



### **The Para Coaches Pathway.**

To improve the quality of training and regulate health and safety within Para-Equestrian (PE) dressage the committee have devised the Para Coaches Pathway. By following this pathway, coaches will be identified on the BD Database which will enable PE riders to locate coaches within their regions. Riders will have peace of mind that these coaches will be following a set pathway that focuses on Continued Professional Development on Para matters and runs in-line with the able-bodied coaches' requirements for BD Database.

The first Para Coaches Convention will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at Moulton College.

This is a mandatory day and will involve all coaches registering on the pathway.

#### **In order to be listed as a Para coach the following requirements need to be met:**

- ✓ 18 years old or more.
- ✓ To be listed on the current BD Trainers Database, means having an up-to-date first aid certificate, freelance trainers' public liability insurance, a child awareness certificate and to be a member of British Dressage.
- ✓ Prepared to make time to attend 2 BEF Para Squad Days in the first year - there after as CPD must attend a National Training day every two years in order to remain listed on the Database.
- ✓ Potential coaches must either be listed on British Dressage as being a group 4 rider or above and/or be training riders at Elementary Dressage at Regional level or above. Those already coaching Para dressage riders at Regional level may also apply along with those with BHSII (or above) and RDA Coaches approved by the RDA Dressage Committee.
- ✓ The Para Coaches Pathway would lead to being listed on a separate Para Coaches list on the website - this list isn't endorsed or accredited.