

Volunteer – Leader

Position Title	Volunteer Program Support – Leader
Reports to	Coach, Volunteer Coordinator, Stable Manager and Horse Manager
Location	Pegasus Riding for the Disabled, Holt, ACT
Objective:	
Pegasus Riding for the Disabled ACT is a not-for-profit charitable organisation providing opportunities for people living with a disability to enjoy the pleasures and benefits of therapeutic horse-facilitated programs and activities.	
Outline of Volunteer’s responsibilities and list of tasks:	
<p>Pegasus volunteer Leaders hold an integral and important role in assisting with the safe running of programs. Leaders are responsible for leading horses in lessons under the direction of a Coach. Duties may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leading and taking responsibility for horses in Mounted (ridden) and Unmounted classes. • Responsibility for maintaining the safety of the horse, rider, and other volunteers before, during and after classes. • Warming up horses before classes. • Untacking horses after class, and putting tack away. • Assisting with participants who do not require a Side Walker. • Attending the briefing and debriefing before and after classes, and record keeping as required. • Reporting to the Coach about any horse-related issues. • Assisting putting horses out after class, and setting up and packing up the arena if required. 	
Experience, Training and Support Plan:	
<p>Leading is a responsible and sometimes strenuous activity. Leaders will be required to have a good level of fitness as the position does involve being on your feet and walking for up to an hour, plus short periods of running beside the horse at the trot.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leaders must be between 14 years and 80 years of age and hold a current Working With Vulnerable People Card (if over 16 years). • Previous horse experience is required. • Previous experience with children or people with a disability an advantage. • It is important that Leaders demonstrate a friendly attitude and get along with others. • Induction and Basic Training must be completed, and ongoing mentoring, support and training is provided. 	
Time commitment:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Minimum 1.5 hours per week – Maximum 10 hours per week, in term time (this is including time spent doing other roles at Pegasus) • And/or assistance in School Holiday Programs as required. 	
Benefits:	
<p>Volunteering at Pegasus is a fun and fulfilling experience. Pegasus is a friendly happy community, where everyone is welcome and valued. Volunteering at Pegasus provides an opportunity to help people living with a disability to develop their abilities. Benefits of volunteering include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opportunity to expand your range of skills and experience. • Physical activity and lots of fresh air and stunning views • Enjoyable social interaction and involvement with horses and children. • Promotes a sense of wellbeing and happiness. 	