

ATRA ON THE TRAIL

February 2017 Newsletter

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ATRA was
established in 1973 for
people interested in
recreational riding &
driving.

2017 Club Executive

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Paige Stocks

*Webmaster: Erin King **Newsletter:** Lisa Harrison Contact to run an advertisement or send an article to be considered: lisa_f@mailcan.com 780-237-7587 General Meeting Thursday February 16 at 7pm Edmonton at Kirk United Church. After a short business meeting, Jenn McCarty will be doing a presentation on:

What to be prepared for when trail or mountain riding?

Jenn McCarty has been an instructor with Equi-Health Canada since 2012 and was promoted to training new instructors & program development. She is responsible for the development of the Equi-Safety programs including: Disaster Planning & Emergency Preparedness; Safe Trailering Practices; and

Livestock Handling & **Emergencies for First** Responders. She is also certified to instruct: Equine Health & Emergency Equine First Aid; Advanced Equine First Aid, with Wilderness & Remote components; kids I CAN HELP equine first aid; The Barn & Beyond, Barn Safety; Kids YEAH OR NEIGH, farm safety; and Fundamentals of Equine First Aid. She started instructing when she was living in Ontario & has taught throughout North America. In 2016 she was a quest speaker at the Red Deer Mane event on disaster planning for the farm.



ATRA is a non-profit family oriented organization that encompasses a variety of equestrian activities that promote safe horsemanship, ongoing education and responsible use, maintenance and development of trails.

ATRA meets at 7pm the 3rd Thursday of the month Jan-Apr & Sept-Nov upstairs at Kirk United Church, 13535-122 Avenue, Edmonton.

Visitors are welcome at any meeting. Website: www.atra.ca
Membership for the calendar year is \$20 single, \$35 family.

Riding members must have current ATRA and AEF memberships.

Upcoming Events

More about the February meeting speaker: Jenn McCarty and her family currently reside near Edmonton, Alberta on their farm breeding Canadian Horses & Australian Shepherd dogs. Jenn grew up in Ontario and spent many years working as a wrangler at a trail riding establishment that offered day trail rides and overnight pack trips. In 2006 she was hired by the Royal Canadian Mounted Police and left for training at Depot Division in Regina, Saskatchewan. Upon completion of her training she was transferred to Salt Spring Island, BC. During this time she spent her down time working with the local veterinarians and rehabbing injured horses. She completed her Equine Canada Western Coaching & English Instructors certification. Jenn also attended Mounted Search & Rescue training, working with their local Search & Rescue organization to implement a mounted search & rescue component. When she had the opportunity to leave the island she would spend her time riding the back country and exploring new areas. In 2010 she was transferred to the Musical Ride in Ottawa, Ontario. Upon completion of her tours with the Musical Ride she was transferred to Strathcona County, Alberta.

29th Birkie International Ski Race is being hosted Feb 11, 2017 at the Blackfoot Recreation area. *ATRA* members and other riders are being asked to avoid riding the groomed trails in the month prior. To volunteer contact: Cam 780-416-9382 or cam@syban.net

ATRA Family Hay Ride on Monday, Feb 20 at 2pm at Birch Bay Ranch, 51505 Rge Rd 215, Sherwood Park. Dress warm. We'll have a fire, cocoa and marshmallows. Will be rescheduled if high is colder than -15. Please sign up at a meeting or let Lisa know by Feb 16 if you plan to attend so we know if we need 1 or 2 rides. 780-237-7587 or lisa_f@mailcan.com



ATRA Trail Ride at Blackfoot Waskahegan Sunday March 19. Ride out at 11am, don't be late. Access staging area from RR 210 north of Wye Road or south of Hwy 16. Bring a lunch as we will stop half way out on the trail. Please note this is a walking ride with no dogs allowed and no one is in charge of guiding. This is just a way for members to meet up with one another to trail ride.

