

“Trained to Run, Retrained for Fun”

RoR

The Journey and the Future

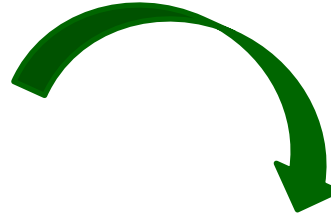
Di Arbuthnot
Chief Executive

Welfare - where were we in 2006?

- Three supported Rehabilitation Centres – Greatwood, Moorcroft and TRC.
- Grants totalling £180,000 plus placement (rehoming) grants to Greatwood and Moorcroft (£33,000).
- North Farm Stud (latterly HEROS) set up grant £25,000 in August 2006.



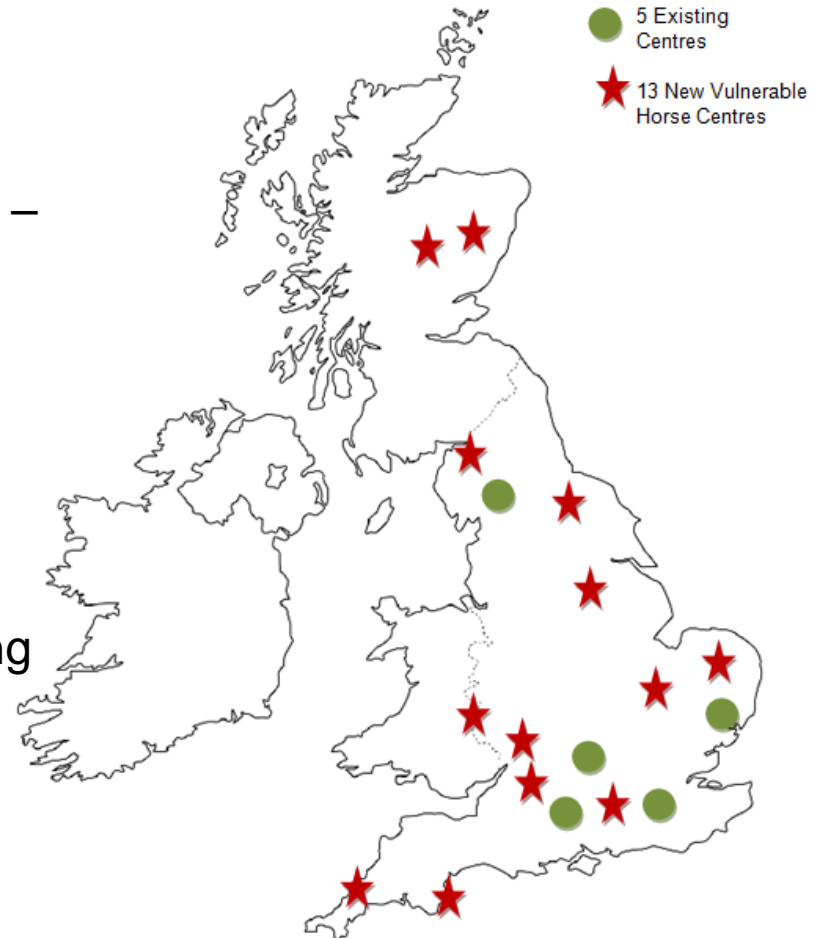
‘This year £449,000 was made available by RoR for the care and retraining of vulnerable former racehorses’



Welfare - where we are now 2016



- Strategic Independent Review.
- Appointment of dedicated Welfare Consultant
- Increased geographic spread of RoR approved centres to take vulnerable horses – 13 new centres (and recommended by racehorse trainers)
- ERT – emergency fund/safety net - only a handful of cases due to earlier intervention.
- World Horse Welfare – new partnership arrangement.
- Hollesley Bay – six boxes for horses needing rest and rehabilitation prior to retraining.
- Working with other bodies to use former racehorses in therapy programmes.
- Raising awareness in Racing.
- Budget - £449,000



Promotion - where we were in 2006?



