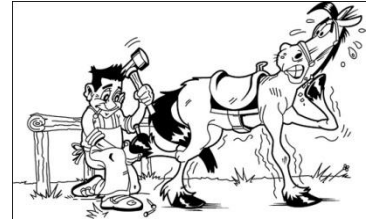


Karamu Trail Track

Adventure Riding Weekend 2012

Event Information



Registration

Please register on arrival and receive a numbered identifier for your horse. This must be attached to the bridle when riding or halter when turned out so that we can identify the owner if necessary, and ensure that everyone returns safely. For the events you will be asked for your number as you leave and when you return. Horses not wearing the provided tag will not be permitted on the ride.

Briefing

Briefing is at 9.00am on Saturday and 7.45am Sunday. Please be saddled and ready to go by these times and get to the briefing promptly to receive any important last minute information.

Health and safety

There will be trained first aid staff and equipment available throughout the event, report to the registration desk if you require assistance.

Please inform the organisers if you have any medical conditions/illnesses that you would like the organisers to be aware of for your own safety.

Camping

Camp arrivals welcome from 2pm on the 24th Feb onwards, you will need to bring all the camping gear that you require to be self sufficient. Portaloo toilets, showers and drinking water from taps are available.

If you have booked a room or bed at the farm-stay, a fitted sheet, pillow and pillow case is provided, you will need to bring your own blankets and towels or they can be hired at an additional cost, there are full kitchen facilities and a BBQ that you are welcome to use.

Food

Lunch is provided for riders at the lunch stop on the Saturday; this will consist of breads, salads and meats. If you have special dietary requirements you may wish to self cater. Cold canned soft drinks will be available for sale throughout the event.

For all other meals you will need to cater for yourselves. Dinsdale is 15 minutes drive away and has a full size supermarket, liquor stores, a range of take away shops, bakeries, pharmacy etc. There is also a 4 square and restaurants at Pirongia which is 20 minutes drive in the other direction.

Grazing

Large, shared turn out paddocks with water troughs are available for mares and geldings. It is recommended you bring additional feed for your horse.

Guided tag along ride

The ride will be through scenic hill country with stunning views across the Waikato. Horses will need to be fit and capable. Riders need to be confident to ride through open hill country, bush and possibly across shallow streams and over logs. The terrain will be suitable for unshod horses, there is very little road riding.

There will be approximately 3 hours riding to the lunch clearing and then the option of either two hours or four hours to get back to base.

Glow worm ride

The glow worm ride will be 1.5 hours from approximately 8.30 – 10pm on Saturday night, parts of the trek are pitch black and riders need to be confident to trust their horses ability in these conditions.

Orienteering

Orienteering is an event where you locate markers with the help of a detailed map, marker locations are indicated on the map and the aim is to find as many as possible within the allocated timeframe.

The markers will be spread over 550 acres, the land is a mix of flat dairy paddocks and steep hills and bush tracks.

Maps will be available from 7am onwards for you to plan your routes over breakfast, briefing will be at 7.45am and riding starts at 8am. There will be a maximum of 6 hours to complete the event, however riders are free to come back early when they have found as many markers as they wish.

Standard orange/white orienteering markers will be placed around the farm and identified on the map. Each marker is worth a set amount of points, with harder to reach markers worth more points; the aim is to accumulate as many points as possible in the allocated time frame.

Prize giving will be held at 2.30pm on Sunday.

For more information contact Natasha Rogers (event organiser) on 07 8259809 or email bookings@ktt.co.nz