

PONY EXPRESS

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TEXT WITHIN WORKING HOURS PLEASE

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

If you have any queries regarding lessons, make-ups or accounts, please call us on the above number.

Please call in the mornings rather than the afternoons.

We are on a strict schedule in the afternoons to keep lessons running on time and so cannot give you our undivided attention.

We do not have access to the WhatsApp after hours so please if you need to message us do so within working hours.

- Thank you for understanding.

WELCOME !!!

Welcome our new riders this month:

Kelly and Maya Shiohira, Maria Heald, Owami Mcekwya, Yandu Andersson, and Sharon Schoutens.

You have chosen the right place to learn how to ride! We have many activities that you can get involved in every month so please keep an eye out for this monthly newsletter. If you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to chat to one of the instructors.

Get involved with activities like fun days, pony camps and special outrides on public holidays. We also hold training shows where you can enter even at the most novice of levels as there will always be someone to help you round.

We pride ourselves in being one of the most well known children's yards in Gauteng and we love to start our riders off on their equestrian career.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to our riders who are celebrating their special day in May!

Cameron DeFreitas, Kian Hallowes, Lindsay Fyffe, Hannah Watts, Rosanne Ekkelenkamp.

Have a wonderful celebration and all the best for your year ahead!

*** VERY IMPORTANT ***

•• T-SHIRTS AND FLEECES ••

We will be placing another order for Chartwell Shirts and Fleeces.

If you would like to order, please fill out the form on page 3 and hand it into your instructor with the correct amount of cash.

Our warm Chartwell fleeces are popular for the winter. We do encourage everyone to try and purchase the Chartwell clothing as it does look very smart.

•• FACEBOOK POSTS & PICS ••

We like to take photos around the yard from time to time of kids enjoying lessons or playing and we love to post these on Facebook to show all our followers what a great stable yard we have. We do try and ensure that the pics are taken at a slight angle so as not to show the children's faces too obviously. Please let us know if you do not want your child involved and we will avoid taking photos of her or him.

Also, if you are an active 'Facebooker' please take a minute and give us a review. The yard has really started filling up but we wouldn't mind a few more happy faces around and a review from one of our fabulous clients could go a long way.

~ Many Thanks

UP & COMING FUTURE DATES

1 May	Public Holiday (outride at 8:30, no afternoon lessons)
6 May	Chartwell Training Show
10 June	Chartwell Training Show
16 June	Public Holiday (outride at 8:30, no afternoon lessons)
26 to 28 June	Pony Camp
29 July	Chartwell Training Show
9 August	Public Holiday (outride at 8:30, no afternoon lessons)
14 to 16 August	Pony Camp
26 August	Chartwell Training Show
24 September	Public Holiday (outride at 8:30, no afternoon lessons)
2 to 4 October	Pony Camp
3 November	Gymkhana and year end prize giving party
12 to 14 Dec	Pony Camp
17 December	Public Holiday (outride at 8:30, no afternoon lessons)

•• CHARTWELL TRAINING SHOW ••

SUNDAY, 6th MAY 2018

Don't forget to enter our Training Show!

Everyone is Welcome and beginners will be led.

ATT ADULTS: We will be holding a Dressage Class!

It's a great morning where friends and family can come and watch how well you are all riding. Bring some camping chairs and relax around the arena while you watch all of our riders compete. Please see the entry form on page 2.

MAINTENANCE

You may have noticed that we have been doing a fair amount of repairs around the yard: tidying stables, new door tags etc. We have also started painted a few of the jumps for the arenas, if anyone has any old paint lying about please consider bringing it along to the yard so we can continue making this happy little yard even nicer.

WINTER IS HERE

Please can our livery clients ensure that your pony's rug is clean and has been dropped off with us.

Please could all our late afternoon lessoners ensure that they rug up their pony after their ride. If you don't know how to do this please ask your instructor to show you. It's important that it is done correctly to avoid injury to yourself and/or pony.

