



*Dedicated to the welfare, re-training and re-homing of Thoroughbred
ex-racehorses*

Christmas Greetings to all our supporters



**Christmas cards
order form inside**

Newsletter Autumn/Winter 2014

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TRAINING CLINICS

Our clinics were a big success last year and we are hoping they will be as much of a success in the year to come. We will be having clinics in February, March and October 2015 (Dates to be confirmed)
Enquires: 01524 812649 or fundraising@thetrc.co.uk



FORTHCOMING EVENTS

2014

8TH/9TH NOVEMBER —YOUR HORSE LIVE

23RD NOVEMBER —YARD VISIT

2015

(PROVISIONAL DATES)

28TH MARCH—YARD VISIT

25TH/26TH APRIL —

TOTAL CONFIDENCE LIVE

20TH JUNE — OPEN DAY

25TH JULY — YARD VISIT

26TH SEPTEMBER — YARD VISIT

21ST NOVEMBER — YARD VISIT



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Thank-you from the TRC

On behalf of everyone at the TRC, we would like to give a big thank you to all our supporters for your magnificent backing.

This year has been exciting for the TRC. We have taken our message around the country with successful demonstrations, enjoyed a superb Open Day at which the refurbished Hallo Dandy Arena was officially opened and, as always, have had the pleasure of working with some amazing horses.

The surprisingly dry start to the winter means we put back the change over from field to stables at night for our horses and they have settled into the new routine perfectly.

Now we are looking forward to Christmas. Thanks to the Racing Post and its award-winning photographer Edward Whitaker we have a really terrific Christmas card for sale, pictured on the cover of this newsletter. We also have some fantastic gift ideas on Page 5 and we hope you will be able to support our special Christmas Appeal, details of which are on Page 9.



TRC Thisonesforeddy (left) and TRC Koelera with TRC staff members Chloe Barnes, Steph O'Connor, Kath Pinington, Gill Kennedy, Nastasha Bissell and India Richardson.

ORDER FORM

TRC merchandise can be ordered by completing and returning this form along with a cheque or by supplying card details in the space provided or alternatively by telephoning the office directly on 01524 812649 or via our website www.thetr.co.uk

ITEM	COLOUR	SIZE	QUANTITY	PRICE INCL. P+P	SUBTOTAL
Christmas card (pack of 10)				8.00	
'Keep calm' Hoodie	Navy , Black, Royal Blue, Candyfloss Pink Fire Red	S M L S M L S M L S M L S M L		30.00	
Ladies Polo Shirt	Royal Blue Hot Pink Navy	8-10 10-12 12-14 8-10 10-12 12-14 8-10 10-12 12-14		20.00	
Ladies Fleece Logo on left breast only	Navy	12 14 16		25.00	
Onesie 'Keep calm and kick on' on' on reverse Logo on left breast	Hot Pink Sapphire Blue Purple	XS S / M L / XL XS S / M L / XL		42.00	
Golf Umbrella				18.00	
TRC LOGO hoodie	Hot Pink with Grey Royal Blue with Arctic White Oxford Navy with Blue Candyfloss Pink with Hot Pink Fire Red with Arctic White	S M L S M L S M L S M L		30.00	
Ear warmers Logo on side	Navy			12.00	
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Name					
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Postcode				Donation	
Email					
Telephone				TOTAL	

I enclose a cheque payable to The TRCYES/NO
 I wish to pay by debit / credit card.....YES/NO
 Name on card

Card Number

Expiry Date Security Code.....(last 3 digits)
 Issue No (Maestro).....

TRC Christmas Cards and Gifts

*Proceeds of cards and gifts go directly to helping the horses within our care
All prices include Postage & Packaging.*

2014 Christmas Card

"Mad Max leading Nicky Henderson's team in the snow at Lambourn". This photograph has been kindly donated by Edward Whitaker (courtesy of Racing Post). **£8.00 for a pack of 10 cards**



Ladies TRC Polo

Lovely ladies fitted polo shirt in Navy, Royal Blue or Fuchsia Pink 100% cotton, slightly fitted with side vents. TRC logo to left breast and large logo/website on reverse **£20**



Golf Umbrella

The classic TRC golf umbrella in racing green and white. **£18**



TRC Keep Calm Hoodie

Featuring TRC logo embroidered to left breast. 'Keep calm and re-home a racehorse'

Small / Medium / Large
Navy , Black, Royal Blue, Candyfloss Pink & Fire Red **£30**

NEW FOR THE AUTUMN



'Keep Calm' Onesie in variety of colours with TRC logo on breast **£42**



Ladies Navy Fleece and Ear Warmers **£25 & £12**



TRC LOGO Hoodie

TRC logo embroidered to left breast and logo and website on reverse with contrast colour hoods

£30 Choice of colours available see order form for details.



