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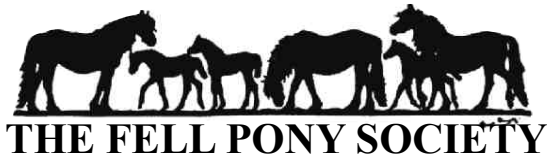
*Dougy and Jackie Parkinson's pair Tynebank Danny Boy and Tynebank Brown Bobby, dealing with the watersplash obstacle at the 2014 Lowther Horse Driving Trials. The Society has awarded Dougy and Jackie (and their ponies) the Edinburgh Prize for Driving for 2014. (More details inside.)*

*Photo, Mark Ridley, TSI Photography.*



Photo: Maxiem van de Koekoekshof

*Berit Magnusson from Sweden with her pony Maxine de Koekoekshof, gathering pine branches for the goats.*



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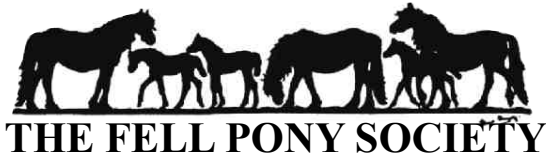
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## Advance Notice of Dates for 2015

**8th March (Sunday)** NESG Training Day / Clinic at Stonechester Farm, North Road, Willington DL15 0TZ.

**21 March (Saturday)** Fell & Dales Warm Up Show at Inglewood Equestrian Centre, Penrith, Cumbria.

**28 March (Saturday)** Annual General Meeting, Orton, Cumbria.

**2 May** Rare Breeds Sale, to include Fell ponies, NW Auctions, Kendal, Cumbria. Tel: 015395 66200, [www.nwauctions.co.uk](http://www.nwauctions.co.uk), e-mail [info@nwauctions.co.uk](mailto:info@nwauctions.co.uk) for details.

**3 May (Sunday)** SWSG Dorset Fell Show, Hurn Bridge Equestrian Centre.

**9 May (Saturday)** Stallion and Colt Show, Dalemain, Ullswater, Penrith, Cumbria.

**9 May (Saturday)** MESG Sandringham Fell Show, 10am start, on the Sandringham Estate, West Newton gate, PE31 6AZ.

**30 May (Saturday)** Cumbria Fell & Dales Pony Show at Greenlands E.C., Wreay, Carlisle.

**6 June (Saturday)** South Cumbria Show, Crooklands, Kendal, Cumbria.

**21 June** NWSG Pleasure Ride, Craven Country Ride, Skipton, North Yorkshire.

**12 July (Sunday)** YPG Southern Convention at The Glyn, Redbrook, Gloucestershire, with a breed talk.

**8 August (Saturday)** Breed Show, Dalemain, Ullswater, Penrith, Cumbria.

**23 August (Sunday)** YPG Greenholme Stud, Cumbria, open morning; buffet lunch and afternoon demo session.

**30 August (Sunday)** NWSG Wellbrow Stud visit, Shawforth, Nr Rochdale, Lancs.

**6 September (Sunday)** NWSG Beach Ride, Silecroft, Millom, Cumbria.

**13 September (Sunday)** MESG Southern Breed Show, Ascott-under-Wychwood, Oxfordshire.

**20 September (Sunday)** Performance Trials, Linnel Wood, Hexham, Northumberland.

**24 October (Saturday)** FPS Show and Sale, NW Auctions, Kendal, Cumbria.

**Autumn Social Date TBA**

**8 Nov (Sunday)** NWSG Foal & Youngstock Show, Newton Rigg, Nr Penrith.

Schedules and entry forms for these events (where relevant) are available via the FPS web site. Printed versions for early events are usually available at the AGM.

Please check with the Office or the web site for any late alterations to dates.

Many other events are listed on the Area Support Groups' pages on the FPS web site.



## Editorial

I was about to prepare the first proof copy of the Magazine and then I realised I hadn't written my editorial!

I have received a good selection of material for this issue, and increasingly it's coming in before the copy deadline, which is wonderful—it makes my life so much easier. The whole magazine has gone together in just a few days instead of the layout having to be dragged about over a week. Thank you to everyone who sent articles and photographs in nice and early. But please excuse the wonky PDF pages of the accounts - that was how they arrived. Wonky.

However, there are plenty of ponies in here to admire and chuckle over: ponies at work and play in many different areas of our lives. Long may they continue to fascinate us.

Sue Millard

Editor

Deadline for the Autumn Magazine is, as always, 1st September.



Photo, Gwen Wordley

*Annie Wordley and Brackenbank Flash Harry share a kiss during an RDA competition.  
Full story on p75.*



## Chairman's Report

Happy New Year! I hope you've all had a better start to 2015 than I've had. On 2nd January I suffered a knee cartilage injury and a sprained tendon. This was very painful and very quickly sent me looking for medical help. My physiotherapist told me I would not be able to ride for 3 - 6 weeks and if I were a horse he would recommend 4 weeks box rest. I found this extremely frustrating as I had clipped one of my ponies so that I could ride all winter. Only a couple more weeks to go!

Since I wrote my last report we have lost one valued member of the society in Mr C D Hall from Cornwall, breeder of the Tredellans Fell Ponies since 2000. He will be greatly missed and our sympathy goes to his family and friends.

When I became FPS Chairman, I set myself the task of attending as many events organised by our support groups as I possibly could. Last September I made the journey down to Oxfordshire to attend the 25th FPS Southern Show which is run by the Midland East Support Group. This was an amazing event which was held on a very exposed field, where you could see all the rings at the same time. Many of the ponies were exhibited in the full range of in-hand, ridden, working hunter and dressage classes. It was a well organised event and everything ran to a tight schedule. There were special rosettes for everyone to commemorate the 25th anniversary. A truly memorable day and I would like to say 'Well done' to all involved with the running of the show.

During October we held an 'Auction of Promises' to raise funds for the FPS. This was organised primarily by Mary Longsdon MBE with support from several Council members. The event was held at The Stoneybeck Inn, close to Penrith and managed to raise almost £3000. The evening started with a hot supper and a good chat with friends before auctioneer, David Jackson helped us to spend our money and bid for the various lots. Claire Simpson had set up an on-line bidding system so you never quite knew who you were bidding against. This turned out to be a fun and profitable evening so I would like to thank all who donated promises and all who bought them.

The FPS Annual Sale took place at the North West Auction Centre at the end of October. I do believe prices were up on the previous year and there was a large crowd of potential buyers. There were several new buyers who had not owned a Fell pony before but were keen to get involved with these ever increasingly popular ponies.

In November I attended the North West Support Group Foal and Youngstock Show. Numbers at the foal show had declined over recent years so youngstock classes were introduced to try and encourage more to attend. I believe that there were 33 entries, which is very good for a November show when our 'hairies' have already put in their very thick coats and are very difficult to prepare for the show ring. I hope this show will go from strength to strength in future years.



During the last 12 months the FPS Council have been considering ways to improve our stallion licensing system. We consistently receive complaints about the poor quality of Fell pony stallions and that inexperienced breeders need more guidance when choosing a stallion for breeding. With this in mind we plan to introduce a grading system at the beginning of 2016. Colts will continue to be licensed at 2yr or older following a satisfactory Vet's inspection. This Vet's inspection will also include the taking of a hair sample for DNA and FIS testing. Stallions licensed during 2016 will then be eligible to be graded when they are 3yrs or 4yrs. A confidential grading sheet will be completed by a panel of 5 inspectors and the stallion will be given a Gold, Silver or Bronze status. The full details of this scheme are still being discussed so more details will be given in the autumn magazine and will be posted on the website towards the end of 2015.

This grading system will be voluntary and will take place at various venues e.g. the FPS Stallion Show, FPS Breed Show and FPS Southern Show.

I would like to thank HRH The Duke of Edinburgh for agreeing to donate the 'Edinburgh Prize' for driving achievements. Bob Charlton and Sir Brian McGrath have been in correspondence for some time agreeing the details but now the first of twenty-five 'Edinburgh Prizes' has arrived at the office and will be presented to the honourable winner at the AGM in March. Each 'Edinburgh Prize' is to be won outright and kept as a lifetime reminder of their achievement. This kind of invaluable support is very encouraging to our driving members both here in the UK and abroad.

Finally, please enjoy reading your magazine. Sue Millard puts many hours of work into arranging and editing this superb document so please read it from cover to cover. I expect to meet many of you at events this summer and hope you continue to enjoy your Fell ponies.

Eileen A Walker



### **“Wanted” request—Plough harness?**

**WANTED** 2 sets of ploughing harness to fit 13.2 Fell Ponies. Contact Joanne, 07814533796.



## Secretary and Treasurer's Report

### Secretary's Report

As I write this report at the end of January, I'm approaching having been in this office for a year. It seems to be working well and our landlord is happy for us to be using the space. The down side of being in Appleby is 3 hour disc parking as I recently found when I obtained a £25 parking fine for not moving my car at the end of a 3 hour period, it won't happen again!

The number of foal registrations has fallen again with a total of 233 registered to date (compared to last years total of 274) and just 1 or 2 still to complete.

The RBST have recently notified us that we remain in Category 4 on the 'At Risk' register for 2015. However, this year for the first time they are to indicate on the Watchlist the decline in number of females.

We have recently been visited by a Company, Equiventus Ltd, on behalf of DEFRA to carry out an Audit. The purpose of the audit was to ensure that as a PIO the Society meets the Minimum Operating Standards for the purpose of issuing passports, as set out by DEFRA. We will receive a report of the Audit from DEFRA in due course but early indications are that the Society's procedures, practices and policies are in order.

I have recently been joined in the office by Carol Farrall who will be working a few hours each week to help ensure the office runs smoothly and efficiently.

I would like to remind you to take the time to use your proxy vote, if you cannot attend the EGM and AGM.

### Treasurer's Report

As you will see from the accounts included in your magazine, the Society has made a profit in the last financial year. This was largely due to the funds raised from the Promise Auction in October and generous sponsorship received for the shows in 2014. Well done to all those involved. We succeeded in reducing our expenditure again this year, mainly due to reductions in salary costs and a £1000 government subsidy reducing employer National Insurance for small businesses from 1 April 2014. Elizabeth continues to draw up a draft budget and reports to Eileen monthly so that we can track how we are going.

Thank you to all those who have renewed their 2015 membership already and we look forward to receiving payments from those outstanding, in due course. Thanks to the Horserace Betting Levy Board who have again confirmed that they will be awarding the grant as last year—we are very grateful that we are still eligible for this.

Best wishes  
Katherine Wilkinson



## From the Office

Thank you all those owners who have sent in passports for updating by adding the section IX. We are planning to contact those owners who haven't already done so.

Any passports issued prior to 10 June 2004 may not have been updated with a 'section IX' page (usually the back page). Without this page, **the passport is no longer valid**. This page does not necessarily need to be completed but must be present. Contact the office if you think a passport needs updating. Where a new Section IX is added to an old passport, the FPS must stamp Part II to declare the equine as not intended for human consumption.

The Society's Facebook page is not administered from the office, therefore if you have specific query please call the office, Tel: 017683 53100 or email [secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk](mailto:secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk)

Just a reminder that it is a legal requirement that change of ownership should be notified to the Society within 30 days of the change. Also don't forget to send in the passport for updating when a pony has been gelded. There should be a form in the back of the passport or you can download one from the website.



## Letters

As I write, winter is definitely here, snow on the ground, water frozen, etc. I look out of the window - the horses are standing on the yard and the top of the field in the icy wind even though they have a huge barn to use. They have the snow on their backs and their bottoms to the wind. It just shows how tough our little Fells are.

I have not made many plans for this year after a slightly disappointing 2014. At the moment I find myself juggling time between the farm, work, and caring for my Mum and Dad. I'm doing a bit with the youngsters in hand when I can; it will be much easier soon when the nights get lighter.

Bonnie Lad is doing a wonderful job of looking after the foal out of the Arab mare who sadly had to be put down just before I was going to wean him. I am lucky to have such a lovely stallion.

I'm starting the usual preparations for foaling, calving and lambing next door's sheep.

It's time now to walk the dogs and do evening rounds before "Ice Road Truckers" starts!

Foal Syke Farm, Bishop Auckland



## **THE FELL PONY SOCIETY**

Company No 3233346

Registered Charity No 1104945

### **NOTICE OF EXTRAORDINARY GENERAL MEETING**

An Extraordinary General Meeting of the Fell Pony Society will be held at Orton Market Hall, Orton, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3RJ on **Saturday 28 March 2015** at 1.00pm for the purpose of considering, and if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions which will be proposed as Special Resolutions.

#### **ALTERATION TO THE DESCRIPTION OF THE FELL PONY AND SCALE OF POINTS**

##### **Special Resolution:**

that Clause 18 (Breed Standard) of the Memorandum and Articles of Association be amended as follows:

##### **Description of the Fell Pony**

From: General Characteristics

To: Breed Type / General Characteristics

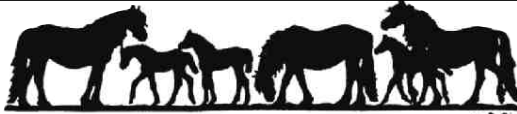
##### **SCALE OF POINTS**

From: General Characteristics 25

To: Breed Type / General Characteristics 100

#### **Notice of General Meeting - Memorandum and Articles of Association**

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.



## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

Company No 3233346

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### NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To held at Orton Market Hall, Orton, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3RJ on Saturday 28  
March 2015 at 1.00pm

#### AGENDA

1. Apologies for absence
2. Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes 29 March 2014
3. Matters arising from the Minutes
4. Chairman's Report
5. Election of President
6. Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31st October 2014
7. Resolution to appoint Brosnans Chartered Accountants as Accountants to the Society
8. Secretary/Treasurer's Report
9. Reports from Sub-Committees
10. Any Other Business—Members should notify the Secretary, in writing, of any matters relating to the Accounts, or any matter requiring a detailed answer that they wish to include in the Agenda under "Any Other Business". The Society's officers can then respond fully to any concerns. However, such business, if not raised in this way will not be discussed. Notifications must be received by the Secretary no later than Friday 13th March 2015.
11. Presentation of Awards

The afternoon will conclude with tea and a raffle—prizes appreciated.

**N.B.** Minutes from the Annual General Meeting of 29 March 2014 were printed in the Autumn 2014 Magazine, which can also be read on the FPS web site (under "Newsletters").

**THE FELL PONY SOCIETY**  
**A COMPANY LIMITED BY GUARANTEE**  
**FINANCIAL STATEMENTS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014**

**THE FELL PONY SOCIETY**  
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**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014**

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**THE FELL PONY SOCIETY**  
**REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014**

The trustees who are also directors of the charity for the purposes of the Companies Act 2006, present their report with the financial statements of the charity for the year ended 31 October 2014. The trustees have adopted the provisions of the Statement of Recommended Practice (SORP) 'Accounting and Reporting by Charities' issued in March 2005.

**REFERENCE AND ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS**

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**Registered Charity number**

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Mr J E Greener

Miss M G Longsdon MBE

Mr G H B Mallinson

Mr P Metcalfe

Mrs C S Millard

Mrs M C Murray

- resigned 7.1.14

Mr W Potter

Mr J M Rawlinson

Mr C C Roberts

Mrs C H Robinson

Miss C E Simpson

- appointed 29.3.14

Mr D Wilkinson

**Company Secretary**

Mrs K Wilkinson

THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

REPORT OF THE TRUSTEES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

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**COMMENCEMENT OF ACTIVITIES**

The Fell Pony Society is a company limited by guarantee and a registered charity. It was incorporated on 2nd August 1996 and registered as a charity with effect from 9th November 2004. The company is governed by the Board of Directors and Trustees in accordance with its Memorandum and Articles of Association.

