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Nicola Evans led a group of riders on a series of day-long rides in September. Here, Lunesdale Brittanias and Sophie Edwards look west from Loadpot Hill over the south end of Ullswater.



Rosettes, cake and a glass of something cheering seemed to be favourite themes with the groups who celebrated "Mary Longsdon's Fell Memories" this year.





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Dates for 2018-19

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| 10 November 2018 (Saturday) - NWSG Foal and Youngstock Show, Newton Rigg, Penrith CA11 0AH. | 4 August - Breed Show, Dalemain, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 0HB. |
| 1 January 2019 - FPS Subscriptions due | 1 September - FPS Magazine deadline, Autumn 2019. |
| 1 February 2019 - FPS Magazine deadline, Spring 2019 | 8 September tbc - Southern Show, Berkshire College of Agriculture, Berkshire, SL6 6QR. |
| 6 April (Saturday) - FPS AGM, Orton, Penrith, Cumbria CA10 3RL. | 15 September tbc - Performance Trials, Linnel Wood, Hexham, NE46 1UB. |
| 4 May - Sandringham MESG Fell, Dales, Exmoor and Friends Show, Norfolk PE35 6EN. | tbc October - Annual Show and Sale - NW Auctions J36, Crooklands, Kendal, LA7 7FP |
| 11 May - Stallion & Colt Show, Dalemain, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 0HB. | tbc November - NWSG Foal and Youngstock Show, Newton Rigg, Penrith CA11 0AH. |
| 9 June - South Cumbria Show, Crooklands, Kendal LA7 7NH. | |
| 23 June - Derbyshire Fell & Dales Show, Derbyshire DE65 6HT. | |



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Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

After judging the HOYS Fell class at NPS, my hands were covered in cosmetic products - mainly a dreadful black oil, which came off a stallion's legs. I was covered in oil and grease which burnt my skin. My fingers had a few layers removed before they were clean.

These products are being used against Fell Pony Society rules. Along with false hair, it must stop!

It was very refreshing to judge Loweswater show in real Fell country where each pony was naturally clean and shiny.

Ruth Eastwood

Dear Editor

In July I was privileged to judge the Registered Fell Pony classes at the Great Yorkshire Show. Due to the lovely weather we had been experiencing I bought a light coloured linen jacket and dress to wear rather than my usual tweed outfit.

I had a number of lovely ponies forward to be judged. However I was appalled by the amount of black enhancing products which had been applied to some of the ponies. Some had so much "makeup" applied that after the mare class my hands and forearms were literally black to the extent that one of the stewards had to bring a bottle of water and paper towels into the ring so that I could wash my hands before I was able to present the prizes. Not only was this highly embarrassing, and my lovely new jacket was ruined, but it is also against the FPS rules.

I would like this to be a reminder to those that show that it is not uncommon for panel judges to touch the ponies. Often we are in our Sunday Best and we would rather not be caked in black oily horse makeup which has no place in the Fell Pony show ring.

Regards, Alison Bell

Editor's Note: Other judges and observers have backed up Mrs Eastwood's and Mrs Bell's remarks. When spectating, they had also seen false forelocks attached to bridles hanging outside horseboxes; on more than one occasion they had seen false tailpieces fall off ponies in the ring.

We therefore draw members' attention to the Rules for Showing, which are available on the FPS web site, http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/showing_competing.htm:

RULES FOR PONIES

- 1 Ponies to be shown in natural state.
- 2 Ponies must be shown unplaited and untrimmed, including head, mane, feather and tail, which should not have been previously plaited as the hair should be straight and silky.
- 3 Eye make-up, hair dyeing or hair extensions are not allowed.



Dear Editor

I thought you might like to know that on his recent trip to Royal International last week Littletree Clinton and Emily Morey came 6th in the PUK amateur ridden championships mixed M&M.

He was the highest placed Fell and the highest placed hairy. He was 7th in the PUK Intermediate Young Riders, and the second highest placed Fell behind Lunesdale Dixie.

I am very proud of this pair, and thought you might like to include them in the magazine.

As well as Emily being at university and working, they are totally home produced and have been competing against some of the best ponies in the country to qualify for this prestigious show.

Sarah Jane Morey

Editorial - "House Style"

Ten years of editing this magazine should have taught me patience, but I nearly exploded while setting the show results this year. Partly this is because the FPS Breed shows, as well as FPS affiliated shows, are widening their appeal and have more classes (hurrah!). Also in 2016 we agreed to try publishing placings to 6th, and that doubles the work for the show secretaries, for the Office and for me. Secretaries, though, have widely differing ideas of how results should be set out! Sending your data in a simpler format would save us all a lot of trouble in the long run. If you are an event organiser and you haven't already had an email from me with suggestions for how to do this, please get in touch.

For the web site, your annual show schedules, entry forms and results: I group the files by year so I can link this year's data more quickly. Of course I can rename files with the year at the start of the filename, but if you do so in the first place, then I won't have to.

Articles: I know you're excited about your ponies - that's why you're writing to the Magazine, isn't it? - but please check spellings of pony names, use standard English, remember to use capital letters at the start of names and show titles, use punctuation and avoid ampersands &&& and excess exclamation marks !!!!!!!

Our ponies always rise to challenges with calm intelligence and versatility. The Office staff and I try to serve as well as they do. But if you would all take 5 minutes to make sure your information is right before you send it, you would save us hours of work. Please help!

Thank goodness the material for both Magazine and web site almost all arrives in digital form these days and not handwritten, because there has been a huge amount of Fell pony activity over the summer, and photographers and observers have been keen to tell us about it. Keep it coming!

Sue

President's Report

I would like to start by paying tribute to our retiring chairman Eileen and vice chairman Andrew. Despite having busy lives they have devoted an enormous amount of time and effort to the Society in recent years, and we should be very grateful to them. They and our Council have helped to steer us through some very choppy waters and have ensured that the Society is in good shape. I am particularly sorry that Barbara Bell has also stepped down from Council as she and her family have contributed so much to the Fell over a long period of time.

Sadly, several of our most respected members have passed away recently, and our condolences go to their families.

Our office staff have to cope with increasingly complex regulations regarding the ponies and they must be commended for their dedication. Heaven alone knows what Brexit has in store for us, but I am sure they will rise admirably to the occasion.

The Support Groups continue to be very active and I have managed to visit some of them over my first year as your President. They are all dedicated to the Fell and we should be grateful to them for their efforts, particularly in celebrating the memory of Mary with many ingenious events. It is essential that our breeders have a market for their ponies and these groups help to show people how versatile they are.

As Bill Lloyd said in his speech at the AGM, the future of the Fell pony is up to us, Your Council is composed of members who are all volunteers and give up a lot of time to help the society. We would not thrive if it were not for our volunteers. In our large membership there are always those who are prepared to offer their services. All full members are eligible to apply for election onto Council, but they can also help behind the scenes - putting up rings, assisting in the sales tent or just spreading the word about the merits of the Fell Pony. Many organisations find there are a few people willing to help but these are sadly outnumbered by those who do not. To paraphrase a speech made by the late President Kennedy, "Ask not what your Society can do for you but what YOU can do for your Society." Please consider offering your help to keep the Fell Pony Society running smoothly in the 21st century.

Jean Ward



South Scotland celebrating Mary's Fell Memories - Judy Fairburn, Jane Barber Fleming, Elma Ball, Sue Grout and Jean Ward

Chairman's Report - Autumn 2018

First of all I would like to thank all those members of the society who have made my first few months as Chairman an enjoyable one. In particular Katherine, our Secretary, has been extremely helpful. I am a member of several different societies but none offer any more to their membership than the FPS. The support groups have organised a variety of different events in memory of our late President Mary Longsdon in addition to their usual activities. I enjoyed my invite from, Kevin Turner and the Midlands West Support Group to attend the Open Day at the Greenrivers Stud.

I have also attended 2 events run in conjunction with some of our other native breeds, one in Somerset and one in Penrith. Again I offer my thanks to Michael Goddard, the various speakers and all those others that made these events so successful. Not only are events such as these good for promoting the breed but they help the society fulfil its educational role as a registered Charity.

Along with over 500 other people I visited the Heritage of the Fells exhibition held in Shap from the 1st to the 14th August. This was an exceptionally well run and informative event organised by Janet Wood and others to whom I offer my congratulations. The following were the talks and workshops held:

Sue Millard, 'Heritage of the Fells - The ponies, their history and their relationship with the land.'

Nicola Evans, 'Using Fells for Conservation Grazing.'

Juliet Whitworth, Art workshop, 'Drawing Fell Ponies in Charcoal.'

Vyv Wood-Gee, 'Horseland Journey' with her Fell ponies.

Libby Robinson, 'Fells for the Future.'

Janni Howker - 'Connecting with the Landscape' Creative Writing workshop.

Emma Campbell, equine photographer, Talk 'Fells in the Frame.'

Many of you will not have witnessed such glorious weather as this summer, what a difference this makes to the enjoyment gained at the various shows. More of you will probably remember it snowing at the Stallion Show and the Breed Show being washed out!

Congratulations go to the Townend stud for winning the Supreme championship at the Breed show and to Katie Raine for taking the top accolade at the Stallion Show with Lunesdale Black Ice II. Congratulations to all those who qualified for the Royal International and the Horse of the Year Show. In particular, it was pleasing to witness the success of Greenholme Emblem, owned by Gwen Rae, winning the WHP Championship. Furthermore the FPS stand with the return of the "Fellies" was an undoubted success, well done the Display team. Whilst on showing I feel a special mention is needed to Mrs Joy Reekie in gaining the Fell pony championship at Keswick Show: Joy is 81 and does everything herself including producing, preparing and showing her pony. Well done Joy.

On a more sombre note the Society has lost two valued supporters with the passing away of David Trotter, breeder of the Tebay ponies, and John Whittam, husband of Mary and step-father to Rob Briggs, Birkett Bank ponies. Condolences go to their families and friends.

Finally we have recently been informed that the Society has been donated £100,000 from the estate of the late Anne Carslaw, whom some of you may remember with her pony Sleddale Fern. This coupled with the £50,000 from the Queen's 90th Birthday celebration needs further thought of how best to spend/invest this money for the benefit of the Fell Pony.

Peter Boustead

Secretary & Treasurer's Report - Autumn 2018

As I write this report we have moved into Autumn and hopefully it will last a while before we're in the depths of winter. Our summer has been better in some respects but a shortage of crop will make it an expensive winter for many.

The Stallion Show & Breed Show were well supported by both exhibitors and spectators and South Cumbria Show also enjoyed a successful show with an increase in exhibitors this year. Thank you to everyone who gave sponsorship, and who helped in any way to make these events a success. Please help if you can particularly with show set up and clearing up afterwards as they say 'many hands make light work'!

Many thanks to all those members who spend their spare time in promoting the Fell Pony at events other than shows. In particular the FPS Display team who as well as attending events throughout Cumbria manned a promotional stand at HOYS in the 'Meet The Horses' area, together with the pony who I understand took it all in her stride. This promotion of our wonderful Fell Pony will ensure that the breed continues into perpetuity. Well done to everyone involved.

Thank you to our Patron, Her Majesty The Queen, for her donation sent together with warmest wishes for the forthcoming year.

We are continuing to receive royalty payments on sales of the Breyer model of the Fell pony "Carltonlima Emma" the pony that HM The Queen rides.

The accounts for the Society continue to remain healthy, membership remains static and it's looking like there will be a profit shown again at the financial year end.

I would like to thank President, Jean Ward, and Chairman, Peter Boustead as well as Council for their continued support, also thanks to my assistant Chris Greenhow who not only works along side me but ably keeps the office ticking over whilst I'm away, and to Elizabeth who makes up our efficient office team.

Best wishes

Katherine Wilkinson

From the Office

- * Registration / Passport application forms cannot be downloaded from the website. They are only available by applying to the office or from Secretary at the Stallion and Breed Show and October sale. Do not photocopy the form. Please read the guidance notes carefully prior to completion of the forms. Any forms incomplete or incorrectly completed will be returned.

- * Passports issued prior to 10 June 2004 that have not been updated with a 'section IX' page (usually the back page) are no longer valid. In these cases owners need to apply for a new passport which must be treated as a duplicate

passport application. This includes the completion of a new passport application form with a vet signing to confirm the microchip number. Council have agreed that a voluntary contribution of £5 per passport be requested to cover cost incurred by the Society including return postage. If a passport arrives in the office without a section IX, it cannot be returned, a new passport must be applied for and the original will be destroyed, transferring any vaccination records over as applicable.

* **Updating Passports:** In particular, owners must ensure that the following details in the passport are at all times up-to-date and correct:

- a) Food chain status, within 14 days from the date in Section II part ii or Section IX part ii.
- b) Microchip number
- c) Ownership, within 30 days of the transfer (a legal requirement in England with penalties for non-compliance). This also applies to dealers, who only possess the horse for a short period of time.
- d) Notification of death, within 30 days.

* When completing stallion service certificates please complete all the details fully, including full name and registration number of stallion and mare and full dates of covering to include at least month and year. Month on its own with no year is unacceptable.

* **DNA and FIS Testing:** All samples for the purpose of DNA typing and FIS testing must be taken by a vet, in the UK a vet who is a member of the Royal College of Veterinary Surgeons (RCVS). The vet must check the identity of the pony against its passport by scanning the microchip number. The samples should be sent to the lab by the vet and not left with the owner for dispatch. The results (certificates) of any samples not taken by a vet will not be accepted.

* All Passport Issuing Organisations are now providing the Central Equine Database with equine records. The CED is managed by Equine Register on behalf of DEFRA. **New regulations which came into force on 1 October 2018 include a requirement that all horses to be microchipped. If a horse does not have a microchip, there is a two year grace period for owners to get their horse chipped.** The new regulations also include civil sanctions for offences such as:

- * Failing to produce a passport when instructed by a vet or inspector
- * Possessing a horse when the passport is not in your name without an agreement between owner and keeper.
- * Selling a horse and not handing over the passport.
- * Transporting a horse without a passport.
- * from 1 October 2020 owning a horse without a microchip.

Katherine



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Fees & Charges with effect from 1 January 2019

<i>All fees in £ sterling (GBP)</i>	UK		Overseas	
	Member	Non-Member	Member	Non-Member
To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received to 30 November	£10	£20	£15	£25
To Register Filly - registrations received to 30 November	£15	£30	£20	£35
To Register Colt or Gelding - registrations received 1 - 31 December	£20	£40	£25	£45
To Register Filly - registrations received 1 - 31 December	£30	£60	£35	£65
Late Registration (does not include cost of parentage test)	£50	£100	£55	£105
Transfer of Ownership (UK)	£10	£20	£15	£25
Transfer to Gelding	FoC	FoC	FoC	FoC
Register a Prefix				
- UK Rate	£45	£55	£60	£70
FIS test kit	£40	£50	£45	£55
DNA kit	£50	£60	£55	£65
Duplicate Passport (does not include cost of parentage test)	£50	£60	£55	£65

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



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Membership Fees with effect from 1 January 2019

Type of Membership	UK	Overseas
Full	£25	£35
Associate	£15	£25
Junior	£15	£25
Family	£50	£70

Council have agreed that due to increases in postage, in particular outside of the UK, membership rates will increase as above for 2019 memberships et seq.

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

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

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

Membership Renewal

Society memberships fall due on 1 January annually.

No member is entitled to vote for the election of Council if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid on or before 15 February or to vote at an EGM / AGM if his/her subscription has not been paid by the date of the meeting. You must have paid your annual subscription, and received and signed your membership card, BEFORE the Annual General Meeting to be eligible for any vote at the meeting. Please have your membership card ready to show on arrival (AGM, 6 April 2019).

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



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FPS Stallion Licensing

To include DNA* & FIS kits

		If already tested**	FIS
UK member	£120	£80	
UK non member	£240	£200	
Overseas member	£125	£85	
Overseas non member	£245	£205	

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

** If already FIS tested, proof will be required - either sight of Certificate or confirmation from a relevant laboratory, eg AHT, that the colt/stallion has been tested. If a laboratory other than the Animal Health Trust is used, a letter will also be required from the vet who took the sample, confirming that the identity of the pony was also checked.

