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RIDDELLS CREEK TRAIL HORSE RIDING CLUB **JUNE 2015 NEWSLETTER**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

JULY 24TH – 25TH	CHRISTMAS IN JULY @ TOOLLEEN Ride Notice – Attached Nominations
AUGUST 5TH	AGM – RAILWAY HOTEL Nomination forms attached
AUGUST 16TH	WATERLOO FLAT ROAD – BBQ Ride Notice – Attached Nominations
SEPTEMBER 18TH - 19TH	ELAINE – JOE CURMI'S Ride Notice – Closer to date
SEPTEMBER 17TH – 28TH	SA RIDE – GLADSTONE to QUORN Ride Full
OCTOBER 30TH – 3RD Cup weekend	ENFIELD – JOHN BRADY'S Ride Notice – TBA
NOVEMBER 15TH	MT DISAPPOINTMENT Ride Notice – TBA
DECEMBER 4TH – 6TH	XMAS PARTY RIDE – FLOWERDALE Ride Notice and details TBA

Hi Everyone,

Glad to see we've trained you not to expect a newsletter every month!!

*There has been lots of planning to get all the ride dates set on the calendar so you can mark your diaries in advance and not miss out – make sure those pesky relatives don't book your riding weekends. **We need more photos from everyone please** – if you have taken any pics during a ride please download them onto the club laptop at the end of the ride so we can all enjoy the memories and I can include in the newsletters, which would make them all the more interesting seeing yourself.*

Enjoy the newsletter☺ See you on the Trail

SECRETARY STUFF.

Hi All,

Another a GR8 Port & Pikelets ride was enjoyed by the 38 that attended, we had a couple of new members enjoying their first ride with the club and a couple of ATHRA members from another club join us for the day, we were quite lucky with the weather as it turned to be a nice sunny day, I would like to THANK Brenda & Petra for the yummy Pikelets, whipped cream & jam and Rob for the port, I actually had time to enjoy some Pikelets and toppings thanks to Kim & Julie doing the sign in for me I must mention the 2 Gypsy Cob X's that were on the ride, many of our members were quite taken by their nature condition seeing they were both young and doing their first ride with a large group, I hope to see them both on our rides in the future.

Committee/Club Meeting.

FRIDAY, May 8th, 7.30pm at the Railway Hotel - Macedon

I would like to thank all the members that attended, it is GR8 to see that there is a lot of interest in what the club is planning and there was a good amount of input during the meeting.

We all enjoyed a quite drink after the meeting courtesy of the club.

Central Vic Regional Camp @ Strath Creek.

Just over 70 riders attended the inaugural "Central Victoria Regional Camp" held at the Kemps property at Strath Creek, the Camp Oven Cook Of was a Fantastic success and to say there was enough food would be a gross understatement, as the cooks from all the different clubs simply out did themselves, I would like to thank Mark Chircop for taking on the role of "Trail Boss" over the weekend, Julie & Kim for suppling food on behalf of the club and all the RCTHRC members that attended, we all had a GR8 time and thoroughly enjoyed the inter club comradery over the weekend.

A special thanks to Katie & Mitch Kemp for all their hard work to get the weekend up & running.

"Christmas in JULY" @ Toolleen 2015

This year's event promises to even better than last years, Chris has organised an awesome band for the Saturday Night, Kim's Tack Sale will be on again for the Sunday morning, so bring all the gear you're not using and turn it in to some cash, **NEW for 2015** will be the "Karaoke Friday" night, so bring along your best voice and give it a go, oh, we will also be fitting in a ride on Saturday.

The committee has decided to have special event merchandise made for this year, it will be **black** with **club logo** and "Christmas in JULY" Toolleen 2015 embroidered on it as per sample picture. These items will **ONLY** be available as a special order; order forms will be available in the coming weeks.

Nominations are definitely required for this camp.

Ride Notice Attached

Bullengarook – Waterloo Flat Road Sun 16th August 2015.

The club will be supplying a BBQ Lunch for this day ride, so nominations are required so we know how much food will be required.

Ride Notice Attached

Joe Curmi's in September. 18th/19th

Joe will be hosting a Day ride for the club on the Sunday for those of you that would like to make a weekend out of it he is happy to accommodate members by running a short ride on the Saturday also.

Full Details to come.

2015 Club Xmas Party December 5th & 6th.

This year we will be holding our annual club Christmas Party/Ride at Flowerdale courtesy of Alan & Deb Schulz, full details to be advised.

Please mark the date on your calendar for this event.

NEW MEMBERS

More new members we would like to WELCOME,

Lindsay Green, Pauline Wallace, Kathie Richens, Dean Smith, Danny O'Meara & Renay Gamble.

Please make them feel Welcome on the next ride.

We currently have 149 Financial Members for 2015.

***“When the Almighty put
hooves on the wind and a
bridle on the lightning, He
called it a horse”***

I have reprinted the poem below for all of the members that have asked about it, I sincerely hope you agree with what it says & means.

JUST A HORSE

From time to time, someone will comment how they don't understand my passion for horses. When I try to explain they will generally reply by saying something like "...but it's just a horse!" I know then that I can't justify in their minds the distances traveled, the time spent, or the costs involved with owning "just a horse."

- Many of my proudest moments have happened with "just a horse."
- Some of my most peaceful and soulful memories have occurred when my only company was "just a horse."
- Some of my saddest times have involved "just a horse."
- Because of "just a horse" I will rise early, work hard and look longingly to the future
- In those days of darkness, the gentle touch of "just a horse" will give me comfort, understanding and love that will put my soul at ease.
- "Just a horse" brings out the compassion and patience that make me a better person.
- "Just a horse" diverts my thoughts away from myself and the often trivial worries of the day.
- "Just a horse" is an embodiment of many of my hopes and dreams for the future, the fond memories of the past, and the pure joy of living in the moment.
- "Just a horse" is the thing that keeps me from being "just a person."