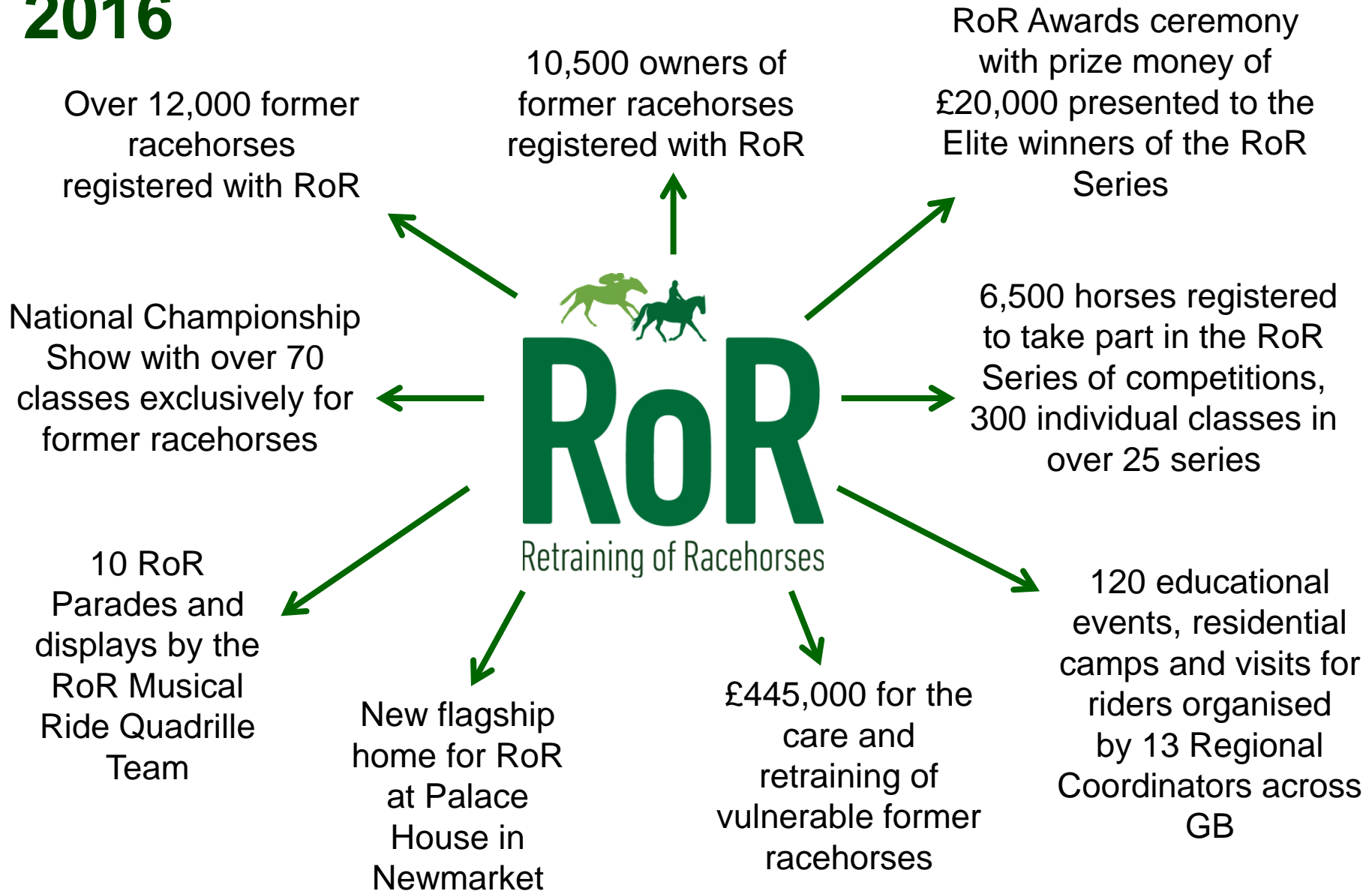
Focus on promoting the adaptability, intelligence and versatility of the thoroughbred.

- Hickstead – first Showing Championship held.
- Education Day at the British Racing School
- RoR presented with the Lexington Voluntary Service Award at the 2006 Animal Health Trust Equestrian Awards.



