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Opening the new office at Great Asby: left to right, Keldhead Rose with secretarial assistant Katherine Wilkinson; FPS Chairman Mary Longsdon; FPS Secretary Elizabeth Parkin with Coppyhill Victoria



Heather Kyle, Owensboro, Kentucky, USA, sent this autumnal photo of Littletree Tia Maria and her 2009 colt foal Scafell Pike Southern Comfort.



Fell Pony Logging at Dudmaston Hall, Shropshire, by kind permission of The National Trust, where Kellie and Richard Channing provided a most impressive and informative demonstration with Brocklebeck Border Buster.



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Editorial



We have some very informative articles on pony health in this issue, as well as the regular Group and Branch reports and of course the Show results, and some entertaining photographs, which I hope you will enjoy.

I'm very pleased with the steady and early arrival of contributions for the 2010 Autumn Magazine. That has been even more helpful this time around, because the Magazine has had to go to press a week early to compensate for Elizabeth's term of jury service, that fell most inconveniently at the time when we normally post out.

Thank you to everyone who has heeded my regular pleas for unformatted, simple, single column text with separate, clear, not-too-big photographs when sending in their digital contributions. It is amazing how much work these small points can save me. Nearly everyone is sending in their material by email, which is great because I don't have to type the text and scan the photos. Remember, if you do send anything to the Magazine by post, to enclose an SAE if you want it back.

Incidentally, though you may not believe it, the Ponies Past section has been heavily edited. I'd like to try to keep each obituary to one page from now on.

Sue

PS: Thanks for all the good wishes for my grand-daughter's treatment for cancer. One year on from diagnosis, Naomi is still receiving chemotherapy. Jen, Rob and Naomi have now moved out of our holiday cottage and back to their de-flooded home in Cockermouth, but Naomi is still enthusiastic about visiting the ponies here and riding them or going out in the carriage.

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A BIG thank-you after my ride!



Letters to the Editor

Your Spring cover shot of Catriona Paterson's "Flying Fell" put me in mind of my Fell Pony, Lydvale Holly, during her early jumping days. Absolutely determined not to risk tapping her toes her ladyship decided that the only safe course of action was to jump at the height of the wings rather than the poles. Whilst effective it meant that the proud mother (me) had no chance (challenged equestrian skills) although the much younger jockey pictured here did very well with her in local competitions. Holly won her first and only affiliated competition, Native working pony at Swansea County Show 5 years ago. She ended the day as Supreme Champion and so managed in one fell (!) swoop to go from novice to intermediate in about 10 minutes. Due to all sorts of circumstances - not least the jockey moving - her competition career has gone on to hold but she still manages to let everyone know that she's the boss!

I do love the magazine, keep up all the good work.

Ellen Roberts Fern Cottage Milton Lilbourne Pewsey Wilts





Letters to the Editor

News from the Downes family.

After the sad loss of Townend Tamsin in 2009 we moved on to Townend Milly, a mare in a million. Milly is well mannered and does all that is asked of her.

We are having great fun-just wish the sun would shine.

Joel Downes-Richardson, age 10 Yorkshire



Joel with Townend Milly, aged 5 years



From Our President

Having retired from the Council only last year I had thought I might be able to enjoy a quieter retirement handing over the reins to someone more youthful. It seems you had other ideas...

I have been a member of the Fell Pony Society since the day I was born, far too many years ago. I was brought up showing and breeding Fell ponies. I rode at the NPS Championships at Roehampton aged 11, and my father won the Supreme Championship the same day on Linnel Sandpiper, who subsequently went to Australia. Then, aged 17, I stood Supreme Champion in my turn, on Linnel Flighty. Both my grandfather and father were presidents of both the NPS and FPS in their time. As such it is a great privilege for me to follow in the footsteps of them both, and an honour to have been elected by you all.

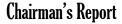
2010 is a marker year for the Fell Pony Society. This year has seen the most significant developments into the preservation and maintenance of our breed in the last century.

During my 5 years as Chairman of the Council in the late 1990's we encountered a mountain of dilemmas; Foot and Mouth, the development of daughter societies, micro-chipping and passports and the discovery of the syndrome, etc, the list is endless. When it came to handing over the Chairman's mantle to Mary, I was happy to see that most of these problems were being resolved, but unhappy to realise that at the time we were still a long way from making any real headway with the syndrome. It has been nearly 10 years since then, and alongside my fellow council members and indeed, you as society members, I have been constantly aware of and concerned about the future security of our ponies. This year, it has given me great pleasure to see significant moves finally being made into the prevention of this horrendous condition, having reached the point of establishing a marker test for FIS.

I believe our key aim now must be to continue to look to the future. We must encourage our young enthusiasts, breeders and judges and continue to nurture our societies abroad and the investigations into the prevention of FIS. I found this to be wonderfully evident at this year's Breed Show with many youngsters being involved in all aspects of the show working beside all of the old-timers, and no doubt learning a thing or two as well. I was also overjoyed to see my daughter accompany my granddaughter into her first lead-rein class on my wife's pony. It is this aspect of the Fell Pony Society that I admire and love the most; families continuing a long-held tradition alongside the many friends that they make, working together with each other and enjoying our ponies together.

Long may it continue.

Bob



This is a first! I am writing this report whilst visiting The Netherlands where Michael Goddard and I enjoyed judging at their Breed Show. We very much appreciated all their enthusiasm for the ponies and also their generous hospitality over the weekend.

Another summer has flown by, with the first half too dry and the second half too wet. Hay seems to be at a premium, which may affect our Sale in October, but think of the opportunities - you may acquire the bargain of the century.

There has been a good take up of kits for 'syndrome testing', which shows members are giving considerable thought to their breeding programmes. Council will discuss progress at their November meeting and see if there is a need to adjust our ideas for next year.

Our Shows have again been very successful and I am sure we are all extremely grateful to all those who put in so much work on our behalf. Please ensure your own attitude always acknowledges this. Fells have been winning around the country in various spheres and keeping our ponies to the forefront. Congratulations to those who have qualified for the Horse of the Year Show and to Carrock I'm Yer Man, Castle Hill Raven and Clarmount Bengeman who all go to Olympia in December. Best of luck to you all.

Many of us enjoyed a lovely day with the Wilkinson family and the Brackenbank ponies just under the Pennine hills. The late summer sunshine encouraged us all to potter about and talk to the ponies, eat too much and relax. Many thanks for a happy afternoon.

A big thank you to Ian Smith who has done sterling work as Press Officer but has now decided to step down. This is not an easy job, getting and giving reports on time. Just getting the information and meeting deadlines requires time and dedication and PR skills. If anyone thinks this is the job (unpaid!) they have been waiting for, please phone 01629 640709, or the office, without delay. Anyway, again thank you Ian, for your input over the last few years. This, as ever, is extended to our ever-increasing list of helpers, which probably includes most of the membership, and especially to one or two vital members, like Elizabeth and Katherine, who do so much for you. It is good that they now have a beautiful new office to work in for the next decade! *(I think my husband wants his snooker table before then - Elizabeth)*

I have now flapped my wings and am home again - why did anyone ever invent the answering machine?! I look forward to seeing you all at the Autumn meeting.

Best wishes, Mary.



Secretary's Report

We finally moved into our new office earlier this spring - we are extending our house into the adjacent barn, and after getting the roof sorted and new windows in, the first job for Graham, my husband, was to make us a large downstairs room with its own entrance so that visitors don't have to We come through the house to find us. have more space for the office, plus storage space, a small kitchen area and a loo, so we are completely self-contained with everything in one place at last. Having said that, it's all in one place but we have a lot of sorting and filing still to do. Graham is now thinking about installing a snooker table in the room when we reclaim it from the Society at some time in the future!

The administration of sending out FIS kits and returning results has been quite time consuming - we have sent out exactly 400 kits so far. The initial rush has died down but more requests are coming in now that people are having their foals tested. As notified in the last magazine, Council decided that the Society would fund the test for stallions licensed this year and for any affected foals. Because of the confidentiality if the test, we don't know in the office if you have had an affected foal tested, so if you want to reclaim the £40 test fee, you need to get in touch with the office and let us know. We were very fortunate a couple of months ago to be successful in being awarded a grant from the RBST of £3,000 towards the cost of funding these tests, and we are very grateful to them for their help.

The Society has also been very appreciative over the years for the help given by the grant received from the Horserace Betting Levy Board. We had been contacted earlier in the year to say that they would honour our 2010 grant, despite budget cuts, and we have recently been notified that their 2011 budget for rare breed society grants has been substantially cut. However, we will still receive a grant in 2011, but it is likely to be £3,820 instead of the £5,870 received previously. This will be confirmed in October, after they have received our annual return which I am working on at the moment.

Foal registrations are coming in very slowly this year - well under a hundred so far - I'm sure there are lots more to come get them in guickly if you are planning on entering foals for the sale and don't forget that fees are double if the registrations arrive after 30 November. We're trying to get up to date and on top of everything in the office as I've been called for jury service from 27 September - hopefully it will just be for the standard two weeks, but it has dropped right on the time when we will be doing the sale catalogue. We hope we will have got this magazine sent out before I go, and I sincerely hope it doesn't run on too long as I have a holiday booked at the end of October, which is usually a guieter time in the office.

Although the sun is shining today, there's a distinct nip in the air and it's beginning to feel and look guite autumnal. It seems quite a while since the Breed Show, which went very well despite some heavy showers. I thoroughly enjoyed the open day and ride and drive at the Wilkinson's last month, especially my drive out with Sue Millard and Ruby - the day was blessed with wonderful weather and everyone seemed to have a great time. As we move into the autumn, the end of the financial year looms and I will need to get the books to the accountants as soon as I return from holiday in November, and then it will be Christmas! The 2011 calendar and this year's Christmas cards are available now - see the pictures and details elsewhere in the magazine and get your orders in - we sold out last year!

Elizabeth 31 August 2010



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NOTICE OF AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING

To be held on 23rd October 2010 at 1.00 pm At Orton Market Hall, Orton, Penrith, Cumbria

AUTUMN GENERAL MEETING AGENDA

- 1 Apologies for absence
- 2 Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes of March 2010
- 3 Matters arising from the Minutes
- 4 Chairman's Report
- 5 Secretary/Treasurer's Report
- 6 Reports from Delegates and Sub-Committees
- 7 Foal Immunodeficiency Syndrome
- 8 Members' suggestions
- 9 Any other business

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.

Directions to Orton Market Hall

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



Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 27 March 2010

Miss Longsdon opened the meeting and spoke of the sad death of Wendy Ihlang of the United States who had been killed in a car crash. Wendy had been a founding member and former Chairman of the FPSNA. She asked members to stand in remembrance of her.

Miss Longsdon thanked members for attending and hoped that they had found the hall easily and managed to find somewhere to park.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Ms S Albrecht, Mrs F and Miss L Awde, Mr P Boustead, Miss R Brunskill, Ms G Callister, Mrs S Camp, Mr T Capstick, Miss J and Miss L Charlton, Mrs G Cockbain, Ms R Dalton, Mrs S Edwards, Miss N Evans, Ms J Fairburn, Mr & Mrs W Ford and Miss D Ford, Mr J Greener, Mrs B Hartley, Mrs D Key, Mr & Mrs H Marshall, Mr & Mrs A Morland, Miss A and Mr G H Morton, Miss S Pringle, Mrs J Reekie, Mrs S Rees, the Roberts family, Mr W Robinson, Mrs K and Miss C Savage, Mrs A Shuker, Miss R Sim, Mr J Slater, Mr B Stamp, Mrs S Stewart, Mrs J Ward, Mr D Wilkinson and Miss M Wilkinson.

2 Approval and adoption of Autumn General Meeting Minutes of 24 October 2009

Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Mrs L Chamberlain, seconded

by Mrs S Brunskill, and agreed by the members.

3 Matters arising from the minutes of the Autumn General Meeting held on 24 October 2009

Miss Longsdon invited Mr David Murrav to give a quick update on progress on his plan to take two pack ponies along Hadrian's Wall. Mr Murray said that a year ago, he had about a 20% chance of succeeding with his plan. He thanked all those members who had helped him over the last year. There were approximately 140 landowners and tenant farmers occupying the land adjacent to the wall and no official access for It had been an uphill battle, horses. but 127 had now given permission for his venture, and he now had a 45% chance of success. He hoped members would continue to support him.

Miss Longsdon told members that our Daughter Society in the Netherlands had asked for a further meeting with Council after the Stallion Show in May to put forward their ideas on progressing the issue of stallion licensing.

Miss Longsdon said that she was sure members had enjoyed the delightful reports in the magazine from the young people who head taken part in the 'Learning With Fells' project last year. It had been a great success; they had thoroughly enjoyed it and had learned a great deal. Two candidates for this year had come forward so far and anyone interested should contact the office as soon as possible. (Two more candidates put their names forward after the meeting.)

The International Show being organised by Roy Ottink would take place on 4 September - the venue was likely to be in the Netherlands at the Ottinks' place. More details would be available later.

After being told that there would be no place for a Fell Pony Show at Lowther in the future, it had now been announced that the whole event was cancelled. Mrs Morton told members that the driving had been taken over by the North West Driving Club and there would be a driving competition at Holker Hall. Mrs Charlton said that this was on the same weekend as the Breed Show this year.

Miss Longsdon asked members to join with her in thanking Mrs Millard for another splendid magazine. She hoped everyone had enjoyed it, as Mrs Millard must put hours of work into producing it.

4 Chairman's Report

Miss Longsdon said that October to March was usually fairly quiet, but this year had been tremendously busy, mainly due to the announcement in November that a carrier test had been produced for the syndrome. This had caused an enormous amount of extra work, but it was a splendid thing and would be a very useful tool for the Society. We were very grateful to the research team, who would be arriving later to give the same presentation that they had given to the EGM in January, for the benefit of those who missed it then.

She said a great big thank you to Mrs Parkin and Mrs Wilkinson in the office for all the work they do and said that other Societies had commented on how the workload increases and increases. She told members that she would like to stress that the Society's Rules and Regulations and decisions were made by Council, not the office or the Chairman - they were there to carry those We were responsible decisions out. back to the members who voted the Council into office. Please help the Society by submitting information correctly and promptly - if paperwork has to be returned, it causes delays and extra expense - please try to get it right first time.

The Society had sent all members a draft letter about the proposed Horse Tax to send to their MP - how many had actually sent it? About half the members present indicated that they had -Miss Longsdon thanked them and hope that it would help.

A piece of good new was that Peepings Heather Honey, who had been stolen during Appleby Fair week last year, had been found and returned home. The fact that this happy ending had occurred, was largely due to the fact that the pony was microchipped and so identifiable.

Showing World magazine was running a series of Personality of the Year awards and Severnvale Grey Bobby had been nominated for the pony category and was one of the six finalists. Voting w o u l d b e o n l i n e (showingworldonline.co.uk) and she encouraged members to go home and vote for him.

Congratulations were due to Mr & Mrs Potter who were to celebrate their Golden Wedding Anniversary next month.

Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Gwen Williamson for serving as our President for the last two years - she had been excellent and had been to everything. The Society had been very lucky with its Presidents over the years. Mrs Willliamson said how much she had enioved it. There had been only one candidate put forward for President for the next two years - Mr Bob Charlton. All members present were in favour and he was duly elected. Mr Charlton said that he was both honoured and scared - it would be difficult to follow Mrs Williamson, Mrs Newall, Mr Harrison and those before, but he would do his best and thanked members for electing him. He said that he would try to keep going for the Society as long as he could. Miss Longsdon said he was needed to keep the Chairman in order, but Mr Charlton replied that he had been trying to do that for years! Miss Longsdon thanked Mr Charlton and Mrs Hill for all the work they had done whilst on Council - Mr Charlton had also been Chairman for several years and Mrs Hill had chaired the Publicity, Promotions and Projects Sub-Committee. She also thanked Mrs Ward who had now stood down as Chairman of the Show Sub-Committee - she had put in an enormous amount of work and given up a lot of time to it. Mrs Charlton had taken over as Chairman - many thanks to her also. Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Robinson, her Vice-Chairman, and all other members of the Council - they all gave freely of their time to attend meetings and to do all the work needed to keep the Society running many thanks to them. She was also very aware that most people in the room helped the Society in one way or another - the Society wouldn't run without all of them - thank you to all. Finally, she thanked all the people who provide and serve the teas for the general meetings - they asked that members make a donation of at least £2. Thanks also to those who provided the teas at Council meetings.

5 Result of Postal Voting for Council

There had been six candidates for four places this year. The four successful candidates were Mrs Sarah Charlton, Mrs Glenis Cockbain, Mr Michael Rawlinson and Mr Chris Thompson - they were elected to Council for a term of five years. Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Millard and Miss Simpson for standing for election, and hoped very much that they would stand again in the future. 608 members had been eligible to vote, having paid their subscriptions by 15 February. This meant that half the membership had not paid by then and were therefore unable to vote, which wasn't very good. Of those eligible to vote, only 205 actually had, which was poor - Council needs the support of the members. Please try to encourage others to use their vote. Miss Longsdon thanked Mr Miles Mandelson, who had been our scrutineer for the voting, for doing a very competent and professional job.

