



Dear Uplands Riding school Pupils

During the last year we have been trying to make the riding school sustainable, but unfortunately due to the high cost of keeping the riding school ponies we will not be able to keep them unless their upkeep is paid for by half leasing them out to pupils who are committed to their riding.

Pupils wishing to continue with their lessons next term will be offered the option of half leasing one of the school ponies. This will give the rider the opportunity to ride 3 days a week and have their lessons on 1 or 2 of those days. Unfortunately those pupils who cannot afford to half lease a horse will have to discontinue with riding lessons at Uplands. Those pupils who own their own horses or who already half lease horses will not be affected by the above changes. We are very sorry to have to bring this news to you and will try our best to accommodate as many riders as possible.

**Half Leasing of Horses at Uplands (available on a first come first serve basis)**

- R1500 per month (includes all additional fees)
- Leasing is subject to a contract for a full calendar year.
- Riding lessons are not included, please see fees below.

**Monthly stabling fee 2012 – Owning your own horse(see contract for inclusions and exclusions)**

- Ponies R2900 less R200 early payment discount
- Horses R3150 less R200 early payment discount
- No discount will be given if I have not received your contract filled in and signed

**Additional fees to be paid in advance, include –**

Farrier costs every 5 weeks to replace shoes or trim hooves.

- Trims = R190
- Half set = R300
- Full set = R420
- Hot shoeing = R540
- Bar shoes = R580

Veterinary costs – vaccinations and de worming

**Shows and boxing to shows.**

- Assistance fee of R100 per day per horse will be charged to clients at shows to cover accommodation and fuel costs.
- Grooms fees of R100 per day (divided by no. Of horses) will be charged to cover meals.
- Horse Box hire per day R400, using your own vehicle
- Horse Box hire per day using our vehicles and drivers will be charged per km. Please note Uplands College do not own a float and the management cannot always be available to transport horses to shows.

**Riding Lessons – prices vary depending on instructor.**

- Private lessons with Christine Gauntlett – R175 per lesson
- Group lessons – R1500 per term block bookings of 10 lessons
- Private lessons with Rene Rossouw – R170 per lesson – pay Rene directly
- Group lessons – R140 per lesson – pay Rene directly

Kind Regards  
Christine Gauntlett

**What you will need to buy when you bring a horse to Uplands**

**We have our own Tack Shop on the premises to assist you-**

- Riding hats are compulsory.
- Saddle and bridle
- Blanket for winter
- Grooming kit – currycomb, dandy brush, body brush, comb, hoofpick, towel, eye ointment/powder, wound spray.
- Water and Feed bucket.
- Halter and lead rope and flynet/fringe
- Metal trunk to store all your riding equipment – to be kept locked in locker room
- Owners are expected to mark all their belongings!