**STRUCTURE, GOVERNANCE AND MANAGEMENT**

**Governing document**

The charity is controlled by its governing document, a deed of trust, and constitutes a limited company, limited by guarantee, as defined by the Companies Act 2006.

**Risk management**

The trustees have a duty to identify and review the risks to which the charity is exposed and to ensure appropriate controls are in place to provide reasonable assurance against fraud and error.

**OBJECTIVES AND ACTIVITIES**

**Significant activities**

The company's principal activity during the year was acting as a breed society.

**FINANCIAL REVIEW**

**Reserves policy**

The trustees have reviewed the reserves of the Charity. This review encompassed the nature of the Society's continued commitments and future growth. The review concluded that to allow the charity to be managed efficiently and to provide a buffer for uninterrupted services, a general reserve equivalent to approximately 75% or 9 months of fund expenditure should be maintained.

Approved by order of the board of trustees on 6 January 2015 and signed on its behalf by:



Mrs E A Walker - Trustee



**INDEPENDENT EXAMINER'S REPORT TO THE TRUSTEES OF  
THE FELL PONY SOCIETY**

I report on the accounts for the year ended 31 October 2014 set out on pages five to fourteen.

**Respective responsibilities of trustees and examiner**

The charity's trustees (who are also the directors for the purposes of company law) are responsible for the preparation of the accounts. The charity's trustees consider that an audit is not required for this year (under Section 144(2) of the Charities Act 2011 (the 2011 Act)) and that an independent examination is required.

Having satisfied myself that the charity is not subject to audit under company law and is eligible for independent examination, it is my responsibility to:

- examine the accounts under Section 145 of the 2011 Act
- to follow the procedures laid down in the General Directions given by the Charity Commission (under Section 145(5)(b) of the 2011 Act); and
- to state whether particular matters have come to my attention.

**Basis of the independent examiner's report**

My examination was carried out in accordance with the General Directions given by the Charity Commission. An examination includes a review of the accounting records kept by the charity and a comparison of the accounts presented with those records. It also includes consideration of any unusual items or disclosures in the accounts, and seeking explanations from you as trustees concerning any such matters. The procedures undertaken do not provide all the evidence that would be required in an audit, and consequently no opinion is given as to whether the accounts present a 'true and fair view' and the report is limited to those matters set out in the statements below.

**Independent examiner's statement**

In connection with my examination, no matter has come to my attention:

- (1) which gives me reasonable cause to believe that, in any material respect, the requirements
  - to keep accounting records in accordance with Section 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006; and
  - to prepare accounts which accord with the accounting records, comply with the accounting requirements of Sections 394 and 395 of the Companies Act 2006 and with the methods and principles of the Statement of Recommended Practice: Accounting and Reporting by Charitieshave not been met; or
- (2) to which, in my opinion, attention should be drawn in order to enable a proper understanding of the accounts to be reached.



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14 January 2014

THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
(INCORPORATING AN INCOME AND EXPENDITURE ACCOUNT)  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

	Note	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total funds £	2014 Total funds	2013 Total funds
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>						
<b>Incoming resources from generated funds</b>						
Voluntary income	2	29,987	-	29,987	29,987	29,974
Activities for generating funds	3	6,025	-	6,025	6,025	2,398
Investment income	4	24	-	24	24	24
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>						
Fees	5	17,255	-	17,255	17,255	13,392
Grants		-	3,820	3,820	3,820	3,820
Sales		8,875	-	8,875	8,875	8,504
Shows and Other Events		6,637	-	6,637	6,637	6,174
Pony Sales List		680	-	680	680	723
<b>Total incoming resources</b>		<b>69,483</b>	<b>3,820</b>	<b>73,303</b>	<b>73,303</b>	<b>65,009</b>
<b>RESOURCES EXPENDED</b>						
<b>Charitable activities</b>						
Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects	6	44,233	3,820	48,053	48,053	50,621
<b>Governance costs</b>		<b>15,772</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>15,772</b>	<b>15,772</b>	<b>17,292</b>
<b>Total resources expended</b>		<b>60,005</b>	<b>3,820</b>	<b>63,825</b>	<b>63,825</b>	<b>67,913</b>
<b>NET INCOME/(EXPENDITURE) FOR THE YEAR</b>						
		9,478	-	9,478	9,478	(2,904)
<b>RECONCILIATION OF FUNDS</b>						
<b>Total funds brought forward</b>		<b>61,018</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>61,018</b>	<b>61,018</b>	<b>63,922</b>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>70,496</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>70,496</b>	<b>70,496</b>	<b>61,018</b>

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THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

BALANCE SHEET  
AT 31 OCTOBER 2014

	Note	Unrestricted fund £	Restricted fund £	Total £	2014 funds Total	2013 funds Total
<b>FIXED ASSETS</b>						
Tangible assets	12	13,371	-	13,371		13,436
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>						
Stocks		4,701	-	4,701		5,792
Debtors	13	-	-	-		195
Prepayments and accrued income		2,227	-	2,227		1,926
Cash at bank and in hand		<u>54,103</u>	-	<u>54,103</u>		<u>45,089</u>
		61,031	-	61,031		53,002
<b>CREDITORS</b>						
Amounts falling due within one year	14	(3,906)	-	(3,906)		(5,420)
<b>NET CURRENT ASSETS</b>		<u>57,125</u>	-	<u>57,125</u>		<u>47,582</u>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>		<u>70,496</u>	-	<u>70,496</u>		<u>61,018</u>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<u>70,496</u>	-	<u>70,496</u>		<u>61,018</u>
<b>FUNDS</b>						
Unrestricted funds:	15					
General fund				70,496		61,018
Restricted funds:				-		-
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>				<u>70,496</u>		<u>61,018</u>

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**THE FELL PONY SOCIETY**  
**BALANCE SHEET - CONTINUED**  
**AT 31 OCTOBER 2014**

The charitable company is entitled to exemption from audit under Section 477 of the Companies Act 2006 for the year ended 31 October 2014.

The members have not required the charitable company to obtain an audit of its financial statements for the year ended 31 October 2014 in accordance with Section 476 of the Companies Act 2006.

The trustees acknowledge their responsibilities for


- (a) ensuring that the charitable company keeps accounting records that comply with Sections 386 and 387 of the Companies Act 2006 and
- (b) preparing financial statements which give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the charitable company as at the end of each financial year and of its surplus or deficit for each financial year in accordance with the requirements of Sections 394 and 395 and which otherwise comply with the requirements of the Companies Act 2006 relating to financial statements, so far as applicable to the charitable company.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with the special provisions of Part 15 of the Companies Act 2006 relating to small charitable companies and with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008).

The financial statements were approved by the Board of Trustees on 6 January 2015 and were signed on its behalf by:



Mrs E A Walker -Trustee



Mr A Thorpe -Trustee

The notes form part of these financial statements

## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

#### 1. ACCOUNTING POLICIES

##### **Accounting convention**

The financial statements have been prepared under the historical cost convention, and in accordance with the Financial Reporting Standard for Smaller Entities (effective April 2008), the Companies Act 2006 and the requirements of the Statement of Recommended Practice, Accounting and Reporting by Charities.

##### **Incoming resources**

All incoming resources are included on the Statement of Financial Activities when the charity is legally entitled to the income and the amount can be quantified with reasonable accuracy.

##### **Resources expended**

Expenditure is accounted for on an accruals basis and has been classified under headings that aggregate all cost related to the category. Where costs cannot be directly attributed to particular headings they have been allocated to activities on a basis consistent with the use of resources.

##### **Tangible fixed assets**

Depreciation is provided at the following annual rates in order to write off each asset over its estimated useful life.

Equipment	- 25% on reducing balance
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##### **Stocks**

Stocks are valued at the lower of cost and net realisable value, after making due allowance for obsolete and slow moving items.

##### **Taxation**

The charity is exempt from corporation tax on its charitable activities.

##### **Fund accounting**

Unrestricted funds can be used in accordance with the charitable objectives at the discretion of the trustees.

Restricted funds can only be used for particular restricted purposes within the objects of the charity. Restrictions arise when specified by the donor or when funds are raised for particular restricted purposes.

Further explanation of the nature and purpose of each fund is included in the notes to the financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

2. VOLUNTARY INCOME

	2014	2013
	£	£
Donations	1,686	2,271
Gift Aid	-	56
Subscriptions	27,526	27,048
Affiliation Fees	775	599
	<u>29,987</u>	<u>29,974</u>

3. ACTIVITIES FOR GENERATING FUNDS

	2014	2013
	£	£
Advertising/Sponsorship	1,575	10
200 Club	1,345	1,992
Raffle	489	396
Promise Auction	2,616	-
	<u>6,025</u>	<u>2,398</u>

4. INVESTMENT INCOME

	2014	2013
	£	£
Deposit account interest	24	24

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

5. INCOMING RESOURCES FROM CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	Activity	2014 £	2013 £
Registration	Fees	3,825	3,270
Transfers	Fees	8,015	6,577
Duplicate Passports	Fees	445	415
Prefix Applications	Fees	655	550
Stallion Licences	Fees	3,640	1,475
Passports	Fees	80	100
DNA	Fees	595	1,005
Horsrace Betting Levy Board	Grants	3,820	3,820
Stud Books and Gifts	Sales	8,875	8,504
Shows and Other Events	Shows and Other Events	6,637	6,174
Pony Sales List	Pony Sales List	680	723
		<u>37,267</u>	<u>32,613</u>

6. CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES COSTS

	Direct costs (See note 7) £	Totals £
Costs of activities in furtherance of the charity's objects	<u>48,053</u>	<u>48,053</u>

THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

7. DIRECT COSTS OF CHARITABLE ACTIVITIES

	2014	2013
	£	£
Staff costs	13,914	18,546
Insurance	3,025	3,012
Telephone	697	359
Advertising	323	210
Show and Exhibition Expenses	6,307	6,647
Prizes - Premiums (H.B.L.B)	3,933	4,440
Affiliation Fees	145	353
Prefix Registrations	325	320
Postage	2,747	2,094
Printing and Stationery	2,984	2,974
Computer Expenses	1,005	815
Travelling Expenses	73	544
Sundry Expenses	-	10
200 Club	1,075	1,188
DNA Expenses	2,422	2,133
Stud Books and Gifts	8,306	6,156
FIS Expenses	772	820
	<u>48,053</u>	<u>50,621</u>

8. SUPPORT COSTS

	Management
	£
Governance costs	<u>15,772</u>

Support costs, included in the above, are as follows:



THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

8. SUPPORT COSTS - continued

Management

	2014 Governance costs £	2013 Total activities £
Salaries and Wages	4,397	5,833
Social Security Costs	126	368
Insurance	364	362
Telephone	233	120
Honoraria	289	250
Postages	4,000	4,000
Printing and Stationery	3,650	3,977
Computer Expenses	335	272
Room Hire	985	100
Office Overheads	166	455
Travelling Expenses	-	320
Accountancy Charges	1,162	1,148
Depreciation of tangible and heritage assets	65	87
	<u>15,772</u>	<u>17,292</u>

9. NET INCOMING/(OUTGOING) RESOURCES

Net resources are stated after charging/(crediting):

	2014 £	2013 £
Depreciation - owned assets	<u>65</u>	<u>87</u>

10. TRUSTEES' REMUNERATION AND BENEFITS

There were no trustees' remuneration or other benefits for the year ended 31 October 2014 nor for the year ended 31 October 2013.

Trustees' expenses

There were no trustees' expenses paid for the year ended 31 October 2014 nor for the year ended 31 October 2013.

THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

11. STAFF COSTS

	2014	2013
	£	£
Wages and salaries	17,933	23,276
Social security costs	504	1,471
	<u>18,437</u>	<u>24,747</u>

The average monthly number of employees during the year was as follows:

	2014	2013
Administration	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>

No employees received emoluments in excess of £60,000.

12. TANGIBLE FIXED ASSETS

	Trophies £	Equipment £	Totals £
<b>COST</b>			
At 1 November 2013 and 31 October 2014	<u>13,175</u>	<u>6,647</u>	<u>19,822</u>
<b>DEPRECIATION</b>			
At 1 November 2013	-	6,386	6,386
Charge for year	-	65	65
At 31 October 2014	-	<u>6,451</u>	<u>6,451</u>
<b>NET BOOK VALUE</b>			
At 31 October 2014	<u>13,175</u>	<u>196</u>	<u>13,371</u>
At 31 October 2013	<u>13,175</u>	<u>261</u>	<u>13,436</u>

Trophies have been brought into the accounts at their current market value. If depreciation had been provided as required by Financial Accounting Standard No 15 the additional depreciation charge would have been in the region of £3,294.

13. DEBTORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2014	2013
	£	£
Trade debtors	<u>-</u>	<u>195</u>

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS - CONTINUED  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

14. CREDITORS: AMOUNTS FALLING DUE WITHIN ONE YEAR

	2014	2013
	£	£
Trade creditors	2,376	4,025
Social security and other taxes	160	127
Accruals	<u>1,370</u>	<u>1,268</u>
	<u>3,906</u>	<u>5,420</u>

15. MOVEMENT IN FUNDS

	At 1.11.13	Net movement in funds	At 31.10.14
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	61,018	9,478	70,496
	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>61,018</u>	<u>9,478</u>	<u>70,496</u>

Net movement in funds, included in the above are as follows:

	Incoming resources	Resources expended	Movement in funds
	£	£	£
<b>Unrestricted funds</b>			
General fund	69,483	(60,005)	9,478
<b>Restricted funds</b>			
Horseshoe Betting Levy Board	3,820	(3,820)	-
	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>	<u>        </u>
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<u>73,303</u>	<u>(63,825)</u>	<u>9,478</u>

THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

	2014	2013
	£	£
<b>INCOMING RESOURCES</b>		
<b>Voluntary income</b>		
Donations	1,686	2,271
Gift Aid	-	56
Subscriptions	27,526	27,048
Affiliation Fees	<u>775</u>	<u>599</u>
	29,987	29,974
<b>Activities for generating funds</b>		
Advertising/Sponsorship	1,575	10
200 Club	1,345	1,992
Raffle	489	396
Promise Auction	<u>2,616</u>	<u>-</u>
	6,025	2,398
<b>Investment income</b>		
Deposit account interest	24	24
<b>Incoming resources from charitable activities</b>		
Horseace Betting Levy Board	3,820	3,820
Stud Books and Gifts	8,875	8,504
Shows and Other Events	6,637	6,174
Pony Sales List	680	723
Registration	3,825	3,270
Transfers	8,015	6,577
Duplicate Passports	445	415
Prefix Applications	655	550
Stallion Licences	3,640	1,475
Passports	80	100
DNA	<u>595</u>	<u>1,005</u>
	<u>37,267</u>	<u>32,613</u>
<b>Total incoming resources</b>	<b>73,303</b>	<b>65,009</b>

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THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

DETAILED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES  
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 OCTOBER 2014

RESOURCES EXPENDED	2014	2013
	£	£
<b>Charitable activities</b>		
Salaries and Wages	13,536	17,443
Social Security Costs	378	1,103
Insurance	3,025	3,012
Telephone	697	359
Advertising	323	210
Show and Exhibition Expenses	6,307	6,647
Prizes - Premiums (H.B.L.B)	3,933	4,440
Affiliation Fees	145	353
Prefix Registrations	325	320
Postage	2,747	2,094
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<b>Support costs</b>		
<b>Management</b>		
Salaries and Wages	4,397	5,833
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Office Overheads	166	455
Travelling Expenses	-	320
Accountancy Charges	1,162	1,148
Depreciation	65	87
	<u>15,772</u>	<u>17,292</u>
<b>Total resources expended</b>	<u>63,825</u>	<u>67,913</u>
<b>Net income/(expenditure)</b>	<u>9,478</u>	<u>(2,904)</u>

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## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### Fees & Charges

	UK		Overseas	
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member
<b>Registration</b> to 30 November				
Colt	£10	£20	£15	£25
Filly	£15	£30	£20	£35
<b>December</b>				
Colt	£20	£40	£25	£45
Filly	£30	£60	£35	£65
<b>Late Registration</b>	£50	£100	£55	£105
(does not include cost of parentage test)				
<b>Transfer</b>	£10	£20	£15	£25
<b>Transfer to Gelding</b>	FOC	FOC	FOC	FOC
<b>Prefix</b>	£40	£50	£60	£70
<b>Stallion Licence</b>	See page 32			
<b>FIS Kit</b>	£40	£50	£45	£55
<b>DNA Kit</b>	£50	£60	£55	£65
<b>Duplicate Passport</b>	£50	£60	£55	£65
(does not include cost of parentage test)				

### FELL PONY SOCIETY BANK DETAILS

Account Name: The Fell Pony Society Limited.

