

HOOFPRIINTS

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COME TO THE CHRISTMAS PARTY



6:00pm Friday 8 December 2006
REA Gazebo

It is time to celebrate with the REA Christmas Party. Please come along and enjoy an evening with your fellow members.

See Page 4 for full details.



SPRINKLER TIMES

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

The automatic sprinklers on the Fenced Sand Arena are set to operate from 4:45 – 5:45 am and 2:00 – 3:00 pm every day.

It would be greatly appreciated if members **DO NOT** adjust/turn off the sprinkler system. This has already caused damage to the system. If you do have any problems/queries with the sprinkler system **PLEASE** advise the Committee and we will only be to happy to help. Unfortunately we are unable to set the timers to suit everybody so please organise your riding/lesson times around these times.



LOCK THE #@*#&! GATE**

Unfortunately the REA Committee is running out of polite ways to ask our members to **PLEASE LOCK THE GATE.**

This applies to the main float gate and the back gate. Both have been left open or unlocked too many times. Not locking the gate endangers the lives of horses and people. Do you want to have the death or injury of a horse or person on your conscience? It only takes a minute to make sure this doesn't happen.

Given the seriousness of the implications those who are identified as repeatedly failing to lock the gate will not be welcome as REA members.

It would be much better all round if everyone simply cooperated on this important issue.

TURN OFF THE TAPS

While we are on reminders – please make sure you turn off any taps you turn on at the REP.



Riding Instruction

Geoff Blacklock is available for lessons on Tuesdays and Thursdays

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

These REA members are also riding instructors:

Arthur Kennedy	0412 034 414
Kim Weston	0432 600 214
Linda McKinnon	0428 856 603
Neitah Norman	0407 183 930

Please note that all instructors providing lessons at the REP must be current financial REA members.



**REA
MEDICAL KIT**
is kept at the
Crystal Cascades
Holiday Park
opposite the REA
grounds

Welcome New Members

- Megan Smith
- Lauren Cartledge
- Victoria Hunt
- Chloe Fox

MOWING MATTERS

A big thank you to the wonderful volunteers who give up their time to keep the REP looking at its best by mowing and weed spraying.

The volunteers must do this work as their free time allows, therefore we must ask riders to take care if mowing is in progress while they are using the grounds and keep away from the mower if it is likely to upset your horse.

If you have any concerns regarding the mower please contact a member of the Committee to discuss them, rather than the volunteers doing the mowing.

THANK YOUS

Thanks to everyone who helped out on the Working Bee to replace the Fenced Arena sleepers:

Lucy Rochester & partner
John Obern
Margaret & Dave Cummings
Mike Abraham
Jane Knight
Melanie Archibald
Karen Flanagan
Helen Laird

Thanks also to Cheryl Fischer and Ross Rankine for putting up signs.....one of these is a reminder to shut the gate but it doesn't seem to be working!

TREE PLANTING WORKING BEE

There will be a tree planting working bee held in late January, with the exact date to be confirmed. This will be to replace some of the trees destroyed by this year's cyclones. Lend a hand if you can and you can get in early to claim your maintenance levy refund.

STORAGE SHED

Work has now commenced on a new storage shed at the REP. This will house the mower and other gear that is currently stored in the end stall.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

December 2006/January 2007

Friday 8 December 2006	REA Christmas Party	REP Gazebo
January 2007 (TBC)	Tree Planting Working Bee	REP
21/22 April 2007	FNEG Official/Associate Dressage	REP

FOR SALE OR WANTED

FOR SALE

FLOAT - As new, PBL 2004 SL Model with extras: side tackbox, awning, rubber floor & ramp, padded removable chest bar, centre divider & rump bars, interior light, kickboards, stone guard at front & on mudguards, spare tyre & springloaded tailgate \$8500.

Phone Sharon.....4039 2486.

If you have any items For Sale or Wanted please notify Helen Laird including details and the name and phone contact for enquiries. Ads will also be placed on our website. Please also advise when you no longer want your ad to run.

RAIN SCALD

It's coming up to that time of year again when problems such as rain scald can affect your horse. Rain scald is a skin condition caused by the Dermatophilus organism. It is most common in warm, humid areas and wet, rainy seasons, usually appearing within 2 – 5 days of continuous rain.

Symptoms :

- Small scabs of matted hair, which when pulled, leave moist pink to grey holes or craters of pus material in the skin.
- They are not usually itchy, but feel warm and are sore when the skin is pressed or the scab is picked or rubbed off.

Treatment:

- Wet the horse and wash thoroughly with an iodine wash. Rub in well and leave lather for 15 minutes, then rinse thoroughly
- Apply Sea Minerals Dermal cream or spray or antiseptic cream to severe lesions to promote healing
- Continue treatment for 3 – 5 days
- If the condition persists, consult your vet for advice – a course of antibiotics may be necessary in severe generalized conditions
- Keeping the horse stabled to allow the skin to dry aids control during wet or very humid weather

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Come along
and
have some FUN at the

REDLYNCH EQUESTRIAN ASSOCIATION

CHRISTMAS PARTY

at the
REDLYNCH EQUESTRIAN PARK GAZEBO

6:00pm Friday 8 December

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Chairs

Drinks

Nibbles or Dessert to share



RSVP

by Friday 1 December 2006

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Soft drinks or cordial will be provided for the kid
Games and Prizes