 L Scrivener 1-1 D West 1-1

Under 15s
Blowes d CRT
 A nail-biter with Blowes defeating CRT by one wicket.

Batting for CRT: Donald Hearn 28no.
 Bowling for Blowes Michael Dowell 2-1 off two and Lance Hearn 2-11 off two.
 Batting for Blowes: Michael Dowell 20no and Mitch Sandry 17no.
 Bowling for CRT: Josh O'Brien 2-5 off two.

Westend Foodstore 143 d Mudgee Home Décor 56
 Batting for Westend: Joel Robinson 48no and Jake Morrissey 18.
 Bowling for Home Décor: Eddie Rava 1-29 off four and Tom Pearce 1-24 off 4.
 Batting for Home Décor: Tas Rooke 15no.
 Bowling for Westend: Tim Suttor 2-2 off two, Lochie Endacott 1-6 and Steven Marshall 1-12.

Squeez Juice Bar Redbacks v The

Property Shop Tigers
 - Home and Office Electronics Warriors v Greg Toole Construction Bulls
 - Star Chem Pharmacy Bushrangers v First National Real Estate Blues

Mudgee Junior cricket draw
 Saturday, March 14

Under 12s
 - Byrnes Jewellers v Perry Street Meat at Walkers 1
 - McDonald Lawson v The Inside Shop at Walkers 2
 - Byron Place Butchery - bye

Under 15s
 - Spares Pro v CRT at Cahill Park
 - Mudgee Toyota v Westend Food Store at Gabba 1
 - Mudgee Home Décor v Blowes at Gabba 2



RIDING HIGH: Tahnaya Mercieca riding Malleegrove Qaarma and Wendy Jones riding Larntainey Gold 'N' Treasure tackle the gruelling course. PHOTO ANIMAL FOCUS

Marathon under the moonlight in Windeyer

EQUESTRIAN

Some of the best horsemen from around the state descended on the town of Windeyer last weekend to tackle the tough Moonlight Marathon event.

More than 50 riders took on the 80km event with the first riders setting off at 3pm along the bitumen road in oppressive heat.

Hill tracks and gravel roads made up much of the course, the first 40kms of which the front-runners completed in just over two hours.

With one horse withdrawn on course and one lame after the first leg, the rest of the field headed out on the second 40km leg knowing they would be riding much of the remaining distance in the dark.

A full moon made a welcome appearance.

Leading from the start was Mulgoa's Con Bouzianis riding his 14-year-old home-bred mare, Conderosa Sara, who completed the event in 4hrs 32 mins.

Travelling at an average speed of 17.65km/h, Bouzianis was more than half an hour ahead of Lightweight rider, Amanda Apperley from the NSW South Coast riding Jon De Le Nissan who won the Best Conditioned horse award in the lightweight division.

"To ride Conderosa Sara for the

first time competitively was a privilege as she is a fantastic equine and usually campaigned by my brother, Tom," Mr Bouzianis said.

"Sara is a fine, elegant mare about 14.2 hands and would only weigh around 300kg yet she carried 94kg which is nearly a third of her body-weight with ease," he said.

First Junior and winner of the Best Conditioned horse award in his division was 11-year-old Sam Duff from Armatree riding Box Hill Pegasus in a time of 6 hrs 40 mins.

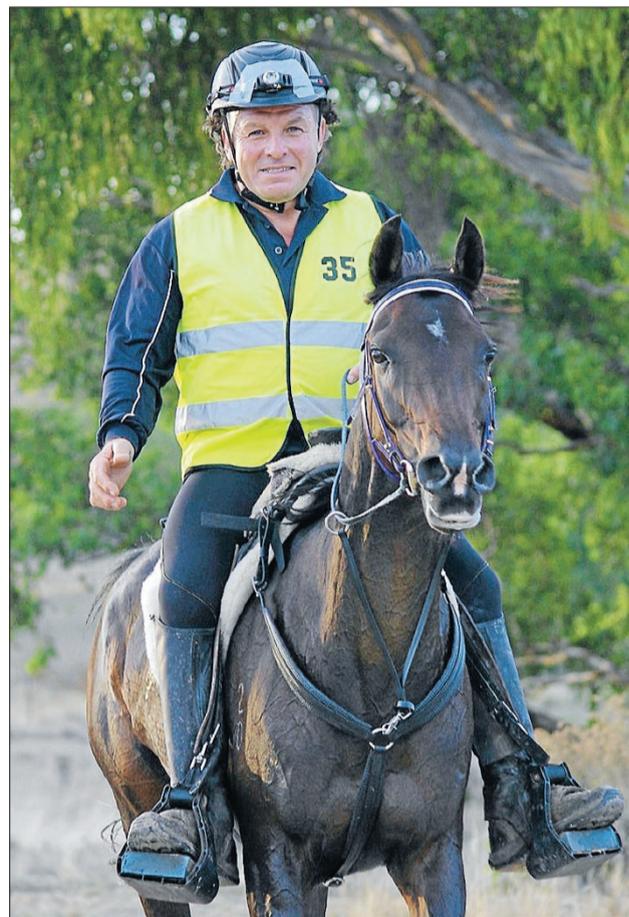
"I was very happy to get through the ride, I've been riding my Arabian pony for three years and that was my seventh 80km," Mr Duff said.