New Arrivals

Rose of May

15.3hh Bay Mare 2010 (4yrs)

Rosie arrived at the TRC at the end of September, having had a small amount of retraining after her racing career. She only raced seven times and was very unsuccessful.

She is currently under assessment but we hope she will make a good all rounder with the right rider.



Heidi's Delight

16.1hh Dark Bay Mare 2009 (5yrs)

Heidi has come to us straight from racing due to lack of form. She is a very sweet mare with a lovely temperament and great to handle. She is currently under assessment but we are sure she will make someone a lovely horse.

Assisted loan scheme

Four of the five horses on the assisted loan scheme have now found loving new homes. This innovative scheme enables us to provide extra support to loaners who re-home horses which present more of a challenge due to their special requirements. The benefits of this scheme, the costs of which are covered in full by the TRC, are:-

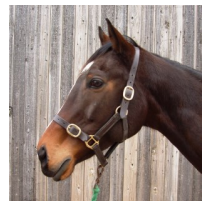
- No loan fee
- Annual health check
- Full worming and vaccination programme
- Veterinary treatment of pre-existing conditions identified prior to rehoming

Horses currently on this scheme:

Regal Lass

15.2hh Bay Mare 2003 (11yrs)

Unfortunately Regal is unable to sustain ridden work due to an impingement in her back, however she is happy having a leisurely life in a field. She loves being groomed and having lots of love and attention.



For more details on the assisted loan scheme visit our website or phone our office.

TRC Horses in their loan homes

It is always a pleasure to discover how successful our horses are in their new homes. It is gratifying to see how our work is helping give these ex-racehorses a new life and purpose after their racing days are over and we are proud of the many disciplines to which they adapt so well. These are just a few photos to share with you all.



TRC DIXIT



TRC GRACILLIS



TRC BALLY BORRIS



TRC LITTLE NOBBY



TRC GENIAL GENIE

**I WOULD LIKE TO SUPPORT THE TRC
WINTER LIGHTING APPEAL**

**I AM INTERESTED IN BECOMING A
COMMITTED GIVER
- PLEASE SEND ME FURTHER INFORMATION**

I enclose a donation of

£

Name:

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Address:

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**Gift Aid - with Gift Aid every £1 is worth £1.25 to
us!**

Yes I want the TRC to reclaim the tax on any donations I make until further notice.
The tax I pay each year is equal to or greater than the tax the TRC will reclaim on
my donations for that tax year.

Signed:

.....

Date:

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**Please return this form to: TRC Limited, Whinney Hill, Aughton Road, Halton,
Lancashire LA2 6PQ**



The Hallo Dandy Arena

Winter Lighting Appeal

Here at the TRC, during the winter months, we struggle to give all of our horses as much work as they need, due to the lack of daylight hours. This seriously affects our ability to re-home them as quickly as we would like. We have a great facility in the Hallo Dandy Arena, but due to insufficient lighting, we cannot maximise its potential.



Using head torches in the Arena because of the light

Our special Christmas Appeal this year is for funds towards the £20,000 needed to install new energy-efficient lighting which would mean we would be able to work all the horses through the winter days. As well as working more horses, we would be able to do it to a much higher standard as we would have more time to spend on each individual horse. We would also be able to provide an extra source of income for the Centre as with proper lighting it would make it possible to hire out the Hallo Dandy Arena to local people to use on cold and wet winter

evenings instead of them having to travel further afield.

This extra income would benefit our horses by providing much needed funds to support our work at the Centre.

We have a fabulous set of show jumps kindly donated by the Racing Foundation with a variety of fillers, but these just aren't getting the use that they should due to the lighting being so poor that it makes it too unsafe to jump.



