



January 2018

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31 December
Membership Renewal Due
Via the ATHRA web site

7 January
Club Ride
Tingha

18 January
Annual General Meeting
Armidale Bowling Club
7pm

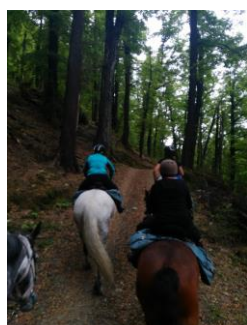
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From the President:

Annual General Meeting & General Meeting

The AGM will be held at the Dumaresq Room at the Bowling Club at 7.00pm on Wednesday 17th January.

It is that time again! All positions will be declared vacant and a new committee elected. The current President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer will not be standing this year so it is essential for the future of the Club that other members fill these roles.

The year ahead should be much simpler for the new Committee now that the transition to affiliation with ATHRA has been completed, we have 8 members who are accredited Trail Bosses and Membership is automated! So put your thinking hats on as to who you would like to nominate, including yourself!!! so that we can continue the success of this Club.

It is with much sadness that we will be farewelling Leonie after approximately 15 years of being on the Committee. Leonie is the last of the founding members of the Club and has contributed so much over the years. Thankyou Leonie.

Everyone is invited to come to the Bowlo at 6.00 to enjoy a meal prior to the Meeting. I hope to see you there.

2018 Membership

2018 Membership is due on 31 December (except for new members who joined NETRA after 1 October - their membership extends to the end of 2018). Go to the ATHRA web site to renew your membership.

January Ride

Our January ride will be held on 7 January at Tingha. RSVP by Thursday 5th January to Deb Creed 0458751134.

Happy Riding
Annie



January Ride

Sunday, 7 January

13081 Guyra Rd, Tingha

Name of Property and Owners: David & Deborah Creed

Address: 13081 Guyra Rd, Tingha

Ride out time: 9:30am

End of ride: 3:00pm

Directions:

55ks west of Guyra on the Guyra/Tingha Rd.

From Armidale head up to Guyra & turn left at the big sheep towards Inverell.

Travel about 55ks, the property is on a straight part of the road.

It is 4ks past the Old Armidale Rd.

When you see the green sign I35 (Inverell 35ks) you will see a property called Chrystal Hill, we are the next property about 200metres on the left, it is a straight part of the road and there are about 6 white guide posts between the properties, just after the orange guide post is the driveway. I will try to remember to put some balloons or something out.

Go through the gate and veer right on the track then when you get close to the house go left on the track and through the trees. There are yards and shady trees behind the house.

Ride Details:

Ground is soft in some areas but there are rocks (not gravel) around. We do not have to cross any creeks. There are some wet patches but horses that don't like getting their feet wet can cross on the track. The property is undulating, it should be fairly easy and we will most likely stay on tracks that we can drive on.

My horse is not shod but some may want to put boots on, the ground is probably softer than most of the rides that I have been on this year (except if we cross rocks)

BBQ lunch at the end of the ride or we can break and have a BBQ lunch. Please bring meat or alternative for yourself and salad or desert to share, there is a fridge to put anything in that you want to keep cold.

RSVP: by Thursday 5th January to Deb Creed 0458751134

Pre-nomination is required for all NETRA rides so the ride co-ordinator knows how many are attending the ride and if the necessary ATHRA Accredited Trail Bosses are available. Rides may be cancelled if there are insufficient pre-nominations.

Please Note that helmets are compulsory on all NETRA rides.

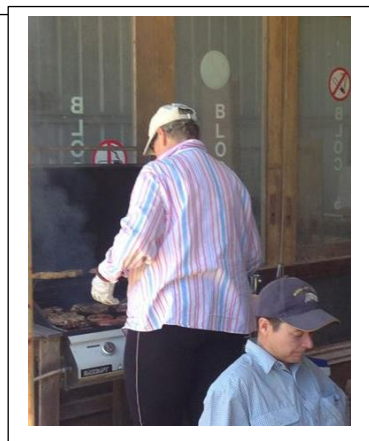


December Ride Report

By Annie

10 riders set out to ride into the Pine Forest for the morning. Unfortunately, a couple of horses and riders had to turn back for various reasons. The rest of us continued and in spite of some unsettled/fresh/green horses everyone had an enjoyable morning exploring the Forest. It really is an easy place to ride with endless tracks. The ride was followed by a BBQ lunch beautifully cooked by Leonie. It was accompanied by some delicious contributions by everyone.

Please note that if you wish to ride in the Forest you can access it through some narrow "garden" gates at various locations. Probably the easiest and safest is off Pine Forest Rd. It is a quiet place for loading and unloading your horse. It is also possible to borrow a key from the Council for a few days and that will give you access through any of the gates. Keep off single lane tracks if it is wet and be aware you will probably encounter dogs and mountain bikes.



Ride Calendar for 2018

Rides occur on the 1st Sunday of the month, unless otherwise stated. Rides are subject to change and are reviewed at our quarterly meetings. All planned overnight rides are held on a weekend other than the 1st Sunday unless they are within 100 kilometres of Armidale and can cater for day riders as well. If you are interested in hosting a ride please inform a committee member. If you are a ride co-ordinator please refer to the calendar to see who has the first aid kit, EPIRB and GPS.

Date	Ride Coordinator	Location
7 January 2018	Deborah Creed	Tingha
4 February 2018	To be confirmed	

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New England Trail Riding Club (Armidale)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1755125504766004/>

Big Sky Trailblazers Horse Riding Club (Tamworth/Gunnedah)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1143234909036044/>

Tamworth Bush Rangers (Tamworth)

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/124753350877204/>

Border Country Trail Riders (Tenterfield)

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