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RIDDELLS CREEK TRAIL HORSE RIDING CLUB **JULY 2014 NEWSLETTER**

CALENDER OF EVENTS

SEPTEMBER 21ST	FIRTH PARK – BULLENGAROOK Ride Notice - Attached
OCTOBER 12TH	SILVER BRUMBY RUN – LAURISTON Ride Notice - TBA
OCT 31ST – NOV 4TH Cup weekend	BARMAH Ride notice – Attached
NOVEMBER 16TH	Mt DISAPPOINTMENT
DECEMBER 6TH – 7TH	XMAS PARTY - KORWEINGUBOORA

FOR FURTHER DATES & EVENTS CHECK YOUR RIDE CALANDER

Hi Everyone,

Yes it's August and we're sending out the July Newsletter, don't worry you haven't missed anything. Special thanks to the old & new committee members, who shuffled in & out last Wednesday at the AGM, welcome aboard and to all our members – thanks for your support.

Toolleen was a huge success with the fancy dress & tack boot sale- everyone enjoyed themselves immensely and we'll definitely be doing that one again next year. One of the highlights of the night was surprising Lloyd with his Life Membership which he soooo deserves for putting up with all of us! Big thanks to Kim Sinclair for rustling up all the raffle prizes there were some beauties there.

As we head towards Spring there are rides aplenty so mark up your calendars and get your gear ready. If you own a Standie there's an award just waiting for you! See the flyer attached.

Enjoy the newsletter J See you on the Trail

SECRETARY STUFF.

Hi All,

First of all I would like to apologise for the lateness of this Newsletter, I have been quite busy and just couldn't find the time to get everything to Brenda in time, so I decided to wait till the AGM was held and be able to WELCOME the new committee in this newsletter.

"Christmas in JULY." @ Toolleen

WOW, WHAT A WEEKEND, is the best way I could describe our "Christmas in JULY." @ Toolleen camp/ride, the amazing effort that the members went to with their Fancy Dress costumes simply amazed me and I'm sure a hell of a lot of others that were there, I can only congratulate them all for an outstanding job they all did, I would like to THANK the small band of members that put an awful lot of work into making this event so memorable, Chris, Paul, Allison, Kim, Julie, Brenda & Petra, without members like this group we simply couldn't run such FANTASTIC weekends, I can only imagine what members will be wearing at the 2015 event. The committee presented Jimmy Webb with a large framed photo of the 100 or so riders lined up in front of his "Toolleen Pub" at our "Ricky Bannister Charity Ride" in appreciation of his ongoing support of the RCTHRC.

I would also like to thank the committee, who TOTALLY surprised me on the Saturday night by presenting me with a "LIFE MEMBERSHIP" certificate, it was truly a surprise that had me speechless (if you can believe that) and VERY much APPRECIATED.

Leanne's ride report attached.

Heritage Horse Parade Echuca

You still have time to enter for this event if you want to be part of the wonderful "HERITAGE HORSE PARADE", a ride thru the main streets of Echuca on the 16th&17th of August has been organised, all the details have been sent via email to all members, so if you haven't registered and want to you will need to do so ASAP, I ask all members that are attending to make sure you have your RCTHRC tops on for this must do ride.

Newsletter "Bum Competition.

To say that I'm disappointed would be a huge understatement, I didn't receive one single entry for what we thought was a fun way of bringing new ideas to the newsletter, and obviously we were wrong with NO interest from the members shown at all, so it was our first & last attempt.

For those of you that would like to know what Bum belonged to who, Brenda has listed them in this newsletter for you.

September Day Ride.

We will be doing our day ride for September from Firth Park, Bullengarook (map attached) some of you may also like to camp on the Saturday Night, if you decide to take the camp option it will be up to you to supply everything for yourself.

Ride Notice attached

"Melb Cup Weekend" at BARMAH.

The ride notice for this Fantastic weekend is attached, if you haven't been to our past camps at Barmah you have missed some GR8 rides & times, this is a full self sufficient camp, yards & water are available for your horses, you will need to bring everything else for yourself, we plan on having dinner at the Barmah Pub on the Saturday night for those interested.

