

*Representing a united horse community in Western Australia.*



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**The Western Australian Horse Council (WAHC) is coordinating a financial relief fund for the Carnarvon Horse Community who have been affected by the recent devastating floods.**

**The Carnarvon Horse Community is made up of individual horse owners, a Pony Club, Adult Riding Club, Horseman's Club, agistment centres and the Carnarvon Turf Club.**

**The very strong current and the height of the flood has washed away fences and caused significant damage and losses to saddlery, equipment, stables, buildings, yards, horse trucks and floats. Insurance for flood damage is not available in many areas.**

**In 2010, thousands of dollars were spent upgrading the Carnarvon Horse and Pony Club grounds and the race track. Both have suffered extensive damage and it is not known when they will be able to be used**

**There are a number of horses, standing in water or isolated on small areas of high ground, who are suffering stress, disorientation and shock. Some will require veterinary treatment.**

**This is only the start of the cyclone season up north and following several years of severe drought, feed is going to be at a premium.**

**To assist and the support the Carnarvon Horse Community, donations can be made at any branch of the Westpac Bank – the account name is Western Australian Horse Council (Inc) Carnarvon Horse Community Flood Relief Fund – BSB/Account No 036032 / 409825**

**Tune into the Equestrian radio show 'Talking Horses' on 91.3SportFM on Wednesdays from 6 to 7pm, for updates on this situation. To listen on the internet, go to [www.sportfm / Talking Horses](http://www.sportfm.com.au/TalkingHorses), then click listen live – or click podcast to hear a previous show.**

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