

DAYBORO TRAIL RIDERS CLUB INC.



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Another fantastic May Club ride.

Cut short because of persistent rain, but memorable!

See the full report inside.

Date Claimers

- **23rd June** - June Club Ride. Leaving at 8.30am
- **6th & 7th July 2019** - Dayboro Show
- **21st & 22nd July 2019**. Mark Langley - Calm Connected Horsemanship. Held at Mudgeeraba & Hinterland Horse Trail Club, Frank Chaston Oval, Gilston. See his web site for more details.
- **10th August 2018** - Kin Kin Horse Ride.
- **31st August 2018** - Yarraman Horse ride
- **16th & 17th November 2019** - possible weekend with Mudgeeraba Club at Cabarita Beach Pony Club



Our Committee - Executive and Non-Executive members

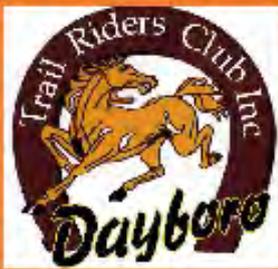
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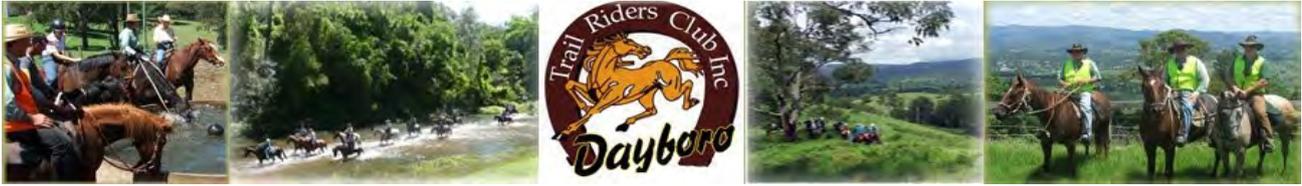
<u>Non-Executive Positions</u>	<u>Name</u>
Caterer/ Christmas party / Soft drinks	Janelle Smith
Club Newsletter	Ken Smith
Publicity/Media - update website, photos, Facebook	Bridgette Kersnovske
Trail Co-ordinator & ride report delegator	Bob Ebert – if Bob unavailable then Debra Shanahan
Big October Ride Co-ordinators	Vacant
TRA Delegate	Bob Ebert



Ride Calendar 2019

We look forward to all of our members turning out for the monthly rides.

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RIDE CALENDAR 2019		
JANUARY Meeting 24 th	Sunday 27 th	
FEBRUARY Meeting 21 st	Sunday 24 th	Feb 21 st - Clubs AGM (Annual General Meeting)
MARCH Meeting 21 st AGM Meeting 9 th	Sunday 24 th	Yarraman – 2 nd March TRA AGM – 9 th March, to be held at Dayboro Showground's.
APRIL Meeting 25 th	Sunday 28 th	Anzac Day Parade – Thursday 25 th Easter Camp – 19 th -22 nd approx.
MAY Meeting 23 rd	TBA. Will be moved to a free weekend. Potentially 19 th	Dayboro Rodeo – 5 th Dayboro Day Parade – 26 th
JUNE Meeting 20 th	Sunday 23 rd	
JULY Meeting 25 th	Sunday 28 th	
AUGUST Meeting 22 nd	Sunday 25 th - All day ride for the Graham Court Memorial Ride.	Kin Kin – 12 th Mingo Station – 26 th August – 4 th September
SEPTEMBER Meeting 19 th	Sunday 22 nd	Mingo Station – Ends 4 th Sept. Angel Flight Charity Ride – 21 st
OCTOBER Meeting 17 th & 24 th	Big October Ride 26 th – 27 th <- 2 meetings leading up to BOR	
NOVEMBER Meeting 21 st	Sunday 24 th	
DECEMBER	Christmas Party - TBA	



WANT TO JOIN THE DAYBORO TRAILRIDERS CLUB?

Membership Fees for 2019

Senior	\$65.00
Junior—under 18 Years	\$60.00
Family	\$140.00—for first 3 members \$60.00—for each subsequent person

Membership forms: available to print off the website - www.dayborotrailriders.com.au

Monthly Ride Fees for 2019

Club fees for the monthly rides for 2019:

- For club members, our ride fee is \$10, and this includes lunch.
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- For visitors, it is \$25, and this also includes lunch.
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- The fee is the same whether you stay for lunch or not.
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- Even though the ride fee includes lunch it is also raising funds for the club.
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- The visitor fee is higher because part of this goes to TRA for insurance.
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- For members/volunteers that are doing sign-on before a ride, a sign-on price list will be available on the table stating that the fee is the same whether you have lunch or not.

