

# 2-DAY HORSE TREKKING WEEKEND UTAKURA VALLEY, NORTHLAND



**27th and 28th February 2021**

## **Come to the Far North for the Far North Search and Rescue Fundraiser Trek BYO Horse**

If you love horse trekking, this weekend adventure is for you while helping to raise funds for Far North Search and Rescue.

Ride over farm and bush land in the Utakura Valley. The trek is along majestic ridge lines with views of the Hokianga Harbour, ancient volcanic lake of Omapere, and outcrops of Wairere basalt volcano boulders, then down through spring fed creeks in to the beautiful Utakura Valley. Don't forget your camera for shots of the breath-taking views.

Basic experience and fitness is required. The ride will be at walking pace only.  
Limited numbers!

Main meals are fully catered for from Friday dinner until midday Sunday lunch. Including a welcome BBQ on Friday night and a Saturday spit roast!

**\$200 per rider, includes camping and meals.**

## **TREK PROGRAMME**

### **Friday Night**

Welcome BBQ 6.30pm – 8.30pm.

### **Saturday:**

Breakfast 6.30am – 8.00am

Pre departure briefing at 8.45am

Ride out at 9.00am, the trek takes approx. 5 – 6 hours incl. stopping for a lunch break.

Lunch on route.

Saturday evening a Spit Roast dinner and social evening!

### **Sunday:**

Breakfast 7.00am – 8.30am

Pre departure briefing at 9.15am

Ride out at 9.30am, the trek takes approx. 3 – 4 hours  
incl. stopping for a lunch break.

Lunch on route

Departure 2pm-3pm



## **CONTACT DETAILS**

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## GENERAL INFORMATION

- Camping will be adjacent to a woolshed.
- Rides will start and finish from the home point (woolshed).
- The riding will be along farmland, bush and ridgetops, (two short road crossings, traffic will be managed).
- Riding will be at walking pace. Trek will have field marshalls.
- A basic level of experience and fitness will be required.
- There will be room for tents should you not wish to sleep in your truck/float.
- Paddocks will be available for the horses, no tapes allowed. Sorry, no yards available. No one to enter the horse paddocks after dark.
- The ride is not suitable for children. Experienced riders 14 years – 18 years are able to attend, but must be accompanied by a guardian.
- Limited cell reception.
- Available at the campsite are:
  - Portaloo toilets
  - Potable drinking water

N.B. There is a creek close to the camping area for swimming and washing.

Bring your own:

Plates, cutlery and cups. Snacks and drinks for the weekend.

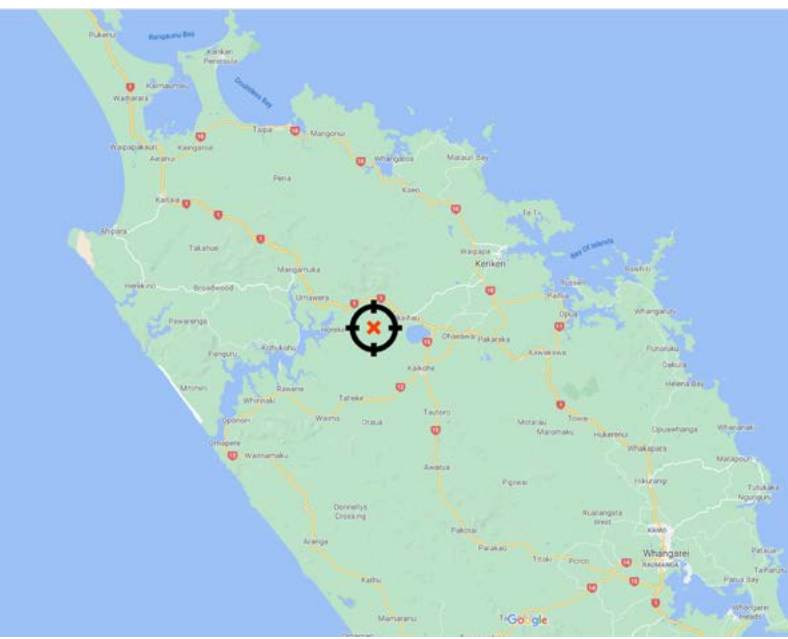
## BOOK NOW!

Registration is now open and numbers will be limited. Your spot is only secured when you have paid a \$50 deposit, returned a signed booking form and you have received confirmation. An information pack will be emailed to you following confirmation.

\$50 deposits are per person and are non-refundable. Deposits need to be received by 18th December 2020. Full Payment is due by January 15th 2021.

Bank Account details: Far North Search and Rescue Westpac 03-0351-0215249-000.  
Please include first initials and last name as reference.

Please email completed and signed Booking Form (next page) to [raewyn.smythe@gmail.com](mailto:raewyn.smythe@gmail.com)



# BOOKING FORM

FNSAR Utakura Valley Horse Trek Booking Form

One form per person

Name:

Address:

Phone:

Email:

Emergency Contact

Name:

Phone:

## Health

Please list any allergy or medical condition that may be relevant to the medical officer or catering team, plus any medicines and their location that you carry for this condition.

## Disclaimer

Far North Land Search and Rescue, the trek guides and the land owners, whose land the trek may traverse, disclaim any responsibility for any injury to you or your animals that may occur whilst you are on this trek, camping or whilst you are coming or going from the same. You undertake this pursuit at your own risk.

(please tick)  I have read the disclaimer and the attached conditions of participation.

I fully understand the contents and will take full responsibility for myself and my property.

Signed:

Date:

## **Conditions of Participation**

1. That the Far North Search and Rescue Horse Trek involves horses on public roads, private roads, bush, farm tracks and farms and will involve riding on steep hill country that may not be tracked.
2. The riding of horses is, in general, a hazardous pursuit and there will be other hazards presented by the terrain, traffic, other horses, other participants, and the facilities we may be required to use. The weather and other unforeseen hazards.
3. That in my judgement, both myself and my horse have sufficient experience and skill to participate in a trek of the nature outlined above without fear of accident, injury, damage, loss or death to me, my horse or my property.
4. That prior to setting out on a trek I will fully enquire and familiarise myself with what will be expected of me and my horse during the trek and that should I have any fears or misgivings about the ability of myself or my horse to satisfy such requirements I will withdraw from participation in the trek before commencement. My participation in and any continued participation by me in such a trek shall constitute acceptance by me of all and any of the risks that may be associated with such trek.
5. That in consideration of you permitting my participation in the horse trek, I hereby undertake that I will release, indemnify and/or exempt the organisers, sponsors, landowners, lessees and other participants in the horse trek from and against all costs, claims, suits, damages, expenses and other liabilities that may arise either directly or indirectly out of my participation in such horse trek.
6. Should I choose to withdraw from the designated trek route for any reason, I do so at my own risk. (Notification of your departure to the head guide is imperative.)
7. The organisers shall have the right to vary the route of the trek without notice.
8. Any conduct on my part which the organisers may, in their opinion, find objectionable or unsafe, may result in my expulsion from the trek, without refund of any of the monies I have paid.
9. All entries are accepted at the discretion of the organising committee.
10. The ride is not suitable for children. Experienced 14 years to 18 year olds are able to attend but must have 1 responsible guardian per youth.
11. Those riders that are under 18 years over 14 years old are required to produce proof of birthdate and must be accompanied by a nominated guardian for the entire weekend. No guardian may be responsible for more than 1 rider.

### **I am under 18 years of age and over 14 years old.**

Name:

Signed (rider)

My nominated guardian is:

Signed (guardian)