FPS Member Directory & The FPS Sales List

Listing in the Member Directory on the web site is purely voluntary, and free. The Directory page is http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/member_dir.htm

If you wish your details to be added please complete the form online. Please remember to update your details with any changes when appropriate. Listings will be removed if current FPS membership lapses.

The Sales list of Fell Ponies for sale is

http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/sales_list.htm.

THIS SERVICE IS FREE TO MEMBERS. Each advertisement is shown for 3 months.

The list is updated with fresh adverts as they are received. There is a printable form on the web site to guide you when writing your advert. Please send it to:

FPS Sales List, Bank House, Boroughgate, Appleby, Cumbria CA16 6XF.

To use either of these services you can also e-mail the FPS Office, secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk. The Society's electronic banking details are on p 12 of this magazine.



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

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 7 April 2018

Mrs Walker opened the meeting and welcomed everyone and asked members to remember those no longer with us: Mrs M Catterall, breeder of the Towerview ponies, Lancashire, Mrs S Lee, former judge, Halifax, Mr D Bicknell, former steward, Cumbria, Miss M Longsdon, MBE, former President, Chairman and Council member, Mrs S Rees, breeder of the Meres ponies, East Sussex, Mr D Braithwaite, breeder of the Dalehead ponies, Cumbria, Mrs A Guy, Wife of George, Glos, Mr W Lloyd, breeder of the Hades Hill ponies, Cumbria, Mrs M Wales, breeder of the Lownthwaite ponies & Mr P Dean, Brampton, former member and M & M Judge, Brampton. She asked members to show respect to them and their families by observing a one minutes' silence.

1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Mrs F Awde, Miss B Bell, Mr M & Mrs S Brown & family, Mrs S Camp, Miss L Charlton, Mrs G Cockbain, The Ellis Family, Mr M Goddard, Mrs J Hill, Mr D Howe, Mrs D Key, Mrs C Merry, Mr A W Morland, Mrs C Morton, Mr G H Morton, Mrs M Murray, Mrs M Plank, Mrs P Randell, Mrs J Reekie, Mr W Robinson, Mrs S Stewart, Mr D & Miss M Wilkinson, Mrs M Wilson, and Mrs C Wrigley

2 Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes of 1 April 2017

Mrs Walker asked for a proposer and seconder for approval of the minutes published in the Autumn Magazine. Acceptance of the minutes was proposed by Miss Chadwick and seconded by Mrs Brunskill

3 Matters arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 1 April 2017

Mrs Walker reported that the Society struggled to find 10 colts to go onto the RSPB site at Geltsdale nr Brampton but did manage to get 5 colts and 5 geldings. No one could predict the extreme weather conditions which meant that the ponies had to come off the site before the end of the 12 months agreement. Mrs Robinson who owned one of the ponies reported that it had been a bad year, they had come off lean showing ribs, but they were not ill and were fit and well; there was no doubt that they had to come off at that time. Mrs Walker had discussed with Steve from the RSPB back in January about future grazing agreements, they agreed that youngsters on the 600 acre site were not ideal. Plans for the site include erecting a fence so that the sheep would graze the higher land and cattle (and ponies) the lower land. The Exmoor ponies had fared better but they were mature ponies, however 1 had suffered from rain scald; they had been given supplementary feeding and their grazing area had been extended. Mrs Walker said that it had been a success and it was hoped that discussions could resume with the RSPB in 2019/20 once the dividing fence had been erected.

Mr Thompson said that he disagreed that it was a success, he had sent an email to Mrs Walker expressing his concerns about the suitability for young colts due it being a harsh site and not being able to supplementary feed.

Mrs Walker said the Society had learnt from the experience and that those who grazed ponies agreed it had been a success, but it was agreed that the ponies came off the site early on welfare grounds.

Mrs Walker reported that online show entries had been discussed but it was felt that due to a change in Show Secretary this had been put on hold. Mr Thompson asked if it had been discussed at Council. Mrs Rawden said that it had but due to the new GDPR which come into effect in May, there was a lot more to consider and the Society needed to get it right. Mr Thompson asked how other shows were coping with the changes.

Mrs Walker reminded members that an entry form with a signature could be sent by email with a bank transfer for payment of the entry fees.

Mrs Hodgson asked if in the future would there be a choice of entries by post or online. Mrs Walker said that there would be.

4 Chairman's Report

Mrs Walker reported that one of the most important meetings that the Society has been involved with recently took place during the autumn. This meeting was entitled: Extensively Grazing Fell Ponies - Survival or Extinction. The minutes of this meeting are recorded in your spring magazine on pages 33 to 35. This was a meeting designed to get key people from several organisations together to discuss the importance of Fell pony grazing in Cumbria. David Murray outlined the importance of wildness if Fell ponies are to survive out on the northern fells. Walter Lloyd, speaking on behalf of the Fell Pony Breeders Association, thought that hardiness was the most essential quality to survival. Steven Lund, speaking on behalf of Natural England, said that there were a number of sites that could be grazed by Fell ponies but it was important to have a balance of species. Joe Relph, speaking on behalf of the Federation of Cumbria Commoners, welcomed a representative of the FPS to join their committee. There were a great many positive suggestions that can be further developed to secure the future for Fell ponies. This meeting helped to gain recognition for the Fell pony as a conservation grazer but now the Society needs to develop this further and get some of the large landowners on side. Mrs Walker reported that at this moment in time all she can say is that the FPS will continue to work with the above organisation, and others, to develop a more secure future for the Fell pony.

In January the Society's SEBA nomination was a Fell pony bred by Gwen Rae, called Nicholwalls Fire Fly. This pony was not successful as the competition was won by a Shetland pony with a Highland in reserve. The presentation takes place next week.

Since writing her Chairman's report for the spring magazine Mrs Walker has completed the stallion service records for 2017. Last year we informed members that during 2016 there had been 489 coverings. During 2017 there were 557 which is an increase of 68 = increase of 12.2%. At the end of December 2017 we had 459 licensed stallions compared to 439 at the end of 2016 = increase of 4.35%. The

number of stallions being used for breeding purposes during 2017 remains around 25% which again supports the views that many stallions are kept for recreational purposes and not for breeding. These figures are very positive for the future of the Fell pony.

Inside the back cover of your magazine are details about 'Mary Longsdon's Fell Pony Memories', an idea brought about by many of Mary's friends in the Midlands West Support Group. They wanted to recreate some of the happy memories we all shared when we visited Windsor Castle in July 2016. They are not planning anything quite so spectacular but want you to get together with some of your Fell friends on any day during July 2018 and just do something enjoyable. The poster in the magazine highlights some of the things that are already planned to take place around the country but there will be much more happening by July. Jane Rawden is the person to speak to if you require any further information.

Mrs Walker reported that there has been a couple of staffing changes that have taken place since last spring. Last March she advised members that Carole, a part time member of the Society office team was leaving at the end of May. Her position was filled by a lady called Chris, who lives in Appleby, and Chris joined the team during July 2017. Also last summer our show secretary, Rachael Brunskill, moved to London so following the Breed Show the Society was without a Show Secretary. Fortunately her position has now been filled by Lucie Charlton who will be running her first event for the Society at the Stallion Show on Saturday 12th May.

Finally, Mrs Walker reported that she had been chairman of this Society for 5 years. During that time she had met some incredible people who live for their Fell ponies and are a true inspiration to everyone. She had made new friends the length and breadth of the country and enjoyed visiting events hosted by several of the support groups. Sadly, she reported that her home circumstances have changed greatly during that last few months so she has decided that she will not be standing for re-election to the position of Chairman at the May council meeting. Mrs Walker and Mr Thorpe have worked as a team for the past 4 years but Mr Thorpe no longer wishes to stand as Vice Chairman. That means that after the May Council meeting the Society will have a new Chairman and Vice Chairman. She thanked all members of Council for their continued support and remind them that she and Mr Thorpe will be remaining on Council for at least another three years so will continue to be involved with Society affairs. Also she would like to thank Katherine, our secretary, for being so helpful and accommodating no matter what she is asked her to do. She runs an efficient office and the Society is very lucky to have someone who is so knowledgeable and dedicated. Katherine is supported by Chris and Elizabeth and they are an excellent team so she hoped they will continue to work together and provide continuity and strength to the Society.

Thank You!

5 Secretary/Treasurer's Report

Mrs Wilkinson reported that the 2017 registrations were completed at the end of January enabling the stud book to be edited and printed and available for sale

today, along with the 2019 calendar. Registrations have increased slightly, and it was pleasing to see again in 2017 that there was an increase in foals registered from the semi feral herds. There are still a similar number of passports coming into the office to transfer ownership. The number of Society memberships remains static at around 1100, and just short of 100 new members have joined the Society so far in 2018.

Schedules and entry forms for the Stallion Show, Breed Show and South Cumbria Show can be downloaded from our website. Paper copies are also available today.

With regard to Horse Passport Legislation the emphasis very much continues to apply to Welfare, Bio Security and Disease Control post Brexit. The local authorities remain responsible for enforcing Horse Passport Legislation applying appropriate enforcement action against those who breach the regulations. It seems that compulsory microchipping for all ponies will be introduced in due course.

The HBLB expect that the total grant for 2018 will be restored back to the original 2017 level ie before the cuts were imposed. This should be approved at a board meeting, after which the individual sums will be confirmed and payments arranged. There is no reason to be concerned that this could change.

As to the future of the HBLB, the scheduled closure date remains 31 March 2019, with the HBLB's expenditure responsibilities then being transferred to a new Racing Authority. This Authority will bring together the British Horseracing Authority, the Racecourse Association and the Horsemen's Group (which itself comprises the Racehorse Owners Association, the Thoroughbred Breeders' Association, the National Trainers' Federation, the Jockeys' Association and the National Association of Stable Staff).

The current data protection legislation is to be replaced with the General Data protection Regulation (GDPR) with effect from 25 May 2018. You will notice that we've added a declaration to our show entry forms and in due course membership forms, transfer forms etc will be updated and a Data Management Policy will be added to the Society's website.

Council have agreed again this year that applications will be accepted for the Learning With Fells Scheme from adult as well as junior members, with priority given to those aged 10-18. If anyone is interested in joining the scheme let me know today or you can send an email to the office. The visits will be arranged when Council meet in May.

There are lots of plans being made for Fell pony events throughout the country and our Display Team will be attending events to promote the breed to the general public. Keep up the good work!

The Society had made a profit in 2016/17 of £56,488 which includes the £50k given to the Society from The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations. We have received some questions regarding the accounts which will be answered under AOB.

Thank you to our Patron, Her Majesty The Queen for her kind annual donation received recently together with her warmest wishes for the forthcoming year.

Finally, Mrs Wilkinson thanked Council, particularly Eileen and Andrew for their continued support, Jean for her presidential support and Chris and Elizabeth who complete the office team.

6 Election of Council

Mrs Walker reported that there had not been a need for an election this year as there were 4 places and 4 candidates. Miss Bell had chosen not to stand for re election to council, therefore, the vacancy went to the only new nomination, Mrs R Eastwood. Mrs Eastwood, Mr J Potter, Mr C Roberts and Mr D Wilkinson will be the 4 going onto Council this time for a 5 year term. Mrs Walker welcomed Mrs Eastwood to her first Council meeting on 15 May.

7 Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31 October 2017

Mrs Walker reported that there had been an issue with the current accountants to get the accounts ready on time. In fact they were not ready for Council to approve at the January meeting and this caused a lot of additional work for the Society.

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Mrs Ward, seconded by Miss J Charlton and agreed by members.

8 Resolution to appoint Dodd & Co as Accountants to the Society

Mrs Walker reported that Council agreed that a change was appropriate at this time. The resolution was proposed by Miss Simpson, seconded by Miss Fell and agreed by the members.

9 Reports from Sub-Committees

North Scotland SG - Emily Cheetham reported that in 2017 members had enjoyed a visit to the Red Wings Horse Sanctuary and to Balmoral Castle together with the Erisaky Pony society to tour the Royal stud and working ponies. For 2018 the group is planning a visit to the Charity Horseback UK, where horses are used for rehabilitation. There will be a get together at the Royal Highland Show in June and in July the group will enjoy a get together for the Mary Longsdon summer celebration of afternoon tea and a guest speaker. The breed has been asked to attend the Scottish Smallholders Festival in October.

South Scotland SG - Ms Fairburn reported that the group had held a lunch in February, plans have been to have a get together over afternoon tea and to hold a ride within the area and possibly some stockjudging. Further details will be displayed on the groups face book page/FPS website.

NWSG - Miss Bridges reported that the group had held a successful camp in 2017 with instructions by Julie Robinson and Vicky Brown, le trec, Breed & showing talk by David Wilkinson. In September a 'Have a Go' driving clinic was held: thanks to Paul Metcalfe and Claire Simpson for loaning ponies, and it was enjoyed by all. In November another Foal & Youngstock Show was held at Newton Rigg, still lacking in 2 & 3 year old entries but otherwise well supported. In 2018 the group held a clinic with Julie Robinson earlier in the year, while camp in July is already full with a waiting list. On the Saturday night the group will hold a Mary's Memories event - Pizza, Prosecco and Ponies with a talk by Alison O'Neill, the "barefoot shepherdess". In August a Ride, BBQ and Stud Visit will be held by the Wilkinsons at Murton near Appleby.

At the meeting in October Margaret Plank stepped down as Chairman as she has moved out the area and Cath Wrigley took over with Amanda Bridges as Secretary.

NESG - Mrs Walker reported that the group had held a lunch in February, with a new venue, and 36 people had attended. A Native Pony dressage event was held in March, and Camp with the Highlands is to be held in May at Linnel Wood. 40 ponies will be attending with over half fells. For the Mary's Memories event the group are planning a pleasure ride and day at York races. The Performance trials in 2018 celebrate 25 years, a very popular event though jump judges are always needed.

MWSG - Mrs Rawden reported on behalf of Mrs Key, who was attending the group's performance awards presentation lunch that day.

Events planned included the Spring Festival of Fells show to be held on 15 April with Mr Metcalfe as the judge and bumper entries received; the Derbyshire Fell & Dales Show on 24 June, with judge Mr Goddard; and Mary's Memories event in July, a fun dog show and garden party. The group has healthy membership with new members coming forward.

MESG - Mrs Rawden reported on behalf of Mrs Merry. Members had been out in 2017 competing, hacking and doing pleasure rides throughout the area. The winter had been quiet, but 2018 events began with the awards evening in March, this year attended by FPS president Mrs Ward, who presented the awards and gave a talk, Fish & Chips had been enjoyed and a book sale to raise funds. A Mary's Memories event will be held in July, and Boy Blue qualifiers held at Sandringham in May and Gotham Show in July. Further Gotham Shows to be held throughout the summer. All the activities will be advertised on the groups facebook page and website.

SWSG & Southern Show - Mrs Rawden reported on behalf of Mr Goddard that the 29th show will be again held at Berkshire College on 9th September. This year's show would be run in memory of Mary Longsdon, a founder member of the show. This year's judges are Mrs Eastwood, Mr Saunders and Mrs Torode.

Display Team - Mrs Bell reported that the team had another successful year in 2017, attending 4 events with 2 performances a day at each, demonstrating the versatility of the breed, with a through the ages approach from Roman soldier to pack pony to the modern dressage pony. A display stand provided information about the breed. In 2018 the team will be attending at least 4 events in Cumbria and will be attending on behalf of the Society at the Meet The Horses section at HOYS in October, where the team will man a promotion stand and visitors will have the opportunity to meet a Fell Pony.

A Pleasure ride is to be held in April to raise funds for display materials etc.

