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AT BRIGADOON

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Welcome

It has been some time since our last newsletter and during that time we have had many changes! The biggest of which is our affiliation with Riding for the Disabled Australia - which we are super excited about, hence our new look newsletter & logo. This newsletter is our main communication mode between our coaches and committee to our riders, volunteers and support workers so we hope you will take 5 minutes with a cuppa in hand and enjoy all our news!



Special thanks to Paul Mercer from "Midway Signs" and Tulleah Roads who had our new signage up within days of our changeover to RDA Brigadoon!

Paul is Dad to one of our amazing volunteers -Kayla & Tulleah is the daughter of our President, Angela - we are priveliged to have such support from the "Mercer" & the "Roads" family!

Congratulations

A huge congratulations to Coach Jacqui and her lovely husband Troy on the birth of baby, Jude!! We are so very excited to have a new recruit & his adopted Aunties are all looking forward to meeting him very soon!



Thank you! Thank you!

A special THANK YOU to **Coach Lois** from RDA Oakford, **Coach Denise & Julie** from RDA Capricorn and **Coach Sarah** from RDA Carine! These ladies have been absolutely AMAZING helping us with our transition to RDA Brigadoon. They have given up countless hours to supervise, mentor and assess our centre, coaches and horses over the past 6 weeks! We have been blown away by the generosity and support given to us from the WA RDA family!



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Let the Games Begin

 Individual games throughout the day, with team games being run inside the main arena at all times.
Sausage Sizzle
Coffee van

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Congratulations Coach Kaylea!



Congratulations to Coach Kaylea who not only has had to step into Coach Jacqui's boots (and they are big boots to fill!) while she is on maternity leave but has also undergone some very intensive training to gain her O level and her level 1 RDA Coaching Accreditation! It has been no easy feat as she was on a super tight time schedule! We are so very grateful for Coach Kaylea's commitment and dedication to the Centre and its riders! RDA Brigadoon invites you to Barnie's



Sat, 4th June 2022 between 1 & 3pm AT RDA Brigadoon 303 Cathedral Ave, Brigadoon.

Retirement

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Nibblies & drinks served



I am currently working on our very own website!! This will be your go-to place for all info regarding RDA Brigadoon – Newsletters, Uniform Supplies, Horse Information and Volunteer Information & Sponsorship!

Change to Lesson Cancellation Policy

The Committee has recently reviewed the RDA Brigadoon lesson cancellation policy - this is done to balance the needs of the participants with the needs of the organisation.

Please keep an eye out on your email for the update. If you have recently changed your email please contact us to update the details.

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Scott & his buddy Banjo



Above: Scott, Banjo & Carol

Wednesday afternoon's is Scott's favourite time of the week. It is when he comes to RDA and rides his buddy, Banjo! It is so great to see such a huge smile on Scott's face - Banjo makes him so happy!

Carol is Scott & Banjo's leader - we would be lost without her! She volunteers for at least 3 sessions per week and nothing is ever too much trouble! She has such a wonderful connection with all our clients, coaches & volunteers.

Banjo is a Buckskin Clydesdale Cross and is 16 years old. He stands at a 17 hands high and weighs a whopping 900kgs!! Banjo has been with us for a little over 6 months, he was a pleasure horse on a property in the wheatbelt and is currently in training to be an RDA horse. He is progressing very well and he has a very loyal band of riders at RDA Brigadoon!

Join us on our socials!

We regularly share updated information such as: lesson cancellations, volunteers

needed, thank yous etc on our facebook & instagram page. Follow us on RDA Brigadoon to get the latest updates.



If you are a volunteer - make sure you join up to our facebook chat group - **RDA Brigadoon Volunteer Chatter**

Carriage Driving Lessons Resume



Due to the accreditation process with RDA Australia we have had to suspend our Carriage driving lessons for the past 4 weeks - thank you to all of our clients for their patience!

I am pleased to say that Coach Chris, his carriage and the lovely Cinnamon have all been accrediited by RDA Australia and that carriage driving lessons will recommence next Friday 3rd June 2022.