

TEENAGE CANCER TRUST APPEALS TO HORSE RIDERS TO SADDLE UP FOR FUNDRAISER

A unique horse trek across the sierras of South America has been launched today to raise money for Teenage Cancer Trust, a UK charity devoted to improving the lives of young people with cancer.

This November the charity is encouraging horse riders to saddle up and be part of a nine day trek across Uruguay. Perfect for riders that like a challenge and want to experience the beauty of riding along mountain ridges in South America.

Riders will spend an average of five hours a day in the saddle, trekking through the picturesque towns of Casa Esmeralda, El Parador de las Sierras de Rocha and La Tahona. With lunch breaks at river crossings, dinners at small mountain top restaurants and camps under beautiful old Coronilla trees, this trek is a once in a lifetime experience.

Taking place during 13 – 21 November 2010, all funds raised will go towards building specialist cancer units in NHS hospitals specifically for teenagers and young people with cancer. The charity hopes to raise £40,000, from the Uruguay Horse Trek and are asking participants to raise at least £3,450, with an additional registration fee of £395.

Nick Piggott, Events Manager at Teenage Cancer Trust says: “Teenage Cancer Trust believes that teenagers should not have to stop being teenagers just because they have cancer. By organising fundraising treks like this one in Uruguay we can continue to develop specialist teenage cancer units within NHS hospitals. We currently only reach about half of all young people diagnosed with cancer. Our goal is to ensure that every young person diagnosed with cancer in the UK has access to the specialist care we provide.”

If you are interested in joining Teenage Cancer Trust Uruguay Horse Trek then please contact the treks and challenges team on 020 7612 0370 or email treks@teenagecancertrust.org