

WESTERN AUSTRALIAN HORSE TREKKERS CLUB INC.



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COMING EVENTS

August 19th -20th

Myalup

September 8th

Perth Metro Day Ride

TBA

September 23rd-25th

Bowellling

October 7th

Dwellingup

October 21st & 22nd

Pickering Brook

Trekkers Tribune August 2017

OUR CLUB

Hi Trekkers,

After a successful accreditation weekend many of us are appreciating our club being associated with ATHRA. We are part of large national community of horse trail riders. We benefit from the experience and work of the many volunteers that have made ATHRA such successful association. ATHRA endeavors to make our club rides well organized, safe and enjoyable for all. Although every situation cannot be covered in training we are given the strategies to conduct rides for our clubs. A huge thank you to Bob Meuleners, who travelled all the way from Queensland to be with us for our accreditation weekend. It was fascinating listening to the experiences of running large rides and his wealth of knowledge. His approachable manner made many interesting discussions.

Congratulations to all the new Trail Bosses and Ride Coordinators. It was enjoyable to meet the other ATHRA members from Albany, Esperance and South West. This networking opens up the door to joining other clubs` rides and learning from other clubs. We wish you all well in your adventures. Thanks you to all that donated food for accreditation catering. We were all well feed and watered making an enjoyable time learning about ATHRA.

A good time was had by horses and riders at the Equestrian Playground. Some photos later in the newsletter. These activities help the trail riding experience for all. It is interesting to see how the spooky, or less confident horses, pass their stress on to the other horses whilst out on the ride/trail. Thanks again to Margot Nelson for organizing.

Myalup ride entries are coming in through Nominate. Myalup is a similar ride to Lewana in that we hire a cottage for the club to use. All who attend pay an accommodation fee for use of the cottage kitchen and bathroom. The bedrooms are taken as a first in, first served basis, so come prepared to sleep in floats, tents etc. Please remember to enter your ATHRA number plus answer all questions. As we go forward the entry form can be simplified. Included again is the information Nominate and ATHRA online membership.

Closing date for Myalup ride is the **15th of August**. Please note Nominate will not accept late entries.

Thanks to Margaret Thomas for volunteering to host the October weekend ride. We all enjoyed your lovely property for accreditation.

The September Day Ride notes will be sent shortly. Please enter through nominate after reading the ride notes.

For all rides please thoroughly read the ride notes. There is important information in the ride notes which the Ride Coordinators have gone to a lot of effort to produce.

2018- Thanks to Debbie Dowden for offering to host Trekkers at Challa Station in 2018. The club has enjoyed this trek previously. Stay tuned for more information. Photos from Challa to come in the next newsletter.

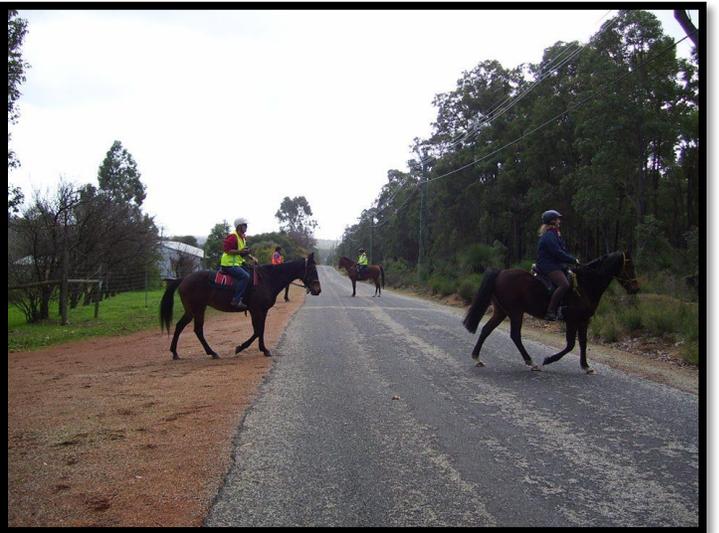
Please Note Important changes in WA Horse Trekkers Club:

To join Western Australian Horse Trekkers club go to www.athra.com.au and click on membership.

This includes Day Membership. See Membership section in this newsletter.

To enter a Western Australian Horse Trekkers ride or trek go to www.nominate.com.au and click on Equestrian.

ATHRA Accreditation Training Weekend



MEMBERSHIP

Memberships for 2017. The fees are unchanged from 2016

Adults – \$110.00,

Juniors – \$50.00,

Social – \$30.00,

Over 80's – \$60.00

Membership includes ATHRA insurance \$100, members can ride with all ATHRA Clubs in Western Australia and only pay the ride fee

The ATHRA online payment system has started

To join Western Australian Horse Trekkers Club Please go to <http://www.athra.com.au/> go to Membership



To become a Day Rider you must:

- Fill out the Day membership online form and pay Day membership to ATHRA
- A Day Member registration certificate will be emailed to the Day Member once the application process is completed and the fee paid.
- In order to participate as a Day Member an individual must produce their Day Member registration certificate to the club and sign the Ride Attendance Register and have a ATHRA member sponsor
- Go to Nominate and pay the Ride fee for which you are entering. Two day membership are allowed per year.
- Should a Day Member apply for full ATHRA membership within seven (7) days of the date on the Day Member registration certificate, their full ATHRA membership fee shall be discounted by the amount of the Day Member fee paid.

