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**NEWSLETTER MARCH 2012**

**Dayboro Trail Riders Club: Ride Report February 2012**

The club’s last ride, despite very wet weather, attracted 19 riders. We left the showgrounds via Tullamore park, and onto Mt Mee Road, William Street, Hay Road, Dayboro Road, Rush Creek, Bradley’s, Dayboro Road, Fingerboard Road, Mt Mee Road and back to the showgrounds. Our ride was shorter so we could return in time for the advertised club sign-on and sausage sizzle. (The advert for this event featured our club’s Person of the Year, Mike Barclay.)

All enjoyed the lunch, as always, and we were pleased to welcome 2 new members with 5 more taking membership forms away. We are looking forward to seeing them all on the next ride.

* Please check the Pre-Ride Sign-on Roster and check to see when you are on Sign-on Duty.

**February’s club meeting** was quiet with only a handful of members able to attend. There was some important discussion though.

**Team Penning at the Dayboro Show.** We will be running the Team Penning on Saturday only due to the Cow Horse Club running a different event on Sunday morning. Helpers will be needed, especially with the mustering work in the previous week. Further information is being gathered.

**Cost of rides for visitors.** It was decided to cut the cost for visitors to $20.00 a ride for the rest of the year to encourage more participation from new riders and build the membership numbers when they enjoy their rides.
Yarraman Ride

Dayboro Trail Riders represented the Yarraman ride proudly with our 22 riders making up one third of the numbers. There were 2 rides: a long ride and a (slightly!) shorter ride. After arriving at different times during the Friday, we went for a short ride late in the day and then gathered at Peter Rudd’s camp for a very sociable Happy ‘Hour’, which set the mood for the weekend.

Long Ride report by Bob Ebert
The long ride left at 7:30am with 18 riders. Every time we ride here we seem to follow a different trail; parts of State Forest with deer tracks everywhere; some road work; private properties with amazing scenery. The view from the highest point looks ‘down’ on the top of the Toowoomba Range, which can just be seen. After lunch, we followed the power lines until we were about 2 kilometres from the showgrounds.

Short Ride Report by Graham Bailey
The short ride left just after the long ride with 56 riders and some very excited horses. Unfortunately, it began with a little too much excitement, as I will explain. After riding along the road for a short time, we ventured into paddocks of long grass, then through two gates. Denise was having trouble with her Arab grey mare and decided to turn back when, from nowhere, a chestnut horse came cantering through the horses way out of control. It humped and bucked and swung around into Ken’s horse, Lacie. Thank goodness for Ken’s good seat and a well behaved horse. It managed to spook 2 more horses with their riders falling. The horse then reared up to its full extent, the lady rider pulled on the reins and the horse fell backwards. The lady hit a large grey gum, which caused two broken bones in her leg. She was wearing a helmet and had no head injuries. There were 3 riderless horses tearing around and upsetting the other horses. An ambulance was called, the horses caught and soon we were on our way.

We rode on the new Rail Trail towards Blackbutt and then turned right, under a bridge, through a gate and onto a trail that took us though a pine forest. The weather was beginning to heat up and the sky was very blue with wispy clouds being whipped about by a wind. The riders were now strung out over a kilometer, everyone was settled and having a ball. Some old stockyards appeared followed by a truck with a billy boiling with hot tea, coffee and biscuits for morning tea, a very welcome sight. A girl squealed, a rabbit rang around the fence line and under some horse’s legs. They didn’t even notice, just pricked their ears. On we rode over some magnificent hills, water crossings and along creek beds, then some bush bashing.

Lunch was at the Fishing Club on the banks of the river. The backup crew were in full swing with a BBQ of steaks and onions cooking, billy tea and a cold beer waiting for us. It is one of the best lunch stops I have ever seen. They used a long line to tie the horses to, which was a bit of a learning curve for the city folk. A few horses startled and caused the horses to try to scatter; it was amusing to watch 40 odd horses all trying to break free. After lunch, we rode along the river’s edge for about 2 kms. This was a new trail with breathtaking views. We headed back towards Yarraman up a big hill, (some thought it was huge but not us Dayboro riders!). We arrived back in camp about 5 minutes before the long ride.

