

Quest Group of Riding for the Disabled Trustees Annual Report for the Year to 31 March 2025

Registered Charity Number 1156036

Quest RDA is part of RDA UK, a registered charity (244108), it is supported in its objectives by the Regional Chair and the National Board of Trustees. The Group is managed by a committee comprising a Chair, Treasurer, Secretary, safeguarding officer, and fundraiser.

Mrs J Jones – Chair

Mrs C Hetherington – Treasurer

There are other Group members who fulfill other duties for the group. Election of trustees occurs at the annual general meeting; a retiree may be re-elected and where a vacancy arises an appointment may be made by the Committee until the next AGM.

Quest RDA has insurance cover with RDA UK and in line with RDA guidance has a safeguarding policy, a health and safety policy, a data protection policy and risk assessments are carried out regularly to ensure the safety of the group's riders and volunteers. All coaches and many volunteers have up to date first aid certificates. Quest RDA operates from Laris Farm Equestrian Centre in Chobham and provides opportunities for children and adults with disabilities to ride and interact with horses and ponies to promote their physical and mental well-being.

Financial Review The group was successful in raising funds of £104,307. Expenses, in common with many RDA groups owning their own ponies are high and 2024-2025 was particularly costly as some ponies continue to require significant veterinary treatment. The group maintains a sensory ride which is valuable to the riders but requires continuous upkeep. The group retains cash reserves of £122,988 and the trustees aim to retain one year's trading costs to maintain the financial stability of the group. In the opinion of the trustees will continue to operate as a going concern.

Signed on behalf of the Trustees

Mrs J Jones Chair November 2025

Quest Group of Riding for the Disabled Year to 31 March 2025

Quest Group of Riding for the Disabled
Income & expenditure
account
Year ended 31 March
2025

	2025	2024
Riding Fees	18983	17557
Bank Interest	400	382
Fundraising and Donations	<u>104307</u>	<u>37,671</u>
	123690	55610
Livery	38801	36970
Blacksmith	4095	3180
Vet	21996	4719
Arena hire	4000	4000
Fundraising	6650	9115
Sundry	2423	1729
First aid/DBS	1145	557
Sensory ride	868	2437
Insurance	2631	2977
Just giving	216	216
Physio	2210	2422
Tack and saddler	4312	2202
Pony purchase	6500	2750
Defibrillator	1266	0
Competition entries	841	0
Uniform	<u>493</u>	<u>0</u>
	<u>98447</u>	<u>73274</u>
Surplus	<u>25243</u>	<u>-17664</u>

Statement of Assets

Current assets	37,561	26,924
Cash at Bank	<u>137,594</u>	<u>122988</u>
	<u>175,155</u>	<u>149,912</u>

Independent examiners report to the Trustees of Quest Group of Riding for the Disabled

I report to the charity trustees on my examination of the accounts of Quest RDA for the year ended 31 March 2025.

Responsibility and basis of the report

As trustees of the charity, you are responsible for the preparation of the accounts in accordance with the requirements of the Charities Act 2011 (The Act). I report in respect of my examination of the Charity's accounts carried out Section 145 of the Act and in carrying out my examination I have followed all the applicable directions given by the Charity Commission under Section 145(5)(b) of the Act. I

Independent examiner's statement

I have completed my examination and confirm that no material matters have come to my attention in connection with the examination giving me cause to believe that in any material respect:

1. Accounting records were not kept in respect of the charity as required by Section 130 of the Act;
2. The accounts do not accord with those records

I have no concerns and have come across no other matters in connection with the examination to which attention should be drawn in this report in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.

Signed: Mrs V Bowker AAT

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Date 8 September 2025