6 Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31 October 2009

Mrs Parkin reported that last year had been a very healthy year for the Society - we had ended the year with a surplus of £5,350 to add to our re-

Although the country was in serves. recession, we saw an increase in membership and an increase in the number of foal registrations. The number of ponies transferred stayed constant with the previous year. We also saw an increase in sales of merchandise, largely due to the DVD, which had been on sale for a year now, and also to some new lines in clothing. There was a small reduction in income from our shows, due to lower entries at both the Stallion Show and the South Cumbria Show, and reductions in the gate and in catalogue sales at the Breed Show. The show expenses increased due to the purchase of a new tent, but we would have the benefit of that for many years. The 200 Club had done well and showed an increase in income - thanks were due to Mrs Cockbain and Mrs Wilkinson for their efforts there. Office expenses had increased slightly there was an increase in computer related expenditure after putting the database online for members, but there was a reduction in staff costs. Insurance costs had increased after we took out a new policy to cover the shows, which gave us improved cover. The closing stock showed an increase, due to the stock of DVDs and new clothing, but I did take the opportunity to write off some of the smaller slow moving items.

There were no questions and adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mrs Hill and seconded by Mr Metcalfe. The accounts were formally adopted by the members.

7 Resolution to appoint Langdales Accountants Ltd as Accountants to

the Society and to accept an Accountants Report rather than a full Audit

The resolution was proposed by Miss Walker, seconded by Mr Mallinson and agreed by the members.

8 Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Mrs Parkin told members that last vear she had said that they were hoping for a quieter time in the office after having got the AGM out of the way she felt exactly the same this year. Some of last year's foal registrations were still unresolved because of a problem with the type of microchip used by some breeders in the United States, but she thought the end was in sight. Consequently, she had only just started working on last year's Stud Book, so having it ready for the AGM last year was obviously a one off. She was aiming to have it printed before the Stallion Show.

On the subject of the shows, the schedules and entry forms for this year's shows were available at the meeting and could also be downloaded from the website by clicking the links on the calendar of events. Foal registrations forms were also available at the meeting.

One of the reasons they had been busy in the office had been the response to the Foal Syndrome test - we had sent out around 150 kits and were now receiving the sealed results to pass on to the owners, and of course, the invoices from the Animal Health Trust. The plan to return results to vets for kits issued from the office didn't work out - the AHT found it too time consuming, so results were returned to the office in sealed envelopes and then sent on to the owners.

On the financial side, our bank accounts were still looking healthy, with the Trust Fund at just over £9,400, the Deposit Account at £54,500 and just over £3,000 in the current account. We had received our grant from the Horserace Betting Levy Board, which was greatly appreciated and would allow us to pay our premiums and grants as usual. This week we had received a generous donation from our patron, Her Majesty the Queen together with her best wishes to the Society for the forthcoming year.

Mrs Parkin thanked Katherine for her hard work in the office, and Mary and the Council for their help and support, and the vast majority of the members who seemed to appreciate what was done in the office.

Miss Longsdon thanked both Mrs Parkin and Mrs Wilkinson for their work in the office, which ran very smoothly.

9 Reports from Delegates and Sub-Committees

Mrs Robinson reported that the Conservation Sub-Committee had not moved forward much, but there was some light at the end of the tunnel. She was due to have a meeting with someone from the National Trust who was responsible for land management and land use in the Lake District National Park. She hoped to have something to report at the autumn meeting. The awards for last year's Performance Points would be presented at the end of the meeting - forms for 2010 were available on the Society website. There had been a good response last year. One participant had been disappointed because their entry had been lost in the post - some entrants had sent their forms by recorded delivery which was probably a good idea. Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Robinson for organising the points scheme and encouraged members to participate in 2010.

Mrs Jones, Judges Sub-Committee, told members that there was one new probationer judge for 2010 and that two new judges had been put on the panel. The assessment for probationer judges this year would be held on 25 September at Inglewood Equestrian Centre. Anyone interested in taking part should contact her - contact details were in the magazine. Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Jones for her involvement in the Society's activities.

Mrs Millard, Overseas Sub-Committee, said that most recent news had been reported in the magazine. There were some overseas members present at the meeting today. Miss Longsdon had already mentioned the International Show being organised by Roy Ottink. The sub-committee were currently looking at the reports submitted by branches and hoped to be able to recommend them to Council for approval for 2010. A new French translation had been done of the amended Fell Pony article on the website, and German, Dutch and Danish translations were awaited. They would be posted on the website after checking. Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Millard - it was a diverse job looking after our overseas groups and she was extremely competent.

Mrs Hill, Publicity, Promotions and Projects, said that the 2011 calendar was available for sale on the merchandise stand, and that photos that had been submitted could be collected from her. She thanked Mr Capstick and his friend for judging the photographs. Future photos should be send to Mrs Barbara Dunne who was taking over the organising of the calendar - she encouraged members to submit photos of a variety of activities and it would be interesting to see more photos of po-She had resigned as nies overseas. Chairman of the sub-committee and was leaving the other members to get on with it. It was time to start thinking about the next International Convention due in 2012, as it would be 10 years since the Jubilee event. Anyone with ideas or who would like to help should get in touch. She looked forward to attending the activities and seeing how they were getting along without her. Miss Longsdon thanked Mrs Hill for her time on the subcommittee and the work she had done.

Mrs Murray, Show Sub-Committee, said that show schedules were available on the platform and on the website, or members could send a stamped addressed envelope to her or to the office. She hoped we would have lots of entries for our shows this year. The Performance Trials at The Linnels would take place on 26 September schedules would be available later, at the Stallion Show and on the website. There were two small changes at the Breed Show - the dressage class would take place all day long, hopefully to avoid queues later in the day. In the Driving class, an extra set of rosettes had been donated for exercise vehicles as a sub-section of the class - she hoped members would come and make a good show. As always, she needed stewards, but we particularly needed people to help put rings and tents up and take them down. They would particularly value some younger, strong people to help out. Volunteers should get in touch with her, Mr and Mrs Brunskill or Mrs Charlton. Miss Longsdon thanked all the Show sub-committee for their work during the year. She added that schedules for the Southern Show and the Midlands East Spring Show were also available today. Mrs Hill said that schedules for Sandringham were available also.

Mrs Jones, North West area, said that they organised events jointly with the Dales Pony Society area group - this added strength to events. She referred members to her report in the magazine of the events of last year. This year's Cumbria Fell and Dales Show would be on Saturday 29 May - classes would be the same as last year and schedules would be available soon on the website. They were looking for help on the previous day to set up, and also for stewards. Stewarding was good experience for probationer judges so she encouraged anyone who was thinking of applying for assessment to volunteer as a steward. The Foal Show this year would be on Saturday 13 November.

Mrs Walker, North East group, told members of their pony camp weekend which would be held at The Linnels from 7 - 9 May. There were already 20 ponies entered and only 4 places left. She had application forms available if anyone was interested. The cost was £80. They would be holding their summer picnic and Fell pony classes at Hexham Native Pony Show. The qualifiers for the new Intergroup Championship would be at Hexham on 25 July and Lanchester on 4 July. This year's pleasure ride would be on 3 October at Hamsterley.

Miss Glass reported that the Midland East group had had a busy year and had held their usual dinners through the winter. Their fun shows for Fells and Fell Friends would be starting shortly, and anyone interested should contact her or Denise Bumford.

Miss Longsdon said that the Midlands West report had inadvertently been omitted from the magazine. The Derbyshire Fell and Dales show at Bakewell on Sunday 20 June would include classes for Highlands this year - schedules would be available shortly.

There were no representatives present from the South East, South West and Scottish groups.

Miss Longsdon told members that the Society was organising a Judges Clinic on Saturday 2 October at Moreton Morrell which was about 10 miles south of the Royal show ground. It was for Fells, Dales and Highlands and was open to all - the indoor school would seat 250. Tickets would be £5 each and would be available soon. Packs & Tracks event would be held at Dalemain, a real country gathering with a great mix of horsey, environmental, craft, musical and children's activities. The £6 entry fee would include entry to the gardens.

Mr Rawlinson told members that his local vet would be willing to travel round with him to microchip ponies for £5 each if breeders provided their own chips.

Miss Walker said that stallion service books were available for collection after the meeting. Miss Longsdon thanked her for the work she did collating the records.

Mrs Robinson and Mrs Murray then presented the awards for the 2009 Performance Points. Miss Longsdon congratulated the winners and encouraged other members to take part.

After tea, Miss Longsdon welcomed Professor Stuart Carter, Doctor June Swinburne and Laura Fox-Clipsham who had come to give their presentation on Foal Immunodeficiency Syndrome, and in recognition of their achievement, she presented them with the Society's Queen Elizabeth trophy.

10 Any Other Business

Hilary Fell told members that the Bridleways Society would be holding a Spring Social on 1 May in Shap Memorial Hall, with a talk from Janet Niepokojczycka, a guest appearance from a Shetland pack pony and a Jacobs Join supper - tickets £5. On Sunday 16 May, the day after the Stallion Show, the



Council Elections 2011

The following members retire from the council in 2011 and are eligible for reelection:

Mrs S Brunskill, Mrs M Dodd, Mrs C H Robinson, Mr A Thorpe

Members wishing to make a nomination for Council should obtain a form from the Office and ensure that it is delivered to the Secretary on or before 1 January 2011.

Postal Voting for Council Members

Ballot papers will be sent out with their Spring magazine to those eligible to vote. Completed ballot papers have to be returned to the scrutineers appointed by the Council not less than 10 days before the date of the AGM.

You will find details on Votes of Members under Section 7 of the Articles of Association, and Election to the Council under Section 8.6. No member is entitled to vote if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid on or before 15 February 2011.

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2011 Membership Fees

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

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

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To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received to November	0 30 £10	Transfer of Ownership (Oversea includes postage charge)	
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To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received 1 December	- 31 £20	Stallion Licence (includes cost kit)	of DNA £50
To Register Filly - registrations to 30 November	s received £15	Register a Prefix - UK Rate	£40
		Register a Prefix - Overseas Ra	te
To Register Filly - registrations 1 - 31 December	s received £30		£60
		DNA kit	£50
Late Registration (does not include cost			
of parentage test)	£50	Please note the increase in reg fees for applications rec	
Duplicate Passport (does not in cost of parentage test)	nclude £50	December.	
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Obituary: Godfrey Luck , Minnesota USA

Godfrey Luck emigrated from Northamptonshire in England and settled to farm near Rochester, Minnesota. His horse interests there included driving Haflingers. In the last 10 years of his life he aided and abetted his neighbour Alison Emslie-Smith in acquiring and looking after her herd of Garrighyll Fell ponies. He was very proud to be an associate member of the Fell Pony Society, and of the FPS and Conservancy of the Americas. Although he was fighting oesophageal cancer, he desperately wanted to go back to England one more time but alas it was not to be. One of the last things he did before he entered the terminal phase of his illness was to read the latest issue of the FPS magazine

He had a host of friends in many walks of life and almost all of them came to pay their last respects at his funeral. He was stubborn, opinionated and profane but he had a heart of gold and he knew horses inside and out.



Godfrey with Alison Emslie-Smith's Hardendale Henry during the Equus Survival Trust's Stewardship Awards at the Festivale of Endangered Breeds, Kentucky Horse Park, September 2008. Photo, Heather Moreton-Abounader

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Obituary: Eileen Davis

Eileen Davis, aged 53, died in hospital two weeks after she fell from her horse while riding along the main street of Kings Norton, Leics. She was riding alone, so her family do not know what caused her to fall. However, she was wearing a helmet. Riding had been Eileen's passion since she was a child. and she was а member of the Leicestershire Bridleways Association and the Fell Pony Society. Eileen was a very genuine person and loved her ponies Swift (Drybarrows Sailor), Wolds Swallow and Shepparton Richard. She



Eileen with Swift and Swallow. Photo, Leicestershire Mercury

did a lot of Bridleway riding as she didn't have horse transport. She was also a keen environmentalist and completed many sponsored rides for charity.

Judy Hill



Fell pony pair Experience Swindale and Kenny von Pfaffroda (by Lunesdale Mountain Mist out of Bluewater Elizabeth, by Heltondale Crown) competing in the dressage phase of a driving trial in Germany.



STALLION AND COLT SHOW - 15 MAY 2010

Judges

- In-hand, Ridden and Driven: Miss B Bell (Waverhead Ponies)
- Reserve: Mr A W Morland (Lunesdale Ponies)
- Best Foot Shod: Mr A Smith (Bracklinn Ponies)
- **CLASS 1 Registered Yearling Colts**
- 1st Murthwaite Prime Suspect FP71389C, Owner: Miss C Savage, Breeder: Mr T B Capstick
- 2nd Greenholme Diego FP71371C, Owner & Breeder: Miss R J Potter
- 3rd Rackwood Duke FP71472C, Owner: Miss N Roe, Breeder: Mrs E A Walker
- CLASS 2 Registered Two Year Old Colts
- 1st Banksgate Johnny Doran FP71327C*, Owner & Breeder: A & E D Ashcroft
- 2nd Brackenbank Flash Harry FP71155C, Owner: Mr J M Rawlinson, Breeder: Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 3rd Wellbrow Brazen FP71214C, Owner & Breeder: Mr A Thorpe
- CLASS 3 Registered and Licensed Stallions 3 and 4 Years Old
- 1st Wellbrow Rusty FP70783C*, Owner & Breeder: Mr A Thorpe
- 2nd Hedgethorpe You Can't Be Serious FP70825C*, Owner & Breeder: Miss D J Chadwick

- 3rd Brackenbank Amos FP71039C*, Owner & Breeder: Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- CLASS 4 Registered and Licensed Stallions 5 to 8 Years Old
- 1st Inglegarth Renaissance FP70382C*, Owner & Breeder Mrs B A Hodgson
- 2nd Banksgate Jackdaw FP70064C*, Owner & Breeder: A & E D Ashcroft
- 3rd Murthwaite Gurkha FP70591C, Owner: Mr C & Mrs K Turner, Breeder: Mr T B Capstick
- CLASS 5 Registered and Licensed Stallions 9 Years and Over
- 1st Murthwaite Windrush FP51201C*, Owner & Breeder: Mr T B Capstick
- 2nd Wellbrow Leo FP50513C*. Owner: Mr A Thorpe, Breeder: A & A Thorpe & T J Barlow
- 3rd Lunesdale Redstart FP50708C*, Owner: Mr W S Potter, Breeder: Mr A W Morland
- CLASS 6 Stallions 4 years and Over Shown Under Saddle
- 1st Murthwaite Gurkha FP70591C, Owner: Mr C & Mrs K Turner, Breeder: Mr T B Capstick Rider: Mrs K Turner
- 2nd Wellbrow Black Jack FP70462C*, Owner: Miss H Martin, Breeder: Mr A Thorpe, Rider: Miss H Martin

- 3rd Greenholme Warbler FP70294C*, Owner: Mr P Metcalfe & Mr G Guy, Breeder: Mr W S Potter, Rider: Miss A Robinson
- CLASS 7 Stallions or Geldings 4 Years and Over Shown In Harness
- 1st Bracklinn Bertie FP70072G, Owner: Miss C Savage, Breeder: Miss K Smith, Driver: Miss C Savage
- 2nd Greenholme Morning Mist FP70895, Owner: Mr J M Rawlinson, Breeder: Mrs I Potter paired with
- Orton Hall Dennis FP51003G*, Owner: Mr J M Rawlinson, Breeder: Mrs M I Robinson. Driver: Mr J M Rawlinson
- 3rd Severnvale Denzil FP70134C*, Owner: Mr P Metcalfe, Breeder: Mr G Guy, Driver: Mr P Metcalfe
- CLASS 8 Stallion, Colt or Gelding 3 Years and Over With Best Set of Feet Shod

- 1st Banksgate Tamlin FP71019C*, Owner & Breeder: A & E D Ashcroft Farrier: Mr Alan Ashcroft
- 2nd Banksgate Jackdaw FP70064C*, Owner & Breeder: A & E D Ashcroft
- Farrier: Mr Alan Ashcroft
- 3rd Lunesdale Redstart FP50708C*, Owner: Mr W S Potter, Breeder: Mr A W Morland Farrier: Jamie Woodhouse

YOUNGSTOCK CHAMPION Banksgate Johnny Doran

YOUNGSTOCK RESERVE Murthwaite Prime Suspect

SUPREME CHAMPION Wellbrow Rusty (photo in centre pages)

RESERVE SUPREME CHAMPION Inglegarth Renaissance

VETERAN TROPHY Linnel Reynard



Murthwaite Windrush. Photo, Fleur Hallam.



Inglegarth Renaissance. Photo, Fleur Hallam.



The first Dorset Fell show was held on Sunday May 9th at Higher Merley farm near Wimborne, Dorset, the furthest south that a Fell show has ever been held.

We were lucky that the weather stayed dry although with a chilly wind blowing. Not large entries, but a good spread among the classes to keep our judge Alison Hardy-Edwards busy.

A good few of the entries had never entered a breed show before as the distance to the Southern Show (Oxfordshire) is a good 90 mile drive from the south coast.