ATRA Trail Ride at Blackfoot Central Sunday April 16. Ride out at 11am, don't be late. Access staging area from RR 200 and Wye Road, follow signs. Bring a lunch as we will stop half way out on the trail. Please note this is a walking ride with no dogs allowed and no one is in charge of guiding. This is just a way for members to meet up with one another to trail ride.

If anyone is planning to ride and wants to invite members to join them, please post on our Alberta Trail Riding Assocation facebook page. Email Lisa (lisa_f@mailcan.com) if you need an invite to the facebook group.

If anyone hears of any other Alberta trail rides of interest to the club members, please let Lisa (lisa_f@mailcan.com) know so she can include in a future newsletter or eblast.

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1 & 2 Day GPS/Mapping Courses at South Cooking Lake Seniors Centre

Directions: 102, 22106 South Cooking Lake Road just off Highway #14 and 0.5 Km NW of Range Road 221 in Strathcona County. Max 10 members for each clinic. Registration deadline Feb 17.

COURSE INSTRUCTOR: Dugald Dunlop, B.Sc. After spending 10 years in the mineral exploration industry Dugald has spent the last twenty four years applying his training and experience to computer mapping in a broad range of Recreational, Tourism, Forestry, Fish & Wildlife and Natural Resource based applications. He has been using GPS since 1994 and is Resource Inventory Committee certified as a GPS Data Processor/Project Manager. Dugald is currently a partner in the Vernon and Nanaimo B.C. based mapping company Meridian Mapping. The Company offer services in GPS Training, GPS Surveys, Terrain Mapping/Modeling, GIS Projects, Data Mgmt and More.

Friday, March 17, 2017 "Using Your Handheld GPS" - 1 day GPS/Mapreading/Navigation Intro+: Recreational grade handheld GPS receivers (i.e.: Garmin GPSMap 64s) can be a valuable tool. The course is designed to teach GPS basics in terrestrial applications, enabling users to get the most from their GPS unit. The agenda will include basic theory and terminology of the GPS system, and an introduction to mapping concepts such as scale, projections, and coordinate systems along with basic compass navigation. Theory will also include GPS field techniques, a review of accuracy expectations and limitations. The agenda will include field exercises to practice GPS techniques. The day will conclude in the classroom with a comparison of the features and capabilities of various brands and models and a demonstration of available software and data that provide added functionality.

As a Prerequisite you should have taken the MEC GPS Free Intro Class (GPS Units Supplied). A limited numbers of GPS units will be available for use in this course so owning a GPS unit would helpful but please do not buy a unit for this course. Please contact Doug King by phone (780) 916-7474 (leave a voice mail if no answer) or E mail at king519@telus.net

CLINIC EQUIPMENT & MATERIALS REQUIRED: Participants should bring their own GPS receiver, owner's manual, spare batteries, compass, cabling for the 2 day course. For both Clinics bring appropriate clothing and footwear to spend 2-3 hours in the field. Bring notepaper, highlighter, pens and a bag lunch. 2 Day Clinic Bring your laptop if you have one, a limited number of laptops will be arranged for to share. Registration Fee \$85

Saturday & Sunday, March 18/19, 2017 "Using Your Handheld GPS OziExplorer GPS Software and other Software" 2 DAY GPS/MAPPING SOFTWARE/Navigation INTERMEDIATE:

The GPS portion of this clinic will cover all of the topics of the one day clinic and expand on them. The agenda will include theory and terminology of the GPS system, and will cover mapping concepts such as scale, projections, and coordinate systems along with basic compass navigation. Theory will also include GPS field techniques, a review of accuracy expectations and limitations. The agenda will include field exercises to practice GPS techniques. The agenda will include a classroom comparison of the features and capabilities of various brands and models and a demonstration of available software and data that provide added functionality.

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The mapping portion of the Clinic will primarily be focused on the OziExplorer (Ozi) Software for mapping purposes, however other Software will be covered such as Garman's MapSource, PDF Maps (Now Avenza Maps) and GPS Trackmaker. If time permits, how to use Google Earth with your GPS unit with respect to waypoints and Tracks with also be included. Depending on the interests of the Participants the Clinic Agenda could be modified.

