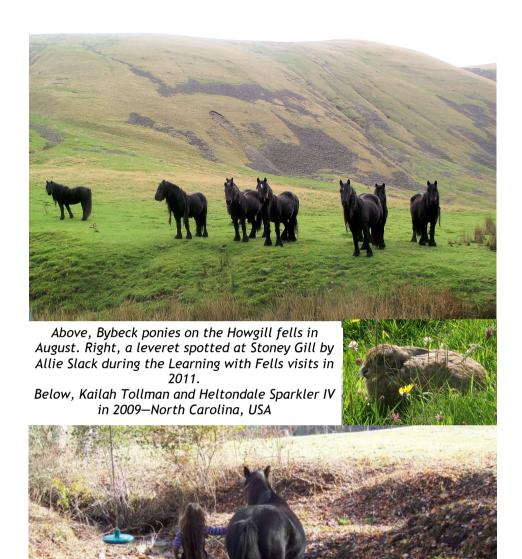


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The Fell Pony Society is now celebrating its 90th year.
We were recently lent this photograph of the FPS Council in 1956. How many
Council members do you recognise? The names of the faces we have been able to
identify are shown on the back cover.





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Calendar of Events for 2012

- 24 March 2012, Saturday Annual General Meeting, 1pm, Orton Market Hall, Penrith, Cumbria, CA10 3RJ.
- 21 April, Saturday: Cumbria Fell & Dales Warm Up Show, at Inglewood EC, Penrith. Contact Ellen Jones, 017684 83511 or 077875 70736, or sparket@btinternet.com. For schedule see www.sparketmillcottage.co.uk.
- 12 May 2012, Saturday FPS Stallion and Colt Show, Dalemain, Ullswater, Penrith. For schedule please send SAE to Mrs M Murray, Park Farm, Baldersdale, Barnard Castle, Co Durham DL12 9UT, Tel 01833 650474
- 19 May, Saturday Sandringham Show. West Newton Park, Norfolk - Classes for Fells, Dales and Fell-friends. For schedule send SAE to Lisa Dunger, 41 Church Lane, Wolferton, Kings Lynn, PE31 6HE. lisa@lisadunger.wanadoo.co.uk
- 9 June, Saturday Cumbria Fell & Dales Show, at Jenkinsons Field, Cliburn Road Ends, Brougham, Penrith. Contact Ellen Jones, 017684 83511 or 077875 70736, or sparket@btinternet.com. For schedule see www.sparketmillcottage.co.uk
- 9 June, Saturday- Dorset Fell Show, Hurn Bridge Equestrian Centre, Hurn, Dorset BH23 6AD, www.hurnbridgeec.co.uk www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk or sharron@dorsetfellshow.co.uk
- 17 June, Sunday Derbyshire Fell, Dales and Highland Show, Bakewell Showground, Bakewell, Derbyshire. For a schedule please send SAE to Miss M G Longsdon MBE, Eaglets, Little Longstone, Bakewell, Derbyshire DE45 1NN.

- 11 August 2012, Saturday FPS Breed Show, Brougham, Penrith, Cumbria. For schedule please send SAE to Mrs M Murray.
- 11 August to 18 August 2012 HM The Queen's Diamond Jubilee International Convention events, Cumbria. (Details will be available later on the FPS website.)
- 9 September 2012, Sunday FPS Southern Show, Crown Farm, Ascott-under-Wychwood, Oxon. SAE to Georgina Blair, 18 Gurnells Road, Seer Green, Beaconsfield HP9 2XJ, Tel 07796 695992, www.fellsouthernshow.com
- 23 September (date TBC) FPS Performance Trials, Linnel Wood, Hexham. For schedule, SAE to Mrs S Charlton, Linnel Wood, Hexham, Northumberland NE46 1UB. Tel 01434 673262, email bob.charlton@ukonline.co.uk, fax 01434 673852
- 27 Oct, Saturday FPS Show and Sale at Kendal, details to follow.
- 28 Oct, Sunday—11:30am, Short Autumn meeting, lunch and talk. Location to be confirmed.
- Important All these dates and venues are provisional. Please check with the Office for confirmation.



Editorial

I recall telling one or two people that the Magazine was going to be a slim volume this Spring, but I have had some very weighty contributions since then AND before the copy deadline! Well done all of you! When I began compiling it a week before the copy deadline it had already reached over 70 pages. Once again I am impressed by the versatility of our breed: for long distance rides, hunting, driving at National level, educational programmes, demonstrations of equine history, and simply having fun—you name it, Fells are being used for it. Long may it continue.

Sue Millard, Editor.

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Letter to the Editor



In September 2011 we did a charity ride at Okeover Park, Staffordshire, in aid of the Air Ambulance, ten miles or probably more through spectacular Peak District countryside. I am on the left in the photo riding Scotgate Sentinel (S. Lunesdale Peter) and on the right is Sarah Thompson with Scotgate Sebastian (S. Peepings Raven). I bred both ponies from Scotgate Lucinda. Sentinel has won the Midlands West Leg It (timed trot) the last three times it was held.

Yours sincerely Joan Dorman (Mrs) Ashbourne, Derbyshire



Obituary—Liz Ball

Liz Ball will be remembered by our Society for her tremendous input and support, and many years of hard work on Council. Liz was an excellent Chairman, 1993 - 1998, a breeder of the Barncrosh Fell Ponies and a reliable and respected Judge. We were delighted to see her still full of spirit at the President's lunch last Spring and she will be sadly missed by us all for her wisdom and lively sense of humour.

Mary Longsdon and Bob Charlton

The following tribute was given by her nephew, Ted Ball, at Kirkcudbright after the service last November.

It has been my privilege, as the senior member of our branch of the Ball family, to be asked by the boys to say some words to honour my Aunt as we pay our final respects to a remarkable lady.

Elizabeth Anne Cox later Ball died last week in her ninetieth year. She was a devoted wife to Ronnie for 45 years till his death in 1997. She was a special mother to her 5 boys Charlie, Micky, Andy and George and also David who tragically died in childhood and next to whom she now lies some 50 years later.

She was a loving Grandmother to her 8 grandchildren and will leave them all with the most treasured of memories. To my wife and I she was a precious and only Aunt and Great Aunt to our own 3 children. To her many friends and colleagues with whom she worked and met, she was totally honest, loyal and true.

But there was much more to her than that.

From a secure and privileged Cox background she developed into a lady who loved the life and lore of the country and all its rich flora and fauna. As a young student she studied and learned in Dorset on a mixed farm specialising in Dairy. She was to become a land girl during the 1939-45 war.

She enjoyed a life long love of 4 legged animals particularly horses, ponies and dogs. Her expert knowledge and eye, led to long held committee posts and judging duties in the Fell and Shetland pony circles.

She met her husband Ronnie when he was placed from university as an agricultural student at Barncrosh. After their marriage in 1952 they left for Nigeria where Ronnie was a senior agricultural officer in the colonial service.

They returned to Barncrosh shortly after Charlie was born. Liz ran the dairying side of the farm, brought up a family and continued her involvement with the pony world. There was little spare time. Her drive and energy were quite astonishing. Ronnie, a typical Ball, was not always the easiest of companions but Liz never failed to support nor to stamp her own individuality. This little tale illustrates that point. Around 40 years ago both smoked cigarettes. Ronnie went to



In 1980-81 the membership of the Fell Pony Society subscribed towards a gift to mark Miss Peggy Crossland's 25 years as Secretary of the Society. A painting of Fell ponies was commissioned for her. Admiring the painting at its presentation were Mrs Elizabeth Ball (retiring President), Mrs Sylvia McCosh, artist Miss Gem Machell, Mr Jim Bell (Chairman) and Miss Crossland. The painting was later donated to the Society, and hangs in the Office.

Photo from the Cumberland and Westmorland Herald, loaned by Miss Barbara Bell.

get some cigarettes from the cupboard only to discover there were none left. He said to Liz it was her fault and that she should go out and get some. Liz disagreed and said if he wanted to smoke he should go and get them. As no agreement was reached neither of them ever smoked again.

They then turned, earlier than most, to diversification, converting and renovating the old farm cottages and buildings to self-catering units. Liz managed, in the early days to help with the planning of the units, the furnishing, decoration, lettings and day to day running while still fulfilling her other roles.

A teenager exposure to tuberculosis left Liz with a life time mobility problem. Her hip joint was permanently affected. A series of hip operations and knee operations in mid-life left her with varying limitations to her mobility. This she never allowed to prevent her leading a full and active life. In her later years as her health deteriorated and arthritis became even more severe she never lost her interest and enthusiasm for life nor a keen sense of humour. She never complained of the pain she must have suffered but always interested herself in how others were faring.

Truly a remarkable lady.



Chairman's Report

May I start by wishing you all a Happy New Year. We seem to be progressing through January and hopefully Spring is just around the corner with all the anticipation of an exciting year to come. 2012 is our Society's 90th Anniversary and we are so honoured and pleased that HRH The Duke of Edinburgh will be our President this year. Our grateful thanks go to Bob Charlton who has done sterling work, with his usual charm and sense of fun, and who has agreed to act as Deputy President for this coming year. Eileen Walker is planning a marvellous celebration week in August, beginning with our Summer Breed Show. So book your holiday now! It will be a week to remember.

Betty Walker is retiring from Council after many years and I would like to thank her for all her steadfast work; not only does she help at nearly all our events, but she also kept the stallion records straight and issued the service books with meticulous care and attention. We now have one vacancy for Council, and as there is only one nomination we do not need an election, so I will be pleased to welcome Sue Brunskill back to join us in March.

We start a new venture next autumn as our Annual Sale of Registered Ponies will be held on SATURDAY 27 October at the newly built mart near Kendal, adjoining the M6. This will be a brilliant opportunity for us to upgrade our Sale by producing well-handled and presented ponies and so encouraging better prices. The next day, Sunday, we have slightly altered the format to a more social occasion. The General Meeting will be a shortened version before a delicious lunch (by ticket) and then followed by an entertaining and informative talk.

Finally, my sincere thanks again to all our enterprising members who involve themselves by continually working for the good of our Society with obvious success.

Best wishes, Mary.



Secretary's Report

Twelve months ago I wrote in my report that we had just heard from DEFRA that they intended to change the current National Equine Database contract when it expired in 2011 and to create a single organisation to produce all horse passports. After a fairly stressful year of meetings and letters, trying to convince them that this was not a good idea, we had a letter in December saying that they had considered a number of potential options but that, in their words, "unfortunately, for a variety of legal and financially technical reasons we have concluded that none of the options were either feasible or delivered the cost reductions and associated benefits we were seeking to achieve. Ministers have therefore agreed to initiate a procurement process for a new central database contract. We will work with an equine industry group as we develop the contract specification, though I should point out that final decisions as to whether the Government will fund and award a contract to a new service provider will depend on the affordability and feasibility of the bids received and an assessment of the full costs and benefits." That's probably the nearest we'll get to an admission that they got it wrong. This month we have just received another letter saying that the procurement process will be by an Invitation to Tender which will be published in late February/early March with a view to a new contract for the database being operational by 1 October 2012, should a suitable bid be identified. The most significant sentence in the letter from my point of view was "We do not propose to make any significant changes to the terms of the existing contract and the procurement project will not affect the continued approval of any PIO." So I think we may be OK until they come up with another good idea.

Back to normal activity in the office - we still have a small number of foal registrations for 2011 to resolve. It would be really good if we could actually have them all done by the end of December, but the problems always turn up right at the last minute and seem to take ages to resolve. As expected, the number of registrations has fallen again. Mary mentioned Betty Walker's work with the stallion service records in her report - I'm very grateful for all Betty has done in the past and very pleased that Eileen Walker has stepped in to take over from her in the keeping of the stallion records, as it's a big help to us in the office. We are hoping to make available an option for members to enter stallion service records via the web and save posting service books backwards and forwards, particularly for our overseas members - further details of this are printed elsewhere in the magazine. Stallion service books will be available at the AGM and Stallion Show as usual.

I'm also very grateful to Council for approving the purchase of two new computers for the office - the ones we were using were at least seven years old and were getting very creaky. The new ones are much faster and make our lives easier and take away the awful thought that one day they might refuse to work altogether. A good start to the New Year.

Elizabeth



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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held on 24th March 2012 at 1.00 pm At Orton Market Hall, Orton, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3RJ

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

- 1. Apologies for absence
- 2. Approval and adoption of Autumn General Meeting Minutes 22 October 2011
- 3. Matters arising from the Minutes
- 4. Chairman's Report
- 5. Council Elections
- 6. Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31st October 2011
- 7. Resolution to appoint Langdales Accountants Ltd as Accountants to the Society
- 8. Secretary/Treasurer's Report
- 9. Reports from Sub-Committees
- 10. Any Other Business
- 11. Presentation of Awards

Notice of General Meeting - Memorandum and Articles of Association ${\bf R}$

5.2 The accidental omission to give notice to or non-receipt of a notice of a meeting by any person entitled to receive notice shall not invalidate the proceedings at that meeting.

Directions to Orton Market Hall

From Junction 38 of the M6, take the B6260, signed to Orton and Appleby. Follow the road for three miles to Orton - the Market Hall is in the centre of the village opposite Kennedy's Chocolates.



MINUTES OF THE AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING 2011

Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 22 October 2011

Miss Longsdon opened the meeting and thanked everyone for attending, especially our President, Mr Bob Charlton, and Vyv Wood-Gee who would be talking about her journey from Skye to Smithfield after the formal part of the meeting.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Ms S Albrecht, Mrs F and Miss L Awde, Mrs S Barbour, Mrs L & Miss C Brooks, Miss R Brunskill, Mrs S Camp, Miss A Carslaw, Miss J & Miss I Charlton, Mrs G Cockbain, Mrs W Dickinson, Mrs M Enser, Mr & Mrs W Ford and Miss D Ford, Mr C Grant, Mrs J Hill, Mrs E Jones, Miss C King, Mr & Mrs J Langcake, Miss A W and Mr G H Morton. Mrs S Morris, Mr & Mrs R Muttitt, Ms S Norris and Miss T Hepburn-Wright, Miss S Pringle, Mr M Rawlinson, Mrs J Reekie, Mr R Relph-Briggs, Mrs J Rogers, Mr W Robinson, Miss B Walker, Mrs J Ward, Mrs E Whittam, Mr D and Miss M Wilkinson, and Mrs G Williamson.

2 Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes of 2 April 2011

Approval of the minutes was proposed by Mrs L Chamberlain, seconded by Mrs M Murray, and the minutes were approved.

3 Matters arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2 April 2011

Miss Longsdon told members that the Learning With Fells programme continued to be a great success, and the Society was very grateful to those who organised it and gave up their time. Now was the time to apply for next year's programme, and the Society was considering allowing some adults who had expressed interest to take part in similar visits.

She gave members an update from the Animal Health Trust on syndrome testing: in 2011 217 Fells had been tested - 172 adults of which 92 were clear and 80 carriers, and 45 foals of which 23 were clear, 13 carriers and 9 affected. The Society was still refunding the cost of the test for affected foals, but needed breeders to apply for the refund because of confidentiality. Council would review the Society's current stance on funding when it met in November. Mr Brunskill said that the test was a tool to help breeders and the Society should hold a list of clear stallions to assist those who bred the occasional foal and perhaps didn't know the right questions to ask. Miss Longsdon agreed that Council would consider this.

Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Millard for another excellent magazine and told members that, as Mrs Millard had nothing else to do (!) she had also taken over the Society's website. Tom Morrissey in the USA had set it up for us many years ago and done an excellent job maintaining it, but had decided it was time to

move on. Mrs Millard said that the Society's thanks were also due to Mr Surguy who hosted the site free of charge.

Miss Longsdon thanked those who had put such a lot of effort into our display at the World Sheepdog Trials at Lowther. It was a shame that the appalling weather had beaten everybody and caused our display to be reduced; however, the shortened display had looked splendid and proved that Fell ponies didn't mind the weather at all.

Miss Longsdon reminded members to encourage others to make use of their postal vote - it was a boost to Council to know that people were sufficiently interested in the running of the Society to use their vote. It was a more democratic way of electing Council as it reached all members, not just those who could get to the meeting.

David Murray was currently somewhere on Hadrian's Wall with his three Fell ponies. Mrs Charlton reported that he had been at Hexham on Monday. Miss Longsdon hoped that the weather was not being too unkind to him and said that she was sure we would hear more about his trip later.

Miss Longsdon thanked the donor of the Ridden Bursary for setting this up to enable someone to have more training and advice on how a Fell pony should go and how to get it to go that way. This year's bursary had been awarded to Heather Mawrey and Wansfell Tobias and we looked forward to hearing from her afterwards. The Society was very grateful to the donor of the bursary.

On the subject of the semi-feral herds, David Martin, Natural England's expert on upland management, was coming to talk to Council in November and we hoped to be able to encourage them to work with us and take Fell ponies on board in their planning.

4 Chairman's Report

Miss Longsdon told members that this was intended to be a quick meeting - the format for autumn meetings to come. Most news had been published in the Autumn Magazine and the meetings would become more social - we were very lucky to have Vyv Wood-Gee to talk about her epic journey, so we would scamper through the meeting and enjoy the talk. In the future, we might have lunch and a talk and with practice, we might manage to get the formal meeting down to about half an hour!

The cancellation of the Breed Show had been very sad, but we had been beaten by the weather. The Show had been sadly missed and she thanked all those who had put in all the work beforehand. The Olympia qualifier had been held at the Southern Show instead - that had gone ahead despite very windy weather.

Fell ponies had done well this year - Brooksan Kitchener had taken the WHP Championship at HOYS and was to be very much congratulated for being such a good advertisement for the breed. We had five ponies qualified for Olympia: Castle Hill Raven, Castle Hill Magic, Darrenvale Tybalt, Hedgethorpe You Can't Be

Serious and Waverhead Copper. The Society wished them all the very best and hoped that a Fell would take the Championship. Mrs Hodgson pointed out that they were all 'boys', so we shouldn't think that colts don't have a value - Miss Longsdon said it was a good point.

Miss Longsdon congratulated Mrs Newall on her recent ninetieth birthday. Mrs Newall thanked the Society for the beautiful bouquet of flowers she had received. Miss Longsdon said that it was well deserved for all she had done for the Society over the years.

Finally Miss Longsdon thanked Council, Mrs Parkin and Mrs Wilkinson in the office, and probably most of the people in the room for their help and work for the Society.

5 Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Mrs Parkin told members that there had been 140 ponies in the catalogue at the Sale. 128 were forward on the day of which 79 were foals, and 74 foals and 37 older ponies were actually sold. Prices fell again for the fourth year. The foal prices ranged from 40 to 1,200 guineas with the average being 149. Older ponies ranged from 40 to 1,100 guineas, the average being 358. The overall average price was 219 guineas, compared to 290 guineas last year. On the positive side, most buyers transferred their ponies on the day and we gained several new members for the Society. Merchandise sales went better than she had expected and we took slightly under £1,000. Thanks were due as usual to the ladies who ran the stand, the team who checked the microchips and to Katherine for working with her on the transfers, and particularly to Megan Wilkinson who worked very hard with her in the morning on the passports while Katherine was helping to check chips, and was absolutely brilliant.

The only news from the office was no news - we had heard nothing from Defra about the promised consultation paper on passport issuing which was due to be with us by the end of September. There were still a lot of foal registrations to come in according to the list of forms we had issued, though we expected the number of registrations to fall again this year.

On the Finance side, there was over two thousand pounds in the current accounts, £40,000 in he deposit account, and almost £9,800 in the Trust Fund. Next weekend was the end of the financial year and the new one had already started with members paying their 2012 subscriptions at the Sale yesterday.

Mr Kelly wondered if it would be possible to put a record of Sale prices over the years online.

Mrs Savage enquired why, if the Society's bank balances were so healthy, it had been necessary to deduct an 'admin' charge from the Breed Show entry refunds. Mrs Parkin explained that some costs had been incurred despite the cancellation of the Show and that Council had decided this should be done. It was suggested that this should be pointed out in the entry rules in future and that a charge per exhibitor rather than per class might be fairer.

6 Reports from Delegates and Sub-Committees

Mrs Robinson, Conservation Grazing Sub-Committee, told members that some land had been offered near Gargrave, but it was proving problematical because of the distance and it was not well fenced.

There was no report from the Judges Sub-Committee.

Mrs Millard, Overseas Sub-Committee, said all was quiet. Miss Longsdon gave a special welcome to those members from overseas present at the meeting.

Mrs Murray, Show Sub-Committee, told members that the Society had applied to hold the HOYS qualifier at the Stallion Show in 2012, as we could not have one at the Breed Show because of the NPS Scotland Show on the same date. There had been several enquiries about a replacement for the South Cumbria Show which had not taken place in 2011. The committee had considered holding a 'training show', rather than an ordinary show, targeted at those who would like to have a go, but found it overwhelming. The idea would be to have training in the morning, followed by a show with classes and rosettes in the afternoon. Further suggestions were welcome. It was suggested that training for handy pony and workers as well might be included, and possibly Le Trec; also some 'fun' classes. Mrs Hodgson pointed out that the location of the show had encouraged competitors from farther south, and suggested holding the show in the previous format with perhaps an extra ring for 'have a go'.

Miss Longsdon reported that Mr Goddard had represented the Society at a BHS meeting a couple of days previously, but no report had been received as yet.

Miss Simpson, Press Officer, updated members on the Society's Facebook site, which now had 630 friends. She was having difficulty getting enough publicity to supply the various magazines and needed more information from members to demonstrate the versatility of the breed. Miss Longsdon encouraged people to come forward and not be shy - they were blowing their pony's trumpet, not their own!

Mrs Charlton reported that the Performance Trials had had brilliant weather - there were 54 entries, but the number of Fells had been disappointing. She encouraged members to give it a try or come and watch, and thanked all the supporters and helpers, including the jump judges.

Miss Longsdon told members that next year, the Society's 90th anniversary, His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, had agreed to stand as President for one year only. She had told him he didn't need to come to all the meetings (!), and Mr Charlton had agreed to deputise for him.

Mrs Walker spoke about ideas for the Convention next year - it would run from 11 - 18 August, beginning with our Breed Show, and there would be various activities, social events, open days and stud visits. She was open to ideas, so anyone with any thoughts should get in touch. Full details of the programme would be published in the Spring Magazine, and she encouraged members to come along and enjoy, and bring their friends.

7 Any Other Business

The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy was presented to Castle Rigg Prince II, owned by Christine Pollitt for nearly all his 30 years. There was an article about him in the Autumn Magazine. Miss Pollitt had been unable to attend but her friend Tracey collected the trophy on her behalf and said she felt very privileged to be asked to do so. She thanked the Society on behalf of Christine and Prince.

Miss Longsdon closed the formal meeting and members settled down to enjoy Vyv Wood-Gee's talk on her journey form Skye to Smithfield with Murthwaite Mikado and Murthwaite Magic Spell.



Notifying the Office of Changes via the Web

Members who use the online access to the Stud Book might like to consider notifying the office of some transactions via the web.

Members can now notify the office of deaths, castrations and stallion services—it doesn't update our database directly, but transfers the information so that it can be downloaded in the office. For deaths and castrations, the passport still needs to be sent in to the office as soon as possible after the event.

Stallion owners can enter service records via the web and print off a copy of the record for the mare owner. This will remove the need for posting service books backwards and forwards each year, saving postage costs for both the stallion owner and the Society.

If you are interested in doing this, please get in touch with the office (fellponysocietysecretary@hotmail.co.uk), and we'll learn together!

Elizabeth



RBST National Equine Event 2012

The RBST is planning a National Equine Event and the FPS is pleased to have been invited to join them. The event will take place on 22/23 September 2012 at Bury Farm Equestrian Village, Slapton, Buckinghamshire LU7 9BT and we hope to include various displays showing the Fell Pony's versatility and the capabilities of the modern ridden family pony.

This is an excellent opportunity for us to promote our traditional breed - do come and support us.

Mary G Longsdon MBE



Registration and Other Fees

	To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received to 30 November	£10	Transfer of Ownership (Overseas- includes postage charge) £1		
			Transfer to Gelding	FOC	
	To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received 1 - 31 December	£20	Stallion Licence (includes cost of kit)	DNA £50	
То	To Register Filly - registrations	£15	Register a Prefix - UK Rate	£40	
	received to 30 November		Register a Prefix - Overseas Rate	£60	
To Re	To Register Filly - registrations received 1 - 31 December	£30	DNA kit	£50	
	Late Registration (does not inclu- of parentage test)	de cost £50	FIS kit	£40	
Duplicate Passport (does not include cost of parentage test) £50			Please note the increase in registration fees for applications received in December.		
	Transfer of Ownership (UK)	£10	December.		



Advertising Fees for Autumn Magazine

Full page£60	
Half page£30	Please send your advertisement to
Quarter page£15	the Secretary, by 1 September 2012, with the appropriate fee payable to
Small box £10	FPS.
Picture in any of the preceding +£10	
Classified lineage, text only	
£2 per 20 words	



2012 Membership Fees

Membership Type	UK Fee	Overseas Fee	
Full	£25	£30	
Associate	£15	£20	
Junior	£15	£20	
Family	£50	£60	

The range of overseas membership types has been extended to mirror the UK types, with an additional charge to cover the cost of overseas postage.

An Associate member is unlikely to own a pony and therefore will not wish to take advantage of the pony related privileges of membership.

Family membership may be applied for by married or co-habiting couples and their children under the age of 18 years, all residing at the same address. The two adult members enjoy the rights and privileges of full membership, and the children the rights and privileges of junior membership. Full details are in Section 2 of the Articles of Association.

Membership Renewal

Society memberships fall due on 1 January annually. We do not send out reminders at this time - it would cost the Society approximately £450.

No member is entitled to vote if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid on or before 15 February 2012. If subscriptions have not been received by the time we send out the Spring newsletter, a reminder slip is enclosed. Alternatively, members can arrange to pay their subscription by standing order on 1 January each year.



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Council Elections 2012

The following retire and are eligible for re-election: Mr P Boustead, Miss J Glass, Miss M G Longsdon MBE and Miss B Walker. Mr Boustead, Miss Glass and Miss Longsdon are all willing to stand again but Miss Walker has decided to stand down. One new candidate has been proposed - Mrs S Brunskill. Therefore there are four candidates and four vacancies to fill, so there is no need for a vote.

Election addresses are printed below for members' information. Numbers in brackets represent the number of regular meetings which have not been attended by those Council members serving over the last five years.



Mrs Susan Brunskill - prefix 'Hynholme'

Sue Brunskill has been a Fell Pony Society member since 1998 and has been a previous FPS Council member from 2009 to 2011. She is an active member of the FPS show committee and stewards at Fell Pony shows. Sue also helps on the Society sales stand at various events throughout Cumbria. She and her family own and show Fell Ponies and have the Hynholme prefix.



Miss Jane Glass-Prefix: 'Wolds' (1)

Fell ponies have been part of my life since the 1950s. Throughout my time, I have thoroughly enjoyed matching people and ponies together, particularly hearing and watching them become a new partnership. It was due to the Fell's unique personality that Wolds stud commenced in the 1960s.

More recently you will see me on the Fell Pony merchandise stand, travelling with Mary Longsdon, to numerous venues throughout the UK. Along with selling the merchandise this provides a straight talking approach, the opportunity to listen and to seek people's

views to take information back to Council. I also find myself promoting the breed to fell enthusiasts and answering or signing posting owners and riders.

Locally, I am an active part of the Midlands East Area Support Group. My main activities are arranging social dinners, the awards evening and talks. With a

regular attendance of about 50 people, I would say this Area is quite a sociable group! I hope to continue to contribute to the promotion of the breed through the work I do and hope that you will see my commitment in my work and that you will support my re election.



Mr Peter Boustead - prefix 'Summerhouse' (7)

I was born in Cumbria and became involved with Fell ponies from an early age as my father bred ponies with the Edenside prefix and my uncle the predominantly grey Greenbell ponies.

Whilst wanting to preserve the traditional bred Fell, I realise the importance of marketing the pony to meet modern demands, I believe a pony with correct conformation and meeting breed standards is capable of performing across all disciplines. I have sought to promote the breed through talks both nationally and internationally.

I became a judge over 30 years ago, training initially on the FPS Probationary Scheme and am now Chairman of the Trainee Judges Sub-Committee. I am also on several other society judging panels.

As a member of the Show Committee I have acted as Chief Steward at the Breed Show for a number of years.

I have served as a Council member for 18 years and having retired recently have begun keeping a few ponies again. If you see me out and about come and have a chat, I like talking, particularly about Fell ponies!



Miss Mary G Longsdon MBE -prefix 'Bewcastle' (0)

You all know I have been around for more years than I care to remember! I am in my ninth year as Chairman and I would be happy to remain on Council for a little longer if I can be of help.

I am keen to encourage an enthusiastic and united Society, which in turn promotes our excellent breed of native ponies, who have roamed our Northern fells for generations, and hopefully will continue to do so.

I believe we need to constantly look to the future and keep up-to-date, but our ponies should remain the

traditional tough working breed that has evolved over the centuries and is still proving to be such a joy and success for all our members.



The 200 Club: Draws 2011

	No	s Name	Prize				
				Nov '11			
Jul '11				1st	206	Mr T Davies	£25.00
1st	374	Mrs F Gray	£25.00	2nd	319	Mr JM Wayman	£15.00
2nd	438	Mrs EA Forster	£15.00	3rd	423	Mrs J Reekie	£10.00
3rd	316	Ms J Parker	£10.00	4th	333	Mr GHB Mallinson	£5.00
4th	436	Mrs W Thorpe	£5.00				
				Dec '11			
Aug '1	1			1st	236	Mrs B Parker	£250.00
1st	316	Ms J Parker	£25.00	2nd	225	Mrs C Merry	£125.00
2nd	327	Miss MG Longsdon	£15.00	3rd	435	Miss B Bell	£50.00
3rd	312	Mrs P Laxton	£10.00	4th	393	Mrs D Bowles	£25.00
4th	248	Mrs S Mallinson	£5.00				
Sep '1	1						
1st	267	Mrs J Copeland	£25.00				
2nd	355	Mrs GM Noble	£15.00		R	lemember, your	
3rd	418	Mrs JE Waples	£10.00		fri	ends and family	
4th	353	Miss HC Wilson	£5.00		Cã	an join the 200	
					Clu	b they do not	
Oct '11					need to be		
1st	403	Mrs K Savage	£25.00		n	nembers of the	
2nd	387	Mr G Parkin	£15.00			FPS.	
3rd	339	Mrs CL Percy	£10.00				
4th	266	Mrs A Higgins	£5.00				

Still only £12 to join - and look at the prizes! All profit goes to the Society.

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Please send your name, address and cheque for £12 made payable to:

The Fell Pony Society

to Glenis Cockbain, Rakefoot Farm, Keswick, Cumbria CA12 4TE



FPS Council 2012

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Barbara Bell, Peter Boustead, Thomas Capstick









Sarah Charlton, Glenis Cockbain, Jane Glass, Paul Metcalfe









Barry Mallinson, Sue Millard, Margaret Murray, Bill Potter









Mike Rawlinson, Colin Roberts, Chris Thompson, Andrew Thorpe







Betty Walker, Eileen Walker, David Wilkinson



FPS Sale, October 2011



Mr Potter's Greenholme Frosty Lady was the highest priced foal in the sale. Below, Hilary Lightfoot with Waverfoot Duke who won the Foal class at the presale Show and was overall Champion.





NW Area Support Group Foal Show, 19 November 2011



Foal Show lineup. Left to right: Sponsor Leanne Huschka of Northern Pet & Equestrian, David Wilkinson and filly foal Champion Brackenbank Kate, Reserve Champion colt foal Murthwaite Icicle and Thomas Capstick, Lunesdale Dan Mathews, Carrock Snowdrop and John Cockbain, and Foal Show Judge Colin Turner.

Entries were up for this year's foal show which was a pleasant surprise for organiser Ellen Jones, and went against the pattern of most other 2011 shows. The weather was a super sunny warm autumn day which was also a pleasant change from the icy freezing Foal Show Days in previous years!

This year's judge was Colin Turner from Darwen, Lancashire, who said he very much enjoyed his day judging the Fell Pony foals. He commented that the Filly class was a good strong class, the winner Brackenbank Kate having a good foot, plenty of good flat bone and nice hair, and moved with all its joints. Brackenbank Kate is by Lownthwaite Gary out of Brackenbank Sorrel, owned and bred by Mr and Mrs David and Katherine Wilkinson of Murton, Appleby. The judge said that on top of being a good moving foal, she was really typey Fell pony which is what you need in the best animal. Brackenbank Kate was only weaned from her mother 2 weeks previously and it was a bit of a rush to get her ready and trained to come to the Foal Show without her Dam. She had only been shown once before, winning the foal class at the Tebay show back in July. Wilkinsons had 3 years ago won the colt foal class and reserve champion with Brackenbank Flash Harry. Katherine said, "We were absolutely delighted with the results. It's always nice to win with your foals, particularly when you have bred them yourself." The Colt class was also a good strong class, the winner Murthwaite Icicle having a good round foot, and also plenty of good quality flat bone and hair, and good movement.

FOAL SHOW RESULTS

FILLY FOAL

- 1 Brackenbank Kate, Mr and Mrs D Wilkinson, Murton, Appleby
- 2 Carrock Snowdrop, Mr JW Cockbain, Keswick
- 3 Brackenbank Pippa, Mr and Mrs D Wilkinson, Murton, Appleby
- 4 Rackwood Francesca, Mrs EA Walker, Crook

COLT FOAL

- 1 Murthwaite Icicle, Mr TB Capstick, Ravenstonedale
- 2 Lunesdale Dan Mathews, Mrs CA Morland, Tebay
- 3 Rackwood Amos, Mrs EA Walker, Crook
- 4 Deepghyll Lucky Touch, Miss C Savage, Plumpton

Champion, Brackenbank Kate. Reserve, Murthwaite Icicle

Murthwaite Icicle also won the Best Hill Bred Foal Cup donated by Mr David Howe of Dufton.



Request for Breed Show Catalogue information

I have been slowly working on my book of Fell Pony Breed Show history during this year when I have had a spare hour. It is slowly coming together and I hope to have it ready for publishing next year. I will be on the hunt for photos from all the years soon, particularly of Breed Champions.

Also, could anyone help me at all with the following? I need marked catalogues and reports from the Breed Show, from its start date to 1972, and then the following years - 1978 1989 1992 1993 1994 1995 1996 1997 1998 1999 and 2000.

I would be happy to return them after my research if it is possible for me to borrow such information.

Many thanks-Fleur Hallam

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Thoughts for first-time breeders

Spring is on the way and with it comes the thought of breeding a foal from your mare. The hill breeders all know the job inside out, but what if you are a one-mare owner who's considering putting your only pony in foal for the first time? What do you need to consider? What paperwork do you need?

- 1 Consider the mare's age when deciding to breed from her. Hill breeders don't put fillies under the age of 3 years to the stallion. Bearing a foal is a big drain on a mature mare's resources, and from a filly who is too young you will get an undersized foal whose demands stunt the filly's own growth and which she may actually reject a lose-lose situation. Between 4 years and early teens you are probably going to find things go well, but older mares (maybe 15 plus) who have never had a foal, may find foaling hard.
- **2 General health.** Get your mare checked by a vet for suitability and fitness to breed. If she has any lameness or allergy issues, take his advice. She should be lean rather than fat. Fat mares can be spurned by the stallion, and even if served, they may not get in foal.
- **3 Temperament.** Is she kindly and easy to catch? Remember that the foal will be brought up by her. Well mannered mares make well mannered foals. If she's a grouchy old bitch who kicks and bites, do you want to breed another?
- **4 Genetics.** Check her FIS status. The FIS carrier test is available at a cost of £40 including VAT, on a non-profit basis. Hair samples must be taken by a vet who must complete the form on the sample bag before sending it to the Animal Health Trust. Kits can be obtained from the FPS office by sending a cheque made payable to the Fell Pony Society. The results of the test will be returned to the FPS office in a sealed envelope which is forwarded to the owner within 30 days. The Animal Health Trust web page about this is:

http://www.aht.org.uk/genetics_tests.html#equine.

5 More genetics. If the mare is a carrier (has one copy of the mutated gene that causes FIS) you have two options:

If you choose a stallion that is FIS clear—your foal will not succumb to the fatal syndrome, and will either be a carrier itself or completely clear.

If you choose a stallion that is also a carrier—you accept the 1 in 4 chance of the foal succumbing to FIS. The chances that it will be another carrier are 2 in 4, and there is another 1 in 4 chance that it may not receive a copy of the FIS gene, and will be clear. That means there are 3 chances out of 4, that your foal will survive. A carrier mare could, theoretically, never produce a syndrome foal.

Remember that the FIS test is a TOOL so you can make breeding choices that you can live with. The odds are the same with every mating.

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6 Choose the stallion. He should *not* be chosen just because he is "the nearest one," "the one I have here," "the colt someone bred and didn't geld" or "the cheapest." He must be licensed by the FPS to serve mares, which means he has passed a vet inspection for soundness and freedom from hereditary diseases. Otherwise, any progeny may not be eligible to be registered in the main section of the FPS studbook. You can find such stallions by doing any combination of the following:

- Go to the FPS stallion show. This is where you can go window shopping for a licensed sire for your next generation. Look at the beast in the flesh!
- Look on the FPS web site for Fell breeders who accept visiting mares for their stallion/s, bearing in mind your choice at point 5.
- Look for a stallion who is of good pony type, who couldn't be mistaken for any other breed than a Fell pony. You need to like him, because you're going to have to live with the result of his 50 percent contribution to your foal.
- Look for a stallion whose conformation is good, and if possible strong
 where the mare is weak. Eg if she has rather straight hind legs, you would
 check that the stallion has good correctly-angled hind legs. If she doesn't
 go quite straight, ask to see the stallion trotted away and coming back, so
 you can be sure he does move straight. And so on.

You need to like his temperament, because you're going to have to live with the result of his 50 percent contribution to your foal.

Don't pick a stallion who is closely related to your mare. An easy way to check, if you have internet access, is to look up the pedigree of the stallion via the Society's link to the Grassroots database and compare it with that of your mare. See the FPS web site main page for the link. You will need your *member ID*, which is on the label of the envelope your Magazine came in, and your *password* as assigned by the FPS Office. If you're not a current FPS member you can purchase annual studbooks from the FPS (but after the first five or six books, membership comes cheaper!). Online "pedigrees" compiled by internet users may be unreliable.

The mare and stallion pedigrees should ideally not have any individuals in common. This obviously cuts out brother/sister, sire/daughter, and son/dam matings - and no jokes about family habits in remote rural areas please!

If colour is important to you, that's the last thing to be considered.

7 Contact the owner of the stallion you would like to use.

Some stud owners advertise that they will only serve mares in-hand, while others run visiting mares with the stallion. In-hand service confirms the mare actually has been served. In a field situation a visiting mare may be bullied by the resident mares who may not let her near the stallion - but free courtship may more easily persuade a maiden mare to be served. Discuss the pros and cons with the stallion owner.

Agree date and time and fee, find out whether the agreement is No Foal, No Fee (NFNF) or No Foal, Free Return (NFFR) or simply a fee for the service. Ask whether there are any steps you need to take before bringing the mare other than providing the mare's passport, worming her and removing her shoes, if any. You might be asked to supply a headcollar, lead rope and tail bandage.

8 Take the mare to the stallion and let the stallion owner arrange the mating. If you're leaving your mare there, go away and don't pester. They'll contact you when you can take the mare home.

Keep the service slip which the stallion owner will give you. This is needed to register your foal next year and should accompany the registration application.

Pay the stud fee at the agreed time.

9 When your long-awaited foal is born, please apply to the office for paper registration forms. They are not available from the web site because they are scanned into the passport document, so they need to be of good quality and the correct size.



FPS Endurance Awards 2011

Highest mileage Competitive and High point Award - no entries

Highest mileage Pleasure award

1st Dalewin Beauty, Liz Worthy, 378 km. 2nd Littletree Smokey Joe, Fiona Carradus, 233 km.

The Taster Award

1st, Townend Oran, Fleur Hallam, 66 km

2nd= Townend Eden, Penny Randall,

2nd= Townend Dream, Joanne Fisher.

3rd, Kerbeck Night Princess, Becky Sim.

Accumulative kilometres

Littletree Smokey Joe - 500 km (656) Dalewin Beauty - 1500 km (1655)

Please contact Fiona Carradus 01539 821790 or e-mail fionacarradus682@btinternet.com for more information about FPS Endurance awards.



FPS Southern Show 2011

The week before the twenty-second annual FPS Southern Show the weather forecast predicted torrential rain and hurricane force winds for most of the UK. With shows all round the country cancelling because of ground conditions the show secretary spent most of her time reassuring competitors that the Southern Show would go ahead. Holding the show high in the Cotswolds on top of a hill ensures well drained ground and lovely views, and the biggest problem is normally the wind. True to form, the 2011 show had a dry day, with only one light rain shower, but officials and helpers spent a lot of time chasing fly away paperwork and raffle prizes and knocking in extra tent pegs. The ponies, as befits a breed originating from the fells where strong wind is a given, were unperturbed by the flying objects. Entries for this year's show were strong, helped in part by the cancellation of the Breed Show which meant the BSPS Olympia semi-final qualifier moved south.

Well filled youngstock classes kept judge Mike Rawlinson busy. Rebecca Lock from Oxfordshire was delighted when her new summer purchase, the yearling Wellbrow Dodger, stood youngstock champion. Penny Randell had the task of assessing the mares, and chose HM the Queen's six year old Balmoral Vision. Barry Mallinson chose Claire Marlow's nine year old Greenholme Flame as his gelding champion. Claire has had Flame since he was a youngster, and he has not always been the easiest pony, but hopefully this win repaid her for some of his antics. In-hand champion was the Smiths' stallion Bracklinn Jackpot, who had travelled all the way from Scotland, with Wellbrow Dodger in reserve. The inter-area in-hand championship, which this year had representatives from all but one of the FPS support group areas in the UK, was won by Bracklinn Jackpot for the Scottish Group, with Jules Jordan's stallion Llancloudy Gabriel standing reserve for the South East.

The afternoon gave stewards the normal headaches at competitors tried to fit in their WHP rounds and dressage tests as well as competing in their showing classes. The Olympia semi-final qualifier was well filled, but tied up two judges and many of the riders, which meant the showing rings ran behind schedule. Different problems emerged in the WHP ring, where the wind kept blowing the jumps over. Hard work by the stewards kept the jumps upright at the crucial moment, and Sarah O'Halloran and Drybarrows Blarny took both the intermediate and open classes, and went on to stand WHP champion, while Stephanie Richards and Dalewin Flash won the novice and stood WHP reserve. Judge Tracey Malinson awarded the experienced partnership of Catriona Paterson and Meres Justa-AMO a special rosette. WHP entries, particularly in the higher level classes, were up on previous years and it was fantastic to see so many ponies jumping well and showing how versatile the breed really is.

Laura Barsoum's stallion Waverhead Copper stood ridden champion and Barbara Hall's mare Hollyhouse Opal justified a long journey from Cornwall by standing

reserve ridden. Both ponies also took the Olympia semi-final qualifier tickets. Bracklinn Jackpot stood supreme of show and Waverhead Copper took reserve supreme.

As ever we owe huge thanks to a small number of very dedicated volunteers and a larger number of generous sponsors which made it possible for the show to take place. More helpers and sponsors are always needed - see the web site, www.fellsouthernshow.com, if you can help with the 2012 show.

Georgina Blair

Results

Judges:

Barry Mallinson (Hardendale) (classes 6, 7, 12, 13, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 32)

Mr Mike Rawlinson (Thornbeck) (classes 1, 5, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 17, 23, 37)

Mrs Penny Randell (Haltcliff, Carrock & Townend) (classes 2, 3, 4, 11, 12, 15, 16, 18, 37)

Mrs Tracey Mallinson (Hardendale) (classes 26, 27, 28, 33)

Ms Mary Longsdon (Bewcastle) (classes 29 & 31)

Mrs Maggie Copus (Dressage classes)

In-hand classes

1. Stallions

1st Bracklinn Jackpot (Messrs Smith)

2. Mares 4-8 yrs

1st Balmoral Vision (HM the Queen) 2nd Bracklinn Stella (Messrs Smith) 3rd Lownthwaite Finger Print (Miss A Morton)

4th Severnvale Grace (Mr G Guy)

3. Mares 9yrs & over

1st Severnvale Sadie (Mr G Guy) 2nd Hollyhouse Opal (Mrs BC Hall) 3rd Pikestone Linnet (Miss K White) 4th Ludworth Donna (Miss S Bloomfield) 6th Bracklinn Maggie (Mrs S Camp)

4. Broodmare

1st Severnvale Gypsy Rose (Mr G Guy) 2nd Severnvale Rosie (Mr G Guy) 3rd Shepparton Lucy Victoria (Mrs J Hill)

4th Underwoods Quest (Mrs C O'Donnell)

5. Foal

1st Brocklebank Crabbies (Mrs A Edwards & Miss H Wallis) 2nd Severnvale Lady (Mr G Guy) 3rd Severnvale Lupin (Mr G Guy) 4th Shepparton Primrose (Mrs J Hill & Mrs S Barbour)

6. Geldings 4-8 years

1st Jonty II (Miss H Mawrey) 2nd Wansfell Rambler (Miss H Mawrey) 3rd Murthwaite John Tom (Mrs CM Booth)

4th Tredellans Bobby Dazzler (Mrs BC Hall)

7. Geldings 9yrs & over

1st Greenholme Flame (Miss C Marlow)

2nd Wansfell Tobias (Miss H Mawrey)
3rd Ffrethi Commodore (Miss W Davies)
4th Brackenbank Moss (Mrs J Holland)

8. Yearling

1st Wellbrow Dodger (Miss R Lock)
2nd Greenholme Queen Bea (Mr & Mrs
Ward-Burton)
3rd Bracklinn Drambuie (Messrs Smith)
4th Banksgate Brando (Mr W Cox)

9. Two year old

C O'Donnell)

1st Severnvale June (Mr G Guy)
2nd Brocklebank Laffite (Mrs A Edwards
& Miss H Wallis)
3rd Richmond Benjamin (Mrs E Butler)
4th Bluecaps Forget-me-not Frieda (Mrs

10. Three year old

1st Banksgate Mazeppa (Mr W Cox) 2nd Lydvale Jet (Miss D McGrail)

11. Veteran

1st Oldmill Mystique (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

2nd Heltondale Honey (Mrs B & Miss M Griffiths)

3rd Shilvinghampton Rosanna May (Mrs C Edwards)

4th Clandon Gabriella II (Ms G Blair)

12. Pairs in-hand

1st Bracklinn Jackpot & Bracklinn
Drambuie (Messrs Smith)
2nd Severnvale June & Severnvale
Krystal (Mr G Guy)
3rd Severnvale Gypsy Rose &

In-hand and Overall Champion at the Southern Show was Bracklinn Jackpot shown by Messrs Smith. Photo, sbmphotographic.co.uk



Severnvale Rosie (Mr G Guy) 4th Hollyhouse Opal & Tredellans Bobby Dazzler (Mrs BC Hall)

Youngstock Championship Ch. Wellbrow Dodger (Miss R Lock) Res. Brocklebank Crabbies (Mrs A Edwards & Miss H Wallis)

Gelding Championship Ch. Greenholme Flame (Miss C Marlow) Res. Jonty II (Miss H Mawrey)

Mare Championship Ch. Balmoral Vision (HM Queen) Res. Severnvale Gypsy Rose (Mr G Guy)

Best Brown or bay in-hand Brocklebank Crabbies (Mrs A Edwards & Miss H Wallis)

Best Turned Out in-hand Ludworth Donna (Miss S Bloomfield)

In-hand Championship Ch. Bracklinn Jackpot (Messrs Smith) Res. Wellbrow Dodger (Miss R Lock)

Inter-Area In-hand Championship Ch. Bracklinn Jackpot (Messrs Smith) Res. Llancloudy Gabriel (Mrs J Jordan)

Ridden classes

13. Stallions

1st Waverhead Copper (Miss L Barsoum) 2nd Llancloudy Gabriel (Mrs J Jordan)

14. Mares

1st Hollyhouse Opal (Mrs BC Hall)
2nd Ludworth Donna (Miss S
Bloomfield)
3rd Bracklinn Stella (Messrs Smith)
4th Roddlesworth Nancy (Miss J Glass)

15. Geldings 4 - 8 years No entries forward

16. Gelding 9 years & over

No entries forward

17. Novice mares

1st Heltondale Bonny Lass VI (Mr & Mrs B Mallinson)

2nd Roddlesworth Nancy (Miss J Glass) 3rd Pikestone Linnet (Miss K White)

18. Novice geldings1st Drybarrows Blarny (Miss S

O'Halloran)
2nd Greenholme Terry (Mr GR Stallard)
3rd Brackenbank Moss (Mrs J Holland)
4th Wansfell Rambler (Mrs S Bellem)

19. Child led

1st Empire Grace (Mrs H Plank) 2nd Heltondale Ruby III (Mrs J Blair) 3rd Clandon Gabriella (Ms G Blair)

20. Children 6 - 12 years

1st Heltondale Honey (Mrs B & Miss M Griffiths)

2nd Heltondale Ruby III (Mrs J Blair)

21. Children 13 - 16 years

1st Ludworth Albion (Mrs K Bennett) 2nd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

3rd Shilvinghampton Rosanna May (Mrs C Edwards)

4th Pikestone Linnet (Miss K White)

22. Veteran

1st Oldmill Mystique (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

2nd Shilvinghampton Rosanna May (Mrs C Edwards)

3rd Heltondale Honey (Mrs B & Miss M Griffiths)

4th Clandon Gabriella II (Ms G Blair)

23. Ridden pairs

1st Hollyhouse Opal & Townend

Bluebell (Mrs BC Hall)
2nd Aylestone The Merrie Monk &
Oldmill Mystique (Mrs IK
Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

24. Traditional Ridden Mares

1st Ludworth Donna (Miss S Bloomfield) 2nd Bracklinn Stella (Messrs Smith) 3rd Roddlesworth Nancy (Miss J Glass) 4th Lownthwaite Fingerprint (Miss A Morton)

25. Traditional Ridden Geldings and Stallions

1st Brackenbank Moss (Mrs J Holland) 2nd Greenholme Terry (Mr GR Stallard) 3rd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) 4th Wansfell Rambler (Mrs S Bellem)

26. Novice Working Hunter Pony

1st Dalewin Flash (Miss S Richards)
2nd Chyvounder Waterlily (Mrs A
Devonshire)
3rd Jonty II (Miss H Mawrey)
4th Clandon Gabriella II (Ms G Blair)

27. Intermediate Working Hunter Pony

1st Drybarrows Blarny (Miss S O'Halloran) 2nd Meres Just-a-Mo (Mrs NE Paterson)

3rd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) 4th Bewcastle Bullbarrow (Mrs C Fuller)

28. Open Working Hunter Pony

1st Drybarrows Blarny (Miss S O'Halloran)

2nd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) 3rd Bewcastle Bulbarrow (Mrs C Fuller) 4th Meres Just-a-Mo (Mrs NE Paterson)



In-Hand Gelding winner, Greenholme Flame, shown by Claire Marlow

Working Hunter Pony Championship

Ch. Drybarrows Blarny (Miss S O'Halloran)

Res. Dalewin Flash (Miss S Richards) Special rosette Meres Just-a-Mo (Mrs NE Paterson)

29. Driving

1st Lownthwaite Fingerprint (Miss A Morton)

2nd Brackenbank Moss (Mrs J Holland)

30a. Handy pony

1st Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) 2nd Oldmilll Mystique (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) 3rd Wansfell Rambler (Mrs S Bellem) 4th Clandon Gabriella II (Ms G Blair)

30b. In-hand handy pony

1st Lydvale Jet (Miss D McGrail) 2nd Severnvale Grace (Mr G Guy) 3rd Bracklinn Maggie (Mrs S Camp)

31. Fancy dress

1st Clandon Gabriella (Ms G Blair) 2nd Meres Just-a-Mo (Mrs NE Paterson)

32. Young handler

1st Shepparton Lucy Victoria (Mrs J Hill)

2nd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) 3rd Pikestone Linnet (Miss K White) 4th Banksgate Mazeppa (Mr W Cox)

33. Two Generations

1st Oldmill Mystique (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

2nd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

3rd Shilvinghampton Rosanna May (Mrs C Edwards)

4th Meres Just-a-Mo (Mrs NE Paterson)

34. Dressage - Intro A

1st Wansfell Tobias (Miss H Mawrey) 2nd Clandon Gabriella II (Ms G Blair) =3rd Lownthwaite Fingerprint (Miss A Morton)

=3rd Roddlesworth Nancy (Miss J Glass)

4th Chyvounder Water Lily (Mrs A Devonshire)

35. Dressage - Prelim 14

1st Oldmill Mystique (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

2nd Ludworth Albion (Mrs K Bennett) =3rd Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball) =3rd Meres Just-a-Mo (Mrs NE Paterson) 4th Dalewin Flash (Miss S Richards)

36. Dressage - Novice 28

=1st Ludworth Albion (Mrs K Bennett)

=1st Aylestone The Merrie Monk (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

2nd Oldmill Mystique (Mrs IK Meadows & Mrs JS Ball)

3rd Roddlesworth Nancy (Miss J Glass) 4th Bewcastle Bulbarrow (Mrs C Fuller)

37. BSPS Olympia Qualifier

1st Waverhead Copper (Miss L Barsoum) 2nd Hollyhouse Opal (Mrs BC Hall) 3rd Murthwaite John Tom (Mrs CM Booth)

4th Llancloudy Gabriel (Mrs J Jordan)

Best turned out ridden Heltondale Bonny Lass VI (Mr & Mrs B Mallinson)

Best non-black ridden Waverhead Copper (Miss L Barsoum)

Best owner/breeder Bracklinn Stella (Messrs Smith)

Ridden Championship Ch. Waverhead Copper (Miss L Barsoum) Res. Hollyhouse Opal (Mrs BC Hall)

Supreme Championship Ch. Bracklinn Jackpot (Messrs Smith) Res. Waverhead Copper (Miss L Barsoum)



Fell Pony Society Progeny and Performance Points Awards 2011

Foal (7 entries)

- 1st Birkettbank Sir Alex. FP71897C Brackenthwaite Duke x Townend Fern. Owner/exhib Mr R Relph-Briggs. 650pts
- 2nd Thornbeck Bobby Dazzler.
 FP71813C. Brackenbank Flash Harry
 x Kerbeck Night Sonnet. Owner/
 exhib Mr M Rawlinson. 550pts
- 3rd Rackwood Amos. FP71830C.
 Brackenbank Amos x Rackwood
 Melody. Owner/exhib Mrs E A
 Walker. 495pts
- 4th Thornbeck Beauty. FP5436.
 Brackenbank Flash Harry x
 Lunesdale Limelight. Owner/exhib
 Mr M Rawlinson. 160pts
- 5th Kerbeck Firebright. FP71823C. Greenholme Bobby Dazzler x Kerbeck Night Duchess. Owner/ exhib Mrs C H Robinson. 110pts

Yearling (8 entries)

- 1st Greenholme Elect.FP71650C. Greenholme Warrior x Greenholme Amie Good Un. Owner/exhib Mr R Relph-Briggs. 2345pts
- 2nd Brackenbank Pearl FP5281. Lownthwaite Gary x Brackenbank Sorrel. Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson. 530pts
- 3rd Lunesdale Mountain Song. FP71634C. Lunesdale Tarquin x Greenholme Keely. Owner/exhib Mr M Rawlinson. 350pts
- =4th Rackwood Black Magic. FP5251. Lownthwaite Gary x Rackwood Magic. Owner/exhib Mrs E A Walker. 290pts
- =4th Dalewin Niffty. FP5336. Greenholme Heather Mist x Dalewin Fern. Owner/exhib Mr E

- Winder, 290pts
- 6th Kerbeck Night Breeze. FP5244.
 Greenholme Bobby Dazzler x
 Kerbeck Night Rose. Owner/exhib
 Mrs C H Robinson. 240pts

Two year Old (4 entries)

- 1st Dalewin Magic. FP5122.
 Greenholme Heather Mist x Dalewin
 Fern. Owner/exhib Mr E Winder.
 480pts
- 2nd Rackwood Annie. FP5053. Wellbrow Samson x Rackwood Maydew. Owner/exhib Mrs E A Walker. 290pts
- 3rd Brackenbank Gabriella. FP5000. Lownthwaite Gary x Brackenbank Sorrel. Owner/exhib Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson.210pts
- 4th Burnhead Ebony. FP5130. Lunesdale Beckham x Burnhead Polly II. Owner/exhib Mr M Rawlinson. 20pts

Three Year Old (5 entries)

- 1st Lydvale Jet. FP71270G. Waverhead Hero II x Waverhead Jewel III. Owner/exhib Mrs D McGrail.865pts
- 2nd Rackwood Princess. FP4888. Wellbrow Samson x Rackwood Magic. Owner/exhib Mrs E A Walker. 835pts
- 3rd Fitzview Melody FP4765. Lownthwaite Gary x Fitzview Poppy. Owner/exhib Mr J E Greener. 710pts
- 4th Carrock Heather. FP4787. Castle Hill Bellman x Sleddale Wild Rose III. Owner/exhib Mr M Rawlinson. 690pts.
- 5th Brackenbank Flash Harry.
 FP71155C*. Murthwaite Look at Me
 x Brackenbank Rosie. Owner/exhib

Mr M Rawlinson, 430pts

Four Year Old and over - In Hand (10 entires)

- 1st Bracklinn Maggie. FP3184. Waverhead Rob II x Bracklinn Rhona. Owner/exhib Sharron Camp. 1210pts
- 2nd Townend Fern. FP4216. Heltondale Bonzo Boy x Town End Bridie II. Owner/exhib Mr R Relph-Briggs.885pts
- 3rd Aylestone The Merrie Monk. FP70061G*. Greenhead Peter x Oldmill Mystique. Exhib Miss A Meadows. Owners Mesdames Ball & Meadows. 880pts
- 4th Roddlesworth Nancy. FP4120. Sleddale Brown Prince x Roddlesworth Frances. Exhib Mrs J Rawden. Owners Mesdames Rawden & Glass. 760pts
- 5th Brackenbank Gypsy III. FP4421. Murthwaite Look at Me x Brackenbank Mayblossom. Owner/ exhib Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson.485pts
- 6th Brackenbank Rosebud. FP4419. Murthwaite Look at Me x Brackenbank Rosie. Exhib Lucy Hogg. Owners Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson. 420pts

Four Year Old and Over - Performance (7 entries)

- 1st Roddlesworth Nancy. 2270pts 2nd Dene Decoris. FP3330. Waverhead Prince II x Dene Damaris. Owner/ exhib Miss S Pringle. 1030pts
- 3rd Kerebck Firecracker. FP51119G.
 Peepings Enterprise x Sleddale
 Rosemary III. Owner/exhib Mrs G
 Kilburn. 600pts
- 4th Kerbeck Druid's Fire. FP70377G.
 Townend Huey x Hades Hill Blossom
 II. Owner/exhib Miss G Callister.
 570pts.