Michael Goddard had an amazing day with yearling Townend Eden II at her first ever show becoming Supreme Champion & also qualifying for the Bewcastle Boy Blue Trophy Inter-area championship to be held at the Southern show in September.

It was lovely to see new faces & I hope everyone had a good time.

The show will run next year & now has its own website dorsetfellshow.co.uk

A big thank you to all the helpers on the day & to everyone who came with their ponies, hope to see you all again next year. Dorset Fell Show 2010 Results

In Hand Class 1 Stallions 1st Bracklinn Maciver

Class 2 Mares 1st Farleton Phoebe 2nd Neathrose Georgie Girl 3rd Meres Julie-Anne 4th Bracklinn Maggie 5th Shilvinghampton Rosanna May

Class 3 Geldings 1st Balmoral Dart 2nd Murthwaite Briar 3rd Lownthwaite Ottoman

Class 4 Youngstock 1st Townend Eden II 2nd Richmond Affra

Class 5 Veterans no entries

Class 6 Pairs 1st Bracklinn Maggie & Farleton Phoebe

In Hand Champion Townend Eden II

Reserve Bracklinn Maclver

Sharron Camp

Ridden

Class 7 Stallions 1st Bracklinn MacIver

Class 8 Geldings 1st Balmoral Dart 2nd Lownthwaite Ottoman

Class 9 Mares 1st Neathrose Georgie Girl 2nd Meres Julie- Anne 3rd Shilvinghampton Rosanna May

Class 10 Veterans no entries



In hand and supreme champion at the Dorset Fell & Dales show, Mr M Goddard's Townend Eden II. Photo, Sevensioux Photography



Ridden champion, Neathrose Georgie Girl. Photo, Sevensioux Photography

Class 11 Traditional Ridden 1st Lownthwaite Ottoman 2nd Bracklinn MacIver 3rd Neathrose Georgie Girl 4th Balmoral Dart 5th Meres Julie-Anne 6th Shilvinghampton Rosanna May

Ridden Champion Neathrose Georgie Girl

Reserve Balmoral Dart

Supreme Champion Townend Eden II

Reserve Bracklinn MacIver



Cumbria Fell & Dales Show, May 2010

- IN HAND CLASSES Judge: Mr P Metcalfe Killington Cumbria
- 1. Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding
- 1ST 811 Wellbrow Cari, Mr A Thorpe
- 2ND 706 Dalewin Maisie, Alan Anderson

3RD 812 Banksgate Vember, Mr A Ashcroft

- 4TH 498 Murthwaite Tonka Toy, Nicola Luti
- 2. Two Year Old Filly or Gelding
- 1ST 821 Lownthwaite Heidi, Miss A Morton
- 2ND 826 Brackenbank Ebony, Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 3RD 825 Farleton Fern, Miss C Simpson
- 3. Three Year Old Filly or Gelding
- 1ST 831 Banksgate Aisling, Mr A Ashcroft
- 2ND 708 Wellbrow Alma, Alan Anderson
- 3RD 833 Murthwaite Looks Promising, Mr B Mallinson
- 4. Gelding, 4 years and over
- 1ST 836 Bybeck Ebony, Miss A Nowell
- 2ND 835 Leo, Miss C Ralphs
- 3RD 846 Townend Lucipher, Miss A Coates
- 5. Mares, without foal at foot, 4 years and over
- 1st 897 Inglegarth Prima, Mrs BA Hodgson
- 2nd 853 Murthwaite Bracken's Lass, Mr T B Capstick
- 3rd 855 Severnvale Grace (B), Mr G Guy

- 6. Mare, with foal at foot
- 1st 862 Midtown Moment of Madness, Mr B Mallinson
- 2nd 861 Severnvale Rosie, Mr G Guy
- 3rd 860 Lunesdale Limelight, Mr J M Rawlinson
- 7. Foal, to be at least 3 weeks old on show day and eligible for FPS registration.
- 1st 866 Hardendale Ella, Mr B Mallinson
- 2nd 864 Thornbeck Amy, Mr J M Rawlinson
- 3rd 865 Severnvale Foal, Mr G Guy
- 8. Veteran Pony, 16 years and over (stallions excluded)
- 1st 868 Carrock Pollyanna, Miss R Nicholson
- 2nd 867 Orton Hall Dusky, Miss E Exley
- 3rd 837 Moorhouse Crispin, Ms L McCulloch
- 9. The NPS Home Produced M&M In Hand National Championship
- 1st 853 Murthwaite Bracken Lass, Mr T. B. Capstick
- 2nd 817 Brunswyke Maigold, Mrs R Littlejohn
- 3rd 850 Townend Fern, Mr R Relph-Briggs

FELL IN HAND CHAMPIONSHIP

In Hand Overall Champion 897 Inglegarth Prima, Mrs BA Hodgson

Reserve 853 Murthwaite Bracken Lass, Mr T. B. Capstick

Youngstock Champion 811 Wellbrow Cari, Mr A Thorpe

- Reserve 706 Dalewin Maisie, Alan Anderson
- FELL PONY RIDDEN CLASSES COMMENCING WITH RIDDEN NPS QUALIFIERS Judge: Mr I Smith Perthshire
- 10. The NPS / Picton M&M Novice Fell Ridden
- 1st 878 Greenholme Yabadabadoo, Miss A Robinson
- 2nd 877 Farleton Freddie, Miss C Simpson
- 3rd 836 Bybeck Ebony, Miss A Nowell
- 11. The NPS / Peasedown Stud M&M Intermediate Fell Ridden
- 1st 882 Castle Hill Rose, Miss C Savage

- 2nd 881 Waverhead Dazzler II, Mrs S Burton
- 3rd 879 Severnvale Denzil, Mrs J Robinson
- 12. Novice Pony in its first season under saddle Snaffle bridles only. (stallions excluded)
- 1st 883 Lathomdale Ranger, Miss E Burton
- 2nd 835 Leo, Miss A Nowell
- 3rd 872 Carrock Stormbreaker, Miss C Read
- 13. Novice Pony Not to have won 2 firsts in ridden classes.
- 1st 842 Lownthwaite Ronseal, Miss H Lightfoot



On the right, In Hand Champion, Inglegarth Prima, Mrs BA Hodgson; on the left, Reserve, Murthwaite Bracken Lass, Mr TB Capstick; Judge, Mr P Metcalfe, and joint sponsors Claire Davison of Carrs Agriculture, and Vet Liz Jackson of the PARAGON Veterinary Group.

- 2nd 877 Farleton Freddie, Miss C Simpson
- 3rd 876 Castle Hill Magic, Miss M Jackson
- 14. Traditional Ridden. Walk and Trot only
- 1st 875 Murthwaite Timothy, Miss C Savage
- 2nd 885 Wellbrow Osprey, Miss N Jackson
- 3rd 835 Leo, Miss A Nowell
- 15. Open Ridden Class
- 1st 882 Castle Hill Rose, Miss C Savage
- 2nd 892 Greenholme Warbler, Miss A Robinson
- 3rd 881 Waverhead Dazzler II, Mrs S Burton
- 16. Veteran Pony under saddle. Pony to be 16 years and over.
- 1st 867 Orton Hall Dusky, Miss E Exley

2nd 837 Moorhouse Crispin, Ms L McCulloch

- FELL PONY RIDDEN CHAMPION.
- Champion 882 Castle Hill Rose, Miss C Savage
- Reserve 892 Greenholme Warbler, Miss A Robinson
- YOUNG RIDER/HANDLER AND BEST TURNED OUT - Judge: Mrs D Bumford, Northants
- 17. Best Turned Out
- 1ST 888 Spenruss Flight, Miss A Clowes
- 2ND 889 Meres Javlin, Miss A Metcalfe
- 3RD 854 Wellbrow Lucky Lady, Miss G Thorpe
- 4TH 839 Greenhead Albatross, Miss G Ellis

- Young Handler (Handler to be 16 years or under as of 1st January 2010.) (stallions excluded)
- 1ST 889 Meres Javlin, Miss A Metcalfe
- 2ND 857 Brackenbank Romany, Miss M Wilkinson
- 3RD 867 Orton Hall Dusky, Miss E Exley
- 4TH 880 Ludworth Albion, Miss L Bennett
- 19. Young Rider (Rider to be 16 years or under as of 1st January 2010)
- 1st 889 Meres Javlin, Miss A Metcalfe
- 2nd 878 Greenholme Yabadabadoo, Miss A Robinson
- 3rd 888 Spenruss Flight, Miss A Clowes
- 4th 880 Ludworth Albion, Miss L Bennett
- OVERALL JUNIOR BEST RIDER CHAMPIONSHIP
- Champion 889 Meres Javlin, Miss A Metcalfe
- Reserve 460 Springgarth Storm, Miss A Chappelhow
- FELL PONY DRIVING
- Judge: Mr A Morland, Roundthwaite Farm, Tebay Nr Penrith
- 20. Any Vehicle, followed by show drive.
- 1st 893 Coppyhill Suzanne, Mrs S Millard
- FELL PONY WORKING HUNTER Judge: Mr R Sutcliffe Darwen Lancashire
- 21. The NPS / Bowling Family Fell Novice Working Hunter Pony
- 1st 878 Greenholme Yabadabadoo, Miss A Robinson
- 2nd 888 Spenruss Flight, Miss A Clowes

- 3rd 872 Carrock Stormbreaker, Miss C Read
- 22. Pony not to have ever entered a WHP class before, jumps set as cross poles. (stallions excluded)
 1st 889 Meres Javlin, Miss A Metcalfe
 2nd 858 Brackenbank Gypsy III, Miss R Robson

3rd 900 Wellbrow Warrior, Nicola Luti

- 23. Very Novice WHP not to have been placed in a WHP class before, max 45cm. (stallions excluded)
- 1st 841 Greenfield Polly's Lad, Mrs J Coates
- 24. Novice WHP not to have won a WHP class. Fences, not to exceed 55cm. (stallions excluded)

1st 886 Dene Decoris, Miss S Pringle

- 2nd 895 Kerbeck Fire Cracker, Miss S Kilburn-Wilson
- 3rd 896 Foggy Gill Jack Flash, Miss C Simpson
- 25. Open WHP
- 1st 888 Spenruss Flight
- , Miss A Clowes
- 2nd 892 Greenholme Warbler, Miss A Robinson
- FELL CHAMPION WORKING HUNTER PONY
- Champion 889 Meres Javlin, Miss A Metcalfe
- Reserve 892 Greenholme Warbler, Miss A Robinson



Miss Alison Morton with Lownthwaite Heidi, winner of the 2 year old class. Photo, Sally P Coles

- FELL AND DALES PONIES, DRESSAGE BOTH FELL AND DALES PONIES 10AM TO 2PM
- Judge: Mrs C Whitehead, Newbiggin, Stainton Nr. Penrith
- 52. British Dressage Introductory Test A (Walk and Trot) (Any suitable bit)
- 1st 375 Manorian Mischief, I & N Thompson
- 2nd 880 Ludworth Albion, Mrs K Bennett

suitable bit)

3rd 887 Llancloudy Zap, Mrs J Reekie

53. British Dressage Preliminary Test 1 (Walk, Trot and Canter) (Anv

- 1st 880 Ludworth Albion, Mrs K Bennett
- 2nd 888 Spenruss Flight, Miss A Clowes
- 3rd 890 Kerbeck Thor's Fire, Mrs C H Robinson

BEST SHOD Judge: Mr R Sutcliffe Darwen Lancs

55. Fell Ponies and Dales Ponies 1st 836 Bybeck Ebony, Miss A Nowell 2nd 835 Leo, Miss C Ralphs 3rd 388 Larumgill Michael, Mr B Lund

Novice Ridden lineup before judging. Photo, Sally P Coles





SOUTH CUMBRIA SHOW-12 JUNE 2010

Judges In-hand Mr J M Rawlinson (Thornbeck Ponies) Ridden Ms G Callister (Threapland Ponies) Equitation Mrs D Earle Reserve Mrs R Williams (Ferrymount Ponies)

- CLASS 1 Geld Mare 4 years old or over with no foal at foot
- 1st Inglegarth Prima FP4305, Owner: Mrs B A Hodgson
- 2nd Brackenbank Rosebud FP4419, Owner: Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 3rd Bybeck Cherry Blossom FP3854, Owner: Mrs J Coates
- CLASS 2 Gelding 4 years or over
- 1st Foggy Gill Jack FP70287G, Owner: Miss B Dent
- 2nd Linnel Wanderer FP70753G, Owner: Miss L Huschka
- 3rd Lownthwaite Ronseal FP51197G, Owner: Miss H Lightfoot
- CLASS 3 Veteran Mare or Gelding 15 years or over
- 1st Towerview Shadow Fax FP50265G, Owner: Mrs M Catterall
- CLASS 4 Brood Mare 4 years or over with foal at foot No Entries

CLASS 5 Foal

No Entries

CLASS 6 Yearling colt, filly or gelding

- 1st Dalewin Maisie FP5121, Owner: Mr A Anderson
- 2nd Brackenbank Gabriella FP5000, Owner: Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 3rd Brunswyke Ebony FP5054, Owner: Mrs R Littlejohn
- CLASS 7 Two year old filly or gelding
- 1st Brackenbank Ebony FP4780, Owner: Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 2nd Towford Harmanie FP4772, Owner: Miss M Hall
- 3rd Farleton Fern FP4918, Owner: Miss C Simpson
- CLASS 8 Three year old filly or gelding
- 1st Wellbrow Alma FP4590, Owner: Miss M Hall
- 2nd Murthwaite Looks Promising FP71080G, Owner: Mrs T M Mallinson
- 3rd Greenholme Belter FP70929G*, Owner: Miss H Lightfoot
- CLASS 9 Young Judges Class Under 18 by 1 January 2009
- 1st Holly Pickup
- 2nd Gabriella Ellis
- 3rd Emily Littlejohn
- CLASS 10 Young Handlers Mare or gelding of 4 years old or over to be shown in hand by boy or girl under 18 by 1 January 2009
- 1st Greenhead Albatross FP70418G, Owner: Mrs S R Stewart, Handler: Gabriella Ellis
- 2nd Bybeck Cherry Blossom FP3854, Owner: Mrs J Coates, Handler: Holly Pickup
- 3rd Foggy Gill Jack FP70287G, Owner & Handler: Brogan Dent

CLASS 11 Lead Rein Class

- 1st Greenhead Albatross FP70418G, Owner: Mrs S R Stewart, Rider: Georgia Ellis
- 2nd Wellbrow Osprey FP70608G, Owner: Mrs T M Mallinson, Rider: Georgina Mallinson
- CLASS 12 First Ridden Class
- 1st Wellbrow Osprey FP70608G, Owner: Mrs T M Mallinson, Rider: Sophie Jackson
- 2nd Greenfield Polly's Lad FP50907G, Owner: Mrs J Coates, Rider: Amber Pickup
- CLASS 13 Ridden Class for Mare 4 years or over
- 1st Spenruss Flight FP2901, Owner: Mrs S Clowes, Rider: Miss A Clowes
- 2nd Brackenbank Rosebud FP4419, Owner: Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson, Rider: Miss R Robson
- 3rd Drummersdale Wild Child FP3881, Owner & Rider: Miss A Smith
- CLASS 14 Ridden Class for Geldings 4 years or over
- 1st Bybeck Ebony FP70500G, Owner: Miss C Nowell, Rider: Miss A Nowell
- 2nd Llancloudy Zap FP50582G, Owner & Rider: Mrs J Reekie
- 3rd Greenfield Polly's Lad FP50907G, Owner & Rider: Mrs J Coates
- CLASS 15 Ridden Class for Novice Ponies Mare or Gelding
- 1st Leo FP70620G, Owner: Miss C Nowell, Rider: Miss A Nowell

- 2nd Wellbrow Osprey FP70608G, Owner: Mrs T M Mallinson, Rider: Miss N Jackson
- 3rd Spenruss Flight FP2901, Owner: Mrs S Clowes, Rider: Miss A Clowes
- CLASS 16 Equitation Juniors open to riders not to have achieved their 18th birthday by 1 January 2009
- 1st Spenruss Flight FP2901, Owner: Mrs S Clowes, Rider: Miss A Clowes
- 2nd Greenfield Polly's Lad FP50907G, Owner: Mrs J Coates, Rider: Amber Pickup
- CLASS 17 Equitation Seniors Riders to be 19 years or above
- 1st Greenfield Polly's Lad FP50907G Owner & Rider Mrs J Coates
- 2nd Llancloudy Zap FP50582G, Owner & Rider: Mrs J Reekie

