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## **RIDDELLS CREEK TRAIL HORSE RIDING CLUB** **MARCH 2014 NEWSLETTER**

### **CALENDER OF EVENTS**

**APRIL 18<sup>TH</sup> – 21<sup>ST</sup>**  
(Easter)

**ANNUAL EASTER CAMP - GLENLYON**  
(Ride notice & forms – Attached) **Nominations by 4<sup>th</sup> April**

**MAY 18<sup>TH</sup>**

**PORT & PIKELETS RIDE- COBAWS**  
(Ride notice – Attached)

**JUNE 7<sup>TH</sup> – 9<sup>TH</sup>**  
(Queens Birthday)

**ELDORADO CAMP**  
(More info later)

**JULY 19<sup>TH</sup> – 20<sup>TH</sup>**

**XMAS IN JULY - TOOLLEEN**  
(Ride notice – Attached) **Nominations by 14<sup>th</sup> July**

*Hi everyone,*

Have a look on the next page! Alison has prepared a really neat calendar to put on your fridge or wall with easy reference to all the rides until Xmas. If anything changes we'll update the calendar for you – Thanks Al.

Big thanks to Trina Green also for attending the First Aid course which is needed for us to comply with regulations set by ATHRA. These courses take a lot of time out of our already busy schedule and we do very much appreciate the time & effort spent. If anyone else would like to attend any courses or accreditation days please let Lloyd know your interest so we can notify you well in advance of upcoming courses.

*Enjoy ☺*

# RCTHRC 2014 Ride Calendar

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March 8<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup>

Labour Day long-weekend

**Enfield**

April 18<sup>th</sup> – 21<sup>st</sup>

Easter Camp

**Glenlyon**

May 18th

Port & Pikelet ride

**Cobaws**

June 6<sup>th</sup> – 9th

Queen's Birthday long-weekend

**Eldorado**

July 19<sup>th</sup> – 20th

Christmas in July

**Toolleen**

August 17th

Day ride

**Newbury**

August 29<sup>th</sup> – 30th

Boomerang Ranch

**Daylesford**

September

T.B.A

October 25<sup>th</sup> – 26<sup>th</sup>

CFA Fundraiser

**Kerrie**

November 1<sup>st</sup> – 4th

Melbourne Cup Weekend

**Barmah**

December 6<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup>

Xmas Party

**Korweinguboorra**

**\*Brumby Awareness Ride \***

more info to come/ watch this space.....

## Other events of interest (non-ATHRA).....

- April 25<sup>th</sup> – 27<sup>th</sup> – Barmah Muster
- August 2<sup>nd</sup> – 3<sup>rd</sup> – Billabong Ranch (Echuca) Navigation & Poker ride
- October – 17<sup>th</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup> – Wakiti Creek Resort RDA Fundraiser

## SECRETARY STUFF.

Hi All,

Well summer has left and the cold weather is on its way, so don't forget your jackets on the club rides for the next couple of months.

If you have anything you are wanting to sell and you would like me to email it to all our members I ask that if you are supplying pic's with your ad that you downsize them before you send them to me as the larger file take way too long to send and some members email addresses refuse them due to their size.

I would like to Thank Allison Seeley for taking the time to create our new ride calendar for you all, that way you won't miss any upcoming rides, it might be a good idea to print it out and stick it on the fridge, that way you won't miss any upcoming rides.

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### Labour Day Long Weekend 2014

**WOW**, what an absolutely Fantastic weekend this was, I'm sure all that were present would agree with me about this GR8 weekend at John Brady's at Enfield, I would like to thank a few people for all their effort over the weekend, in no particular order, John Brady for making us feel so welcome at his property, Kim Gooch for bringing Johns place to our attention, Allison and Chris for their constant water patrols, rest assured no horse went thirsty, Chris, Rob, Mick & Burnie for manning the BBQ over the weekend and cooking up a treat, Kim, Brenda & Petra for all the dish washing, and to all the club members for making it a most memorable weekend, if I have left anybody out I sincerely apologise.

Please mark the Labour Day weekend in next year's diary as we have already asked John to book it for us again.

(Trina's Ride Report attached)

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### "EASTER at GLENLYON 2014"

This is will be our 22<sup>nd</sup> year at Glenlyon and we are looking forward to another GR8 Easter camp, as we will be having a catered dinner on the Saturday night we do require nominations.

I have received quite a few nominations to date, if you haven't yet nominated and plan on coming **PLEASE** don't leave it till the last minute as I will need to know numbers for the catering people.

**Nominations are a MUST for this weekend.**

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### "Cobaws Port and Pikelet Ride from Benloch end."