Day Member Sponsors

A Day Member is sponsored and accompanied at all times on the ride by the sponsor, who must be an ATHRA member. The sponsor must make the Day Member aware of ATHRA's current Ride Rules and the other requirements of this Code of Conduct, and may only sponsor one rider per ride. The sponsor's participation in this procedure is an acknowledgement of responsibility for the conduct of the Day Member.

DAY MEMBERSHIP

IF YOU ARE AN EXISTING DAY MEMBER FOR THIS YEAR [CLICK HERE](#)

NOTE : A DAY MEMBER IS ENTITLED TO PURCHASE A MAXIMUM OF TWO (2) DAY MEMBERSHIPS PER CALENDAR YEAR.

*THE COST OF THE DAY MEMBERSHIP REGISTRATION CAN BE CREDITED TOWARDS A FULL ATHRA MEMBERSHIP IF THE FULL ATHRA MEMBERSHIP IS PAID FOR WITHIN SEVEN (7) DAYS OF THE DATE OF YOUR DAY MEMBERSHIP.

*DOES NOT APPLY TO SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP.

*IMPORTANT: DAY MEMBERS MUST CONTACT THE ATHRA CLUB THEY CHOSE TO RIDE WITH PRIOR TO REGISTERING AS A DAY MEMBER.

First Name *

Last Name *

ATHRA

The Board believes it is necessary to provide further clarification and detail regarding ATHRA's private member 24/7 Public Liability cover.

Private Member Individual 24/7 Public Liability Cover

The limit of indemnity is \$20 million. This cover applies to private trail riding related activities by financial ATHRA members, and only applies to the member's own horse/s, or horses clearly under the member's control. A \$2,500 excess is payable by the claiming member.

Private trail rides may be organized via "social media", and are defined as riding alone or with friends.

THIS POLICY DOES NOT COVER:

- Non-equine related activities;
- Income earning activities, where remuneration is involved, (such as horse training/breaking, rider instruction, horse sales;
- Property owner's liability, including horses escaping from their paddock;
- Non-trail riding events or activities or events sanctioned or run by associations or other entities.

NOTE: Public Facebook groups fall within the definition of "other entities", and therefore members participating in trail rides or events organised through, or by public Facebook groups or similar social media, are not covered under this policy. Members are encouraged to consider their liability exposure whenever participating in events (open to the public), which are advertised via Facebook and other social media.

It is important that members and clubs take the time to consider the value of the benefits and insurance protection provided to financial ATHRA members. For less than 28 cents per day your insurance cover includes:

**Personal accident & public liability insurance at sanctioned events
\$20 million 24/7 Public Liability private cover**

ATHRA maintains the insurance protection available to members is equal to the best available, and can rightly be claimed as "the best value for money" available. When one considers the other benefits of membership, this represents excellent value.

The following paragraph is an extract from an article in the September 2016 edition of Trail Tales. Food for thought and perhaps worth reading the entire article.

"We all know that horse related activities are dangerous; the potential for a sudden and unexpected tragic accident ever present. As a member of ATHRA you have peace of mind knowing that if you are involved in an accident whilst riding, and are the subject of legal action which could potentially result in the loss of your family home and assets; you have the protection of ATHRA's public liability policies, (the private member 24/7 for private riding & the ATHRA sanctioned event cover)." 7 2017 Trail Tales

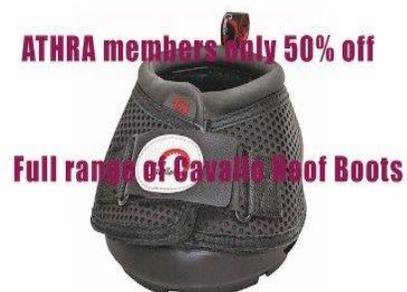
Cavallo and ATHRA

Some in the club have taken advantage of this fantastic offer to purchase boots at half price. This offer ends August 2017. Postage to WA for 2 pairs of boots is \$40. Sending the order form with this newsletter. When measuring for the correct size, please ensure you use a ruler or a tape measure as the supplied guide does not print to scale.