Bank: Lloyds, Penrith.

Address: 5 - 6 King Street, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 7AP.

Sort Code: 30-16-28. Account Number: 00254896.

BIC LOYDGB21572. IBAN GB86 LOYD 3016 2800 2548 96.

All Bank transfers should be in English pounds sterling - any charges should be paid in the country of origin. Also, our bank makes a charge for the receipt of an electronic transfer from overseas - please add £2 for transactions up to £100 and £7 for transactions greater than £100.



## 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 for the election of Council if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid on or before 15 February or to vote at an EGM/AGM if his/her subscription has not been paid by the date of the meeting (28 March 2015).

If subscriptions have not been received by the time we send out the Spring Magazine, a reminder slip is enclosed. Alternatively, members can arrange to pay their subscription by standing order on 1 January each year.



## FPS Stallion Licensing

It is compulsory for a colt/stallion to be FIS tested before a Stallion License can be issued. The FIS test fee will no longer be refunded.

The fees for a Stallion License application are:

	To include DNA & FIS kits	If already FIS tested*
UK member	£120	£80
UK non member	£240	£200
Overseas member	£125	£85
Overseas non-member	£245	£205

If already FIS tested, proof will be required (either sight of Certificate or confirmation from a relevant laboratory , eg. AHT, that colt/stallion has been tested).

If already DNA typed please apply to the office for appropriate fees.



## FIS Test results

Pony passports can be endorsed to indicate that the pony has been FIS tested. The result of the test may also be indicated if the owner wishes it. Passports will be endorsed by the Secretary who will need to see the relevant FIS certificate. There will be no charge, but if passports are sent in to the office for endorsement, return postage would be appreciated.





## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### Sub-Committees

#### **Conservation Grazing Sub-Committee**

Chairman: Mrs Eileen A Walker, Telephone: 01388 763607.

E-mail: [eileen@rackwoodfellponies.co.uk](mailto:eileen@rackwoodfellponies.co.uk)

Mrs CH Robinson, Mrs S Charlton, Miss R Dalton, Miss N Evans, Mr A Thorpe

#### **Judges Sub-Committee**

Chairman: Mrs Jean Ward, 10 The Hawthorns, Wigton CA79LE. Telephone 01697 342600.

Secretary: Ms Anne Armstrong-Foxton, Beckside, Rosehill, Gilsland, Carlisle, CA87DP. E-mail: [anne.a\\_foxton@btinternet.com](mailto:anne.a_foxton@btinternet.com)

Five judges from the FPS Panel are chosen at random at a Council meeting to serve on this Committee. Of these five, two are selected to remain on for two years, with 3 new judges selected at random plus two as reserves.

#### **Overseas Sub-Committee**

Chairman: Mrs Sue Millard, Daw Bank, Greenholme, Tebay, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3TA. Telephone: 01539 624636. E-mail: [sue@dawbank.co.uk](mailto:sue@dawbank.co.uk)

Mrs GM Callister, Mr J Greener, Mr GHB Mallinson, Mr C Roberts,  
Mrs CH Robinson.

#### **Show Sub-Committee**

Chairman: Mrs CH Robinson, North Fell Dyke, Lamplugh, Workington, Cumbria, CA14 4SH. Telephone: 01946 861302.

E-mail: [Christine@kerbeck-fell-ponies.co.uk](mailto:Christine@kerbeck-fell-ponies.co.uk)

Secretary: Miss R Brunskill. E-mail: [fpsshowsecretary@hotmail.com](mailto:fpsshowsecretary@hotmail.com)

Mr I Brunskill, Mr M Goddard, Mr B Mallinson, Miss H Mawrey and Mr D Wilkinson.



## Council Elections 2015

The following retire and are eligible for re-election: Mrs S Charlton, Mrs G M Cockbain. Mr M Rawlinson and Mr J Greener retire and do not wish to stand for re-election. Miss MG Longsdon is retiring with effect from the AGM.

Two candidates have been proposed: Mrs A W Bell and Mr M Goddard. There are five places to fill and four candidates. There is therefore no requirement to hold an election, but the candidates' 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.

### New candidates for 2015

#### Alison Bell—prefix, Lownthwaite



I have been involved with Fell Ponies all my life and I am the fifth generation to breed Lownthwaite Fell Ponies. The Lownthwaite Fell Ponies run as a semi-feral herd on the Northern Pennines and I hope that I will be able to continue to keep them in their natural environment, in the traditional manner, for as long as I am able to do so.

I enjoy competing at local, county and national events in a range of disciplines promoting and demonstrating the versatility of the breed. My main interests include breeding, showing and carriage driving.

I feel it is important to encourage the younger members, as this is where the future lies. But it is equally important to support the traditional aspects of the breed as these are what have shaped the ponies to become those that we admire and love.

#### Michael Goddard—prefix, Bewcastle

My family have been keeping fell ponies since 1973, so from a early age I have been involved with Fells. Joining forces with Mary Longsdon and the Bewcastles Fell ponies in 1993, I have tried to carry on breeding and showing a true to type

Fell pony with correct conformation, good movement to meet the breed standards set out by breeders and Society members many years ago.



Being a lowland breeder and having judged Fell ponies here and abroad for many years, I can see the importance for the Society to try and maintain the semi-feral herds so we can all return for a basis for our stock to keep them hardy and true to type.

I think it is particularly important for the society to support young members, and last year I helped to start the FPS Young Persons Group to educate members on FPS conformation, breed type and a great understanding of the semi-feral herds.

For many years I have been a active member of the FPS, running the FPS South West support group and a member of Southern show FPS committee and enjoyed helping at the FPS breed show. If elected I would support and

contribute to the Society ensuring that our traditional tough working breed thrives for future.

## **Council members returned for 2015**

### **Sarah Charlton—prefix, Linnel; (3)**

For five years I have represented members, on the Fell Pony Society Council, and I thank you all for your support. As I suspected it has been a steep learning curve but one that I have enjoyed. The Fell Pony is a pony bred all over the world, to our breed standards, not just on the Cumbrian Fells, with a far reaching membership. We must listen to all and understand your different problems and needs from far and wide, but membership must be aware of the constraints we have to observe from the EU, DEFRA, and other regulatory offices. That being said, the importance of the core base of Fell ponies bred, born and raised, in Cumbria, on their traditional fell, must be encouraged and helped, regardless of bureaucracy from afar.

We are at a cross roads at present and could lose the exceptional hardiness and wonderful



action that our Fell Pony has always been known for—as a working pony. Conformation, temperament and action have always been a priority at the Linnels Stud. I would like to promote the active little ponies, who move, and due to their conformation could winter on the high fells—our working ponies, who do a brilliant job as ambassadors of our breed, in the show ring and, even more important, those who do every other job in a myriad of spheres and give so much pleasure to people of all ages.

Please approach and talk to me (or ring or email) when I am out and about this year—tell me your problems—ask me questions—I may have the answer and I will try and help. I will continue to encourage the next generation of breeders—we are just custodians of a very precious heritage. One we must not lose.

**Glenis Cockbain—prefix, Carrock; (4)**



I have been involved with Fell ponies all my life, initially helping my father Eddie Wilson with his ponies and now showing and breeding ponies under the Carrock prefix with the help of my sons John and James.

I have served on council for several years and in the past have helped run the Fell pony 200 club and was also a member of the trainee judging panel. I believe strongly in helping to encourage young people to become involved with Fell ponies and look at new ways of helping to promote the breed. At the same time I am a strong believer in preserving traditional breed characteristics and explaining why these are important. If re-elected I will continue to do as much as I can to promote the Fell pony and help the society in any way I can.





## Election of President

Our President Mrs C Ross-Thomson's term of office ends in 2015.

Nominations for this position needed to be with the Society by 1 January. One nomination has been received, for Miss Mary Longsdon MBE, who has indicated that she is willing to stand.

Members will be asked if they approve this appointment at the AGM.



## FPS Endurance Awards 2014

### **Highest Mileage Competitive Award**

Fiona Carradus, Littletree Smokey Joe: 99km.

### **High Point Award**

Fiona Carradus, Littletree Smokey Joe: 154 points.

### **Highest Mileage Pleasure Ride Award**

1 Fiona Carradus, Littletree Smokey Joe: 253km.

2 Margaret Plank, Townend Dillon: 106km.

3 Liz Worthy, Dalewin Beauty: 83km.

### **Accumulative Kilometres**

Liz Worthy, Dalewin Beauty: 2,000km (2,006km).

Fiona Carradus, Littletree Smokey Joe: 1,500km (1,535km).

Full details of the Awards are available on the FPS website. To take part, please contact Fiona Carradus, Overdale, Crook Road, Staveley, Cumbria LA8 9NG; e-mail [fionacarradus682@btinternet.com](mailto:fionacarradus682@btinternet.com) or tel: 01539 821790.



## The 200 Club: Draws 2014

	Nos	Name	Prize
<b>Sept '14</b>			
1st	333	Mr B Mallinson	£25.00
2nd	316	Ms J Parker	£15.00
3rd	358	Miss A Stocks	£10.00
4th	314	Mrs E Nichols	£5.00
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4th	327	Miss M G Longsdon	£5.00
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## 25th Anniversary FPS Southern Show

The 2014 Southern Show, which took place on 14 September 2014 at Crown Farm, Ascott-under-Wychwood, was the 25th show since Mary Longsdon and Angela Einon first had the idea of running a breed show in the south of England. For the past 26 years, with the exception of 2008 when the show was cancelled due to wet weather, the show has hosted the largest single gathering of Fell ponies anywhere south of Liverpool. This year was no exception - we had over sixty ponies entered with competitors coming from Cornwall, Sussex, Cumbria, Durham and all points in between. As well as the usual range of showing classes the show held anniversary art and baking competitions, and the catalogue was illustrated with Fell pony themed artwork (see copy on the show website).

Judge Mr Paul Metcalfe chose Amanda Rodger's three year old filly Wellbrow Elsie as his youngstock champion, while George Guy and Leanne Russell's two year old Severnvale Mary-Rose was reserve. In the mare ring Mrs Christine Morton selected Mr D Thompson's Drybarrows Jess, shown by Frances Miller, as champion, and Eileen Walker's Rackwood Maggie May was reserve. Jane Glass & Jane Rawden's Murthwaite Looks Promising took the gelding championship, with Lorna Brook's Hemleyhill Genesis reserve, under judge Mrs A Bell. Wellbrow Elsie went on to take the inland championship, with Drybarrows Jess II as reserve.

The Inter-Area In-hand Championship, for the Bewcastle Boy Blue Trophy, welcomed representatives from all area groups except Scotland this year. It was the first year that the North West Area Group had sent representatives and Drybarrows Jess II did them proud and took reserve with Midlands West representative Wellbrow Elsie taking the championship. All qualifiers received stunning blue and white rosettes. Contact your area support group to find out how you can qualify for 2015.

The ridden classes meant the afternoon was as busy as usual. The children's classes attracted a small but quality entry; Greenholme Yabadabadoo, ridden by Holly Mayling, was champion while Lunesdale War Dance, ridden by Lucy Jones, took reserve. Children's Turnout Champion was Sleddale Tommy ridden by Ryan Davies.

In the mare classes Leanne Russell made a rare outing in the saddle to win the Traditional Ridden class with Severnvale Gypsy Rose, while Lucy Hogg and Wansfell Anzin took both open and novice classes. Lunesdale War Dance won the novice geldings, and Murthwaite Looks Promising ridden by Jane Rawden had a successful afternoon, winning the Olympia qualifier, the Ridden Geldings, the Traditional Ridden Geldings and Stallions and then going on to take the ridden championship, with Greenholme Yabadabadoo reserve. Wellbrow Elsie took the supreme championship and Murthwaite Looks Promising was reserve.

Outside the showing rings the working hunter, dressage and handy pony competitions were as busy as usual. As usual standards were high in both working

hunter and dressage classes. Peta Robert's versatile stallion Waverhead Dazzler II was WHP champion and won both Prelim and Novice dressage classes. Greenholme Yabadabadoo was reserve WHP champion and Murthwaite John Tom, ridden by Nicola Mayling, won the walk/trot dressage.

The show only happens because of a wonderful team of helpers and because of the support of many generous sponsors, not least Roger and Sue Muttitt of Seatallan Engineering Ltd. All 2014 sponsors are entitled to an anniversary rosette - if you haven't got yours please contact the show secretary. Show photos, results and details about next year's show are all on [www.fellsouthernshow.com](http://www.fellsouthernshow.com)

Georgina Blair



## Assessment Training Day—Please can you help?



### Your Master Judges Need You!

We are holding our annual Assessment Training Day in September for Trainee Judges. We need a good selection of ponies and their riders/handlers so that candidates undergo scrutiny of their judging skills under the watchful eyes of our current Master Judges panel.

The Council has allowed me to book Greenlands Equestrian Centre, Wreay, Carlisle, which gives us access to the small ring in the indoor arena and the cafe.

Volunteers and their ponies would be required for approximately two hours (from 10.00am to 12 noon) to be involved in Ridden Class and In Hand.

If you can give us a hand please contact me:

Anne Foxton

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## NWASG Foal and Youngstock Show, 2 November 2014

The Fell Pony Society North West Area Group (NWAG) held a Foal & Youngstock Show at Newton Rigg, Penrith on Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> November. The NWAG is very grateful to joint show sponsors, Alison Wales Bell Equine Massage and Dalefoot Compost of Askham; to Gordon and Frances Miller and the Drybarrows Fell Pony Stud for the lovely rosettes and sashes; and to Dr. Jane Barker, Haweswater Fell Ponies, for the prize money. It was a beautiful autumn day and luckily the rain held off until the show had finished. Frances Miller, Anne Hogg and their Team did a great job of organising the show; and providing sustenance in the form of lovely home-made cakes and soup, which went down very well with the spectators.

The Brackenbank trophy for the overall supreme champion went to Lunesdale Moonlight, a two year old black filly, owned by Miss S Tighe from Chester-Le-Street, and bred by Bert and Carol Morland at Tebay. Moonlight also won the youngstock championship and the Laura Memorial trophy donated by Catherine Wrigley.