2014 RCTHRC Christmas Party/Ride

Once again the committee are happy to announce the 2014 "RCTHRC Christmas Party/Ride" will be FREE to all financial RCTHRC members (you must be financial prior to the 31st of September 2014), full details in attached notice.

2014 RCTHRC AGM

On behalf of the New 2014/2015 Committee I would like to thank Nikki, Dave & Lyn as outgoing committee members for their outstanding efforts throughout the past years, without members like this who are willing to contribute we wouldn't have such a strong club.

I would also like to welcome the new committee and look forward to working with them all in the coming year,

- President Rob Stephens
 - Secretary Lloyd Fletcher
 - Ass Secretary Brenda King
 - Treasurer Petra Egry
 - Newsletter Editor Brenda King
 - General Committee Members
 - Joe Schembri, Kim Sinclair, Julie Madin, Gary Schwarze, Mark Chircop, Jan Webb, Bernie Hales.
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"Hoof over Hill" 2015 Reunion

Alan & Deb Schulz have graciously invited the members of the RCTHRC to attend the reunion of the infamous "Hoof over Hills" ride in 2015, this event will be held on the 10th & 11th of April 2015. For those members that aren't aware of the past Hoof over Hills rides, this fantastic event was a must do event on the yearly calendar for 9 years and we are very thankful to Alan & Deb for the kind invitation.

Full information regarding this event will be advised in the coming months.

So mark the date in your calendar for this not to be Missed event.

NEW MEMBERS

More new members we would like to WELCOME,

Mick Rowe, Bill & Robyn Thompson.

Please make them feel Welcome on the next ride.

We currently have 185 Financial Members.

***“They do not judge. They do not gossip. They do not lie.
Horses, our true friends.”***

We ask all members where possible to support our FANTASTIC club sponsors listed in this newsletter. If you would like to contribute any stories /photos / events of interest please feel free to include it in the newsletters.

Toolleen Ride Report

The build up to the Toolleen Weekend was incredibly exciting, I could hardly wait. Lots of talk about costumes, but not many people were letting on what they had organized.

All packed and lucky enough to finish work early [Pete still at work] I loaded the horses and headed off.

Friday night we all gathered in the shed had a beautiful meal and danced away to music performed by Adam Toms.

Saturday we woke to the sun peaking through the clouds, under the supervision of our trustee ride organizers, 67 of us set off to what was a very relaxing enjoyable ride, strolling along some beautiful bush tracks plenty of opportunities to head in the bush for a bit of a canter and the chance to jump a few logs. Not me. We got the chance to hop off have a bit of lunch, stretch the legs, we arrived safe and sound back at camp early arvo.

Once back at camp most of us took some time to relax have a couple of cold beverage's and catch up with friends. And a bit more of a chat about what the night might bring.

Then it was time to cossie up and head back over to one of our favorite places THE TOOLLEEN SHED. [PUB]

WOW, I wasn't let down the night just kept getting better and better, it must go down as one of the best nights, the effort that some people put into their costumes was just amazing.

FANCY DRESS WINNERS

1st Michelle Moulden –Vera the Vampire

2nd Chris Haber—Bad Biker

3rd Peter Horton- hippie

Best Couple---- Joe Curmi & Christine Redgen

Poppa & Muma Smurf

After fancy dress winners were announced there was a bit of an emotional moment, as the committee presented Lloyd Fletcher with a lifelong membership to the club.

Congratulations Lloyd you always put in 110% to everything you do for the club and I don't know any more deserving. Well done.

104 of us then took our seats and enjoyed a beautiful meal prepared by Jimmy Webb and Co.

