

Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows Equestrian Association Terms of Reference

Vision

- To provide recommendations to Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Parks & Leisure Services Commission Staff on equestrian community priorities related to trail deficiencies, proposed improvements, desirable future routes and trail relocations in order to maintain the high quality of recreational trail opportunities in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows.
- To work with Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services Commission Staff to explore available grant opportunities to fund major capital projects that would enhance existing trails in Maple Ridge and Pitt Meadows.
- To enlist the assistance of volunteers from the equestrian community to participate in pre-planned work parties to assist in the maintenance or enhancement of existing trail networks under the direct supervision of a Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services Commission staff member.

Objectives

1. To provide a venue for the Equestrian Community and Parks and Leisure Services Staff to collectively address issues of common interest, and to seek mutually beneficial solutions.
2. To maintain and enhance the quality of equestrian and multi use trails in Maple Ridge & Pitt Meadows including the development of future trail opportunities that become available through either the development or future acquisition of municipal lands.
3. To Provide the Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services Commission and Staff with technical advice on appropriate trail location and construction methods/standards for equestrian/multi use trails as needed.
4. To assist Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services Staff with trail maintenance and construction through work parties and other Commission staff supervised activities on equestrian and multi use trails
5. To advocate and work with other interested community volunteers as well as prison crews who wish to participate in trail maintenance or trail building initiatives.

Membership/Representation

Membership/Representation in the Equestrian Association will be open to all disciplines of equestrian organizations, clubs or associations in order to equitably represent the interest of the equestrian community as a whole, as it relates to equestrian trails.

Organization/Communication

The Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Equestrian Association will utilize established communication procedures and designate liaison representatives (authorized spokesperson) to work with a designated Parks and Leisure Services Commission Staff member on all matters related to trail recommendations, requests and suggestions.

Voting Members

Staff Liaison (non voting)
Designated Haney Horsemen reps (4)
Members at large (4)

Meetings

Meeting Schedule: Quarterly meetings to be scheduled by January 31st each year with Maple Ridge / Pitt Meadows Parks and Leisure Services Commission Staff, with additional meetings with staff liaison as required.

Quorum: 5 (To pass resolutions being forwarded to Commission)

Voting entitlement: 1 vote per member