OziExplorer (Ozi) is a full-featured software program that interfaces with most recreational grade handheld GPS receivers. Ozi can be run on desktops, laptops, or PDA's and greatly expands on the capabilities of your GPS receiver. The Agenda will get started with fundamentals including how to download waypoints and tracks from your GPS to your computer, or create them with the aid of a background map and upload them to your GPS. The agenda will include using Ozi to plan a short exercise around the course location. After completing the exercise, you will return to the classroom, download the results and use them to prepare and print your own map. You will be introduced to a variety of commercially available background maps in addition to learning how to scan and incorporate your own custom maps. Depending on time limits the agenda may include a demonstration of the program's moving map capabilities and the 3-D version of Ozi.

As a Prerequisite you will have taken both of the MEC GPS and Map/Compass Free Intro Classes (They supply GPS Units), taken the ATRA One day Clinic the day Prior or be comfortable using a GPS and Navigating by Map. Owning a GPS unit would help you get the most out of this course but please do not buy a unit for this course. Please contact Doug King by phone (780) 916-7474 (leave a voice mail if no answer) or E mail at king519@telus.net

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The Mountain Equipment Coop (MEC) prerequisite date is Sat March 4 1:00-4:00 PM. People should let Doug know if they are attending. The address is:12328 - 102 Avenue, Edmonton.

Katelyn Carter Bomb Proofing/Liberty Half Day Clinics March 21 (10-2), 23 (9-1), 24 (9-1).

Katelyn Carter Horsemanship Spring Tune-up 4 week lesson series Wednesdays 12-2pm April 12, 26, May 10 & 24.

Beginner Jumping 12-1:30pm and Intermediate Jumping 2-3:30pm Sunday, Apr 9 with Lisa Harrison. Lesson horses and saddles are available for lease for this clinic. Cost \$30/session.

3 Clinics above are at Paints-Plus Equine Center: 22441 Hwy 14, Sherwood Park. 2.5km east of Hwy 21 on Hwy 14 www.paints-plus.com. contact: Lisa 780-237-7587 or lisa_f@mailcan.com.

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Greg Czech Spring Tune-up 4 week lesson series Wednesdays 7-9pm Apr 5, 12, 19 & 26 at Thorsby Haymaker Arena. Contact: Cindy 780-962-2690, 587-986-1535 chanas@finning.com

Greg Czech Training 4 lesson series Tuesdays April 25, May 2, 9 & 16 7-9pm at Sturgeon Agriplex Indoor Arena. Contact: Sharon Breitkreuz 780-472-6212 rafterbk@telus.net.

Spring Tune Up Clinic with Greg Czech Saturday, April 22 at Sturgeon 9-4. Contact: Sharon

Lavern Schmidt Two Day Horsemanship/Trail Skills Clinic May 4/5 or 6/7 at Sunwest Equine Services, near Onoway. Campfire and potluck supper Thursday or Saturday night. Overnight camping/pens are available Thurs/Saturday nights. They also have some other accommodations if you contact them. You may also haul in each day. 10 people per clinic. Cost is \$120/rider and includes lunch. Reg deadline is April 4. Directions: www.sunwestequine.com.

Parade Readiness Clinic & Costume Allocation on Saturday June 3 at 1pm at Vicki & Dave Lawrence's outdoor arena. Proposed parades: Ardrossan - Sat June 17, Morinville - Sat June 24, Sherwood Park - Sat July 1, Edmonton K Days - Fri July 21. Registration deadline May 1. No cost. Contact: Vicki Lawrence 780-922-2227 or vickilawrence@interbaun.com

1 Day Obstacle Event training Friday, June 23, Saturday June 24 or Sunday June 25, 9 – 4pm — Courier Park Equine Centre, 21569 Wye Rd (Sec. 630), just east of Laughing Llama on the south side of Wye Rd. Clinic is for every horse and rider, to teach your horse how to confidently deal with many common trail and riding obstacles (max. 10 participants each day). Cost \$60 includes wiener roast at end of clinic. Registration deadline April 30. Contact: Doug King, 780-922-3812, king519@telus.net

