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The Muster Ride – Cancelled due to fear of Equine Flu

For Immediate Release

It is with much disappointment that we have to announce that the planned MUSTER RIDE for Thursday morning at 10:30am is cancelled due the suspected Equine Flu in Queensland. The DPI&F's decision is scheduled for tomorrow afternoon as to whether or not the Horse Stock Standstill will be lifted but some organizations are choosing not to move their horses or have horses enter their premises even if the ruling is lifted.

One such organization is the Riding for Disabled at Arundel Park and we must respect their decision to err on the side of caution on this matter. The Muster Ride was to leave RDA at Coombabah, travel through Arundel and Parkwood to the Parklands Showgrounds and officially launch the Show's new attraction for 2007 THE GOLD COAST MUSTER.

Event organizers would like to thank participants of the Muster Ride Event especially the Mudgeeraba and Hinterland Trail Ride Club, The Arundel Park Riding for Disabled and ATHRA for their eagerness to participate. We would also like to thank the 50 riders who have registered to ride on the day.

Show organizers will re-launch the MUSTER RIDE in 2008 for next years show.

For your information if horses are NOT permitted to attend the Gold Coast Show it really won't impact too badly on our show. While it will be very disappointing not to have the horse events all other aspects of the show will be firing on all cylinders.

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