

TASMANIAN HIGH COUNTRY RIDERS

May Newsletter 2010

Well what a wonderful start to the year with absolutely beautiful weather for all of our rides so far.

We have also had our March Meeting which was held at the Blue Barn Cafe on the 25th and as far as I could tell it was the largest turn up in a long time. Well done to Debbie and Stuart, and thanks for a great relaxed night. Our next meeting will be held on the 27th of May at the Blue Barn Cafe, Frankford and will commence at 7.30pm. Hope to see you there!

Our first ride out since the last newsletter was at Kimberly, 27th February

Ride Report- The morning started off slightly damp but by the time we all saddled up and were on our way the sun was shining and ended up a lovely day. We had 13 riders to start the ride with 2 running slightly late due to a flat tyre on the way. With Brian leading the way we wandered along the river and then up through to the plantation, unfortunately 2 riders needed to head back early in the ride. After lunch the ride was a bit adventurous with weaving in and out of the trees and the views were great. There were no accidents and the day ended well, with maybe a few stiff riders after four and a half hours in the saddle.

Storys Creek, 7th March

Ride Report- Yet again, we were very lucky with the weather, seven riders headed out with Stephanie and Sharla leading us off on a short loop back to camp to warm up the horses and then with six on the rest of the way, over to Rossarden and back again finding a nice spot by the creek to stop for lunch. An absolutely fascinating part of Tassie, I have to say. No incidents and a very relaxing ride with Stephanie keeping us amused along the way.

Chudleigh, 27th March

Ride Report - Weather and conditions were really good. Unfortunately the ride was far too short, but it was in some beautiful countryside. The lunch break was only an hour out, and then there was only a 20 minute ride back to base. The company as always was excellent! Someone - not to mention a certain VP - came with one horse and left with two. The horse has worked out extremely well and will be a permanent fixture at future rides, along with his 'old' horse and its new rider, Emma Hall, sister in law of the VP. There was an unfortunate float accident to Louella's mare Ellie. Because of this, Louella did not take part in the ride but returned to Osmaston to receive veterinary treatment for Ellie. Thankfully, all is now well. Thank you to Bree for taking the ride.

Evandale, 24th April

Ride Report- With the rain pouring down and the wind, it was an interesting start to the day, but by the time we headed off on the ride the weather had settled and the sun shone a little. 26 keen riders turned up for the day and it was fantastic with only 1 down pour just after lunch but we all managed to be dry by the time we got back. We had a couple of extra keen riders as Stuarts ute over heated and he and Brittany had a ride to join us at the start and then back again to the ute at the end of the day, after the 4 and a half hour ride with us. It was also great to see Wendy back on again and out on the ride. No incidents to report and a fantastic ride thank you Anne and Sally. Personally it has been my best ride.

Our upcoming ride dates are: Contact:

MAY 23rd (sun): AVOCA Andrew-63441632/0418348960

JUNE 12^{TH} : GREENHILL Louella-0418489277/63622251

JULY 25th (sun): ASBESTOS RANGES Wendy-64286070

AUGUST 21st: STOODLEY (BBQ) Kris-64261554

SEPTEMBER 26th: FRANKFORD Stan & Anne 63961208

All Members are reminded that a \$3.00 capping fee must be paid at all club rides, this fee must be paid prior to going on the ride. It would be appreciated if the correct change could be handed in on the day of the ride.

Please inform the ride contact if attending any of the rides. All rides leave at 10am sharp, so please be ready by 9.30am. Thanks.

JUST A REMINDER:

Please check your gear is correctly fitted and all intact before heading out on the ride to ensure a safe an enjoyable ride for you and your horse.







LATEST NEWS ----- We are on Face book. Tasmanian High Country Riders Association. Search in pages and join as a fan. Any input is welcome as well as photos and discussions.

All ride dates will be posted on this page as well as the usual advertisements in the Examiner and the Advocate.

If anyone is interested in attaining their First Aid Certificate please read the flyer attached. (We need first aiders on all of our rides so please consider).

Until next time, Happy Trails.

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