

# HODGEMOOR RIDING ASSOCIATION

Do you enjoy hacking off the roads? Like riding in beautiful woods? Hodgemoor Wood offers you over 5 kilometres of trails set in 250 acres of ancient woodland, a precious opportunity to get away from the traffic. There are two public bridleways and a network of permissive trails. The Association exists to raise funds for maintaining and creating riding trails in and around Hodgemoor. It does this with membership subscriptions and organising fund-raising events such as dressage, cross country and Le Trec. The more members we have, the more lobby presence we have, the more money we have and the more work we can do!

**Oligatory Membership:** Membership is obligatory if you would like to use the permissive trails in Hodgemoor Woods.

- Since 2008, membership is required for all riders who want to use the permissive trails . Hodgemoor also has 2 bridleways open to horse riders and cyclists for which membership is not required.
- No visible identification tag is given, but regular checks with the current membership list are made in the Wood by committee members and Forestry Commission rangers.

**The Past:** The trails may seem pretty good now, but in 2000 the Forestry Commission threatened to close the wood to riders because of the damage they caused making many trails virtually impassable. The Association has since then raised over £85 000 in grants and its own activities, resurfaced 3 kilometres of the worst bits and made new trails.

**The Future inside Hodgemoor:** There is still plenty to be done. The trails must be maintained. We cannot risk the wood being closed to horse riders in the future.

**The Future outside Hodgemoor:** We need new bridleways in the area to get horses off the roads and into the safety of the woods. We need you support to lobby for better access.

Membership gives you:

1. The right to use the permissive riding trails in Hodgemoor
2. Support and lobbying for improvement to riding trails in the area
3. Information and Maps on other permissive trails and bridleways
4. Email and classified ads services: members receive regular information and can use service themselves (e.g. to sell your horse, find tack, inform of events useful to other members, etc
5. Access to Hodgemoor mini cross country course: £5 rental for members
6. Rides, Demos, dressage, XC Fun Jumps, TREC and other fund-raising events
7. Access to Thames Valley Horse Watch information and motorbike action list

If you are based at a livery yard, your owner or manager will inform the Hodgemoor Riding Association of your name, address, phone number and email address so that we can contact you directly about the advantages of membership of the Association. Please inform your yard owner/manager if you do not want this information passed on.

Website: [www.hodgemoor.org.uk](http://www.hodgemoor.org.uk)

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# Membership Application Form

Name:

Phone Numbers

Address:

  
  

Postcode:

E-mail address:

  

Write neatly in capitals please, and let us know any changes as can keep costs down using email

Where do you keep your horse:

	PayPal annual <sup>1</sup> or Standing Order <sup>2</sup>	Cash, cheque <sup>3</sup> , PayPal one-off
<b>Adult</b>	£ 20 (or £80 for 5 years paid in advance)	£ 25
<b>Family or yard<sup>4</sup></b>	£ 30	£ 35
<b>Junior<sup>5</sup></b>	£ 10	£ 15
<b>Visitors<sup>6</sup></b>	Not applicable	£ 10 per visit
<b>Walkers and non-riders</b>	£ 5	£ 5

Membership is for you the rider not per horse and runs for twelve months from the date you paid but is normally renewable just after January 1st.

Please return the mandate to the address below or make cheques payable to "Hodgemoor Riding Association" and mail to the address below.

Would you like a Hodgemoor Wood map?

Yes / No

Would you like a Pocket Map of routes to Penn?

Yes / No

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<sup>1</sup> To qualify for the lower rate the member must take out the automatically-recurring annual PayPal option.

To pay by PayPal select the right option on the front page of [www.hodgemoor.org.uk](http://www.hodgemoor.org.uk).

<sup>2</sup> To pay by bank Standing Order, complete the form ([www.hodgemoor.org.uk/downloads](http://www.hodgemoor.org.uk/downloads)) and return it to us.

<sup>3</sup> Please make cheques payable to Hodgemoor Riding Association.

<sup>4</sup> Yard membership covers one owner/manager and 3 named employees.

<sup>5</sup> Junior riders must be under 16 on 1 April

<sup>6</sup> Visitors may ride in the woods at £10 per rider each time (please call 07876581144 to reserve)