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RIDDELLS CREEK TRAIL HORSE RIDING CLUB **SEPTEMBER 2015 NEWSLETTER**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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| SEPTEMBER 18TH - 19TH | ELAINE – JOE CURMI'S
Ride Notice – Attached |
| SEPTEMBER 17TH – 28TH | SA RIDE – GLADSTONE to QUORN
Ride Full |
| OCTOBER 25TH | SILVER BRUMBY RUN
Ride Notice - Attached |
| OCTOBER 30TH – 3RD
Cup weekend | ENFIELD – JOHN BRADY'S
Ride Notice – Attached |
| NOVEMBER 15TH | MT DISAPPOINTMENT
Ride Notice – TBA |
| DECEMBER 4TH – 6TH | XMAS PARTY RIDE – FLOWERDALE
Ride Notice and details TBA |

Hi Everyone,

The long awaited newsletter has finally sprung just in time for Spring! Just remember that all good things are worth waiting for.

This edition has ride reports from the last couple of months, sadly we can't remember who was nominated to do the Eldorado ride report and thus there is none ☹ could the real ride reporter please stand up! Any photos of this weekend would also be appreciated.

Our AGM was held in August and thank you to all those who made an appearance – we value your input and will endeavour to do our best as committee members to keep our club the best club in Australia.

Enjoy the newsletter ☺ See you on the Trail

SECRETARY STUFF

Hi All,

WOW, what a fantastic couple of months the club has had, Eldorado was GR8 and John led us on a couple of really terrific rides, once again we were so lucky with the weather and as usual we all had an absolute ball at Eldorado.

"Christmas in JULY" @ Toolleen 2015

This year's event was even better than last years, and we didn't think that was possible as last year's event was simply terrific, Chris had organised a different ride this year which was a nice change for all who rode, "Karaoke Friday" was defiantly a night to remember, so funny, but as always you had to be there to know just how much fun was had, the "Fancy Dress" costumes, had even more thought put into them than previously and I would like to congratulate everybody on their efforts with their costumes, they were all **FANTASTIC**, and very creative, the Saturday night auction was a huge success with Kim rounding up a huge variety of gear to be auctioned plus the hand painted "Oil Painting" by Julie Madin of various club members on the "Echuca Brumby Protest Ride" as well as many items generously donated by our wonderful members, the auction raised quite a bit which will help fund this year's Xmas Party weekend and the Tack sale went off well with an awful lot of gear being brought & sold by all in attendance, Anton was also quite pleased that his idea of having special "Black club Merchandise" was embraced by many members as they all looked cool in their black gear, the 3 "Fancy Dress" costume prize winners were,

1st. Di Sloley - Scarecrow (2016 Membership Paid)

2nd. Mark Chircop - The Rocker (Special Edition Poly Fleece Top)

3rd. Sue Schneider - Charlie Chaplin (Club Cap & Beanie)

The committee would like to Thank Chris and his helpers for all the effort they put in to make this one of the Premier events on our club calendar and we look forward to seeing you all there at next year's event.

Kim's Ride Notice Attached

2015 AGM.

I would like to thank all the members who attended, it is GR8 to see that there is a lot of interest in what the club is planning and there was a good amount of input during the meeting. Your Committee for the coming year was elected and I would like to thank everybody for the outstanding year past,

.President - Rob Stephens

.Secretary - Lloyd Fletcher

.Ass Secretary - Brenda King

.Treasurer - Petra Egry

.Newsletter Editor - Brenda King

.Raffle Coordinator - Kim Sinclair

.General Committee Members - Jan Webb, Julie Madin, Mark Chircop, Joe Schembri, Bernie Hales, Anton Suraci.

The committee welcomes new member Anton Suraci to the committee for the year ahead and would like to say a HUGE Thank you to Gary Schwarze for the many years he has been on the General Committee.

Please get behind your committee and assist them whenever possible, without this hard working group our fantastic club would simply not be able to be as successful as it is.

[Bullengarook - Waterloo Flat Road,](#)

[Sun 16th August 2015.](#)

54 riders which included 4 new members set off on what was a really enjoyable day ride, as usual Rob led us thru the Wombat Forest and I'm sure everybody enjoyed the tracks he had chosen, although I think he was a bit surprised to find that the BBQ boys had set up in a slightly different location that what he had advised, I was led to believe it was due to there being too much mud at the intended location, Mark and his BBQ boys excelled with the BBQ and his continental sausages were a real hit, well done guy's.