Our aim here at the TRC is simple: to help as many ex-racehorses as possible find a new path in life and we could do that more efficiently with an efficient winter use of the Arena. Please help to give these wonderful creatures a loving home and a bright, secure future by giving what you can by using the form on page 8.

TO HIRE THE HALLO DANDY ARENA CALL 01524 812649

Horses ready to re-home

TRC THISONESFOREDDY

15.2hh Dark Bay Gelding 2005 (9yrs)

Eddy is a gorgeous boy with a superb temperament and laid-back attitude. He loves attention and aims to please. He was successful in his racing career but is now looking for a quieter life where he can predominately hack. He has been to demonstrations with us at Myerscough, Cartmel and Cheltenham and wasn't phased by any of it. He really is a true gentleman and will make someone a lovely horse.



TRC AJUDICATERA

15.3hh Bay Mare 2008 (6yrs)

Phyllis arrived at the TRC directly from her training yard where she was retired due to lack of form. She is a sweet mare who is showing real potential on the flat. We have yet to try her over a fence but she takes everything in her stride and we hope with the right rider she will exceed in any discipline.

TRC ABBEY EXPRESS

16hh Bay Gelding 2005 (9yrs)

Having recently returned to us from his loan home due to a change in the loaner's circumstances. Abs is now looking for a new home where he can have all the attention and love that he deserves. Pictured here at Cartmel Racecourse earlier in the year, Abs is a stunning horse who takes everything in his stride. He is a sweet natured genuine horse who requires a sensitive and competent rider to bring out his full potential. He is happy hacking alone or in company and is a true gentleman who looks after his rider. He has nice paces and would make a lovely dressage horse.





TRC LIL'S STAR LAD

15.3hh Chestnut Gelding 1998 (16yrs)

Squirrel is good to do in all ways and has a lovely temperament. He is happy to hack either alone or in company and has lovely expressive paces. At 16 years old Squirrel is ready for a quieter life out hacking and on pleasure rides.

TRC SHARPANDCHIC

15.3hh Bay Mare 2007 (7yrs)

Layla was retired from racing as she just didn't have the speed. She ran in four flat races and six over hurdles. She is a sweet mare looking for a hacking home, great in traffic and is happy to hack alone or in company.



TRC PECKFORTON CASTLE

16hh Dark Bay Gelding 2007 (7yrs)

Harley has recently returned from his loan home due to a change in circumstances. While there he was competing successfully at dressage. He is good to hack alone or in company and will make someone a superb horse and would be a great contender for the ROR classes.

TRC HIDDEN SPRINGS

16.2hh Bay Gelding 2005 (9yrs)

Kit came to us straight from racing and was very weak, but looks like a different horse now and is ready to find a loving new home. He is superb to hack and isn't phased by traffic. He has big expressive paces and with the right rider has the potential to succeed at dressage, hacking and pleasure rides.



TRC HEATHYARDS PRIDE

16.1hh Bay Gelding 2000 (14yrs)

Recently returned to us from a loan home. Pride is a lovely horse looking for the right home. Pride raced very successfully and won over £80,000. He is now looking for a more relaxed lifestyle where he can have a nice quiet life as a hacking horse.

TRC PLAYFUL DANE

16.1HH Bay Gelding 1997 (17yrs)

Dane has just returned to us from his loan home due to loss of his rider. At 17 years young, he is an active boy who is showing no signs of slowing down!! He loves his jumping and is pictured here at Llanymynech in June last year. He is a sweet boy who has excellent stable manners and is now looking for a home where he can continue his love for competing.



Out and about with the TRC

Cartmel Races July 2014



We held a parade of four of our horses at our local racecourse at Cartmel! It was a pleasure to be back at the course and all our horses behaved impeccably. The weather was lovely, so all in all a fabulous day was had by all.



Lucinda Fredericks Demonstration April 2014

We were lucky enough to have Lucinda put on a fund-raising demonstration for us at Myerscough College. It was a great evening and we all learned a lot. It also raised money for our horses and local awareness for the Centre.



Your Horse Magazine

Your Horse magazine ran a fantastic series of features called 'Off the Track' written by our Yard Manager Kath Pinington. The articles examined owning, re-training, riding and caring for your ex-racehorse. We were delighted to be involved and to share the benefit of our staff's expertise.

