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## TREKKERS TRIBUNE

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Hi Everyone,

I hope you are all getting the amount of rain we're getting down here, it's been very wet here. Wishing that all those who are going on the trek that their trek preparations are going well, and that they are still able to ride their horses often enough to get them fit for trekking despite the large amounts of rainfall we're having.

### Previous Ride

Our previous ride was beautifully hosted by Trevor and Janice Hayes and their daughter Karen on their property in Darling Downs.

We were provided with the use of both of their homes which was fantastic as the weekend ended up being extremely wet. The rain did not actually start until we got back from our ride on Saturday afternoon but it rained quite heavily for some time flooding the property very heavily for the duration of the night. The rain cleared by morning enabling us all to have a lovely day of riding on Sunday.

Trevor and Karen escorted us over the weekend on really good bridle trails especially designed and built for horses through Darling Downs and across to the Oakford bridle trails as well. We crossed Tonkin Highway underneath through the newly built underpass for horses, to ride the Oakford trails which was quite a challenge for some riders whose horses were not used to this and there was also a large sum of water in the underpass tunnel due to the amount of rain we had overnight.

There was much to see riding along these trails, they were very pleasant and there were many very fancy horse properties along the way to admire. It was also good to see new people on the ride and to chat with along the way.

Well a huge big thankyou goes out to Trevor, Janice and Karen for a really marvellous weekends ride, we appreciate all the time and effort that was dedicated into planning this ride to make the ride a success.

### Challa Station Trek

This years trek is nearly upon us it's now less than two weeks away from us.

The trek is near Mt Magnet this time so you will need to prepare yourselves for all kinds of weather changes for this time of the year, it can be hot during the day so hats, sunglasses and sunblock is advisable, it can be very cold at night time so warm weather gear is also advisable, and it may also rain so wet weather gear is also on the cards.

So when you pack for the trek do so according to all weather. Another thing handy to have with you is human electrolytes like Staminade or Powerade powder as the club will possibly not have any this year. The club will be providing store bought fruit cakes for the trek so if at all possible could you please bring home made biscuits or home made cakes as home made products are always very well welcomed. And one more thing don't forget your cameras everyone it will be great for us all to look at the pictures afterwards.

### **Next Long Weekend Ride**

The next ride will be after the trek on the long weekend at the end of October at Margaret Thomas and Frank Pinner's property in Pickering Brook on the 28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup>, and 30<sup>th</sup> of October, this is instead of a long weekend in September which has been changed due to CHOGM. For people wanting to attend this ride more information will be following this newsletter soon.

Well that's all for now, good luck on the trek at Challa trekkers and have lots of fun we hope to see you all soon either before the next ride or at the long weekend ride at Pickering Brook. Bye for now.

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