[Petra's Ride Report Attached](#)

[Joe Curmi's in September.](#)

[Sunday September 20th](#)

[With the option of camping from Friday or Saturday Night](#)

This is listed as a day ride, however

Joe has offered his property for members that wish to come and camp on Friday and or Saturday Night, Joe will also be running a the ride on Saturday

For those that are interested.

[Ride Notice attached](#)

["South Australian Ride](#)

["10 Pubs in 10 Days" Gladstone to Quorn, 2015"](#)

By the time you all read this newsletter we will be only days away from heading off on the clubs South Australian adventure and I'm positive that all the members doing this Fantastic ride will be getting quite excited, we would all like to say a HUGE Thanks to Michelle & Paul Moulden for the HUGE amount of time they have put into organising this ride and not forgetting Shan Daw, Michelle's S.A. assistant.

["Silver Brumby Run" day ride, Sunday October 25th](#)

We are heading back to the Silver Brumby Run thanks to Evanne & Bruce from "Shepherds Hill Farm", if you missed this ride last year you really missed a fantastic day, the riding is excellent and our host's entertained our members with some of their movie star animals, this is one day ride you don't want to miss.

["Melbourne Cup Weekend" at John Brady's Enfield](#)

2015 sees a change of venue for our Melbourne Cup long weekend, this year we will be riding out of John Brady's property at Enfield, the club will be suppling 2 Monster BBQ dinners and a Hot Dog lunch on the Monday ride, we will be riding to the local hotel for lunch on the Sunday and

Saturday ride will be a saddle bag lunch, we will have the usual Juke Box & Disco lights for the nightly entertainment along with a traditional Cup Sweep.

You can come for the whole weekend or just part of it.

Ride Notice attached

2015 Club Xmas Party December 5th & 6th.

This year we will be holding our annual club Christmas Party/Ride at Flowerdale courtesy of Alan & Deb Schulz, full details to be advised.

Please mark the date on your calendar for this event.

Full details TBA.

NEW MEMBERS

More new members we would like to WELCOME,

Kerry Bott, Bianca Jarvis, Belinda Pijaca, Renae McKeever, Audrey Templeton & Katherine Bradford,

Please make them feel Welcome on the next ride.

We currently have 166 Financial Members for 2015.

***“One can get in a car and see what man has made.
One must get on a horse to see what God has made”***

We ask all members were possible to support our FANTASTIC club
sponsors listed in this newsletter.



Good looking pony you have there Corbin. Well done Mark, we all enjoyed the Snags.



Members enjoying the ride



Geez, Kerry, that is a BIG one.



Of course they are cooked.



Hey Bernie, aren't you supposed to be cooking?



Bloody mobiles



on our way home after a GR8 lunch.



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September Ride at Joe Curmi's – Elaine Sunday September 20th.

526 Elaine-Egerton Road, Elaine, 3334

R.C.T.H.R.C Members ONLY

This is listed as a day ride, however Joe has offered his property for members that wish to come and camp on Friday or Saturday Night, there will also be a ride on Saturday.

This ride will start from Joe Curmi's property in Elaine and ride in the Lal Lal State Forest.

Riding will be on sandy/gravel, roads and tracks with terrain being flat to undulating and there will be some hilly sections but not daunting. Anticipated return to Joe's will be around 2:30/3:00pm where tea and coffee will be available.

- *Horses are to be reasonably fit, with feet adequately conditioned and / or shod.*
- *Stallions by approval only.*
- *Breastplates and Cruppers are recommended.*
- *Horses known to kick must wear a red ribbon in their tail.*
- *Under 18's must wear an approved riding helmet.*
- *Riders under 16 must be under adult supervision and have a signed approval.*
- *RCTHRC recommends that all riders have Ambulance cover.*
- *Dogs are not permitted on the ride itself but when in the float parking area must be on a lead at all times.*
- *All riders must adhere to the RCTHRC rules which incorporate the ATHRA Code of Conduct.*
- *All riders must advise the Ride Leader of any medical condition prior to the commencement of the ride.*

Ride out time Both Days 10:00am.

Saddle Bag Lunch & Drink required

Ride Leader: Joe Curmi

Trail Boss: Mark Chircop/Rob Stephens

All Nominations to Joe Curmi – 0417 016 079

Campers, \$5 per night.

Ride Fee: \$2.00 Members



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“Silver Brumby Run” day ride, Sunday 25th October 2015

This ride will leave from "Shepherds Hill Farm", riding in the Wombat State Forest, tracks in the area are mainly granitic sand type with terrain being bushy in places.