Moonlight was ending a tremendous season in style, having taken several championships at shows throughout the summer; including the youngstock championship at the Breed show at Dalemain in August. Judge, John Cockbain, described her as a good type with clean flat bone and good action; he said that there were



Photo, Claire Simpson

*Supreme Champion Lunesdale Moonlight and Reserve Champion Bracklinn Ella.*



Photo, Claire Simpson

*Wellbrow Mikado won the yearling class and the youngstock reserve championship.*

plenty of good ponies on show and thanked the organisers for a very enjoyable day.

Reserve supreme champion was Bracklinn Ella, bred by the Smith family from Perthshire. This black filly was the winner of the best filly foal and champion foal trophies; donated by Bill Potter and Thomas Capstick of the Greenholme and Murthwaite studs respectively. Ella has now been sold to Rob Briggs from Penruldock, so we should be seeing her out and about locally next season. The Smith family also won the trophy for the best colt foal, which was donated by Colin Roberts of the Bybeck stud, with their bay, Bracklinn Glayva; a great day for the Smiths, making the long journey down from Perthshire a very worthwhile one.

Wellbrow ponies, bred by the Thorpe family at Shawforth near Rochdale, also had a good day. Wellbrow Mikado, who is set to become the stud's resident stallion in the future, won the yearling class and took the youngstock reserve championship. Wellbrow Elsie, owned by Amanda Rodger from Altrincham, won the class for three year old ponies; Elsie has also had a very successful season, including taking the supreme championship at the Fell Pony Society Southern show in September. The stud also took the Challenge cup, presented by Mr & Mrs David Howe from Dufton for the best foal bred by a hill breeder, with their black filly Wellbrow Heather, second in the filly foal class.

Claire Simpson

Photo, Claire Simpson



*Left: Bracklinn Ella, Winner of the Champion Fowl Trophy.  
Right: Reserve Champion Bracklinn Glayva.*

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### Reminder from the FPS Office: deceased ponies

By law the owner should return a deceased pony's passport to the Society for cancellation within 30 days of the death.

It can then be returned to you if you wish to keep it.





*Francesca Hoggarth and Banksgate Brando, winners of the FPS Ridden Bursary for 2014. Below, Laurelhighland Diva (as a pack pony) with Nell Barbour at Equine Affaire in Massachusetts.*



Photo: MJ Gould-Earley

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*Carrock Elsa, the Cockbain family's 2014 filly foal, at Crosby Ravensworth Show, where she was champion. Carrock Elsa was shown ten times in 2014, winning 10 first prizes, Champion at Crosby Ravensworth and reserve Champion at Penrith and Eggleston shows.*

*Below, Underwoods Tom Tom competing in his first dressage outing at Fellbridge, West Sussex.*





## The Edinburgh Prize for Driving 2014

Entrants for this prize, which has been donated to the Society by HRH The Duke of Edinburgh, have to write to tell us about their year's achievements and experiences with their ponies in harness. We received 4 entries in 2014, the inaugural year of this award. They were thoroughly international: Libby Robinson with Towford Harmarnie (France), Dougy and Jackie Parkinson with full brothers Tynebank Danny Boy and Tynebank Brown Bobby (Cumbria, UK), Laura Howell with Laurelhighland Diamond (USA), and Alison Bell with homebred Lownthwaite Heidi (Cumbria, UK).

Members of Council who have experience in driving then assessed the four entries. They unanimously chose the Parkinsons' pair as their winner. Tynebank Danny Boy and Tynebank Brown Bobby have competed extensively this year in National driving trials, as well as taking part in North West Driving Club events and conveying Santa to school at Christmas. Everyone on the driving circuit knows that "Mouse and Bruvva" are Fell ponies!



Photo, Jen Bernard

*"We have a plan...it's not the same as theirs!"*

*Dougy and Jackie Parkinson and "Mouse and Bruvva" study their next move during the North West Driving Club Driver Challenge at Nord Vue, Armathwaite.*



## FPS Annual Show & Sale

The Fell Pony Society held its annual sale at North West Auctions' J36 Mart, near Kendal, Cumbria, on Saturday 25 October. The sale was preceded by three in-hand show classes: one for ponies four years and over; one for youngstock; and a class for foals. The classes were judged by Michael Rawlinson from Kelso, who commented that the quality of the ponies forward was particularly high, better than at many other shows, and especially in the foal class, which produced the overall champion Greenholme Imogen, a brown filly; with Lathomdale Robin, a black colt, shown by Michael Woods of Skelmersdale, in reserve.

A total of 68 ponies were entered in the sale with 55 forward on the day. Prices were generally better than in recent years and 47 ponies found new homes; 30 of the 31 foals forward were sold, but some of the older ponies did not reach their reserve.

The highest price of 940 guineas was achieved by Dalehead Pete, a newly backed three year old bay gelding from G T Hodgson. The highest priced foal at 800 guineas was the Greenholme stud's Greenholme I'm The Boyo, a brown colt who had been champion foal at the summer breed show. Overall colt foals averaged £190 and fillies £237; youngstock averaged £354 and older ponies £425.

Claire Simpson



Photo, Claire Simpson

*Fell Sale champion and reserve: the foals Greenholme Imogen, and Lathomdale Robin.*



## Autumn Social—Auction of Gifts and Promises

I would like to thank most sincerely everyone who was involved with the auction last October and helped to raise a grand total of £2925. More than 40 lots were pledged and the promises included some wonderful opportunities: beach rides; carriage driving taster days; holidays and breaks in the UK and France; salmon fishing; various unique handmade items; a photo shoot; a pencil portrait; as well as a fabulous selection of goods, stallion services, etc.

Your Council were extremely supportive and a special thanks to the Wilkinson family for all their help. Also to Claire Simpson, who spent much of her time whilst on holiday abroad, organising the electronic bidding and with friends on the night of the auction itself—there is dedication for you!

I do hope you all enjoyed the evening at Stoneybeck Inn. We very much enjoyed the professional touch from David Jackson. Also we were grateful to local firms who generously wished to support our Society and to you all for a very successful night.

Mary Longsdon

## The Kellythorpe Awards



The Kellythorpe Awards are awarded at the Horse of the Year Show every year and are becoming very prestigious.

At an evening Champagne Reception hosted by the Leeman Family on the Thursday evening of the Show, Thomas Capstick received an Award for Fell Breeder of the Year 2014 for The Murthwaite Stud.

The Award for Fell Sire of the Year 2014 went to Bob and Sarah Charlton for Linnel Reynard.

*Left: Thomas Capstick (with a well polished halo!) and Sarah Charlton were awarded an engraved glass tumbler and certificate by Lisha Leeman and her daughter Janay.*





## FPS Youngstock and Performance Points Awards 2014

This year has seen a very good entry of ponies in all sections. I can say that is probably the best entry there has ever been! I hope everyone has enjoyed competing with their ponies and is looking forward to getting out and about again this year.

Christine Robinson

### Foals (5)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Carrock Elsa. Owner/Exhib. Mr J Cockbain. 720 pts.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> =Wellbrow Heather. Owner/Exhib. Mr A Thorpe. 100 pts.
- £ =Kerbeck Jupiter's Fire. Owner/Exhib. Mrs C H Robinson. 100 pts.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Rackwood Panasonic. Owner/Exhib. Mrs E A Walker. 90 pts.
- 5<sup>th</sup> Wellbrow Harry. Owner/Exhib. Mr A Thorpe. 80pts.

### Yearlings (6)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Birkett Bank Phantom. Owner/Exhib. Mr R Relph Briggs. 995 pts.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Edenmarsh Austin Powers. Owner/Exhib. Eden Marshall. 685 pts
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Murthwaite Sid. Owner/Exhib. Miss H Reynolds. 615 pts
- 4<sup>th</sup> Wellbrow Mikado. Owner/Exhib. Mr A Thorpe. 520 pts
- 5<sup>th</sup> Midtown Hero. Owner/Exhib. Zoe Marsden. 400 pts
- 6<sup>th</sup> Bracklinn Rosebud. Owner. A Smith. Exhib. Mrs F W Miller. 380 pts.

### Two Year Olds (5)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Craggs Firecracker. Owner/Exhib. Laura Richardson. 1310 pts.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Greenholme Gambler. Owner/Exhib. Mrs D Roberts-Jones. 1300pts
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Brocklebeck Hendricks. Owner/Exhib. Elysse gray. 460 pts
- 4<sup>th</sup> Wellbrow Freddie. Owner/Exhib. Zoe Marsden. 400 pts
- 5<sup>th</sup> Rackwood Hugo. Owner/Exhib. Mrs E A Walker. 200 pts

### Three Year Olds (8)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Wellbrow Elsie. Owner/Exhib. Amanda Roger. 1995 pts
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Carrock Snowdrop. Owner/Exhib. Mr J Cockbain. 1220 pts.
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Lathomdale Belinda. Owner/Exhib. Carrie-Ann Richardson. 1140 pts.
- 4<sup>th</sup> Castlehill Jack Daniels. Owner/Exhib. Hayley Reynolds. 740 pts
- 5<sup>th</sup> Dalefoot Rolo. Owner/Exhib. Barbara Potter. 715 pts.
- 6<sup>th</sup> Wellbrow Edwin. Owner/Exhib. Zoe Marsden. 240 pts.

### Four Year Old & Over. In-Hand (12)

- 1<sup>st</sup> Wellbrow Rosebud. Owner/Exhib. Anneli Ferrier. 770 pts.
- 2<sup>nd</sup> =Bracklinn Maggie. Owner /Exhib. Sharron Camp. 580 pts
- £ =Greenholme Elect. Owner/Exhib. Mr R Relph Briggs. 580 pts.

- 4<sup>th</sup> Murthwaite Looks Promising. Owner/Exhib. Jane Glass/Jane Rawden. 560 pts.  
5<sup>th</sup> Rackwood Bonnie. Owner/Exhib. Mrs E A Walker. 550 pts.  
6<sup>th</sup> Lownthwaite Inara. Owner/Exhib. Cath Wrigley. 460 pts.

#### **Four Year Old & Over. Performance. (18)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Murthwaite Looks Promising. Owner/Exhib. Jane Glass & Jane Rawden. 3190 pts.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Waverhead Dazzler II. Owner/Exhib. Mrs P & Miss P Roberts. 3105 pts.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Lunesdale War Dance. Owner/Exhib. Mrs E & Miss S Jones. 2460 pts  
4<sup>th</sup> Greenholme Yabadabadoo. Owner/Exhib. Mrs N & Miss H Mayling. 2370 pts.  
5<sup>th</sup> Murthwaite John Tom. Owner/Exhib. Mrs N Mayling. 2270 pts  
6<sup>th</sup> Thornbeck Andrew. Owner/Exhib. Miss V Parker. 2260 pts.

#### **Junior (6)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Waverhead Dazzler II. Owner/Exhib. Mrs P & Miss G Roberts. 3105 pts.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Lunesdale War Dance. Owner/Exhib. Mrs E & Miss S Jones. 2460 pts.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Greenholme Yabadabadoo. Owner/Exhib. Mrs N & Miss H Mayling. 2370 pts.  
4<sup>th</sup> Greenholme Kirstie. Owner/Exhib. Mrs J & Miss E Cheetham. 1230 pts.  
5<sup>th</sup> Wellbrow Rosebud. Owner/Exhib. Anneli Ferrier & Amy Cussons. 360 pts.  
6<sup>th</sup> Townend Jasmine. Owner/Exhib. Mr J I Brunskill & Jack Nicholson. 280 pts.

#### **Dressage (14)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Tredallan's Danny Boy. Owner/Exhib. Sian Axten. 1810pts.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Thornbeck Andrew. Owner/Exhib. Miss V Parker. 1710 pts.  
3<sup>rd</sup> Murthwaite John Tom. Owner/Exhib. Mrs N Mayling. 1480 pts.  
4<sup>th</sup> Murthwaite Looks Promising. Owner/Exhib. Jane Glass & Jane Rawden. 1410 pts  
5<sup>th</sup> Kerbeck Fire Phantom. Owner/Exhib. Deila Raine. 610 pts.  
6<sup>th</sup> Black Prince Bobby. Owner/Exhib. Elizabeth Wilkinson. 560 pts.

#### **Driving (3)**

- 1<sup>st</sup> =Tynebank Brown Boy & Tynebank Danny Boy. Owner/Exhib D & J Parkinson. 1540 pts  
3<sup>rd</sup>. Lownthwaite Heidi. Owner/Exhib. Mrs A W Bell. 895 pts.

**Champion Stallion** - Heltondale Mountain Mist II

**Champion Mare** - Townend Sugar



## **FPS Learning with Fells 2015/16**

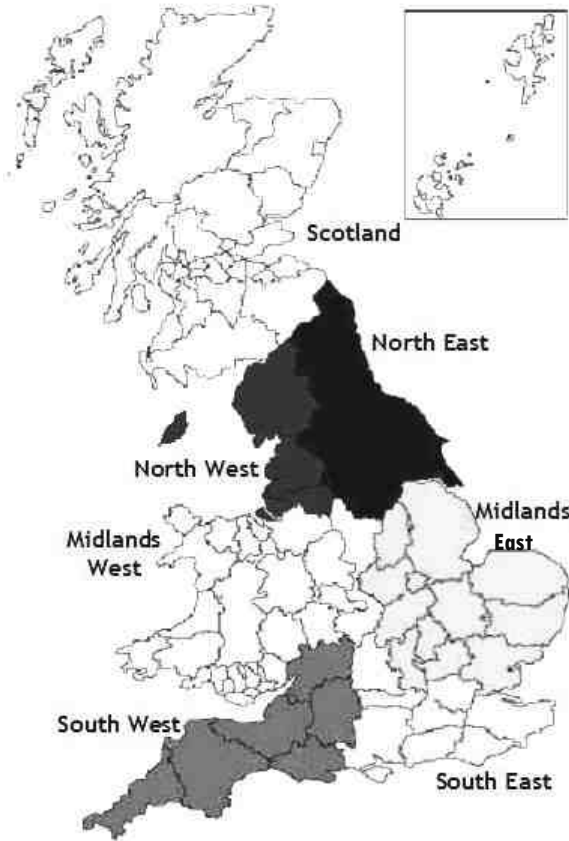
Council has agreed to postpone the scheme for 2015 but it will be resumed in 2016. If any Society members (junior or adult) wish to take part in 2016 please contact the office so that your name can be added to the list. E-mail secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk

Members are reminded that there are going to be stud open days throughout 2015.



## Area Support Groups

Contact details are given at the end of each Group's report and can also be consulted on the FPS web site.



## Scotland Area Support Group

The Scotland ASG is hoping to hold a get-together at the Royal Highland Show 18-21 June. Other events will be planned later in the year and added to the relevant page on the website.

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## North East Area Support Group

During September, Anneli Ferrier and I took three ponies down to Ascott-under-Wychwood, in Oxfordshire to represent the North East Area Support Group in a variety of in-hand and ridden classes at the FPS Southern Show. This also included the final of the Inter-Area In-hand Championships for the Bewcastle Boy Blue Trophy. We took Ludworth Rufus, Rackwood Maggie May and Rackwood Princess. This was the first time my girls had stayed away from home overnight so found the whole experience very tiring. We left home on the Saturday morning in the knowledge that we had a long journey ahead of us but determined to enjoy ourselves. Our supporters wished us luck and told us to bring home some silverware. Well we didn't disappoint them and had a wonderful weekend coming home with 21 rosettes and three trophies. The journey home passed quickly but the ponies were definitely ready to get off the wagon by the time we got back to the North East. A full day showing followed by seven hours travelling was exhausting for us all but well worth the effort.