Our infamous **Port & Pikelets** ride is on again this May, this is truly a GR8 social ride/event, one not to be missed.

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## "Queen's Birthday" weekend - ELDORADO

This ride is for **RCTHRC Members & family ONLY** due to the limited number of horses allowed by the caravan park. If you plan on attending you will need to nominate **ASAP** as we are nearly full.

**Nominations are a MUST for this weekend.**

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### "Christmas in JULY." @ Toolleen

We will be celebrating Xmas in July at the "Toolleen Hotel" in 2014 as a new ride/camp, this promises to be another FUN weekend at the Toolleen pub, catered Saturday night meal and we are happy to be able to have the services of "Jefferson Smith" to entertain us on Saturday night.

**Nominations are a MUST for this weekend.**

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### "Boomerang Ranch weekend"

We will be going back to the "Boomerang Ranch" in August 2014, full details next newsletter.

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## NEW MEMBERS

More new members we would like to WELCOME,

Gail Pattison, Alan Salter, Cooper Herbert,

Please make them feel Welcome on the next ride.

We currently have 150 Financial Members.

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### Membership Renewal

RCTHRC membership, is now well & truly overdue for 2014, we have some really GR8 rides coming up this year and if you plan on renewing your membership you will need to do so prior to a ride.

**PLEASE don't leave it till the week before or the morning of a ride.**

If you have a junior to renew there is 1 additional form that must be filled out for juniors.

Please contact me if you require additional forms emailed to you.

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***"To understand the soul of a horse is the closest human beings can come to knowing perfection"***

*We ask all members were possible to support our FANTASTIC club sponsors listed in this newsletter.*

## Enfield Ride 7/3/14 – 10/3/14

We arrived with beautiful weather on Friday to find some riders already set up and enjoying a relaxing bevy in the drinker's barn. The property is just perfectly secluded amongst the Enfield state forest. The barn was well set up with central heating where the boys went into competition and cooked up a storm.. (my kitchen rules is boring compared to watching these guys flippin' their sausages). The intercom was there to alert the town dinner was ready. (which someone pulled the string off , Lloyd, I told you not to swing off it!!). So we drank up and cheered the on comers as they pulled in loaded with floats, horses and camping gear.

Saturday morning we were all keen to get out on our horses and relax in the saddle with ride leader Eddie taking us out on the sandy tracks, laughing and sharing jokes. We came back to a BBQ tea that was delicious, cooked by the boys. We topped it off with a few more bevys and some night entertainment of singing, dancing and shananagans. Dance classes were scheduled for the next morning, Paul and Michelle were keen to attend and brush up on the nutbush. That juke box sure has a lot to answer for..

Some girls think that after a few drinks they are ready for "Australia's Got Talent".. I hate to tell them, but none of the judges on the night would of scored them.. lol, however it was completely spontaneous and hilarious and just a warm up for Sunday night.

Apologies to the audience that had to witness the crazy rendition of "Bat Out Of Hell" by Gladys Natch and her mate I'm sure Meat would have been horrified as it looked like the ABBA version.

Sunday was just as great, we were all saddled up by 10am and away we all headed off with John leading the ride to the pub. The pub had a BBQ waiting and cold drinks were enjoyed by all. Pete, there will be assistance in future for those who drink a little too much and need help to put their bridle on the right way. Great to hear George will be going by train to Perth with Gladys for a holiday later in life, their families wish them well. Leanne all I can say is woohoo !!

It was embarrassing to say the least when Gary and Trina thought their well trained horses wouldn't need their fence tape and packed it up, leaving the boys to feed out of their buckets. The boys decided the state forest looked so appealing and ran off to explore the endless bush..Trina was heard for miles screaming "Gary" and chasing them into the yonder, losing sight of them.

A massive thank you to John for his help to locate our horses in the pine plantation and relieving our panic.

This was an amazing weekend with love, fun and laughter, these weekends are fantastic and a big thanks goes out to the wonderful people who do so much to make it possible..

Marz, just a little advice.. keep loo paper in your pocket at all times.

Cindy hilarious.. but glad's big girly garments will never fit you..sorry.

Thankyou John Brady for your hospitality, it was a great weekend and we look forward to our next weekend out at your property..with the new disco lights, dance pole and bucking bull.

Trina.



# RCTHRC Pie

It's easy to tell when your club has grown to a level that its members are proud to be a part of it, below is an example of just how proud Chris Haber is of the RCTHRC, Chris made a special pie to be enjoyed by some members at the recent "John Brady ride/camp at Enfield", I was lucky enough to be one of the members that got to taste our first "Club Pie" and let me just say that I can't wait till he makes another one, it was simply delicious.