Promotion - where we are now

2016



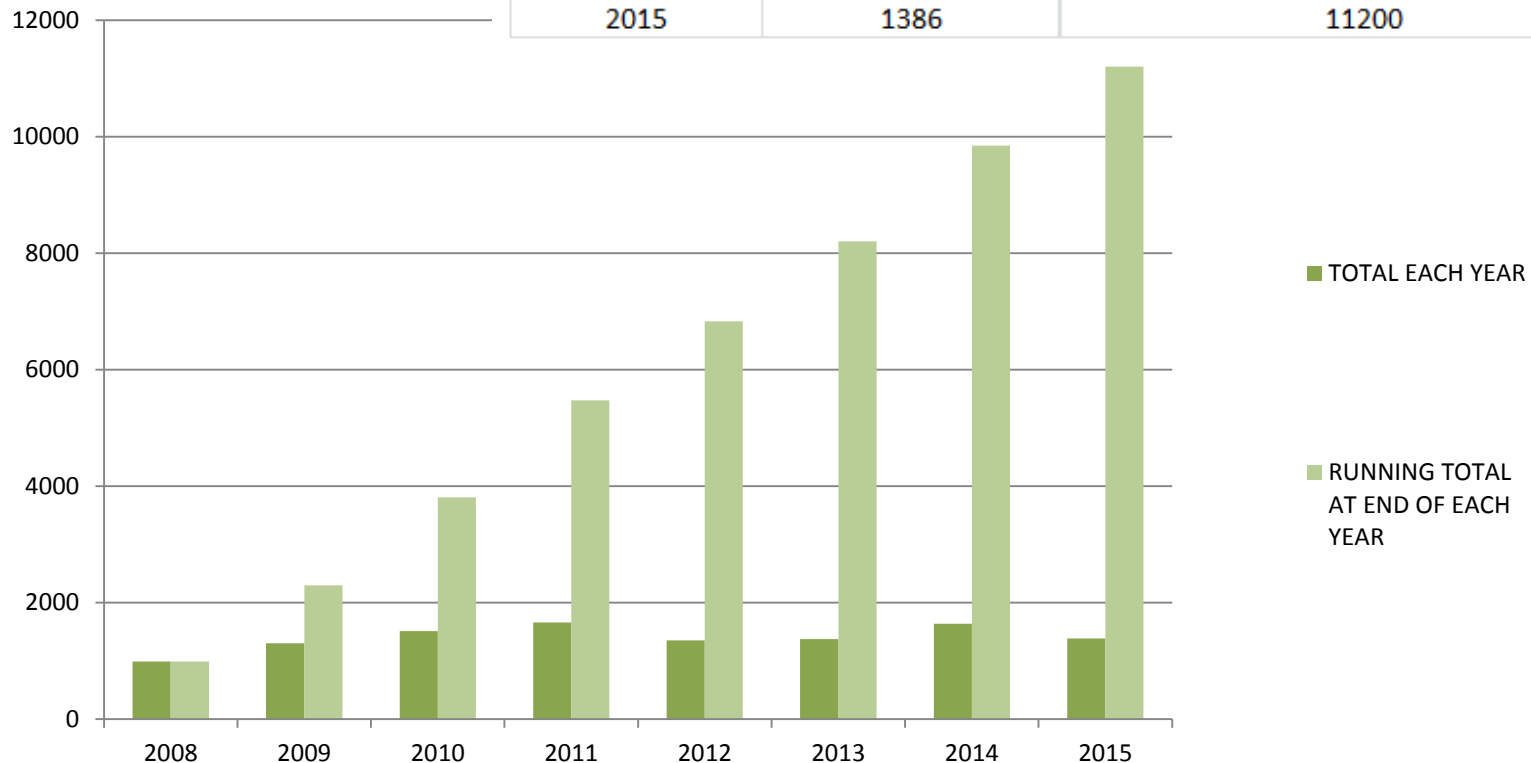
‘10,500 owners of former racehorses registered with RoR’