CLASS 18 Ridden Pairs No Entries

IN HAND CHAMPION Inglegarth Prima

IN HAND RESERVE Brackenbank Rosebud

RIDDEN CHAMPION Bybeck Ebony

RIDDEN RESERVE Spenruss Flight

OVERALL CHAMPION Inglegarth Prima

OVERALL RESERVE Bybeck Ebony



The 200 Club: Draws 2010

Jan '10			May '10					
1st	354	Mrs GM Wright	£25.00	1st	220	Mrs AAD Newall	£25.00	
2nd	349	Mr DJ Van Der Zee	£15.00	2nd	301	Mr T Merry	£15.00	
3rd	203	Mrs SM Ventress	£10.00	3rd	226	Mr P Boustead	£10.00	
4th	422	Mrs E Mole	£5.00	4th	212	Mr H Beesley	£5.00	
Feb '	Feb '10			Jun '10				
1st	260	Mr N Hill	£25.00	1st	292	Mrs BE Dunne	£25.00	
2nd	291	Mr C Roberts	£15.00	2nd	229	Mr RB Charlton	£15.00	
3rd	277	Mrs S Peters	£10.00	3rd	395	Mrs M Davies	£10.00	
4th	268	Mr G Steventon	£5.00	4th	327	Miss MG Longsdon	£5.00	
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1st	299	Mrs BE Harvey	£25.00					
2nd	229	Mr RB Charlton	£15.00					
3rd	300	Ms DJ McGrail	£10.00			Domombor vour		
4th	297	Mrs J Ventham	£5.00			Remember, your iends and family		
Apr 'í	10		can join the 200 Club they do not					
1st	208	Ms N Ash	£25.00		Cit	need to be		
2nd	355	Mrs GM Noble	£15.00		r	nembers of the		
3rd	401	Mrs BJ Robinson	£10.00		· · ·	FPS.		
4th	201	Mrs EA Ball	£5.00					

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DERBYSHIRE FELL, DALES & HIGHLAND SHOW

FELL PONY IN HAND CLASSES

Class 1 Stallions

- 1st No entries
- Class 2 Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding
- 1st Severnvale June Mr G Guy
- 2nd Townend Kirstin Mr R Richmond
- 3rd Wolds Merlin Miss J Glass & Miss J Copeland
- Class 3 Two Year Old Filly or Gelding
- 1st Bluemountain Sapphire, Miss J Copeland
- Class 4 Three Year Old Filly or Gelding
- 1st Lathomdale Roamer, Mr M Lupton
- 2nd Carsington Keppel Cove Mrs A Shuker
- 3rd Firtreeroyal Jewels Mrs K Bennett
- Youngstock Champion

Severnvale June

Reserve

Scotgate Stardust

- Class 5 Gelding, 4 Years and over
- 1st Bybeck Ebony Miss C Nowell
- 2nd Leo Miss C Nowell
- 3rd Auckside Adam Ms J Sanderson
- Class 6 Mares, without foal at foot, 4 Years and over
- 1st Jesse Blue Miss E L Smith
- 2nd Severnvale Grace Mr G Guy
- 3rd Roddlesworth Dot Miss J Glass & Miss J Copeland
- Class 7 Mare, with foal at foot

- 1st Severnvale Rosie Mr G Guy
- 2nd Scotgate Sophie Mr & Mrs K R Dorman
- 3rd Severnvale Gypsy Rose Mr G Guy
- Class 8 Foal, to be at least three weeks old on show day and eligible for FPS registration
- 1st Scotgate Stardust Mr & Mrs K R Dorman
- 2nd Foal ex Severnvale Gypsy Rose, Mr G Guy
- 3rd Severnvale Krystal Mr G Guy
- In Hand Champion Jesse Blue
- Reserve

Severnvale Grace

- Area Champion Scotgate Stardust
- Reserve Scotgate Sophie

Class 23 Fell Pony Driving

- 1st Townend Badger Miss S Clements
- FELL PONY RIDDEN CLASSES
- Class 25 Novice Pony in its first season under saddle
- 1st Auckside Adam Ms J Sanderson
- 2nd Leo Miss C Nowell

Class 26 Novice Pony not to have won 2 firsts in ridden classes

- 1st Roddlesworth Nancy Mrs J Rawden
- 2nd Auckside Adam Ms J Sanderson

- Class 27 Traditional Ridden, Walk and Trot only
- 1st Jesse Blue Miss E L Smith
- 2nd Bybeck Ebony Miss C Nowell 3rd Roddlesworth Nancy Mrs J
- Rawden
- Class 28 Open Ridden
- 1st Jesse Blue Miss E L Smith
- 2nd Bybeck Ebony Miss C Nowell
- 3rd Wolds Swift II Mrs J Rawden
- Ridden Champion Jesse Blue

Reserve

Bybeck Ebony

- Supreme Champion Jesse Blue
- Reserve

Severnvale June

COMBINED CLASSES

- Class 18 Young Handler (14 years and under)
- 1st Bowthorne Duke Isobel Hayward
- 2nd Springgarth Storm Sophie Jones
- 3rd Ludworth Albion Laura Bennett
- Class 19 Young Rider (16 years and under)
- 1st Ludworth Albion Laura Bennet
- 2nd Wolds Ptarmigan II Miss B Hayman
- 3rd Abdylane Black Magic Hazel Earnshaw
- Class 20 Veteran Pony In Hand (Pony to be 15 years or over)
- 1st Dartdale Peter Boy R S & J M James

- 2nd Swayfield Amy L Dentith
- 3rd Ginty of Selkirk Mrs C Wheelhouse
- Class 21 Equitation
- 1st Ludworth Albion Mrs K Bennett
- 2nd Buttonend Lord Isaac L Dentith
- Class 22 Ridden Veteran (Pony to be 15 years or over)
- 1st Dartdale Peter Boy R S & J M James
- 2nd Wolds Ptarmigan II Miss B Hayman

DRESSAGE (FELL PONIES)

- Prelim 14
- 1st Wolds Swift II Mrs J Rawden Special for top score
- 2nd Ludworth Albion Mrs K Bennett
- 3rd Wolds Ptarmigan II Miss B Hayman

Novice 2

- 1st Wolds Swift II Mrs J Rawden
- 2nd Ludworth Albion Mrs K Bennett





39th BREED SHOW-7 AUGUST 2010

Judges

- Classes 1 7 & 22 Mr T B Capstick (Murthwaite Ponies)
- Classes 8 14 & 23 25 Mr R Ottink (Wildhoeve Ponies)
- Classes 15 18 Mrs B A Hodgson (Inglegarth Ponies)
- Classes 19 21 & 33 Mr R Sutcliffe (Darrenvale Ponies)
- Class 26 Miss C Hamlin
- Class 27 & 28 Mr L Ashworth
- Classes 29 31 Mrs G Williamson (Tarnbeck Ponies)
- Class 32 Mrs J Hill (Shepparton Ponies)
- Class 1 Mare 4 7 years old (Mare with foal at foot not eligible)
- 1st BRACKENBANK GYPSY III FP4421 f2006
 - S: Murthwaite Look at Me, D: Brackenbank Mayblossom
- Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 2nd BANKSGATE GALWAY GIRL FP4520 f2006
 - S: Townend Rally, D: Banksgate Bonny Lass
 - Mr A Ashcroft
- 3rd SLEDDALE ROSEBUD FP3894 f2003
- S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Sleddale Rose XIII
- Miss C Crow
- CLASS 2 Mare 8 years old and upwards (Mare with foal at foot not eligible)
- 1st WELLBROW CARMEN FP3537 f2000
 - S: Greenholme Mikado, D:
 - Greenholme Oprah Mr A Thorpe
- 2nd BRACKLINN ROSIE FP3363* f1999

- S: Waverhead Rob II, D: Lownthwaite Lapwing
- Mrs G Rae
- 3rd DALEWIN AMY FP3125 f1997
- S: Towerview Spirit of Joy, D: Gaisgill Minnie
- Mr E Winder
- CLASS 3 Mare 4 years old and upward with own filly foal at foot
- 1st GREENHOLME PETAL FP3063 f1997
 - S: Greenholme Mikado, D: Greenholme Jacklynne Miss R. J. Potter
- 2nd RAISBECK CASINO FP3481 f2000
- S: Rylstone Black Knight, D: Lunesdale Frances
- Mrs D J Slack
- 3rd WAVERHEAD JUBILEE FP3763 f2002
 - S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Barbondale Petal
 - Miss B Bell
- CLASS 4 Filly Foal
- 1st RAISBECK CALICO f2010
 - S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck Casino
 - Mrs D J Slack
- 2nd WAVERHEAD SHOWGIRL II FP5232 f2010
 - S: Guards Ebony, D: Waverhead Jubilee
 - Miss B Bell
- 3rd BRACKENBANK RAMBLING ROSE f2010
 - S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Brackenbank Rosie
 - Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson

CLASS 5 Yearling Filly

- 1st MAYDEN PAULINE'S SURPRISE FP5105 f2009
- S: Murthwaite Michael, D: Heltondale Beauty IX
- Mr A Smith
- 2nd WELLBROW CARI FP5146 f2009
 - S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Carmen
- Mr A & Mrs M Thorpe
- 3rd BRACKENBANK GABRIELLA FP5000 f2009
- S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Brackenbank Sorrel
- Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- CLASS 6 Filly 2 years old
- 1st TOWFORD HARMÁRNIE FP4772 f2008
- S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Marlingdyke Meadowsweet
- Miss M Hall
- 2nd BRACKLINN STEFFI FP4783 f2008
 - S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows Jillian
- Mr A Smith
- 3rd WELLBROW BLACK BESS FP4849 f2008
- S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Wellbrow Rosland Mr A Thorpe
- CLASS 7 Filly 3 years old
- 1st LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN FP4717 f2007
 - S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Zena
 - Mrs C A Morland
- 2nd BRACKLINN NORAH FP4584 f2007
 - S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Bracklinn Black Beauty
- Mr A Smith
- 3rd WELLBROW ALMA FP4590 f2007
- S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Pollyanna Miss M Hall

CLASS 8 Gelding 4 - 7 years old

- 1st WELLBROW OSPREY FP70608G f2005
 - S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Jenny Wren
 - Mrs T Mallinson
- 2nd DALEFOOT CAMERON FP70857G f2006
 - S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Biglands Bryna (B)
- Mr J M Rawlinson
- 3rd TYNEBANK DANNY BOY FP70880G f2006
 - S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Lizzy
 - Mr D Parkinson
- CLASS 9 Gelding 8 years and upwards
- 1st WANSFELL TOBIAS FP70124G f2002 S: Heltondale Ted, D: Wansfell Tanya Miss H Mawrey
- 2nd FFRETHI COMMODORE FP70067G f2002
 - S: Townend Midnight, D: Greenholme Glory
 - Miss W Davies
- 3rd FARLETON FREDDIE FP51244G f2001
 - S: Townend Samuel, D: Sleddale Lulu Miss C Simpson
- CLASS 10 Mare 4 years old and upward with own colt foal at foot
- 1st LUNESDALE LADY REBECCA FP3455 f2000
 - S: Rylstone Black Knight, D: Lunesdale Rebecca
 - Mrs C A Morland
- 2nd GREENHOLME AMIE GOOD UN FP4509 f2006
 - S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Greenholme Petal
 - Miss R J Potter

3rd TOWNEND CANDYTUFT II FP3478 f2000

S: Drybarrows Jeff, D: Townend Candy A & E D Ashcroft

CLASS 11 Colt Foal

- 1st BANKSGATE BRANDO f2010
- S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Townend Candytuft II
- A & E D Ashcroft
- 2nd GREENHOLME ELECT f2010

S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme Amie Good Un Miss R J Potter

- 3rd THORNBECK ADAM FP71610C f2010
- S: Greenholme Heather Mist, D: Kerbeck Night Sonnet Mr J M Rawlinson
- CLASS 12 Yearling Colt or Gelding 1st MURTHWAITE PRIME SUSPECT
 - FP71389C f2009
 - S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Murthwaite Irina (B)
- Miss C Savage
- 2nd JOHNNY CASH FP71452G f2009
- S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Linnel Charisma
- Mrs D Slee
- 3rd SALISBURY FREDDIE FP71378C f2009
 - S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme Vicky
 - Eden Marshall
- CLASS 13 Gelding 2 years old
- 1st WELLBROW BRAZEN FP71214G f2008
 - S: Wellbrow Rambler, D: Wellbrow Cinders. Mr A Thorpe
- 2nd GREENHOLME CORKER FP71183G f2008
 - S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Susan
 - Mr & Mrs W S Potter

CLASS 14 Gelding - 3 years old

- 1st GREENHOLME BELTER FP70929G* f2007
 - S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Greenholme Susan Miss H Lightfoot
- 2nd MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING FP71080G f2007
 - S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Heltondale Dainty VI
 - Mrs T Mallinson
- CLASS 15 Riding Class for Geldings -4 years old and upwards
- 1st BRACKLINN BERTIE FP70072G f2002
- S: Waverhead Rob II, D: Waterstolls Beauty II
- Miss C Savage Rider Miss C Savage
- 2nd GREENHOLME YABADABADOO FP70685G* f2005 S: Murthwaite Windrush, D: Heltondale Poppy
 - Mr P Metcalfe & Mrs J Robinson Rider Miss A Robinson
- 3rd MERES JAVLIN FP70262G f2003
- S: Lownthwaite Merlin, D: Sleddale Beauty XXVI
- Mr P Saunders Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- CLASS 16 Riding Class for Mares 4 years old and upwards
- 1st JESSE BLUE FP3397* f1998
- S: Tarnmoor Prince, D: Hetty (B) Miss E Smith Rider Miss E Smith
- 2nd CASTLE HILL ROSE FP3615 f2001
 - S: Towerview Spirit of Joy, D: Townend Shadow
 - Miss C Crow Rider Miss C Savage
- 3rd GRAYSONS POLLY PERKINS FP3580 f2001
- S: Townend Duke III, D: Tunstall Polly Mrs H Kirkham Rider Mrs H Kirkham

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Colour Photo Section



FPS Breed Show Champion, the 3 yo filly Lunesdale Warrior Queen, with owner and breeder Carole Morland, and handler Heidi Pattison. Photo, Sally P Coles

Herr Ruppel and his Fell pair, Meres Joker and Hochtaunus Cinderella, in Germany. Photo, S Albrecht





Supreme Champion at the Stallion Show, Wellbrow Rusty, with owner/ breeder Mr A Thorpe. Photo, Fleur Hallam

Bracklinn Bertie, owned by Courtney Savage, winner of the driving class at the Stallion

Show. Photo, Fleur Hallam



Ros Arthur on Highland, Truim of Croila, and Denise Bumford on Fell Townend Hamish II in the M&M Pairs Class at Equifest 2010. They beat 10 others to get through to the final in the evening performance. "Hamish acted like a 4-year old," said Denise, "and Dougie was the sensible one. Thanks to Ros for her support and suggesting I breathe!"





Grace Charlton (aged 8, and the 6th generation of Charlton involvement in the breed) and Linnel Rosie II winning the Lead Rein Class at the Breed Show 2010, led by her Aunt Jenny Charlton.



A Springtime drive in Germany— on the right, Rosmarth Rogan driven by Andreas Ruppel, and on the left, Severnvale Robin with Herr Ruppel Sr. at the reins. Photo, S Albrecht

A pack pony about to set off from Greenholme to Shap as part of Tom Lloyd's expedition from Sedbergh to Troutbeck. A spare driving-harness breeching steadies the load on downhill slopes—on the pony, at least. The little girl on Dad's back can probably balance herself. Photo, S Millard



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- CLASS 17 Riding Class for Ponies 4 years old and upwards
- Ridden by a boy or girl 13 years or under on the day of the show
- 1st MERES JAVLIN FP70262G f2003
 - S: Lownthwaite Merlin, D: Sleddale Beauty XXVI
 - Mr P Saunders Rider Miss A Metcalfe (12)
- 2nd ORTON HALL DUSKY FP2495 f1993
- S: Heltondale Ted, D: Foggy Gill Dapper
- Mrs D J Slack Rider Emily Exley (12)
- 3rd WELLBROW OSPREY FP70608G f2005
 - S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Jenny Wren
 - Mrs T Mallinson Rider Nicola Jackson (13)
- CLASS 18 Riding Class for Ponies 4 years old and upwards
- Ridden by a boy or girl to be aged 14 or over and not to have attained their 18th birthday before 1 January in current year.
- 1st GREENHÓLME YABADÁBADOO FP70685G* f2005
 - S: Murthwaite Windrush, D: Heltondale Poppy
 - Mr P Metcalfe & Mrs J Robinson Rider Alex Robinson (15)
- 2nd GRAYSONS POLLY PERKINS FP3580 f2001
 - S: Townend Duke III, D: Tunstall Polly
 - Mrs H Kirkham Rider Holly Stead (15)
- 3rd LATHOMDALE RANGER FP70743G f2006
 - S: Linnel Riddler, D: Carrock Annabelle
 - Mrs S Burton Rider K Speakman (17)

- CLASS 19 Ridden Veteran Class -Mare or Gelding to be 18 years or over
- 1st GUARDS JOSEPH FP533G f1987
- S: Waverhead Prince II, D: Guards Joanne
- Ms S Wardle Rider Ms S Wardle
- 2nd BLEABERRY BEAUTY FP1557 f1986 S: Lunesdale Jerry, D: Townend Lucy Miss L Charlton Rider Mrs A Wileman
- 3rd SUMMIT HARRIER FP185G f1982
- S: Waverhead Rambler, D: Summit Mountain Linnet (B)
- Ms A Armstrong- Foxton Rider Ms A Armstrong-Foxton
- CLASS 20 Riding Class for Novice Geldings - 4 years old and upwards
- 1st CARROCK WHODATHOWTIT FP70174G f2003
 - S: Lownthwaite Moonshadow, D: Townend Sugar
- Miss C Richardson Rider Miss C Richardson
- 2nd FARLETON FREDDIE FP51244G f2001
- S: Townend Samuel, D: Sleddale Lulu Miss C Simpson Rider Ms R Wilson
- 3rd KERBECK DRUID'S FIRE FP70377G f2004
- S: Townend Huey, D: Hades Hill Blossom II
- Ms G M Callister Rider Ms G M Callister
- CLASS 21 Riding Class for Novice Mares - 4 years old and upwards
- 1st BRACKENBANK ROSEBUD FP4419 f2006
 - S: Murthwaite Look at Me, D: Brackenbank Rosie
 - Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson Rider Miss R Robson
- 2nd BYBECK EMILY FP3996 f2004

