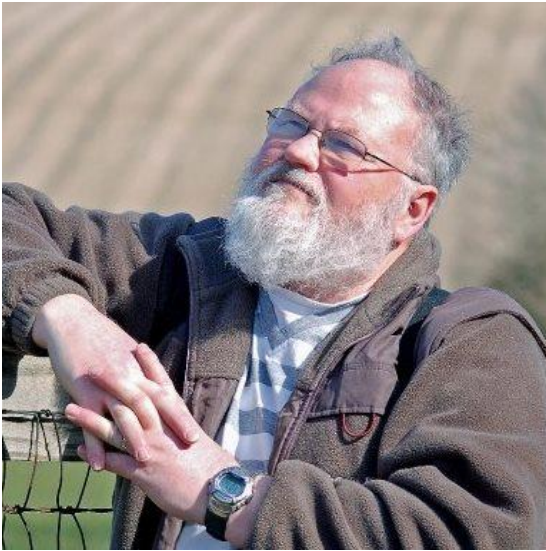


A Tribute to Ray, January 2021



Ray joined our RDA group in 2012, with no experience with horses, but a willingness and kindness to help in whatever way he could. He always had a smile, never complained and he quickly became a very valuable member of our team.

Between 2015 and 2020 he also took over the responsibility for looking after and manning the South Region publicity caravan, which was a huge responsibility. Ray did an amazing job travelling around the region to various events and shows to publicise the work of RDA. He stocked the caravan with RDA gifts and was always happy to chat and meet new people, regularly giving up his weekends to go out and about. He could often be seen with a horse shaped hat on his head, or a unicorn, depending on the occasion!



In fact, his dressing up will be very fondly remembered by the whole group as every year, he really enjoyed becoming Santa's helper to give out Christmas presents to all our participants. He embodied everything about Christmas, spreading joy wherever he went.



Ray has left a very large gap in our team and we will all miss him and his generosity enormously. So many lovely words have been said in his memory, a small selection of which are included below:

“We will miss his lovely, happy face and kind, kind spirit.”

“Such a warm and kind man will be sadly missed by all.”

“A very kind soul who will be greatly missed.”

“He will be missed so much by so many.”

“He was one of the first people in RDA I met. Always kind, thoughtful and wanting to help.”

He will always be in our thoughts.



Ray Monument
26.9.46 – 27.1.21
Rest in Peace