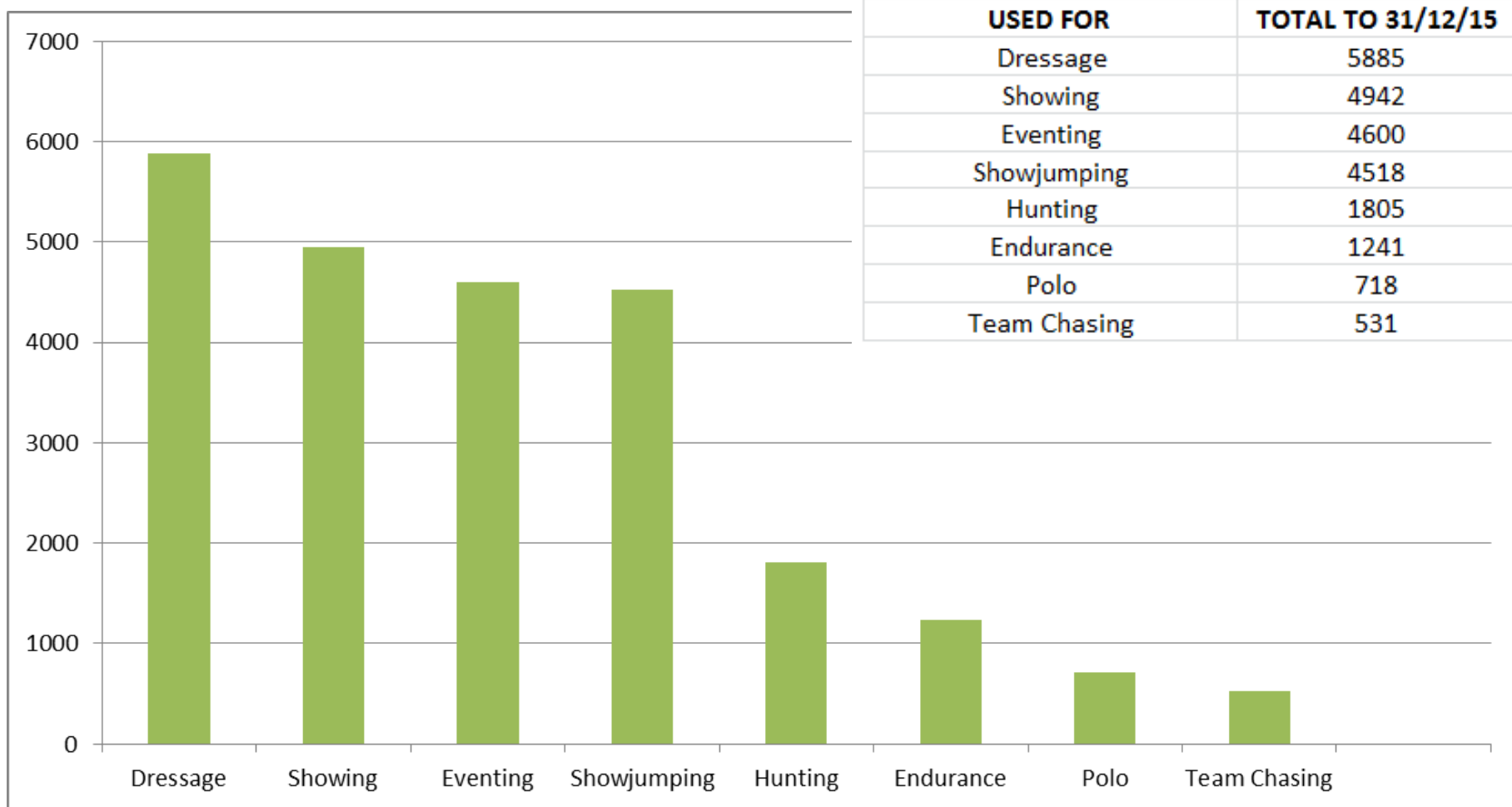
'12,000 former racehorses registered with RoR'



| YEAR | TOTAL EACH YEAR | RUNNING TOTAL AT END OF EACH YEAR |
|------|-----------------|-----------------------------------|
| 2008 | 993 | 993 |
| 2009 | 1304 | 2296 |
| 2010 | 1512 | 3808 |
| 2011 | 1664 | 5472 |
| 2012 | 1355 | 6827 |
| 2013 | 1378 | 8205 |
| 2014 | 1641 | 9846 |
| 2015 | 1386 | 11200 |



'6,500 horses registered to take part in the RoR Series of competitions'



‘300 individual classes in over 25 RoR Series of competitions plus Regional Leagues and a Riding Club Challenge for showing, dressage, eventing, show-jumping, polo, endurance, hunting, team chasing and polo’



‘120 educational events, residential camps and visits for former racehorses and their riders organised by 13 RoR Regional Co-ordinators across GB’

- Key role played by Regional Co-ordinators (volunteers) managed by National Co-ordinator (employed)**



Success Stories



‘10 RoR Parades featuring former racehorses in their new careers and displays by the RoR Musical Ride Display Team at major race meetings or equestrian events’

