

Erme Valley RDA

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November 2021

Welcome back after half term to everyone! We have recently welcomed some great new volunteers thank you for giving your time it is much appreciated by all. A reminder please to wear a mask when indoors and please bring your own as we are using far to many each week and this is costing the charity.

There are lots of DBS checks that will need reviewing soon - there will be a list outside the office so please look on the list to check.

Over half term we had two busy days. Firstly, the South West Coaching training day, which was very well attended and was a brilliant and very informative day. A wide range of speakers attended and we hope that everyone was able to take away something valuable to them and we look forward to seeing our coaches put it into practice. The next one is planned for the spring. Secondly, the Halloween fun day. This was really well supported and raised a total of £700! Thank you so much to all that supported this. We hope you all had fun.

This week brought the group some very exciting news, Peggy travelled up to Warwickshire to receive her 'Presidents award' from HRH Princess Ann. I am sure we all agree this is a hugely deserved award - a big well done!

Peggy and Ginni recently attended an evening reception at Mount Edgcumbe Masonic Hall to receive £1000 WAKE fund. A big thank you so them.

We have also very gratefully received a generous £1000 from Phil and Hughie Williams Trust thank you for their ongoing support. The Donkey Sanctuary have donated us fantastic sensory equipment, we look forward to putting it to good use. Thank you to Lara for updating our website, all that is remaining to be done is some more up to date photos. This was a much needed job!

CHRISTMAS!

There is a Christmas Sponsored challenge running on 11th December. All the riders are expected to take part in this please collect a sponsorship form from the office!

Volunteers you are also more than welcome to take part!

On the day itself there will be teas, coffees, cake and a raffle. The challenge will be an accessible obstacle course around the Brook! Christmas themed outfits are encouraged. If you are unable to make the day itself we would love it if you could come up with your own Christmas sponsored challenge to support us.

Remember the Christmas cards are now on sale in the office.

Please sign up for the Christmas lunch at the Ship in the office.

Lastly, is anyone able to offer with a lift into Plymouth for one of our riders on a Wednesday afternoon please see Peggy. Thursday has been generously covered.

Dates for your diary:

The London horse show trip is on the 19th December, there are still spaces available. It is a really good day out. contact Peggy for more information.

We are running a first aid course on 21st Jan please sign up in the office.

Dates:

20th Nov - British dressage Para and RDA biomechanics day

10th Dec - Christmas Lunch

11th Dec - Christmas Fundraiser information to follow!

13th - 18th Dec - Christmas Mince pie and mulled wine week.

18th Dec - End of term

19th Dec - London Horse show

10th Jan - Term re starts

21st January - First aid