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RTES *Riding High*

Richmond Therapeutic Equestrian Society * Making a Difference in the lives of Children with Disabilities

SUCCESS FOR RTES RIDERS

RTES Successful again in the November 2012 Coast to Coast Competition

RTES is proud to announce that the 4 riders that entered the November Coast to Coast competition, the last of the 2012 series, once again showed off their skills to the Judge and placed well among the other riders entered from across Canada. Jaden placed 2nd in his class - Balance Pattern class for riders that do not use reins and require a leader and 2 side walkers. Richard placed 1st in his class - Equitation for riders with a leader and 1 side walker. Calum placed 1st in his class - Equitation for riders with a leader and no side walker. Emma placed 1st in her class - Equitation for independent riders. Congratulations!

RTES will offer the opportunity to compete in the Coast to Coast Series of competitions again in 2013 in February, March, June and November. To be eligible to compete, both riders in a class must participate, entrants must have a 2013 Para-Equestrian Canada Membership (\$10.00 annually) and cover the cost of the entry fee (\$7.00 for each show entered). If you are interested in this opportunity, please speak with your Instructor.



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Winter Weather and Class Cancellations

Unfortunately it is that time of year again when the weather may cause RTES to cancel riding lessons due to snow, ice and or extreme cold temperatures. This is a reminder to those that bring riders to the program that if classes need to be cancelled, staff will do their best to make notifications before 8am by sending emails and posting the information on our website (www.rtesrichmond) in the “News and Events” section.

This is also cold and flu season, and because of this, we have already received many late notice cancellations from our class volunteers. When staff are notified by volunteers of a cancellation, we do our very best to contact others on our list to fill the vacant positions, however; we are not always successful. In some instances parents or caregivers ay be asked to help side walk. If you are able and willing, please be sure to bring appropriate clothing and footwear with you just in case.

In other circumstances, staff may not be able to fill all the positions required to run the class safely as scheduled and we may need to either cancel or split a class. If we cancel a class, RTES will provide a credit toward the riders next session. If we have enough people to safely take one rider at a time, we will split the class and have each rider ride for 20 minutes. In this situation, there will not be a credit issued. In the event that we need to split a class, staff will make every effort to advise the families involved prior to their arrival.

We hope you can understand that canceling or splitting a class is only used as our last option and that because safety is our number one priority, it is sometimes our only option.





Save the Date!

Tuesday, April 30th, 2013

Our 2013 Annual Fundraising Event will be held at:

Country Meadows Golf Course

Yes, we have moved our fundraiser to a new location, and changed it to a weekday evening. Join us for a fun social evening that will include: drinks and appetizers, key speakers, a live auction and the winning ticket draw for our raffle. We already have had an enthusiastic response from many of our supporters who know about the change of venue and time. We hope you are just as excited.

With thanks to WestJet Airlines, the grand prize for our raffle again this year will be - "2 WEST JET tickets to any destination in the world that the airline serves".

Make sure you tell your family, friends and RTES supporters about our new date and location as we want this event and our Raffle to be the most successful we have ever held. We also want it to be a fun event for everyone who attends.

Tickets for both the raffle and the event will be for sale soon!



Our Mission

To provide a quality therapeutic riding program for children and youth with disabilities in order to promote physical, social and psychological well being.



RTES Membership (\$25 annually) and Donation Form

All donations are tax deductible. Registered Charity # 89415 0135 RR0001

I wish to support the Richmond Therapeutic Equestrian Society.

Enclosed is \$ _____ for Membership and/or \$ _____ for Donation.

Name _____ Date _____

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