

**ABINGDON GROUP OF
RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION**

The aim of the Riding for the Disabled Association is to give the opportunity of riding or driving to any disabled person who might benefit in their general health and happiness. The Group has provided riding, driving and vaulting for disabled people within a 30 mile radius. All lessons take place at their purpose built riding centre, just outside Southmoor. The Group is totally self supporting financially, with a team of 16 horses, 130 riders and 160 voluntary helpers. Our costs are continually rising, with the current annual budget estimated to be more than £100,000.

Voluntary helpers are always required at the stables. If you would like to help, or if you know of someone aged 16 or more who may be interested, please contact us.

For more information about all aspects of the Abingdon Group please contact Ann Barlow, on telephone number 01235 763731.

*Abingdon Group RDA is a Registered Charity, No: 1141360
A Member Group of
Riding for the Disabled Association, incorporating Carriage Driving
Registered Company No: 5010395
Registered Charity No: 244108*



**BLenheim PALACE SPONSORED RIDE
at
BLenheim PARK, OXFORDSHIRE**

by kind permission of the Duke of Marlborough

FRIDAY, 27th SEPTEMBER 2024

***RIDING FOR THE DISABLED ASSOCIATION
ABINGDON GROUP***

Approximately seven mile course
through glorious Blenheim

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Rosettes on completion

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Vet on call
Paramedics in attendance

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Refreshments

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Photographer
(11.00 pm – 4.15 pm)

**For further details please visit
www.rda-abingdon.org.uk or contact :**

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ABINGDON GROUP RDA SPONSORED RIDE

AT BLENHEIM PARK, OXFORDSHIRE

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Location

The Sponsored Ride is located within the grounds of Blenheim Palace, Woodstock, Oxfordshire. The Course is approximately seven miles, with a longer option.

Entrance

We will be using the Bladon entrance off the A4095.

Details of Entry

- Conditions permitting, rides will start at 10:30am with the last ride starting at 2:45 pm.
- Competitors will be allowed to ride another circuit of the course provided that they report to the Starter Steward before continuing their ride.
- Rosettes will be awarded to all riders after they complete the course.
- The course will be well marked and marshalled.
- Paramedics will be in attendance and there will be a vet on call.
- Parking for cars and horse boxes will be available in a designated field near to the Blenheim Pleasure Gardens.
- Refreshments will be available and spectators are welcome.
- Dogs are not allowed on the course.

Minimum Sponsorship

- £40 per rider (pay in advance to book start time)
- Cheques to be payable to Riding for Disabled Association Abingdon Ltd.
- Advance entries are non-refundable (except in the event of RDA cancellation, which occasionally happens when ground conditions are poor).

Rosettes

- Rosettes on completion of the ride.

Conditions of Entry

- The Organisers and Landowners accept no responsibility for any injury, accident or illness caused by any person, animal, vehicle or property. Any person entering the site does so at their own risk.
- The Organisers reserve the right to stop or alter the course, and to cancel the event.
- Riding hats of suitable safety standards must be worn at all times when riders are mounted.
- The use of a body protector is recommended.
- Horses and ponies must be at least four years old.
- The decision of the Organisers is final at all times.
- Riders are asked to show respect for the land over which they are riding and to follow the Country Code at all times.
- Dogs must be kept on a lead at all times and are not allowed on the Course.
- Entry implies acceptance of these conditions and the Health Safety Policy outlined below.

Health and Safety Policy

- The Organiser has the overall responsibility for Health and Safety.
- The event is organised in accordance with Health and Safety Legislation and all who have (to any extent) control of premises or site at the event are responsible for ensuring that everything practicable is done to ensure the Health and Safety and Welfare of those attending the event.

Emergencies

- Emergency Services must have access to all parts of the event site at all times and members of the public must not park vehicles so as to obstruct access.
- First Aid Services are based at the Start/Finish and mobile Paramedics can attend any part of the Course.
- In the event of an emergency members of the public should contact the nearest official or the Ride Co-ordinators on **0797 4615428 or 07717 22223**.