Anticipated return to floats will be around 2:30/3:00pm where tea and coffee will be available.

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Horseless Muster 9:30am.

Ride out time 10:00am.

BYO saddle bag lunch and drink.

Ride Leader: Bruce & Janice Lewin

Cost: \$2.00 Members

\$5.00 Non Members with ATHRA Insurance

\$30.00 Ride fee for prospective members without ATHRA Insurance

Enquiries: Lloyd Fletcher 0400 668 020

Or

rcthrcl@hotmail.com.au

[Directions below.](#)

419 Shepherds Hill Rd, Lauriston.

From Karlsruhe on Calder Hwy. Travel north towards Bendigo.

Take 3rd Kyneton exit and head back towards Kyneton.

At fuel stop turn right towards Lauriston, fuel stop will then be on your left once turned.

500mtrs to railway line.

4.5kms to Lauriston.

Turn left into Shepherds Hill Rd.

Travel 4.2kms to

419 Shepherds Hill Rd "Shepherds Hill Farm"

Travel another 1km up hill to 2nd driveway on right.

RCTHRC sign will be on left opposite driveway.

Go through burgundy gate.

All distances approximate.





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John Brady's – Enfield 2015

Melbourne Cup Weekend 30th October/3rd November 2015

**THIS CAMP is ONLY OPEN to current R.C.T.H.R.C. MEMBERS
and their Families, and Invited Guests.**

You can arrive Friday if you wish.

You can come for the whole weekend or just part of it.

We will be camping on private property at John Brady's at Enfield, water, showers & toilets are all on site, we will have water on a trailer to deliver to your horse yards which you will need to erect for your horse or may choose to use the communal paddock.

We will be supplying a Juke Box & Disco Lights for nightly entertainment and a Huge BBQ dinner on both the Saturday & Sunday Nights; all other meals are your responsibility.

We will be riding in the Enfield State Park and surrounding plantations, terrain will be flat to slightly undulating.

We will also be running a traditional "Cup Sweep" for \$5 per horse.

- *Horses are to be reasonably fit, with feet adequately conditioned and / or shod.*
- *Stallions by request.*
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- *RCTHRC recommends that all riders have Ambulance cover.*
- ***Dogs are not permitted on the ride itself but when in the camp area must be on a lead at all times.***
- *All riders must adhere to the RCTHRC rules which incorporate the ATHRA Code of Conduct.*
- *All riders must advise the Ride Leader of any medical condition prior to the commencement of the ride.*
- *RCTHRC recommends that all riders have ambulance cover.*

Ride out time all rides, 10:00am.

Horseless Musters 9=30am each morning

Saturday, BYO saddle bag lunch and drink.

Sunday, We will ride to the local hotel for lunch and a short return ride back to camp.

Monday, The club will be supplying a Hot Dog Lunch on the ride, BYO drink, **please advise if you are a Vegetarian.**

Ride Leader: John Brady & Eddie

Trail Boss: Rob Stephens

Cost for the WEEKEND: **\$60 per Adult**
 \$30.00 Children under 15
 Children under 5 FREE

Nominations are a must for this weekend as we need to know numbers for catering purposes.

Nominations MUST close on Monday 26th of October 2015.

Nominations: Lloyd Fletcher 0400 668 020 or rcthrc1@hotmail.com

John Brady's address, Lot 76 Flemings/Grubbed Road, Enfield.

Proceed along the M8 to Buninyong which is to the south of Ballarat. (7 KLM from the city centre) At the cross roads, adjacent to the Buninyong hotel, take the road to the south which heads out towards Garibaldi and Mount Mercer. Proceed along this road for approx. 16 KLM till you reach Grenville, which only has a public hall on the right hand side. After passing the public hall you will come upon a road on your right called Flemings Road. Take this road and proceed along the road for approximately 6 KLM. The road has a dog leg which you will go right and left at within 50 metres of each other..

After the dog leg as you drive along Flemings Rd, you pass South Road on the left hand side. You proceed straight along Flemings Road for another 2 KLM and you will reach the front gate of the property on the left hand side, there is a big set of double gates with lot 76 on them. Proceed through the double gates, drive through the Blue Gum plantation for 1 KLM and you have arrived.