Judges Committee - Miss J Charlton gave thanks to Anne and Georgina, former Secretary and Chairman of the group. 1 trainee had been successfully added to the panel in 2018. 5 probationers were taking part in the scheme in 2018, 2 from the previous year and 3 new trainees. Breed cards had been introduced from this year, to record experience and attendance at shows, stud visits etc. A mentoring scheme had also been introduced for 2018.

Show Sub-Committee - Mrs Robinson reported that both planned meetings earlier in the year had to be cancelled due to the weather. Help is required for setting up and taking down of the field as well as on show day especially at the Breed Show.

10 Any Other Business

Questions received by Council prior to the AGM.

Mrs Walker reported that the following questions had been received from members.

The first set of questions came from Mr D Thompson:

Mrs Walker read out each question and Mrs Wilkinson gave the reply. Mrs Walker advised members that 'printing & stationery' listed in the accounts also includes equipment.

Q1. I notice that postage and printing + stationery costs have both increased by over £4000 in the last 2 years. Postage by £4051 and printing + stationery by £4391.

--With regard to the postage costs I'm not sure where you get the figures from but the postage costs actually went down marginally in Y/E October 2017 by £18 and by £181 in the Y/E October 2016, despite Royal Mail postage increases in March 2017 and March 2016! With regard to the Printing & Stationery costs again I'm not sure where you get the figures from. These costs were £194 less in Y/E October 2017 despite the purchase of a tent at almost £1000. There was an increase in Y/E October 2016, this was largely due to the stationery and equipment needed to satisfy a change in legislation in the issue of passports which came into effect 1 January 2016.

DT - What has or is the society doing to reduce these costs?

--I think my answer lies in what I've just said!

Q2. There is a payment for Honoraria for the past 2 years. What is this payment for and who received it?

--The Honorarium is paid to Mrs Sue Millard for her work as the Webmaster for the FPS website and as FPS Magazine Editor.

Q3. I notice a payment of £2699 in last year's accounts for professional services! I would like to know what professional services this was for, if this is a one off payment or an on going cost, and who received the payment?

--This was a one off balance payment of legal fees not covered by the Society's Insurance paid to Mrs Eileen Walker and Mr Andrew Thorpe, approved by Council and the Charity Commission.

Q4. The insurance has increased by over 20% in the last two years. While I understand that insurance premiums increase on a regular basis, this seems excessive for a small charity. What is the reason for this large increase? Have other quotes been obtained from different companies?

--The increase in the last 2 years is approximately 10%, definitely not 20%. In 2017 the Society added the Geltsdale Grazing to the policy, the premium for this was £550; and cover for 2 mess tents with a premium of £56 was also added in 2017. Insurance tax increased from 9.5% to 10%. The Society has changed portable toilet hire in 2017, the previous supplier required insurance cover that amounted to £100 per year.

--The brokers we deal with search for the most competitive cover prior to renewal and change providers if necessary.

Q5. The costs of running the Society have increased by over £21,000 in the last two years. What is being done to control/ and or if possible reduce these costs, because surely these increases cannot be sustained ?

--There is no evidence to suggest that the costs of running the Society have increased by over £21,000 in the last 2 years (perhaps you could elaborate on this?). However, the increase in income & expenditure under 'Shows' in 2016 was due to the Windsor event.

Q6. Was an application made by the F.P.S. for the Fell Pony to be included as part of the World heritage site application for the Lake District?

--No, the FPS was not aware that an application was being prepared. The first we knew about it was when it was announced in July 2017. If it was common knowledge that an application was being prepared then it would have been helpful if those FPS members who live in the Lake District had informed us.

Mr Thompson responded to Mrs Walker's reply that it wasn't up to him to provide the Council with information and to do their job for them; he was asked if, as a member, it would not be appropriate to assist the Society.

Mrs Baxter reported that she had attended several meetings for farmers in her area, near Coniston, about the World Heritage bid. The bid was based on landscape and culture, and that means the way the natural beauty has been shaped over the years by farmers. It's not too late to draw the Fell Pony to their attention but it had been made very clear that there was no money involved and it was just the Lake District, ie not anyone east of M6. She said the NP has a farming officer and she offered to pass on the contact details to Mr Thompson.

Q7. Mrs Morland queried why the insurance was so high when her own farm insurance with multiple cover was no where near the society's premium. Mrs Walker reminded Mrs Morland that all employees, a large number of volunteer, visitors and 1200 members the society is required to have the appropriate public liability cover in place and although exhibitors are encouraged to have their own insurance the society has to have the cover in place in case of negligence.

The second set of questions were from Mr A W Morland:

Already answered: questions regarding the honoraria, the insurance and the professional fees.

Q8. Some of the content of the Chairman's report in the Spring 2018 edition of FP Newsletter.

--Mrs Morland said that she did not want any discussion on the question initially raised about the Chairman's report in the Spring 2018 magazine, as this was now under legal investigation.

The third set of questions were from Ms K Harmer:

Q9. Income - it's wonderful news regarding the donation from HM Queen's 90th birthday celebration. I note this is in the accounts as 'unrestricted' funds. What plans does the FPS have in terms of spending this donation, is it to absorb general running costs or towards a more specific purpose? If it is the latter will FPS members be consulted and ideas sought for what this money (or a part of) could be used for?

--Mrs Walker reported that she had announced that we had received this money

at the 2017 AGM and it is recorded as part of the AGM Chairman's Report in the Autumn 2017 magazine on p19. Members were invited to submit ideas in writing to Council for consideration. Council feel this money should be spent on a specific purpose and not frittered away on day to day expenses, and being of benefit to most of the FPS members. No written suggestions have been received to date but there have been several verbal suggestions which have been discussed.

- a) The buying of land
- b) Buying an office
- c) Buying a display trailer
- d) Collecting semen from one or two stallions for storage at the RBST. Cost approximately £5,000 per stallion.
- e) DNA typing all breeding females (recent suggestion which has not yet been discussed at Council).

--Mrs Walker reported that no decision has been made, and before a decision is made where the money will be used, members will be consulted

Q10. I note that membership numbers are slightly less than 2016, which whilst there is an explanation for this, I would suspect that FPS membership is the cornerstone to the society's success and therefore tackling declining membership numbers is something of a priority and I am keen to know what the FPS is doing to attract (and retain) members.

--Membership totals for	2017	1129
	2016	1218
	2015	1153
	2014	1162

--Membership numbers had increased in 2016 by about 100 due to the Windsor event.

--These figures hardly show a decline in membership and although each year some members chose not to renew their membership for various reasons, an equal number join the Society for the first time or come back after a break. Any new member who joins in October or November is advised that they can enjoy membership through to the end of the following year. Membership forms are available at our events for new members to join. Any non member who sends in a passport for updating is invited to join the Society either at that point or is issued with a form for the future. Members benefit from reduced fees.

Q11. Council elections. As a new member I am keen to understand the process that the society follows with regards to electing new council members, particularly when an existing member retires or stands down before their term expires. How is the vacancy advertised and shared among existing members? Also, if there is more than one candidate for election what is the process for election? Is there a standard procedure you can share?

--If an existing Council member retires or stands down mid term their position is not filled at that time, the procedure is the same for electing a replacement as it is at any other time. Elections only take place once a year, in the spring, with the results announced at the AGM. Full details of Council election procedures can be

found in the FPS Memorandum and Articles, a paper copy is issued to all new members and it is available on the FPS website.

Q12 - Kerry Harmer said she had been expecting a welcome letter and thanks for joining as well as information about the society, but all she received was a membership pack. She thought it was a missed opportunity.

Mrs Baxter advised members that those considering joining the new Countryside Stewardship Schemes, that is to go into the mid tier, must think very carefully as those who choose to supplementary feed will not be able to under the terms of the scheme.

Mrs Baxter also reported about concerns in the National Park with off roaders using the paths and tracks and long time tenant farmers have been forced to quit. It would appear that the LDNP are turning a blind eye to the damage caused by this very vocal and powerful group who say the damage is done by walkers. If the NP are serious about preserving landscape etc then that should include the old bridleways and tracks that are being allowed to be damaged by 4-wheel-drive groups. As the Fell Pony has an association with these bridleways when using them as pack pony routes then perhaps the FPS could contact the NP with their concerns. Mrs Walker agreed to discuss support by the FPS, at Council. Mrs Baxter agreed to forward videos of the damage for Council to see.

Mrs Walker said she appreciated the problems with off roaders as there are the same problems in Co Durham.

Mr Thorpe reported that there are the same problems in his area, the moors above Rochdale, the difference being that the vehicles have no tax, test and insurance but the police turn a blind eye as they are a danger to the public and if on the moors they are out of the way.

Mrs Millard reported that the 3 Overseas Branches, FPSNA, American Conservancy and the Danish Forening, had already submitted their annual reports and accounts are to follow. They are all doing well, with profits. It is hoped that the recommendation to Council will be to renew their certificates for the coming year.

Mrs Millard reported on the 'Heritage of the Fells, ponies Past, Present & Future' exhibition to be held in the Old Court House, Shap, from 1 - 14 August. There will be talks, workshops and displays, and breeders from the area are encouraged to submit information and photos for the exhibition.

Anne Armstrong-Foxton advised members that the Cumberland Show is to be held on 16 June, schedules available, closing date 18 May. Please support the classes as they have put individual Fell classes back on but they need to be supported to continue. Judge, Mrs Crane.

Mr Thompson asked with regard to stallion licensing, why do stallions have to be licensed to be shown, could there be a showing licence issued for those being shown rather than used at stud or increase the fee. Mrs Robinson advised that stallions that are shown have always had to have been issued with a stallion licence and it is a legal requirement for colts to be licensed from 3 years old. Miss Chadwick said that judges need to be harder on the stallions. This matter should be discussed at the forthcoming judges clinic.

Mrs Robinson said that the matter has been discussed in Council but increasing the stallion licence fee would affect the breeders, while those showing stallions have the money and therefore it would make no difference to them if the fee was increased.

Mr Bell said that an increase would punish breeders, and those showing stallions would pay more.

Mrs Hodgson said that the standard of the licensing process needs to be improved and pointed out that it is a vet who decides if a stallion is issued with a licence not a FP judge. Other societies' judges may favour stallions even if not a good example of the breed. Other organisations need educating.

Miss Chadwick said that education of judges and members is important.

Mr Boustead said that judges need to recognise type. HOYS is ruining the situation as only the rider is penalised and if not careful there will end up being a universal type of pony with just a small and a large breed.

Mrs Hodgson said a discussion she had with a mixed M & M judge thought that a wavy mane and tail was good, and that this was disappointing to hear.

Miss J Charlton said that she thought using the £50k to collect semen from the best examples of our breed, looking back to old bloodlines was valuable, even if just a quarter of it was used: helping the membership and preserving the breed, the society's objective.

Mrs Hodgson said that there is a substantial cost with AI to the mare owner.

Mr Mallinson said that this would need doing now.

Mr Brunskill asked who would make the decision which stallions would be chosen.

Mr Lloyd asked if perhaps Council should write to Grandstand Media. It's difficult to get them to listen as they are only interested in money and not our native breeds.

Miss Savage said that true to type is lacking in the show ring where the winners are often producers, and the traditional way of going has been lost.

Mrs Hodgson said that at FP shows holding traditional walk & trot classes, these seem to be judged like any other ridden class when they should be judged for ponies showing their true pace and not restricted by the rider, and the result should be different. She would like to see ponies let go naturally in these traditional classes.

Mr Thompson said that with regard to preserving bloodlines, he would be concerned at selecting a small number of stallions. The gene pool needs to be increased not narrowed.

Mr Thorpe asked Mr Thompson what he would do. As there have been many herds lost over the last 20 years, he felt there should be encouragement for new herds and breeders to be set up. Mr Thorpe said that it would be good if this was possible but you need to be born and bred to it, because fell life is a hard life.

Mrs Walker said that the Learning with Fells scheme was set up to try and encourage young people, but finding them a farm and herd was a different matter.

Mr T Lloyd suggested that money is raised to find out where unused fell rights are available for 'new' people to use.

Mrs Baxter said that commons are in schemes and often restrictions are in place as to what can graze them.

Mr W Lloyd said that commons run by Natural England are overgrazed by sheep and their policy is in favour of a heritage breed.

Mr Thompson said that he is in a scheme and was asked to reduce his number of ponies. He refused but was under pressure from neighbours and his land lord.

Mrs Walker said that it's likely that schemes will change, and even more so come Brexit.

11 Presentation of Awards

Mrs Robinson and Miss Brunskill presented the Youngstock & Performance Awards and Endurance Awards.

Mrs Walker presented 'The Queen's Trophy' to Bill & Tom Lloyd on behalf of their father Walter Lloyd. Bill gave a fitting tribute to Walter who had passed away earlier in the year.

The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy was to be awarded to Brackenbank Flash Harry, owned by Gwen Wordley.

The Edinburgh Prize was presented to Nicole Jansen in the USA for driving her pony, Littletree Limited Edition.

The Fell Pony Society Breeders Award in Memory of Chris Thompson was awarded to: Carrock

with rosettes to:

3rd= Townend

2nd Murthwaite

5th Richmond

3rd= Greenholme

6th Brackenbank

Miss Charlton thanked Eileen and Andrew for all their hard work and time as Chair and Vice Chair, and to Donald and Michelle for supporting them.

Mrs Walker invited everyone to have refreshments before drawing the raffle and closing the meeting.

The Edinburgh Prize for Driving

Presented by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh in 2014, this Prize is awarded internationally to a single or multiple turnout of registered Fell ponies, for achievement in Driving.

Participating members must apply to the FPS Office in writing and include a paragraph stating why they think they should win the prize, plus a photo. (The points award form should not be used to apply.)

Applications need not necessarily be from showing but other driving experiences, and the 'achievement' need not necessarily be in the current year. All ponies must be registered Fell Ponies and the owner or the driver must be a member of The Fell Pony Society, of the Netherlands Fell Pony Society, or of an FPS-recognised Overseas Branch.

Council have recently agreed that nominations for this award can also be made by third parties. If you think the achievements of a driver and pony or ponies should be recognised please send your nomination as above to the FPS Secretary before 31st December.



AWARDS at FPS AGM: Connor and Imogen Cockbain receive the Breeders Award from Eileen Walker on behalf of the Carrock Stud.

Eileen Walker presents The Queen's Trophy, which was awarded to the late Walter Lloyd and accepted by members of his family, Florence, Bill and Tom Lloyd.



Gwen and Annie Wordley receive the Lownthwaite Rob trophy for Brackenbank Flash Harry.



THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

Council Elections 2019

The following members retire from Council in 2019 and are eligible for re-election:

Mr G H B Mallinson, Mr P Metcalfe, Mr W S Potter, Miss C Simpson

Nominations for Council 2019 - Reminder

Members wishing to make a nomination for Council should obtain a form from the Office in good time to return the completed form before the deadline of 1st January 2019.

Postal Voting for Council Members

Ballot papers will be sent out with the Spring Magazine to those eligible to vote. Completed ballot papers have to be returned to the Scrutineer appointed by the Council not less than 10 days before the date of the AGM. No member is entitled to vote in the election for Council if his/her subscription to the Society has not been paid by 15th February 2019. You will find the details on Votes of Members under Section 7 of the Articles of Association. election to the Council is Section 8.6.

Please send your ballot paper to the Scrutineer before the deadline. Do not waste your chance to vote in the running of your Society.

ELECTION OF PRESIDENT

Please note that the term of office of our President, Mrs Jean Ward, ends in 2019.

Please could any nominations for the office of President be submitted to the Office before 1 January 2019. Nominations must be in writing and accompanied by a signed statement (available from the office) from the person proposed that they are willing to stand for election. Election will be by a poll held at the Annual General Meeting in 2019.

The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy

This Prize is awarded to a registered Fell pony, for achievements promoting the breed, usually outside the showing arena.

Council have recently agreed that nominations for this award can be made by third parties. If you think the achievements of a particular pony should be recognised please send your nomination and supporting reasons in writing to the FPS Secretary before 31st December.

Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant Payment Summary

Payment Summary Mare Premium: Foals born 2015

Number of Breeders	Number of Mares	Payment Total
17	81 @ £15.00	£1,215.00

Fell Pony Society Points Scheme 2016: Payments awarded 2017

4 Year Old+ Performance

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00

Driving

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00
Stallion Premium	
Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00

4 Year Old+ In Hand

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00

Mare Premium

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00

3 Year Old

No entries

2016 Yearling Colts - Stallion Show

6 @ £25.00	£150.00
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2 Year Old

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00

2016 Two Year Old Colts -

Stallion Show

2 @ £25.00	£50.00
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2016 Mare premiums -

Breed Show

no entries

2016 Stallion premiums -

Breed Show

1st Owner & breeder	£50.00
2nd Owner & breeder	£30.00
3rd Owner & breeder	£20.00

Yearling

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00

Foal

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00

Venue Hire

Stallion Grading - venue hire	£60.00
Prob. Judges Assessment Day	

Endurance

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00

£66.00

Stallion Grading

Premiums	
2 Gold @ £50.00	£100.00

Dressage

Owner	£50.00
Breeder	£50.00

Printing of stud book, contribution

£318.00

TOTAL £3,559.00

Stallion & Colt Show - 12 May 2018

The Fell Pony Society held its annual Stallion & Colt Show in the beautiful setting of Dalemain near Ullswater, by kind permission of the Hasell-McCosh family. Ponies gleamed in the glorious sunshine, which was much appreciated by spectators and exhibitors alike and a nice change from the weather that we normally experience on the day.



Judge David Lovegreen thoroughly enjoyed placing the quality ponies and chose Lunesdale Black Ice II, bred by Bert and Carole Morland, as his supreme champion (*above right*). Expertly shown by Katie Raine, the ten-year-old has taken the supreme at the show in three of the last four years and caught the judge's eye from the outset with his excellent movement and breed type. Rob Relph-Briggs was delighted to take the youngstock championship, and reserve supreme, with his own homebred two-year-old Birkettbank Master John (*above left*). The judge tipped this pony as 'one for the future'.

The youngstock reserve championship went to the winner of the yearling class, Waverfoot Gary, bred by Hilary Lightfoot.

Bert and Carole Morland won the class for stallions three and four years old with Stennerskeugh Kestrel, another good moving pony, shown by John Potter.

Greenholme Hot Rod, bred by the Potter family and owned by Nicola Chippendale, also impressed the judge with his great movement and true Fell pony type to take the gelding championship. Darrenvale Chancer owned by Courtney Read took the reserve. Also contesting the gelding championship was the winner of the gelding youngstock class, Helmside Hector, bred and owned by Nicola Evans

Zoe Marsden won the class for ridden stallions with Wellbrow Edwin who impressed the judge with a lovely show; and Gillian Ridding's Deepghyll Lucky Touch won the largest class of the day, for ridden geldings, with thirteen entries forward. The judge commented that the pony was well ridden and pleasing to the eye.

Unfortunately, there was only one entry in the driving class, but this was Gilly

Chippendale and her very smart turnout with Skennerskeugh Smoke.

Greenholme Hot Rod took the class for the best foot and had been shod by Alan Ashcroft. The judge, James Newhouse, said that all the farriers had all done a lovely job, and that the winner had the better feet.

Grateful thanks to the new Show Secretary Lucie Charlton for her brilliant organisation, even arranging the good weather! And, as ever, to the hardworking Show Committee, and all the volunteers involved in the setting up and taking down after everyone else has gone home; without them and their time and effort the shows would not take place.

Claire Simpson

Judges

In-hand, Ridden and Driven:

Mr D Lovegreen, (Earnwell Ponies)

Reserve: Mrs B Hodgson (Inglegarth)

Farrier: Mr J Newhouse

Results

CLASS 1 Registered Yearling Colts

- 1st WAVERFOOT GARY FP72793C. f2017 Owner & Breeder Miss H Lightfoot
- 2nd BRACKLINN AVENGER FP72805C. f2017 Owner & Breeder Mr A Smith
- 3rd DALEWIN UTOPIA FP72647C. f2017 Owner Miss Z Marsden. Breeder Mr E Winder

CLASS 2 Registered 2 Year Old Colts

- 1st BIRKETTBANK MASTER JOHN FP72675C. f2016 Owner Mr R Relph-Briggs
Breeder E M Whittam & R Relph-Briggs
- 2nd SUMMERHOUSE GATSBY FP72649C. f2016 Owner Miss S J York. Breeder Mr P Boustead
- 3rd WELLBROW JOSH FP72651C. f2016. Owner Miss C Read. Breeder Mr A Thorpe

CLASS 3 Registered Geldings 2 & 3 Years Old

- 1st HELMSIDE HECTOR FP72714G f2016. Owner & Breeder Miss N Evans
- 2nd MURTHWAITE TBC. FP72474G. 2015. Owner Mrs S E James, Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick.

CLASS 4 Registered and Licensed Stallions 3 and 4 Years Old

- 1st STENNERSKEUGH KESTREL FP72425C*. LICENCE FP802. f2014. Owner Mr & Mrs A W Morland. Breeder: Mr R N Beaty.
- 2nd DRYBARROWS ADVOCATE FP72543C* LICENCE FP86 f2015. Owner H Reynolds, Breeder Mr D C Thompson
- 3rd BRACKLINN TRAVIS FP72434C* LICENCE FP776. f2014 Owner H Reynolds & S Woolstencroft. Breeder Mr A Smith

CLASS 5 Registered Geldings 4 Years and Over

- 1st GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f201. Owner Mrs N Chippendale, Breeder Miss R J & Miss B K Potter
- 2nd DARRENVALE CHANCER FP71886* f2011 Owner Miss C Read, Breeder Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe
- 3rd DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G. f011 Owner: Mrs G Ridding. Breeder Miss C Savage

CLASS 6 Registered and Licensed Stallions 5 Years and Over

- 1st LUNESDALE BLACK ICE II FP71130C*, LICENCE FP588. f2008. Owner: Miss K Raine. Breeder Mr & Mrs A W Morland
- 2nd MURTHWAITE SMOKING JOE FP71790C*, LICENCE FP691. f2010. Owner Miss C Savage. Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick
- 3rd LUNESDALE DYLAN FP71636C*, LICENCE FP671. f2010. Owner: Mr J Tighe. Breeder Mr & Mrs A W Morland

CLASS 7 Registered Geldings 4 years and Over Shown Under Saddle

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G. f2011. Owner Mrs G Ridding. Breeder Miss C Savage. Rider Mrs G Ridding
- 2nd NOTLAW SUNDANCE KID. FP72192G* f2012 Owner Miss A Metcalfe, Breeder Mr T Walton. Rider Miss A Metcalfe
- 3rd DARRENVALE CHANCER FP71886G* Owner Miss C Read, Breeder Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe. Rider Miss C Read

**CLASS 8 Stallions 4 years and Over
Shown Under Saddle**

- 1st WELLBROW EDWIN FP71962C*, LICENCE
FP744. f2011 Owner Miss Z Marsden,
Breeder Mr A Thorpe. Rider Miss Z Marsden
- 2nd MURTHWAITE SMOKING JOE FP71790C*,
LICENCE FP691. f2010. Owner Miss C
Savage. Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick.
Rider Miss C Savage
- 3rd GRAHAMSLEY CRACKER JACK FP71381C*
LICENCE FP626. f2009. Owner: Mrs C
Wigley, Breeder Mrs T Carson, Rider L
Wigglesworth.

**CLASS 9 Stallions or Geldings 4 Years and
Over Shown In Harness**

- 1st STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G*. f2005.
Owner: Mrs G Chippendale. Breeder: Mr R
N Beaty. Exhibitor: Mrs G Chippendale

**YOUNGSTOCK CHAMPION
BIRKETT BANK MASTER JOHN**

**YOUNGSTOCK RESERVE
WAVERFOOT GARY**

**GELDING CHAMPION
GREENHOLME HOT ROD**

**GELDING RESERVE
DARRENSVALE CHANCER**

**CLASS 10 Stallion, Colt or Gelding 3
Years and Over With Best Set of Feet Shod**

- 1ST GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249C*. f2013.
Owner Mrs N Chippendale. Breeder Miss R J
& Miss B K Potter. Farrier: A Ashcroft
- 2nd LUNESDALE BLACK ICE II FP71130C*, f2008.
Owner: Miss K Raine. Breeder Mr & Mrs A W
Morland. Farrier: J Brannen
- 3rd GREENHOLME JUMPING JACK FP72506C*.
2015 Owner Mrs C Wigley, Breeder Mr &
Mrs W Potter. Farrier: D Strickland

**SUPREME CHAMPION
LUNESDALE BLACK ICE II**

**RESERVE SUPREME CHAMPION
BIRKETT BANK MASTER JOHN**



*Breed Show Junior Ridden Champion - Ellie Mitchell with Lunesdale Aurora,
and Reserve - Izzy Ridding with Deepghyll Lucky Touch II. Report on p46.*

Dorset Fell & Dales Show Sunday 6th May 2018

We didn't realise as the sun shone and temperatures climbed to 24C that this was the start of a long hot and dry summer. For some of the ponies who had not lost all their winter coats, snoozing in the sunshine was the best occupation in between classes! The ice cream van that arrived just before lunch (booked by our caterers) was very welcome for all the humans, I didn't see any ponies helping their owners eating ice cream.

This was the first year all entries were taken online only, and it seemed to work well (we did have everything crossed). For me it reduced the paper work as my clever OH Steve could just print all class sheets off and even saved me the job of sorting out numbers.

Unfortunately we only had three Dales ponies entered this year. Thanks to Kynaston Dales for making the trip from Cornwall, hope to see more next year.

Fell entries were also down, but a good spread across classes kept judge Pam Cox busy.

Thanks to Lydvale Fell ponies we had a lovely rosette and £50 prize for the winner of the youngstock class. This was won by Karen Hodge with her home bred 3-year-old Kalmara Fantasia from Somerset. They went on to take the Fell In Hand championship and finished off the day by becoming Fell Supreme Champions. Karen and Fantasia will be representing the South West at the Southern show in the Inter area final. Good Luck, Karen.

Reserve Fell was Michael Goddard's yearling Bewcastle Blencathra.

Ridden Champion was a family affair with Holly Mayling with Greenholme Yabadabadoo champion and Nicola Mayling with Murthwaite Ted's Lass Reserve. Holly and Yabadabadoo took reserve Supreme.

I hope all the ponies that attended the show enjoyed their mini licks from Horslyx. www.horslyx.com A big thank to Horslyx for supplying the goodie bags for all the ponies. Note pads and pens have gone down well with the owners.

I hope the feed bowls and feed stirrers that were won at the show have all been put to good use. I need to put my thinking cap on for next year's prizes.

Also thank you to all class sponsors, helpers and competitors because without all of you the show could not happen.

If anyone would like to sponsor a class for 2019 all details are on the website www.dorsetfellshow.co.uk.

Thanks as well to East Dorset riding club who supplied the catering and to Jamie Rose for show photographer. Show photos are available on his website www.jdrpictures.com

Next year will be our tenth running of this show - where have the years gone?

I look forward to seeing everyone on Sunday 5th May 2019.

Sharron Camp.

Results

In Hand

Class 1 Fell Stallions

1st Severnvale Ivor

Class 2 Fell Mares

1st Richmond Deborah
2nd Inglegarth Preview
3rd Murthwaite Ted's Lass
4th Severnvale June
5th Empire Grace

Class 3 Fell Geldings

1st Greenholme Yabadabadoo
2nd Murthwaite Rifleman
3rd Wellbrow Duke
4th Townend Emperor
5th Lownthwaite Ottoman
6th Empire Norman

Class 5 Fell Youngstock

1st Kalmara Fantasia
2nd Bewcastle Blencathra**
3rd Lychfields Dennis the Menace
4th Richmond Francesca
5th Wellbrow Kizzy
6th Severnvale Ruby Rose
** Best yearling

Class 7 Fell Veterans

1st Lownthwaite Ottoman

Class 9 Potential Driving

1st Richmond Deborah
2nd Roandale Agnes

Ridden

Class 10 Fell Novice

1st Wellbrow Crystal
2nd Lydvale Jet

Class 11 Fell Stallions

No Entries

Class 12 Fell Mares

1st Murthwaite Ted's Lass

Class 13 Fell Geldings

1st Greenholme Yabadabadoo
2nd Townend Emperor
3rd Wellbrow Duke
4th Murthwaite Rifleman
5th Lydvale Jet
6th Lownthwaite Ottoman

Class 15 Fell Veterans

1st Lownthwaite Ottoman

Class 17 Fell Traditional Stallions and Geldings

1st Greenholme Yabadabadoo
2nd Wellbrow Duke
3rd Murthwaite Rifleman
4th Lydvale Jet

Class 18 Traditional Mares

1st Murthwaite Ted's Lass
2nd Wellbrow Crystal
3rd Inglegarth Preview

Fell In Hand Champion Kalmara Fantasia

**Reserve
Bewcastle Blencathra**

Ridden Champion Greenholme Yabadabadoo

**Reserve
Murthwaite Ted's Lass**

Supreme Champion Kalmara Fantasia

**Reserve
Greenholme Yabadabadoo**

**Inter Area Qualifier
Kalmara Fantasia**

Sandringham Fell, Dales, Exmoor and Friends Show 2018

The first Saturday in May saw the Sandringham Fell show in full swing. The going was good and everyone was in fine spirits along with the good weather. Although entries were down slightly on 2017 we had a good turn out of Fell ponies from near and far.

Our judge Courtney Read soon had her first winner in the Fell youngstock class in Gemma Chamber's Waverhead Midnight Bellman, who also went on to become overall Youngstock Champion.

The in hand classes were well filled with Jane Rawden and Samantha Audley's stallion Bracklinn Glayva being crowned In hand Champion and MESH representative for the Bewcastle Boy Blue Inter Area trophy to be contested at the FPS Southern show in September.

After lunch the ridden classes were hotly contested with Sarah Prior's Broxdown Tornado ridden by Tamsyn Bell-Heather coming out on top as the ridden Champion.

We had no Fell entries in the dressage this year.

Kim Osborne's Linnel Punch ridden by Molly Hampshire won the Very Novice working hunter class, and Helen Nelson's

Brackenthwaite Bonnie was fourth in the Novice class. Linnel Punch was reserve WHP champion. The Supreme Champion was Bracklinn Glayva with Broxdown Tornado as reserve.

Bracklinn Glayva was overall champion of the show winning a beautiful sash and rosette donated by Sashes by Kate and also the new Murthwaite Need 2 Roam Memorial Trophy also donated by Kate Scorey.

Our thanks go to everyone who helped out. We are very grateful to our small band of helpers who give up many hours of their time to ensure the show runs smoothly.

Thanks also to the judges, stewards and sponsors and to all the competitors who brought their lovely ponies along. Without you all there would be no show.

As always thanks go to HM The Queen who allows us the use of the show ground each year.

Next year's show will be on Saturday 18th May 2019. We look forward to seeing all the familiar faces and hopefully lots of new ones.