At the beginning of October, our final event of 2014, the annual pleasure ride, was blessed with the most fantastic weather imaginable. The sun shone brightly as fifteen riders set off across Cotherstone Moor, led by Helen Gallagher on Hillhead Emma. Helen and her gamekeeper husband Mark live on the edge of Cotherstone Moor so they know the paths very well as it's their back garden.



Participants had travelled from Anwick in Northumberland, Harrogate and Wakefield in Yorkshire and Harlepool on Teeside as well as various places between. Many of the Fell ponies present had not had the opportunity of being ridden on an open fell so it was a new experience for both riders and ponies. The views were breath taking and the unexpected midway tea/coffee stop, provided by Helen's family, was greatly appreciated.

A full list of events for 2015 has been displayed as part of the 2015 Newsletter on the North East Area Support Group page on the FPS Website. Appropriate information sheets and application forms will be available to download against each event as they become available. They will also be available on the North East Support Group Facebook page. There may still be time to get your name down for the 'Introduction to Jumping' Study Day /Clinic being held on Sunday 8th March. Please come as a spectator and meet your hard working committee if you are too late to bring a pony. We need ideas for our 2016 Study Day / Clinic!

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has attended or helped at one or more of our events during 2014. Many people help out behind the scenes and ensure that everything runs smoothly and we are always extremely grateful to them. Please come and introduce yourself and join in the fun during 2015.

Eileen Walker

## **Events for 2015**

March - Sunday 8th Study day at Stonechester Farm near Willington, Co Durham.  
'Introduction to Jumping' with Anneli Ferrier

April - Sunday 26th NPS Area 4 Spring Show, Richmond Equestrian Centre  
NE Area In-hand Qualifier for the Inter-Area Competition to be held at the Southern Show in September 2015.

May - Friday 1st - Sunday 3rd Hairy Pony Camp, Linnel Wood, Hexham. Joint Fell & Highland pony camp organised by the Highland Pony Enthusiasts Club & North East Area Group. Email [hpenortheast@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:hpenortheast@hotmail.co.uk) or telephone 01912671610 for more information. Application forms will be available at the end of January and will be sent to all 2014 participants. Names will be drawn out of a hat after the closing date.

June - Sunday 28th Native Pony Festival, Throckley Nr Newcastle  
In-hand Fell classes sponsored by the N E Area Group plus a full range of M&M Ridden and WHP classes.

July - Sunday 5th Lanchester Show  
NE Area In-hand Qualifier for the Inter-Area Competition to be held at the Southern Show in September 2015.

September - Sunday 20th Native Pony Performance Trials, Linnel Wood, Hexham—a one day event which includes dressage, cross country and show jumping. There is a special section just for Fell ponies.

October - Sunday 4th or 11th TBC North East Area Annual Pleasure Ride

Venue to be arranged - all suggestions will be considered.

**IMPORTANT:** If you are prepared to receive your free annual newsletters by email and help save the NE Group funds, please forward your email details. Forthcoming events are updated in the Area Support Groups section on the Fell Pony Society Website ([www.fellponysociety.org.uk](http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk)).

Eileen Walker

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## **North West Area Support Group**

The North West Area Group have seen some changes over the last few months; the group have appointed a new chairperson, Margaret Plank, and secretary, Amanda Bridges, due to the former chairperson & secretary, Frances Miller, relocating. Frances and the committee did a great job reforming the NWASG and we are determined to continue the success from 2014. With this in mind, we have repeated some of the events which were successful last year.

We have been very busy organising the events for this year and we are excited to offer a wide variety of events, which we hope you will come along and support! By the time you read this we will have hopefully held a visit to International driving champion, George Bowman's yard and also a Training day with Julie Robinson. Please keep checking our Facebook & web page for updates and reminders about our events; we would also love to know what you and your ponies are getting up to this year!

### **Forthcoming events for 2015**

21st March - Cumbria Fell & Dales Warm Up Show at Inglewood Equestrian Centre, Penrith.

30th May - Cumbria Fell & Dales Pony Show at Greenlands Equestrian Centre, Wreay, Carlisle. Schedules for both of these shows are available on the FPS website.

21st June - Pleasure Ride at Craven Country Ride, Skipton, North Yorkshire. Handy pony section & optional cross country jumps included. Homemade soup & refreshments included at the onsite clubhouse. Arrive between 10.30am - 11.30am. Riders can ride in small groups of up to 4 people. FPS members & friends welcome - all participants will receive a Fell Pony North West Area rosette!

30th August - Visit to Wellbrow Fell Pony Stud. Meet at 10.30am. Undercover if wet, refreshments available. The first Open Day at the Wellbrow Fell Pony Stud, celebrating 20 years of registering Fell ponies under the Wellbrow prefix. There is no charge for this event but the Thorpe family would like an idea of numbers. If you would like to join us, please contact Claire Simpson on [claire.halebank@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:claire.halebank@yahoo.co.uk) or 07767 838 662.

6th September - Join us for a beach ride with your Fell pony (and friend). Silecroft Beach is around 6 miles of sand, ideal for horse riding with shallow waters to have a paddle....what's not to like!!!! Arrival time 10.30am - 12 noon. BBQ/refreshments to follow. Kindly hosted by Cath Wrigley.

8th November - Foal & Youngstock Show at Newton Rigg Equestrian Centre, 11am - 3pm. More details to be confirmed.

For more information, please contact Amanda Bridges; 07809419464 or Booking forms for our events are available to download from the FPS website - North West Area Page or we also have a website <http://nwasg.weebly.com/> we're looking forward to hearing from you!

Amanda Bridges

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## North and South!

Lucy Hogg & Wansfell Anzin last year won the Novice Ridden Mare Class at the Breed show and at the Southern Breed show, along with placings at other shows. I just wondered if it was common for a pony to win at both north and south?

Lucy broke the pony to ride herself and has schooled her on herself too.

Anne Hogg



## Midlands West Area Support Group

In October, the group's annual luncheon kindly hosted by Elizabeth Marshall was held in conjunction with the Group's AGM. This year's guest speaker was Chris, a representative from Scropton Riding For The Disabled. She gave an interesting talk about the RDA, and we were indebted to Janet Blair for kindly volunteering to a be guinea pig 'pony' so that Chris could demonstrate the methods and tack used to provide a suitable RDA mount.

There were some good entries in our annual Fell Photo Show judged by our guest speaker who also had the enviable job of judging the annual Pudding



Competition. Winner of the newsletter caption competition was Keith Dorman. Mary Longsdon also kindly brought along a good selection of Fell Pony Society merchandise.

The annual Group Activity and Performance Awards were also presented. Well done to Ryan Davies and Sleddale Tommy who were this year's outright winners with a huge tally of points. Ryan duly received the Eileen Davies Perpetual Fell Pony trophy. Well done also to Kate Merryweather and Bewcastle Blithe - winners of the Happy Hacking section.



Many thanks to Alyson Hurcomb for organising the awards especially given that Alyson's first baby was due almost on the same day as the luncheon!

The full results were:

#### **PERFORMANCE AWARDS 2014**

1st Sleddale Tommy, Ryan Davies

2nd Wellbrow Jacko, Tracey Last

3rd Wellbrow Elsie, Amanda Roger

4th Ralfland Falcon, Julie Dimelow

#### **HAPPY HACKERS 2014**

1st Bewcastle Blithe , Katrina Girvan Merryweather

2nd Sleddale Tommy, Ryan Davies

3rd Syward Blue Aconite, Jayne Walster

4th Heltondale Ruby, Janet Blair



*Ryan Davies with Sleddale Tommy's Performance award*

A merry bunch of members met on Saturday 13th December at the Lakeside Golf Club near to Newtown for a pre-Christmas meal. Event organiser, Debbie Roberts Jones, reported that the food was excellent, the atmosphere wonderful, and the mood festive. Many thanks to Debbie for organising yet another excellent social evening. Thank you to everyone who attended especially those of you who travelled some distance to be there.

A big part of the recent AGM was planning events for 2015 which we hope, will appeal to all. Please note at the time of publication we have yet to confirm all of these dates and venues but our group newsletter and web site [www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk) will confirm these. Contact telephone numbers are included below for anyone wishing to find out more about our early events which will include:

Sunday 22nd March - Talk By Vyv Wood-Gee on her recent Coast To Coast Fell Pony Ride. Not to be missed! To be held at Great Bridgeford Village Hall, Newport Road, Great Bridgeford, Stafford, ST18 9PR (1½ miles from M6 Junction 14 Stafford North). Doors open at 12.30pm, light refreshments from 1.00pm followed by talk at 2.00pm. There will also be a Chinese Auction (any donations for this will be gratefully received). Entry by ticket only. Tickets can be purchased at £5 each (£2.50 for under twelves) from either Diane Key at Deerhurst, Newport Road, Haughton, Stafford, ST18 9JH - telephone 01785 822723 or email [diane@fellpony.me.uk](mailto:diane@fellpony.me.uk) or from Mary Longsdon at Eaglets, Little Longstone, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1NN - telephone 01629 640709. Cheques

should be made out to Fell Pony Society - Midlands West. Could you please send a SAE.

Sunday 12th April - 2015 Spring Festival of Fells Show. To be held at Radfords Equestrian, Lower House Farm, Llanymynech, Near Oswestry, Shropshire, SY22 6LG. The show will commence at 9.30am. We are pleased to announce that our judge will be Mr Colin Turner. There will be a full section of registered Fell Pony classes for both ridden and in hand, plus classes for Section X and over heights along with several fun classes including a new trekking class. Also new for this year will be two dressage classes. There is also opportunity for Midlands West members to qualify for the Bewcastle Boy Blue Inter Area Challenge (final to be held at the Southern Fell Pony Society Breed Show in September). This show is also a qualifier for the NCPA Pony of The Year show.

The schedule with full details and entry form will be available to download from [www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk) Alternatively please contact show organiser Debbie Roberts-Jones on 01691 652843 or send a LARGE SAE to Diane Key, Deerhurst, Newport Road, Haughton, Stafford ST18 9JH.

On Sunday June 14th the annual Derbyshire Fell, Dales and Highland Pony Show will take place at Bakewell Showground. Schedules will be available to download from [www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk) or by sending a large SAE to Mary Longsdon, Eaglets, Little Longstone, Bakewell, Derbyshire, DE45 1NN. For more information please telephone Mary on 01629 640709.

#### **LATER EVENTS PLANNED FOR 2015**

Stud Visit - Later in the season we are very pleased to announce that at the kind invitation of Mrs Margaret Wilson we will be arranging a stud visit to see the lovely Townend Fell Ponies.

Pleasure Ride - In the autumn we have been invited to team up with some of the Dales Pony Society member to enjoy a ride around the beautiful grounds of the Chatsworth Estate. There will be rosettes for all taking part.

If you would like to join the Midlands West Fell Pony Support Group please contact Barry Stamp at Deerhurst, Newport Road, Haughton, Stafford, ST18 9JH Telephone number 01785 822723. A membership form is available to download from our web site. Please send a £5 cheque made payable to the Fell Pony Society Midlands West with your name and address and if applicable email address details. If you would like a receipt please include a SAE. We would however urge all members to consider paying their subscriptions by standing order, which not only cuts down our administration costs but also ensures your membership never lapses. Details, and a standing order form, are available on our web site.

#### **Contacts**

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Group Leader: Mary Longsdon. Tel: 01629 640709

For more details about the group please visit [www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk)



## Midlands East Area Support Group

The Midlands East events planned so far include the Sandringham Show which will be held on 9-10 May; this event provides a wonderful opportunity to ride around the Estate. The Group will also be supporting the Icen Show to be held at the Rosewood EC, Chippenham CB7 5QH on 30-31 May.

### Events for 2015

MESG Meeting and lunch - March tbc

Huntingdon Race Course - tbc

Canaan Show - 26th April. Please contact Christine Poole on 0115 944729.

FPS-MESG Sandringham Show—Saturday 9th May. West Newton Park, Sandringham. By Kind invitation of HM The Queen, we are holding our ever popular Sandringham Show on Her Majesty's Estate. Show organised by the Fell Pony Society and The Dales Pony Society with individual classes for each breed plus classes for 'friends'. This show is an MESG area qualifier for the Blue Boy inter-area in-hand championship at the FPS Southern Show. The show will be followed by a ride and drive around the Sandringham estate on Sunday 10th May. For a schedule and further details please contact Jean Bateson 01485 543230.

Fell and Friends Show - 14th May. Please contact Christine Poole, 0115 944729.

Iceni Native Pony Show - 30th & 31st May. Rosewood Stud. See [www.iceninativepony.co.uk](http://www.iceninativepony.co.uk) for more details.

Derbyshire Fell, Dales & Highland (MWSG area) - 14 June (Sunday).

Blaston Show - June tbc

Equifest Qualifiers for hunters, cobs, riding horse, mountain & moorland ridden and in-hand (affiliated to the Fell Pony Society). Specific Fell rosettes will be awarded for the M&M in-hand and ridden classes. New show jumping events in the main ring, local horse and pony classes, handy pony competition, dressage, driving. Together with all the attractions of a traditional agricultural show. Schedules ready end of March. Please send SAE to Mrs Ann Lee, Church Corner, Main Street, Slawston, Market Harborough, Leics. LE16 7UF. Phone 01858 555311 or e-mail [ann@leeslawston.orangehome.co.uk](mailto:ann@leeslawston.orangehome.co.uk)

Southern Fell Show - 13 September at Crown Farm, Ascott-under-Wychwood, Oxfordshire. The current schedule and entry form and full details can be found at [www.fellsouthernshow.com](http://www.fellsouthernshow.com). Please contact Georgina on 07796 685592 if you have any questions about the show or wish to become one of its generous supporters.

Macmillan Cancer Charity ride - TBC September

Park Farm UK Chasers, Stanford-on-Avon, Northants, NN6 7SS. Fells will be going, Fell contact, Kate Merry [bkmerry@gmail.com](mailto:bkmerry@gmail.com) or 01788 823215. Ride contact [belinda.tyler@tesco.net](mailto:belinda.tyler@tesco.net) for forms and info.

Rare Breeds Show - September tbc

Come along and support this great event organised by the Rare Breeds Survival Trust - our gorgeous Fells, as are many other native breeds are on the list and need our help. Please contact Janet Blair 01494 673159. Bury Farm, Slapton, nr Leighton Buzzard, Bucks. The morning will be Fells showing [www.rbs.org.uk](http://www.rbs.org.uk) or Georgina Blair 07796685992

Performance Trials and Show, Pachesham EC, J9 of M25. Please access the main FPS website events page for details.

Rare Breeds of the Year Show - October tbc, Houghton Hall Equestrian & Alpaca Centre. New Manor Farm. Sawtry Way. Houghton. Cambs. PE28 2DY. MESHG contact Lorna Brooks

MESHG informal meeting and lunch - October tbc. Contact Kate Merry.