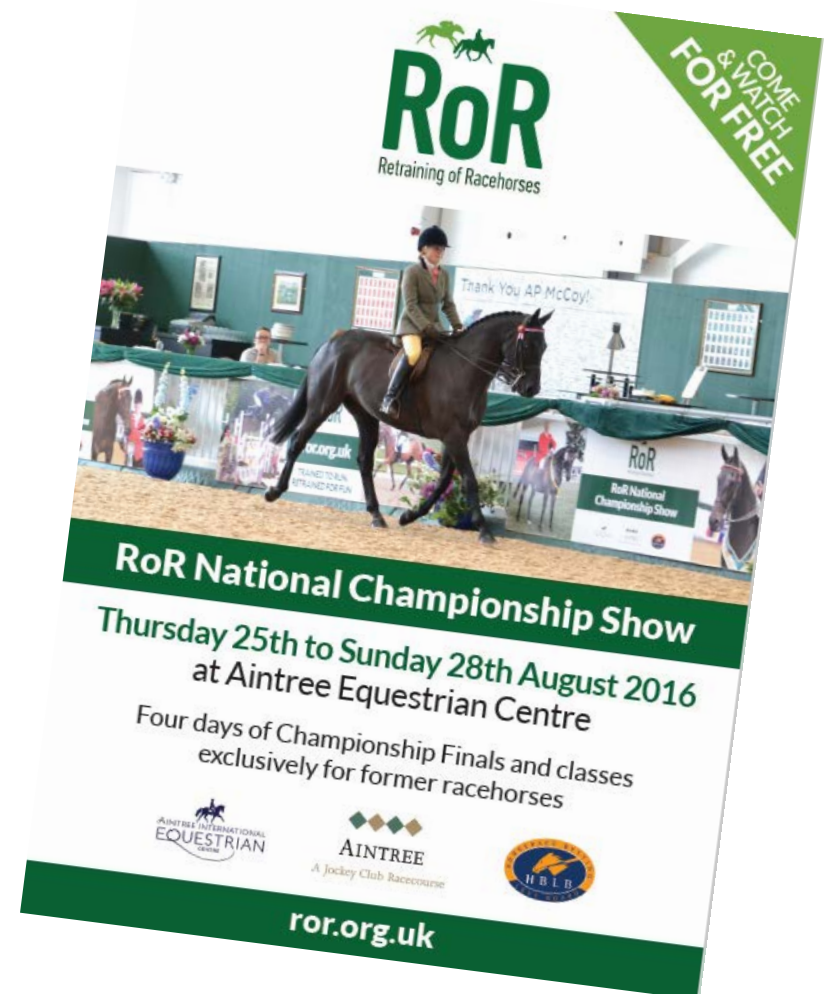


“Rock with RoR” – Charity Race Night

Sandown Park, 13 July 2016



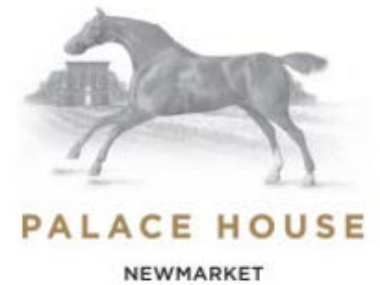
‘RoR National Championship Show held over 4 days with over 70 classes exclusively for former racehorses’



‘RoR Awards ceremony with prize money of £20,000 presented to the Elite winners of the RoR Series and The Horse of the Year Award’



‘New flagship home for RoR at Palace House in Newmarket - Autumn 2016’



Learning Experiences and Challenges



- RoR has helped other international racing jurisdictions set up similar models for retraining of former racehorses.
- 2015 Symposium in Kentucky, organised and funded by Godolphin - listening to presentations from other countries helped us to consider the future direction for RoR, as well as using our own experiences to help others avoid some early pitfalls when setting out on the journey.
- We recognise that in order to move forward we must continue to learn, adapt and improve our operating model through a candid exchange of views with our international counterparts.
- This is the basis for an International Forum for Retrained Racehorses.

The Future - 2016 and beyond



- Join up with the Racing industry to develop a “whereabouts” system for traceability.
- Continue to educate the Racing industry on moving horses on responsibly to avoid future welfare cases.
- Provide more opportunities for horses leaving training and a variety of second career options.
- Grow promotional programme and adjust requirements to boost the competition series.
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Questions?