Horse Health Declaration Form

We have been notified by the Show Society that we all now must fill out a Horse Health Declaration form every time we do a ride from the show-grounds. I have attached the form for you to download. We will also keep some in the shed in case you forget to bring one.

We have revised the Horse Health Declaration form by adding our Club and the TRA logo. If you have old copies printed off then they are quite okay to use, also there are old copies in the club shed that we will use until they are all gone.

Once these forms are filled out, they will be given to the show society to keep on file after each ride.

On the declaration form, you must write in your PIC number for your property where your horses are kept. You can obtain a PIC number by clicking on the following link. Just fill out all your information and submit it then you will be sent back a PIC number.

<https://www.daf.qld.gov.au/animal-industries/moving-selling-livestock/national-livestock-identification-system/property-registration/single-land-parcel>



MAY RIDE REPORT

By Debra Shanahan (Trail Co-ordinator)

It was Sunday the 19th May, a week earlier than usual for our Dayboro Trail Ride. Our ride is always scheduled for the fourth Sunday of the month, but the Dayboro Day Parade was being held on the same day so hence the date change. We had 11 riders all set for a trail ride in some familiar territory and a few new tracks that Bob was going to introduce to us. Too bad we never made it that far! I'm always starting these ride reports with a comment about the perfect weather we have for our rides, however, changing the date of our ride didn't work out too well for us.

Our ride started out as planned. We headed off through Stewart's paddock and onto Sellin Road, then into Les Sellin's property. As we went into the Denny's property, we were very thankful to find that Russell had gone to the trouble of slashing the bottom paddock to make our access so much easier. After a quick chat with Alison, who had caught one of her young horses so we could ride through without any hassles, we then made our way up Endeavour Lane.

Luck was on our side as we negotiated a section of Mt Mee Road which had no shoulder to ride along to keep us away from the traffic. Fortunately, not a single motor bike or truck came past and we safely got our horses into Peter and Nerida Leis' paddock. A tricky gully slowed a couple of the new horses down, but we were through to Bond Road without much delay, then rode down the nicely mowed track through the park and into Henzell's property.

Now, a quote of Billy Connolly's comes to mind: "There is no such thing as bad weather, just inappropriate clothing". Trail riding for us is all terrain in all weather, which is what we are usually prepared for. As the rain came over the mountain toward us, those with rain coats quickly put them on, but half of our riders were not prepared for wet weather. We made our way over a ridge and headed for a Moreton Bay Fig for shelter, but that seemed to just make the rain drops bigger.

After some discussion, we reluctantly admitted defeat and decided to head toward home. Riding through the chest high wet grass was not easy for the horses, but it was the shortest route back. The conversation at this point was not about the scenery – it was about which reins still had some grip when wet, whose boots were not filling up with water and whose jacket was not leaking yet! Most of our club members ride in stock or half breed saddles which have ample places to hang saddle bags. We often carry bailing twine, pruning saws, wire cutters, drink bottles and of course, rain coats. What we would have given for a full length driza-bone at this stage of the ride!

Returning through Craig Doyle's property, we then left the paddocks and rode up Leslie Court and Sellin Road to Dianne Drive, the fastest and least slippery route back to the Showgrounds. We still managed to do a little over 10kms and arrived at the club house just before 11am (a little early for lunch, but hot food straight off the barbie was one way to thaw us out!). Another way, for one of our visiting riders, was to discard all her wet clothes and wear her driza-bone while having lunch. Probably not the most comfortable attire, but it had been sitting in her vehicle and was nice and dry. The rest of us drove home in rain soaked jeans and jodhpurs. Better luck next time.