- S: Castle Hill Prince II, D: Bishopdale Peggv
- Mrs J E Boyd Rider Ms L Martin
- 3rd RESTAR MOUNTAIN DAWN FP4214 f2005
- S: Lunesdale Prince Albert, D: Townend Mountain Gypsy IV Mrs C Saunders Rider Miss A Robinson
- Mare Progeny CLASS 22
- 1st TOWNEND CANDYTUFT II
- Banksgate Vember, Banksgate Aisling, Banksgate Brando
- A & E D Ashcroft
- 2nd BRACKENBANK MAYBLOSSOM
- Brackenbank Gypsy III, Brackenbank Romany, Brackenbank Oliver Twist
- Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- CLASS 23 Stallion Progeny
- 1st CASTLE HILL BELLMAN
- Townend Eden, Townend Cherry, Townend Davdream
- Mrs M Wilson
- 2nd CARROCK I'M YER MAN
- Towford Harmarnie, Bracklinn Steffi, Bracklinn Norah
- Mr A Smith
- 3rd GREENHOLME MIKADO
- Wellbrow Carmen, Greenholme Petal, Burnhead Molly II Mr W S Potter
- Driving Stallion, Mare or CLASS 24 Gelding - 4 years old and upwards
- 1st LOWNTHWAITE FINGER PRINT FP4050 f2004
 - S: Peepings Raven, D: Lownthwaite Bramble. Miss A W Morton
- 2nd BRACKLINN BERTIE FP70072G f2002
 - S: Waverhead Rob II, D: Waterstolls Beauty II. Miss C Savage

- 3rd TYNEBANK DANNY BOY FP70880G f2006. S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Lizzy. Mr **D** Parkinson
- Cone Driving CLASS 25
- 1st TYNEBANK DANNY BOY FP70880G f2006
 - S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Lizzy. Mrs J Parkinson
- 2nd BRACKLINN BERTIE FP70072G f2002
- S: Waverhead Rob II, D: Waterstolls Beauty II. Miss C Savage
- 3rd TYNEBANK DANNY BOY FP70880G f2006
- S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Lizzv. Mr D Parkinson
- CLASS 26 Style and Performance
- Senior
- 1st RALFLAND STARTREK FP70759G f2006
 - S: Townend Rolo, D: Hardendale Rowan
 - Miss R Robson Rider Ms S Chappelhow
- 2nd= GREENHOLME DUKE FP70487G f2004
 - S: Townend Duke III, D: Greenholme Lilly
 - Mrs J McGuinness Rider Mrs J **McGuinness**
- 2nd= KERBECK THOR'S FIRE FP51178G f2001
 - S: Peepings Enterprise, D: Kerbeck Night Serenade
- Mrs S M Morris Rider Mrs C H Robinson
- 3rd CARROCK WHODATHOWTIT FP70174G f2003
 - S: Lownthwaite Moonshadow, D: **Townend Sugar**
 - Miss C Richardson Rider Miss C Richardson

Style and Performance

Junior

- 1st GREENHOLME WARBLER FP70489C* f2004
 - S: Linnel Reynard, D: Tebay Duchess
- Mr G Guy & Mr P Metcalfe Rider Miss A Robinson
- 2nd LUDWORTH ALBION FP70045G f2002
 - S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Lownthwaite Vanity
- Mrs K Bennett
- 3rd GREENHOLME YABADABADOO FP70685G* f2005
 - S: Murthwaite Windrush, D: Heltondale Poppy
 - Mr P Metcalfe & Mrs J Robinson Rider Miss A Robinson
- CLASS 27 Pony with the best set of feet (Shod)
- 1st DARRENVALE KATIE FP2924 f1996
- S: Lunesdale Mountain Mist, D: Darrenvale Rebecca
- Mrs D Vychinski Farrier Mr G Holt
- 2nd BYBECK EBONY FP70500G f2004
- S: Castle Hill Prince II, D: Drybarrows Damson Blossom
- Miss C Nowell Farrier Mr D Welch
- 3rd DALEWIN JEWEL FP4385 f2006
- S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Dalewin Amy Miss K Smith Farrier O Connolly
- CLASS 28 Pony with the best set of feet (never been shod)
- 1st BYBECK CHERRY BLOSSOM FP3854 f2002
 - S: Dalehead Tom, D: Drybarrows Damson Blossom
 - Mrs J Coates
- CLASS 29 Lead Rein
- 1st LINNEL ROSIE II FP3518 f2000 S: Linnel Romany III, D: Sleddale Ruth

- Mr & Mrs R B Charlton Rider Grace Charlton (8)
- 2nd GREENHEAD ALBATROSS FP70418G f2004
 - S: Murthwaite Black Bobby, D: Greenhead Tess
- Mrs S R Stewart Rider Georgia Ellis (8)
- 3rd WELLBROW OSPREY FP70608G f2005
 - S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Jenny Wren
 - Mrs T Mallinson Rider Georgina Mallinson (3)
- CLASS 30 First Ridden
- 1st MERES JAVLIN FP70262G f2003
 - S: Lownthwaite Merlin, D: Sleddale Beauty XXVI
 - Mr P Saunders Rider Anna Metcalfe (12)
- 2nd WELLBROW OSPREY FP70608G f2005
 - S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Jenny Wren
 - Mrs T Mallinson Rider Sophie Jackson (10)
- 3rd TOWNEND LUCIFER FP50776G f1998
 - S: Drybarrows Jeff, D: Townend Lucy Mrs J Coates Rider Amber Pickup (14)

CLASS 31 Young Handlers

- Under 13 years
- 1st BRACKENBANK ROMANY FP3006 f1997
- S: Waverhead Prince II, D: Brackenbank Mayblossom
- Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson Handler Megan Wilkinson (10)
- 2nd ORTON HALL DUSKY FP2495 f1993
 - S: Heltondale Ted, D: Foggy Gill Dapper
 - Mrs D J Slack Handler Emily Exley (12)
- 3rd TUNSTALL BILL FP50386G f1995

- S: Murthwaite Victor, D: Robbswater Ripple, Miss A Sunter. Handler Eden Marshall (11)
- 13 years and over
- 1st GREENHEAD ALBATROSS FP70418G f2004
 - S: Murthwaite Black Bobby, D: Greenhead Tess
- Mrs S R Stewart Handler Gabriella Ellis (15)
- 2nd FOGGY GILL JACK FP70287G f2003
- S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Foggy Gill Rosie (B)
- Miss B Dent Handler Brogan Dent (15)
- 3rd BYBECK CHERRY BLOSSOM FP3854 f2002
 - S: Dalehead Tom, D: Drybarrows Damson Blossom
 - Mrs J Coates Handler Holly Pickup (13)
- CLASS 32 Fancy Dress
- 1st GREENHEAD ÁLBATROSS FP70418G f2004
 - S: Murthwaite Black Bobby, D: Greenhead Tess
 - Mrs S R Stewart Exhibitor Georgia Ellis
- CLASS 33 Qualifying Class for Olympia
- 1st CASTLE HILL RAVEN FP70439G f2004
 - S: Castle Hill Jerry, D: Heltondale Princess III

Ms H Reynolds Rider Ms H Reynolds 2nd CASTLE HILL ROSE FP3615 f2001

- S: Towerview Spirit of Joy, D: Townend Shadow
- Miss C Crow Rider Miss C Savage

3rd GREENHOLME WARBLER FP70489C* f2004

S: Linnel Reynard, D: Tebay Duchess

Mr G Guy & Mr P Metcalfe Rider Miss A Robinson

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Heltondale Lucy X Cup, Best Filly of 3 years old bred by a registered native heath breeder LUNESDALE WARRIOR OUEEN

McDonough Shield, Oldest mare with own foal at foot KERBECK NIGHT SONNET

- Lakeland Cup Best Pony 2 years old and under
- Champion MAYDEN PAULINE'S SURPRISE

Reserve TOWFORD HARMARNIE

Shawfell Silhouette Memorial Cup, Champion Foal BANKSGATE BRANDO

FPS Challenge Cup, Best Filly or Gelding of 3 years old likely to make a good riding type LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN

- Farleton Trophy Champion Gelding of Classes 8 and 9
- Champion WELLBROW OSPREY
- Reserve DALEFOOT CAMERON
- Alan Shuttleworth Trophy, Champion Female Pony in Classes 1 - 3 and Class 10
- Champion BRACKENBANK GYPSY III Reserve GREENHOLME PETAL

The Tufton Silver Challenge Trophy: Supreme Champion Pony Champion LUNESDALE WARRIOR OUEEN

The Jim Bell Memorial Trophy: Reserve Supreme Champion Pony Reserve BRACKENBANK GYPSY III The Sylvia Mary McCosh Memorial: Breeder of the Champion Pony Rose Bowl Mr & Mrs A W Morland

RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Greenfield Memorial Trophy Novice Ridden Champion BRACKENBANK ROSEBUD Reserve CARROCK WHODATHOWTIT The Littletree Trophy Junior Ridden MERES JAVLIN Champion GREENHOLME Reserve YABADABADOO The Carrock Pollvanna Trophy Open Ridden Champion JESSE BLUE Reserve BRACKLINN BERTIE The Toby Tankard Champion Ridden JESSE BLUE Champion

Reserve BRACKLINN BERTIE NPS Silver Medal Rosette BRACKLINN BERTIE The Briar Trophy. Best Turned Out GRAYSONS POLLY PERKINS Veteran Gelding Shield, Oldest Ridden Gelding SUMMIT HARRIER The Packway Bellman Trophy Most points in Riding, Driving & Style & Performance BRACKLINN BERTIE

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In the spring magazine we informed you of our plans to organise an international breed show for Europe. We hoped to create an opportunity for the breeders in Europe to meet people from the other countries and to exchange information about the Fell. Also it could give the breeders the chance to let their Fells be judged according to the rules and regulations of the Society by experienced judges from the UK.

Although we received a very enthusiastic response, we also got comments that the date we had in mind for the show would prove to be a bit of a problem for a lot of breeders. A breed show on the 4th and 5th September 2010 could have a low number of entries because school would have started again in, for instance, Germany and Denmark. Our fellow breeders would not be able to make the trip to the Netherlands.

Of course we already had set a lot of wheels in motion for the breed show and we had to make a difficult decision. It was not possible to get an earlier date. The time to get things organised would be too short to be able to make the event a success. We had to consider however, that continuing could mean that the chance of a successful event would also be at risk due to the fact that the number of entries would be low. This would not be good for the breed show itself, but also the financial aspects could become too much of a burden. We think you can understand why we had some difficult decision-making to do!

We started out in the strong belief that this breed show at least should get a chance to prove itself and we felt that under these circumstances this would not be the case. We were afraid that continuing with the show would result in an event that would miss the goals we set out to reach. With regret we decided not to go ahead with the show in 2010.

But -- We still are committed to the idea and will not throw in the towel because we have had a setback in 2010. Most of the plans are already put in writing and we intend to change the date in late July / early August 2011. Postponing the show to 2011 might turn out to be the best idea as it gives us the opportunity to reach more people in the months leading up to July 2011.

Roy Ottink Mia Aerdts



What Makes a Horse?

The horse is creature of grace, beauty and athletic talent. Swift yet enduring, kind and willing, but with an inclination to be flighty. Have you ever wondered what makes a horse so?

All the aspects of a horse, from its colour and pattern to its temperament and athletic ability, are due to a mixture of what it inherits from its parents and how it is affected by the environment, including its nutrition and training. Some things, like colour and pattern are mostly determined by genes. Tests are now available for horse breeders interested in colour and pattern, and also for curbing the spread of inborn diseases.

The basic behavioural patterns of a horse have been hard-wired by evolution, but can be modified in domestic horses by both careful breeding and training. Performance ability is moderately influenced by genes: any genetic potential for greatness will only be realised if the horse is properly cared for and trained in a way that brings out the potential. Genetic technology of various kinds could influence the development of performance horses, along with the latest development in genetic performance testing.

Colour Codes

We all have our favourite colours and patterns, some of which are so popular that they have societies dedicated to their improvement. Several genes code for horse colour and pattern. Much is now known about many of them, although we can expect the story of colour to continue to unfold over coming years. Despite this the base coat colours of black, brown, bay and chestnut, are encoded by just two genes.

We can think of the "base coat colour" as being the underlying one, which can be modified by other genes. Grey horses, for example, start off a base colour but turn white over time, through a series of grey shades.

One gene, called the extension gene, determines whether black pigment is present or if there's only reddy-brown pigment, as in chestnut based horses. Each horse has two copies of the gene. one from its dam and one from its sire. Like with many genes there are alternative versions of the gene, called alleles. In this case the alleles are labelled E and e. The two copies a particular horse has might be of the same or different alleles, so that horses have either genotype EE, Ee or ee. Horses with two copies of a particular allele are said to be homozygous, those with one of each (Ee) are said to be heterozygous.

Allele E allows black pigment to form, so that horses of genotypes EE and Ee have some black pigment. Horses with genotype ee have no black pigment and have a chestnut base coat. The allele E is said to be dominant over e since black pigment can form even in heterozygous animals of genotype Ee. Allele e is said to be recessive to E. Chestnut horses are true-breeding for chestnut when they are bred together, since all foals must inherit the e allele from both parents.

The agouti gene determines where the black pigment will be, if there is any (that is in horses of genotype EE and Ee at the extension locus). The agouti gene has three known alleles. It may have at least one more, but this is not proven. When the recessive black allele is homozygous horses have a uniformly black base coat. When there is at least one copy of the dominant bay allele the base coat is bay, with black in the mane, tail and points. Brown horses are homozygous for the brown agouti allele, or have that allele in conjunction with the black one. The brown allele is dominant to black, but recessive to bay. True-breeding black horses must be homozygous at both the extension gene and agouti gene (that is of genotype EE aa).

For anyone wanting to discover more about the colours of their horses, the author's website http://www.horsegenetics.com is there to help you.

Gene screens

There are now genetic screens available for many colour and pattern genes, to help with the choice of breeding stock and prediction of foal colours. Generally these are simple and cheap, requiring you to pull some hairs from the mane and send them off to a laboratory. At the laboratory geneticists extract the genetic material from the hair roots and identify which alleles are present for the genes being tested.

Genetic tests are also available to screen for carriers of genetic disorders, which are well themselves but can pass a disorder on to their foals. Many genetic disorders are largely restricted to horses of a particular breed or type. These include lethal white overo syndrome, which can cause the death of foals born to two overo "coloured" horses and cerebellar abiotrophy, a serious neurological disorder of Arabian Horses.

Breeders should familiarise themselves with their own breed to identify which disorders their own horses might be carriers of. The occurrence of genetic disorders can only decrease if people stop breeding from carriers. The use of genetic screening has already led to a reduction of some disorders, including equine combined immunodeficiency disorder, which causes foal death in Arabian horses.

Patterns of Behaviour

Undoubtedly the expertise of handlers and riders plays a big part in the nature of individual domesticated horses, including their manners and bravery. Nevertheless behaviour is at least partly inherited, through the numerous genes that influence the development and functioning of the brain, senses and nervous system.

Horses have evolved to be alert, ever keeping a lookout for potential predators. Those swift enough to successfully escape danger survived to breed, and to pass their survival abilities on to their offspring. From this we realize why even our domesticated horses have a strong urge to run away from anything they think is dangerous, even if it is really just that odd looking bush at the end of the lane!

Although natural selection favoured successful runners there are conceivable advantages to horses that don't run away unnecessarily. Running takes energy, which needs conserving when nutritious food is scarce. The alternative pressures for and against running are probably what has given genetic variation for temperament, so that some horses are more flighty while others are quieter. The good news is that we can therefore purposely breed horses to be more docile.

Interestingly there may be differences in temperament between horses of different colours and pattern. This is because some substances, such as dopamine which regulates mood, are involved in both brain function and pigment metabolism, so that changes in one are accompanied by changes in the other. In some animals selection for tameness has led to particular coat patterns becoming common. Patterning is associated with docility in foxes, cats, dogs, hamsters, rats, cows and birds, and might be in "coloured" and "paint" horses too.

Glynis Scott 2010

Glynis Scott has a doctorate in genetics and has been a professional geneticist for almost 25 years. She has three horses, including two quarter horse mares. Her website is http:// www.horse-genetics.com/.



Laminitis Trust

The Laminitis Trust has recently provided funding amounting to over £230,000 for ground breaking research into equine laminitis.

