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CHARTWELL STABLES



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Welcome Back to you All!

Welcome back everyone, we hope you all had a lovely Christmas and New Year.

Thank you all so much for the lovely presents and we look forward to sharing another year with you at the stables.

CONTACT US

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Feel free to add us to What'sApp

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 What'sApp 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:

**Taya and Lilly Du Plooy,
Erik Klug, Zach Carnell,
Ashley and Makayla Williamson,
Atahlya and Zemyrah Essop,
Alexia Donaldson and Caleb Eaton**

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.

***** VERY IMPORTANT *****

ACCOUNTS

ATTENTION PARENTS

A huge thanks to all of you who kept their accounts up to date over the festive season. Our horses, ponies and staff appreciate it greatly. Please let us know if you are experiencing any issues with your account, we are trying to get as much cleared off before the new financial year begins and would like to have everything up to date.

CHARTWELL T-SHIRTS

If you do not already have one or if your old one needs replacing we still have lovely, branded Chartwell Stables T-Shirts available for sale in the office.

R120 if you pay cash or R140 if you swipe on the card machine.

Please speak to your instructor.

CHARTWELL DOUBLE OR TRIPLE

Don't forget that we offer two forms of "baiting" our horses!

The Chartwell Triple and the new introduced Chartwell Double are up for grabs.

This is a great step to owning your own pony without all the hassle.

- Ride twice or three times a week on the pony of your choice.
- Choose between a competitive or non-competitive option for each.
- Extremely reasonable rates.

Please speak to your instructor to find out more about these options.



UP AND COMING TRAINING SHOWS

Keep an eye on this newsletter to find out when our next Chartwell Training show will be. Our training shows are fantastic and everyone is welcome to enter no matter how novice you are. There is always someone to help you along.

These are a good morning out and a great chance for your family to watch and see how well you are progressing at your sport.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Happy birthday to our two riders who celebrate their special days in February!

**Yandu Andersson and
Jordyn Van Nieuwenhuizen**

FACEBOOK PAGE

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chartwellstableschildrensridingschool](http://www.facebook.com/chartwellstableschildrensridingschool)



RAIN RAIN

The rainy summer season is still upon us.

Please remember that lessons carry on as usual in light rain and if it's raining hard then we will work with the ponies in their stables and do some theory lessons.

It's just as important to know how to look after your pony, put the saddle and bridle on, lead him, clean him and feed him as it is to ride him, so don't miss out on these theory lessons.

Make sure you pack a raincoat just in case.

Please remember

that no make-ups are given to those who don't pitch. At least a 24hr notice is needed in order to qualify for a make-up lesson.

LIVERIES

Please make sure that you check that your horse or pony still has a working fly mask for the rest of summer. You may also want to stock up on fly spray and give your grooming kit a clean.

Please also let us know in advance what shows you will be attending and if you need your horse plaited.



OUR RACE HORSES

Dar 'es Salaam, Vicar's Delight and Flower Of Scotland are leaving soon to start their racing careers.

They have been fully backed and are now walking, trotting and cantering under saddle. We have done all the work we can with them now so it's time to go and be racehorses. We will follow them closely and will set up a morning quite soon to go and watch them train. Don't forget to feed them a carrot and wish them luck before they leave.

CHARTWELL TRAINING SHOW RESULTS

Well done to everyone who entered the FIRST Chartwell Training show for 2019!
Many thanks to all of the family and friends who came to support!

Class 1: 30cm Jump for Joy

Everyone's a winner congratulations!

Class 2: 50cm

1st Iona Gibson on Montana
2nd Gabi Carnell on Spirit
3rd Ashley Biggs on Spook
4th Isla Gibson on Crunch
5th Sarah Davies on Buddy
6th Jemma Moises on Crunch

Class 3: 60cm

1st Jadene Stainforth on Gold
2nd Diane Redelinghuys on Andrew
3rd Gabi Carnell on Spirit
4th Amy Powell on Pumpkin
5th Kayla Lourens on Ginger
6th Isla Gibson on Crunch

Class 4: 80cm

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1st Kirsty Lloyd on Clarinet
2nd Ame Johnsson on Euro
3rd Beth Mackenzie on Chill
4th Michaela Meiring on Andrew
Megan Van Der Walt on Rock
5th Megan Schneeberger on Pearl

Class 5: 90cm

1st Megan Van Der Walt on Rock
2nd Kirsty Lloyd on Clarinet
3rd Megan Schneeberger on Pearl
4th Michaela Meiring on Andrew

We would also like to thank Milmac Feeds who were our main sponsors for the day! They are a fabulous pet and animal feed store off Cedar Road

www.milmac.com

ARE YOU DRESSED CORRECTLY? HORSE RIDING GEAR:

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE:

Safety is an important part of riding horses and the gear and clothing is designed to help you be more comfortable and most importantly to keep you safe. Everything is expensive these days and we do not expect you to go rushing out and spend all your money on riding gear right off the bat, but a hard hat is imperative, as well as the correct shoes. As soon as your child decides that this is a sport that they would like to go further in, it's a very good idea to invest in the first three things on the below list.

Chartwell Stables does have some gear that our newer riders are welcome to borrow, but we do encourage all of our riders to get kitted out in horse riding gear as soon as you can.

Horse riding gear is designed for the protection of the rider and thus is an important part of the sport. Below is a list of three necessary items that the rider must have:

Riding Hat:

This is the most important piece of equipment for the rider! - **their is no price that you can put forward to protect your child's head!**

There are various tack shops where you can purchase a quality horse riding helmet. - Please ask your instructor for advice.

Boots:

are also very important as they are designed with a small heel so that feet are less likely to get stuck in the stirrups in the case of a fall.

Tackies are unsafe and too wide! If you don't have boots then school shoes with a small heel and no buckles will do the trick.

Jodhpurs:

are designed to fit close to the legs so that no rubbing occurs.

More on gear:

Chaps:

These fit over the lower leg and boot and help to keep the leg still when riding.

Whips:

These are good to have in case you need them (depending on the horse that you will ride). There are different types. The one you will need is a riding stick or crop. You do not need a dressage whip. We do not encourage smacking our ponies! But sometimes on a hot day they may need a small tap tap on the shoulder.

Spurs:

These are NOT needed at this stage of riding.

T-shirt:

Golf shirts are best as these are smart and make you look the part. Chartwell have their own branded shirts which you may order. Speak to your instructor. should ALWAYS be tied up and out of the way when riding.

Hair:

should not be worn. Jewellery can get stuck or caught and can cause injury.

Jewellery:

We like to encourage our riders to look the part and be a good ambassador for their sport.