Gotham Show - November tbc

Christmas Celebration Midlands East Fell and Fell friends - December tbc

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Performance awards: Isobel Meadows. Tel: 7758 001011, or e-mail [tungu5ka1@sky.com](mailto:tungu5ka1@sky.com)

Midlands East website: [FPS-MESHG.co.uk](http://FPS-MESHG.co.uk)



## **South West Area Support Group**

The South West group will be holding the Dorset Fell show on Sunday 3rd May at Hurn Bridge Equestrian Centre, Parley Lane, Christchurch, Dorset BH23 6AD. The show offers a full range of in hand and ridden classes, including dressage and handy pony. For schedule and entry form please see [www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk](http://www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk)

## **Contact**

Michael Goddard. Tel: 01258 817161

or Sharron Camp at [sharron.camp@montybear.co.uk](mailto:sharron.camp@montybear.co.uk)



## South East Area Support Group

The South East ASG will again be running several events in conjunction with the SE Connemara Group and Fells can enter at the same reduced rates. Last December three Fell ponies attended a clinic at Felbridge Showground taken by event rider/trainer Polly Thom.



Photo, Bertaimages

*Above: Susie Newton, Tamsin Hughes and Katie Fell at the clinic held at Felbridge.  
Below: Underwoods Tom Tom competing in his first dressage outing.*



Photo, Bertaimages

Another clinic at Felbridge is scheduled for Friday 13th February, but due to requests for weekend events the next flat/jumping clinic will take place on Saturday 28th March at Eastlands, Warninglid, Sussex.

The SE Connemara breed show which is to be held at Felbridge on Saturday May 9th incorporates a dressage and eventers challenge which is open to all registered native breeds so area representative Susie Newton is hoping for some Fells to come and join in too !

On Sunday November 8th the group will run a BSPS affiliated WHP SHOW at Felbridge, again for all registered natives all classes including unaffiliated starter stakes. A dressage competition is usually held at south of England Showground in November. Other events will include various clinics and a pleasure ride on the Ashdown forest in October.

### Contact

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## FPS Young Persons Group

The Fell Pony Society Young Persons Group's events for 2015 offer an exciting, full and varied programme with something for everyone. Some events are restricted to FPS members and registered Fell ponies; other events are open to all; some are free to enter and others require a nominal charge to cover expenses; most require attendees to sign up in advance.

The YPG is for all FPS members 35 years old and under, and you will be made very welcome. Events are open to all ages.

28th March - The Young Persons Group AGM. 11.00am at The George Hotel in Orton, Cumbria. Please come along if you are interested in getting involved, or would like to hold events for younger members in your area.

12th July - Fell Pony Society Southern Convention at Redbrook, Gloucestershire: Mr. Peter Bousted, NPS and FPS judge will be giving a talk on breed type and conformation, which will be followed by an informal, hands-on judging clinic. There will be plenty of opportunities to ask questions, and to have a close look at the ponies on display.

Alan Ashcroft DipWCF, the renowned Cumbrian farrier who has won the best shod foot class at both the FPS Breed Show and Stallion Show, will give a presentation on the importance of a good foot, as well as discussing shoeing Fell Ponies for work and for showing.

There will be a hog roast for lunch (other dietary requirements can be catered for). This location borders the South West, Midlands West and Wales Areas.

Pre-booking is essential: £10 for FPS members and £12 for non-members.

23rd August - Greenholme Stud Open Morning, and an afternoon demonstration of Fell Ponies in work, with driving by Paul Metcalf and riding by Julie Robinson.

We are delighted to have the opportunity to see the semi-feral herd at the renowned Greenholme Stud at Stoney Gill near Shap, by kind invitation from Mr. Bill Potter. We hope to be given a breed talk by FPS judge Mr. Bert Morland on breed type and conformation.

For those who would like to join us, there will be a buffet lunch at The Cross Keys Inn, Tebay. From there we will make the short journey to near Killington Lake to be given a demonstration of how to tack-up and drive a Fell Pony by Mr. Paul Metcalf. We will also have chance to meet some of the ridden ponies produced by the Ryehouse Native Pony Show Team who compete at the highest level, as well as meeting top producer of Fell Ponies, Julie Robinson.

Numbers for the lunch and afternoon session will be limited, so pre-booking for this will be essential at a cost of £10 for FPS members, and £12 for non-members.

19th September - Dutch Breed Show. The YPG committee are arranging a visit to Holland to the Breed Show. We hope to include a visit to a Fell pony Stud on 20th September, before our return.

We will be able to advise on flights and accommodation if anyone is interested in joining us.

Further details of all events - including booking forms - will be available on the FPS website Events Calendar, and we regularly update our page on Facebook: 'The Fell Pony Society Young Persons Group'. If you would like booking forms sent by post, don't hesitate to contact us.

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## **Lincolnshire Fells and Friends**

We have now made a showing online page on Facebook, and it is 100% charity based. We have raised a great £90 for Hedgehog Care and last month we made £120.00 for a little girl with a incurable brain tumour, which was put towards her going on a trip to Lapland, so it was great to be a part of this.

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Lincolnshire-fell-pony-and-friends-online-shows/581183925332043?fref=ts> is the link to the Facebook page and in January all proceeds are going to the Fell Pony Society. We have amazing rosettes made

to 4th place in each class with huge championship rosettes! Winners from some classes also get prizes because we have companies sending winners brow bands, t shirts, and also rosette display boards - so please get involved.

Ludworth Fell ponies is also a part of me now and I was thrilled for Pam Kell to let me take the ropes and get some more quality stock in the county. I was so happy having my first foal "Ludworth Jonny Boy" June 3rd 2014 born in Lincs. He was named after my father who would have been so proud, and there are more foals to come.

Ludworth Viking has been strutting his stuff and had great results all 2014, taking reserve champ at Equestrian Life Championships. I can't wait for this year's season with my just backed mare, Lownthwaite Charm, under saddle, plus youngsters. So if you see me out, pop over and say hello - we will be at Sandringham Fell show again to support them, and will be sponsoring classes with Lincolnshire Fell and Friends. Ludworth Fells will be sponsoring Champion of Champions again.

Add Ludworth Fell Ponies on Facebook: Helen Moore runs this page and has worked very hard getting details of all ponies, so please support her.

Roll on 2015 with more raffles and events which will all be listed on the Facebook pages. I hope to be adding new members.

HAPPY NEW YEAR from Ludworth Fell Ponies and Lincolnshire Fell and Friends groups.

Nicola Ash

*Lincolnshire Fell and Friends Facebook page runs a free competition each month on a set theme, and a huge rosette gets posted to the lucky winner. This one was won by Anneli Ferrier and Ludworth Rufus.*







## The Fell Pony Society of North America, Inc.

### 2014 Branch Report

Fell Pony Society of North America, Inc. (FPSNA) members had another active year with their Fell Ponies. FPSNA promotional exhibits included Lunesdale Mercury at Everything Equine at the Champlain Valley Fairgrounds in Essex Junction, Vermont, where he performed at “Horsin’ Around” as a real live unicorn. In addition, eight ponies attended and participated in the demo, as well as barn and/or breed exhibits, at the Equine Affaire in West Springfield, Massachusetts, which once again attracted Fell enthusiasts from throughout the region. Ponies included Stonecreek Lily, Willowtrail Black Robin, Stonecreek Black Pearl, Hinter, Brackenbank Romany’s Prince, Lunesdale Mercury, Laurelhighland Sapphire and Laurelhighland Diva. They were shown in a 3-part breed demonstration, including four ponies shown in dressage, two in harness, and two in historical costumes: one in-hand as a pack pony, and one under saddle as a medieval archer’s pony.

Other ponies exhibited by members included Dreamhayven Decadence, Copperbeech Casper, Greenholme Viv, and Braeberry Barnabas at the NW Horse Expo’s All Breed Showcase in Albany, Oregon. In addition, Lunesdale White Heather and Stennerskeugh Danny Boy were shown for 9 weekends at the Bristol Renaissance Faire in Kenosha, Wisconsin. Finally, Waverhead Model IV was presented - in clay form! - during BreyerFest 2014 at the Kentucky Horse Park in Lexington, which also included a presentation about the breed. The sculpture was handcrafted by well-known Breyer artist, Kathleen Moody. Breyer is currently working on turning “Model’s model” into Breyer’s first-ever Fell Pony model, which is very exciting.

The FPSNA Performance Premium & Awards Program 2014 had another successful year, once again serving as North American Fell Pony Championships, in which most if not all Fell owners in North America can realistically participate (despite great distances between us) if they wish via competitions held across North America. 19 ponies were enrolled for the 2014 competition. Ponies successfully earned points in our Performance Division through a variety of competitions - ridden (flat, hunter, etc.), dressage, gymkhana, etc., including both open and Mountain & Moorland events. We also had entries in our Handy Pony Division, earning points as ambassadors. We are pleased to announce the 2014 Supreme Champion is Stonecreek Lily, owned by Anita Castricone and ridden by Cailin Sanford. Reserve Supreme Champion went to Stennerskeugh Danny Boy, owned by Melissa Kreuzer/Jenni Moser and shown by Melissa Kreuzer. Stonecreek Lily Pearl also won the Born in North America High Point Performance Championship, in addition to other awards. Please see the following for all the results and our North American Fell Ponies of the Year. Congratulations to all.

## 2014 FPSNA Performance Premium & Awards Program Results

### Division\*

Pony Name	Points	Placing	Owner	Shown By	Breeder (for Born in NA Awards)
<b>A. 1. 1. Open Ridden</b>					
Dalewin Liberty	70	1	Casey Ellison	Casey Ellison	
BroughHill Hadrian's Wall	40	2	Rene Bender	Rene Bender	
BroughHill Hadrian's Wall	20	3	Rene Bender	Elinor Yee	
<b>A. 1. 2. Novice Ridden</b>					
Stennerskeugh Danny Boy Kreuzer	260	1	Melissa Kreuzer/Jenni Moser	Melissa Kreuzer	Melissa Kreuzer
<b>A. 1. 3. Junior Ridden</b>					
Newfarm Minneola	60	1	Eva Loeffler	Victoria Loeffler	
Laurelhighland Hadley	40	2	Janelle Earley	Lauren Earley	
<b>A. 2. 5. Four-Year-Old and Over In-Hand</b>					
Dalewin Liberty	160	1	Casey Ellison	Casey Ellison	
BroughHill Hadrian's Wall	20	2	Rene Bender	Elinor Yee	
<b>A. 3. 1. Open Dressage</b>					
Stonecreek Lily	600	1	Anita Castricone	Cailin Sanford	
Laurelhighland Victor	220	2	Lisa Lindholm	Lisa Lindholm	
Majestic (USA) Madeline	90	3	Diane Moose	Diane Moose	
<b>A. 3. 2. Junior Dressage</b>					
Newfarm Minneola	60	1	Eva Loeffler	Victoria Loeffler	
<b>A. 4. 1. Open Driving</b>					
Laurelhighland Diamond	90	1	Laura Howell	Laura Howell	
<b>A. 5. 1. 1. Grand Champion Ridden Performance Pony</b>					
Stonecreek Lily	600	1	Anita Castricone	Cailin Sanford	
<b>A. 5. 1. 2. Reserve Grand Champion Ridden Performance Pony</b>					
Stennerskeugh Danny Boy Kreuzer	260	2	Melissa Kreuzer/Jenni Moser	Melissa Kreuzer	Melissa Kreuzer
<b>A. 6. 1. 1. Overall Grand Champion Performance Pony (Ridden &amp;/or In Harness)</b>					
Stonecreek Lily	600	1	Anita Castricone	Cailin Sanford	

Pony Name	Points	Placing	Owner	Shown By	Breeder (for Born in NA Awards)
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**A.6.1.2. Overall Reserve Grand Champion Performance Pony (Ridden &/or In Harness)**

Stennerskeugh Danny Boy	260	2	Melissa Kreuzer/Jenni Moser		Melissa Kreuzer
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**A.6.4.1. Supreme Champion (Overall Champion In-Hand and Performance Pony)**

Stonecreek Lily	600	1	Anita Castricone	Cailin Sanford	
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**A.6.4.2. Reserve Supreme Champion (Overall Reserve Champion In-Hand and Performance Pony)**

Stennerskeugh Danny Boy	260	2	Melissa Kreuzer/Jenni Moser		Melissa Kreuzer
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**A.7.1. Mare Progeny Performance Premium**

Brocklebeck Briony	780	1	Shannon Albert		
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**A.7.2. Stallion Progeny Performance Premium**

Goytvalley Magic Minstrel	780	1	Lee Loughlin		
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**A.8.0. Born in North America - High Point Performance Award**

Stonecreek Lily (Non-member)	600	1	Anita Castricone	Cailin Sanford	
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**B.1. Ambassador Pony**

Stennerskeugh Danny Boy	420	1	Melissa Kreuzer/Jenni Moser		Melissa Kreuzer
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Newfarm Apple Blossom	400	2	Elise Miller	Elise Miller	
Lunesdale White Heather	400	2	Melissa Kreuzer	Greta Kreuzer	
Laurelhighland Diva	60	4	Lauren Earley	Nell Barbour	
Laurelhighland Sapphire	60	4	Lauren Earley	Lauren Earley	
Newfarm Minneola	40	6	Eva Loeffler	Victoria Loeffler	

**8.3. Born in North America - High Point Handy Pony Award**

Newfarm Apple Blossom	400	1	Elise Miller	Elise Miller	
Mrs. Mary Nygaard (and the late Mr. Lyle Nygaard)					

\*(Divisions/subdivisions without winners this year are not shown above.)

In addition, the Adequan®/USDF All-Breeds Awards Program for Fell Ponies was once again sponsored by FPSNA. The winner for 2014 was Stonecreek Lily (ridden

by Cailin Sanford) at Second Level in the Open Division. Lily earned a median score of 63.694%. Two other ponies – Laurelhighland Victor, ridden by Lisa Lindholm, and Willowtrail Black Robin, ridden by Amina Bursese – competed this year as well. There are currently 12 registered Fell Ponies that have been “declared” with USDF to be competing under FPSNA, so we look forward to seeing more ponies competing next year and the years to come.

Finally, FPSNA was also pleased to publish in 2014 the 13th volume (13th year.) of The Fell Pony Express, FPSNA’s biannual news magazine. This is circulated both in North America and abroad and we enjoy hearing from our readers overseas.

We are looking forward to another productive year in 2015.

Best Wishes,

The FPSNA Council      [www.fpsna.org](http://www.fpsna.org)



Photo: Morgan Quimby

*Lunesdale Mercury at Everything Equine*

Photo by Alexandra Bowden, edited by Laura Hamilton



Above, *Hint*, ridden by Jessica O'Donnell at Equine Affaire in Massachusetts.  
Below, *Laurelhighland Diamond* (a.k.a. "Bling") driven by owner Laura Howell at Grand Oaks HDT.

(Photo provided by Laura Howell)





Photo by Tracy Trevorrow/Provided by Melissa Kreuzer



Photo provided by owner, Anita Castricone

Left, Stennerskeugh Danny boy, FPSNA's 2014 Reserve Supreme Champion Performance Pony, pictured at the Bristol Renaissance Faire, <http://www.renfair.com/bristol/>  
Right, Stonecreek Lily, FPSNA's 2014 Supreme Champion Performance Pony and USDF All-Breeds Fell Pony Champion (ridden by Cailin Sanford)

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## Results of the 2016 Calendar Competition

Thanks to you all for sending in such an excellent standard of photographs making it a difficult choice for the judges! Two calendars will be on their way after the Spring AGM to the judges who came from the North West Support Group. Every selected photograph qualifies for a free calendar and the overall winner, Mark Gallagher, and the runner-up, Stephen Leese, will receive a £10 and a £5 FPS voucher respectively.

Cover picture	Debbie Roberts-Jones	Shropshire
January	Mark Gallagher	Co. Durham
February	Nicola Evans	Cumbria
March	Anneli Ferrier	Co. Durham
April	Stephen Leese	Cumbria
May	Eileen Walker	Co. Durham
June	Gordon Miller	Glos.
July	Matts Equestrian Photography	Cumbria
August	Fane Murray and FPS Archives	
September	Dorothy Baker	Cambs.
October	Mary-Jean Gould-Early	U.S.A.
November	Swingletree Photography	
December	Jennifer Morrissey	U.S.A.

Congratulations to all the above.

Calendars should be available at the Spring AGM and thereafter. So now we look forward to entries for the 2017 calendar! As before, landscape format images (i.e. wider than high) are preferred to portrait format although we still accept good portrait images. Either digital or hard copy photographic prints can be submitted, remembering that digital images have to scale up to the calendar format at 11" x 7" and so have to be of high resolution (300dpi minimum).

Professionally taken photographs are eligible providing the photographer is prepared to waive copyright for their inclusion in the calendar. Remember that only two professional photographs can be selected by the judges and that such images cannot be included in the calendar competition. If you do submit a professionally taken photograph please make sure that you identify which photograph it is, together with a waiver statement from the photographer, when you send them in.

The closing date for submission of entries for the 2017 calendar is Monday October 12th 2015. If hard copy prints are submitted 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](mailto:ProfBarbaraBrown@aol.com)

Alternatively CDs and photographic prints can be mailed to:

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## **Peahill Basil wins the Lownthwaite Rob Trophy**

Cath Wrigley and her team at the Murthwaite Green Trekking Centre were delighted to hear that Peahill Basil has been awarded the Lownthwaite Rob trophy in recognition of his promotion of the Fell pony breed outside the show ring. Cath says that Basil can turn his hoof to most things including beach rides, mountain climbing, hunting, cross country and pony club activities to name but a few. He has completed the Mary Townley Loop, gives taster pony treks at nearby Muncaster Castle and looks after the centre's oldest customer, Janet, who is 86 years old and won't take any other pony on her beach rides.

Cath says that he is a fantastic personality and she feels honoured to own him.



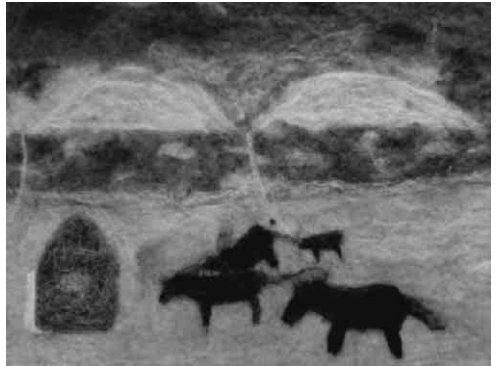




## Learning with Fells 2014

In August Glenis Cockbain at the Carrock Stud in Keswick, Cumbria welcomed us. The Carrock ponies graze the fells along with sheep specially bred by her sons who also share her passion for Fell Ponies. Although the herd is small right now, the family intend to breed more ponies in the future. Glenis shared stories and photos of her life with ponies. We had fun playing horsy games on the fell with the other children when we were introduced to the Fell Ponies. Then we took a mare with foal back to the farm, where Glenis and sons talked about conformation, showing, judging, and leading ponies at shows. We all had tea and cakes and Glenis answered any final questions.

My second visit in November was to Mr. Paul Metcalfe at Ryehouse, Killington near Kendal, Cumbria. Again the whole family who are all involved in Fell Ponies welcomed us. Paul answered all our questions with a huge sense of humour and he told stories of his life with ponies at shows, doing Driving Competitions, and talked about the people his family have met through being involved with Fell Ponies. Julie Robinson provided a demonstration and discussed her interest in Ridden Competition and explained what experience has taught her about the Fell Pony. Paul and Julie showed and explained saddles and a driving harness, and how best to set a team of ponies for driving. We met four grey colts and Paul explained his ambition for future driving with them. I spotted a handsome Stallion at the start of our visit when he came out of the stable; he really caught my eye, and when an unexpected visitor arrived, Bert Morland, he agreed with me and explained why in great detail. Learning with Fells has improved my idea of what I am looking for in a Fell Pony and how intelligent and capable this native pony can be.



Sorry I could not get to meet Christine Robinson at Kerbeck Stud because of a faulty alternator on our car.

On our Townend visit, Peter Boustead, NPS & Fell Judge, held a talk at Mungrisdale Village Hall, Penrith, Cumbria. Peter shared his experience, and very kindly sent details of his presentation to read later. Then after lunch Mrs. Penny Randell & Mrs. Margaret Wilson hosted an afternoon of activities, where Peter encouraged us to judge four Townend Ponies and explained about good strong flat bone. We had a tremendous afternoon tea in the barn and then a walk over the fields to see more mares with foals. A great day with sunny weather.

Edward Quick Aged 10



## FPS Ridden Bursary 2015—Francesca Hoggarth and Banksgate Brando

I have been riding horses since I was 11 years old and learnt to ride on Welsh ponies. It was always my dream to one day own a horse of my own and I finally managed to fulfil this when I was 21—living my life with very little, while my horse had the best of everything. I learnt the hard way with my horse, who was a fiery 4 year old hackney that bucked me off for fun, but with much perseverance and determination we developed a very special bond. That sadly came to an abrupt end when he was 12 yrs old and I lost him to colic, when even surgery couldn't save him. After this I had a few other riding horses that I broke in or rode for people, but nothing that I had that special connection with—that was until we bought a Fell pony for my husband. He had always bred and shown Shires but as he was getting older he decided he also loved Fells so we agreed to buy one for him to drive and possibly show.

In October 2012 we bought Banksgate Brando from Tony & Elyned Ashcroft. I thought he was so small, after riding horses, but I looked forward to breaking him to drive so that we could enjoy evenings in the cart. When Brando turned 3 we started to long rein him and it was then he had a big fright from a van on the roads, and after that he started to get very nervous when confronted with a car. When we broke him in, in his 4th year, it became apparent we needed to rebuild his confidence, so my husband said I should ride him first. Well—that's when my husband "gave his pony away"—my riding horse was sold and my husband has never been allowed to have Brando back!

So from Shires and riding horses to Fell ponies. It looks to the average person a bit of a come-down, but to anyone out there who has a Fell pony they will know it is in fact a step up. Brando can be quite sharp but he has this amazing self preservation so you know he will never hurt you or put you in danger. He rides like a horse but with a smart pony attitude, and is great fun to be around.

Since Brando has been broken in we have enjoyed getting out and about together. We have competed at a number of ridden shows and he has always tried his hardest for me. When I saw that the FPS were advertising a ridden bursary I decided to apply as I really feel passionate about the Fell pony breed and would like to show other people why they too should have a Fell pony. When I was contacted to say we had been successful for the bursary I was over the moon.

I would like to use the money to put towards lessons with Jean Rogers BHSI so that I can aim to start getting Brando out at different events doing various disciplines from Le trec, pleasure rides to Dressage and showjumping. Brando has currently had some time off chilling out ready for this year's season. I would like to thank the FPS for awarding us the bursary and cannot wait to start flying the flag.

Francesca Hoggarth



## People and Ponies: Annie Wordley & Brackenbank Flash Harry

### The RDA National Championships

Riding for the Disabled has groups in each area of the Country and each group holds qualifying events in May for the National Championships held at Hartpury College in July. This is THE event in the RDA calendar, with competitors representing 100 RDA groups travelling to the championships from all over the UK. This year there were 400 competitors, with 240 horses and ponies, competing in 90 classes over four days. There were ridden flat and show jumping classes, and carriage driving; with classes according to the rider's level of disability.

Annie Wordley's Mum, Gwen, takes up the story of another Ambassador for the Fell pony breed:

"Annie has learning difficulties and has been a member of the North West area RDA for six years, we had retired our traditional cob, Henry, due to stifle problems, and it was Annie who asked if we could have a Fell pony. I had owned a Fell mare previously Friarbiggin Peggy (Pegs) whom I competed under saddle and in combined driving trials, she died at the grand age of 28 years, and I had always wanted another Fell Pony. We bought Harry from Michael Rawlinson in September 2013; Harry had been gelded in June as Michael had decided to stop breeding, but remains



an active Fell enthusiast. Harry had been backed and lightly ridden by Michael's partner Sheila.

"We continued Harry's flatwork over the winter and took him to a few small dressage competitions. In May, although he was still very green, we decided to take him to the qualifying event for the North West at the RDA centre New Barn, Cheshire. He was entered for the Combined Training class, this consists of a ridden dressage section, and the second section is very much like TREC and is called the Countryside Challenge, with a total of eight obstacles. Much to our surprise he took it all in his stride and qualified for the Nationals,

"Annie had previously qualified four times with Henry, but I was worried that Hartpury would prove too much for Harry, because he was only six years old and Hartpury is a big event. Annie kept telling me to stop worrying (but that's Mum's job in life). She knew 'he would be fine.'

"We travelled down to Hartpury on the 17th July with temperatures in the high 20s, the event was from the 17th to the 20th July.

"With my instructions to 'Just keep him in the dressage arena' ringing in her ears, everything was going fine until nerves took over; not for Annie but for Mum; I made an error reading the dressage test, and with her combined marks from the Countryside Challenge dropped her from a first place to third place. She has forgiven me but suggested someone else reads next time.

"A great number of people stopped to admire Harry, not just for his physical appearance but his laid back attitude to everything; and they were amazed he had been a working stallion only 12 months previously. The Stable Manager informed us he was the only registered Fell pony there. He proved to be a great ambassador for the breed.

"We have made great friends through the RDA, three of Annie's closest friends also qualified and took home rosettes. Together we all support each other, and in total our group consisted of ten people, and their friendship means a lot. The RDA is an important part of many disabled people's lives, it provides friendship, support and most of all the immeasurable benefits, both physically and mentally, interaction with horses can bring to people.

"Annie with support is able to compete alongside able bodied riders and I must say that the world of horse riders has always been welcoming and supportive of her needs. There are many people who we want to thank for their support and help including our RDA group, Liz McCann who teaches Annie, Michael and Sheila for letting us buy Harry and my long suffering husband who fitted a camera in to Harry's stable so he could 'make sure he was not upset on his first night with us', I kid you not!"

Claire Simpson

Annie Wordley



## Drybarrows Fell Ponies

The first Drybarrows Fell Pony, Blossom, was registered in 1962, the year the Thompson family moved to farm at High Drybarrows, near Bampton in Cumbria.



*The first Drybarrows Fell Pony, 13003 Drybarrows Blossom (IS), sire Packway Royal 3276, dam unregistered Fell Pony; owned and bred by Mr T C Thompson*

However, Chris Thompson was at least the third generation of his family to keep Fell Ponies. When Chris moved from Askham Gate to Drybarrows, he took one pony with him, and bought some ponies from Sarge Noble at Helton and a couple of other local ponies, and they have run as a semi-feral herd on Bampton and Askham fell ever since. The ponies are well-adapted to withstand the extremely harsh conditions of living on the fell which stretches between Haweswater and Ullswater, and reaches 2,700 feet above sea level at the summit of High Street. The land covers approximately 8,000 acres, and the ponies live out all year round; some of them may not be seen for months at a time.

Chris Thompson was a great ambassador for the breed, and many who knew him would testify that he was a true gentleman of the fells. Not only was he a well-

respected Fell Pony Society judge, he was also a member of the FPS Council. Chris made many friends amongst the overseas members of the Society. In 2002 he was invited to judge alongside Mary Longsdon at the Dutch Breed Show.

Roy Ottink and his father Gerard who breed the Wildhoeve Fell Ponies in Holland have very fond memories of their visits to Drybarrows. Roy shared some of his recollections:

“Many studs are influential in the birth of an overseas Society. Drybarrows Fell Ponies played their part as a good foundation stud and at one time, one of the most influential names in Holland. At Drybarrows you were presented with diamonds in the rough straight from the fell and wild as the hills, however once over in Holland they changed rapidly into reliable ponies who you could do anything with. As long [and I quote Chris Thompson] as you ‘don’t put your will against the ponies—they will always win’.

“Many Drybarrows ponies did well in the show ring in Holland: 2000 youngstock champion Drybarrows Penny, 2002 supreme champion D. Carol, 2005 champion mare D. Molly, 2008 supreme champion D. Swell, 2012 champion stallion D. Hank.

“Chris, as I recall him, was a true gentleman who was willing to talk about ponies all day long, and even better he would share his knowledge and give his insights into the breed. He often took people out on the quad bike to see his ponies, and on one occasion he took me out and we had a long talk about the past and future, and all the ins and outs of the breed. What my father and I remember the most was the enthusiasm and the twinkle in his eye when you stood-up a pony and ‘pulled it to bits’ together. For this I am very thankful.” [Roy Ottink]

In January 2013, Chris died in a tragic accident. His son David and his daughter-in-law Gail who live and farm at High Drybarrows, along with David’s sister Carolyn, made the decision to keep the ponies and continue the legacy left by their father. The ponies had always been a part of their life. One of David’s early memories was of going to view the colt Twislehope Rupert who was bred by Mrs Laing, with his father and Sarge Noble who bred the Heltondale ponies. He remembers clearly Sarge saying to his father - on first sighting of the colt before they even got out of the truck - not to leave that yard without buying him! However, one condition of Mrs Laing selling the two-year old to his father was that he must show him; this he did, but it was one of the very few times Chris showed any of his ponies. Drybarrows Jeff went on to win the supreme championship at the 1999 Stallion Show for the Townend Stud.

David has always been involved with the day-to-day husbandry of the herd alongside farming his Swaledale sheep, and breeding some successful British Blue cattle. David was always on hand when the foals needed haltering, or when the vet came for the annual castrations. He remembers on one occasion being dragged the length of a field behind a colt who had other ideas about his fertility, and the vet having significantly underestimated the sedative required!

After a quiet time since Chris passed away, David, Gail and Carolyn were keen for Fell Pony enthusiasts to know that the Drybarrows ponies are still flourishing

up on the fell, and would be starting to breed again. A chance visit by Gordon and Frances Miller who were looking for a novice mare to show was an ideal opportunity. It was a month before the Fell Pony Society Breed Show at Dalemain and David suggested he'd like help to take a mare to the show, and when it couldn't be decided who it should be, after some deliberation three in-foal mares were chosen to go: Seven-year old Jan III, eight-year old Dot, and nine-year old Jess II. Gordon and Frances took the ponies home to teach them to be caught, lead, pick up their feet and have their first baths! They also had their first foot trims by the sympathetic and very patient farrier Alan Ashcroft.

The mares behaved impeccably at the show, and were able to compete with some well-known, seasoned and successful ponies. Jan III took fourth place out of 22 entries in the class for mares 4-7 years. Dot went on to win her class for mares 8 years and over in a strong field. Jess II then won the Best Set of Feet (Never Been Shod) class, the judge describing her feet as 'exactly as a Fell Pony should have'. David and his uncle Hugh Thompson were delighted when Dot (*left*) went



on to take the reserve female championship, reflecting on how pleased Chris would have been with his mares. A month later Jess II traveled down to the FPS Southern Breed Show in Oxfordshire, and won the mare championship.

David, Gail and Carolyn have retained a herd of quality

broodmares carrying the bloodlines of Drybarrows White Heather, D. Purple Heather, D. Conny, D. Rose, Heltondale Eve and Heltondale Cloud. They are looking forward to their first crop of foals in 2015 by the renowned stallion Carrock I'm Yer Man, kindly loaned by the Smith family from Perthshire.

