



Media Release

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Capel riding group energised by community grant

A newly-established Riding for the Disabled group will have access to electricity for their transportable clubhouse for the first time, thanks to a grant from P&N Bank.

The group provides equestrian activities to people with disabilities or mental health issues.

Riding for the Disabled Association Capel (RDA Capel) President Carol Brice said the helping hand from P&N Bank was a big leap towards helping the centre expand.

"Up until now we haven't even had any electricity supply to boil a kettle and make a cup of tea," said Carol.

"We opened RDA Capel in 2016 so we are still in the development stage of acquiring equipment and facilities for our riders and their families as well as our wonderful volunteers and horses.

"We purchased our transportable clubhouse from the Bunbury Sailing Club, but it had no power, so we need to buy a generator to be able to boil the kettle, provide lighting and other electrical facilities.

"At the moment we're one of six clubs that shares space at the Capel Equestrian Centre, so RDA Capel is very grateful to P&N Bank and its members for considering us for a Helping &nds grant."

P&N Bank Bunbury Branch Manager Donna Gibbs said the Bank was delighted to be able to acknowledge RDA Capel's significant role in the community.

"The RDA centre in Capel provides a wonderful service to people with disabilities through the south west, with riders coming from Manjimup and Donnybrook and between Australind to Dunsborough," Donna said.

"At the moment they operate three times a week, but I understand the demand is so great that with continued support they have the potential to operate five times a week.

"This is what our Helping &nds program is all about.

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