Definitions of Horse Classifieds

- Event Prospect.....Big, Fast Horse
- Dressage Prospect.....Big, Slow Horse
- Hack Prospect.....Pretty Colour
- Sporting Prospect.....Short, Fast Horse
- Eventing Prospect.....Ugliest Head you will ever see
- Camp Prospect.....Fast Horse which can turn
- Endurance Prospect.....Fast Horse which will turn sometimes
- Attractive.....Bay
- 15.2h.....14.3h
- 16.2h.....15.3h
- To Loving Home Only.....Expensive
- To Show Home Only.....Very Expensive
- Needs Experienced Rider.....Potentially Lethal
- Elegant.....Thin
- In Good Condition.....Foundered
- Free Moving.....Bolts
- Quiet.....Lame in Both Front Legs
- Dead Quiet.....Lame in all Four Legs
- Good in Traffic (bombproof)..Lame all Round, Deaf & Blind
- Loves Children.....Kicks & Bites
- Pony Type.....Small & Hairy
- Arab Type.....Looks Startled
- TB Type.....Looks Terrified
- Quarter Horse Style.....Fat
- Warmblood Type.....Big & Hairy
- Draught Type.....Big & Exceedingly Hairy
- Easy to Catch.....Very Old
- Must Sell.....Wife has left home & took kids
- All offers Considered.....I am in Traction for 6 months
- Reluctant Sale.....Comes with Title Deeds to Sydney Harbour Bridge

The Imbil Ride (and “the incident”)

By Kerry Hill

Five members took part in Mary Valley Trailblazers’ Imbil Ride on Saturday May 25th - and according to those who matter, this trail ride rates right up there with the best in South East Queensland.

As this was my first weekend away with fellow club members, I wasn’t in a position to argue with Deb, Julie, Jess and Bridgette over this claim; but I totally agree that there was little to fault. The weather was perfect (not too hot!), the trail was soft under foot and took us along some beautiful tracks through forestry and bushland, the scenery was pretty spectacular, and the organisation was first rate.

The ride coincided with Julie’s birthday, so we were joined by Julie’s daughter Jo and friends Bree and Shannon. All are experienced and enthusiastic riders, although more used to eventing than 30km treks. But anything to please ‘Mum’ Julie on her special day! The girls were there to party and have fun with their horses.

Apart from “the incident”, the weekend went fairly smoothly. Our convoy of three floats/gooseneck arrived at Imbil Showgrounds about 5pm on the Friday to be greeted by Deb and Bridgette who had arrived earlier in the day. After lots of dashing about yarding and feeding horses before dark, we set up and collapsed into camp chairs for a drink or two.

The drink or two actually ended up being quite a few more, with Julie celebrating her birthday a day early. No need to go into details... except to say that Jo and Julie were not in great riding shape as they saddled up early the next morning.

Almost 30 riders left the showgrounds at 8.30, and we didn’t return until 4pm. The ride was through forestry under active felling by Hancock Queensland Plantations; and for a fee of just \$40, the ride organisers were able to take us through some varied countryside which we had pretty much to ourselves.

As the ride was raising money for the Mary Valley Chaplaincy Program, the morning tea and lunch stops offered cups of tea/coffee and food for sale. The port-a-loo was a particularly welcome sight for some. Mary Valley Trailblazers run a few fund-raisers during the year, and hope to make a \$1,000 donation soon to keep the chaplains working in schools throughout the region.

There were no dramas on the ride, although one rider retired early. I think he was really out of shape if my eavesdropping skills are accurate! Anyway, no problem – the organisers had a backup float as well as the port-a-loo.

In the leadup to the lunch stop, the group separated into two: those up for a ‘canter’ (yeah, right!) and the more sedate riders who opted for a shaded little bush track rather than the more direct ‘race’ track. Bridgette and I were in the latter group – and by the time we arrived at the lunch spot, Julie and Co. were fed and watered, and sprawled out in the grass recovering from the night before.

The final leg of the ride after lunch was just under an hour and a half, and while a wrong turn was taken and there was a bit of waiting about, we still arrived back on time.

This brings me to “the incident”.

Determined to celebrate her birthday with friends gathered around a cosy campfire (and careful not to leave a big black patch on the lawn), Julie built a fire on a cement slab in front of the showgrounds’ loading ramp. Big lesson learned that night! Fire and concrete don’t mix, apparently. The explosions (and this is no exaggeration) created an impressive crater in the slab; but of more concern, left several of the group with blisters from flying hot shrapnel.

Fortunately my first aid kit had a good ointment for burns, and Julie’s ability to grovel her way out of a pickle is highly tuned with experience. An unsuspecting Ted (the showgrounds’ elderly caretaker) was led to the cleaned-up crater the next morning with Julie on his arm pleading ignorance and profuse apologies.

What could Ted do but give her a peck on the cheek, tell her to pop down to town for a few bags of pre-mix, and he’d be back in a jiffy to fix the damage? A good ending to a great weekend.