Jean Bateson

Results (Fells only)

In hand Fell Youngstock

1. Mrs G Chambers' Waverhead Midnight Bellman
2. Shaun Rogerson's Greenholme King

In Hand Fell stallion

1. Jane Rawden and Samantha Audley's Bracklinn Glayva
2. Leanne Judd's Lunesdale Warlord

In Hand Fell mare

1. Kim Osborne's Bybeck Northern Dancer
2. Leanne Judd's Bluecaps Adorable Alexis

In hand Fell gelding

1. Sarah Prior's Broxdown Tornado
2. Kim Osborne's Linnel Punch
3. Olivia Logan's Tynebank Charlie
4. Amba Bowley's Yogi
5. Shaun Rogerson's Greenholme King

Child Handler

1. Molly Hampshire with Bybeck Northern Dancer
2. Olivia Logan with Tynebank Charlie
3. Kea Taylor with Linnel Punch
4. Amy Forsdyke with Shilstone Chinkwell Tor (Dartmoor)
5. Arthur Loose with Skye
6. Amba Bowley with Yogi (Fell)

In hand Championship

Champion: Bracklinn Glayva
Reserve: Broxdown Tornado

Ridden Fell

1. Broxdown Tornado
2. Lunesdale Warlord
3. Helen Nelson's
Brackenthwaite Bonnie
(best shod)
4. Tynebank Charlie (best
trimmed)

Child Rider

1. Molly Hampshire and Linnel
Punch
2. Amba Bowley and Yogi

Traditional Ridden

1. Dales
2. Dales
3. Linnel Punch
4. Yogi
5. Friend
6. Tynebank Charlie

Pairs

1. Linnel Punch and Bybeck
Northern Dancer

Very Novice WH

1. Linnel Punch

Novice WH

1. Dales
2. Dales
3. Friend
4. Brackenthwaite Bonnie

No Fell entries in dressage

Overall Youngstock Champion

Waverhead Midnight Bellman

Working Hunter Champion: Dales

Reserve: Linnel Punch

Ridden Fell Champion:

Broxdown Tornado

Reserve: Linnel Punch

Supreme Fell Championship

Champion: Bracklinn Glayva

Reserve: Broxdown Tornado

Champion of Champions

Bracklinn Glayva



Above, South Cumbria Ridden champion and Reserve Supreme Brackenbank Flicka and Amy Kinsella. Right, South Cumbria Supreme Champion Rackwood Maggie May and Jane Horn. Report on next page.

South Cumbria Show

Sunday 10 June 2018

Judges

Classes 1 - 8

Mr P Boustead (Summerhouse)

Classes 9 - 17

Mrs R Eastwood (Gowbarrow)

Classes 18 - 20

Ann Gardner

Class 1 Best Turned Out Pony & Rider

- 1st BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012
S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna, Rider: Miss S Cooper
- 2nd MERES JEMIMA III FP5377 f2010
S: Townend Pippin, D: Meres Jenalea
Rider: Miss V Barton
- 3rd GREENHOLME HEIDI FP5866 f2013
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Greenholme Dolly, Rider: Miss H Faulkner

Class 2A Traditional Ridden, walk & trot only (Mares)

- 1st ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 f2009
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale Columbine, Rider: Miss A Robinson
- 2nd BRACKENBANK FLICKA FP5890 f2013
S Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rosie
Rider: Miss A Kinsella
- 3rd LUNE VALLEY BEAUTY FP3142 f1997
S Murthwaite Victor, D: Lune Valley Janice
Rider: Ms N Foster

Class 2B Traditional Ridden, walk & trot only (Geldings & Stallions)

- 1st GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f2013
S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme White Rose, Rider: Mrs N Chippendale
- 2nd ROSEFELL T. REG FP71503G f2009
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck Cherry Blossom, Rider: Miss A Robinson
- 3rd DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011,
S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey,
Rider: Mrs G Ridding

CLASS 3 Novice Ridden Mare, Gelding or Stallion

- 1st MERES JEMIMA III FP5377 f2010
As Class 1, Rider: Miss V Barton
- 2nd GREENHOLME HEIDI FP5866 f2013
As Class 1. Rider: Miss H Faulkner
- 3rd GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f2013,
As Class 2B. Rider: Mrs N Chippendale

CLASS 4 Veteran Ridden mare, gelding or stallion

- 1st LUNE VALLEY BEAUTY FP3142 f1997
As Class 2A. Rider: Ms N Foster

CLASS 5 Junior Ridden, 14 years & under

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011.
As Class 2B, Rider: Miss I Ridding
- 2nd BANKSGATE CANDY
As Class 1. Rider: Miss S Cooper

CLASS 6 Junior Ridden, 15 - 18 years

- 1st WELLBROW NORMAN FP70463G f2004
S: Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders.
Rider: Miss L Jones

CLASS 7 Open Ridden Mare

- 1st BRACKENBANK FLICKA FP5890 f2013
As Class 2A. Rider: Miss A Kinsella
- 2nd GREENHOLME CHERYL FP4801 f2008
S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme Sasha.
Rider: Miss C Wilson
- 3rd BROCKLEBANK PIMMS No 1 FP5550 f2011
S: Severnvale Hereward, D: Brocklebank Brown Velvet. Rider: Miss H Stewart

CLASS 8 Open Ridden Gelding or Stallion

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011.
As Class 2B. Rider: Mrs G Ridding
- 2nd ROSEFELL T. REG FP71503G f2009
As Class 2B. Rider: Miss A Robinson
- 3rd BRACKLINN DYNAMITE FP71605C* f2010
S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows Jillian,
Rider: Mr B Williams

CLASS 9 Brood Mare

No Entries

CLASS 10 Foal

No entries

- CLASS 11 Yearling colt, filly or gelding**
 1st FIRBANK ROCKSTAR FP6433 f2017
 S: Murthwaite Michael, D: Murthwaite Meadowsweet (B) Mrs S E James
- 2nd LOWNTHWAITE OCEANA FP6370 f2017
 S: Underwoods Drummer, D: Lownthwaite P&O Miss L Awde
- 3rd BIRKETTBANK PRIYA FP6441 f2017
 S: Greenholme Elect, D: Carrock Princess

- CLASS 12 Two year old colt, filly or gelding**
 1st LOWNTHWAITE BRITANNIA FP6226 f2016
 S: Townend Pirate, D: Lownthwaite P&O Mrs A Bell
- 2nd BYBECK SAPPHIRE FP6246 f2016
 S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad D: Bybeck Lulu. Miss H Faulkner

- CLASS 13 Three year old colt, filly or gelding**
 1st RACKWOOD SOPHIE FP6093 f2015
 S: Brackenbank Amos, D: Rackwood Maydew, Mrs E A Walker

- CLASS 14 Mare 4 years old or over**
 1st RACKWOOD MAGGIE MAY FP5345 f2010
 S: Wellbrow Samson, D: Rackwood Maydew Mrs E A Walker
- 2nd CARROCK PRINCESS FP4003 f2004
 S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Carrock Pollyanna. Mr R Relph-Briggs
- 3rd ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 f2009
 As Class 2A, Mrs J Huddleston

- CLASS 15 Gelding or Stallion 4 years old or over**
 1st GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f2013
 As Class 2B, Mrs N Chippendale
- 2nd DALEHEAD PLUTO FP71850G f2011
 S: Lunesdale Ace of Spades, D: Dalehead Jenny. Miss N Evans
- 3rd ROSEFELL T. REG FP71503G f2009
 As Class 2B, Mrs J Huddleston

- CLASS 16 Veteran Stallion, Mare or Gelding 15 years or over**
 1st LUNE VALLEY BEAUTY FP3142 f1997
 As Class 2A, Rider: Ms N Foster

- 2nd WELLBROW COMPO FP51021C* f1999
 S: Heltondale Norman. D: Tebay Candide Mrs C M Sigurnjak

- CLASS 17 Young Handlers**
 1st WELLBROW DODGER FP71672G* f2010
 S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Handler: Miss L Jones
- 2nd BANKSGATE CANDY
 As Class 1, Handler: Miss S Cooper

- CLASS 16 Novice WHP**
 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011, As Class 2B
 Rider: B Hutchinson

- CLASS 17 Intermediate WHP**
 1st GREENHOLME DILLON FP71412G f2009, As Class B. Rider: L Bonnefon

- CLASS 18 Open WHP**
 1st GREENHOLME DILLON FP71412G f2009, a As Class 17. Rider: L Bonnefon

**Junior Ridden Champion
 DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH**

**Reserve
 WELLBROW NORMAN**

**Ridden Champion
 BRACKENBANK FLICKA**

**Reserve
 DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH**

**WHP Champion
 DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH**

**WHP Reserve
 GREENHOLME DILLON**

**In Hand Champion
 RACKWOOD MAGGIE MAY**

**Reserve
 FIRBANK ROCKSTAR**

**Supreme Champion
 RACKWOOD MAGGIE MAY**

**Reserve
 BRACKENBANK FLICKA**

Derbyshire Fell & Dales Pony Show 24th June 2018

This year's show was held in special memory of the late Mary Longsdon MBE who co-founded the show along with Jo Ashby, secretary to the Dales Pony Society, several ago. As a fitting tribute to Mary, the Fell Pony classes were very well supported with 40 ponies entered and gave FPS panel judge, Michael Goddard (Bewcastle Fell Ponies) both quality and quantity from which to make his selections.

Boutime Wooster owned and bred by Deb Vychinski headed up the stallion class with Wooster's two daughters, Boutime Esther and Boutime Mary (named after Mary Longsdon) vying for top spot in the yearling class which Esther then claimed. The two year old colt, filly or gelding class was won by Leanne Harman's and Mr George Guy's Severnvale Queen of the Vale. Local competitor Laura Hopkins won the three year old filly or gelding class with Rackwood Thomas bred by Eileen Walker.

The geld mare class was one of the largest of the day and it was agreed with Michael to split the class by age. Winning the strong 9 years and under class was the lovely Townend Fantasy bred by Mrs M Wilson and exhibited by Kate Wilson, who had travelled down from Cumbria for the show. In the older section of mares, 10 years and over, which again was a very strong class, worthy winner was Jenny Crane's Heltondale Bonny Girl who also won and picked up a golden ticket for the VHS Supreme Final in the veteran in-hand class. Leanne Harman and Mr George Guy took red ribbons for both the mare with foal at foot with proud mum, Severnvale June, and her foal, the aptly named Severnvale Sweet Pea.

Another well supported and strong class was the gelding class with Tamsyn Bell-Heather's Broxdown Tornado emerging as the eventual winner.



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The in-hand classes concluded with an exciting all family affair in the inter group Bewcastle Boy Blue qualifier, where Boutime Esther (*below*) competed against father Boutime Wooster. Esther collected the qualifier with Wooster as the reserve qualifier. Esther went on to take the youngstock championship. Michael's choice for the adult in-hand championship was the outstanding Townend Fantasy.

Next in the ring was the sole entry for the driving class, Raisbeck Cappuccino, expertly driven by Linda Wiggan. The versatile Cappuccino then went on to compete in both the dressage and ridden classes.

The afternoon ridden classes commenced with a win for Mr Craig Foster's Greenholme George and his new jockey, Katie Milward, embarking on their first competitive season together. The second very competitive novice ridden class (ponies not to have won £10 or two first placings) was won with a strong ridden show by Tamsyn Bell-Heather on Broxdown Tornado.

The intermediate ridden class provided a win for Ruby III who gave a lovely ridden show under Carrie Ann Richardson, with a second place for Bracklinn Nacho and Poppy Fisher. The popular traditional walk and trot class saw another big entry of ponies where Townend Fantasy took the top spot. In the open ridden, Tamsyn Bell-Heather pulled off

another win, this time with Murthwaite Strong Wind, and a second place for the handsome grey Hillhead Horace and Heidi Saxon Bland.

The sole competitor in the ridden veteran class was the evergreen Ludworth Albion ridden by Karen Bennett who also took the Ridden Veteran VHS Golden Ticket. In the ridden championship top honours went to Townend Fantasy, who then went on to take the supreme championship, with Boutime Esther standing as reserve supreme.

Fell Ponies were also busy competing in both the dressage and working hunter pony classes. In the dressage section judged by Sue Ollerenshaw, Nicola Patterson and Murthwaite Bonny Girl won the Intro A Test with Zoe Styles and Dalefoot Prince winning the Prelim 7 Test and Ludworth Albion and Karen Bennett taking the Novice 24 Test.

Dalefoot Prince, Ludworth Albion and Raisbeck Cappuccino also took home tickets for the NPS Supreme Dressage finals, to be held at Addington Manor Equestrian Centre, Addington, Buckinghamshire in April 2019.

Both Dales and Fell ponies joined forces in the working hunter pony classes which were judged by Claire Dale. The novice class was won by Wellbrow Belinda ridden by Miss M Jones and the Open class by the ever popular team of Chestermann Dandy and Sonyarisa Duckhouse who then went on to win the working hunter pony championship.

Reflecting on the day's events, Michael Goddard said, "It was a real pleasure to judge such excellent classes at the show especially the two very good classes of geld mares forward in the in-hand section. Both the supreme champion and reserve were two excellent ponies with lovely flat bone and clean hocks and real pony types. Both also had lift and reach in their movement at walk and in trot which is hard to find these days in a Fell Pony."

It was both an honour and a privilege to have been involved in such a super friendly show with competitors supporting each other both in and out of the ring, always smiling and encouraging each other.

Finally, a big thank you to all of the show team for working so hard and ensuring that the show ran smoothly. Mary would have been very proud of all of you.

Diane Key



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Chestermann Dandy and Sonyarisa Duckhouse, who won the working hunter pony championship, receive their trophy from Diane Key

RESULTS: FELL PONY IN HAND CLASSES

Class 1 - Stallions (Sponsored By Diane Key)

- 1ST BOUTIME WOOSTER FP71820C* 7 Years. Sire: Lunesdale Warlord FP71091C*. Dam: Darrenvale Katie FP2924. Breeder & Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
- 2ND BRACKLINN GLAYVA FP72412C* 4 Years. Sire: Carrock I'm Yer Man FP51327C*. Dam: Southolme Beauty FP2162. Breeder: Mr I & Mrs M Smith. Exhibitor: Mrs J Rawden & Mrs S Audley, Newark, Notts.

Class 2 Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding (Sponsored By Severnvalle Fell Ponies)

- 1ST BOUTIME ESTHER FP6374 1 Year. Sire: Boutime Wooster FP71820C*. Dam: Sleddale Rosebud FP3894. Breeder & Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
- 2ND BOUTIME MARY FP6373 1 Year. Sire: Boutime Wooster FP71820C*. Dam: Bracklinn Martha FP5747. Breeder & Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

Class 3 Two Year Old Colt, Filly or Gelding (Sponsored By Diane Key)

- 1ST SEVERNVALE QUEEN OF THE VALE FP6270 2 Years. Sire: Severnvalle Ivor FP71316C*. Dam: Severnvalle Gypsy Rose FP4345. Breeder: Mr G Guy. Exhibitor: Mrs L Harman & Mr G Guy, Frampton on Severn, Glos

Class 4 Three Year Old Filly or Gelding (Sponsored By Kate Merry)

- 1ST RACKWOOD THOMAS FP72541G 3 Years. Sire: Brackenbank Amos FP71039C*. Dam: Rackwood Melody FP4418*. Breeder: Mrs E A Walker. Exhibitor: Miss L Hopkins

Class 5 Mares without foal at foot, 4 years and over (Sponsored By Little Longstone Fell Group)

(Split Class - Mares under 10years)

- 1ST TOWNEND FANTASY FP5094 9 Years. Sire: Heltondale Bonzo Boy FP50115C*. Dam: Townend Bride II FP2420. Breeder: Mrs M Wilson. Exhibitor: Mrs K Wilson, Ulverston, Cumbria.
- 2ND GREENHOLME IMOGEN FP5998 4 Years. Sire: Greenholme Diego FP71371C*. Dam: Greenholme Bethany FP4595. Breeder: Miss R J Potter. Exhibitor: Mrs P J Steeples, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.

3RD RUBY III FP5032* 9 Years. Sire: Murthwaite Gurkha FP70591G*. Dam: Ruby II FP70343*. Breeder: Mrs S Field. Exhibitor: Miss Carrie-Ann Richardson, Keighley, West Yorkshire

4TH MURTHWAITE BONNY GIRL FP5404 8 Years. Sire: Murthwaite Look At Me FP51001C*. Dam: Heltondale Bonny Girl FP3595. Breeder: The late Mr T B Capstick. Exhibitor: Mrs N Patterson, Little Eaton, Derbyshire

5TH HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 4 Years. Sire: Murthwaite Wanted Man FP71082C*. Dam: Greenholme Fingers FP3087*. Breeder & Exhibitor: Mrs H Gallagher, Barnard Castle, Co Durham.

