

# Wagga Wagga Trail Horse Riders Club Inc.

## Newsletter March 2010

### ATHRA NSW AGM - Cooinbil Hut Long Plain

Saturday 20th February 7 members & 1 family member attended the AGM amongst 82 ATHRA NSW members which made a new record attendance of 15 clubs. ATHRA threw on a free lunch & this year the incentive gift was a cloth bag with the ATHRA logo printed on it (last year was an ATHRA belt buckle). Cavello ATHRA's new sponsor gave away 20 odd prizes, including horse boots (Karen won) a saddle blanket, Cavello caps, horse boot gel pads, to fly veils (Sandra won) & multi purpose pocket knife (Michelle won).

The main topic for discussion as usual was insurance ATHRA's insurer Affinity has increased the public liability to \$20 mill, as well as an accident policy of \$500 per week for people off work and an Office Bearers coverage, all this for just \$25.40 per person.

For Louise, Grace & I it was a great time to camp somewhere you are not allowed to take the horses at Blue Waterholes. We then spent Sunday exploring back to Coolamine Homestead, then Port Phillip fire trail to Ghost Gully horse camp & Currango Homestead where we had morning tea with Kangaroos. Currango actually has accommodation for anyone wanting to take the family for a mountain break. We then went onto Wares Yards horse camp and across Tantangara Dam. For lunch we stopped at Bullocks Hill horse camp where we met up with 2 Monaro Trekker Club members making them a welcome cup of tea after their ride from Long Plain Hut.

It was a great way to see a lot of Long Plain area without the horses and for me the best horse camping area is Wares Yard (as yet untouched by NPWS so a lovely natural setting) so I am looking forward to getting back there with my horse soon.



## MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

- Saving Account Balance \$4,535.28 (includes special funds \$3,000)
- Gooloogong Club will be emailed our newsletter by one of their members hoping we can get together for rides in the future
- New RSVP for rides to be Wednesday to avoid future confusion for long weekend rides
- Ride Organisational Plans to be merged into newsletter
- April meeting cancelled due to lack of participation (school holidays)
- Lucky door prize won by Jeanette (plastic wine glasses)
- Raffle donated by members won by Sandy & Jeanette (plants, eggs, shower gel, nail polish & honey) raised \$20
- Next Meeting 13th MAY

### **RIDES/FUNCTIONS:**

#### **Past**

- Saturday 20th February 8 attended the ATHRA NSW AGM
- Sunday 21st February, Livingston State Forest, 4 riders & 1 onlooker
- 5th & 6th March, Paddy River Dam, cancelled due to wet weather

#### **Future**

- March 20 & 21st Murraguldrrie, contact Alan who is arriving Saturday morning, 69216006 or 0411263732. Directions, approx. 15 kms south along Tumbarumba Rd off the Hume Hwy, sign posted to the right
- April 2nd, Easter Camp - Narrandera Grahams Grave, contact Michelle who is arriving Friday morning for 10 am ride out, 0408229824 or ph after 7 pm 69277933 or foxy.lady.62@hotmail.com. Directions, take Leeton Rd out of Narrandera, past Airport will see sign post on left hand side
- April 24th to 26th, The Rock at Sandy's 0418424611 or 69203763 or cands-jarick@clearmail.com.au. Directions, 8 kms south of The Rock on left hand side
- May 15th Alan & Jeanette's 3 pm to list club equipment & search club info to upload history onto ATHRA website
- May 1st & 2nd "Glenelg" at Holbrook, contact is Karen 6226 3594 or 0427270049 or kcsfws@activ8.net.au. Directions "Glenelg" is property on corner of Hume Hwy & Clifton Rd (Pullitop to Mangoplah Rd), entrance on both Hume Hwy & Clifton Rd, will meet at Wool shed visible from Clifton Rd entrance Friday evening or Saturday morning
- May 22nd Wallacetown Rest Area to Jail Break Cafe, contact Karen. Directions approx. 20 km north of Wagga on Olympic Way, Baylis Lane on Left hand side before rest area, park & ride from there, can order lunch from Cafe or take your own. There is a creek near where parking vehicles don't know about access or water so probably easier to take water for horses.
- June 12th to 14th is long weekend - ride/bonfire to be organised

All rides are to be RSVP'd by the Wednesday night preceding the weekends event and all rides will be organised according to the instructions on the following page. These instructions are to be read by all new & visiting riders before attending any ride.

## Riders Information

- Pre-Ride:** Introductions and meeting 9.45am & to sign Attendance Register  
**without horses**
- Ride Start:** 10am ride out after Pre-ride meeting **NO LATE STARTERS**
- Lunch** BYO lunch & water to carry on ride
- Landowners**
- Conditions:** Public or private areas courtesy to others & take rubbish with you
- First aid:** Basic first aid kit will be carried on the ride
- Emergency** Mobile phones, emergency contact list to be carried by Ride
- Contact:** Co-Ordinator
- Horse feed:** Please bring your own requirements
- Equipment:** Headstalls for tying, leading horses – check your own gear before attending any ATHRA ride
- Dogs/Stallions:** Not allowed
- Helmets/Boots:** All junior riders (under 18) require AS3838 safety helmets. Junior riders must be accompanied by a parent or nominated guardian.  
**All riders to wear smooth soled boots with heel.**
- Guest riders:** Will be required to sign an ATHRA waiver form and pay a **\$10 ride fee.**

**Please be familiar with the ATHRA Code of Conduct before the ride. It can be found on [www.athra.com.au](http://www.athra.com.au) You will be required to adhere to this code as these conditions are part of our Ride Risk Assessment Plan. Adherence to the Code of Conduct ensures potential risks are minimised and that insurance conditions are met.**

A summary of these conditions and details of the trail will be given at the pre-ride briefing just prior to the commencement of the ride.

### **Other Events**

Snowy Mountains Bush Users Group (SMBUG) are trying to work with National Parks & Wildlife (NPW) to keep horse camp & riding areas alongside zoned wilderness areas, they need support & membership to be heard by government agencies & the like. Membership is only \$10 per person or \$20 per family available on line along with their mission statement at [www.smbug.com/Member form.pdf](http://www.smbug.com/Member form.pdf)

SMBUG are trying to get as many people as possible at Long Plain camping 9th & 10th April when Sally Barnes from NPW will be visiting the area. If she can see there are plenty of horse riders utilising the area it may help the cause of having improved/more horse camps & riding access

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