

PONY EXPRESS

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CHARTWELL STABLES

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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 NEW HORSES

We have two lovely new horses at Chartwell Stables:

Black Label who belongs to Kelly and **Bvgari** who is Lisa Brown's new horse. Both are stabled on Patricks line so don't forget to go over and say hello with a scrumptious carrot.

WELCOME NEW RIDERS

We are excited to welcome to our new riders who have join us this year:

Zachery Streefkerk, Gabi Carnell, Giselle Niemand, Fiona Christiansen and Lucille Hallowes

You have chosen the right place to learn to ride!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

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

**Jordyn Van Nieuwhuizen
Cailin Wandrag
Riyah Seedat**

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

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

THANK YOU & WELCOME BACK

A big thank you from everyone at Chartwell Stables for a wonderful year of riding in 2017. We hope that you all had a fabulous festive season and we look forward to another great year! Good luck to all of you competing this year and to our lessoners who we are so proud to watch progress more and more in the saddle.

INSTRUCTOR NEWS

We are very excited to have Kelly Pretorius back at Chartwell Stables. Kelly has been teaching for over 17 years and has previously managed Chartwell Stables for many of those where she was extremely popular with our riders. If you have any questions about the yard or instructors please chat to her as she is only too happy to help you.

PRICING INCREASE

We always do our very best to try and keep our stabling and lesson costs as affordable as possible and we haven't had an increase in a while. However with the rising costs of fuel and hay and feed we are having to increase our costs:

- Pony Ride: R50
- Once off lesson: R300
- Monthly lessons (1 lesson per week): R1000 (less R50 if paid before the 7th of the month)
- Monthly lessons (2 lessons per week): R1900 per child (less R50 if paid before the 7th of the month)
- Family Discount (2 family members): R1900 (any additional family members: R900)
- Pony camp (3 days): R1600
- Fun Day (1 day): R550
- Chartwell Triple: R2950 for non-competitive riders
- Chartwell Triple: R3250 for competitive riders (this price now includes the use of the pony for any outside shows as well as the vaccination costs)
- Livery: R4500
- Trim hooves: R300
- Half Set Shoes: R560
- Full Set Shoes: R660
- Full Set Special Shoes: R1080

These prices will be implemented as from the 1st FEB 2018.

INTERSCHOOLS

We have several children that will be competing at Interschools this year, if you are new and would like to find out more about this then please come and see Kelly or Nadia.

CASH FREE

Please note that we now have a card machine for the office. Any cash sales for shows or clothing can be made by card.

Please ask your instructor for help.

OUTINGS

We would like to arrange a few outings this year, eg: a horse racing day, visit to the Derby and other big Show Jumping events, as well as a trip to Randjesfontein racing yards to watch the horses work in the mornings.

Please let us know if you have any fun ideas as we would like to spend some time as a group and have fun together.



SWIMMING POOL

Please note that everyone is allowed to swim before or after their lessons if supervised by an adult. **(There is a strict no supervision no swimming rule).** The instructors will **not** be able to look after any kids who are swimming.

Bring your own towels!

RAINY DAYS

If it is raining we do not cancel lessons.

We ride unless there is hail, heavy rain or thunder and lightning in which case we will have a theory/stable management lesson. We learn about tack, grooming and some basic stable management. (Remember your raincoat)

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

MAKE-UP LESSONS

Please be aware that the monthly cost for lessons is based on a four week month – if there is a 5th week in that month then it can be banked as a make up lesson for any lessons missed.

Make up lessons are to be caught up within 3 months.

We have a strict 24 hour notice rule for make-ups: If you do not give us at least 24 hours notice then you do not qualify to make your lesson up.

Having said that we would greatly appreciate it if you could let us know if you are not going to make your lesson on the day. This is only to avoid your pony having to be tacked up and waiting un-necessarily in his stable.

~ many thanks

INTRODUCE A FRIEND

AND GET ONE LESSON FOR FREE

If you bring a friend along for a ride and they sign up for monthly lessons you will get one extra lesson for FREE! So spread the word and invite all your school friends to come and try out Chartwell Stables. This is the best yard to learn to ride!

DRINKS EVENING

FRIDAY, 19th January 2018

This is for all of our lovely parents! We would like to invite you all to come and join us for a couple of drinks in the Lapa from about 5pm.