(Split Class - Mares 10 Years and Over)

- 1ST HELTONDALE BONNY GIRL FP3595 17 Years. Sire: Tebay Campbellton Victor 6614*. Dam: Heltondale Bonny Girl III FP2589. Breeder: Mrs G M Noble. Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.
- 2ND TOWNEND MAYBLOSSOM FP4811 10 Years. Sire: Castle Hill Bellman FP51137C*. Dam: Townend Blossom FP3054. Breeder: Mrs M Wilson. Exhibitor: Miss R Smith, Ilkeston, Derbyshire
- 3RD BALMORAL ALVIE FP4854 10 Years. Sire: Border Black Prince FP454C*. Dam: Shepparton Philippa FP3712. Breeder: H M The Queen. Exhibitor: Mrs A Whittlestone, Bakewell, Derbyshire
- 4TH SHEPPARTON KIM FP3435 18 Years. Sire: Dene Beau Bawbee FP50718G*. Dam: Shirdleyhill Tara FP3039. Breeder: Mrs J Hill. Exhibitor: Mrs A Whittlestone, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
- 5TH GREENHOLME SHANDY FP4469 12 Years. Sire: Lunesdale Redstart FP50708C*. Dam: Greenholme Jenny FP1354. Exhibitor: Mrs T Habberley, Ashton Under Lyne, Lancashire. Breeder: Mr W.S Potter.
- 6TH WELLBROW BELINDA FP4823 10 Years. Sire: Wellbrow Leo FP50513C*. Dam: Wellbrow Nora FP3839. Breeder: Mr A Thorpe. Exhibitor: Miss M Jones, Ilkeston, Derbyshire.
- Class 6 Mare with foal at foot (Sponsored By Jayne Walster)**
- 1ST SEVERNVALE JUNE FP5110 9 Years. Sire: Severnvalle Denzil FP70134G*. Dam: Drybarrows Jenny Wren FP1888. Breeder: Mr G Guy. Exhibitor: Mrs L Harman & Mr G Guy, Frampton on Severn, Glos

Class 7 Foal (Sponsored By Severnvale Fell Ponies)

- 1ST SEVERNVALE SWEET PEA. Sire: Severnvale Ivor FP71316C*. Dam: Severnvale June FP5110. Breeder: Mr G Guy. Exhibitor: Mrs L Harman & Mr G Guy, Frampton on Severn, Glos.

Class 8 Geldings, 4 years and over (Sponsored By Helen Moss)

- 1ST BROXDOWN TORNADO FP71534G 9 Years. Sire: Sunnybrowe Prince FP970C*. Dam: Townend Whisper FP3723. Breeder: Ms S Prior. Exhibitor: Miss T Bell-Heather, Asbourne, Derbyshire.
- 2ND HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 14 Years. Sire: Greenholme Ringo FP51020C*. Dam: Hillhead Trixie FP2804. Breeder: The Late Mr L Stewart. Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford, Shropshire.
- 3RD BRACKLINN NACHO FP72129G 6 Years. Sire: Carrock I'm Yer Man FP51327C*. Dam: Bybeck Emerald FP3997. Breeder: Mrs E Smith. Exhibitor: Miss P Fisher, Atherstone, Warwicks.
- 4TH GREENHOLME GEORGE FP72046G 6 Years. Sire: Murthwaite Wanted Man FP71082C*. Dam: Greenholme Becky FP4596. Breeder: Miss R J Potter. Exhibitor: Mr C Foster, Oulton, Staffs.
- 5TH TOWNEND ROCKY FP71049G* 10 Years. Sire: Heltondale Bonzo Boy FP50115C*. Dam: Townend Hope FP3479. Breeder: Mrs M Wilson. Exhibitor: Mrs J Webster, Aldridge, West Midlands.
- 6TH GREENHOLME WATERLOO FP70894G 12 Years. Sire: Drybarrows Rusty FP606C. Dam: Greenholme Romance FP3415. Breeder: Mr & Mrs W S Potter. Exhibitor: Exhibitor: Miss K White & Miss J Kelly, Uttoxeter, Staffs.

Veteran (15 years and over * (Sponsored by PM Imaging)

- 1ST HELTONDALE BONNY GIRL FP3595 17 Years As Class 5. Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.
- 2ND SHEPPARTON KIM FP3435 18 Years As Class 5. Exhibitor: Mrs A Whittlestone, Bakewell, Derbyshire.
- 3RD PIKESTONE LINNET FP3193 20 Years. Sire: Drybarrows Rusty FP3193. Dam: Pikestone Lady Dawn FP2514. Breeder: Mr J Hunter. Exhibitor: Miss K White & Miss J Kelly, Uttoxeter, Staffs.

- 4TH LUDWORTH ALBION FP70045G 16 Years. Sire: Heltondale Bonzo Boy FP50115C*. Dam: Lownthwaite Vanity FP2220. Breeder: Mrs P M Kell. Exhibitor: Mrs K Bennett, Stockport, Cheshire.

FELL PONY RIDDEN CLASSES

Class 10 Novice Pony in its first season under saddle (Sponsored By Helen Moss)

- 1ST GREENHOLME GEORGE FP72046G 6 Years As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mr C Foster, Oulton, Staffs.

Class 11 Novice Pony (Sponsored by Helen Moss)

- 1ST BROXDOWN TORNADO FP71534G 9 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Miss T Bell-Heather, Ashbourne, Derbyshire.
- 2ND CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G* 11 Years. Sire: Lunesdale Royal FP942C*. Dam: Holly FP2294. Breeder: Mrs N Gwynne. Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Welshpool, Powys.
- 3RD DALEFOOT PRINCE FP71142G 10 Years. s Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs Z Styles, Loughborough, Leics.
- 4TH DRYBARROWS TIM II FP71793G 8 Years. Sire: Askham Gate Lucky Tom FP51017C*. Dam: Drybarrows Polly II FP4123. Breeder: The Late Mr T C Thompson. Exhibitor: Miss K Smith, Doncaster, South Yorkshire.
- 5TH GREENHOLME SHANDY FP4469 12 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Mrs T Habberley, Ashton Under Lyne, Lancashire.
- 6TH WELLBROW BELINDA FP4823 10 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Miss M Jones, Ilkeston, Derbyshire.

Class 12 Intermediate Ridden not to have previously qualified for RI, HOYS or Olympia (Sponsored By Diane Key)

- 1ST RUBY III FP5032* 9 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Miss Carrie-Ann Richardson, Keighley, West Yorkshire.
- 2ND BRACKLINN NACHO FP72129G 6 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Miss P Fisher, Atherstone, Warwicks.
- 3RD CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G* 11 Years. As Class 11. Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Welshpool, Powys.
- 4TH TOWNEND ROCKY FP71049G* 10 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs J Webster, Aldridge, West Midlands.

5TH HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 14 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford, Shropshire.

6TH RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 11 Years. Sire: Guards Jester FP51006C*. Dam: Orton Hall Dusky FP2495. Breeder: Mrs D J Slack. Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire.

Class 13 Traditional Ridden Class - Walk and Trot Only (Sponsored By Rachel Barratt)

1ST TOWNEND FANTASY FP5094 9 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Mrs K Wilson, Ulverston, Cumbria

2ND RUBY III FP5032* 9 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Miss Carrie-Ann Richardson, Keighley, West Yorkshire.

3RD HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 14 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford, Shropshire.

4TH BOUTIME WOOSTER FP71820C* 7 Years. As Class 1. Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Bakewell, Derbyshire.

5TH BRACKLINN NACHO FP72129G 6 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Miss P Fisher, Atherstone, Warwicks.

6TH RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 11 Years. As Class 12. Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire.

Class 14 Open Ridden Class (Sponsored By Helen Moss)

1ST MURTHWAITE STRONG WIND FP4456 12 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Miss T Bell-Heather, Ashbourne, Derbyshire

2ND HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 14 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford, Shropshire.

3RD CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G* 11 Years. As Class 11. Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Welshpool, Powys

Class 15 Veteran Ridden - 15 years and over * (Sponsored By Katie Jewitt and Nina Bolton)

1ST LUDWORTH ALBION FP70045G 16 Years. As Class 9. Exhibitor: Mrs K Bennett, Stockport, Cheshire.

WORKING HUNTER PONY

Class 27 Novice Working Hunter - 50cms (Sponsored By Kate White and Stewart Kelly)

1ST WELLBROW BELINDA FP4823 10 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Miss M Jones, Ilkeston

2ND TOWNEND BEVIS FP70193G 15 years. Sire: Lownthwaite Moonshadow FP50558G* Dam: Townend Bethany FP2609 Breeder: Mrs M Wilson. Exhibitor: Miss S Francis, Telford, Shropshire.

Class 28 Open Working Hunter - 60cms (Sponsored By Paul & Lindsay Vernon)

1ST CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G* 11 Years. As Class 11. Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse, Welshpool, Powys.

DRIVING

Class 34 - Any Turnout (Sponsored By Sarah Clements)

1ST RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 11 Years. As Class 12. Exhibitor: Mrs L Wiggin, Fillongley, Warwickshire

DRESSAGE (under BD Rules)

Class A: Intro A Walk & Trot Test (Sponsored By Kate Merry)

1ST MURTHWAITE BONNY GIRL FP5404 8 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Mrs N Patterson, Little Eaton, Derbyshire.

2ND WELLBROW BELINDA FP4823 10 Year. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Miss M Jones, Ilkeston, Derbyshire.

3RD STONEYBANK TALISMAN FP71033G 11 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs N Patterson, Little Eaton, Derbyshire.

Class B: Preliminary Test 7 *(Sponsored By Janet Blair)

1ST* DALEFOOT PRINCE FP71142G 10 Years. As Class 8. Exhibitor: Mrs Z Styles, Loughborough, Leics.

2ND* LUDWORTH ALBION FP70045G 16 Years. As Class 9. Exhibitor: Mrs K Bennett, Stockport, Cheshire.

3RD DRYBARROWS TIM II FP71793G 8 Years. As Class 11. Exhibitor: Miss K Smith, Doncaster, South Yorkshire.

4TH GREENHOLME SHANDY FP4469 12 Years. As Class 5. Exhibitor: Mrs T Habberley, Ashton Under Lyne, Lancashire.

* NPS Dressage Qualifiers From Both Fell and Dales Ponies

Class C: Novice Test 24 *(Sponsored By Karen Bennett)

1ST* LUDWORTH ALBION FP70045G 16 Years. As Class 9. Exhibitor: Mrs K Bennett, Stockport, Cheshire.

- 2ND CHESTERMANN DANDY FP71087G* 11 Years.
As Class 11. Exhibitor: Ms S Duckhouse,
Welshpool, Powys.
- 3RD RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 11 Years.
As Class 12. Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb,
Fillongley, Warwickshire.
- * NPS Dressage Qualifier, Fells and Dales Ponies

**Qualifiers for VHS Champion of the Day: Heltondale Bonny Girl,
Shepparton Kim**

**Bewcastle Boy Blue Qualifier:
Boutime Esther**

Reserve: Boutime Wooster

Youngstock Champion: Boutime Esther

Reserve: Severnvale Sweet Pea

**Adult In Hand Champion:
Townend Fantasy**

**Adult In Hand Reserve:
Heltondale Bonny Girl**

**Working Hunter Champion:
Chestermann Dandy**

Reserve: Pingate Holly (Dales)

**Qualifier for VHS Champion of the Day:
Ludworth Albion**

**Ridden Champion - Mr & Mrs K Dorman
Scotgate Fell Ponies Salver**

Ridden Champion: Townend Fantasy

Ridden Reserve: Ruby III

**Overall Supreme Fell Pony
Champion**

**SUPREME CHAMPION: TOWNEND
FANTASY**

RESERVE SUPREME: BOUTIME ESTHER



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*Derbyshire Show Overall Supreme Fell Pony Champion Townend Fantasy,
shown by Mrs K Wilson, Ulverston, Cumbria.*

46th BREED SHOW FOR REGISTERED FELL PONIES

Dalemain, Penrith, Sunday 5 August 2018

- Judges**
- Classes 1-8 Mr R Sutcliffe (Darrenvale)
Classes 9-17 Miss D Chadwick (Hedgethorpe)
Classes 19-23 & 39 Miss J Charlton (Linnel)
Classes 24-28 & 39 Mrs R Williams (Ferrymount)
Class 18 & 38 Mrs J Ward
Classes 34-37 Mrs B Hodgson (Inglegarth)
Classes 29-30 Mrs C H Robinson
Class 31A, B & C Wendy Murray
Classes 32 & 33 Mr J G Newhouse
Classes 40-43 Mrs R Eastwood (Gowbarrow)
- Class 1 Mare 4 - 7 years old (Mare with foal at foot not eligible)**
- 1st LUNESDALE ANNA FP5990 f2014
S: Lunesdale Anna, D: Kunesdale Leah
Mr & Mrs A W Morland
- 2nd TOWNEND FANCY FP6021 f2014
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie II.
Mrs M Wilson
- 3rd GREENHOLME IMOGEN FP5998 f2014
S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Bethany.
Mrs P Steeples
- CLASS 2 Mare 8 years old and upwards (Mare with foal at foot not eligible)**
- 1st TOWNEND SKYLARK FP5315 f2010
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Sky
Mrs M Wilson
- 2nd RACKWOOD MAGGIE MAY FP5345 f2010. S: Wellbrow Samson, D: Rackwood Maydew
Mrs E A Walker
- 3rd TOWNEND CHERRY FP5081 f2009
S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Choccy
Mrs J Reekie
- 4th ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 f2009
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale Columbine.
Mrs J Huddleston
- 5th CASTLE HILL TIA MARIA FP5262 f2010
S: Towerview Spirit of Joy, D: Heltondale Lady.
Miss N Evans
- 6th DRYBARROWS MADDY FP4463 f2006
S: Townend Rolo, D: Drybarrows Rose
Mrs E M Ball
- CLASS 3 Mare 4 years old and upward with own filly foal at foot**
- 1st GREENHOLME GIPSY ROSE FP5665 f2012
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme Winnie.
Miss H Lightfoot
- 2nd CLIFFORD SILVER LADY FP5050 f2009
S: Stenerskeugh Smoke, D: Holling Briony
Mrs C Morland
- 3rd GREENHOLME BUTTERCUP FP4566 f2007
S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Heltondale May Dew VIII.
Miss R Morland
- 4th CARROCK ELSA FP6003 f2014
S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Townend Sugar
Mr J W Cockbain
- 5th HILLHEAD EMMA FP4531 f2006
S: Murthwaite Black Bobby, D: Hillhead Jean.
Mrs H Gallagher
- 6th BRACKLINN HONEY FP4356 f2006
S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Bracklinn Black Beauty.
Miss C Savage
- CLASS 4 Filly Foal**
- 1st LUNESDALE FILLY f2018
S: Lunesdale Beckham, D: Cliford Silver Lady.
Mrs C Morland
- 2nd WAVERFOOT NANCY f2018
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Greenholme Gipsy Rose.
Miss H Lightfoot
- 3rd DEEPGHYLL NEVADA f2018
S: Murthwaite Smoking Joe, D: Bracklinn Honey.
Mrs C Savage
- 4th HILLHEAD PORT ELLEN FP6513 f2018
S: Linnel Riddler, D: Hillhead Emma II
Mrs H Gallagher

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Above, Breed Show Supreme Champion, Townend Skylark and Jamie Cockbain.

*Below, Sandringham Champion, Samantha Audley's
Bracklinn Glayva shown by Jane Rawden*





Claire Simpson

Mr A Smith's Bracklinn Avenger, reserve Champion at the Breed Show

Elaine Prosperini and Broughs BetsyMay on a 21 km endurance ride



Andrew Ray (manimages)



Moret Photography

Two Fells are twice as good - above, Poppy Orr with Oldmill Mountain Breeze achieving a clear round in arena eventing at Codham Park Equestrian, Essex; and below, Poppy's twin brother Harry with Bybeck Hercules winning the class at the same event



Moret Photography



Nicola Evans

Cumbrian ponies
in Cumbrian landscapes

Top, "You read the map, Mum, I've got this!" - ponies setting off onto Askham Fell on a misty September morning.