**2014 EASTER CAMP – GLENLYON**  
**BY INVITATION OF RIDDELLS CREEK TRAIL HORSE RIDING CLUB INC.**

- **WHERE:** GLENLYON PONY CLUB GROUNDS – GLENLYON

**WHEN:** EASTER – April 18th – 21st April 2014

(You are welcome to arrive on Thursday afternoon if you wish.)

**RIDE OUT TIMES:**

FRIDAY	HALF DAY RIDE	12:30PM
SATURDAY	FULL DAY RIDE	10:00AM
SUNDAY	HALF DAY RIDE	12:30PM
MONDAY	HALF DAY RIDE	10:00AM

**COST:** R.C.T.H.R.C. MEMBERS & Family \$50.00 PER PERSON,  
Non Riding visitors /ATHRA Members \$60 & all Juniors 12 and under \$25 for the  
weekend, includes, camping, Saturday Night Catered Dinner & all rides.  
Kid's under 5 FREE.

**Saturday Night only, catered dinner & camping/ride \$25.**

**If you only want to ride/stay 1 night other than Saturday night cost is \$10**

**As we are having a catered dinner on the Saturday Night, Nominations are a MUST  
no later than the 4th of APRIL 2014**

**\$25.00 PER PERSON PER DAY FOR NON ATHRA MEMBERS**

(Non ATHRA riders may only ride twice with ATHRA clubs before becoming members)

***This applies whether camping/camping & riding or riding for a day only.***

- There is plenty of room at the Pony club grounds for camping. There are toilets, water taps and mineral springs. A well sheltered, secure 40 acre paddock is available for the horses, or you can use your portable yards.
- There are only limited trees for night-lining.
- You will need to bring your usual camping gear, for you and your horse including food.

**COME ALONG AND HAVE AN EASTER AFFAIR WITH US**

This has been a very popular camp over the last 20 years with lots of riders coming from other clubs. It's a great opportunity to meet new and old faces, swap yarns, have a drink, sit around the fire or dance the night away with the Juke Box, yahoo and anything else you can think of , so come along and help us CELEBRATE EASTER at GLENLYON.....

**Hope to SEE YOU THERE.**

- *Horses are to be reasonably fit, with feet adequately conditioned and / or shod.*
- *No Stallions.*
- *Breastplates and Cruppers are recommended.*
- *Horses known to kick must wear a red ribbon in their tail.*
- *Under 18's must wear an approved riding helmet.*
- *Riders under 16 must be under adult supervision and have a signed approval.*
- *RCTHRC recommends that all riders have Ambulance cover.*
- *Dogs are not permitted on the ride itself but when in the camping area must be on a lead at all times.*
- *All riders must adhere to the RCTHRC rules which incorporate the ATHRA Code of Conduct.*
- *All riders must advise the Ride Leader of any medical condition prior to the commencement of the ride.*

Information and Nominations to, [Lloyd Fletcher 0400668020/9743 5582](tel:0400668020) or [rcthrc1@hotmail.com](mailto:rcthrc1@hotmail.com)

Refer page 2 for Nomination form and map.

Please return the following section with your cheque made payable to

**RIDDELLS CREEK TRAIL HORSE RIDING CLUB. (Mail to 3 Kevin Court, Melton South 3338)**

or Email, [rcthrc1@hotmail.com](mailto:rcthrc1@hotmail.com)