After this we all danced the night away to the music performed by **Jefferson Smith and band.**

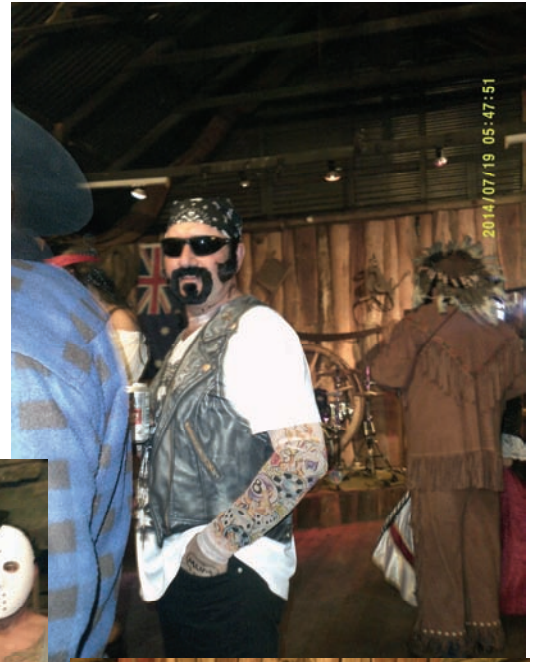
Next day seen us all gather in the shed again this time for a chance for some of the members to sell off their excess horse gear, to my knowledge this was a great success.

On behalf of my family I would like to say a Huge thank you to everybody involved in making this such a memorable weekend.

I can't wait to do it again next year.

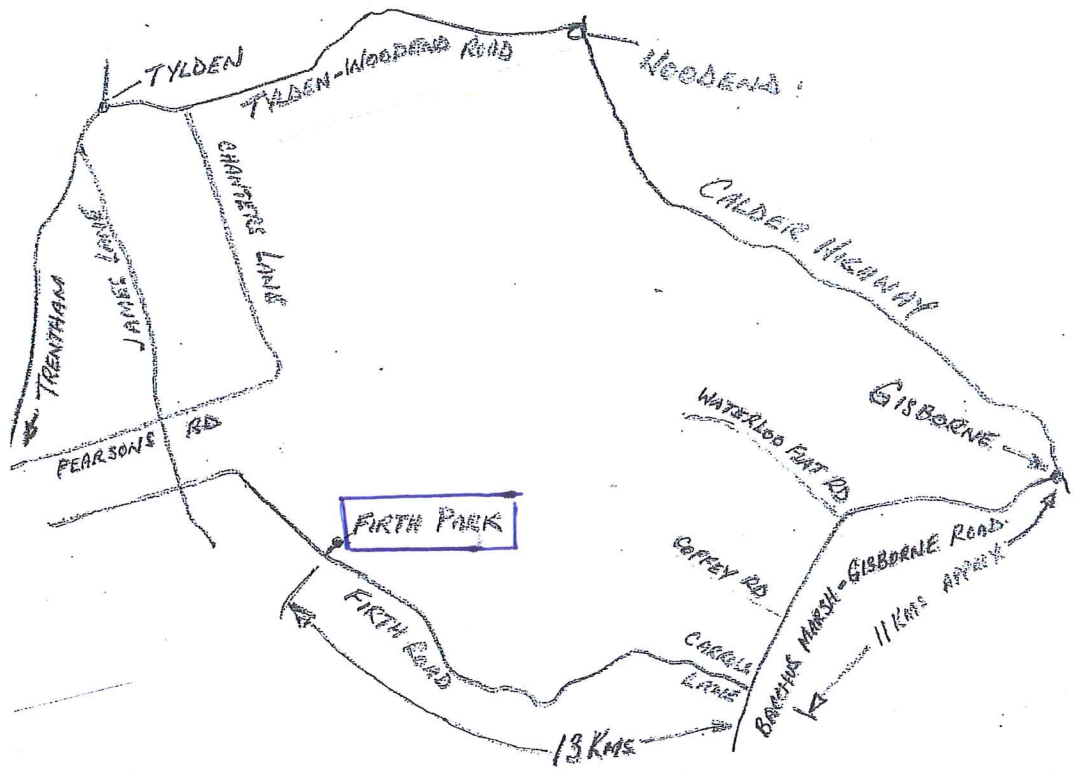
Cheers Leanne Horton

CHRISTMAS IN JULY 2014—TOOLEEN





FIRTH PARK



- TURN AT CARROLLS LANE
RCHRC SIGN WILL BE AT THIS INTERSELTION
- FIRTH PARK IS APPROX 13KM ON DIRT ROAD IF
YOUR COMING FROM BULLENGAROOK DIRECTION.
- PLEASE NOTE IT'S FIRTH PARK AND NOT
BULLENGAROOK REC. RESERVE!!