Nicola Evans



Vyv Wood-Gee

Above left, Vyv Wood-Gee's Murthwaite Mikado looking down from Nan Bield Pass.

Right, Helen Bailey and Dalehead Navigator at lunchtime on Loadpot Hill, west of Bampton.

5th CASTLEFELL MAY DEW f2018

S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme Buttercup. Miss R Morland

6th CARROCK filly f2018

S: Banksgate Jack High, D: Carrock Elsa
Mr J W Cockbain

CLASS 5 Yearling Filly

1st BOUTIME ESTHER FP6373 f2017

S: Boutime Wooster, D: Sleddale Rosebud
Mrs D Vychinski

2nd DEEPGHYLL DALLAS FP6434 F2017

S: Murthwaite Smoking Joe, D: Bracklinn Honey. Mrs C Savage

3rd GREENHOLME LITTLE PRINCESS FP6387 f2017. S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Huntsmans Bilberry. Mrs P Steeples

4th LUNESDALE BLACK ROSE FP6396 f2017

S: Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Lunesdale Ice Queen. Mr & Mrs A W Morland

5th BRACKLINN ALICE FP6451 f2017

S: Auckside Freddie, D: Auckside Poppy
Mr A Smith

6th BOUTIME MARY FP6373 f2017

S: Boutime Wooster, D: Bracklinn Martha
Mrs D Vychinski

CLASS 6 Filly - 2 years old

1st CARROCK LILLY FP6278 f2016

S: Boutime Wooster D: Townend Sugar
Mr J W Cockbain

2nd LUNESDALE BURNT SUGAR FP6235 f2016

S: Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Stenerskeugh Amanda May III. Mr & Mrs A W Morland

3rd SUMMERHOUSE GLORY FP6258 f2016

S: Underwoods Gideon, D: Burnhead Polly
Mr P Boustead

4th WAVERHEAD BRIAR ROSE FP6252 f2016

S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Waverhead Rosehip. Miss B Bell

5th LOWNTHWAITE BRITANNIA FP6226 f2016

S: Townend Pirate, D: Lownthwaite P & O
Mrs A Bell

6th DRYBARROWS BAROQUE FP6314 f2016

S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows Bell II. Mr D Thompson

CLASS 7 Filly - 3 years old

1st DRYBARROWS AUTHENTIC FP6174 f2015

S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows Shauna. Mr A Smith

2nd WAVERHEAD SKYLARK FP6163 f2015

S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Waverhead Polly VI. Miss H Lightfoot

3rd HEBDENWOOD LOOK AT HER FP6293* F2015

S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Murthwaite Dainty. Mr P Boustead

4th CARROCK BELL HEATHER FP6139 f2015

S: Castlehill Bellman, D: Sleddale Wild Rose III. Mrs G M Cockbain

5th RACKWOOD SOPHIE FP6093 f2015

S: Brackenbank Amos, D: Rackwood Maydew. Mrs E A Walker

6th SETMABANNING WISPA FP6158 f2015

S: Murthwaite Icicle, D: Townend Mara
Mr G L Hutton

CLASS 8 Mare Progeny

No Entries

CLASS 9 Gelding 4 - 7 years old

1st GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f2013

S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme White Rose. Mrs N Chippendale

2nd DALEHEAD PLUTO FP71850G f2011

S: Lunesdale Ace of Spades, D: Dalehead Jenny. Miss N Evans

3rd SHADWOCROFT ACE OF SPADES FP72007G f2011

S: Lownthwaite Ribas, D: Shadowcroft Lapis Lazuli. Miss W Snell

4th HYNHOLME GRIFFIN FP72226g f2013

S: Brackenbank Flash Harry, D: Hynholme Charla. Mr B McDermott

CLASS 10 Gelding 8 years and upwards

1st WELLBROW DODGER FP71672G* f2010

S: Heltondale Mountain Mist D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders. Miss M L Younger

- 2nd STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G* f2005
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh
Bethany. Mrs G Chippendale
- 3rd WELLBROW MOONSTONE FP70788G f2006
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist D: Wellbrow
Jade. Mrs M Donnan
- 4th HARTHOUSE HILLMAN FP71338G f2008
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona
Lisa. Mrs S R Stewart

**CLASS 11 Mare 4 years old and
upward with own colt foal at foot**

- 1st BRACKENBANK GYPSY III FP4421 f2006
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Brackenbank
Mayblossom. Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 2nd RACKWOOD BLACK MAGIC FP5251 f2010
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Rackwood Magic
Mrs E A Walker
- 3rd CASTLE HILL ROSE FP3615 f2001
S: Towerview Spirit of Joy, D: Townend
Shadow. Miss C Savage
- 4th TOWNEND JASMINE FP3802 f2002
S: Drybarrows Duke, D: Sleddale Lib IV
Mr J I Brunskill

CLASS 12 Colt Foal

- 1st BRACKENBANK RED ACE f2018
S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad,
D: Brackenbank Gypsy III
Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 2nd HYNHOLME COLT f2018
S: Murthwaite Barklay, D: Townend Jasmine
Mr J I Brunskill
- 3rd RACKWOOD BLACK PRINCE f2018
S: Linnel Riddler, D: Rackwood Black Magic
Mrs E A Walker
- 4th DEEPGHYLL KANSAS f2018
S: Murthwaite Icicle D: Castle Hill Rose
Miss C Savage

CLASS 13 Yearling Colt or Gelding

- 1st BRACKLINN AVENGER FP72832C f2017
S: Auckside Freddie, D: Bracklinn Tess
Mr A Smith

- 2nd LUNESDALE JACKSON FP72779C f2017
S: Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Lunesdale
Land Girl. Mr & Mrs A W Morland
- 3rd DRYBARROWS CERBERUS FP72861C f2017
S: Carrock I'm yer Man, D: Drybarrows
Swallow. Mr D C Thompson
- 4th WELLBROW KINGSTON FP72798G f2017
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow
Polly Flinders. Miss M L Younger

**CLASS 14 Colt or Gelding - 2 years
old**

- 1st WELLBROW JOSH FP72651C f2016
S: Wellbrow Rover, D: Wellbrow Ruth
Miss C Read

**CLASS 15 Colt or Gelding - 3 years
old**

- 1st MURTHWAITE TBC FP72474G, f2015
S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad, D: Murthwaite
Alice. Mrs S E James
- 2nd DRYBARROWS AMADEUS FP72542C* f2015
S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows
Dainty. Miss N Speak

**CLASS 16 Veteran Mare or Gelding
15 years and over**

- 1st RAISBECK CASINO FP3481 f2000
S: Rylstone Black Night, D: Lunesdale
Frances. Mrs D J Slack
- 2nd WELLBROW CARMEN FP3537 f2000
S: Greenholme Mikado, D: Greenholme
Oprah. Mr A Thorpe
- 3rd LOWNTHWAITE BRAMBLE FP1985* f1990
S: Townend Samuel, D: Lownthwaite Star
Blossom. Mrs A W Bell
- 4th GLOBETROTTER POLIKARPOV FP3953
f2003. S: Dene Teviot, D: Dene
Demetra. Mrs E Robinson
- 5th WANSFELL ALMA FP2122 f1991
S: Sleddale Mike II, D: Wansfell Melody II (B)
Mrs P Bonnick

CLASS 17 Stallion Progeny

- 1st HELTONDALE BONZO BOY
Townend Fantasy, Townend Fancy &
Townend Skylark. Mrs M Wilson

2nd LOWNTHWAITE GARY progeny
Waverfoot Nancy, Waverhead Skylark &
Waverhead Briar Rose
Miss H Lightfoot & Miss B Bell

3rd BOUTIME WOOSTER
Carrock Lilly, Boutime Mary & Boutime
Esther.
Mrs D Vychinski & Mr J W Cockbain

4th LUNESDALE UNION JACK
Lunesdale Black Rose, Lunesdale Burnt
Sugar, Lunesdale Jackson
Mr & Mrs A W Morland

5th WELLBROW LANCASHIRE LAD
Brackenbank Red Ace, Bybeck Sapphire,
Murthwaite TBC
Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson, Miss H Faulkner &
Mrs S E James

**CLASS 18 Best Turned Out Pony and
Rider**

- 1st BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012
S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate
Pollyanna. Rider: Miss S Cooper
- 2nd DRYBARROWS RULER FP71304G f2008
S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Kate
Rider: Miss E Nicholas
- 3rd GREENHOLME HEIDI FP5866 f2013
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Greenholme
Dolly. Rider: Miss H Faulkner

**CLASS 19 Riding Class for Stallions
or Geldings - 4 years old and upwards**

- 1st BRACKLINN DRAMBUIE FP71608C* f2010
S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Southolme
Beauty. Rider: Miss A Speak
- 2nd DEEPGYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011
S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey
Rider: Mrs G Ridding
- 3rd ROSEFELL T REG FP71503G f2009
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck Cherry
Blossom. Rider: Miss A Robinson
- 4th MURTHWAITE WINDRUSH FP5120C* f2001
S: Murthwaite Bross, D: Greenholme Jess
Rider: Mrs S Peto

5th MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING FP71080G
f2007
S: Murthwaite Look at Me, D: Heltondale
Dainty VI
Rider: Mrs J Rawden

6th SHADOWCROFT ACE OF SPADES FP72007G
f2011. S: Lownthwaite Ribas, D:
Shadowcroft Lapis Lazuli. Rider:
Miss W Snell

**CLASS 20 Riding Class for Mares - 4
years old and upwards**

- 1st LUNESDALE AURORA FP4437 f2006
S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady
Rebecca. Rider: Mrs B J Robinson
- 2nd RUBY III FP5032* f2009
S: Murthwaite Gurkha, D: Ruby II
Rider: Miss C A Richardson
- 3rd BROCKLEBANK PIMMS NO 1 FP5550 f2011
S: Severnvale Hereward, D: Brocklebank
Brown Velvet. Rider: Miss A Metcalfe
- 4th RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck
Casino. Rider: Miss A Dickinson
- 5th HELTONDALE BONNY LASS VI FP4580 f2007
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Heltondale
Bonny III. Rider: Miss N Jackson
- 6th TOWNEND FANTASY FP5094 f2009
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie
II. Rider: Mrs K Wilson

**CLASS 21 Traditional Ridden - Walk
& Trot only**

- 1st RUBY III FP5032* f2009
S: Murthwaite Gurkha, D: Ruby II
Rider: Miss C A Richardson
- 2nd TOWNEND FANTASY FP5094 f2009
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend
Bridie II. Rider: Mrs K Wilson
- 3rd GREENHOLME GUARDSMAN FP72043G f2012
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme
Vanessa. Rider: Miss A Metcalfe
- 4th RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck
Casino
Rider: Miss A Dickinson

- 5th BRACKENBANK FLICKA FP5890 f2013
S: Fitxview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rosie
Rider: Miss A Kinsella
- 6th LUNESDALE BLACK DAHLIA FP5272 f2010
S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Lunesdale Black
Queen. Rider: Ms V Kenyon

CLASS 22 Nursery Novice

- 1st MURTHWAITE HEIR HUNTER FP71979C*
f2011.
S: Murthwaite Oliver, D: Murthwaite
Morning Glory. Rider: Mrs S Peto
- 2nd GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f2013
S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme
White Rose. Rider: Mrs N Chippendale
- 3rd BRUNSWYKE EBONY FP5054 f2009
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Lunesdale Penny
Black. Rider: Miss E Littlejohn

CLASS 23 Pairs Ridden

- 1st LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy
Queen. Rider: Miss S Jones
- and GREENHOLME HEIDI FP5866 f2013
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Greenholme
Dolly. Rider: Miss H Faulkner

**CLASS 24 Ridden Veteran Class -
Mare or Gelding to be 15 years or over**

- 1st RAISBECK CASINO FP3481 f2000
S: Rylstone Black Night, D: Lunesdale
Frances. Rider: Miss A Dickinson
- 2nd KERBECK SMUGGLERS FIRE FP51177G f2001
S: Peepings Enterprise, D: Sleddale
Rosemary III. Rider: Mrs J Brain
- 3rd WINTONBECK BOB FP784G f1991
S: Tarnmoor Prince, D: Bluecaster Bridie
Grundy. Rider: Miss S Hartley
- 4th WANSFELL ALMA FP2122 f1991
S: Sleddale Mike II, D: Wansfell Melody II (B)
Rider: Miss P Gaskell

**CLASS 25 Riding Class for Novice
Stallions or Geldings - 4 years old and
upwards**

- 1st BRACKLINN TRAVIS FP72434C* f2014

S: Bracklinn Jackpot, D: Drybarrows Jillian
Rider: Miss H Reynolds

- 2nd GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249G* f2013
S: Greenholme Diego, D: Greenholme
White Rose. Rider: Mrs N Chippendale
- 3rd MURTHWAITE HEIR HUNTER FP71979C*
f2011
S: Murthwaite Oliver, D: Murthwaite
Morning Glory. Rider: Mrs S Peto
- 4th WELLBROW FURY FP72132G f2012
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow
Carmen. Rider: Miss A Davidson
- 5th GREENHOLME GUARDSMAN FP72043G f2012
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme
Vanessa. Rider: Miss A Metcalfe
- 6th LINNEL FROSTIE FP71217G f2008
S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Linnel Fair
Surprise. Rider: Miss G Courage

**CLASS 26 Riding Class for Novice
Mares - 4 years old and upwards**

- 1st DALEFOOT AMBER II FP5328 f2010
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot
Amber (B). Rider: Miss O Swailes
- 2nd LUNESDALE BLACK DAHLIA FP5272 f2010
S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Lunesdale Black
Queen. Rider: Ms V Kenyon
- 3rd DRYBARROWS MADDY FP4463 f2006
S: Townend Rolo, D: Drybarrows Rose
Rider: Mrs E M Ball
- 4th GREENHOLME HEIDI FP5866 f2013
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Greenholme
Dolly. Rider: Miss H Faulkner

**CLASS 27 Riding Class Ridden by a
boy or girl 14 years or under on the day
of the show**

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011
S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey
Rider: Izzy Ridding (11)
- 2nd DALEFOOT RIPPLE FP5478 f2011
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot
Scooby. Rider: Ben Summers (12)
- 3rd BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012
S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate
Pollyanna. Rider: Serena Cooper (12)

CLASS 28 Riding Class for Ponies 4 years old and upwards. Ridden by a boy or girl not to have attained their 18th birthday before 1 January in current year.

