



NORTH MIDLANDS RIDING FOR THE DISABLED REGIONAL ROUND-UP FEBRUARY 2018

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DOUBLE HONOUR FOR NORTH MIDLANDS REGION

We're delighted that two long standing volunteers from the North Midlands region have been chosen to receive President's Awards in 2018. The President's Award is the most prestigious volunteer award within RDA and is awarded for service of an exceptional nature over a period of not less than 30 years.

Shirley Kay will be receiving this award in recognition of her work Cleethorpes & Grimsby RDA. Shirley, also Regional Volunteer of the Year in 2017, has volunteered with the group for over 30 years.



Diana Haddon from Ruddington RDA will also be receiving this award.

Both Shirley and Diane have gone above and beyond to support these RDA groups, and neither group would be where they are today without all their hard work and dedication.



Clarissa Howkins, Regional Chairman said "Its very exciting for them and reflects so well on the groups and the region, I hope everyone is as thrilled as I am" Congratulations to Diana Haddon & Shirley Kay from everyone in the region, and we look forward to seeing photos of you both collecting the President's Awards later this year.

GETTING READY TO CELEBRATE!



Kesteven RDA are looking forward to their 30th Birthday in 2018 - watch out for news of their celebrations. In the meantime, congratulations to the "Unique Horns" team who won Kesteven's Annual Quiz

RACEGOERS SUPPORT RDA



A big thank you to Southwell racecourse for allowing Retford & districts RDA to hold a bucket shake at their New Year's Day Meet. Pictured are Helen & Dominic, riders with the group, helping with the fund raising.

IT'S NOT JUST ABOUT RIDING!



Riders from South Notts RDA had the chance to learn more about star gazing & the night skies recently, in preparation for the recent 'Blue Moon' experts with telescopes were on hand to help everyone enjoy the evening

WHAT'S GOING ON IN YOUR GROUP?

Would you like your group's news, events or activities shared with the region in the next newsletter? Please send pictures / stories to Matt by Weds 28th February - thank you!

NORTH MIDLANDS TRAINING OPPORTUNITIES

NORTH MIDLANDS RDA NOTTS COUNTY TRAINING DAY

WHEN
March 2nd 2018
10.00 am - 3.00 pm

WHERE
Epperstone Village Hall

12, Gonaston Lane, Epperstone NG14 6AY

BOOKING FORM
CONTACT NAME:
CONTACT EMAIL/PHONE:
GROUP:
NAMES OF DELEGATES:

PLEASE MAKE CHEQUES PAYABLE TO NORTH MIDLANDS RDA

10.00 REGISTRATION

10.30
**THE NEW
COACHING
PATHWAY**
CLAIRE MILLIGAN

11.30
**PRE RIDING
PHYSIO
ASSESSMENTS**
LYNNE MUNRO

1.30
**HAT FITTING,
STANDARDS
AND TAGGING**
LINDSAY REDFERN

2.00
**THE HEALTHY
RDA HORSE**
MARTHA GONZALEZ-PAEZ

COST
£5 per head includes a light lunch and refreshments. Send completed booking form and cheque to:
Mrs Karen Thompson
34 Ninth Avenue
Grantham, Lincs. NG31 9TF

Upcoming Events:

Don't forget the regional qualifiers are coming up soon.....

Regional Show Jumping Qualifier

Friday 13th April at Scropton RDA, Derbyshire

Regional Dressage Championships

Monday 30th April at Field Farm, Leicestershire

Regional Countryside Challenge Qualifier

Friday 18th May at Scropton RDA, Derbyshire

Regional Arts & Crafts Qualifier

Friday 18th May at Scropton RDA, Derbyshire

More information will be available from the North Midlands website as the events get closer.

WEDDING CONGRATS!



Congratulations to Mike and Wendy, both Volunteers at Helen Atkin RDA, on their recent wedding



FRIDAY 9TH MARCH 2018

10am - 2.30 pm

At Scropton RDA Centre

Watery lane, Scropton, Derby DE65 5PL

Training provided by Sue Mack, RDA UK

10:00 am - Registration/Coffee

10:30 am - Aims of the day- Judging Sheets - What the Judge is looking for

11:00 am - The "Led Rider" Demonstration - How to gain those extra marks
- The Leader - Help or Hindrance?

11:45 am - The "Independent Rider" Demonstration.
Delegates will "judge" and discuss both of the above demonstrations

12:30 pm - Training Ideas - The place of the Countryside Challenge in lessons.
- Special Tack
- Q & A - Feedback

This will be followed by a light lunch with the opportunity for informal discussion and networking with other RDA groups and coaches



Cost: £5 per delegate to include refreshments & light lunch
Open to all RDA groups in the North Midlands and surrounding RDA regions
Please book by 28/2/18

Visit the North Midlands website for more information

NOMAD'S NOTES

Nomad is the North Midlands RDA Regional Mascot. Follow him on Facebook & Twitter. Here's a taste of what he's been up to lately...



Nomad making new friends at Ruddington RDA

If you'd like Nomad to visit your group just get in touch with Matt.



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