

Big Sky Trailblazers June 2019 President: Joe Rennick Vice President: Greg Donovan Secretary: Gail Paddison Treasurer: Bernie Irwin

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Last Ride: Somerton by Roslyn

A big weekend was enjoyed by all who attended the Trail boss course held over the Queens Birthday weekend at the lovely Trewlawny Station just outside Sommerton .

Excellent facilities were made available to all. Pam Lamshed was our Accredited Trainer for the weekend and made sure we were all aware of what was expected from us to achieve a pass for the course, well done to Pam.



Thirteen riders took part in the very in depth course which covered so many aspects of all that is required to guide folks through a safe and enjoyable ride. The weather held off for us and wasn't to cool each early morning start time.

The facilities were terrific with well maintained bunk houses, kitchen area and a conference room for our class room exercise's . Our ridden section wasn't too difficult and most had no problem with the requests made by Pam.

Out on the trail riding course which was well handled with a few of us having to provide real life scenarios so as we could all learn how to handle different circumstances, we all got through with flying colours.

Everyone was very supportive of each other.

A big thank you to Bernie, Pam and Pam's lovely

husband David who was a huge help with meals and keeping the home fire burning.

Congratulations to all who attended the course including Merryl, Susan, Courtney, Micheal, Dianna, Kevin, Greg, Allanah, Ros, Allana, Francey, Lisa and Michelle. Well done to all concerned.







All those that came along for the rides and to help out really enjoyed their time and even though there were no hills great riding country.

A big thank you to Lynde and Ian for having us on your great property can't wait to see you again.







News and Info

Meeting: Held

- 1. Receipts of purchases for the Grant have been sent to Gunnedah Shire Council
- 2. Trish has been reinstated on Boss Register
- 3. July Ride is a camp over at Hartwood and Chrys has said the rides will be 1pm Saturday and 9am Sunday. You can arrive Friday afternoon
- 4. Email sent to ATHRA to see if we can get a full refund for one member who was unable to attend on the Course weekend
- 5. Email sent to ATHRA to see how long it takes before we get the reimbursement from them for holding the Trail Boss Course
- 6. Receipt sent to Pam for accommodation for Boss Course
- 7. Venue booked for 7th and 8th December Christmas Party at Somerton possibly to be held in conjunction with Bushrangers
- 8. We have four flags to help us get to where we need to be (unfortunately at the last ride some took one)
- 9. Expression of Interest for Dubbo and Beach Ride to emailed out and on Facebook
- 10. The Club equipment and spares will be kept at the Parkview Hotel. If you are organising the ride you can pick it up there and drop it of there its right next door to Woolworths. The person who is organising the ride then needs to check two ways, etc
- 11. There was left over bacon and sausages and bread which Courtney kindly took home and put in her freezer these will be used at the next ride Hartwood
- 12. Still have more jobs to do but will add them next Newsletter

Notes from Bernie

- When putting things on Facebook please don't use an address so that its kept private for property owners etc – thanks
- The reason we would like you to let us know by email that you are coming is that if you had an insurance claim we can prove that you hand intent of coming on the ride. Also if the ride was cancelled or changed we would be able to notify you. When you have emailed the Club this then gets put on the Ride Register so we know what day if a camp over you are coming etc
- We normally would like you to respond that you are coming one (1) week before the actual ride to help whoever is doing the paper work as they do have a life
- Normally only paid up members receive a Newsletter or Ride Info, a visitor or new member would email the Club to request one or go to the ATHRA site
- We try to keep to what we have said the ride will be but sometimes at the request of the majority this
 does change or weather etc so a ride may be advertised as three hours but becomes shorter or longer
- I would like to remind everyone that we are all volunteers and we all do our best

FACEBOOK VERSUS EMAIL – If you could please email even if you have put it on facebook some of us that organise things don't always look on facebook and at least by email one gets pinged so you know to look at it.

If ride needs to be changed at the last moment, only those who have responded by email will be contacted

Calendar c	of Possible Events 2019		
Date	Where	Type	Person to Organise Ride
23 June			Bushrangers
6-7 July	Pony Club Trail Ride – Rocky Glen	Camp	????
7 July	Pine Forest		NETRA
13-14 July	Hartwood	Camp	Joe Rennick
28 July			Bushrangers
4 August	Metz		NETRA
11 August	Crooks/Garry Knapman	Day	Mark Goddard
25 August			Bushrangers
1 September			NETRA
8 September	Dubbo	Camp	Allanah Gainsford
22 September			Bushrangers
6 October			NETRA
4-7 October	Beach Ride	Camp	Joe Rennick/Cath Anderson
12 October		Day	
27 October			Bushrangers
3 November			NETRA
10 November	Pilliga	Camp	Joe Handel
24 November			Bushrangers
1 December			NETRA
8 December	Christmas Party and AGM		Bluebums

PLEASE REMEMBER THIS IS A POSSIBLE CALENDER THINGS COULD CHANGE DUE TO WEATHER OR OTHER CIRCUMSTANCES