

# Erme Valley RDA

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## December 2022

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas. Hopefully everyone has been able to purchase raffle tickets, the draw will be on Monday and prize winners will be published on facebook. The Christmas cake is still available for silent auction, get your bids in by contacting Peggy before Thursday - highest bid currently £50!

We have had some of the Christmas Sponsored Challenge money in well done to those, last day will be Saturday 17th December, please make sure you have handed your forms and money in before Christmas. Those that are new this year this is enables us to carry on subsidising all the participants rides by 50%, so please make sure if you ride with us that you are doing your bit. The 18th December fundraiser is cancelled as most people are doing their challenges at home, please let us know if you need to use the facilities to complete your challenge.

Further to the safeguarding training there is now a copy of the RDA Code of conduct in the office and in the viewing gallery, please make sure you have a read of the updated version.

We are pleased to announced that national office has agreed to the merger with Acorn and Squirrels Exeter group, from the 1st January, when we look forward to welcoming some of their riders.

We are still looking for horses! We have had Daisy on trial for a month thank you to Helen for her generosity. We don't feel she is quite suited to our work, as she really enjoys hacking escorting youngster and being groomed and she isn't has settled in the school.

As we come into the period of unknown weather conditions, it is up to individuals to contact us if they are uncertain. In the event of cancellation we will post on facebook. With weather in mind please make sure you drive slowly and carefully on the lane down and on the yard, there are children, dogs and young horses on the yard. When parking please make sure not to block access to the gate and shed at the end of the yard.

Contact details:

Peggy - 07882286421 (Text on day)

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**Dates:**

12th Dec 6pm- Happy hoof Xmas film night

16th Dec - Xmas lunch 12pm ( book in at the office)

Saturday 17th Dec - last sessions before Xmas

4th Jan - first session back

Tuesday 25th April - Show jumping at the Brook

29th, 30th April 1st May - ICC at Bicton

Tuesday 9th May - Dressage and countryside challenge @ Lakefield

14th 15th 16th July - Nationals @ Hartpury

**Items always needed:**

Toilet rolls

Cleaning stuff

Sponges

Hot chocolate

felt tips

scissors