In 2009 the Laminitis Trust received eleven grant applications. After peer review, two research groups were selected to receive funding, based on the scientific merit and clinical significance of their applications.

During the next two years, Dr Menzies-Gow at the Royal Veterinary College, London, UK and Professor Pollitt at the University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia will conduct research which will increase our knowledge of laminitis and aid in prevention strategies.

Robert Eustace FRCVS, Director of the Laminitis Trust writes: "We are very grateful to all who have made legacies and donations to the Laminitis Trust. Additionally we recognise the efforts of those feed companies whose responsible attitude to horse nutrition has enabled the Laminitis Trust Feed Approval Mark to become the "gold standard". Lastly, without the support of their customers who buy Laminitis Trust Approved Feeds for their animals, the Trust would not have been able to provide these substantial research grants".

If you wish to help the Laminitis Trust in its fight against this crippling disease please visit www.laminitis.org or telephone 01249-890784 for further information.

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FIS test reimbursement—Sick Foals

SICK FOALS

As notified in the Spring magazine, the FPS will reimburse the cost of the FIS test if a sick foal is diagnosed as affected by the syndrome. Because of the confidentiality of the test, **the office does not know about these foals**. If you have had an affected foal and wish to reclaim the cost of the test, you need to contact the office and supply the name of the foal's dam. The office will then confirm with the Animal Health Trust that the foal was affected and reimburse the £40.

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Numbers tested for FIS to September 2010

Here is a summary of the numbers tested [to September 2010].

These carrier percentages may be artificially high, as it may be that breeders are specifically testing those animals which they suspect of being carriers. Following the original research and the testing of non-FIS related samples, the estimate was that 39% of Fells would be carriers.

The total numbers of ponies tested to date = 600 samples, of which 67 have been foals. Of the 533 adult Fell samples tested, 250 have been carriers of FIS (46.90%) and 283 have been clear of FIS (53.10%).

Of the 67 foal samples tested - 14 have been affected (20.90%), 20 carriers (29.85%) and 33 clear (49.25%)

Adults:	Carriers	Clears	
	250	283	
	46.9%	53.1%	
Foals:			
Affected	Carriers	Clears	
14	20	33	
20.9%	29.85%	49.25%	

Overall statistics (calculations using all data, foal and adults) - 270 carriers (45.00%), 316 clear (52.67%) and 14 affected (2.33%)

Data from the AHT supplied by Laura Fox-Clipsham



Rare disease

Unfortunately 2009 saw a dramatic increase in the incidence of a previously very rare disease in the UK. Four cases affecting native breeds were seen in the space of three days in the Eden Valley in late November. Atypical Myopathy, or Atypical Myoglobinuria as it is also known, is an acute disease that affects the muscles of horses and ponies kept at grass, usually occurring in autumn and early winter, although Spring can be a high risk time too. Sadly there is a high mortality rate with reports varying between 75% and 90%.

Poorly understood

Atypical Myopathy (AM) is still a poorly understood condition. There are reports of it having been recognised as in the late 1930s with sporadic cases since then. In recent years there has been an increasing incidence of AM in northern Europe and the UK. So far there have been around 60 reported cases in the UK, many more than in previous years.

There is still no proven causative agent although either a fungal toxin or possibly a toxin produced by the clostridia group of bacteria may be responsible. Young horses and ponies less than three years seem to be at most risk, especially those around 18 months old, but there have been cases reported in animals up to 15 years old. Affected animals have normally been kept permanently at grass. There may be a link with damp/poorly drained land and possibly with land containing many trees, particularly with a significant amount of dead leaf litter (perhaps due to fungal growth in such conditions). Unvaccinated and poorly wormed ponies may also be at higher risk.

Signs

Animals affected show varying signs. Some show signs very similar to colic whereas others tend to show signs of weakness and may be confused with laminitis. This may be as subtle as shifting weight from one foot to another or slight trembling but can be much more severe. Some cases are found unable to get up in the field.

Darkly discoloured urine is strongly suggestive of AM when seen with other clinical signs. This is because myoglobin, one of the by-products released during breakdown of muscle cells, is cleared through the kidneys and released into the urine (myoglobinuria). Other signs may include a raised respiratory rate and raised heart rate. Strangely, for horses that are showing severe disease, appetite seems to remain quite good with some cases willing to eat while too weak to lift their head.

Confirmation of the diagnosis is via blood samples which show large (often massive) elevations in an enzyme called CPK, which is also released as a result of muscle breakdown. This is the same enzyme that is elevated in horses that have the condition known variously as "tying up"/ azoturia/ Monday Morning disease. The key difference is that AM sufferers tend to have no history of exercise and the elevations in CPK are generally much more dramatic. Triglyceride, a fat metabolism product, is also often high.

Risk of death

As far as is known death results from respiratory or heart failure when the heart or chest muscles become too weak to maintain their function, but many cases under treatment are euthanased before this point is reached. Myoglobin can cause severe damage to the kidneys when present in high quantities so kidney failure is another risk, particularly in cases that are not well hydrated.

Treatment

There is currently no specific treatment to combat the disease. Intravenous fluids help maintain kidney function and assists the horse or pony to pass as much myoglobin out in dilute urine. Plentiful soft bedding is essential as sufferers may spend many hours a day lying down. Painkillers and anti-inflammatories help keep pain levels down, though it is unclear how painful the condition is. Other treatments such as oral carnitine. injectable riboflavin or metronidazole (an antibiotic that combats clostridia bacteria) have been suggested as possible useful treatments but none have been proven to work.

Prevention

As far as prevention goes there are several steps that can be taken to reduce the risk, but unfortunately some of them are not easy or practical to apply. Once a horse or pony has contracted AM the pasture concerned should be considered high risk and ideally would not be grazed, especially during autumn/winter (and perhaps even spring). If this is not possible then stabling for at least some of the day and feeding concentrates appears to reduce the risk.

Feeding hay

Supplementing grazing with hay should help by reducing the intake of grass, but if the hay is mouldy or fed from the ground during damp conditions it may increase the risk. Permanent stabling is the safest option but has significant cost implications and will often also lead to a very bored and frustrated horse or pony! While taking all practical precautions is a sensible step it should be remembered that at this stage it is still a rare disease. Over the coming months and years we will find out whether we are going to see an increasing number of cases or whether this year has seen the peak.

Further information

There is a Belgian website run by Liege University that gives more information on the disease - http:// www.myopathieatypique.be/fr/ souscategorie.php?categorieID=15

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It would be fair to say that so far, 2010 has proved to be a season of full of successful events with several more planned. Many thanks to each and everyone involved in not only organising events but for turning up and supporting this year's activities. Also a big thank you to all the ponies who have taken part in these events many of them unsung heroes! Full reports and photographs will be available in the group newsletter following the open committee meeting in November. The events we have held by the time of this publication have included:

Sunday March 21st 2010 - Showing Clinic at Craven Arms, Shropshire. Report by Jane Cooper - event organiser.

The sun shone on Sunday 21st March 2010 for our showing Clinic at Glebe Farm Equestrian, Craven Arms. It was a superb setting for what was a very informative and enjoyable day. Mary Longsdon MBE did a wonderful job in sharing her vast knowledge of judging and of course Fell Ponies, which put us all at ease with lots of encouragement.

There were five pure bred Fell ponies and three Fell Friends who, despite their ages and abilities behaved impeccably. We had an in-hand session in the morning where Mary gave advice on what a judge would be looking for in the show ring. She covered correct use of tack, handling and running up along with many other useful tips. In the afternoon came the ridden session where all participants gained knowledge and experience with positive encouragement, finishing with a fun show and a question and answer session for all involved this made for a fantastic end to the day.

There were refreshments, a raffle, tack sale and our Fell merchandise stand thanks to Jane Glass.

I have received such kind comments since this event; it has spurred me on to take my Dave (Brocklebeck Border Brigand) who I can very proudly say won the in-hand session, on to bigger and better things.

I would like to say a special thank you to Lesley Weston for some of the most fantastic photos ever!, Alison and Emily from Glebe Farm Equestrian for allowing us to use all their wonderful facilities, to G8 Fire Solutions Ltd for sponsoring the commemorative rosettes and Mary Longsdon for mentoring.

Finally it is always great to meet Fellow Fells and Fell Friends and their owners, Thank you to all! Here's to the next one. Photographs of this event are available on the MWG web site details below.

Sunday May 9th 2010 ~ Pleasure Ride on Cannock Chase. Once again Sandra Newcombe kindly organised a ride across Cannock Chase. We had a smaller turn out this year but as usual it was a most well organised and enjoyable ride. Rosettes were given to all those taking part and Sandra looked after both riders and their ponies in her usual hospitable fashion.

Sunday June 20th 2010 ~ Fell, Dales and Highlands Pony Show at Bakewell



Competitors in 'LEG IT': left: June Wells, Townend Bellman; Jane Harding, Townend Badger; Alyson Hirscombe, Carsington Helvellyn's Star; sponsor (on foot) Jane Cooper, G8Fire; Ann Shuker, Carsington Celtic Pride; right: Alyson Hirscombe; Sarah Clements, Polly; Jane Harding; June Wells.

Show Ground. Another excellent show with a good turn out of ponies in all sections. New for this year was the Bewcastle Boy Blue In-Hand Inter Group qualifier for the Southern Breed Show in September. The Midlands West Group qualifier was Mr and Mrs K Dorman's foal, Scotgate Starman with reserve being Scotgate Sophie. Well done to Sarah Clements, John and Jane Harding, whose pony Townend Badger was runner up.

Sunday August 1st 2010 ~ Our annual 'LEG IT' aka Midlands West Trotting Races (plus Adult & Children's Gymkhana) at The Yews Farm, Seighford by kind permission of Mr and Mrs F C Waterfall. Despite a change of date there was an excellent turn out of ponies for this annual fun event. The trotting races went well although there was a slight delay before the official start when cattle invaded the course. This was promptly dealt with by local rider, Melonie Rhodes and group member Barry Stamp, who contained the curious bovines. Trotting times were slightly up on last year - perhaps due to the course invasion!

There were good entries in the Fancy Dress, Handy Pony and Gymkhana classes. Many thanks to Mary Longsdon MBE for judging the handy pony classes and to Mrs Heather Hinks who judged the fancy dress section. Thank you to every one who took part and made this a most enjoyable day.

Saturday 14th August 2010 - Fell Pony Logging Demonstration at Dudmaston Hall, Shropshire by kind permission of The National Trust. Kellie and Richard Channing provided the group with excellent hospitality when we met to watch a most impressive and informative logging demonstration given by the Channings' lovely Fell Pony Brocklebeck Border Buster. The group not only got to grips-literallywith Buster's logging work, but were also allowed by the National Trust to visit the gardens and grounds at Dudmaston Hall. The Group are most indebted to Kellie, Richard, Buster and The National Trust for such a brilliant visit - one the Group hope can be repeated in the near future. Video clips of Buster working in the woods will be available shortly on the group web site plus photographs.

Other Events Planned For 2010

Sunday 29th August 2010 - Pleasure Ride Burwarton Park, Bridgnorth, Shropshire. By kind permission of Lord Boyne, the group will be meeting at Burwarton Park to enjoy a pleasure ride. It is anticipated that the ride will take approximately two and a half hours, will suit all abilities and be led by Lesley Weston who has also kindly organized the event.

Sunday 31st October 2010 - Annual Luncheon at the home of Hugh and Elizabeth Marshall at Sudbury, near Uttoxeter, Staffs with guest speaker, Fell Pony Photo Show, Pudding Competition, Caption Competition and Fell Pony Society merchandise for sale. Rosettes will also be presented to this year's entrants in the for MWFPSS Group Performance/Activity Awards. If you would like to attend this highly popular event please telephone Elizabeth Marshall on 01283 585358 one week before as places may be limited.

Sunday November 7th 2010 - Open Committee Meeting at the home of Joan and Keith Dorman, Ash Tree Farm, Spend Lane, Ashbourne DE6 2AR. New for 2010 - the MWFPSS Group committee invite members of the Midlands West Group to attend their annual meeting. If you have any thoughts or suggestions this is a chance for you to have your say. If you are unable to attend, please contact a member of the committee or area representative who will be happy pass on your comments. The meeting will begin promptly at 11.00 am. If you are interested in attending could you



Group members in the woods above Dudmaston Hall with Richard Channing and Brocklebeck Border Buster.

please telephone Joan on 01335 350301 as numbers for catering purposes will be very much appreciated.

The Autumn issue of the MWG newsletter will be available shortly and if you have any relevant articles, sales or wants to be advertised FREE OF CHARGE please contact Diane Key on 01785 822723 or email diane@fellpony.me.uk

If you would like to join the Midlands West Fell Pony Support Group please contact Membership Secretary Mrs Lisa Williams telephone number 01782 777424 or send a £4 cheque made payable to the Midlands West Fell Pony Society Support Group to

6 The Woodlands, Liverpool Road East, Church Lawton, Stoke on Trent ST7 3AF with name and address and if applicable email address details.

For more details about the group please visit www.westmidsfellponies.org.uk

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North East Area Support Group

I am delighted to report that the North East Area Group continues to flourish. A little over 2 years ago, when I agreed to organise events, I thought that 2 events per year would be sufficient but during 2010 my enthusiastic committee have pushed me into being involved with five events and a newsletter. The newsletter, which went out in January 2010, was a mammoth task as I had to address over 200 envelopes and stick on stamps. It would be a tremendous saving in printing costs, postage costs and my time, if our annual newsletter could be emailed to most of the North East members. If you are happy to receive the newsletter by email, please email me at rackwoodeileen@yahoo.com so your details can be added to my FPS list of contacts. A traditional paper copy will be sent to those members who do not provide me with an email address but to be sure of getting the

news hot off the press, let me have your email details NOW!

Since writing the spring report we have held a joint Highland and Fell Pony Camp weekend at Linnel Wood near Hexham courtesy of Bob and Sarah Charlton. Μv 'foaling' commitments would not allow me to attend for the full weekend but I did manage to visit during the Sunday Please see the afternoon competition. report written by Sarah Pringle, who took part in this event, as well as being the instigator for us getting involved in the first place! A similar event is being planned for May 2011.

During July we held two North East Area Qualifiers to select ponies to represent the North East Area at the Southern Show on 12th September and compete for the Bewcastle Boy Blue Trophy. Our first



Towford Harmarnie shown by Alan Anderson, at Hexham Native Horse & Pony Show.

gualifier was held at Lanchester Show on July 4th where separate Fell pony classes were allowed within the M&M Section. Rackwood Annie owned by Eileen Walker was the In-hand Champion and being owned by a North East member qualified to attend the Southern Show. Rackwood Melody also owned by Eileen Walker, was In-hand Reserve Champion. Our second qualifier was held at the Hexham Native Horse & Pony Show on July 25th as part of the North East Area special Fell pony classes. Towford Harmarnie owned by Moira Hall from Jedburgh was the In-hand Champion but she is not owned by a North East Area member so the qualifying rosette was passed to Wansfell Tobias owned by Heather Mawrey, who was the In-Hand Reserve Champion. Towford Harmarnie, a homebred two year old filly, was awarded The North East FPS Group Challenge Cup.

Our next event will be the Performance Trials at Linnel Wood on Sunday 26th September. Please contact Sarah Charlton Tel: 01434673262 for more information or download the Schedule from the Events Page of the FPS Website.

Our annual pleasure ride will take place on Sunday 4th October. The venue is Hamsterley Forest but I have yet to decide the route so further details will available early September. Please contact Eileen Walker Tel: 01388763607. An application form will be available on the North East Support Group Section of the FPS Website by the beginning of September.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has attended and/or helped at one or more of our events during 2010. 'Many hands make light work!'

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North West Area Support Group

Thank you to you all for supporting our 2010 events so far especially Cumbria Fell & Dales. The show actually made a loss of £250 this year due to increased toilet, catering and First Aid costs. Unfortunately we will have to increase entry fees for 2011 as we just don't have the funds for this to happen again. We have very generous sponsors in Paragon and CARRS Agriculture and we are very grateful for their help.

Classes will be very much the same next year, but the dressage classes will carry qualification to NPS Top Spec Finals at Addington. Schedules will be available from the FPS site from April time. We are always short of helpers on the day and anyone who would like to help can contact Ellen Jones on 017684-83511 or Hilary Fawcett on 017683 41417.

We have two further events before Christmas.

HOYS trip on M&M Day, Wednesday, 6th October, £60 including ticket and bus. Pick ups from Penrith, Brough, Kirkby Stephen, Tebay and then down the M6. Names to Ellen Jones please, on 017684-83511 / 07787 570736, sparket@btinternet.com

Christmas Get Together, Saturday, 4th December, Royal Oak at Appleby. 7.30/8.00. Names to Ellen Jones, as above.



Brackenbank Fell Ponies Ride and Drive

BRACKENBANK FELL PONIES RIDE & DRIVE, BBQ & OPEN AFTERNOON

On Sunday 15th August, 27 Riders & Drivers left Murton, Nr Appleby, Cumbria, in brilliant sunshine on a route through Hilton to Brackenber, across the moor to Langton and on to Flakebridge before returning to Murton, a ride of approximately 6 miles. The 3 drivers ventured into Appleby town centre, returning to Murton along Roman Road, a drive of 9½ miles. 23 of the ponies were Fell Ponies. Visitors came from as far afield as the Scottish Borders, Derbyshire, Lancashire, West Cumbria as well as from the local area.

