

FROM MY DESK

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What an exciting phase we are entering as we progress towards the end of the year and the festive season.

2005 has been a busy one for all of us working towards a very positive move for RDA(NSW) as we are taking one large step for our State. It is also an opportune time to look back and reflect on what has been achieved in a cooperative and transparent environment.

Final plans are now firmly in place, including Insurance and Coaching paperwork, for RDA(NSW) to go with our independent status as from 1st January 2006.

The State Council made a decision to retire from RDAA so that our great organisation can move forward. A lot of very talented people have been working very hard since that time to put actions in place to have RDA(NSW) act as an independent body.

It gives me tremendous pride to see the support that the Board of Directors and Regional Representatives are receiving from our Centres, Volunteers and Riders -- Working as a team we can achieve our goals and dreams.

Our State Office is working very proficiently. Lucy is only too happy to hear from everyone and answer any calls that come her way.

I wish to confirm that I remain in my elected position as Hon. President and appointment as Development Officer. I have however, stepped down as Hon. Executive Officer. My thanks go to Bev Amery, Director and President of RDA Wagga Centre, who has taken on this role, relieving me of this extra workload.

A BIG THANK YOU to our enthusiastic centres, volunteers, riders and others who take the time to make our "Bits 'n' Pieces" the interesting and informative newsletter it is to-day. Communication is the key to a successful organisation and plays a vital role in our State's exciting move forward. Special thanks to Lyn Lazarus who volunteers her precious time to make it all happen.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, Regional Representatives, and those involved with the administration of RDA(NSW), I wish to convey best wishes to all for a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and productive 2006.

Extra big hugs for our horses – there would be no RDA without them.

Yours in RDA,
Margaret Norman
Hon. President
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