

## ATRA ON THE TRAIL

### October 2019 Newsletter

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

#### **2019 Club Executive**

**President:** Alexys Mishak Vice-Pres: Rita Power Secretary: Allison Downer **Treasurer:** Cindy Hanas **Membership:** Cindy Hanas **Casino:** Shirley McFall **Newsletter:** Allison Downer Webmaster: Alexys Mishak

**Directors at Large:** 

Doug King, Tracy Campbell, Cam Stevenson, Murray Few, Sharon Breitkreuz. Pleman Downer, Maggie Portas.

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.

General Meeting - October 17 Bring a friend or fellow equestrian as a guest of ATRA & enjoy our October Special Guest Speaker and Social Night!

STRATHCONA Come listen to Alf Kolenosky of Strathcona County Agriculture and Transportation Services present on the County's Emergency Response Strategy. As the Agriculture

Supervisor Alf is responsible for the inspections team who responds to the provincial acts covering animal/plant disease and health, pest/weed act, and other acts that involve agriculture on the landscape. He will also speak to the development of the Multi Use Facility and its link to rescue equipment. The Lamont Large Animal Emergency Response trailer will be available for viewing. Strathcona County is considering the purchase of an emergency trailer due to the County being a high travel corridor.

Alf has spent a lifetime with wildlife research and pest management, agricultural production, and currently raises horses and cattle.

Renew Your Membership and share the evening with us to be eligible for a fabulous draw!!!



#### **Upcoming Events**



#### **GET YOUR XMAS TICKETS**

Christmas Party
Saturday December 7
Kirk United Centre

See Cindy for Tickets and details!!



#### CANADIAN FINALS RODEO

OCTOBER 29 - NOVEMBER 3, 2019

THE CENTRIUM—WESTERNER PARK 4847A 19 ST RED DEER, AB T4R 2N7 (403) 343—7800

askus@westernerpark.ca

#### ATRA's Next Casino is Thursday Nov 21 and Friday Nov 22 at Century Casino on Fort Road.

Century is easy to get to, lots of parking above and underground, and they treat volunteers very well. And, yes the Thursday conflicts with our monthly guest speaker but we have to take the dates we get assigned.

Thank you to so many who have generously agreed to take on a shift. If you have participated in an AT-RA subsidized clinic perhaps you can volunteer for one of the 3 shifts that are not yet filled:

- ♦ Thursday Nov 21 6:15 pm 3:15 pm CASHIER
- ♦ Friday Nov 22 6:15pm 3:15 am CASHIER AND CHIP RUNNER

Please consider volunteering. The money raised benefits our club members and the entire equestrian community in many ways. Contact Shirley at <a href="mailto:smariem2018@gmail.com">smariem2018@gmail.com</a> or 780-662-4747



#### **CLINIC IDEAS FOR 2020**

Members - Did you submit your clinic proposals for the 2020 clinic lineup. We have a form on the website that outlines the information that is needed (clinician, location, budget). The Clinic Committee considers the ideas but we are almost out of time to get those ideas in for consideration so contact:

Laurie Gaboury lpgaboury@gmail.com

#### **Past Events**



#### **STARS**

The 17th annual STARS Trail Ride, hosted by ATRA and Cooking Lake Saddle Club enjoyed a sunny, calm day with glori-

ous fall colors at the Ministik Bird Sanctuary on Sunday September 22. STARS is a very important cause for many riders who could be out in less accessible areas.

34 Riders savored one of the last real 'Summer' days. They brought in \$680 to buy poker hands for themselves/friends/family to take a chance at a winning hand. As well, donations directly to STARS are being collected and we are nearing the \$1000 mark!

Well done everyone! Vicki Lawrence, STARS Ride Coordinator





# ATTENTION.... ITS TIME TO RENEW THOSE MEMBERSHIPS!!!!

#### NOT YET A MEMBER .....

If you'd like to become a member, print and complete our Membership Form and mail it to Cindy Hanas at 25 Linden Street South, Spruce Grove, AB T7X 2G6, Bring it to a general meeting, or fill it out online at https://www.atra.ca/become-a-member

#### EVENTS CALENDAR: See details on website: www.atra.ca

DATE	LOCATION	Details Contact
Oct 17	ATRA General Meeting - Alf Kolenosky	
Oct 20	ATRA Trail Ride - Ministik Bird Sanctuary	
Nov 21	ATRA General Meeting - Speaker TBA	
Nov 24	ATRA Trail Ride - location TBA	
Dec 7	ATRA Christmas Social	Cindy 587-986-1535
Jan 16	ATRA General Meeting	
Jan 19	ATRA Trail Ride - location TBA	
Feb 20	***ATRA Annual General Meeting***	

If you have an event we should know about, call Allison 780-910-4639 or downer387@gmail.com 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.