Your Horse Live November 2014

We will once again be at Your Horse Live 2014 on November 8/9 at Stoneleigh Park in Warwickshire with our information stand (No. 292) for any enquiries and advice. So please do come along for a chat, to find out more, get advice and enter our prize draw!



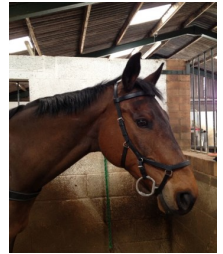
Open Day 2014



INNOVATIONS IN HORSE CARE AT THE TRC

Micklem Bridle

Many horses out of racing struggle with their contact in the transition from racehorse to riding horse. We have recently been using Micklem bridles kindly donated by **Horseware Ireland** and had fantastic results. They are designed for comfort and don't put pressure on facial nerves. Some nosebands are put on too low (flash nosebands) or are too tight so interfere with the horse's breathing as well as putting pressure on the fragile nose bone. Pictured is TRC St Reverien in his Micklem bridle. He is much more accepting of the contact and happier in his ridden work.



Thermal Imaging

Kim Brooking of **KB Thermography** came to the Centre earlier this year and gave us an insight into how Thermography can be an additional diagnostic tool and provides a unique and reliable way to monitor a horse's recovery from injury, illness, competitive activity or everyday training.

Thermatex Pro Core Trainer

As most horses run on a left handed track this and other issues can lead to muscle imbalance. The photo to the right shows TRC Hidden Springs being lunged in a saddle cloth which is made by **Thermatex** and is part of the **Pro-core Training** range very soon to be launched. We are so excited about this training aid that promotes muscle symmetry and core strength and has been developed in conjunction with our very own Physio Karen Mather.



Ice Vibe Boots

Ice vibe boots are innovate cooling aid that combine massage and cold therapy with amazing results. We have recently been using these excellent ice vibe boots for horses' lower legs and hocks which were kindly donated to us by **Horseware Ireland**. Pictured here is Natasha Bissell using the hock boot to cool some bruising on one of our horses. They are a great fit and perfect for encouraging healing.

A Big Thank You to all our supporters!

Charlie Lawson, more famously known as Jim McDonald from Coronation Street, will be playing Celebrity Family Fortunes in aid of the Centre in the New Year. We hope all our supporters will be cheering him on! A Patron of the TRC, Charlie has always been a huge supporter of our work and we are very grateful to him for thinking of us again. Charlie is pictured here at the Centre.



Special thanks also to:-

Gay & Peter Hartleys Hillards Charitable Trust
Pamela Matthews Charitable Trust
Every committed giver
Everyone who gave one off donations or organised fundraising events

Lune Valley DTC dog agility section, who train twice weekly at the TRC, have donated to the TRC the entry fees from one of the classes at their summer show held at the



Westmorland County Showground . The nominated class was the Large Dog Novice Olympia heat with the Final to be held in December at the London International Horse Show at Olympia and the sum raised was £678.60.

Volunteers

A big thanks to all our volunteers who regularly donate their time either on the yard, in the office, at events and demonstrations or with their professional expertise: Kay Edwards, Laura Frances, Vanessa Inman, Brigitte Matheson, Kate Nicklin, Iain Pendry, Rebecca Stevens, Ashley Stewart, and Ann Gibbons Photography. We are also grateful for the continued support of our commercial sponsors.

Finally, thank you to our amazing field officers, who look after our horses in their new homes with regular checks to make sure both the horse and loaner are happy:

Maureen Paterson, Carolann Shaw, Rachel Mather, Sam Taylor, Elizabeth Pearson, Jane Wilde, Sally Bolland, Sarah Matthews, Sam Taylor, Jenny Chris, Jill Chainey, Liz Chiltern, Jenny Dunn, Ann Stewart, Lyndsey Plant, Kate Pendgy, Julie Duckham, Julie Southby, Helen Hollern, Rachel Davies, Michelle Metz, Kim Foster, Anne Knight and Rose Dewer.

Recycle 4 Charity



Ask us for a Recycle 4 Charity envelope and put your old phones and used printer cartridges to good use by helping us raise money for our wonderful horses.



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