

**Bobbie** - a Dales X, came to us from an RDA group near Inverness in early 2015. At about 14 hh, he is a bit of a chunky monkey, with a woolly black coat, glorious shaggy mane and huge tail. He is handsome, bright and a real character. His favourite ridden exercise is trotting poles. He gets so excited and moves with speed and accuracy. However, Bobbie does know his own mind and it can sometimes take a little patience and persuasion to get him to hack all the way down the lane. In an earlier life, Bobbie has done some carriage driving and we are hoping that he will be the mainstay of this new activity for our group. Many of his riders have sadly outgrown him and miss him dreadfully. They will be delighted to have the chance to work with him again. His revised training is well in hand and he clearly loves driving. The peak of Bobbie's RDA career so far is qualifying for the RDA National Championships at Hartpury College in Gloucestershire in 2016 with Helen Barrett. Bobbie will continue with some ridden work.



**Bella** - the smallest of our RDA ponies, roughly 13.2 hh. She is another black pony but with a white blaze down her nose. She was originally from Ireland but we bought her from Aberfoyle, a bit nearer home. She is great at her job and helps riders of all ages and abilities. She is particularly good at RDA dressage and regularly goes out to Regional and Scottish championships. Bella also enjoys a bit of show jumping and sometimes takes part in the lessons in the riding school to keep in practice. She is a pretty little mare who loves to be with people.



**Holly** - our beautiful Clydesdale. She came to us having retired as a brood mare. She has had a number of lovely foals but her youngest daughter, Dawn, is a particular star, winning the Champion of Champions at the Highland Show 2017. A very proud moment for all of us and Jim, her breeder. Being a Clydesdale, Holly is big, about 17.3 hh, but is so gentle and just loves to be admired and talked to. With slow and careful training, she has taken to RDA work beautifully. She is particularly good for our riders that have outgrown our other horses.



**Mr. Boombastic**, Boo for short, - a handsome, big horse with real presence. He is an unusual chestnut skewbald, with two tone chestnut and flaxen mane and tail. He arrived in early summer 2017 and has taken to RDA work like a duck to water. Boo is a real people horse, and likes to be the centre of attention. The only unfortunate thing about Boo is his neigh. He sounds a little like a piglet. But there you go, you can't have everything!



**Harley** - the latest addition to the Gareloch herd. She is young but is very willing to listen and learn. We are making sure that her training is done slowly and quietly, to build up her confidence and ensure that she can enjoy a long and happy future with the RDA. We christened her Harley as she does have a look of a harlequin. She is piebald, with half a black and half a white face. On the black side of her face, her eye is a stunning blue. She has a lovely pink muzzle, with a delightfully floppy lower lip when she is relaxed. She is quite tall, currently 15 hh. When she is fully grown and developed, we hope that she will be able to carry a reasonable weight.



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I would like to adopt (please tick box below) for 12 months

Bobbie  Bella  Holly  Mr. Boombastic  Harley

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