Square Dancing on Horseback 3 week series with Murray Few Wednesday June 14, 21, 28 6:30-8:30pm at the Riddell Arena, 22224 Twp Rd 510 Sherwood Park. This event is for those who would like a new challenge to enhance their riding experience. You and your horse must be able to turn, accelerate and stop quickly when cued. Also you must be able to ride with others in a co-ordinated way. Cost \$70. Minimum/maximum 8 participants. Registration deadline May 7. Contact: Murray Few 780-434-2000 or *mbfew@planet.eon.net*

In Blue, are dates or times that have changed since January meeting and newsletter.

Clinic registration form and more clinic information can be found in January newsletter. Please note some clinics have space but others are full and currently taking waiting lists.

Overnight Camping Rides 2017

These trips are for ATRA members, with their own horse, trailer & camping accommodations. Horses and riders should have trail riding experience and be fit enough for 4-8 hour day rides. We recommend all horses have 4 shoes prior to coming, as there is lots of rock on the trails. If you are using boots instead, make sure you fit and practice with them ahead. Make sure your horse can handle saddle bags, rain slickers, creeks, mud, bogs, dogs and wildlife. Also make sure your truck has enough power and trailer has working brakes for the steep hills. Trails in these areas range from easy flat valley rides to high steep mountainous areas. There are many beautiful trails, some hard to find and not well marked, so if you haven't been there before, this is a great opportunity to come with the group, who can show you the trails. We tend to split up and ride out in various smaller groups to different destinations. Unless noted, there is no limit on number of members that can attend. We do ask that you **REGISTER** with contact or sign up at a spring meeting so we know you are coming and can send additional information on group activities, meals travel and directions to destinations. The ATRA banner will be displayed at our campsite. Unless noted, most campgrounds are free and have no water, RV hook-ups or power. There is no cell phone service at any campgrounds. BYO cubes preferably, as hay can introduce weeds to the area. At free campgrounds, facilities include outhouses (BYO TP), high-line poles (BYO rope). You can tie or panel beside your trailer. No electric fences or grazing.

What to Bring for your Horse for overnight rides: saddle, cinch, saddle bags, breastplate and crouper, 2 saddle pads, grooming kit, horse first aid supplies, halters & long lead shanks, high line rope, rain sheet/blanket (it gets cold at night & horses can't move much to keep warm), feed tub, water bucket, helmet (optional, but ATRA recommends), horse fly spray, sponge, scraper and small bucket, manure tubs and forks or shovels to take manure to pit, hobbles (optional for lunch grazing only), easy boot (in case you lose a shoe – note most horses need a size bigger than shoe size), tag with phone # on halter (in case you lose your horse)

What to Bring for you for overnight rides (suggestions): personal clothing and toiletries, TP, bug spray, first aid kit, medicine, binoculars, camera, batteries, rain gear, winter jacket, chair, flashlight, garbage bags to haul out garbage, multi-tool, bell or whistle, bear spray, duct tape, compass or GPS, folding saw, pocket knife, axe, sewing kit, tarp, cooking supplies and food and drinks, lunch kit, generator. Medical information card that has name, next of kin & phone # & relationship to, location of truck/trailer keys, AHC#, medications, allergies, medical conditions or any health concerns (ATRA has these so ask trail ride organizer on the day you arrive)

May Long Weekend Camping Trip to Horse Creek Ranch, Fort Assiniboine May 19-21 Sandhills, no shoes required. We split into smaller groups for day rides and join together in shop for evening fire, socializing and singing. Bathrooms with hot showers on site. Bring your own meals, and feed and water buckets, and fork and muck tubs for your horse. All cabins are booked for 2017. Pens usually fill up too so book soon. www.horsecreekranch.ca
Cost is: \$25.20/person/horse/rig/dog/power site for weekend—chq payable to CLSC by May 1 Contact Barb (780-434-2000 or mbfew@planet.eon.net) to book a pen for your horse and power campsite or other camping spot. You will also need to get cheque to her for camping fees.