On return, after tending to their steeds, everyone enjoyed a barbecue at Murton Institute. A raffle was also held with proceeds to the Fell Pony Society, thank you to all who donated the many prizes on offer.

The remainder of the afternoon was spent visiting Brackenbank Fell Ponies.

Many thanks, to all those who helped to make the day an enjoyable one.

David, Katherine & Megan Wilkinson

Above right, riders set off from Murton; right, crossing the Appleby golf course.







Overseas Branch News: the French Association of the Fell Pony

In the Spring newsletter it was stated that current FPS Overseas French Branch president Elizabeth Robinson, and secretary/treasurer Fleur Hallam would step down from their positions this autumn and pass over the reins of running the Branch to another keen person(s). Unfortunately to date no one has been found to take over, so Elizabeth and myself, in agreement with the FPS OSC, have decided to remain and run the Branch until a suitable person is found.

We had planned to have a Pleasure Ride & Drive during May of this year, but this had to be cancelled due to illness. Future planned events will be listed on our website.

There remains a steady trickle of interest from French and English

people in France who have come across the Fell and are looking for a stocky good looking pony for either pleasure, or riding and driving. Some Fell owners have been out with their ponies this Spring/Summer attending long distance rides and drives, Trec training days, local shows and events.

Several healthy foals have been born this year, and a couple of new bloodlines brought into the country.

For further information please see our website at

<u>www.freewebs.com/</u> <u>associationponeyfell</u>, or contact us at <u>fellponyfrance@aliceadsl.fr</u>

Fleur Hallam - AFPF Secretary



Murthwaite Tikka, winning his class of Best Pony (any breed) at a local show at Centre Beauregard, July 2010. Photo, Fleur Hallam



Overseas Branch News: South Germany Show & Teach-in

Our show in July was held at the Pendragonar Stud, Ramsau, Bavaria, and judged by Mr Ian Smith from Perthshire. Champion was Pikestone Lucky Lady (Rylestone Black Knight x Pikestone Lady Dawn. Owner: Gabriela Mikutova, Czechia.) She was also "overall" Champion, East and West. The unnamed filly foal by Carrock I'm Yer Man x Bracklinn Glenda was Reserve. Owner: Andreas Schönheit, Kaarst.

The show developed into a marvellous "Teach-in" where we were given a detailed lesson in all things Fell Pony, particularly conformation, breed characteristics etc. The stallion Heltondale Lucky Tom II, the colt foal Pendragonars Uther by Heltondale Lucky Tom II x Lownthwaite Lenor and, interestingly, the unregistered mare Askham Gate Igraine, showed excellent Fell type. Ian Smith went over each pony and commented in detail. We can't speak highly enough of his knowledge and patience and how pleased all spectators and participants were with his comments. It was really an excellent learning experience, and completed 2 very successful days.

Anne Fishburn

Mr D Wilkinson's Brackenbank Gypsy III (S: Murthwaite Look At Me. D: Brackenbank Mayblossom), whose show ring wins in 2010 include: Champion Fell Pony at the Royal Festival of the Horse, Stoneleigh; Senior Fell Champion, Overall Fell Pony Champion and Supreme Overall Champion at Gilsland Agricultural Society Equestrian Show: Winner of the Mare 4-7 vears class. Champion Mare and Reserve Supreme Champion at the FPS Breed Show.





Overseas News: 6th Show at Elbickerode

- 6th Fell Pony Show Germany, Elbickerode, 14.08.2010
- Organizer: Fell Pony Friends Germany and Breeding Association for German Horses
- Judges: Michael Rawlinson and Hans Britze

Results

Class 1, Foals

- 1st, Unity Only You, S: Bybeck Echo, D: Lownthwaite Piccola, Dr. Wolfgang Preiser,
- 2nd, Unity Oh Happy Day, S: Bybeck EchoD: Unity India, Dr. Wolfgang Preiser
- 3rd, Arthur vom Lindenteich, S: Milan, D: Kerbeck Night Rumour, Michael Kosirod

Class 2, Filly 1-4,

- 1st, Greenforest Midnight LadyS: Giant van de Koekoekshof, D: Drybarrows DillyMarie, Christine Meyer
- 2nd, Goodshapes Gipsy Rose, S: Goodshapes Corrado, D: Pikestone Lucky Lady, MVDr G Mikutova
- 3rd, Unity Nobel Lady2009, S: Bybeck Echo D: Unity India, Dr. W. Preiser

Class 3, Mares 5 years and older

- 1st, Restar Mountain Shelly , S: Greenhole Mikado, D: Townend Mountain Gipsy, Claudia Hunsmann
- 2nd, Uldale Black Misty , S: Townend Henry , D: Townend Majic, Roy Ottink

3rd, Pikestone Lucky Lady, S: Rylstone Black Night, D: Pikestone Lady Dawn, MVDr Gabriela Mikutova

Class 4, Colts 1 and 2 years

1st, Unity Magnus, S: Bybeck Echo , D: Lownthwaite Song Bird, Dr. Wolfgang Preiser

- 2nd, Unity Nobel Star, S: Bybeck Echo, D: Barbondale Ruby, Dr. Wolfgang Preiser
- 3rd , Flints Orlando, S: Wildhoeve Boy , D: Jane van skaterlan, Roy Ottink



Champion, Townend Valiant

Class 5, Colts 3-5 years

- 1st, Townend Valiant, S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Truth, Simone Albrecht
- 2nd, Wildhoeve Moonlight Ranger II, S: Wellbrow Tommy, D: Joy van de Wildhoeve , Claudia Hunsmann
- 3rd, Glossopdale Smokey Top Class, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Heltondale Smokey, Uta Hilscher



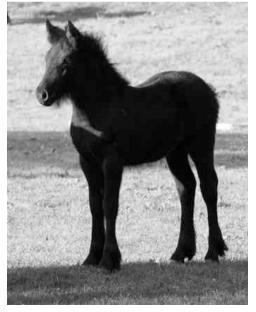
Lineup of Mares 5 years and over

Class 6, Geldings

1st, Townend Plover, S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Faith, Simone Albrecht

- 2nd, Sleddale Bellman, S: Heltondale Bellman V, D: Sleddale Rose XIII, Sabine Böhme
- 3rd, Unity Black Jack, S: Heltondale Duke IV, D: Lownthwaite Piccadilly, Dr. Wolfgang Preiser





Above: Reserve Champion: Restar Mountain Shelly

Supreme Champion: Townend Valiant Reserve Champion: Restar Mountain Shelly Young stock Champion: Unity Only You

Left: Youngstock Champion Unity Only You



Graysons Robbie

We purchased Chip, as he is fondly known, as a 5 year old, and we were his 6th owners. I knew on buying him that he was very green and needed working with and this proved to be a real challenge. He was ok walking around the paths near the livery yard as long as he had someone he could follow, but if he had no-one to follow he just went backwards with a few bucks thrown in. Once in the school he bucked and spun around in mid air. He was so hard to handle at times, I knew why his last owner only had him a matter of weeks before selling him. I advertised him for sale on a number of occasions but once the calls from potential buyers came I realised how much this pony meant to me and decided against selling him. A lot of hard work and a few falls followed but I never gave up and I am now reaping the rewards. Chip has competed in

Ridden & In-hand Showing, M & M Working Hunter winning open classes in his 1st season, Dressage, Show Jumping and Arena Eventing. I do the Showing & Dressage classes and my 12 vear old daughter Rachel does the jumping and he is alwavs placed. Rachel & Chip are usually the only child & pony combination in an Arena Eventing class and each time have come 2nd with a good dressage score and clear rounds over the jumps. Chip was to do his 1st affiliated dressage competition in August but went lame. Once the vet has given him the all clear Rachel & Chip are joining the pony club and I am hoping to do BD affiliated competitions. I am so glad I gave him another chance. He has been with us for 3 years now and we wouldn't be without him.

Susan Pomfret





She's Back!

We have been extremely lucky and have had our Fell mare returned to us, 7 months after she was stolen during the Appleby Fair Weekend in June 2009.

She was bought from travellers by a coloured horse breeder whilst at a Horse Fair in Kent. Money changed hands on the understanding the travellers had her passport in their wagon and they would return with it later - they didn't.

The breeder was then suspicious about the pony's origins. His father and grandfather used to go to Appleby Fair, after which they visited Sarge Noble to buy colts to break in, to hire to tradesmen in the south of England.



Watson Byas with Honey and Derrick Byas. Honey is from the Peepings herd which runs on Dufton Fell, and is part of a bloodline going back to 1840.

Once the bad weather hit over Christmas, the breeder decided to do some investigations. He was unsure whether she was a Dales or a Fell but found our details on the Fell Pony Society website. After ringing us up and discovering our mare was microchipped, he scanned the pony he had and the number matched the number in our pony's passport - it was Hettie! We were amazed and delighted.

With help from friends, she was transported back to Cumbria and is now happily back on her home turf, running with her mother and daughter again, where she belongs. It has been a very good start to the year and we are incredibly grateful to the man down in Devon for bothering to pick up the phone, and to the members of the

travelling community who kept their eyes and ears open for the missing horse over the months. Several of them phoned with possible sightings.

We would like to say a big thank you to everyone who has been watching out for her and has been prepared to phone us when they saw anything suspicious.

Derrick and Gwendy Byas

Greenhead Albatross

In October 2008, it was just coming up to the fell pony sales. We had been looking for a new fell pony and going through the sales list a couple weeks before we came across Greenhead Albatross, owned by the Williamson family. We rang up and arranged to go and see him. When we went he was immaculate and I had a short ride on him and fell in love instantly, I guess you could say it was 'love at first sight'. After some thought, the night before the sales 'Ross' became part of the family, joining the rest of the Harthouse fell pony gang at the home of Mrs. S. Stewart, Corney (my Grandmother). A couple of days later we collected Ross and took him to a friend's yard so I could get used to him with the help of her indoor arena. All was going fine until my mum decided to tie my lunch onto the stable, so Ross had a mid-morning feast of crisps, sausage roll, chocolate muffin and an apple, then stood on the remains to make sure we couldn't see it (we later

discovered this is just typical Ross). Once we got him home he settled in straight away and became the boss of everyone very quickly, hence we gave him his nickname; Bossman.

We took him to our pony club Easter course in April 2009, and he behaved quite well, but over the 3 days I did learn how to sit to his bucks! He took to the cross country straight away and went beautifully in the flatwork, but when it came to the show jumping I don't think he could be bothered to



even try to jump. He slouched over the 50-60cm jumps and did not try no matter how hard I squeezed, kicked or smacked! When it came to the last day, when we were show jumping we had an audience who laughed when he slouched and cheered when he popped over it (by day 3 he was very tired).

So from then on, Ross was labelled as our pony club 'entertainment' as everyone thought his personality was hilarious as well as his image when jumping—Mane and Feathers flopping all over the place. During 2009 we had our ups—getting 2nd in hand at Broughton show in the fell pony class—and our downs—him figuring out how strong he is and using it as an advantage.

He gradually started to love jumping and we went to our pony club trophy gymkhana and entered him into the 45cm jumping class. My mum also entered me in the same class with my 'old' pony, Shadow, just in case I didn't do so well on Ross. I went into the ring thinking how awful it will be if everyone laughs, but to my, and everyone else's, amazement he flew round the course and went clear; into the jump off. Ross went flying round, having one fence down. I went back to

the trailer and started to un-tack only to hear my name being called out—we got 6th out of about 20 people! We received our rosette and everyone went into a lap of honour and Ross decided a full blown gallop was needed. I didn't want to run into the horse in front so I tried turning him in a circle.. He said "No thanks," and decided to go straight for the double, clearing both elements on the way out. We got so many cheers and claps, and everyone still reminds us of that class.

Ever since Ross came to us Judith Williamson has always kept in touch and helped as much as possible. We are looking forward to doing the Fell pony classes in 2010 as we can then show the Williamson family that Ross can, when he puts his mind to it, be the pony that we all want him to be.

Gabriella Ellis, Corney.



The FPS Sales List

The Sales list can be accessed on the Fell Pony Society's web site, w w w . fellponysociety.org/ sales_list.htm, or a printed copy is available on receipt of £3 + SAE. Enquiries to Barry Stamp: Tel 01785 822723, e-mail: barry@fellpony.me.uk

The Sales list has 4 sections:

Section 1 - Foals, Yearlings and Two Year Olds.

Section 2 - Three and Four Year Olds

Section 3 - Five Years and Over

Section 4 - Stud adverts (may not contain listings of individual ponies for sale)

The application form for listing ponies for sale is available on the FPS site:

http://www.fellponysociety.org/ forms/SalesListApplicationForm.htm

A payment of $\pounds10$ per listing/pony is required. Details will be included and remain on the list for a maximum

period of three months. Please forward pony details together with a cheque payable to 'The Fell Pony Society' to:

Barry Stamp Deerhurst Newport Road Haughton Stafford ST18 9JH

Photos may be included in posted listings in the sales list by emailing JPG/JPEG to the webmaster - see the w e b s i t e , h t t p : / / www.fellponysociety.org/forms/ SalesListApplicationForm.htm for details.

Please let Barry Stamp know when a listing can be removed from the list.



Sunnybrowe Josh to the rescue!

Sunnybrowe Josh is on loan to us from Hilary Fawcett and based at Kingham Hill School, a boarding school, near Chipping Norton in the Cotswolds. We showed him in hand last summer and have just started driving him. We are planning to do veteran classes with him this year.

I know Hilary from many years ago when I was training with Daphne Lane on Stainmore and she has very kindly said we can have Jake on long term loan for the pupils to have fun with (and me!). He is a complete star, but rather a good doer for this lowland grass!!

The Oxford Mail interviewed us because during the snow in January, school staff set off to a chemist shop in nearby Moreton-in-Marsh, in a 4x4, to collect prescription medication for Shirley Floyd, a former employee of the school.

'Fell pony Jake was then harnessed to a sledge so Lucy Savage could deliver the medicine to Shirley's home, down a steep hill that was too treacherous even for the four-wheel-drive vehicle.

'Mrs Savage, the wife of the school's chaplain, runs the school's animal club. She said: "Jake flew back up the hill at a brisk trot while I enjoyed the ride - it was exhilarating and the road was packed snow all the way."'



Lucy Savage

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Lady Lucibel passes RDA assessment

Loubey Lou (Lady Lucibel) is on loan to Jenny Message and has passed the tests for a Riding for the Disabled pony. Hannah recently did a 3 day camp with Loubey and had fantastic fun, and Loubey was brilliant. All the other children were able bodied and Loubey really looked after Hannah.

Katie Lamyman



Ponies Get Fell-Fixing Job

The Fix the Fells path repair team recently [26 April 2010] had some unlikely volunteers helping them. Five Cumbrian Fell ponies joined the fixers for a day to transport helicopter lift bags to a remote site in Ennerdale.

Each pony carried 30 lift bags on pack saddles from Whins Farm in Ennerdale to Starling Dodd, a distance of three and a half miles with an ascent of



Christine Robinson leads the way with Kerbeck Night Serenade

1,411 feet on difficult and steep terrain.

In total 150 bags were moved in just three hours. The team usually manage to carry ten bags each, so it would have taken them five trips up and down to do the same amount of work without their equine helpers!

Paul Delaney, the Upland Path Supervisor for the National Trust said: "The whole team, not least the ponies, had a fantastic day. So much was achieved in such a small period of time. Cracker, Thor, Prince, Solo and Serenade did a brilliant job and very obviously enjoyed every minute".

Many thanks go to Christine at The Kerbeck Stud who said "This is what these ponies are born to, they are the original ATV and you can see the pleasure they get from working on the high fells."

Fix the Fells contractors now face the job of filling the lift bags with stone, unfortunately without five horsepower! The stone will then be airlifted to Crummock Water where it will be used to carry out repairs to a path at Scale Force, the highest water fall in the Lake District.

National Trust



Packing up



Tom Lloyd saddling up after the overnight stop near Greenholme. Below, Tom with Barnaby and Jonah Murace, Katuš Young, Hamish Patterson and friends, well waterproofed to continue their pack-horse expedition. More in the Spring 2011 issue.

Over the August Bank Holiday, Tom Llovd (left) led a walk from Sedbergh to Troutbeck via Tebay, Shap. Bampton, High Street and Kirkstone Pass. The group, with 5 pack ponies, started off from Thomas Capstick's farm at Murthwaite, trekking over the top of the Howgills to Colin Roberts' farm at Tebay on their first day. "It took us 11 hours," Tom said, "from 9.30 in the morning to 8.30 at night. One of the difficulties with pack work is that the loads need to be exactly balanced or they slip sideways. Going up and down the steep slopes of the Howgills we were stopping every ten minutes or so to sort something out." Tom also filmed parts of the walk for his Heritage work on Fell ponies.

The pack ponies were home-bred Hades Hill Fairmile, HH Pat II, HH Baby Boo, and unregistered Fells Seamus and Abs.

Ed.