Many great stories of the day were shared between rides, then it was time for a shower and over to dinner; fish ‘n’ chips, a few drinks and good entertainment. Ken won the trophy, a clock with a horse on it, for the oldest rider. A great time was had by all.

Footnotes from Bob!

- Ken enjoyed a mixed weekend at Yarraman, beginning with losing his key to the gooseneck door, an out of control horse bumping into him, followed by receiving the prize for the most senior rider, (a beautiful clock with a horse’s face on it). To finish it off, a speeding ticket!
- Graeme and Lorraine were riding out of uniform, (penalty points accrued there!)
- Melveen, Nancy, Debbie McLean and Natalie all enjoyed themselves way more than they thought possible.
Yarraman Photo Diary!
(Thanks Lorraine)
Upside-down Plum Cake

- 1 tsp brown sugar
- 6 large plums, halved, stones removed
- 225gm butter, softened
- ½ cup caster sugar
- ½ cup firmly packed brown sugar extra
- 1 tsp vanilla essence
- 3 eggs

1 cup plain flour
¾ cup SR flour
¾ tsp bicarbonate of soda
1 tsp ground cinnamon
½ cup flaked almonds
2 tbsp milk

- Preheat oven to 160°C or 140°C fan-forced.
- Grease a 22cm round deep cake pan and line with baking paper.
- Sprinkle 1 tbsp brown sugar over base of pan and then arrange plums cut side down on top of sugar.
- Beat the butter, caster sugar, extra brown sugar and vanilla in a bowl until light and fluffy.
- Add eggs, combined flours, bi-carb of soda and cinnamon then beat gently until combined.
- Add almonds and milk then mix till just combined.
- Spoon mixture into the pan and spread over top of plums.
- Bake for 1 hour 20 minutes or until cooked when tested with a skewer.
- Stand cake in pan for 15 mins before turning onto a serving plate.
- Serve warm with cream or custard or cold as a cake.

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Membership Fees

For 2012, the cost of membership will be:

- $55.00 Adults
- $50.00 Junior
- $120.00 Family of 3.
- $45.00 Each additional family member

Each ride and lunch costs:

- $7.00 Members
- $20.00 Visitors (Includes insurance requirements)

Websites of Interest

Dayboro’s own weather station.
http://www.lyndhurst-hill.info/index.php

Queensland Horse Council.
www.qldhorsecouncil.com/
## Calling all horse lovers with a heart...it’s movie time!

*Charlie’s Angels Horse Rescue* who since forming just over two years ago have rescued and rehabilitated 34 horses from neglect or slaughter destiny are hosting a special screening of *Mirror Mirror* at Event Cinemas Chermside on Thursday, 29 March to raise money for their continued plight.

The *Mirror Mirror* movie night is one of the first key fundraising events for Charlie’s Angels where $5 from each ticket will go to the organisation’s work.

*Mirror Mirror*, which is a PG rated comedy, stars Julia Roberts as an evil queen who steals control of a kingdom while an exiled princess enlists the help of seven resourceful rebels to win back her birthright.

### Event details:

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The Queensland based *Charlie’s Angels Horse Rescue* is a not-for-profit and continually expanding network of equine foster carers based in Blackbutt, Samford, Ferny Hills, Sunshine Coast and the Gold Coast who rescue, rehabilitate and then carefully re-home horses who may have been abandoned, neglected, suffered severe cruelty, been surrendered or were destined for slaughter.

In addition, *Charlie’s Angels* is committed to spreading community awareness about the
dark and sinister sides of the horse world in a bid to make genuine and positive change.

From orphaned foals found in forestry, former racehorses who once gleamed on a racetrack yet were neglected to the poorest of health/condition to jet black Shetland ponies found desperate and distraught at “dogger” sales, Charlie’s Angels Horse Rescue has already taken on some incredible cases and created some very happy endings.

For further information about Charlie’s Angel’s Horse Rescue or for how to make a donation or bequest visit www.charliesangels.org.au

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