

TOKAI DISTRICT RIDING ASSOCIATION (TDRA)

Held at 9 Colyn Rd; Kalk Bay on 15 February 2018 at 19:30

Committee Members present in person	Karena du Plessis (KdP)	Chairperson
	Grant Chapman (GC)	Vice-Chairperson
	Marianne Berry (MB)	Treasurer
	Michelle Matthews (MM)	Secretary
	Maryse Pennington Collins (MC)	
	Hayley Moir (HM)	
	Julie Myrtle (JM)	
	Laura Forde (LF)	

Guest:	Deon de Villiers	Tokai MTB
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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	AGM Members are reminded that the AGM is scheduled to be held on 10 May 2018 at The Range. The reason for the AGM being held later than usual is to allow sufficient time to finalise the first draft of the maps for the EMP. Membership expires at the end of the financial year which is end February each year with membership fees due before end March of every year. Members are reminded to please pay their annual membership fee via EFT during March to ensure that access to gates is not compromised. All gate access currently expires at the end of March 2018 and will be extended for members in good standing who also send their updated activity permit details to access@tdra.co.za or info@tdra.co.za	
4	Environmental Management Plan This is an ongoing project that will take a while to complete. The first draft has been generated and feedback from the committee has been provided. The committee is very grateful to Carol Poole for her hard work in generating this document. Her unwavering dedication to the horse riding community is greatly appreciated. Representatives of the other areas that are covered in the EMP have been contacted to request their maps and input. To date, this request has been ignored. This will continue to be followed up on as the maps form an integral part of the EMP. Members are reminded that the Tokai maps will be presented at the AGM as an introduction to the public participation process before submitting the document to SANParks for finalisation. A working session will be arranged thereafter for anybody who would like to attend and all comments will be welcomed via email to info@tdra.co.za	MB/HM/CP
5	Event A fun obstacle course and jump cross event is scheduled for 25 February 2018 starting at 9a.m. The course will be completed in pairs with a theme of famous couples throughout history. The day will also include a demonstration of riding without a bridle including an attempt to complete the obstacle course bridleless. TDRA members and non-members welcome.	LF

6	<p>Trails Feedback</p> <p>Tim de Villiers will be approached once again to request the reinstatement of the zebra crossing at the entrance to Uitsig. The replacement of the sign at the zebra crossing between Middle Tokai and Lower Tokai Park along Orpen Road will also be requested.</p> <p>SANParks has indicated that the clearing of alien vegetation along track two in Middle Tokai is not currently on their schedule. They are supportive of the TDRA organising another clearing day to focus on the track. A date will be arranged for this and communicated to members. All volunteers will be welcome.</p> <p>The lock on the gate at the stone Church has been tampered with and needs to be replaced. Alternative locks will be investigated for this gate.</p> <p>Some of the planks on the big wooden bridge in Lower Tokai Park need to be replaced. SANParks has got planks that can be used for this and the TDRA will arrange to collect the planks and do the work. New planks are also needed for the wooden bridge leading to the greenbelts. These will be arranged and the repairs done by the TDRA.</p>	KdP
7	<p>Guest Feedback</p> <p>Deon de Villiers of Tokai MTB attended the meeting to discuss some of the proposed developments for Upper Tokai. The trail rationalisation process is expected to be started in the coming months. Tokai MTB would like to create a world class recreational facility in Tokai encompassing hikers, horse riders and cyclists. To this end, they would like to encourage a mixed use area within the precinct. This will continue to be discussed with all stakeholders to ensure fair treatment of all users. The committee wishes to thank Deon for attending the meeting and providing insight into the activities of Tokai MTB.</p>	
8	<p>Arena</p> <p>Development of the arena in the equestrian precinct which forms part of the Tokai precinct will be followed up on with SANParks as the committee is keen to finalise this matter and commence with the project as soon as possible.</p>	KdP/GC
9	<p>Next Meeting</p> <p>Scheduled for 15 March at 19h30.</p>	

The meeting ended at approx 21:50

Certified a true record of the proceedings

Chairperson

Date