Skye to Smithfield



On 27th June 2010, Vyv Wood-Gee set off on horseback to follow in the footsteps of the drovers from Skye to Smithfield Market in London. Travelling at the same pace as the drovers, Vyv was researching on the hoof how much has changed since the days when cattle were walked 1,000 miles to market. Vyv is also raising money for charity through her ride. Every penny raised will go to Cancer Research UK.

For hundreds of years, droving was an essential part of our culture, and fundamental to the British economy. Droving underpinned the development of banking and many of the roads and tracks we still use today.

From her starting point at Dunvegan, where the cattle were unloaded from the Outer Hebrides, Vyv's journey followed as closely as possible the main routes taken by the drovers, crossing the Sound of Sleat to the mainland at Glenelg, south through the Highlands, over the Pentland Hills and Southern Uplands to the North Tyne.

The Hambledon Drove took her on south to York, from where she headed via Spalding to the traditional fattening grounds for Scottish cattle around Norwich before the final leg to London.

In keeping with the drovers, Vyv carried everything she needed with her rather than having an accompanying support vehicle (but planned on eating more than oatmeal and onions and was not knitting stockings along the way as the drovers did)!

You can follow Vyv's journey on: <u>www.blogspot.com/</u> <u>droversfootsteps</u>, or find out more about why, how and when on:

www.ride-for-research.org.

Donations can be made online at:

<u>www.justgiving.com/</u> droversfootsteps,

or cheques, made out to **Cancer Research UK**, can be sent to:

Vyv Wood-Gee at Shortrigg, Hoddom, Lockerbie DG11 1AW.



I received a phone call a few weeks ago from Phyllis Capstick of West Craven Bridleways inviting me to Humphrey Head, with my pony, to be involved with the filming of cross bay rides in Morecambe Bay with Cedric Robinson, the Queen's Guide to the Sands.

Why me? Well, my Fell, Townend Banner, has done the crossing three times in the past, his last being when he was 28 yrs. old so I proudly took Banner, now 33 yrs. old, to experience the fun though I was non-committal as to just what we would do. Probably just watch & enjoy!!

It was a glorious day and we parked at the sunny and sheltered Humphrey Head well ahead of schedule. Banner knew he had come to a 'party'! We had hoped that Matt Baker, one of the popular presenters, was to ride with us but disappointingly he was filming at a nearby farm for another part of the programme.

It was a couple of hours before the riders eventually set out for the sands but quite a bit of filming took place on the foreshore at Humphrey Head. As with many of these rides, the first obstacle to overcome (and only 100metres from the parking!) was an awkward dyke, where Cedric had placed bags filled with rubble to enable an easier crossing for the horse and trap and the tractor pulling the 'Sandpiper' which was carrying friends and film crew, and both of which always accompany the ride. We watched as they crossed precariously but safely, and then it was the turn of the horses. Some jumped, some hesitated then charged, some said 'no way'! After about 30 minutes only 6 riders were across, by which time the film crew were getting rather agitated at the time it was taking. I was beginning to think that Banner would be a 'no way' pony. and in any case I was running out of time. Then the horse in the trap spooked, whipped round, the trap flew over, Bryan the driver was thrown out and the horse bolted complete with trap on its side. Anyone who has driven ponies will know just how I felt. That was it. No way did I want any more. I quietly made my way back to the trailer. Thankfully the bolting horse was quickly caught, put back into the shafts and bravely driven out onto the sands to continue with the filming.

Now my story splits into two. Those who did eventually get out onto the sands enjoyed the experience. Of course there was plenty of 'hanging about' and they were out there until 7.30p.m. but there were some wonderful shots of horses on the sands and of Celia Dixon's Fell, Rydan Lucy with Sandra Allonby on top, having a great gallop. All in all, an excellent programme, which showed off the magnificence of Morecambe Bay and the beauty of the horses.

However, that was not the end for Banner and me. Left behind on the foreshore with us was Pat Oliver & her Highland, Dudley, together with my supportive friend, Kath. We decided to explore a quiet bridleway before we



Dudley, the Highland, on the left with Pat Oliver, Townend Banner on the right with Kath. Hilton, and Barbara Hartley in the middle with BBC presenter Matt Baker.

left and, after a few minutes along this track imagine our surprise when we emerged at another point along the foreshore to find Matt Baker finishing off a lamb chop and just completing his filming. We told him the story, Kath produced a camera and we had a lovely photo taken. We missed the filming out in the bay but we had our photo (*above*). Quite a coup!

Banner, Kath & I returned triumphant though shattered by the events of the day. Pat was not so lucky. Her jacket, with the keys to her horse box in the pocket, had gone out with the tractor so she had a frustrating time waiting for everyone to return. I hope the photo somewhat made up for it all. Thankfully, the weather was wonderful!

My one regret, when I watched the programme, was that Phyllis did not feature, because she was not riding, but without her this would have never happened. For many years she has organized and taken part in this ride a wonderful idea of hers and a tremendous experience for all of us who have been privileged to take part. Thank you, Phyllis, for giving us so many stories to tell!

Barbara Hartley



Highland and Fell Pony Camp 2010



I attended the Highland Pony camp in 2009 by default, being on a Fell pony who has spent so much time with the Highland ponies at Jan and Chris Grant's that she thinks she is one. I had such a great time (not having been to pony camp since being in the Pony Club some 15 years ago!) and Cori and I learnt so much together in the three short days, that at the next North East FPS Group meeting I simply couldn't shut up about it! It was then decided that we should look into expanding the camp idea and working with the HPEC with the aim of having a joint camp in 2010.

The camp was to be held between 9th & 11th May and as the time approached, I became very excited. The venue this year was to be Linnel Wood, courtesy of Bob and Sarah Charlton, a very different venue from last year but nevertheless, one of my favourite Fell pony places (so far!). On arrival for the weekend, we were taken on a hack out in the wood adjacent to the farm. It was rather eventful at the beginning as one of the ponies in the next field decided we were having far too much fun and decided to jump the fence to join us! Following the ride, our ponies were settled and fed before we sat down to eat. This was a pleasant meal with some introductions and plenty of conversations before we all settled for the night. I cheated and went home to my lovely comfortable bed!!! I just knew that the next day was going to be a hard one.

Saturday focused on the many disciplines in riding, giving people more confidence to do things on their ponies, that perhaps they never thought that they could do. We practised movements for the dressage test ready for the competition on the Sunday afternoon and did some cross country jumping as well as some show jumping. Chris had decided, with the help of Lindsay, that we would have a ceilidh on the Saturday night following our supper. I have to say that I was a little worried about dancing (falling over!) on the havshed floor. Miraculously, following supper, Bob appeared with a ready made dance floor which made for a perfect evening. With a blast from Lindsay's bagpipes we danced right beyond dusk and after the ceilidh everyone retired.

On Sunday morning we were given the opportunity to further develop the

skills needed for the afternoon competition. After a lunch of chocolate cake, chocolate cake and flapjacks we started the competition. Our little ODE consisting of dressage, cross country, show jumping and handy pony, took up most of the afternoon. It was great to cheer on our new friends and give them some encouragement. Prizes were awarded to everyone and thanks were given to the instructors as well as Bob and Sarah for allowing us to use their venue. We all left feeling exhausted and exhilarated having had an enjoyable and entertaining weekend and hoping that 2011 would offer a similar event.



Sarah Pringle show jumping on her pony Dene Decoris

Sarah Pringle



Ponies Past: Heltondale Diccan

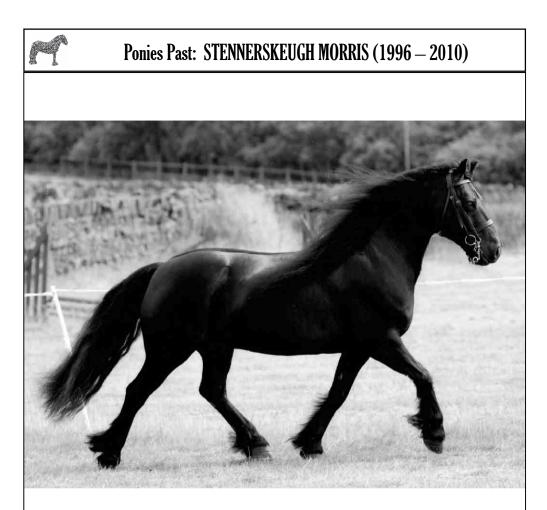
My family have very sadly lost our fell Heltondale Diccan to colic. He had been with us since he was 6 months old - my mum bought him from the late Sarge Noble, and chose him on the fell whilst he was still running with his mother. He turned 17 in May, after giving us a lifetime of happiness, along with many challenges!!!

Although not in the society myself, my mum is, and has been for many years.

Shona Taylor

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.



Sadly on the 1st June 2010 my beautiful Fell pony Morris (Towerview Spirit of Joy x Stennerskeugh Donna) was put to sleep. He was diagnosed in October 2009 with sugar diabetes and equine metabolic syndrome which made him laminitic. The vet and blacksmith worked together to treat his lameness but unfortunately he didn't improve and we couldn't do any more to make him comfortable.

He was such a great pony; whenever he was shown he was always placed. He was so easy to produce and always looked stunning. My family, friends and I will miss him tremendously. My grandchildren always wanted to ride Morris even though they have their own Welsh pony. He was bomb proof and safe.

I know I will never find another Fell like him - my one in a million Morris.

Janive Sanderson Harden, Bingley, West Yorkshire,

Ponies Past: Rackwood Velvet FP1366 (1984 – 2010)

Rackwood Velvet was special from the day she was born, because she was the first filly foal out of my father's favourite mare Rackwood Dewdrop. who was well known for breeding colts. not fillies.

Velvet's gentle, kind and patient nature made her a pleasure handle and to enjoved breaking her to ride and hacking out around Hamsterley Forest. She verv was successful in the show ring being Breed Show

Supreme Champion in 1986 and Breed Show Female Champion in 1987. As a brood mare she produced 4 foals - 3 fillies and one colt. Her first filly, Rackwood Dawn (1990) became Breed Show Supreme Champion in 1993. Her other offspring, all of whom were sold, are Rackwood Ruby (1992), Rackwood Beauty (1994) and Peahill Basil (1996).

My most memorable moment was in 1987 when Velvet won the Fell Pony Championship at Lowther and Prince Phillip came to present the rosettes. Our lap of honour was overwhelming. When the spectators sitting on the embankment clapped I was lifted off the ground by Velvet who hurtled round the arena in an extended trot.



Eileen Walker with Rackwood Velvet on the left and Rackwood Royal, her half brother, on the right. Photo by Elyned Ashcroft, who owned Rackwood Royal at the time.

My father gave Velvet to me in 1995 when his physical health started to deteriorate. She had always been mine when she needed handling or was in trouble for doing damage on the farm, but my father's when it came to the glory of the show ring. When Velvet was seventeen years old, because I had other ponies that needed my attention, I agreed for her to go out on loan.

She gave great pleasure to many people and touched the hearts of all who handled her.

Eileen Walker

Tributes to Velvet were also sent by Angela Shutt, Melissa Brennand and Joanne Jewers, with whom Velvet was on loan at various times.



Ponies Past: Lownthwaite Lady III

Lady by name, lady by nature.

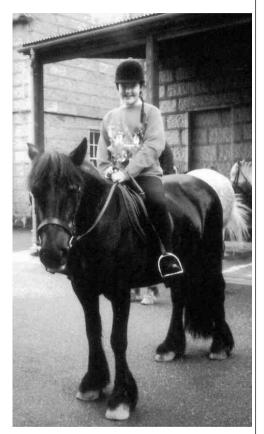
Lady arrived with us at Aberdeen and was pleased to be reunited with an old friend from Balmoral Castle, Sanja Ebony. Ebony and Lady went as far back as Windsor in the early days as driving ponies. Lady was as safe as houses, and a joy to be around: steady in a crisis and a confidence giver to young and old alike.

The highlight of my life with Lady was coming 3rd with her as a 25 y.o. at our earliest Spring show in Scotland (very cold!). We were over the moon that day, 1st and 2nd were Dales and Fell and we had, all three of us, beaten the Welsh! Quite an achievement up here in Scotland as we are thin on the ground on the showing circuit. Lady's paces were a joy to watch.

But sadly the past severe winter was to prove too much. No amount of feed, grass or rugs was enough to bring her back to her old self. Her eyesight was failing too. Lots of memories and now just sadness. But we believe she had a wonderful life.

You will be missed little Lady.

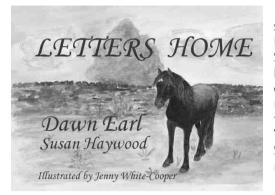
Raquel Innes Aberdeen



Lownthwaite Lady aged 17 with Rachel Innes aged 12



New Books: Letters Home



"Letters Home" began life in the of 2008 when Susan summer Havwood's Fell fillv pony Scheherazade went to Dawn Earl to begin her education. The book effectively 'wrote itself' as Dawn regularly e-mailed Sherri's progress in the form of letters to 'Mummy Twolegs' detailing her exploits at Summer School and to which Susan replied in like vein.

Dawn has a remarkable ability to communicate with horses and indeed

with other animals, based on very keen observation as well as a deep love for her subjects. Letters Home is the ideal Christmas 'stocking filler' for horse-lovers to chuckle over.

Price £7.99 (ISBN 1 904 5247 6 1)

Distributed by Hayloft Publishing Ltd, Kirkby Stephen, Cumbria and available from the Fell Pony Society: \pounds 7.99 plus \pounds 2.01 P & P

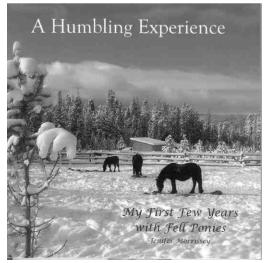
10% of the proceeds will be given to the Equine Grass Sickness fund.



New Books: A Humbling Experience

Through more than forty stories and over one hundred full colour photographs from Colorado and Cumbria, American Jenifer Morrissey touches on breed historv and conservation, natural horsemanship, sustainable agriculture, and draft Morrissey's first humbling power. experience was the birth of her first foal, a filly. The book concludes with a second humbling experience, the birth of that filly's first foal.

Available from the Fell Pony Society: £19.00 plus £2.00 P & P





Annual Show and Sale of Registered Fell Ponies

Held under the auspices of the Fell Pony Society

SHOW AND SALE

Friday 22 October 2010

at

Penrith & District Farmers' Mart, Penrith, Cumbria, CA11 0DN. Tel: 01768 864700

Catalogues and details available from the Mart

Show: 9:30 am

Sale: 11:00 am

This is your opportunity to buy a registered Fell pony either straight from the fell or perhaps backed to ride.



2012 Calendar Competition

Once again we are looking for your outstanding photographs of Fells doing the things they do best-everything!

From showing to dressage, jumping, driving, pack work, WHP, breeding, defying the elements on the fell or just loafing about, if you catch a Fell doing it, get your camera into action and send the result to: Barbara Dunne, West Briscoe, Baldersdale, Barnard Castle, Co Durham, DL12 9UP, Tel 01833 650059.

We prefer landscape images (wide rather than tall) though good portrait shaped images are also welcome. Digital images really must be high resolution as they will be printed at a large size at 300dpi. Small images, even though they may look OK on your camera display or on your computer screen, just don't scale up for serious print work. Deadline is the end of February 2011.

Society Merchandise Price List

CLOTHING (with FPS logo)

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Item	Selling	P&P	Total		
Riding Mac	£30.00	£5.00	£35.00		
Reversible Showerproof Fleece Lined Jo	icket				
	£26.00	£3.00	£29.00		
Reversible Waterproof Waistcoat	£24.00		£27.00		
Rugby Shirt	£30.00	£2.50	£32.50		
Crew Neck Sweatshirt (Adult)	£17.50	£2.50	£20.00		
Crew Neck Sweatshirt (Child)	£14.00	£2.50	£16.50		
Polo Shirt (Adult)	£15.00	£2.50	£17.50		
Polo Shirt (Child)	£12.00	£2.50	£14.50		
T Shirt (Child)	£10.00	£2.50	£12.50		
Fleece Waistcoat (Adult)	£22.00	£2.50	£24.50		
Fleece Waistcoat (Child)	£16.00	£2.50	£18.50		
Fleece Hat	£7.00	£1.00	£8.00		
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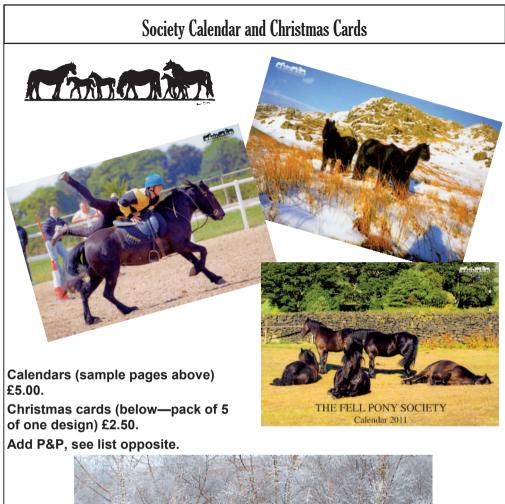
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