



RDA UK AGM 2023



The 2023 AGM was well attended by member Groups and RDA UK volunteers from across the country.





The day provided an opportunity to meet up with old friends...



...and connect across the RDA family.



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Riding for the Disabled Association
Incorporating Carriage Driving

Welcome to the RDA Annual General Meeting



Interim Chair, Frances Lochrane, introduced the business of the formal AGM.



Her speech provided an overview and highlights of the year.



Members present voted, proxy votes were accounted for, and all nine resolutions were resoundingly approved.



We welcomed in our new Chair, Helena Vega-Lozano, whom many of you have met over recent months. Helena gave a very warm and inspiring address.



Ellie Orton, OBE



Simon Bragg, Honorary Treasurer



Emma Wells



Barbara Manson



Rachel Vaughan-Johns, Deputy Chair



Lindsay Correa

And we were delighted to introduce everyone to the entire Board of Trustees, all of whom were there in person.



We extend a huge thanks to Frances Lochrane, Neil Goldie-Scot, and Sally Anne O'Neill who all stood down from the Board at this AGM.

#HORSESFORALL



British
Equestrian

A Diversity & Inclusion
strategy for British Equestrian
and our member bodies

After lunch Mandana Mehran Pour, BE, introduced #HorsesForAll, a groundbreaking research project providing insight into diversity and inclusion within the equestrian sector.



Horse - Human Bond



Our inspiring panel shared stories from their lived experience, highlighting positive examples and the room for improvement.



An RDA 'Roll call of Honour' celebrated some of the incredible achievements of our volunteers across 2023.



Jean Carter, Formby & Southport RDA and NW Region, was presented with her 50 year long-service award – at 91 years old!



Jean drew the winner of the Jubilee Saddle, kindly donated by the Worshipful Company of Saddlers. Northern Ireland Region won and have since nominated The Causeway Coast and Glens RDA as recipient.



There were 4 worthy nominees for The Birt Spooner Cup for outstanding achievement, which was awarded to Anne Coney.



2024: celebrating our
55th anniversary
& 50 years
of carriage driving



Anne was delighted to win! And as National Championships Chair, Anne encouraged *everyone* to come along next year to help celebrate two big RDA anniversaries. There will new family fun activities, as well as competition.



The venue looked after us well, and kept everyone well fed.....



...we were so grateful for all our amazing speakers...



...and thankful to everyone who came along and made it such a joyful day!

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do that counts

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