**Direct Deposit, Acc Name. Riddells Creek Trail Horse Riding Club.**

**Bank CBA (Commonwealth) BSB No. 063 840**

**Acc No. 1028 9173**

**Due to catering requirements NOMINATIONS required no later than the 4th of April 2014,**

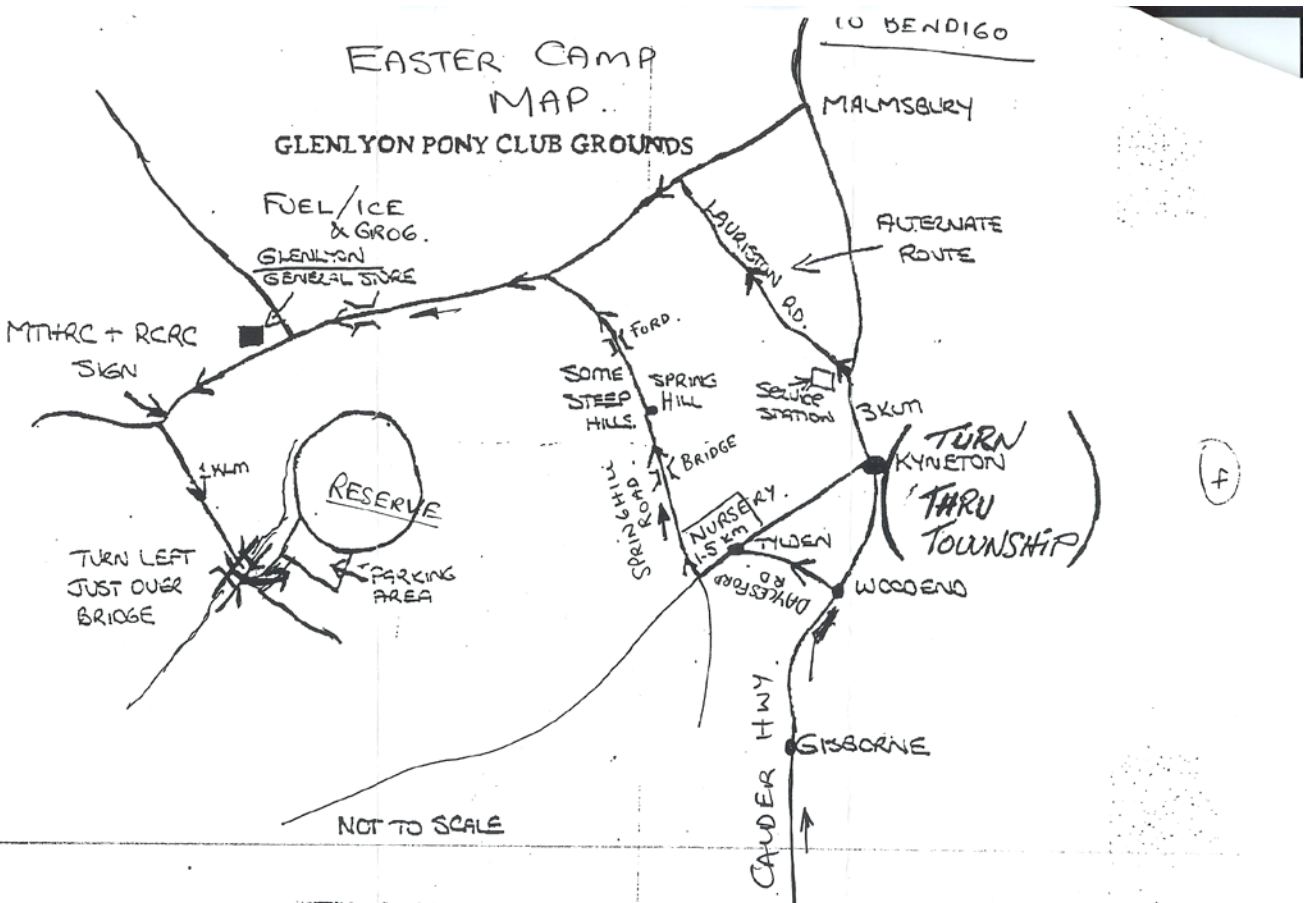
I/We will be attending Glenlyon for the 2014 EASTER Weekend.

Name/s \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone No: \_\_\_\_\_ Total amount payable \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*CLUB MERCHANDISE AVAILABLE AT CAMP\*\***





## Riddells Creek Trail Horse Riding Club Inc.

Incorporation No, A0002157C.

### Cobaws Port and Pikelet Ride from Benloch end. Sun 18<sup>th</sup> May 2014

Come and join us for a lovely Port and Yummy Pikelet's with cream & jam, for those that don't drink, we will have plenty of tea & coffee to enjoy with your pikelets.

The ride will start just off the Burke and Wills track at Benloch. Parking will be a short distance from the turn off and RCTHRC signs will be displayed.

Riding will be on sandy / gravel, roads and tracks with flat to undulating terrain. There may be the odd hill but they will not be too severe.

Tea and coffee & hopefully some pikelets & cream left over from the morning will be available after the ride approx. 3:00 pm

- *Horses are to be reasonably fit, with feet adequately conditioned and / or shod.*
- *Stallions by approval only.*
- *Breastplates and Cruppers are recommended.*
- *Horses known to kick must wear a red ribbon in their tail.*
- *Under 18's must wear an approved riding helmet*
- *Riders under 16 must be under adult supervision and have a Signed approval.*
- *RCTHRC recommends that all riders have ambulance cover*
- *All riders must adhere to RCTHRC rules which incorporate the ATHRA Code of Conduct.*
- *All riders must advise the Ride Leader of any medical condition Prior to the commencement of the ride.*

