

Dunedin Group RDA Newsletter

October 2010

★ Welcome to the 4th edition of our newsletter! ★

Feel free to pass it on to family and friends, and if you have any suggestions for content or feedback please contact Sue jmarsha2000@xtra.co.nz or Sarah esdee_23@yahoo.com

Meet a Volunteer

Maree Allison – Vice President/Fund-Raiser

How did you get involved? I joined RDA 6 years ago as a fund raiser. I had seen an article in the Taieri Herald where RDA hoped to raise funds for an Indoor Arena, as I had experience at the Hospice in fund raising & marketing, I felt my experience could help. An Indoor Arena is still a dream, as other more urgent projects pushed themselves to the fore. Fund raising is critical to the survival of RDA.

What is your role? As Vice President I work closely with the President, Treasurer/Secretary and the RDA committee to oversee the smooth running of the organisation. I liaise with the national body of RDA in Wellington, the local business houses, community and service clubs encouraging them to support Dunedin RDA in many different ways. Giving support to the Horse Manager, Riding Instructor, Volunteer Coordinators, horse trainers, volunteers, and helping with selecting new horses for RDA, keeps me out of mischief.

My favourite part of RDA is: Observing the volunteers and horses working together to create a very special time for the disabled riders. The gift both the horses and volunteers give to these riders is priceless.

Something you maybe don't know about me? Love back country horse trekking, cooking BBQs, and chocolate cake.



MEET A HORSE "DAISY"



Daisy is new to RDA but has a lovely quiet nature and is taking everything in her stride. She loves attention and especially loves her neck and bum being scratched!

Height: 14.2hh

Age: 7

Sex: Mare

Colour: Dark bay

Breed: Holsteiner x Thoroughbred

Fact: Daisy is a twin and is by the top Holsteiner stallion Corlando.

NEWS; We are also getting another pony on trial called Summer. She is an appaloosa and is 13.1hh and 13 years old.

"UTU"

SADLY ON SATURDAY THE 1ST OF OCTOBER OUR BELOVED UTU WAS PUT DOWN DUE TO CANCER. HE WILL BE HUGELY MISSED BY ALL AND RDA WILL NOT BE THE SAME WITHOUT HIM. HOPEFULLY HE IS NOW AT PEACE IN HORSEY HEAVEN. A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO LYN EVANS FOR SHARING UTU WITH RDA AS LYN WAS UTU'S OWNER.





WHAT'S HAPPENING - FOR YOUR DIARY



Dunedin Riding for the Disabled

Family Gala Day

Sunday 10th October 2010
10am - 3pm
98 Flower St, Fairfield

Bill Acklin entertainment
disabled riding display · pony rides
for you and your teddy bear · lolly
scramble · raffles · face painting
BBQ · hot drinks

Contact info@dunedinrda.co.nz

Family Gala Day

Would anyone like to help to bag horse manure,
so this could be sold on the day.

Email Maree: mareeandneil@xtra.co.nz if you can help.

We will need the assistance of volunteers and some riders to run this day.
Please put this date in your diary.

The first day of the RDA season

is

Mon 11 October

🎟️ **Raffle** 🎟️

Raffle tickets are available at Flower Street for all interested in helping to raise some funds

The tickets are only \$2 each so it should be easy to persuade friends and relatives to buy one or two

The prizes are;

- 1st A Ladies Hamper
- 2nd Towel Rail and Heater
- 3rd A Set of Towels

Drawn October 24th

Important Phone Numbers

Maree (Vice President) (03) 4811 343 or 027 494 9878 , Lyn (Horse Manager) 021 110 9644
Sarah 027 4245 160. Denise (Volunteer Coordinator) 021 822 966. Saturday Cancellation Line 474 8425
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☺ **HAVE A GREAT OCTOBER EVERYONE** ☺