

TOKAI DISTRICT RIDING ASSOCIATION (TDRA)

Held at 9 Colyn Road, Kalkbay on 09 February 2017 at 19:30

Committee Members present in person:	Karena du Plessis (KdP)	Chairperson
	Grant Chapman (GC)	Vice-Chairperson
	Carol Poole (CP)	
	Michelle Matthews (MM)	Secretary
	Julie Myrtle (JM)	
	Marianne Berry (MB)	Treasurer

Apologies:	Emma Tiffin (ET)
	Jess Fogarty (JF)

Agenda Item	Minute	Action
1	Welcome Karena welcomed all present, declared the meeting open.	
2	Approval of previous minutes and follow up items The previous minutes were tabled and approved.	
3	First Aid Course St John's has been contacted in connection with the proposed First Aid course but have not yet responded. To be followed up on.	KdP
4	Trails Update The picnic site transitional route is open again, the required signs have been installed and SANParks has shifted some of the logs to widen the area between the cars and the fence line for the horses. Manure will be cleaned twice a week but horse riders are to immediately remove any manure at the entrance area to the picnic site. There is a bag in the pot at the entrance for this purpose. The Gatekeeper system is still not working due to electricity interruptions; it is intended to move the system onto a 12 volt battery to avoid the ongoing electricity supply interruptions. It has also been noted that there is broken glass along the fence line near the climbing wall, this will be cleaned and monitored. There is some galvanising required at the Airlie-Neva bridge which will be completed as soon as possible. The electric fencing on the gate into Upper Tokai at the manor house has been moved so that horses can use the gate. The gate is quite narrow so it is suggested that riders dismount and lead their horses through rather than riding through. The Upper Tokai trails have become very stony and eroded in areas. This is likely to require earth moving equipment to resolve and will need constant monitoring in winter. The entrance at the stone Church has been closed by SANParks to keep	GC

	<p>cyclists off the Chrysalis land. SANParks has agreed to a horse gate being installed for which a code will be issued to horse riders only. This code may not be shared and is only for use by horse riders. The gate has been ordered and will be installed as soon as it is available. The City is currently upgrading the verge past Uitsig so it is hoped that this will become more horse friendly allowing riders improved access to the track and other Constantia trails. The City has also been approached about the possibility of a zebra crossing in the area and they are currently considering a zebra crossing at Uitsig.</p> <p>The so-called Bonnyrigg Bridge on the Spaanschemat Greenbelt (opposite the entrance to Bonnyrigg Road) has been repaired to some extent. The bridge is situated on private land so extensive work is not possible on it.</p>	
5	<p>Arena</p> <p>The TDRA is in contact with the person responsible for community projects at SANParks at the request of SANParks' Gavin Bell to determine how to proceed with the development of the Tokai Precinct arenas after the tender for their development was cancelled.</p>	GC
6	<p>Complaints about Horse Riders</p> <p>A few complaints have been received regarding inconsiderate horse riders in Lower Tokai Park. All members are reminded to be considerate of other park users and to ride in a manner that is safe.</p>	
10	<p>AGM</p> <p>The AGM will be held in early March, The Range will be approached to confirm availability and notices will be circulated as soon as the date has been finalised.</p> <p>Several committee members will be stepping down from the committee at the end of the current year, nominations for new committee members will be welcomed as there are key roles that need to be filled. We need at least one person passionate about each of the following: Greenbelts, Lower Tokai, Middle Tokai, Upper Tokai. More than one Champion per area is also welcome.</p>	GC/MM

The meeting ended at approx 21:15

Certified a true record of the proceedings

Chairperson

Date