Come and have a glass of wine and get to know some of the other “horsey” parents while the kids play.

VALUABLES

Please do not leave your phones, cameras or anything valuable lying around. Chartwell Stables will not be held responsible for any belongings what-so-ever that go missing or are damaged on our property. Please look after your stuff - there are lockers in the clubhouse or trunks outside your horse’s stable.

CHARTWELL TRIPLE

WE HAVE LOTS OF PONIES AVAILABLE FOR THE CHARTWELL TRIPLE.

“Triplers” ride the pony of their choice 3 days a week AND get first option on that pony for shows and camps etc. Chartwell “Triplers” are also allowed to compete at Interschools! This is a fantastic introduction to owning a pony without much of the financial strain. So if you are thinking along those lines and want to take competing in this sport seriously then the Chartwell Triple is just for you. Speak to your instructor today!

(Please remember that if the pony is going to go to any away shows then they need to be vaccinated and this cost will fall to the “Tripler”. Also remember that it is the “Tripler’s” responsibility to ensure that pony and tack are looked after and that if anything happens to the pony or it’s tack at an away show then you are responsible.)

••CHARTWELL TRAINING SHOW••

SUNDAY, 28th January 2018

EVERYONE WELCOME! - Beginners will be led.

ENTRY PRICE CHANGE PLEASE NOTE:

Entries are now R120 per class

This will be a jumping show only

It’s a 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 3.

SPONSORSHIP

If anyone would be interested in sponsoring any prizes for our Chartwell shows then please chat with Kelly. We are happy to have flags, banners and bunting around the arenas with your company’s logo represented.



FROM THE HORSE'S MOUTH

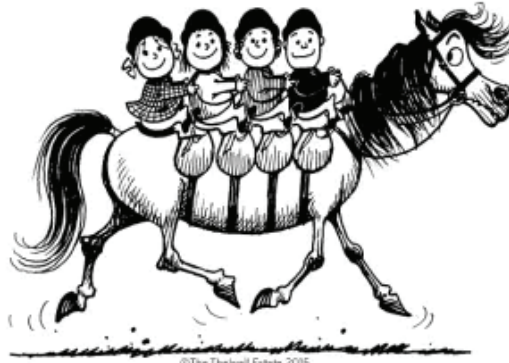
Our School Ponies work very hard every day to teach everyone how to ride. Because they work so hard it is very important that we look after them, love them and treat them kindly at all times.

We ensure that they are being fed correctly on a good diet that will keep them healthy and that their teeth and feet are checked regularly. We also make sure that they are vaccinated against flu, tetanus, rabies and African Horse Sickness to prevent them from becoming ill.

Something that is important to remember when riding these ponies is to keep it interesting for them. If they are only allowed to go around and around in circles all the time they can become bored and unhappy; so it's a good idea to mix it up with lessons in different arenas and lots of outrides where they can stretch out a bit.

If they are overworked they can become sour and unwilling to do what is asked of them and if they are jumped too often they can run a risk of having too much strain on their legs which can lead to serious injuries where they cannot be ridden ever again.

By keeping all of these things in mind you can help us to love and care for our ponies, ensuring that they are all happy and safe and that we can enjoy them for many years to come.



PROVISIONAL DATES TO DIARISE:

28 January	Chartwell training Show
2 March:	Fun Day
21 March:	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)
25 March	Chartwell Training Show
30 March	Easter Egg Hunt (Good Friday, no lessons)
31 March	closed
2 April	closed
3,4,5 April	Pony Camp
17-19 April	Pony Camp
27 April	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)
1 May	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)
6 May	Chartwell training show
10 June	Chartwell training show
16 June	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)
26-27 June	Pony Camp
29 July	Chartwell Training Show
9 August	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)
14-16	August Pony Camp
26 August	Chartwell Training Show
24 Sept	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)
2,3,4 Oct	Pony Camp
3 November	ANNUAL GYMKHANA And year end prize giving party
12-14 Dec	Pony Camp
17 Dec	Public Holiday (Outride at 8:30am, no lessons)

CHARTWELL TRAINING SHOW : SUN, 28 JANUARY 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.

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: