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KEVIN DARLEY TO STEP DOWN AS PJA CHIEF EXECUTIVE



KEVIN DARLEY has decided to step down as Chief Executive of the Professional Jockeys Association.

The former Champion Flat Jockey, who still lives in his adopted county of Yorkshire, will leave the Association at the end of November.

He said: "It has been a great privilege to work on behalf of all the members of the PJA during the past few years. Working in a totally different sphere within the sport has been a tremendous learning curve and I am obviously very keen to remain working within the industry

"The PJA has taken considerable strides forward in recent years in regard to the welfare and support available to our Jockeys. The Association has a very dedicated team based in Newbury and I'm confident that the excellent progress we have made will continue."

In the wake of his retirement from the saddle in 2007, Kevin Darley became the Association's Industry Liaison Director before succeeding Josh Apiafi as Chief Executive upon his departure two years ago.

The PJA's Joint President AP McCoy OBE said: "Jockeys are very sorry that Kevin has decided to step down as Chief Executive of the PJA. Kevin commands great respect among Jockeys, and we thank him for the great efforts that he has made on behalf of all Association members and wish him all the best for the future. On a personal note, he was not only Chief Executive but is also a very good friend and I have always found his advice most helpful."

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