

Trustees Annual report

Riding for the Disabled (Antrim group) charity no.104504

Our group exists to provide Equine Activities for children with special needs in the Antrim Area.

The principal address for the Charity and contact for the charity Commission is Hazel Winning OBE (Mrs) 9 Glenbroome Park, Jordanstown, Co. Antrim BT370RL.

As a group we meet each Tuesday morning during term time with a total of 33 days during the year. We have an average of 10 children over two rides.

Our term times are September –December, January--April—June. We have a total of 10 children per term. As a rule we have new children per term as identified and selected through the school, some children will return for a second term. We do include some community referrals depending on available slots in the sessions.

RDA have a grading system, all children are awarded a certificate to recognise their individual achievements.

We are proud of the achievements of our children. As well as the enjoyment and fun they have during sessions we notice many positive outcomes such as their self confidence, concentration ability to learn new skills and improvement in their physical abilities.

We rent our facilities and equines from Linda and Robert Davis (Laurelview).

Our costs are paid on a quarterly basis. Insurance is paid yearly; other incidentals such as workshops, equipment are paid as needed.

Our income at the moment is from a Business man in Antrim and Education Authority NI and occasional donations.

We make every effort to ensure each session is conducted safely and professionally. All coaches and volunteers are trained to the RDA standards. Access NI checks, first aid updated on a regular basis (3 years)

We consider that we have regard to Commissions guidance on public benefits and have fulfilled our obligation in this respect.

On behalf of Trustees

Signed *Hazel Winning* Chairperson/organiser RDA (Antrim) Group

19/4/24

Trustees

Marie Johnston

William Boreland

Hayley Cunningham

Rosemary Carville

Patricia McKay

Mabel McCartney

Sandra Morrison

Winnie Bingham

Heather Kerr (Heather has requested she steps down from Trustee role)

Hazel Winning