



PUTTING THE RESERVES AND COMMUNITY NEEDS ON THE SAME PAGE



Watch your Hoof Prints

The riding of horses in natural areas is a source of pleasure and enjoyment for many local residents.

When riders conduct themselves responsibly and follow this Code of Conduct, horse riding can be a safe and appropriate low impact means of enjoying and appreciating our local natural environment.

Our aim is to educate, preserve local heritage and promote safe and responsible trail horse riding within the reserves and roadside verges of Nillumbik Shire and beyond.

On your visit to the reserves:

PROTECT	plants and wildlife.
LEAVE	things as you find them.
TAKE	nothing away except litter.
VALUE	the experience.

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Other useful contacts:

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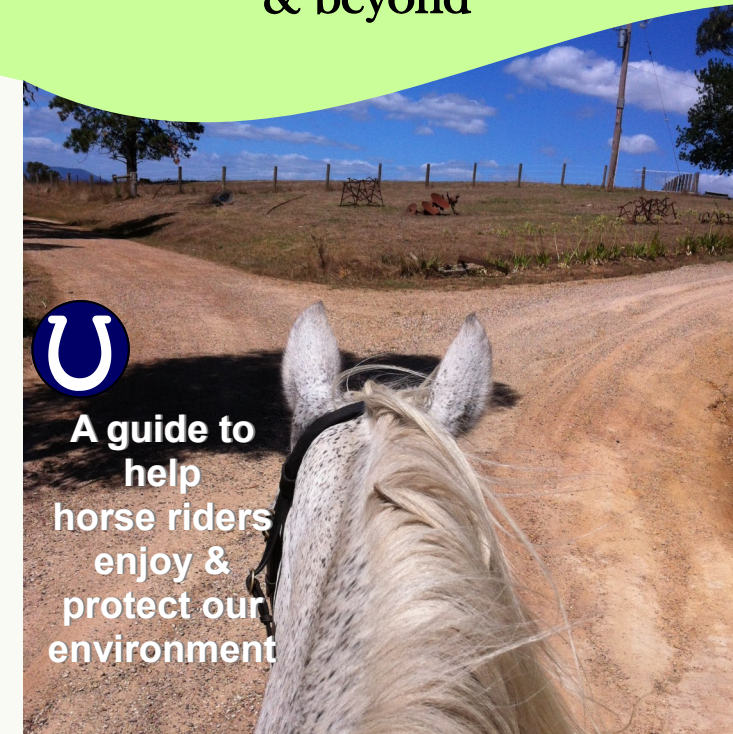
Help For Wildlife: 0417 380 687

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This Code of Conduct has been compiled by a forum of local people, representing both conservation and recreation interests.

Horse Riding

In the reserves & roadside
verges of Nillumbik Shire
& beyond



**A guide to
help
horse riders
enjoy &
protect our
environment**

Preserve • Manage • Enjoy



Enjoy

For many decades the trails throughout the reserves in Kangaroo Ground, Panton Hill, Smiths Gully & St Andrews have been enjoyed and valued by the local community, including horse riders.

Most people respect the need to behave responsibly. Our aim is to protect the landscape and ensure it's sustainable & ongoing use. With this in mind, NHAG have put together this Code of Conduct for horse riders to abide by.

If you follow this code, you will enjoy yourself, remain safe and ensure that everyone enjoys their activities too.

Please help us to keep the community reserves and the trails within them, a special place available to all.

PLEASE FOLLOW THE CODE ➡

Nillumbik Trails Rider Code of Conduct



Ride only on designated shared trails and stay on the trail as otherwise you may damage the environment you have come to enjoy.



Cross natural watercourses at designated crossing points.



Avoid riding in the reserves during or immediately after wet weather.



Notify the council or NHAG of trail obstructions or damage.



Clean all equipment of soil and vegetation prior to heading out on the trail. Clean out your horses hooves.



Undertake some basic education in weed identification, and assist land managers in quickly identifying and eliminating new outbreaks of problem weeds.



Leave no trace. Take all rubbish home - yours or anything else you find.



Share this code with other trail users and encourage others to be responsible carers of the trails.



Obey all signs and any temporary notices of trail diversions or closures.



Alert other users to your presence on the track. Say "Hi", a new friend may be only a greeting away.



Respect the rights of other trail users. You will meet some walkers and bike riders who are unfamiliar with horses and unsure about passing them on the track. Ensure you either walk quietly past other users on the trail, or remain still while they pass you.



Come along to a working bee in the reserves to play your part in preserving and improving this natural community open space. See www.nhag.org.au for working bee dates.



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