THERE IS CAMPING AVAIL. THERE AND IF YOU WISH
TO CAMP OVER SATURDAY NIGH - FEEL FREE TO DO SO.
THERE WILL BE NO CLUB PROVISIONS SO YOU WOULD
NEED TO TAKE ALL YOUR GEAR. ETC.

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Barmah Forest/Muster Yards October 31st – November 04th 2014.

Ride Leader : Chris Haber ph: 0437 852 869

Enquires: Lloyd Fletcher ph: 0400 668 020

Email: rcthrc1@hotmail.com

Sorry, this ride is ONLY open to current ATHRA members

You can arrive from Thursday onwards if you wish. We'll be camping at the muster yards, so please be self-sufficient for a full weekend of camping for both you & your horse, including your drinking water. Horse water and long drop toilets are available, but no showers. Showers are available at the local Caravan Park, app 5 min drive if needed. Parks Victoria set out the conditions of camping at the yards, **so please familiarise yourselves with the attached rules before arriving & setting up your camp.**

Saturday horseless muster @ 9.30am, ride out **10.00am**. BYO saddle-bag lunch

Sunday horseless muster @ 9.30am, ride out **10.00am**. BYO saddle-bag lunch

Monday horseless muster @ 9.30am ride out **10.00am**. Lunch at BARMAH Pub.

* 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 ok.

* 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 riders 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 on this ride ***

* **Dogs are permitted within the the muster yards area only and must be kept on a lead & under control at all times.**

Nominations close 25th October 2014

Cost

\$5.00 per person per day. Rider or Camper.

Please bring the correct money with you as giving change is sometimes difficult.

Directions: Melways Map 621 G5

Get yourself to the town of Barmah (*not Barham*), turn north at the pub/general store into Moira-Lakes Road, follow this all the way straight through & over the bridge and into the park where it becomes Sand Ridge track – continue on until you come to the cattle/muster yards on the right. Entry gate will be sign posted.

There is no camping between the shed and the gate/fence.

HIRE OF BARMAH MUSTER YARDS SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

1. No signage to be attached to trees or other park facilities. Free standing signage can be used for the event. Any signs displayed for the event must be removed within 24 hours of the use of that area.
2. Vegetation (either living or dead) must not be cut, cleared, removed or damaged in any way.
3. Barmah State Park and Barmah State Forest is a 'carry in – carry out' area for rubbish. All rubbish is to be removed from the park to an approved transfer station & must not be buried.
4. No facilities are to be moved or damaged without the permission of the Ranger in Charge, or his nominee.
5. The Ranger in Charge reserves the right to direct alternative access for vehicles should floodwaters, **or other emergencies**, make any designated areas unusable.
6. Vehicles are to remain on tracks at all times.
7. No locks or structures are to be cut or removed at any sites. Access will only be provided to sites that are open to the general public.
8. All fires must comply with the Forest (Fire Protection) Regulations 2004 No:77.
 - a. Fires must be in a properly constructed fireplace 30cm deep.
 - b. All flammable material within 3 metres must be removed.
 - c. The fire is not larger than 1 metre square in size.
 - d. Fire must not be left unattended and extinguished with water before leaving.
9. Dogs, Cats and Firearms are prohibited from Barmah National Park.
10. Event organisers must supply to Parks Victoria, prior to the event, a map showing the locations of staging / marshalling points and courses for these events.
11. **All camps (tents, vans, etc) are to be located south of the bunkhouse.** (PLEASE NOTE: use of the bunkhouse will not be permitted under any circumstances.)
12. The facilities (yards & kitchen) are to be maintained and kept clean at all times.
13. No fires to be lit in, or near the cast iron stove in the kitchen area.
14. Any major breakages or damages are to be reported to Parks Victoria Staff.
15. Horse feed is to be weed free & contained within the Muster Yards enclosure (especially hay).
16. Generators may be used as long as the noise level is kept low.
17. Parks Victoria may cancel this permit not less than forty-eight hours prior to the event should environmental conditions make the area unsafe for the event.
18. Parks Victoria is to be notified within four hours on 13 19 63 of any emergency on Parks Victoria managed land associated with the event that requires the services of Police or Emergency Services.
19. At least fourteen days prior to the event, organisers must supply to Parks Victoria a copy of the Event Emergency Management Plan.
20. Parks Victoria must be supplied with a copy of the event organisers current Public Liability Insurance Cover for at least \$10,000,000.



