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What a year!

One after the other we have been faced with major challenges – from other disciplines to the national federation and from within.

We understood the challenges of starting a new discipline would always be a tough one with setting up structures and procedures, educating and informing the public what our sport is about, handling costs and expenses and finding Clubs willing to assist with marketing and events.

We always knew that we would attract a lot attention, sometimes the wrong type of attention, but we exceeded all expectations this year.

However on the positive side we saw a lot of new riders being exposed to the sport and getting hooked on distance riding and having fun in the events put on by our loyal and hardworking clubs and officials.

We also, eventually, got the recognition from the other disciplines of what we are offering – just in time to be hit by the pandemic and lockdown!

However your Exco and the core members of the Council together with the officials and you our members have persevered and despite personal attack and sacrifice have shown their loyalty to the sport. We have displayed that nothing can sway us from the initial vision that DRASA had and we owe ourselves a pat on the back for extremely hard work and tireless patience!

I am very positive about our future once we can get over this pandemic as we have some very strong members who show the true spirit of Distance riding!

Unfortunately as we could not offer any events during the lockdown we have had to concentrate on other aspects of the sport : administration and streamlining processes and procedures and rules We have been hard at work redesigning the website and our amazing website developer has introduced some time saving and efficient systems for Clubs and organising committees to make holding an event and club administration a lot easier and efficient.

We await further developments regarding the lockdown and when Equestrian Sport can re-start and are extremely excited to get going as soon as possible!

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