

DAYBORO TRAIL RIDERS CLUB INC.



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Newsletter – February 2020

Outgoing Presidents message 2020

Hi everyone. I'm hoping everyone has had a pleasant and safe Christmas and New Year? 2020 is said to be a great and prosperous year from the start of Chinese New Year (begins at the first new moon of the year on the 25th January).

2019 had quite a few trials for a lot of people and it will be nice to look forward to the year to come!

Thank goodness for a great start to the year with some much needed rain and some green grass for our horses and water in the dams! Too long, too dry, but it's a very promising start.

The weather may be too hot for most to do much riding, but it's great preparation time, feet and teeth done, worming, gear checking and saddlery fitting. First and foremost think of the comfort of your horse and safety and suitability for purpose of the gear. Gear cracks, rusts and perishes. Maybe time for some new gear? Floats serviced and made safe for comfortable traveling for our loved horses. Make a list!

What's your plan for you and your horse for this year? The new 2020 ride calendar will be out (listing local club rides and away rides and events), look at which ones you would like to attend and talk to others at the club to discuss which rides would suit you.

It is also time to start thinking about your availability for upcoming important events such as the annual Anzac Day parade in Dayboro and Dayboro Day parade which our club riders are invited to participate in.

The public love to see the horses in the parades and it honours the importance and contribution that horses and horsemen/women have made over time. If this is a part of culture that you would like to see kept alive, then it is up to each one of us to promote. If your horse is out of action or not suited to riding in crowds, you may also consider marching as a pedestrian as part of the club.

This year will see some new members joining, so please introduce yourself and make each and everyone feel welcome and part of DTR Club as they are potentially the future of the Dayboro Trail Riders Club.

I will be retiring from being President this year due to a change in family circumstances and wish all the best to the new President and the future committee and club members.

The current committee and I ask that all members (new and old) consider if they would like to take on a more active role in the Dayboro Trail riders club to help keep it as a viable club. No skills necessary, on the job learning and a willingness to help! :)

I would like each and every one of the members and riders to know that they are valued and integral to keeping trail riding in Dayboro alive. I have enjoyed being a part of this very special club.

Happy and safe New Year and kind regards to all,

Wendy Kuslan

Dayboro Trail Riders President.



Date Claimers

- **20th February** - AGM & General meeting
- **23rd February** - Club Ride
- **28th March** - Yarraman Horse Ride (note change of date)
- **14th March** - TRA AGM at Dayboro
- **22nd March** - Club Ride
- **25th April** - ANZAC Day
- **2nd May** - Angel Flight Charity Horse ride
- **31st May** - Dayboro Day



Our Committee - Executive and Non-Executive members

<u>Executive Positions</u>	<u>Name</u>
President	Wendy Kuslan
Vice President	Bob Ebert
Secretary	Rachel Kuslan
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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





WANT TO JOIN THE DAYBORO TRAILRIDERS CLUB?

Membership Fees for 2020

Senior	\$65
Junior—under 18 Years	\$60
Family	First 3 members of same household \$140 \$60.00—for each subsequent person

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

Monthly Ride Fees for 2020

Club fees for the monthly rides for 2020:

- 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>

The first ride for 2020 (Australia Day)

By Kerry Hill

What a great way to enjoy Australia Day... a leisurely horse ride through some of the region's most picturesque countryside.

I think the Dayboro area is truly beautiful, especially when it's green – and Dayboro Trail Riders' first ride for 2020 took the group along back roads and into private properties that certainly back up this opinion.

Lead Drover, Bob Ebert, planned the ride to suit weather conditions and horse/ rider fitness levels after the Christmas break. Thanks Bob!

The day was steamy after some much-needed rain (including an early morning shower), but the sky was mainly overcast. A cooling breeze also helped. The ride itself was about 12km in length and easy riding. Just one steep bit – and that was unscheduled because we had to make a detour at the request of a property owner.

There were 15 riders including some new faces and a very capable young 'newbie' to the saddle. One rider came all the way from Gatton! There were at least three horses out on their first 'big' trail ride in company – and they were all a credit to their owners. No dramas.

As a 'fair weather rider', I don't usually make the hotter or more challenging rides. But I'm pleased that I decided to spend Australia Day this way.

After riding along Tullamore Park from the showgrounds, we crossed the main street of Dayboro to follow the old rail trail. When we got to the gate at the end of the trail, some quick bush repairs were required. We looked on with admiration while Bob, with help from Julie and Dave, managed to secure the massive, but ancient gate post.

Once through Mrs Butler's property, we crossed the main road between Dayboro and Samford. Riding along Juff's Road and Old Cream Truck Road gave us the views I mentioned earlier. It was wonderful to look down onto lush green paddocks after such a long drought.

After crossing Laidlaw Street, where Bob lectured a motorist who wasn't aware of the road rules pertaining to horses, we followed Juff's Road West to the late Neil Juff's beautiful property. Sadly, this gentleman passed away recently. Bob spoke briefly to his relatives there on a bit of a working bee; and to avoid machinery in action, we cut across a paddock to higher ground to wind our way across grazing and bush lands to Hillview Court Reserve.

We rode through some pretty dense jungle-like conditions at the back of the reserve, and we crossed the North Pine River twice, apparently! Despite recent rain, the river is not running in this spot – just a few damp patches of smooth rocks mark the riverbed. Soon we were on the outskirts of town again, following Hillview Road and Riverview Court to Dayboro cemetery. From there it was a short ride back to the showgrounds via Edmonds Court.

To sum up, our first ride for the year was very pleasant and uneventful – which is always a bonus when you throw together a group of unpredictable horses (most of them in unfamiliar territory). Thanks must go to Bob for planning and leading the ride, and to Mel for doing a sterling job as Tail End Charlie and gate-closer. Thank you also to Janelle for our great Australia Day lunch... snags on the barbie of course!

















Happy birthday to:

March	Jessie Grimmer
	Liz Healey



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Sunday 10am to 3pm

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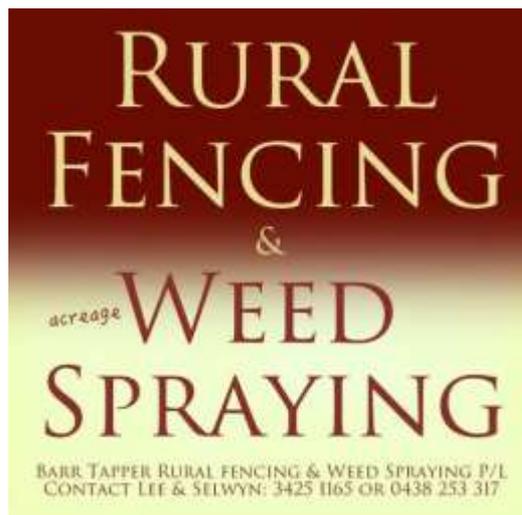
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