Riddells Creek Trail Horse Riding Club Members and Families are invited to Our 2014 Club Christmas Party & Rides



Where; KORWEINGUBOORA Recreation Reserve.

When; Sat 6th December 2014 – Christmas Party Dinner,
Sunday 7th December Xmas Ride

(You may arrive Friday afternoon if you wish)

Time; Sat 7.00pm Dinner (2 Course Meal)
Saturday Ride 12 noon, return 3-00pm.

**Cost; RCTHRC financial members FREE, (must be financial as at 31st Sep2013)
\$30.00 non-members, \$10.00 non-members 5-12 Yrs. Under 5yrs Free**

Must be paid in advance for your nomination to be accepted & it's non-refundable sorry!

Additional Information;

- **Guest appearance by Santa** – Mum/Dad, please bring a gift with your child's name on it for Santa to present (\$20 maximum value)
- Dinner will be followed by Raffles, Music and Dancing – it would be appreciated if you are willing to donate a raffle prize that you bring it along

on the night.

- **B.Y.O Drinks**
- You are welcome to camp overnight at the reserve; there is plenty of room for night lines, and some room for portable yards for your horse, these must be kept away from the oval fence. Water will be available.
- Showers & toilets are available in the hall.
- See attached ride notice for Sunday's Ride.
- **No horses are allowed on the oval at any time.**
- **All Manure to be cleared from roadways and spread into the treed area.**
- **Dogs MUST be tied up at ALL times.**
- **No Exceptions other than Seeing Eye Guide Dogs approved by the blind society.**



Due to catering being provided nominations are a MUST with cheque or direct deposit payable to RCTHRC by 22nd *November* 2013 sent to:

**RCTHRC Inc.
3 Kevin Court Melton South 3338 or D/Deposit**

Acc Name. Riddells Creek Trail Horse Riding Club Inc.

BSB No. 063 840 CBA (Commonwealth)

Acc No. 1028 9173

Note: a cancellation fee of \$25.00 applies to those that nominate & don't attend

Please note, If you nominate and don't attend, you will be expected to pay for the meal.

I/WE will BE ATTENDING THE RCTHRC CHRISTMAS PARTY DINNER on SATURDAY.

NAMES	MEMBER Y/N	AGE IF CHILD	AMOUNT \$	Vegetarian Yes/No
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CHEQUE INCLUDED or DIRECT DEPOSIT Amount \$.....

SUNDAY 7TH Xmas Ride & Club supplied BBQ Lunch on return;

Number of riders attending the Sunday ride & BBQ is



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Christmas Ride and BBQ Sun 7th December 2014
KORWEINGUBOORA Recreation Reserve,
Ballan – Daylesford road, Korweinguboorra.
See attached map

This ride will be through 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 too daunting.

Anticipated return to camp will be around 1.30 pm where we will enjoy a club supplied BBQ Lunch.

Nominations are required as the club is supplying the BBQ lunch FREE.

- *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 float parking area must be on a lead at all times. **No Exceptions other than Seeing Eye Guide Dogs approved by the blind society.***
- *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 11:00am.

BYO drink.

Ride Leader: Rob Stephens

Cost: \$5.00 Members (No Charge if attending Saturday's Xmas Party)

\$10.00 Non Members with ATHRA Insurance

\$25.00 Ride fee for prospective members without ATHRA Insurance

Nominations & Enquiries Lloyd Fletcher

rcthrcl@hotmail.com or 0400 668 020