

HOOFPRINTS

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If you have something you wish to add to our Newsletter please contact the Editor, Helen Laird on 4038 2013 or email hlaird@sharelynx.com

GENERAL MEETING

The Committee is planning to hold a General Meeting some time in the near future. You will be advised of the date by email.

Please come along as this is the best opportunity for members to get together to discuss club activities and any issues you may want to raise.

One issue up for discussion is whether action can be taken to ensure access to riding trails in the Redlynch area. There are several trails used by both horse and motorbike riders. This shared use causes some issues and there are some residents who would prefer to see the trails closed to all users other than pedestrians. If you have input on this matter please come along to the meeting and share it with your fellow members.

SPRAYING NOTIFICATION

Some REA members have advised the Committee that they have allergic reactions to weed sprays. To alert people when spraying has been carried out on the main part of the grounds a red board will be placed on the side of the shed for the following 48 hours. The spray mainly used at the REP is Weedmaster, while Grazon and Associate are used occasionally to target specific weeds such as Singapore Daisy.

FENCING GRANT ACQUITTAL

The major fencing project undertaken over the past year or so at the REP is now completed and the Gaming Community Benefit Fund grant which made it possible has been acquitted. A big thank you to the Fund all the members who assisted with making this project happen.

It was certainly a huge task but the results will bring benefits to the grounds, our members and the community for many years to come. The new fencing is strong, safe and aesthetically pleasing. It was designed and built to suit our specific requirements and requires minimal maintenance. Much of it has already withstood the "flood test" four times this year with little or no damage.

NEW STALLS

The stalls at the REP have undergone a major upgrade with the old railings removed and new cattle rail installed. A big thank you to the Hallam family for their great effort in removing the old stalls. These will be re-erected to the left of the main gate as extra uncovered day stalls for use by members and visitors attending events. A vegetation strip will be planted between the stalls and the adjacent agistment paddocks.

DAMAGE TO TOILETS

As most of you will have seen the toilets shared between the REA and the tennis club recently had an unscheduled paint job courtesy of one or more graffiti "artists", with tags painted on the exterior walls of the building and the interior walls of the ladies toilets.

The police came out to investigate and took fingerprints. Council has been approached to remove the "artwork" and also repair the lock. This is exactly the reason that we have locked toilets and ask you to please ensure they are locked behind you (once the lock is fixed) so that at least then vandals can only do damage to the outside of the building.

RUBBISH BIN

Cairns Regional Council has now provided a rubbish bin at the Gazebo which they also empty regularly. Please make good use of it!

GROUNDS ENTRY ROADWAY

The REA has also approached Council regarding the entry roadway. There are still sandbags in place either side of the drainage pipe which was installed some time ago. Potholes have formed at the entry point and this is a concern for all drivers whether from the REA or the tennis club, but can be especially worrying for people towing floats and for the horses inside them. We hope the necessary work can be carried out in the near future.

WINTER AGISTMENT TIMES

Until the end of August we are on Winter Agistment times at the REP which means agisted horses can

be released into the open arena from 6:00pm and must be returned to their paddocks by 7:30am every day. After August we will revert to Summer Agistment Times which means horses can be released into the open arena from 6:30pm until 7:00am.



SPRINKLER TIMES

The automatic sprinklers in the jump arena now operate 4:45am – 5:45am and 1:45pm to 2:45pm daily. Sprinklers in the fenced arena operate 5:00 – 6:00am and 2:45pm to 3:45pm daily.



Riding Instructors

REA members that are riding instructors:

Geoff Blacklock	4091 6515 or 0427 916 515
Kim Weston	0432 600 214
Linda McKinnon	0428 856 603
Erin Flanagan	0438 174 573
Venette Trout	0412 143 029
Evan Parker	0409 761 442

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



Clubs & Riding Schools

Zone 18 Pony Clubs:

www.zone18ponyclubs.org.au

Far North Equestrian Group:

www.fneg.info

Far North Endurance Riders Association:

www.fnera.org

North Queensland Show Jumping Club
Contact: amandascanlan82@yahoo.com.au

Crystal Cascades Horse Park:
www.crystalcascadeshorsepark.com.au



Liming underway at the REP in May

**REA
MEDICAL KIT**
is kept in the REA
Storage Shed

CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2009 Redlynch Equestrian Park		
DATE	EVENT	CONTACT
1 & 2 August	FNEG Official/Associate Dressage Club Championships	www.fneg.info
23 August	Geoff Blacklock Clinic	helalan@bigpond.net.au
29 & 30 August	Kim Weston Clinic (REA Come & Try)	events@redlynchequestrian.com
12 September	Geoff Blacklock Clinic	helalan@bigpond.net.au
20 September	FNEG Associate Dressage	www.fneg.info
23 – 25 September	Evan Parker Clinic	events@redlynchequestrian.com
17 – 18 October	Evan Parker Clinic	events@redlynchequestrian.com
18 October	FNEG Associate Dressage	www.fneg.info
8 November	FNEG Associate Dressage	www.fneg.info