The property can also be approached from Ballarat by taking the Ballarat, Colac Road, whereby you reach the town of Enfield and on your left you will see a road called Grubbed Road, which runs through the Enfield state forest. You proceed along this road for 5.5 KLM till you arrive at the set of double gate to the property on your right hand side (as you are coming from the other direction.)

Note, these distances mentioned in the directions are approximates.

Xmas in July at Toolleen 2015

We arrived at Toolleen Friday morning, weather not perfect, but the excitement was building on the anticipation of the weekend to come.

As every one arrived and got set up and looking forward to a night of karaoke, Good food and great company (bring it on.)

Well as was expected it was a good night karaoke was so funny, no one could sing very well not even the guy that brought the karaoke machine but we had lots of laughs. Although we didn't have a prize for the karaoke Lloyd did say the next morning at horseless muster that if we did, out of sheer determination it would have been Bryan with Haylie a close second, but you had to just love them all. Well done guys.

As everyone stirred the next morning getting ready for our Saturday ride hot coffees feeding our horse's breaky, the day wasn't looking too bad. A lot more people rolled up for the weekend as a lot had to work yesterday being a Friday.

We had our muster then it was time to ride off.

Different ride than the last one at Toolleen which makes for a good change, lots of good conversations and good country side, we stopped at a nice spot for lunch with more talking and laughing about the night before and the night to come.

We headed back to camp

As tea time came close it was time to get ready for our fancy dress night.

As everyone started coming into the shed what a sight! tables all dressed for Xmas the auction goods set up on the timber table, all was looking good but best of all the people, what can I say, they had gone all out to impress.

There was Scarecrow, Beetlejuice, Charlie Chapman Rock and Roll girl, the Indian Chef, the Rocker and so many more it would take up a whole page to name them all. The auction went ahead with lots of bids, laughter, and fun; we raised an awesome amount for our club well done to you all.

The night kicked off with good food and sweets yum, then great music and dancing. It came time to judge best costume, very hard as they had all gone to a lot of trouble but at the end of the day someone had to win, so

First place – Scarecrow - Di Sloley

Second place - The rocker - Mark Chircop

Third place - Charley Chapman - Sue Schneider

Well done guys.

First prize: one year's membership and ATHRA fee's

Second Prize: Club Polo fleece top

Third Prize: Club cap and beanie

The night ended with everyone having an awesome night of dancing and already talking about what costume to wear next year.

We woke up Sunday morning to the best weather all weekend blue skies, who would have thought, anyway after bacon and eggs on buns and coffee from the pub it was time for the horse gear boot sale over at the Tin Shed

So much horse gear, I tell you this club doesn't muck around we don't do things by halves, every table was full lots of bargains to be had, you name it, and it was there.

Well done every one it was fantastic.

And so that was just a little of our great weekend you really had to be there to appreciate just how good it was.

Written by

Kim Sinclair

Xmas in July at Toolleen 2015



First prize—Di Sloley



Second—Mark Chircop

.....And then there were all the other weirdos !!



Third—Sue Schneider



...and still some more very strange characters !!



What will you be wearing next year !!

Waterloo Flat Road Aug 16th 2015 - Ride Report

Our beautiful day at Wombat Forest the weather was just perfect with a large turnout of riders on the day, 53 were counted. We welcomed 5 new members who joined us on our ride.

Not all went smoothly for the backup team; we had a slight mishap with our lunch spot being in the wrong position as planned. Mark had organised a barbecue sausage sizzle for all of us to enjoy and as he just set off with our first group of riders for a canter he turned the corner and there was the backup team with our sausages sizzling away - a very early lunch break. Needless to say this turned out a huge success. Thanks to all our back up team who took the time to cook for us all.

Marks wife Simone had a troublesome time on her Arab at the beginning of the ride with a huge rear of her horse, fortunately the skilled rider that she is, all turned out ok. Unfortunately she needs to master the Esky riding, keeping her balance on those little suckers appears to be a little tricky.

Well I am looking forward to the next rides coming up with the Spring weather just around the corner. Hope to see you all there folks.

Cheers Petra & Indy



ATHRA Float Stickers



By popular demand ATHRA has organised the printing of large round stickers for horse floats measuring 306 mm (12 inches) and come in Red, Blue, Green or Gold.

Due to the size of the stickers they will only be available for pick up in person as the cost and risk with postage would be both too high.

The Cub has ordered a quantity of all 4 colours and will only cost members \$5 each, so please let me know your requirements by email (rcthrc1@hotmail.com) or SMS (0400 668 020) to secure your sticker.

Cheers,

Lloyd

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