5th Brackenbank Rosebud.470pts 6th Brackenbank Romany.320pts

Junior (7 entries)

- 1st Aylestone The Merrie Monk. Miss A Meadows. 6630pts
- 2nd Oldmill Mystique FP2771. Lunesdale Peter x Sleddale Rosemary. Exhib Miss A Meadows. Owners Mesdames Ball & Meadows. 1110pts
- 3rd Lunesdale Peter. FP786G. Lunesdale Henry x Lunesdale Lily. Exhib Freya Sykes. Owner Sarah Thompson. 1020pts
- 4th Brackenbank Rosebud. Lucy Hogg. 470pts
- 5th Brackenbank Romany. Megan Wilkinson.320pts
- 6th Aylestone Chamelee. FP70357.
 Aylestone Cavalier x Ludworth
 Pixie. Exhib Miss A Meadows.
 Owners Mesdames Ball & Meadows.
 160pts

Driving (3 entries)

- 1st Tynebank Danny Boy. FP70880G. Greenholme Little John x Greenholme Lizzy. Owner/exhib W D Parkinson.1230pts
- 2nd Lownthwaite Finger Print. FP4050. Peepings Raven x Lownthwaite Bramble. Owner/exhib Miss A Morton.995pts
- 3rd Greenholme Morning Mist. FP70895G.Drybarrows Rusty x Greenholme White Heather. Owner/exhib Mr MRawlinson. 130pts

Dressage (7 entries)

- 1st Roddlesworth Nancy. Mrs J Rawden.950pts
- 2nd Aylestone The Merrie Monk. Miss A meadows.600pts
- =3rd Kerbeck Firecracker. Mrs G

Kilburn.520pts

=3rd Oldmill Mystique. Miss A Meadows.520pts 5th Kerbeck Druid's Fire. Miss G Callister. 270pts 6th Avlestone Chamelee. Miss A Meadows. 240pts

Champion Stallion Lownthwaite Gary
Champion Mare Roddlesworth Frances



Fell Pony Performance Trials 2011

The ground conditions and the weather were near to perfect for this fun performance day at Linnel Wood. Sadly entries were down particularly with the Fell Class - where were you? Come and join us, and have fun this year! Date for 2012 is Sunday September 23rd.

Old and young were all keen to compete, with the young as usual just having the edge on those of us that are a bit more nervous of leaving the ground at speed. Carolyn Deane with a 'catch' ride on Linnel Rosie II was the overall winner of the Fell Section, with Fenella Walsh on Greenholme Wanderer winning the Junior section. showing how much they have improved and gained confidence over the last few years. They were closely chased by Zoe Brain on Kerbeck Smugglers Fire, who went home with the Best Newcomers Trophy. Sarah Pringle and Dene Decoris impressed the judge and came out in a well deserved top slot in The hotly contested the Dressage. Team Competition was won by a Team of Fells-Linnel Rosie II (Carolyn Deane), Dene Decoris (Sarah Pringle), Greenholme Wanderer (Fenella Walsh). Linnel Poppy (Lucie Charlton), keeping the enthusiastic Highland Connemara teams at bay for once. The Team Name was won by a very happy team of Ladies who had all declared for the over 50 Trophy. They named themselves and their Highland ponies 'Past Cairn' as they felt they were evidently past caring and laughed all day! Special mention must be made of Laura Gray who once again gave a fabulous display riding the whole competition side saddle on her Welsh section C.

Our grateful thanks must go to all who attended and helped. Without a large number of volunteers this event could not run. So if you are coming to watch please offer to jump judge. An extra big thank you to Gillian Kilburn Wilson and Georgina Callister for their lengthy job of scoring.

RESULTS Fell Ponies (16 entries) Dressage

- 1 Dene Decoris, Sarah Pringle
- 2 Greenholme Wanderer, Fenella Walsh
- 3 Dene Danae, Alice Orange
- 4 Linnel Poppy, Lucie Charlton

Cross Country

- 1 Linnel Rosie II, Carolyn Deane
- 2 Linnel Poppy, Lucie Charlton
- 3 Greenholme Wanderer, Fenella

Walsh

4 Kerbeck Smugglers Fire, Zoe Brain

Overall

- 1 Linnel Rosie II, Carolyn Deane
- 2 Linnel Poppy, Lucie Charlton
- 3 Greenholme Wanderer, Fenella Walsh
- 4 Kerbeck Smugglers Fire, Zoe Brain

Best Junior, Greenholme Wanderer, Fenella Walsh

Best Mare, Linnel Rosie II, Carolyn Dean

Best Newcomer, Kerbeck Smugglers Fire, Zoe Brain

Teams—Teams of 4 or 3 with 3 scores to count that do not have to be the same breed; sponsored by the Kerbeck Stud. 7 Teams entered.

- 1 The Black Bullets (Fell)
- 2 The Tartan Tornados (Highland)
- 3 Mayo....Neighs (Connemara) -Play on county Mayo in Ireland
- 4 The Welsh Whizzers (all Welsh)

Sarah Charlton and family



Greenholme Wanderer ridden by Fenella Walsh was the winner of The Fell Juniors class. Photo of the overall winner, Carolyn Deane with Linnel Rosie II, is in the Colour Section.

 $Photograph\ by\ DLT\ Photography,\ dltphotography@bt internet.com$



FPS Calendar 2013: Competition Results

This year the submitted photographs were judged by two members of the North East Area Support Group who will receive a calendar with our grateful thanks. The photographer of each selected photograph qualifies for a free calendar and the overall winner of the calendar competition, Jen Bernard, and the runner-up, Iben Toft Simonsen, will also receive a £10 and £5 FPS Voucher, respectively.

Cover picture Eileen Walker Co. Durham January Marianne Schrijen **Netherlands** Cumbria **February** Tom Lloyd March Andy Cheetham Scotland Iben Toft Simonsen April Denmark May Christine Rear Gloucestershire Cumbria June Jen Bernard July Diane Meikle Scotland August Fell Pony Society Archives September Iben Toft Simonsen Denmark October The Event Photographer Finland November Paula Hirvonen December Diane Slack Cumbria

Congratulations to all the above and thanks to everyone who submitted images for the 2013 calendar. The 2013 calendars should be available at the Spring AGM and thereafter. I am now looking forward to receiving photographs for the 2014 calendar. Remember landscape format images (i.e. wider than high) are preferred to portrait format although good portrait photographs are also accepted. Either digital or hard copy photographic prints can be submitted with digital images having to scale up to 11" x 7" at 300dpi minimum resolution.

In 2011 we had a number of enquiries about the submission of photographs taken by professional photographers. FPS Council discussed this issue and decided that images taken by professional photographers could be submitted provided that photographers agreed to the following wording:

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Colour Photo Section



Above, Linnel Rosie II ridden by Carolyn Deane was the overall Fell Winner at the Performance Trials. Photograph by DLT Photography, dltphotography@btinternet.com Below, champion WHP at the Southern Show was Drybarrows Blarny ridden by Sarah O'Halloran. Photo, sbmphotographic.co.uk.





Two photographs from Vyv Wood-Gee of long rides she has undertaken with her Fell ponies: above, the Fell pony version of Snaffles' painting "best view in the world"—heading up Gatescarth Pass; below; High Street; both in Cumbria. See article in People and Ponies for an opportunity to ride these routes.





Above, Susan Don driving Lunesdale Oberon (see People and Ponies) Below: Bob McNamara with Lydvale Jacob, representing the breed at the Christmas Equine Fair held every year near Exeter





Above, Laura Barsoum and Waverhead Copper - Ridden Champion and Reserve Supreme at the Southern Show. Below, Clandon Gabriella and Poppy (Princess on a unicorn with attendant Knight) - fancy dress winners at the Southern Show.

Photos, sbmphotographic.co.uk



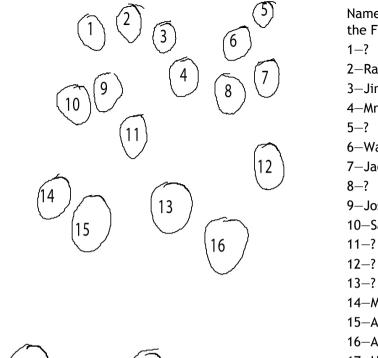
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Additionally, Council agreed that professional photographs would not be eligible for the FPS Calendar Competition and that the judges selecting photographs for the calendar year would not select more than two images taken by professional photographers. It is important then that if you do submit a professional photograph that you make this clear on submission and also inform me that the photographer has agreed to the wording above. Of course full credit will be given to the photographer in the title if such an image is selected by the judges.

The closing date for entries for the 2014 calendar is 8th October 2012. If hard copy photographic prints are submitted then they should be accompanied by a SAE if you would like them to be returned. Digital images can be sent to the following e-mail: ProfBarbaraBrown@aol.com or alternatively CDs and photographic prints can be mailed to Barbara Dunne, West Briscoe, Baldersdale, Barnard Castle, Co. Durham DL12 9UP, U.K. Tel. 01833 650059.



Riders setting off on the Hamsterley Forest Autumn Pleasure Ride run by the North East Support Group in September 2011 (see NESG report).



Names and faces from the Front cover

- 2-Ralph Bellas
- 3-Jim Bell
- 4-Mr Relph
- 6-Walter Tuer
- 7-Jack Williams
- 9-Jos Dargue
- 10-Sam Wood
- 14-Miss Bickersteth
- 15—Ailie Newall and dog
- 16-Amy Edge
- 17-Harry Wales
- 18-Peggy Crossland
- 19--?

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