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RUNDLE MALL BADGE DAY

Our RDA SA Awareness Week badge day in Rundle Mall was somewhat different this year as we were not able to have a pony for patting as we had planned.

Nevertheless a band of hardy volunteers and staff set up and ran an information and badge day stand for a few hours at the corner of Gawler Place and Rundle Mall, enjoying sunshine as it made a wintry appearance around lunchtime.

Instead of the pony, we took RDA Black Smiley into the Mall, and it made a few circuits to mingle with the hurrying crowds. Among people encountered was none other than the State Premier, the Hon. Jay Weatherill MP, (pictured right with Smiley). The Premier was attending another event in the Mall, and was happy to be photographed with Smiley - thank you Premier Weatherill.



MASSIVE GRANT FOR O'HALLORAN HILL ARENA

In almost a fitting celebration of Awareness Week, RDA SA last week was granted \$200,000 by the State Government (thank you, again, Premier Weatherill and Minister for Recreation and Sport the Hon. Tom Kenyon MP).

This grant will provide a massive kick-start to the indoor arena planned for the O'Halloran Hill centre. The arena will be built onto the western end of the administration building, which is undergoing internal fitout.

Once completed, the indoor arena is expected to provide a central competition-sized arena for RDA competitions and a training facility catering to up to international standards, as a Southern Regional Equestrian Centre.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOB GURR!

Congratulations to RDA Mount Barker stalwart volunteer Bob Gurr who will celebrate his 80th birthday tomorrow (Saturday August 4).

Bob has been volunteering with RDA Mt Barker for five years and has rarely missed a week come rain or shine. Fellow RDA Mt Barker volunteer Liz Ball says, "He is a lovely gentleman and has a wealth of horse knowledge and of course is an experienced endurance rider.

"You can often find Bob riding 80km to 160km at weekends. He will be riding in the State Endurance State Championships later this year and we wish him all the best." HAPPY BIRTHDAY BOB!

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