***Ride out time 10.00am but will need to be ready by 9:30 in order to enjoy the refreshments before we start.***

***BYO Saddle bag lunch and drink.***

**Ride Leader: Rob Stephens      Enquiries: 0437226266**

**Cost: \$2.00 Members.**

**\$5.00 Non Members with ATHRA Insurance.**

**\$25.00 Ride fee for prospective members without ATHRA Insurance.**

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Reg No A0002157C



**"Christmas in JULY" @ Toolleen**

**July 19<sup>th</sup> -20<sup>th</sup>**

Nominations/Enq: Lloyd Fletcher ph. 0400 668 020

Email: [rcthrc1@hotmail.com](mailto:rcthrc1@hotmail.com)

or

Chris Haber: 0437 852 869 (Enquires)

**This ride is ONLY open to current RCTHRC members.**

You can arrive Friday afternoon if you wish. We'll be camping across the road from the Toolleen pub on the public reserve, so please be self-sufficient for a full weekend of camping for both you & your horse, including drinking water. Water for the horses, flushing toilets and a small undercover area with a BBQ are available at the reserve, we also have the use of the 'Big Shed' behind the pub for the dinner on Saturday night. Please let us know if you plan to have a meal at the pub Friday night so that we can give the publican a heads-up on numbers. There are trees on the reserve should you wish to night-line your horse, otherwise it's b.y.o. yards (hot or hard). If your horse is un-accustomed to hot-tape yards, RCTHRC recommends you familiarise your horse with it prior to arriving, as the reserve is on the corner of the main road and there is no fencing around the reserve should your horse escape. Manure must be spread and any rubbish taken home with you.

**Please do not use the hard-yards on the corner opposite the pub.**

## **What's included:**

- Saturday trail ride.
- Saturday night 2 course meal of Bush Steak or Parma & home-made desserts.
  - Live Saturday night entertainment & as much Fun as you can handle.
  - Please don't forget to indicate if you are **Vegetarian** when nominating.

## **Saturday trail ride**

**Horseless muster @ 9.30am, ride out 10.00am (Saddle Bag Lunch)**

- *Horses that are known to kick MUST wear a red ribbon in their tail.*
- *Horses must be reasonably fit and well-shod or have suitably conditioned hooves.*
- *Do not pass the ride leader or fall behind the drag rider without his/her permission.*
- *Always leave one horse length in between each horse.*
- *Always ensure to keep the horse in front of you in sight.*
- *Under 18's must be accompanied by an adult and wear an approved riding helmet.*
- *It is the rider's responsibility to inform the ride leader/organizer of any medical conditions that he/she may have.*

- *RCTHRC recommends that all riders have ambulance cover.*
- *No Stallions*
- *Dogs are permitted at your camp but must be kept on a lead & under control at all times.*

Feel free to ride Sunday; however this will not be an ATHRA sanctioned ride, so you will be riding at your own risk.

### **Cost**

**\$50 RCTHRC Members (Riders & or Campers/Non-Riders)**  
**\$25 RCTHRC Members under 15 (child) (Riders & or Campers/Non-Riders)**

***Numbers are limited, so PLEASE get your nominations in early***

**For catering purposes nominations are required by**  
**Monday 14<sup>th</sup> July 2014.**

### **Directions**

MELWAYS REF. Map 609 H2

**The Toolleen Hotel is on the Northern Highway approx. 25kms from Heathcote heading towards Elmore/Echuca.**

**. Toolleen Hotel, TOOLLEEN, VIC**  
**Cnr Northern Hwy and Cornella Rd**  
**Toolleen VIC 3551. Ph. 5433 6220**



I/we will be attending the **RCTHRC "Christmas in JULY"** at Toolleen - July 19<sup>th</sup> & 20<sup>th</sup> 2014

Name/s.....

Contact Number.....

Friday night meal at pub at your cost – yes / no

Vegetarian – yes / no

Non-Riding Attendee yes / no.

Current ATHRA member No \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Riding Saturday trail ride – yes / no.

ATHRA club name .....

Amount enclosed (if applicable) .....or

Date of Direct-Deposit.....

**Direct Bank Deposit info:**

**A/C Name: RCTHRC**

**Bank: CBA. BSB: 063 840 A/C: 1028 9173**

***Please insert your Surname & Christmas in the reference column***

**Or post to**

**RCTHRC  
3 Kevin Crt,  
Melton Sth, 3338**

# Dakenag

Dakenag Electric Fencing is now offering all Riddells Creek Trail Horse Riding Club Members a **10% Discount** on any purchase of our products. All you have to do is come to our branch at 852 Cooper Street, Campbellfield and show your membership card and we will happily help you with all your Electric Fencing needs.





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