Not a lot has changed over the generations of Fell Ponies at Drybarrows, and David hopes to carry on from his father breeding true-to-type, quality Fell Ponies with outstanding movement, flat bone, good feet, and kind, biddable temperaments.

Frances Miller



## Drybarrows Fell Pony Breeders Award 2014

This new Award is given by the Thompson family in memory of Chris Thompson who bred the Drybarrows ponies. It is decided by totalling points awarded for the in-hand results from the FPS Stallion Show, the FPS Breed Show and the FPS Southern Show.

Position	Prefix	Total Points
1st	Wellbrow	118
2nd	Murthwaite	76
3rd	Lunesdale	69
4th	Drybarrows	65
5th	Greenholme	63
6th	Rackwood	49

53 breed prefixes took part.

Eileen A Walker



## Emily Cheetham and Greenholme Kirstie

Emily Cheetham, aged 7, from Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire had a fabulous 2014 season with her Fell pony Greenholme Kirstie. Emily's Mum, Jacqueline, reports that Emily and Kirstie are active members of East Aberdeenshire (Buchan) branch of the Pony Club and have taken part in rallies, dressage, show jumping, fun shows, games, 3 days of junior camp, arena one- day event, hacking and fancy dress. They were also part of the team that won the PC Area Grassroots competition. A huge achievement for a pony bought as an unhandled yearling straight off the fells from the annual Fell Pony Sale and who had previously been mum's hack until the age of 15. Emily has plenty of enthusiasm for the future and would like to try cross country and do more games.



More lessons and training are planned for 2015 so that Emily can eventually take Kirstie's daughter, homebred Boyndlie Black Rose (also 7 years old) by Carrock I'm Yer Man, to Pony Club.





## Lownthwaite Stud celebrates 125 years



2014 saw the Lownthwaite Fell Pony Stud celebrate 125 years of breeding Fell Ponies. To mark the occasion the stud held an open day at Gamblesby in July. Visitors had a trip down memory lane watching a clip from the TV documentary "Out of Town" by Jack Hargreaves which was filmed at Dufton Show and Lownthwaite in the 1970's and part of the film "An Endangered Breed" by Tom Lloyd made in 2010. Visitors had the opportunity to browse through memorabilia and trace the history of the Lownthwaite Fell Ponies on an illustrated time line which included influential events in the Fell Pony Society.

Visitors met some of today's herd. We were pleased to see so many members and non members of the society, which gave us the opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make new friends. The stud also ran a points scheme over the summer months which a number of FPS members entered. There were several categories ranging from endurance riding to a writing competition. The winners of each section were announced in December 2014 and received a special Lownthwaite Fell Ponies 125 year commemorative rosette.

We would like to thank everyone who took part in the competition and who visited us in July for helping us to celebrate such a milestone in the history of the stud and for making 2014 such a special year.

The picture (right) is by Emily Cheetham, aged 7, who won the junior section of our points scheme with Greenholme Kirstie (above). We thought her illustration summed up the Fell Pony perfectly "A versatile, loyal and much loved animal".



Alison Wales Bell



Photo: Sam Herbertson

*Pam Brown riding Linnel Poppy in the dressage phase at the Linnel Performance Trials. Below: Sophie Jones riding Lunesdale War Dance in the showjumping phase.*



Photo: Sam Herbertson



## FPS 21st Native Pony Performance Trials

With the sun shining, welcoming old and new faces to The Fell Pony Society's 21st Native Pony Performance Trials, everyone was set for another very successful day at Linnel Wood at the Charlton family's wonderful venue.

The Performance Trials likes to encourage its riders to become involved in the event, meet new people and enjoy themselves. All scoring is positive, allowing people to be rewarded for what they get right rather than being penalised for what they get wrong. Nobody can be eliminated, even if you and your pony somehow part company. Also everybody receives a rosette no matter how they have done over the day.

Pam Harrison was judging the Fell Pony Dressage section, with competitors of all levels including the stalwarts who have been coming for years to the newcomers, one of which was also our youngest competitor to date, Charlotte Wilson, aged 8, riding Hades Hill Perry.

For the dressage section we ask that everybody tries their best, our judges are great at giving encouraging advice in their comments to those who are beginners, or have young ponies that haven't established canter yet. Elizabeth Wilkinson riding Black Prince Bobby put in a fantastic performance winning the Fell Pony Dressage section with a score of 143.

With the completion of the dressage section, our competitors donned their colours and got ready and raring for the Cross Country section. In the Cross Country the course has an option of three heights ranging from 18 inches to 3ft, competitors are able to pick and choose which heights they would like to jump, so if you're a bit nervous to begin with you can start with the small jumps, and as your confidence builds as you head around the course you can move onto the bigger jumps.

In the show jumping section, competitors are allowed to nominate what height they would like to jump when they have completed the cross country, with options of small, medium and large heights. The show jumping proved for exciting watching this year, with fans, spreads, and a double style on the top of a mound with only two ponies managing to get round it clear!

The wonderful array of prizes were presented to the competitors by Jean Bateson, a volunteer and supporter of the event for many years. The Fell Pony section's Cross Country and Overall winner was Linnel Poppy ridden by Pam Brown and owned by Mr and Mrs Charlton. This was Linnel Poppy's fun day out before she headed off to HOYS as the only Fell Pony to qualify in the M&M Workers. Linnel Poppy also won the best Fell Mare Trophy.

Sophie Jones riding Lunesdale War Dance will be one to watch for the future winning the Best Fell Newcomer and Best Fell Junior Prizes, having been placed third in the Cross Country and Second Overall.

The Team competition sponsored by The Kerbeck Fell Pony Stud had five fantastic teams put forward. The name competition was won by the Hynbeck Hopeful Heroes, who sadly were not the heroes of the day and were pipped to the post by the team Better Together.

We had a special prize to present to the most dedicated father, James Wilson, who ran the whole Cross Country, whilst supporting his daughter Charlotte Wilson, as previously mentioned as our youngest rider, on Hades Hill Perry.

As with all events, a huge thank you to all those people who kindly volunteer their time, assisting with setting up the show jumps, flagging the course, hammering in posts around the site, stewarding, and all the supporters who kindly come and jump judge the cross country.

Without these people events like The Fell Pony Society's Native Pony Performance Trials would not be able to run. So we look forward to seeing you next year and hopefully will be welcoming some new competitors and volunteers to enjoy such a relaxing and fun event.

Lucie Charlton

## FELL RESULTS

### Dressage

- 1st Black Prince Bobby, Elizabeth Wilkinson
- 2nd Wellbrow Dewdrop, Amy Small
- 3rd Thornbeck Andrew, Victoria Parker
- 4th Linnel Poppy, Pamela Brown
- 5th Kerbeck Druids Fire, Georgina Callister
- 6th Wansfell Anzin, Lucy Hogg

### Cross country

- 1st Linnel Poppy, Pamela Brown
- 2nd Linnel Punch, Emily Exley
- 3rd Lunesdale War Dance, Sophie Jones
- 4th Linnel Frostie, Carolyn Deane
- 5th Wellbrow Dewdrop, Amy Small
- 6th Linnel Ruth, Chris Grant

### Overall

- 1st Linnel Poppy, Pamela Brown
- 2nd Lunesdale War Dance, Sophie Jones
- 3rd Linnel Punch, Emily Exley
- 4th Wellbrow Dewdrop, Amy Small
- 5th Linnel Frostie, Carolyn Deane
- 6th Dene Fire Fox, Jess Haynes
- Best Junior, Sophie Jones, Lunesdale War Dance

- Best Mare, Linnel Poppy, Pamela Brown



## Ponies Past: Llancloudy Skirrid 1999—2014

Ollie, who came into our lives as a just backed 3 year old, was our first Fell Pony and purchased, against everything I knew about buying horses, for my novice husband. Who in their right mind buys such a young pony for a 'learner rider'! There was just something about him that took my husband's eye; looking at a field of black Fells he said, 'I like that one!' So home with us he came.



Ollie turned out to be the most wonderful pony I could have ever hoped for, for my husband and the many people whose lives he touched. He was graced with an unimaginable patience, a tolerance level that knew no bounds and an amazing sense of humour. You could put a baby on his back and he wouldn't move - take him hunting and you couldn't stop! He could eat a year's supply of food in one sitting yet survive on thin air. He suffered severe separation anxiety if left in the field on his own yet would hack anywhere alone. He would dismantle stables if put in them - he hated being in and lived out all his life. He was patient and kind with foals and adored babysitting them and being 'Uncle Ollie' to the weanlings. He was utterly bombproof with one exception - mobility scooters!

He was a wonderful pony to put nervous riders on, helping build many people's riding skills and confidence. I remember, on one country ride, cantering ahead of my husband who, when I turned to check on him, was slowly disappearing out of the 'side door.' I watched Ollie canter sideways, collect my husband up and carry on!

When we moved yards in 2009, Stacey Kirven came into his life as a loaner who rode him regularly and they forged an amazing bond. She got him fit and he brought her from a novice rider to cantering, jumping and hunting, building her confidence slowly but always making sure she was aware that he could, if he wanted, be a monkey! Ollie adored her and she him.

After an early diagnosis of liver inflammation of unknown origin, we embarked on 9 months of medication, biopsies and treatments, but we were unable to stop the onset of fibrosis. His liver became over 70% damaged and his temperament began to change so we made the heartbreaking decision to let him go. Stacey, Sue, Tim and I stayed with him to the end.

I owe a huge debt of gratitude to this pony as, in contacting his breeder, Gabriel came into our lives as well and then more Fells (don't they always!) Ollie was the start of a very special and hugely rewarding relationship with Fell ponies - Thank you Olls - sleep tight baby xxx

Jules Jordan



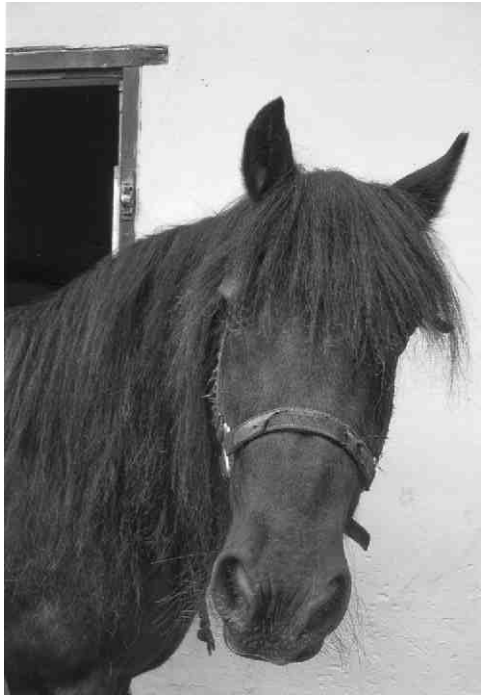
## Update Rambling Rose FP1511 1986—2014

Update Rambling Rose (Rosie) came to Scarborough RDA in 1993 as a 7 year old and has given confidence and pleasure to the many children and adults who rode her as well as to the non riders and helpers. Her lovable Fell pony traits touched everyone's heart as she was such a great character.

After losing my pony, Dalemain Honeysuckle, in 2000, I joined the Scarborough RDA and initially Rosie helped me through my grief. She eventually spent four months with me before being loaned to Speeton RDA. As the Scarborough RDA had no suitable riders for her, the decision was made in 2009 to let her stay at Speeton to continue her good work with the children of this group. I visited her several times and could see she was happy working in her new home with new equine friends. Gradually her workload decreased until the day of her death.

On that particular day she had given a small child her ride and then after being turned out into the field she lay down and was unable to move. The vet was called, but she died peacefully as she so rightfully deserved.

Rosie wasn't a show pony, but she was a very special Fell Pony and in 2009 on the 25th anniversary of our RDA group, Rosie was presented with a long service Award (15 years) by Princess Anne, and I was privileged to receive it for her.



Elizabeth Pryor

### **Reminder from the FPS Office: deceased ponies**

We know how hard it is to lose a pony, but by law the owner should return the pony's passport to the Society for cancellation. It can then be returned to you if you wish to keep it.

# Society Merchandise Price List

## CLOTHING (with FPS logo)

Item	Price	Postage	Total
Reversible Showerproof Fleece Lined Jacket	£26.00	£5.50	£31.50
Full Zip Hoody	£24.00	£3.00	£27.00
Rugby Shirt	£30.00	£3.00	£33.00
Hoody	£22.00	£3.00	£25.00
Fleece Sweatshirt with Collar	£21.00	£3.00	£24.00
Crew Neck Sweatshirt (Adult)	£17.50	£3.00	£20.50
Polo Shirt (Adult)	£15.00	£3.00	£18.00
T Shirt (Adult)	£12.00	£3.00	£15.00
T Shirt (Child)	£10.00	£3.00	£13.00
Fleece Waistcoat (Adult)	£22.00	£3.00	£25.00
Waterproof Waistcoat	£30.00	£5.50	£35.50
Knitted Hat	£8.00	£2.00	£10.00
Hi Vis Waistcoat	£10.00	£1.50	£11.50
Tie	£12.00	£1.50	£13.50
Baseball Cap	£8.00	£2.00	£10.00

## MISCELLANEOUS

Towel	£6.00	£3.00	£9.00
Facecloth	£3.50	£1.50	£5.00
Apron	£12.00	£2.00	£14.00
Key Fob	£1.00	£1.00	£2.00
Ballpoint Pen	£1.00	£1.00	£2.00
Softgrip <sup>®</sup> ballpoint pen	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00
Pencil	£0.50	£1.00	£1.50
Badge	£3.00	£1.00	£4.00
Wristbands	£1.50	£1.00	£2.50
Car Sticker - Round or Oblong	£1.00	£0.60	£1.60
Car Tax Disc Holder	£2.00	£0.60	£2.60
New Stickers	£1.00	£0.60	£1.60
Large Lorry Stickers 8"	£8.00	£3.00	£11.00
Large Trailer Stickers 22"	£12.00	tbc	
Mouse Mat	£3.00	£1.50	£4.50
Tea Towel	£3.00	£1.50	£4.50
Fridge Magnet	£1.50	£1.00	£2.50
Tote Bag (large)	£7.00	£2.00	£9.00
Tote Bag (small)	£4.00	£1.00	£5.00
Coloured Shoppers	£6.00	£1.00	£7.00
Shoulder Bag	£8.00	£3.00	£11.00
Wallet	£6.00	£3.00	£9.00
Phone Purse	£7.00	£3.00	£10.00
Back Packs	£12.00	£3.00	£15.00
Table Mats	£7.50	£2.00	£9.50
China Mug	£5.00	£3.50	£8.50
Earthenware Mug	£4.50	£3.50	£8.00
Glass Engraved Tumbler	£10.00	£3.50	£13.50

## CARDS

Christmas Cards (pack of 5)	£2.50	£1.00	£3.50
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Item	Price	Postage	Total
Notelets (pack of 5)	£2.50	£1.00	£3.50
Postcards (pack of 10)	£1.50	£1.00	£2.50
Calendars	£5.50	£1.50	£6.50

## BOOKS / VIDEOS/ CD

The Fell Pony DVD	£15.00	£1.50	£16.50
A Lifetime with Ponies by Roy B Charlton	£20.00	£3.00	£23.00
Walk On The Wild Side	£12.50	£2.00	£14.50
Fell Diamonds	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
Spirit Of The Fell Pony	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
The Fell Pony (by Clive Richardson)	£7.50	£1.00	£8.50
British Horse & Pony Breeds	£19.00	£3.00	£22.00
Jubilee Book	£5.00	£2.00	£7.00
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