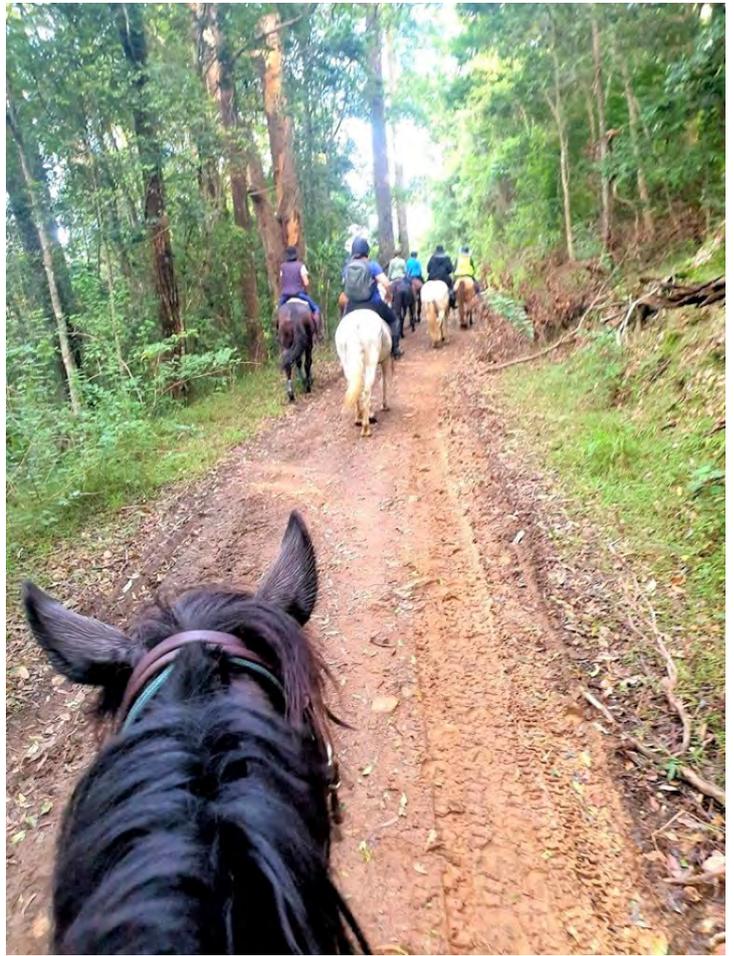


The aftermath of "The Incident"



I must have taken a "bait"







Equine Health

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Colic in Horses

This month's article will be on the topic of colic, one of the most common conditions that equine vets treat in practice. The term colic simply means "abdominal pain". We usually associate colic in horses with gastrointestinal (gut) problems, but it is important to note that colic may also be caused by other organs in the abdomen, including the liver, urinary and reproductive tracts. Colic is a very broad diagnosis, and in many cases we will never know the exact cause. The majority of colic that we see in the field will be the result of mild impactions of feed/manure, gas, spasms of the gut, or possibly a combination of these.

The most common signs of colic include:

- ☐ Looking towards the flank
- ☐ Pawing at the ground
- ☐ Kicking or biting at the abdomen
- ☐ Stretching the body out
- ☐ Repeated lying down and then standing back up
- ☐ No interest in food (most horses always want food!)
- ☐ Minimal or no manures passed

Some of the more severe signs of colic include abrasions over the head and hips, sweating, rolling, increased heart rate and depression. We always recommend that you seek veterinary advice when you think that your horse is suffering from an episode of colic. Usually your veterinarian recommend an examination, perform procedures and administer some medications to treat your horse.

The two questions that we always get asked from owners before we get to their horse are:

1. *Can I give the horse any medications before you arrive?*
2. Should I walk the horse?

We strongly advise that you do not give your horse any medications including phenylbutazone (bute) or flunixin prior to an examination (unless directed by your vet). With your horse medicated, the vet will not be able to observe the horse's condition before pain relief and it may mask worsening signs of colic.

With regards to walking your horse, it may be helpful in some types of colic to encourage the horse to walk as it may improve gut motility. If the horse is sitting or lying comfortably though, it might be best to allow it to stay there. We want to try to minimise the risk of the horse injuring itself or people around it.

As a veterinarian, our goal when examining a colicky horse is to determine the level of treatment required. The majority of horses with colic can be treated successfully with medications in the field, however there are situations where referral to a specialist hospital for intensive medical treatment or surgery may be required. It must also be noted that in some scenarios, euthanasia may be the recommended treatment option.

