



Since early December HOSS has sent 17 emergency weather warnings to notify horse owners of storms or weather events that could lead to flash flooding or rising river levels. A lot of Organisations and Clubs have a single person that forwards the various kinds of information that we circulate through HOSS. We've always stressed that individuals should sign up to this service to ensure they receive the warnings.



### Don't Forget HOSS!

Be informed, be aware and sign up for HOSS – Horse Owners Signal System. All we need is your email address and the Council where your horse lives – it's FREE! Just click on his image and it will take you to the simple form to fill out.

### Lost Horse Register

The Qld Horse Council will be handling the lost horse register, contact point for lost horses, found horses and found dead horses. Call Debbie Dekker 07 54646785 mob 0420926281 or email [president@qldhorsecouncil.com](mailto:president@qldhorsecouncil.com). Biosecurity Qld will also be taking info and forwarding it to us – that number is 132523. Also as an online connection we are working with **PET ReCONNECT** and their service also includes domestic pets. As many identifying features are required even on dead animals – we want to be able to bring some closure to owners who have lost horses and also have accurate figures of lost horses at the end of this. Unpalatable as it may be, if you find a dead horse could you photograph markings and brands if possible and forward them to the above email.

### Safety Notice

PLEASE, if you are going to use a horse float that has been submerged in any way, make sure that the wheel bearings and brakes are in good condition. The last thing any of us needs is to be moving horses to a safer place and having another tragedy along the way!!!

### Hay Supplies

The first load of donated hay is arriving on Monday afternoon – storage at Gatton - and it will be directed to the worst affected regions. This hay is however we can get it, including round bales and large square bales. Hay will be in short supply throughout Queensland for quite some time. We have several loads coming after that we will send to affected as they come. This hay is for horses only, and available in limited amounts, only to recreational horse owners who fall between the funding cracks. Special disaster flood assistance grants of up to \$25 000 are available to help Queensland primary producers and small businesses who have been affected by the November-December 2010 floods (including those in January 2011). These grants are available under Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA). [Assistance for Primary Producers and Small Business](#)

### Dayboro Region

For help in the Dayboro area contact Mark Mussig, Dayboro Cow Horse Club or for info go to [www.dchc.com.au](http://www.dchc.com.au) Mark has been great and as usual local contacts are the best. If you see a need in your area and can assist please contact [president@qldhorsecouncil.com](mailto:president@qldhorsecouncil.com)

### Assistance for Clubs and Organisations

Sport and Recreation Disaster Recovery Program

To assist sport and recreation organisations, the Sport and Recreation Disaster Recovery Program supports not-for-profit sport and recreation organisations with relief efforts to re-establish their facilities and activities. This program provides funding to the eligible organisations that are within areas declared under the Queensland Government Natural Disaster Relief and Recovery Arrangements (NDRRA). [Download Guidelines](#)

**Fact Sheets FYI**

[Flood and your horse property](#)

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[Greasy Heel – Mud Fever](#)

[Mud Management on Horse Operations](#)

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