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MSW Farms Camping Trail Ride June 15-18, 2017. Located on the Battle River near Ponoka. Deposit required by April 20. Cost is \$10/person/night and \$10/horse/night. 3 person cabins are \$65/night or \$150 for 3 nights. Contact Sheila ssharko57@gmail.com or 780-686-2534.

Directions from Ponoka: 5 miles West on 53, 5 miles North on 795 and 1.5 miles West on 435.

Directions from Meniak overpass/Hwy 2: North 4 miles, West on 265 0.75 miles. mswfarms.com

June 18-23 Hummingbird Maintenance Mountain Camping. The equestrian campground is 100km SW of Rocky Mountain House. Take Hwy 752 (60km, 40 paved/20 gravel), south west of Rocky to the Forestry Trunk Road 734, turn right (west) at that T-intersection (41km to camp). After crossing the South Ram River-steep hill, the road turns west for a mile or so then goes north. Look for the Hummingbird sign on the west side. Turn left & follow the road to the staging area. Continue on the road past the information signs in the first parking lot (day use area). The road climbs a short hill then makes a sharp u turn across a small creek then continues west. The equestrian loop camping area has a sign and an entrance, on the left (south). Ken Z will be staying at the campground and doing day rides and likely one campground cleanup day. Please plan to help with picking up garbage and clearing trails if you come on this trip. Fuel costs may be partially reimbursed to those that submit receipts to Shirley by the September meeting. A creek crossing is required to access trails. Ken Zelt 780-922-3222 or kawlzelt@gmail.com

July 17-24 East Drummond Creek Trail Relocation at Whitehorse Creek Campground 60km South of Hinton. 4km West of Hinton turn South on Hwy 40 for about 50km. Turn right at T and its 5km past Cadomin. Ken Z has reserved all the equestrian sites so you must sign up with him to get a site. They cost \$11/night + \$2/horse/night. Sites have tie stalls or box stalls (not covered so bring rain sheets or tarps/bungies) and bring manure forks and muck buckets. Outhouses and firewood are provided, no hookups. The group will be clearing the overgrown Drummond Creek trail. Ken will use the trail clearing criteria to choose crew from the sign up list based on required skills. Members not involved in the trail clearing are invited to come, ride the area and socialize around the campfire if extra campsites are available. Those volunteering may be partially reimbursed for fuel costs if they submit receipts to Shirley by the September meeting. Ken Zelt 780-922-3222 or kawlzelt@gmail.com

July 23-30 Panther wilderness trail development ride. This trip is a working/riding week into the isolated non-motorized Panther area SW of Sundre. The camping group will be riding with wagon support for gear and food. Pre-requirements and selection will be based on ATRA's Trail Riding & Stewardship Guidelines, your horse's mountain skills and your back country camping experience. A small group may go in on July 21 to set up the group camp equipment. You and your horse must be comfortable camping with no amenities. There will be a fee for food. There may be wagon seats for non-riding participants. A planning meeting will be organized late Feb to discuss the requirements and work expectations. For more information or to sign up, please contact Shirley @ 780-662-4747 or shimcf@mcnet.ca

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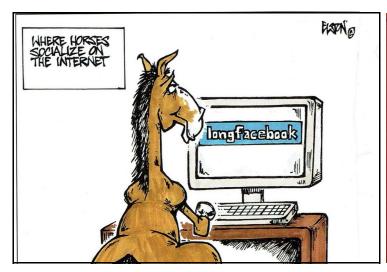
Aug 5-13 Yaha Tinda Eagle Creek Campground — 85km SW of Sundre. Directions: 10km west of Sundre turn left/south on Coal Camp Rd, after 50km (25 km paved/25 km gravel) turn left at T-intersection Hwy 734, stay on the north side of the river (do not cross blue bridge, go past no exit sign at bridge, but do not take the 2nd no exit sign to the right) it's 25 km to the Eagle Creek Campground, look for campground sign on your left, YMCA will be on right. FOESA also has their fundraiser poker ride at Bighorn Campground August 6 - ride or volunteer. Contact Alison Downer for more info: alcarter@telusplanet.net or 780-910-4639