MAINTENANCE CORNER

THANKS FOR EVENT PREPARATIONS

A big thank you to everyone who helped with the preparation for the recent FNEG Cairns Show & Parelli events, in particular Lucy, Glen, Heather, Silke, Nyah, Alison, Terry & Jacqui, but also anyone else who helped out without recording it. There were lots of comments on the fantastic presentation of the grounds which are always great to hear. If you do carry out any of this preparation work remember to record it in the Maintenance Register kept in the shed as it goes towards the hours required to get your Maintenance Levy refunded.

LIMING

You may have thought there was an early frost a couple of months back, but it was an application of lime made to the REA grounds to help sweeten the soil, improve the grass and help knock back any sensitive weed.

REPAIRS

In addition to the usual mowing, spraying and grounds preparation there have been some repairs required. Our hard working mower had some problems recently due to worn bearings on the cutting deck. There was a four-week wait on the parts needed so we are very grateful the Alison

and John for the loan of their mower to help get the grounds ready for events and also to John for carrying out the repairs once the parts arrived.

The water trough in one of the agistment paddocks also needed repairs. Corroded galvanized pipes were replaced with plastic fittings. Lucy highly recommends McCrackens for their excellent service after purchasing the necessary parts there.

REPORTING REPAIRS

When reporting repairs it is important to give as much information as possible so Lucy can come prepared. For example if a fence is broken she needs to know if it is timber or wire, if a trough leaks is it in the plug, hoses or tap.

WASH BAYS

The wash bays are a great addition to our facility so please keep them tidy for everyone to enjoy. There are just three simple things to remember: Wash away any dirt/manure; Release the pressure in the hose between the nozzle and tap after use; and; Coil up the hose when you are finished.

THANK YOU!

FOR SALE OR WANTED

If you have any items For Sale or Wanted please notify Helen Laird:
hlaird@sharelynx.com including item details and the name and phone contact for enquiries.
Ads can also be placed on the REA website www.redlynchequestrian.com

FOR SALE

- Warmblood Gelding 16.2hh. Registered Holsteiner with papers. 12 yrs old & trained to medium level dressage. Must be sold to competitive home due to capabilities and prospects. POA call LYndell 0407 160 142
- Wintec 2000 All Purpose saddle, 17", fully mounted, exchangeable gullet (currently black, i.e. medium), perfect condition as hardly used. \$700 ono.
- Wintec Isabell Werth dressage saddle, 16.5", fully mounted, exchangeable gullet (currently black, i.e. medium), great condition. \$750 ono.

Call Anna on 0419726698

- 1 x Ariat Crowne Pro chap size xs (teenager/slim lady) full grain leather – brown (brand new still in wrapper – never worn) rrp \$225 - plus postage \$185
- 1 x Jodz deluxe helmet size 57 navy (charles owen look a like) show helmet as new \$100
- 1 x Showstoppers cutaway show jacket worn over 3 week period as new condition suit child (8-12yrs) gold buttons and gold trim on collar \$200
- 1 x County brown show saddle (turnout) medium gullet short flaps 16" suits hacking/dressage - thoroughbreds/horses with a wither as new condition 97 model \$2000
- Some ladies jods (mostly high waisted) good condition sizes 8 – 10
- Galloway 14.11/2hh chestnut mare, 4 registrations - riding pony, saddle pony, arabian riding pony, part-bred welsh, snaffle mouth, breeding – all royal bloodlines, has won supreme leds/breeds, huge potential for teenager/lady for all disciplines, has competed over two show seasons, going to waste, riders outgrown, no shy, bolt or buck but is forward moving. (POA)

Can view all items or email photos

Contact deanne kidner email deanne.k@westnet.com.au or ph 40565540 or 0419226374

WANTED

2-Horse Float Must be in Good Condition / Registered with RWC

Please call Vicky - 0411 898 208 or email northernbb@bigpond.com

LOST

Black lead rope with bit/bridle attachment for leading p: 0412 800 614 e: oberns@bigpond.net.au

STOLEN

A Black 17' Wintec Pro Dressage Saddle fully mounted was reported stolen from the Earlville Pony Club over the July school holidays. If anyone has any information please contact Cairns Police or Jane Knight on 4033 5939 or 0414 675 747. A reward is offered.