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Hills & Hawkesbury Horsing Around News

December 2021

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Next Hills & Hawkesbury Club Ride

AGM SUNDAY 6 February 2022 Scheyville

Ride out at 9.30 am

<u>AGM</u> afterwards in the carpark. Bring a plate to share if you wish.

Bring a chair.

Bring everything for you and your horse



MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL FROM YOUR COMMITTEE HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR STAY HAPPY, SAFE AND WELL AND UPRIGHT!!

Down the Track 2022

1 February Committee meeting 6 February AGM Scheyville ride

24-27 February Sussex, Falls Creek camp/bush/beach (page 5)

1 March Committee meeting

13 March Porters Road, Kenthurst

5 April Committee meeting
3 May Committee meeting



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Your 2021 Club Committee

President Deb Webb (0425 201 662)

Secretary Linda Hanlon
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Newsletter Editor Lynne Livingstone (<u>lynnie.16@hotmail.com</u>)

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Ride Co-Ordinator Lynne Livingstone

Subcommittee Colleen Carrington, Glenn Johnson, Ron Miller

OUR CLUB IS PREDOMINATELY A WALKING CLUB CATERING FOR ALL LEVELS OF RIDING

Club Committee Meetings

Our Club committee meetings have changed to the FIRST TUESDAY of every month held at the Vineyard Hotel, 7.00 pm.



Christmas Party - Saturday 11 December

We were fortunate enough to have our Christmas party at Linda & Mark Hanlon's property at North Richmond. Thank you.

It was a really nice night with lots of Christmas cheer and plenty of food! The weather was great - no rain - considering how much it had been raining for the previous days.

We had Kris Kringle which is always lots of fun. We were very spoilt having Mark to take care of our yummy BBQ food. Ho Ho!!!!....









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Bank

As at 30 November 2021 - \$1,217.03

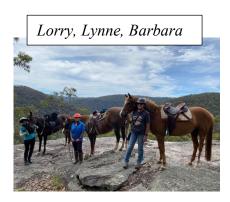
If you have something of interest or for sale (doesn't have to be horsey!) that you would like published, please email it to lynnie.16@hotmail.com at your earliest.

Galston Ride - 19 December

Our Porters Road ride to be held last Sunday, was at the last minute changed to Galston. We had three riders – Lynne, Lorry, new member from Mittagong and Barbara from Kenthurst who is in the process of joining. We had a lovely three hour ride mainly in the cool bush, after leaving my place at 9.30 am. The weather was a bit warm but not too hot. It was great to be back in the saddle after not riding for seven months!!! One step at a time and slow ones at that! We rode through the bush to the end of the trail, but then on the way back we decided to ride on the road. Barbara hasn't done much road riding with her horse so thought that it would be a bit of education. He is a funny man.... sometimes walking along with his nose on the ground!!! All three horses were totally well behaved and relaxed – no mishaps! A couple of dogs, in the bush, came running at us at one point, but nothing to worry about.







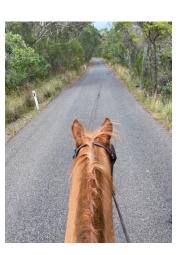
Once back at my place, we hosed the horses then had coffee/food with lots of chatter. It was a really nice day. Lorry and Barbara then headed off. (Lynne Livingstone)



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Sussex (Falls Creek) Camp Over Ride - 24-27 February 2022

We are not able to camp at 'Inscape' as first thought. The Inscape infrastructure was burned out when the fires went through that area but there has been some camping allowed there since. I have been lucky enough to organise camping and riding for our Club at a private property at Falls Creek owned by Debra and Marty. (Address given when you book in).

There is a maximum of <u>10</u> floats only (less would be better). Already we have three floats booked in. First in, first served. You will have to bring your own yards. There are 2 stable/yards, one is booked, and we have been offered 2 bedrooms in the house if required, but once again you'll have to book early.

Friday we will go for a bush ride.

<u>Saturday</u> we will float the horses to approximately 13 kms from the beach. Ride to and on the beach, lunch, then back to the floats.

Sunday there will be a short bush ride in the morning if you wish.

There is water available for the horses to drink.

Washing of horses is allowed, but you will have to be really fast!

You will need to bring your own hay as there is no grass.

All manure is to be picked up. There are rakes and a wheelbarrow to use for this.

We can arrive on the Thursday if we wish and go for a ride. Please book in with Lynne lynnie.16@hotmail.com or 0418 412 859.

Rides

If there are any rides you would like your committee to consider and organise, please EMAIL details to lynnie.16@hotmail.com our ride co-ordinator.



Rides to Look Out For

- > Yango May 2022???
- > The Corn Track (near Braidwood research is underway)

Both of these rides are camp overs – a lot of fun with plenty of riding

Glenn Johnson is willing to take us on the Yango ride. Dates to be confirmed.

We need <u>EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST</u> for the Yango ride which may take place in May 2022 but at least 7-9 riders are required as we have to book and pay for the National Park's house. If you are interested, please send an email to <u>lynnie.16@hotmail.com</u> to express your interest or 0418 412 859.

Rider Profile - our Treasurer Nancy King

HORSE CRAZY FROM BIRTH AND STILL THE SAME AT 74 YEARS OLD

When I was five years old I had an accident like kids do, I put a knife through my eye, doing stuff I shouldn't do. Then it was hospital for weeks on end with injections and operations. I would not eat so my mother (of 6 kids) said I will give you anything if you will only eat. I WANT A PONY. So I did not get the pony living in the inner-city, but I did get a rocking horse. That started it.

I lived and breathed horses all my life, but never had the chance to ride them until I earned my own living and attended riding schools. One of these schools was at Brighton Le Sands, a long way from Leichhardt, but I fell in love with a Standardbred so bought him and kept him at the riding school. I did not tell my mother (I was however 19 years old). My mother found out and was horrified. She thought all horse people were dirty creatures.

I joined a pony club at Rockdale and had the most wonderful time and became a senior instructor. Then marriage and children and a long time without riding horses, however we did have trotters, not very profitable though.

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When the kids got older, horses came back into my life. I did showing with coloured breeds buckskins, pallys and pintos. I became a breed judge and judged for probably 30 years. Including Sydney Royal.

My daughter became a rider and together we showed, and rode the MS bush rides. These were quite the challenge, but we enjoyed every minute. Took up showing and riding Standys for quite a few years and in fact still have them but are now looking forward to some lovely trail rides with Hills & Hawkesbury Trail Riding Club.

Don't give up horses or the people involved in them - they are worth spending your life with . *Happy Trails* - Nancy King







Club Membership (Club members will be updated in February 2022 issue)

The ATHRA membership year is from the 1 January to 31 December in any given year

<u>Please note:</u> All potential new members must have a pre-ride at Scheyville (or some other location) with an existing member to make sure that they and their horse are suitable to join our Club.

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• New members joining now will be valid until **31 December 2022**

Individual renewals \$100.00
 Individual new members \$120.00
 Associate members \$25.00
 Family memberships to be advised

• Day riders - \$25.00 If a day rider joins our Club, their \$25.00 will go towards their membership

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"Life is what happens when you're busy making other plans!!"