CLUB HOUSE

We have also given the Club House a face lift and would just like to remind everyone to please use the lockers to keep any valuables safe. Please bring a little lock so that you can ensure that your stuff is safe and sound while you are riding. There is a couch and coffee table in there as well as a homework station for any kids that need to do a bit of school work before they ride. Please try and keep this space tidy so it can remain a clean and comfortable place for everyone.



WHAT TO DO WHEN YOU HAVE FINISHED YOUR RIDE

Taking good care of your horse is a very big part of the equestrian sport. As we are dealing with living animals, we need to take good care that their safety and well-being comes first.

Here is a checklist of things to do after your lesson:

1. Dismount, run your stirrups up and secure them in place. (It's important not to leave these dangling at your pony's sides as they can get caught: Horses & ponies can catch a cheek of the bit or even a hind foot in a dangling stirrup iron when fighting flies. The dangling stirrup can also catch on doorways and other projections while you are leading the horse.
2. Find out if your pony is being ridden again.
3. If he is, then twist the reins and secure them with the Throatlash. (Please ask your instructor to show you how to do this.) And take him to his stable. Please make sure the door is latched.
4. If he is not being ridden again then take the saddle off your pony and place it on one of the poles.
5. Lead you pony back to his stable or paddock. If he has a martingale please don't leave the girth loop dangling. (Don't forget to give your pony a carrot!!)
6. Make sure the stable door or paddock gate is closed securely.
7. Wash your bit
8. Tie your reins and martingale up in the Throatlash. (Ask your instructor to show you how)
9. Hang the bridle up on it's hook in the Tack Room and please fetch your saddle and put it on it's correct rail in the tack room. If the rail is too high please ask for help.
10. Make sure you collect your hat, gloves and whip and don't leave anything behind.



CHARTWELL TRAINING SHOW : SUN, 6 MAY 2018

All classes need to be paid in **cash** before the show. Show payments are a separate fee and will not be invoiced.

FEES: R120 per Class

SPONSORS

We are always looking for small sponsored prizes for our shows : choccies, sweets, horsey things etc etc. If anyone can sponsor any of these things for our kids please speak to an instructor. Our riders always appreciate these prizes very much! Please bring these to the office.

Adult Dressage	Speak to your Instructor for your Test
Class 1	30cm Clear Round (Children may be led on their ponies)
Class 2	50cm Competition Class
Class 3	70cm Precision & Speed
Class 4	80cm Competition Class (if there are enough entries)

RIDER	PONY	2ND CHOICE	CLASS	AMT
			TOTAL AMT	

It is understood that all the stable rules apply to the show and the current indemnity form, which was signed upon starting, applies.

Name of Parent / Guardian: _____

Tel: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

PAID	CASH ONLY
	DATE: _____

CHARTWELL STABLES CLOTHING ORDER FORM

Some of you have been asking about Chartwell Branded clothing. If you would like to order please do so before the end of the month. Fill out the form below and hand it in with the correct amount of cash in an envelope to your instructor.

Golf Shirts: Children: **R 150** Ages 3/4 • 5/6 • 7/8 • 9/10 • 11/12 • 13/14
Adults: **R 160** Small • Medium • Large • Extra Large • 2XL

Fleeces: Children: **R 250** Ages 3/4 • 5/6 • 7/8 • 9/10 • 11/12 • 13/14
Adults: **R 380** Small • Medium • Large
Adults: **R 380** Extra Large • 2XL
Adults: **R 380** 3XL

PLEASE NOTE: We will unfortunately not be able to exchange any wrong orders.

DESCRIPTION	SIZE	QUANTITY	COST
		TOTAL:	

NAME: _____

RIDERS NAME: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

Enquiries: 073 952 8572

DEADLINE FOR ORDERS IS END MAY • PLEASE DO NOT EMAIL YOUR ORDER.

PLEASE HAND IN THIS FILLED OUT FORM IN AN ENVELOPE WITH THE CORRECT AMOUNT OF MONEY IN CASH OR PAY VIA CREDIT CARD AT THE OFFICE

