

April 2018

COMING UP

28 March Club Meeting 7pm Top Pub, Uralla

> 7 & 8 April Club Ride Tingha

6 May Club Ride Kingstown

3 June Club Ride Newholme



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Words from the President:

Hope everyone has been able to do some riding in March and would love to see everyone at the meeting so we can discuss a few rules and policy changes and also hear some fresh idea's.

Cheers

Michelle

Club Meeting:

7 pm, Wednesday 28th March Uralla Top Pub

Join us for a yummy Top Pub meal or just come to talk



Visiting Riders

Visiting riders who are not ATHRA members must obtain Day Membership prior to the ride via the ATHRA web site http://www.athra.com.au/membership/day-membership.html.

ATHRA has temporarily reduced the day member fee to \$15 for the period from 1st March to 30th Sept as a trial.

EXPLANATION OF DAY MEMBERSHIP (FROM THE ATHRA WEB SITE)

A Day Member is entitled to purchase a maximum of two (2) Day Memberships per calendar year.

The cost of the Day Membership registration can be credited towards a full ATHRA membership if the full ATHRA membership is paid for within seven (7) days of the date of your Day Membership.

Day Members must contact the ATHRA club they chose to ride with prior to registering as a Day Member.

April Ride

Tingha & Mt Topper 7th & 8th April 2018

Saturday 7 April 2018

Name of Property and Owners: David & Deborah Creed

Address: 13081 Guyra Rd, Tingha

Start time of ride - 9:30

End of ride - 3:00pm

Directions:

55ks west of Guyra on the Guyra/Tingha Rd.

From Armidale head up to Guyra & turn left at the big sheep towards Inverell.

Travel about 55ks, the property is on a straight part of the Road. It is 4ks past the Old Armidale Road

When you see the green sign 135 (Inverell 35ks) you will see a property called Chrystal Hill, we are the next property about 200metres on the left, it is a straight part of the road and there are about 6 white guide posts between the properties, just after the orange guide post is the driveway. I will try to remember to put some balloons or something out.

Go through the gate and veer right on the track then when you get close to the house go left on the track and through the trees. There are yards and shady trees behind the house.

Ride Details:

Ground is soft in some areas but there are rocks (not gravel) around. We do not have to cross any creeks, there is some wet patches but horses that don't like getting their feet wet can cross on the track. The property is undulating, it should be fairly easy and we will most likely stay on tracks that we can drive on.

Suitable for unshod but some may want to put boots on, the ground is probably softer than most of the rides that I have been on this year (except if we cross rocks)

BBQ lunch at the end of the ride or we can break and have a BBQ lunch. Please bring meat or alternative for yourself and salad or desert to share, there is a fridge to put anything in that you want to keep cold.



April Ride (cont)

Tingha & Mt Topper - 7th & 8th April 2018

Sunday 8th April 2018

Mt Topper State Forest

Address: Guyra Rd, Tingha

Start time of ride - 9:30

End of ride - 3:00pm

Directions: We float just off the Guyra Rd about 58ks west of Guyra (just past the above property). For those just coming for the Sunday we will advise parking for floats closer to the date.

Ride Details:

This is a State forest, there are 4wd tracks and fire trails through the forest, these are gravel, we will meander through the forest and get to some nice spots for views.

There will be more details on this ride, at the time of printing we are looking at an add -on tour so stay tuned, we will know more by 28th March.

CAMPING

Camping is available from the Friday night at Deborah and David's property. Dinner Friday will be at the Tingha Sport & Rec Club - expect mains from \$12-\$20. There may be a short ride on the Friday from 3pm to 5pm depending on numbers but this is yet to be confirmed.

There is limited power, shearing shed for those not wanting to sleep in their float, hot shower and a flushing toilet!

Saturday evening meal will be, depending on numbers, a roast. We will discuss this on the 4th with the ones attending. Breakfast will be BYO, but frypan & bbq available.

Yards and small paddocks with feed in them available, you will need to bring your own water buckets.

We have full use of the house and any non-riders are welcome, there are some nice walks, tree ferns, interesting rocks and crystals, lots of kangaroos and a veranda to relax on. If you intend on bringing your dog please be aware that this is a working sheep property so your dog will need to be kept on its leash.

RSVP: by Thursday 4th April to Deb Creed 0458751134

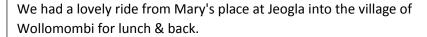
Pre-nomination is required for all NETRA rides so the ride co-ordinator knows how many are attending the ride and if the necessary ATHRA Accredited Trail Bosses are available. Rides may be cancelled if there are insufficient pre-nominations.



Ríde Report

Wollomombi Store Lunch Ride Sunday 4th March 2018

By Cathy



11 riders joined us, it was nice to see some new faces & to finally meet Cath Anderson from the Gunnedah club.

The weather held out to be a pretty good day until we were heading back 2km from Mary's & we all got soaked. A couple of us got to trot & canter back which was a lovely treat.

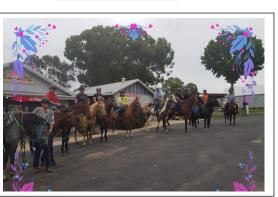
Thanks again for the lovely day looking forward to many more.

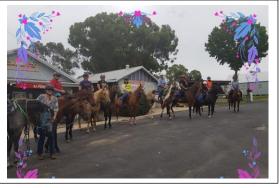












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Ride Calendar for 2018

Rides occur on the 1st Sunday of the month, unless otherwise stated. Rides are subject to change and are reviewed at our quarterly meetings. All planned overnight rides are held on a weekend other than the 1st Sunday unless they are within 100 kilometres of Armidale and can cater for day riders as well. If you are interested in hosting a ride please inform a committee member. If you are a ride co-ordinator please refer to the calendar to see who has the first aid kit, EPIRB and GPS.

Date	Ride Coordinator	Location
7 & 8 April	Deborah Creed	Tingha
6 May	Michelle Pope	Kingstown
3 June	Leonie Lane	Newholme
1 July	Amy Brenton	Pine Forest
5 August	Cathy Noakes	Metz
2 September	Shara Menzies	Coningdale

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