

ATRA ON THE TRAIL

November 2019 Newsletter

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

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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 Thursday 7 pm November 21, 2019

Our Guest Speaker is Lisa Harrison of Paints-Plus Equine Centre.

Join us for Lisa's presentation on Riding in Montana and the Castle area!



ATRA meets 7pm the 3rd Thursday of the month Jan-Apr/Sept-Nov upstairs at Kirk United Church Centre, 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.

PREVIEW OF 2020 CLINICS Bios and details will be published in Dec Newsletter!

DATE	LOCATION	COST P/PERSON
Apr 18	Jennifer Woods - Trailer Safety Course - Full Day - Location tba	\$70
Apr 23,30 May 7,14	Dustin Grams - 4 week series Horsemanship, Obstacles, Bar- rel Racing, Flag & Buffalo work - 4 2hr sessions - Rolly View	\$140
May 2 - 3	Laverne Schmidt 2-Day Trail Skills & Obstacles - Onoway	\$120
May 5 - Jun 9	Greg Czech - Trail Ready Sessions - Thorsby - Evenings	\$185
May 23, 30 Jun 6	Greg Czech - Basic Horsemanship - Cardiff 3 hour sessions - time tba	\$208
Jun 12,13,14	Bob Klassen 1-Day Obstacle Course - Courier Park	<i>\$75</i>
Jun 20 - 21	Greg Czech - Spring Tune-up & Trail/Mountain Obstacles Prep - Leduc - time tba	\$130
Jul 3 - 5	Scott Phillips Liberty Clinic / Progressive Horsemanship Full Days - East of Rocky Mountain House	\$221
TBA	Mountain Readiness Clinic - time & location tba	\$40

Past Events

STARS Ride Report

What a great day for a ride! Vibrant fall colors, warm sunny weather, little wind and a good turn-out. 34 riders came out and bought 68 hands to play poker. Some even bought hands for people who couldn't attend. From that \$680 prize money \$230 was pulled out for our winners: \$120 for 1st to Lisa Harrison, \$70 for 2nd to Keith Despins and \$40 for 3rd to Judy Spence. Both Lisa and Judy were absent when the money was to be awarded at the end of the ride, but later asked that their winnings be donated back to STARS..

Now for the donations: Riders made personal donations and also turned in funds from other people. Then I received more funding from people unable to attend the ride. ATRA also made a club donation of \$1000. Dave Lawrence made a trip to STARS on Oct. 24 and turned in our final donation - \$4015 (Pictured below)

The Sherwood Park News featured our ride too (photo submitted by Bernice Scopick).

I'd like to thank Lisa Harrison and Dave Lawrence for helping me to carry the poker hands, Murray Few for helping with set-up and take-down, and Carolyn Wulf for making a special trip out to help with registration. And of course, thank you to all who attended and/or made donations. Once again STARS will appreciate our help. We will have raised enough money for about 2 return flights.

Submitted by Vicki Lawrence



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

DATE	LOCATION	Details Contact
Nov 21	ATRA General Meeting - Guest Speaker Lisa Harrison	Aly
Nov 24	ATRA Trail Ride - Blackfoot Waskehegan Staging Area ride out at 11 am	Allison
Dec 7	ATRA Christmas Social - Kirk United Church Centre	Cindy / Rita
Jan 16	ATRA General Meeting	Aly
Jan 19	ATRA Trail Ride - location tba	Allison
Feb 17	Family Day Sleigh Ride - details tba	Shirley
Feb 20	***ATRA Annual General Meeting***	Aly

If you have an event we should know about, call Allison 780-910-4639 or down-er387@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.



Do you know how to contact a board member!!

You can find the Executive & Board of Directors
on the ATRA website www.ab.ca >>Click on Contact
tab>> scroll down page to find us all!
We welcome your input.