Aug 18-21—Ride at Cowley's Rafter Six Ranch with Kateri, Kananaskis—www.raftersix.com

More details will be sent to those signed up by April 20, as a deposit will be required. Camping fee ~\$65/night includes 2 horses in a solid corral. \$10/extra horse. Group will also have to split the cost of the guide for Saturday and Sunday rides 4-6 hours each at \$50/hour. Horses available for rent at \$40/hour. Shoes required. No hookups. Water for horses only at corrals. Accomodations nearby - 5 minutes from Stoney Nakoda Casino, and 15 mins from Copperstone Resort at DeadMan's Flats. Many from this ride will continue to Mesa Butte (below) for the week. Contact Lisa Harrison *lisa_f@mailcan.com* or 780-237-7587

Aug 20-27 Mesa Butte, Kananaskis Campground — ~20 km West of Millarville along SH 549. Take Hwy 22 south of Calgary to Millarville. This equestrian campground has 15 sites and 32 covered tie stalls nearby with easy access water and manure bin beside stalls. No power. Bring 2-3 bags of shavings per horse and fork to clean stalls. Cost is ~\$39/night per site. It's 1st come 1st serve camping, no reservations—so that's why we are going in Sunday. Contact Lisa Harrison *lisa_f@mailcan.com* or 780-237-7587

Sept 1-4 (Long Weekend) Drayton Valley Riverside Trails. Come ride along the Pembina River. No shoes required. Great training area with Bridges and river crossing. Trail loops vary from 2 hours to 8 hour loops. Camping at a first come basis. Some sites have tie stall, box stalls or hitching rails. Contact Cindy at 587-986-1535 or *chanas@finning.com*





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Classifieds

For these items, contact Cindy at 780-962-2690 or chanas@finning.com to bring to a meeting or ride.

Ad Rates	#	Classified	1/4 Page	1/2 Page
Member	1	\$5	\$15	\$30
Member	3	\$12	\$34	\$63
Non-Member	1	\$10	\$20	\$40
Non-Member	3	\$24	\$45	\$84

ATRA Coffee Mug \$15

ATRA Tush Cushions \$10

ATRA Trailer Decal \$10-30

ATRA Jacket \$65









Past Events

35th Anniversary Alberta Horse Conference, Jan. 13-15, 2017 www.albertahorseindustry.ca ATRA was the Friday evening major sponsor and had an information booth.

AGM Thursday January 19 at 7pm Edmonton. The usual program and financial reports were presented, as well as 2017 clinics registrations, and elections. We welcome Alexis Mishak and Paige Stocks onto the board for 2017.

Tap, tap, tap, tap was the sound of the day — 9 people attended the Leather Tooling workshop on January 28 to learn first-hand from Miriam James of James Built Saddlery (Tofield) about hand decorating leather. We were provided with starter kits which included the basic hand tools and 5 projects. The group and individual instruction was valuable as we saw our flowers and designs evolve into finished projects. Many thanks to our local lady saddler who encouraged patience in teaching us to learn the intricate process of tooling leather. If there is interest Miriam will organize another workshop. It seems that getting together in January to swap horse stories, have some fun and learn a new skill was the perfect combination for those who attended. James Built Saddlery (780-662-4980) makes and provides a full selection of tack and saddles.







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If you have an event we should know about, call Lisa @ 780 237-7587 or <u>lisa f@mailcan.com</u>

For insurance purposes, each member joining our rides/clinics is required to hold a current **AB Equestrian Federation** membership. Renewal forms are available: www.albertaequestrian.com

All riders ride at your own risk. We recommend helmet use for all riders & STRONGLY encourage it for those under 18 during ATRA events. For the safety of all members, ATRA's policy on riding with dogs is: On single day rides or weekend rides with a large group, no dogs are permitted. On longer overnight trips, dogs may be permitted if all riders in your group are in agreement.