So the next time someone says to me it's "just a horse" I smile because "they" just don't understand.

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"Christmas in JULY" @ Toolleen 2015

July 25th - 26th

Nominations/Enquiries: Lloyd Fletcher ph.
0400 668 020

Email: 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, this will be at your own cost.

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 all rubbish taken home with you.

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

What's included:

KARAOKE FRIDAY,

FANCY DRESS SATURDAY NIGHT

&

SUNDAY TACK SWAP MEET.

- Saturday trail ride.
- Saturday night 2 course meal of Bush Steak or Parma & home-made desserts.
- Friday & 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

\$60 RCTHRC Members (Riders & or Campers/Non-Riders)

\$30 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 13th July 2015.

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 25th & 26th 2015

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 & Xmas in the Reference Column

Or post to

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



SPECIAL ORDER FORM

Christmas in July @ Toolleen 2015

ALL shirts and tops will be in BLACK ONLY

These are a Special Edition only and will not be repeated - there will be no excess stock held.

Orders need to be placed & paid for NO later than Sunday 14th of June 2015.

NAME: _____

SHIRT Polo \$35

Size	S	M	L	XL	2XL	3XL	5XL	Value
QTY	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

VEST Poly Fleece \$45

Size	XS	S	M	L	2XL	3XL	Value
QTY	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

TOP Poly Fleece - Short Zip \$50

Size	XS	S	M	L	2XL	3XL	Value
QTY	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

TOP Poly Fleece - Full Length Zip \$50

Size	XS	S	M	L	2XL	3XL	Value
QTY	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

Layered Jacket \$80

Size	XS	S	M	L	2XL	3XL	Value
QTY	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	\$ <input type="text"/>

Total Order Value \$

PAYMENT BY EFT TO: Riddells Creek Trail Horse Riding Club
 BSB: 063-840
 ACCOUNT: 1028 9173

Please use your Surname & Xmas as a reference



2015 RCTHRC AGM

Wednesday August 5th

Yes, it's nearly that time of the year again when you, the members need to decide who you would like holding the club

reins for the following year, hopefully we will get a good number of members attending, after all it is YOUR club.

All positions on the committee will become vacant.

Macedon Railway Hotel,

33 Smith St, Macedon.

7- 30pm

Committee Nomination forms attached

6- 00pm for those of you that wish to join us for a meal.

Please, mark it on your calendar, so you don't forget.



AGM 2015 Nomination Form

Name of Nominee
(Must be a current financial RCTHRC Inc. member)

Position of Nomination
President, Secretary, Ass Secretary, Treasurer, News Letter, and General Committee (can nominate
for more than one)
(and other executive position as decided on the day)

Postal Address

Residential Address
(If different to postal)

Telephone(B/H)(A/H)

Email Mobile

Name of NominatorSignature
(Must be a current financial RCTHRC Inc. member)
Contact Phone No.....

Name of SeconderSignature
(Must be a current financial RCTHRC Inc. member)
Contact Phone No.....

I consent to this nomination and confirm that the information on this form is correct.

.....
Signature of Nominee as named at the top of this form.

To be completed & returned to:

The Secretary **RCTHRC** 3 Kevin Court, Melton Sth, 3338

Or email: rcthrc1@hotmail.com

For administrative reasons only –

- Postal/email nominations close Friday 1st of August, 2014
- Nominations will be taken from the floor if insufficient nominations are received



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Bullengarook – Waterloo Flat Road Sun 16th August 2015

This ride will start from Waterloo Flat road Bullengarook and ride in the Wombat Forest. Riding will be on sandy/gravel, roads and tracks with terrain being flat to undulating and there will be some hilly sections but not daunting. Anticipated return to floats will be around 2:30pm where tea and coffee will be available.

- *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.*
- *Dogs are not permitted on the ride itself but when in the float parking 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.*

Ride out time 10:00am.

BBQ Lunch supplied, BYO drink.

Ride Leader: Rob Stephens

Cost: \$5.00 Members
 \$10.00 Non Members with ATHRA Insurance
 \$25.00 Ride fee for prospective members without ATHRA Insurance

Nominations: Lloyd Fletcher 0400 668 020 or rcthrc1@hotmail.com

PLEASE nominate by the 10th of August for this ride so we know how much food we will need.

PORT & PIKELETS RIDE – BENLOCH .

It was a pleasant day weather wise when we all rocked up at Benloch ready for a day ride with the kick start of a port married with a pikelet smothered in jam & cream – what better way to start the day! I must say that this ride is one of my favourites.

As we leisurely downed our beverage, which some of us drank coffee & tea, our second or third pikelet, there was chatting and laughter amongst the riders – 10am ride out turned into 10.25am ride out by the time we all mounted up and signalled we were ready.

There were about 37 of us in total so a nice bunch setting off into the wild Australian bush, with Robbie as our leader. The day was bright, calm and very inviting. The bush was not changed since we were there last year but that was nice in a way, we all could relax and enjoy ourselves our horses were all well behaved and happy.

Lunch break landed us at dam and the horses rested while chattered and munched our way through saddle bag goodies. The off again for the final leg home, all I could hear from the back was laughing & hooping from the troop. My friend Dana rode her young horse for the first ride in a group and he was calm and unperturbed about the 30 odd riders around him, I credit that to the club members who set a relaxed and inviting atmosphere for young horses. Well done everyone!

I didn't have any photos of the day – shame – so I added a few shop pics.

Pikelets looked a bit like this yum.....



See you in the saddle
Brenda & Billy (Idol)

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