Adoption & Gift Adoption

If you, or someone you know, loves horses but perhaps are unable to have one of your own, our adoption or gift adoption is perfect. With a minimum donation of £15 you can adopt a pony or give someone special a gift that will last all year long! You or your chosen person will receive a certificate, a picture of your chosen horse, a twice-yearly newsletter (if you include your e-mail address these will be electronic), birthday and Christmas cards (if you provide us with your date of birth) from your horse and invitations to our open days where you can meet your pony. We will also send you Wakefield RDA's calendar of events.

For gift adoption complete the recipient's details below so we can send out pictures of all our ponies, and they can choose which one they would like to support for a year.

Please also complete the sponsorship form overleaf with your details and send back to us with payment.

Recipient's name	
Recipient's Address	
Recipient's Postcode	
Recipient's Date of Birth	

Blog: www.wakefieldrda.typepad.co.uk

Website: www.wrda.org.uk



Wakefield Riding for the Disabled Association



@WakefieldRDA

Adoption Form

With a minimum donation of £15 a year you can help Wakefield RDA to continue offering their services to people with disabilities and contribute to the maintenance of our horses.

Pony name	
Full name	
Address	
Postcode	
Signature	
Date of Birth	
e-mail address	

I have enclosed a payment of £___

Please make cheques payable to Wakefield RDA

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I confirm I have paid or will pay an amount of Income Tax and/or Capital Gains Tax for each tax year (6 April to 5 April) that is at least equal to the amount of tax that all the charities or Community Amateur Sports Clubs (CASCs) that I donate to will reclaim on my gifts for that tax year. I understand that other taxes such as VAT and Council Tax do not qualify. I understand the charity will reclaim 28p of tax on every £1 that I gave up to 5 April 2008 and will reclaim 25p of tax on every £1 that I give on or after 6 April 2008.

Post back to: Adopt a Pony Wakefield Riding for the Disabled Association Pennine Camphill Community Wood Lane Chapelthorpe Wakefield WF4 3JL Tel: 01924 241 341

Adopt a Pony





Wakefield Riding for the Disabled Association

Providing horse riding for people with disabilities to improve their health and general well-being in the Wakefield District

> Registered charity no. 1120760 Co Limited by Guarantee no. 5980871

About Wakefield Riding for the **Disabled Association**

Wakefield Riding for the Disabled Association (Wakefield RDA) is a charity that provides horse riding for people with disabilities to improve their general health and well-being. Our clients include small children, young people and adults with a wide range of physical and learning disabilities, mental health and behavioural problems.

Wakefield RDA work with groups of riders who come from local schools and care homes. Some riders benefit from riding in a group, others from a private session. Group sessions help with social skills and are good fun, the rider learns the skill of riding a pony whilst improving balance, co-ordination and general fitness. Many good friendships are made here.

Wakefield RDA relies upon volunteers to help with riding sessions, horse care and stable duties. We have approximately 45 helpers every week from all walks of life including long term unemployed, disabled including mental health problems, work experience from local schools and colleges, Duke of Edinburgh award, youth offenders, people who love horses and people who want to help others with disabilities.

Although Wakefield RDA are a member group of National Riding for the Disabled Association who provide training and advice, our group is self funding. We fundraise to keep our group up and running by organising raffles, tombolas and equine events each year such as a sponsored ride or dressage competition. Our fundraiser applies for grants to purchase tack and equipment. WRDA charges a small fee for riding sessions which is much lower than the going market rate at other riding schools.

Our Horses

Each horse and pony at Wakefield RDA is precious to us. They were chosen because of their special nature and suitability for demanding RDA work. It costs us approximately £1200 to look after each horse every year. Essential costs such as new shoes cost £55 per horse. One large horse would eat 4 bales of hay per week and each bale costs £4.

Amber

Height: 15.2 hands high Age: 12

Amber has a sweet, loving nature and is ridden by many different riders. She loves riding out along the bridle path and helps riders who are learning to ride off the lead rope.



Height: 13.2 hands high Age: 11

Chester

Chester carries children and small adults. He is very speedy and loves doing games. He is cheeky in the field and likes to torment the other horses.

Harry

Height: 15 hands high Age: 7

Harry has just arrived at Wakefield RDA so is just beginning his training. He is a Shire X Cob with lovely feathers.





Maisie

Height: 16.1 hands high **Age:** 6

Maisie is a Clydesdale Cross, and is Amber's daughter. She is very gentle and easygoing and especially enjoys eating hay and grass! She carries the larger riders at our group.

Tiggy

Height: 13.3 hands high Age: 10

Tiggy is a new pony and has already got stuck into RDA lessons and is hardworking and very pretty. She is a tri-coloured mare with lovely markings.



Sam & Ben

Height: 14.2 & 14 hands high Age: 23

Sam & Ben came to us from another RDA group and have lived together since they were foals on the Fells. Even though they have never lived apart, they are verv different, for example, Sam is frightened of jump poles yet Ben loves jumping. Ben does not like to be left on his own without Sam. but Sam doesn't mind as long as he has a haynet!