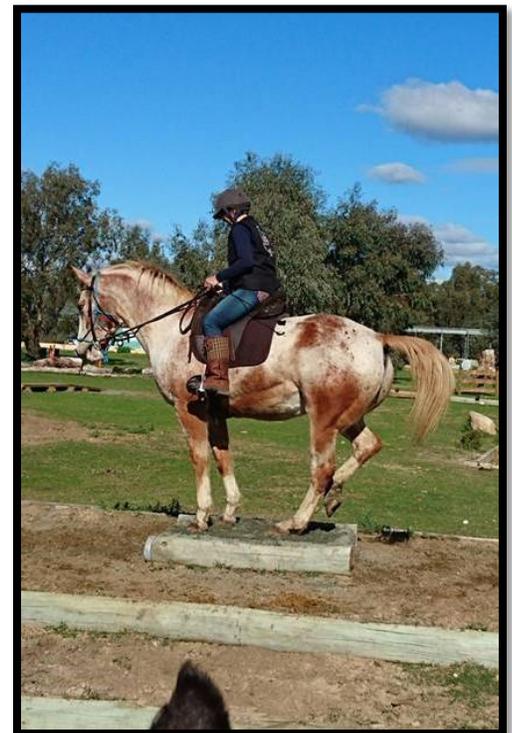
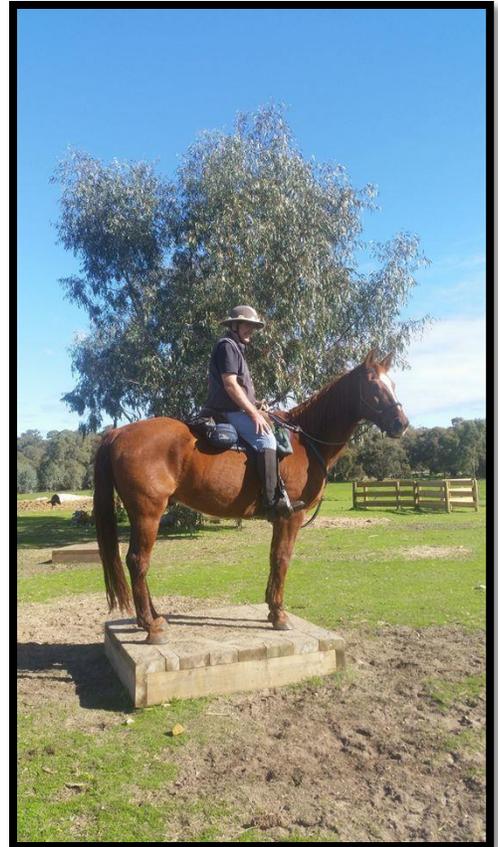
ATHRA members can take advantage of this great offer. For the months of June, July and August a huge 50% of the entire range of Cavallo Hoof Boots.

Plus great members discounts on other fantastic Cavallo products.

For More Information Email cavallo@athra.com.au



Baldivis Equestrian Playground



Member Profiles

Name: Robin Lonsdale

Hometown Present & Past: Kalgoorlie for last 20 years. Perth prior to that.

Occupation Present & Past: Currently consultant. Previous HR manager, volunteer centre coordinator, Australia Post delivery manager.

Interests: Horse – trekking, reinless, liberty, medieval games/archery, roping, obstacles/agility, small jumping. Non-horse – camping, cooking, reading, gardening, scuba diving, abseiling, bike riding, anything that gives an adrenaline rush.

Horses: Jasper, rising 9yo Friesian gelding with a smattering of Arab in him. Indy, 30yo gelding, unknown breed, still going strong.

Time in club: almost a year

Best treks: Donnybrook of course! And the 2017 annual trek, in particular the beach/sandhill riding and riding through the karri forest. Oh, and Balingup.



For Sale by tender to WA Horse Trekkers Members

The committee has decided to sell a rarely used portable water tank.

It is 200 gallons = just over 900 litres. It was purchased in 1993.

This tank is located at Pickering Brook.

Please email wahtc@iinet.net.au by the 15th of August 2017 to place an offer on this tank.



Events

Ride Calender 2017

JANUARY	Australia Day is not a long weekend this year, so no event	
FEBRUARY	Sat 11th – Sun 12th February	Trail Ride Training and Trail Challenge Two Days held in Darling Downs.
MARCH	Labour Day Weekend – Sat 4th March to Monday 6th March	Donnybrook
	Friday 17th March	Day Ride – TBA Outer Metro
APRIL	Saturday 1st April	Day Ride – TBA Outer Metro
	Fri 14th – Mon 17th April	Easter in Serpentine and Jarrahdale
	Friday 28th April	Day Ride – TBA Outer Metro Postponed
MAY	Sun 7th May – Sat 20th	Annual Trek – Clover Leaf
		Bremer Bay/Albany/Manjimup
JUNE	WA Day Weekend – Sat 3rd June - Mon 5th June	Lewana near Balingup
JULY	Saturday 8th July	Day Ride – Baldivis Equestrian Playground
	Accreditation Weekend Sat 15th – Sun 16th July	Pickering Brook
AUGUST	Sat 19th – Sun 20th August	Myalup
SEPTEMBER	Friday 8th September	Day Ride – TBA Outer Metro
	Sat 23rd – Mon 25th September	Bowellling
OCTOBER	Saturday 7th October	Dwellingup
	Sat 21 – Sun 22 October	Pickering Brook
NOVEMBER	Sat 11th – Sun 12th November	Capel
	Saturday 25th November	AGM TBA
DECEMBER	No Ride	No Ride

Complete details of treks will be posted on website and distributed to members by email.

Trek dates and venues may change due to unforeseen circumstances. Please check current details and newsletters for up and coming rides



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