No doubt bearing in mind the Endurance motto - 'To complete is to win' - was Mudgee resident, Mette Sutton riding Tiendebah Esparda Moon.

Sutton was last home at shortly after 1.30am on Sunday morning having successfully completed the ride in a time of 9hrs 38 mins.

Wendy Jones from Windeyer - who was also one of the ride organisers - rode Larntainey Gold 'N' Treasure to a successful completion in the Middleweight division in 8 hrs 32 mins.

Twenty-seven competitors entered the 40km training event with a 100% completion rate.



FEELING GOOD: Con Bouzianis riding Conderosa Sara, looked strong from start to finish. PHOTO ANIMAL FOCUS



I SEE YOU: Sam Duff riding Box Hill Pegasus finished first in the Junior and Best Conditioned horse classes. PHOTO ANIMAL FOCUS

Nagle wins monthly medal in Gulgong

GOLF

On Saturday the Gulgong Golf Club members played the Monthly Medal with the overall winner being Paul Nagle with a 62 nett with Mick Rayner runner-up on a countback with 64 nett.

Ball winners were Glen Thompson (64), Mal Mallinson (67), Rod Upton(68) and Judy Howchin(70).

NTPs Pat Haynes 2/11, Kevin Walker5/14, Glen Thompson7/16, Betty Cross 6/15.

On Tuesday the Davies Butchery 18-hole stroke event was held with the winner Cliff Thompson with 61 nett on a countback from Rod Upton 61.

Ladies winner was Di Hughes with 70 nett, runner-up Betty Mackie carded 71 while Pat Haynes was a ball winner also on 71.

Ball winners in the men's were Matt Stewart, Keith Craggs and Mario Teuma.

NTPs 5/14 Ken Towerton,7/16 Michael Honersett,8/17 and 6/15 Pat Haynes.

This Saturday the Centennial Hotel Monthly Mug and Ladies Goblet will be played in conjunction with a putting competition.

On Tuesday the Centennial Hotel 18-hole stableford will be the event of the day.

Coming up the on March 28 is the Gulgong Bowling and Sporting Clubs Gulgong Open featuring more than \$1200 in prizes, with interested players asked to book early as tee times are going fast.

On Sunday, March 29 the Gooree Park Wines 4BBB will be played with the club inviting players in the region to make a weekend of it at the club.

For more information ring Peter Johnson 6374 1609, Rod Upton 6374 2779 or the Club 6374 1571.

Clarkson takes out Bob Burns Cup

SHOOTING

Members of Mudgee Sporting Clays shot for the Bob Burns Cup on Sunday and when handicaps were added to competitors off the gun scores it was a very proud Dylan Clarkson who will have his name engraved on the cup.

Second position went to Brad McCallum and equal third to Nick McCallum and Scott King.

Other scores include B Stubbs 40/50, C Stubbs 35, P Clarkson 34, J McCallum 32, B Burns 26, B Byfield 22, B Williams 21.

Attendance numbers were down due to a NSW state selection shoot being held in Dubbo the same weekend where our members had considerable success. S Payne, R Ali, R Christian and M Holland won the Adrian Hayes teams event for our club. S Atkins took out high gun, S Payne was placed in AA while M Holland and R Christian were placed in Veterans.

The club's next club shoot will take place on Sunday, March 22 with a 10am start.