

Manning Trail Horse Riders Club Inc.

(Affiliated with the Australian Trail Horse Riders Association)



February 2020 Newsletter

Our Committee for 2019

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(visit the ATHRA website at www.athra.com.au)

Membership

Memberships for 2020 DUE NOW

Membership information for 2020 is as follows:-

To rejoin the club for 2020 – go to the ATHRA site;- www.athra.com.au - you will need to have your membership number & email address on hand. Follow instructions on the website to pay the \$110 either by PAYPAL or credit card. ATHRA will send the \$10 to us & keep the \$100 insurance fee. For those members who cannot access the internet it is now possible to arrange with Clemmy (our secretary/treasurer) to fill out the paper form & give her the \$110.

Adult Membership \$110 Social Membership (non rider) \$35 Seniors 80yrs+ \$70

Associate Membership (already an ATHRA member) \$25 to club. Juniors \$45 (under 5 \$25).

DAY Membership \$15 to ATHRA– this may count towards full membership if riders joins the club within the week

To join the club prospective members will need to have a sponsor who will arrange for them to have a Day Membership ride – money will need to be paid to ATHRA online www.athra.com.au by credit card or PAYPAL - if they then wish to join the club they can count their fee towards the \$100 annual ATHRA membership fee + \$10 club fee (calendar year membership) provided they join online within the week.

MEETINGS

Our club meetings are held at Club Taree, on Wingham Road, usually in the “Conference Room”. We meet bi-monthly on the **FIRST** Wednesday of the month at 7.00pm. Some members meet early (6.00pm) to have a meal as the menu is excellent, and it is good to catch up. Next meeting will be April 1st 2020

RIDE REPORTS

Trail Ride in Wallamba Forest (January 22nd 2020)

Another hot sunny day is promised. Even though we have had some rain the forest is still looking very dry but we found a few puddles – the first seen for many months. Six riders attended this first ride in 2020 – Sheila, Lyn, Carol, Clemmy, Keith and Margaret. Great to see Margaret back on board. We set off along Crokers Road, Michelles Trail and followed the Northern Boundary until we found a bike trail heading up to the North West Trail. After this we followed Loop & then cut down to Trapyard Road and Harwoods Trail finding a new born miniature donkey with Mum and Dad – also a couple of Alpacacas. The horses all coped very well. We then took Sues Trail through to ‘Snake Gully’, Lemon Tree and up a steep cut through to

Hipwells, and back to Gate Road and the floats. We all enjoyed our coffee & snacks and chat before heading off home. Sheila



Wallamba Ride (Feb 2nd 2020)

After pinching the parking spot of the local motor bike riders, 4 riders set off on a short loop in the Wallamba Nature Reserve. The weather forecasters had it right and the heat was increasing by the minute.

Apart from the heat the forest was very pleasant but a return to the ride base was the best option for both riders and horses after about 45 minutes, completing the loop in about an hour and 20 minutes with about 8 klms covered.

Back at the ride base after the horses were cooled off everyone enjoyed a chat and a cuppa, occasionally interrupted by the motorbike riders who with a couple of exceptions were very cooperative. Keith

Shod or NOT? Several members have enquired as to whether they should have their horses shod. Many of our trails are stony so the club **recommends that horses are shod**.

RIDE DEPARTURE TIMES Riders – remember that the advertised times are the departure times – so please be courteous to your ride co-coordinator and other riders and get to the ride base early enough to prepare your horse and be ready to **ride out** at the scheduled time.

Ride Calendar 2019 Please BOOK with the co-coordinator for all rides

Date/Time	Where	Ride Co-ordinator
THURSDAY February 20th 8.00am depart	Yarratt FOREST Ride from Old Port Macquarie Road From Wingham travel South towards Taree – turn left on to Cedar Party Road then after 5-6km turn RIGHT into Old Port Macquarie Road – Park on LHS verge. From Taree take Wingham Road – turn RIGHT into Cedar Party Road –etc. Bring lunch/ coffee to have after the ride.	Book with Clemmy 6553 0049
TUESDAY March 3rd 9.00am depart	WALLAMBA FOREST Ride in Wallamba Nature Reserve. Travel South down Pacific Hwy from Nabitac – after about 5km be prepared to TURN RIGHT to U-turn back to Crokers Road (if you miss this turn – don't panic -continue to Wang Wauk Road and turn back along Northbound lanes) then turn LEFT into Crokers Road & immediately left again into Gate Road to park. Lunch back at floats.	Book with Keith 6550 6106
THURSDAY March 19 th 9.00am depart	YARRATT Forest Ride from Hickmans Road at Eastern Boundary Road Coming from Taree—Turn RIGHT onto Cedar Party Road —travel for 5-6km then turn RIGHT onto Old Port Macquarie Road (Brimbin Reserve) Travel about 300-400metres, the road turns to gravel and there is a fork in the road—Turn LEFT at this fork onto MAIN ROAD - Travel about 5km along MAIN ROAD . Next fork in the road Main Road goes to the left— STAY ON THE RIGHT—this is HICKMANS Road . Travel about a kilometre on Hickmans Road — EASTERN BOUNDARY ROAD is on the LEFT hand side. DO NOT PASS this road. All cars with floats are to PARK on the LEFT HAND SIDE of the road to allow traffic to pass. We also need to use the entrance and exit to Eastern Boundary Road so to make a safe U-turn to leave the way we came after our ride.	Book with Clemmy 6553 0049
SUNDAY April 5 th 9.00am depart	Beach Ride from Beach Road off Manning Point Road, Mitchells Island to Farquhar Park. From Pacific Highway take Old Bar Road. Travel approx 9km, turn left towards Manning Point. Cross bridges onto Oxley Island then Mitchell's Island. Travel approx. a further 2km and turn a sharp right into Beach Road (large sign 'Orchid Nursery' on RHS) Follow road approx 3km to end. Carry a snack for the park?	Book with Clemmy 6553 0049