In order to decide what treatment path is necessary, we have to perform an examination of the horse. The first step involves checking their vital signs (**T**emperature, **P**ulse, **R**espiration - **TPR**). The normal values for an adult horse are temperature 37.2- 38.5 degrees Celsius, pulse rate 24- 44 beats per minute and breathing rate 12- 20 breaths per minute. We also want to pay particular attention to the gum colour and listen to the gut sounds with our stethoscope. Once we have examined the horse we may elect to pass a nasogastric (stomach) tube to look for fluid in the stomach, which may tell us that there is a blockage in the intestines. We may also perform a rectal examination to palpate (feel) some of the structures in the abdomen. By this point your vet should have a pretty good idea of the severity of the colic. On occasion the vet may also elect to collect a blood sample, ultrasound or collect a fluid sample from the abdomen.



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It is important to note that there are other diseases that we commonly see in practice that can look like colic including laminitis, tying-up, chest infections and pregnancy-related issues. A thorough examination of your horse will determine that it does have colic and not one of these other diseases.

As mentioned earlier, most horses with mild colic (which is by far the most common type that we see) can be treated successfully in the field. Controlling the pain is the mainstay of our colic therapy and we achieve this through injectable pain relief and possibly sedation. We may also administer fluids or paraffin oil into the stomach via a tube to assist with hydration and help with the passage of manures.

Many episodes of colic have no obvious cause however there are some preventative measures that you can take to minimise the risk of your horse developing colic –

- ☑ Feed your horse on a regular schedule and feed an adequate amount of forage
- ☑ Don't make sudden changes to your horses diet
- ☑ Always supply clean fresh water
- ☑ Have teeth checked once or twice yearly and treat for dental disease
- ☑ Keep feed off the ground, particularly on sandy soils
- ☑ Practice effective parasite (worm) control

Colic is a potentially serious disease however it can usually be managed quite successfully in the field by your veterinarian if intervention is sought early. We strongly recommend that you contact your vet promptly if you believe that your horse is suffering from an episode of colic.

Written by Dr Abbey Cox UQ VETS Dayboro



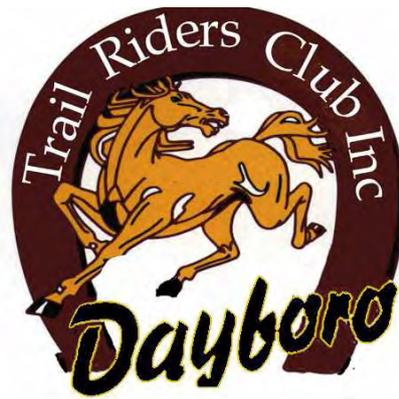
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Club Items for Sale

- Club Shirt—Green Chambray Long Sleeve: \$38.00
- Short Sleeve: \$38.00
- Polo Shirt \$20.00
- Club Stickers \$ 3.50 each

Items are available from the Club Shed on our rides or meetings.



TRA

The TRA pins and buckles are now available for purchase.
We have one buckle left at \$22 and a few hat pins left at \$13.



Happy birthday to:

June	Gabriele Sartori
	Kerry Hill
	Janelle Smith



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FOR SALE

Half Breed Poley 17" (donated to Samford RDA, but surplus to needs)

Good condition. \$200 ono

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Opening Hrs.: Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm

Saturday 9am to 3pm

Sunday 10am to 3pm



Gleam O'Dawn at Samford are offering Dayboro Trail Riders members 5% discount off bags of feed & electric Fencing.

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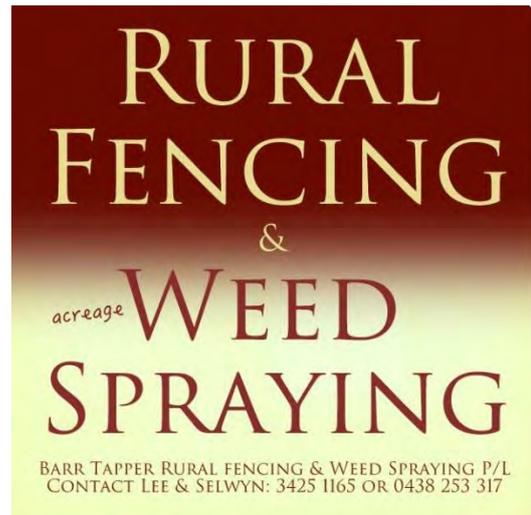
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