

# HOOFPRINTS

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**REA AGM, Sign-On & Sausage Sizzle**

DATE: Saturday 25 February 2006

TIME: 4:00 pm

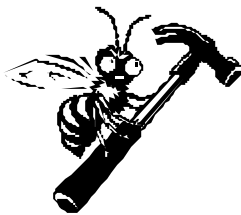
PLACE: REP Gazebo

See Page 4 for full details.

**Membership Renewals & Maintenance Levy**

Membership renewals were due 31 January 2006. As you will have seen from the renewal notice these include the new \$50 levy which has been introduced to encourage all members to participate in maintenance activities.

This is a requirement of all members under the REA's Code of Conduct however the majority of this work generally falls to the same few people. Members have the option of simply paying the \$50 levy and leaving it at that, or if they prefer, they can do a day's maintenance, event set up or other work that's needed and on completion of the work will have their \$50 refunded.



**Working Bee**

The committee is still working out arrangements for sleeper collection and members will be advised by email if and when the working bees are to be held.

## Welcome New Members

The Cuming Family

## Thank You

Thanks to everyone for locking the gates and the toilets behind them. The sprinklers have not been an issue in the wetter weather but please remember to run them for at least 10 minutes before using the fenced arena and round yard when the weather is dry.



**Sprinkler Times**

The automatic sprinklers on the Open Sand Arena are set to operate from 3:30 – 4:10 pm every day.

**REA Website**

Nick Laird is currently building a website for the REA. This will provide another very useful communication link for all REA members with access to the internet.



### First Aid Courses

The REA Committee is investigating opportunities for members to attend an accredited First Aid Course. This would be at some cost to participants. Watch for more information.

Geoff Blacklock is available for lessons on Tuesdays and Thursdays

Phone Geoff direct on: 4091 6515 or 0427 916 515  
Members will be notified of weekend vacancies for lessons with Geoff when they become available.

Below are other REA members who are also riding instructors:

Arthur Kennedy	0412 034 414
Kim Weston	0432 600 214
Jodie Hubbard	0408 887 835

## REMINDERS

### Storage in Stalls

The stalls are available for temporary use by members for their horses. They are not available for storage of personal belongings such as horse feed, rugs etc.

### Vehicle Access

Vehicle access to the REP is restricted to emergency vehicles, farriers, vets, horse dentists, maintenance vehicles etc. and to vehicles with horse floats, as horses must be unloaded and tethered inside the arena. To unload riding gear you must park your vehicle outside the REP fence and carry it to your horse. If this is proving difficult get a trolley – they are really handy for all sorts of jobs!

*“When you are on a great horse, you have the best seat you will ever have.”*  
Sir Winston Churchill

## MAINTENANCE CORNER

As usual there has been plenty to do at the REP to keep everything in order. Thanks to all the members who have contributed to the ongoing maintenance at the REP over the past couple of months. Please fill out the pink Maintenance book kept in the box in the storage stall with Visitor Waiver Forms etc.

The mower roster is now finalised and a group of volunteers completed their mower use induction & training on Saturday 4 February. (See the happy mowers below!) Only members who have done this training can use the mower. With thirteen people now on the roster the volunteers will only have to mow a few times each year.

Bob Knight is retiring as Maintenance Officer. He has put in many hours keeping the grounds up to scratch, so without him in charge we will need help from everyone who can lend a hand in the coming year. Ideally we will have a list of capable men that we can call on for the “big jobs”. Let a committee member know if you are interested.

Maintenance and improvement priorities for 2006 and beyond are:

- Fenced arena sleeper replacement
- Two more shelters in agistment paddocks
- Wash bay
- Shaded viewing areas for arenas

So as usual it's all hands on deck to get these jobs done – and remember you can claim your Maintenance Levy refund when you complete 4 hours work.



*Safe mowers are happy mowers! Jenny, John, Nick, Mike and Bob at the Mower Induction Course.*

# FOR SALE

If you have any items For Sale or Wanted please notify the editor including details and the name and phone contact for enquiries. Also please let the editor know when items are sold.

The REA's tractor and slasher. Case/David Brown 1212, good engine, reconditioned alternator. \$6000 ono

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## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

### February/March 2006

4:00pm Saturday 25 February	REA AGM including sign-on	REP
Saturday 4 March	Zone 18 Equitation	Atherton
Sunday 19 March	Course Building School	Mareeba
Monday 20 March	Zone 18 Show Jumping Championships	Mareeba
25/26 March (TBC)	FNEG Dressage Come & Try Day	REP

# REA 2006 AGM plus Sign-On & Sausage Sizzle

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All Committee positions are open for nominations and will be elected during the AGM.

Positions are: President; Secretary; Treasurer; Events Coordinator; Maintenance Officer; Newsletter Editor; Fundraising Coordinator and Grants Officer.

At this stage there are no nominations for President, Secretary, Maintenance Officer or Fundraising Coordinator. Please consider whether you could spare a few hours a month to help keep your club going and make it even better?

Also before the AGM have a think about what you would like to see happening at the REA and bring along your ideas and enthusiasm to the meeting.



New members are welcome to come along and sign-on.

A Sausage Sizzle will follow the meeting. BYO drinks & chair.