- 1st LUNESDALE AURORA FP4437 f2006
S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca. Rider: Ellie Mitchell (16)
- 2nd LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy Queen. Rider: Sophie Jones (17)
- 3rd LITTLETREE CORNELIA FP4423 f2006
S: Littletree Bodini, D: Lunesdale Columbine. Rider: Morgan Yeomans (14)

CLASS 29 Driving - Stallion, Mare or Gelding - 4 years old and upwards

- 1st STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G* f2005
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh Bethany. Mrs G Chippendale

CLASS 30 Cone Driving

No entries

CLASS 31 Dressage

- 31A BE 90 Test 95 (Senior)
- 1st WELLBROW NORMAN FP70463G f2004
S: Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders. Rider: Miss M L Younger
- 2nd KERBECK SMUGGLERS FIRE FP51177G f2001
S: Peepings Enterprise, D: Sleddale Rosemary III. Rider: Mrs J Brain
- 3rd WELLBROW FURY FP72132G f2012
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II D: Wellbrow Carmen. Rider: Miss A Davidson
- 4th HOLLING WILKIE FP70569G f2005
S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Holling Queenie Rider: Ms J Fairburn
- 5th DALEHEAD PLUTO FP71850G f2011
S: Lunesdale Ace Of Spades, D: Dalehead Jenny. Rider: Miss N Evans

31B Preliminary 7 (Junior)

No entries

31C Introductory

- 1st RUBY III FP5032* f2009
S: Murthwaite Gurkha, D: Ruby II Rider: Miss C A Richardson
- 2nd BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012
S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna. Rider: Miss S Cooper
- 3rd HOLLING WILKIE FP70569G f2005
S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Holling Queenie Rider: Ms J Fairburn
- 4th DRYBARROWS MADDY FP4463 f2006
S: Townend Rolo, D: Drybarrows Rose Rider: Mrs E M Ball
- 5th DRYBARROWS RULER FP71304G f2008
S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Kate Rider: Miss E Nicholas
- 6th BRUNSWYKE EBONY FP5054 f2009
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Lunesdale Penny Black. Rider: Miss E Littlejohn

CLASS 32 Pony with the best set of feet (Shod)

No entries

CLASS 33 Pony with the best set of feet (un-shod)

- 1st HEBDENWOOD LOOK AT HER FP6293* F2015
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Murthwaite Dainty. Mr P Boustead
- 2nd RUNDALES VOLLEY FP6112 f2015
S: Wellbrow Rover D: Rundaes Elley Miss R Woodruff
- 3rd LINNELL FROSTIE FP71217G f2008
S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Linnell Fair Surprise. Miss C Deane
- 4th RAISBECK CASINO FP3481 f2000
S: Rylstone Black Night, D: Lunesdale Frances. Mrs D J Slack
- 5th HILLHEAD EMMA II FP4531 f2006
S: Murthwaite Black Bobby, D: Hillhead Jean. Mrs H Gallagher

CLASS 34 Lead Rein

- 1st THORNBECK CHRISTINE FPO5635 f2012
S: Brackenbank Flash Harry, D: Kerbeck Night Crystal. Rider: Lacey Wake (7)

2nd WINTONBECK BOB FP784G f1991

S: Tarnmoor Prince, D: Bluecaster Bridie Grundy. Rider: Macey Fleming (9)

3rd HOLLING WILKIE FP70569G f2005

S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Holling Queenie
Rider: Ella Fairburn (7)

CLASS 35 First Ridden

1st CASTLE HILL TIA MARIA FP5262 f2010

S: Towerview Spirit of Joy, D: Heltondale Lotty. Rider: Emily Cheetham (10)

2nd WANSFELL ALMA FP2122 f1991

S: Sleddale Mike II, D: Wansfell Melody II (B). Rider: Faith Gaskell (10)

CLASS 36 Young Judges

1st Lucy Jones (16)

2nd Serena Cooper (12)

3rd Emily Cheetham (10)

4th Sophie Jones (17)

CLASS 37 Young Handlers

1st MURTHWAITE SILVER BIRCH FP5868 f2013

S: Murthwaite Ice Man, D: Murthwaite Bracken's Lass. Georgia Ellis (16)

2nd CARROCK ELSA FP6003 f2014

S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Townend Sugar Imogen Cockbain (10)

3rd BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012

S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna. Serena Cooper (12)

4th CASTLE HILL TIA MARIA FP5262 F2010

S: Towerview Spirt Of Joy, D: Heltondale Lotty. Emily Cheetham (10)

5th LOWNTHWAITE BRAMBLE FP1985* f1990

S: Townend Samuel, D: Lownthwaite Star Blossom. Mary Bell (3)

CLASS 38 Fancy Dress

1st WINTONBECK BOB FP784G f1991

S: Tarnmoor Prince, D: Bluecaster Bridie Grundy. Macey Fleming (9)

2nd HOLLING WILKIE FP70569G f2005

S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Holling Queenie
Ella Fairburn (7) & Emily Cheetham (10)

3rd BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012

S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna. Serena Cooper (12)

4th LOWNTHWAITE BRAMBLE FP1985* f1990

S: Townend Samuel, D: Lownthwaite Star Blossom. Mary Bell (3)

5th WANSFELL ALMA FP2122 f1991

S: Sleddale Mike II, D: Wansfell Melody II (B). Pippa Gaskell (12)

**CLASS 39 Ridden Pony
Championship Qualifier**

1st LUNESDALE AURORA FP4437 f2006

S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady Rebecca. Rider: Mrs B J Robinson

2nd LITTLETREE CORNELIA FP4423 f2006. S:

Littletree Bodini, D: Lunesdale Columbine.
Rider: Miss M Yeomans

3rd MURTHWAITE WINDRUSH FP51201C* f2001.

S: Murthwaite Bross, D: Greenholme Jess
Rider: Mrs S Peto

4th BYBECK KINGFISHER FP71467C* f2009

S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Greenholme Rose. Rider: Miss L Nichols

5th WELLBROW DIPLOMAT FP71674C* f2010

S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Heltondale Duchess. Rider: Miss H Reynolds

6th NOTLAW SUNDANCE KID FP72192G* f2012

S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Salisbury Delia
Rider: Miss A Metcalfe

CLASS 40 WHP - Beginners

1st WELLBROW DEXA FP71673G f2010

S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Darkie. Rider: Miss V Ferriera

CLASS 41 WHP - Novice Pony

1st WELLBROW FREDDIE FP72071C* f2012

S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Wellbrow Ruth
Rider: Miss C Ormrod

2nd LINNEL FROSTIE FP71217G f2008

S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Linnel Fair Surprise. Rider: Miss G Courage

3rd DALEFOOT RIPPLE FP5478 f2011

S: Greenholme Look At Me D: Dalefoot Scooby. Rider: Mstr B Summers

- 4th DARRENVALE CHANCER FP71886G* f2011
S: Heskett Jock, D: Castle Hill Lotty
Rider: Miss C Read
- 5th THORNBECK CHRISTINE FPO5635 f2012
S: Brackenbank Flash Harry, D: Kerbeck
Night Crystal. Rider: Miss L Wake-Hardy
- 6th ROSEFELL T REG FP71503G f2009
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck Cherry
Blossom. Rider: Miss A Robinson

CLASS 42 WHP - Intermediate Pony

- 1st LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale
Gypsy Queen. Rider: Miss S Jones
- 2nd MURTHWAITE BARNEY RUBBLE FP71395G
f2009. S: Murthwaite Look At Me,
D: Murthwaite Keepsake II. Rider:
Miss M Mason
- 3rd GREENHOLME DILLON FP71412G f2009
S: Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D;
Greenholme Adele. Rider: M Indrova
- 4th DALEFOOT RIPPLE FP5478 f2011
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot
Scooby. Rider: Mstr Ben Summers
- 5th LINNELL FROSTIE FP71217G f2008
S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Linnell Fair
Surprise. Rider: Miss G Courage
- 6th HOLLING WILKIE FP70569G f2005
S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Holling Queenie
Rider: Ms J Fairburn

CLASS 43 WHP - Open Pony

- 1st LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale
Gypsy Queen. Rider: Miss S Jones
- 2nd MURTHWAITE WINDRUSH FP51201C* f2001.
S: Murthwaite Bross, D: Greenholme Jess
Rider: Mrs S Peto
- 3rd MURTHWAITE BARNEY RUBBLE FP71395G
f2009. S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D:
Murthwaite Keepsake II. Rider: Miss M
Mason

CHAMPIONSHIPS

Lakeland Cup
Best Pony 2 years old and under
Champion BRACKLINN AVENGER
Reserve BOUTIME ESTHER

Shawfell Silhouette Memorial Cup
Best Foal

LUNESDALE FILLY

FPS Challenge Cup
Best Filly or Gelding of 3 years old
DRYBARROWS AUTHENTIC

Farleton Trophy
Champion Gelding of Classes 9 and 10
GREENHOLME HOT ROD

Stennerskeugh Joe Trophy
Reserve Champion Gelding of Classes 9
and 10
WELLBROW DODGER

Alan Shuttleworth Trophy
Champion Female Pony in Classes 1 - 3
and Class 11
Champion TOWNEND SKYLARK
Reserve GREENHOLME GIPSY ROSE

The Sylvia Mary McCosh Memorial Rose
Bowl
Breeder of the Champion Pony
MRS M WILSON

Heltondale Lucy X Cup
Best Filly of 3 years old bred by a
registered native heath breeder
DRYBARROWS AUTHENTIC

McDonough Shield
Oldest mare with own foal at foot
CASTLE HILL ROSE

RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

The Greenfield Memorial Trophy
Novice Ridden

Champion BRACKLINN TRAVIS
Reserve GREENHOLME HOT ROD

The Littletree Trophy
Junior Ridden

Champion LUNESDALE AURORA
Reserve DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH

The Carrock Pollyanna Trophy
Open Ridden

Champion LUNESDALE AURORA
Reserve BRACKLINN DRAMBUIE

The Briar Trophy
Best Turned Out

BANKSGATE CANDY

WHP CHAMPIONSHIP

Champion LUNESDALE WAR DANCE
Reserve MURTHWAITE WINDRUSH

The Toby Tankard
Champion Ridden

Champion LUNESDALE AURORA
Reserve GREENHOLME HOT ROD

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Reserve BRACKLINN AVENGER

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Area Support Groups - North Scotland

The FPS North Scotland group met in May for lunch at the Boat Inn at Aboyne in Aberdeenshire, before going on to see the work of the charity Horseback UK at nearby Dinnet.



The social outing, organised by FPS Area Representative Jacqueline Cheetham, saw members, their families and native pony enthusiasts meet Jock Hutchison, co-founder of Horseback UK, and his homebred Quarterhorse Gus.

Jock, a former Officer in the Marines, set up Horseback UK in 2009 to help former and serving military personnel suffering from physical and/or mental health problems. His aim is to empower and change lives by delivering personal development programmes that encourage people to acquire coping strategies, life skills and resilience through the use of horsemanship. Clients also forge new friendships both equine and human. The success of the course speaks for itself with over 94% of participants gaining positive results.

Jock and his horse Gus put on a display of horsemanship for the FPS group. Members watched as Gus 'joined up' with Jock on the ground before being saddled and ridden Western style. Gus had only been broken 4 months prior to the demonstration yet worked with Jock with ease in the charity's specially adapted indoor school.

Jacqueline Cheetham and her daughter Emily gave a vote of thanks to Jock on behalf of the FPS group along with a gift and a donation to the charity.

Area Support Groups - South Scotland

Planned events - Informal stock judging, lunch, Trec training, and we're still hoping to have a Quest dressage team in SW area. All info will be on the FPS area support group page or on Scottish Facebook page.

North West Area Support Group

So far 2018 has been another successful year for the North West Area Group. Thank you to everybody who comes along to the events and supports us.

The year started off with our annual Julie Robinson Clinic at Newton Rigg, which was fully booked. Everybody enjoyed themselves and took away plenty of advice and tips.

Shortly afterwards in March we had our first First Aid event which was delivered by Medi-K and held at Crooklands Hotel in Kendal. We had 10 attendees who all completed and qualified as first aiders - well done all.



In July we held our third camp at Newton Rigg which was fully booked (*see overleaf*). There was instruction from Julie Robinson, Jo Birkbeck and Helen Wain. We also had an informative evening talk with Alison O'Neil, The Shepherdess.

In August Brackenbank Stud kindly hosted a ride around the area followed by a BBQ lunch and a visit to see the mares and foals. It was very well attended and enjoyed by everybody who came along.

The Foal & Youngstock show will once again be at Newton Rigg on Saturday 10th November. Entry forms and further info is available on the FPS website.

Plans for 2019

The Julie Robinson Clinic will next year be held at Inglewood Equestrian Centre, Penrith on 23rd February 2019, and there will be both flat and jumping lessons available. We are also planning another clinic in the South of the region - more information and how to book will be available on the FPS website and on our Facebook page later in the year.

Camp will once again run in July at Newton Rigg. Dates next year will be 12th - 14th July. Because it is always over-subscribed, at this stage, we are going to take names and offer places on a first come, first served basis. To put your name on the list email catherine.wrigley@sky.com

We would love to see you join us at some of our events. Please see the FPS website, our Facebook page, or email Catherine.wrigley@sky.com for booking information and forms. Whether you are training towards competitions or just enjoying your lovely fell ponies, the North West Area Group has an event to suit you.

Cath Wrigley
Chair

North West Area Fell Pony Camp

The weekend of 20-22 July was the date of this year's annual Fell pony camp for the North West Area Group. This was once again held at Newton Rigg College in Penrith, who have fabulous facilities - enormous stables for the ponies with bedding provided, enormous indoor arena, 60 x 20 outdoor arena, camping area and

showers. 23 Fell Ponies and their riders came along to join in the two days of education and fun.

The weekend started on the Friday evening with a fun quiz and BBQ which provided a great opportunity for everybody to get to know each other.

Saturday was training day. Campers were split into groups and took part in flatwork, jumping and TREC lessons. Although the weather was somewhat wet on the Saturday, it didn't dampen spirits. Our great coaches - Julie Robinson (flatwork), Jo Birkbeck (jumping) & Helen Wain (TREC) - provided encouragement and informative tuition which everybody enjoyed. The day was rounded off with a very interesting talk by Alison O'Neil, a local Shepherdess.



This was also part of the Mary's Fells month and we invited non camp attendees to join us for pizza and the talk. Everyone who came along was presented with a memorial rosette. A camp fire rounded off a very enjoyable evening.

Sunday was competition day. In the morning we had additional tuition for those who wanted it by Emma Wrigley (flatwork) and Julie Robinson (Jumping). Some campers went for a hack in the surrounding area. We were also joined by a representative from Baileys who talked to campers about their ponies feeding requirements

After a relaxing lunch there was a dressage competition and clear round show jumping for anyone who wanted to have a go.

The weekend was finished off with a presentation of rosettes and prizes. Everybody left with an armful of rosettes and a big smile!! I think we can safely say that the North West camp was a resounding success once again and we plan to make this an annual event.



North East Area Support Group

Our 2018 pony activities began with a Native Pony Dressage competition held at East Durham College. Fell ponies were represented in most of the classes and many entrants were awarded the Fell Best of Breed Rosettes. This inspired a small group of ladies to form a team and enter the British Dressage Team Quest competition.

They chose to continue with the team name of 'Fell O Holics' which had competed in 2017, with two of the original team and one new member. The 2018 team was made up of Eileen Walker riding Rackwood Maggie May, Yvonne Wilkinson riding Holling Brian and Barbara Herd riding Rundales O' the Hill. They competed at three venues in the Northern Region: the RDA Unicorn Centre, Holmside Hall Equestrian Centre and Richmond Equestrian Centre. They have helped and supported each other throughout the competition and have had lots of laughs along the way. This competition has been very popular this year with a total of 61 teams taking part and the north east team were placed around the centre on the leader board. In addition to this Eileen and Maggie May also competed in the My Quest competition. Again this was highly popular with 84 riders taking part and Eileen was placed in 33rd position. They are planning to compete again next year and have enlisted another mature lady, Liz Haynes, to join the team and help fly the flag for our beloved Fell ponies.

Early in May we held our annual Highland & Fell Pony Camp at Linnel Wood near Hexham. We were blessed with fabulous weather which is just as well as the venue was full to capacity with ponies. A very friendly, relaxed weekend where you can do as much or as little as you want. Many members chose to hack to the local pub where others had a challenging showing lesson with Richard Telford. We are very fortunate to have this splendid venue here in the North East and that the Charlton family are happy to share it with us. The cross country course always offers excitement and the Sunday afternoon competition gives everyone the opportunity to go home with a rosette.



Tom Lloyd

The show season was now in full swing so everyone was very busy out and about doing lots of things with their ponies.

At the end of July we held a coffee morning as part of the 'Mary's Fell Memories' events. Sarah Brown took charge of the organising and put together a very interesting slide show of photos from many of the events that we have held over the last ten years. It was interesting to see how much younger we all looked in 2008. Everyone brought home made sandwiches, cakes, biscuits, scones etc so we had a good feast and chat which is something we don't find the time to do when you have a pony in your care. It was a rather dull, damp day outdoors so perfect for an indoor get together. We raised £62 in a donation box for Cancer Research.

Our proposed Cross Country Schooling day in August did not happen because the ground was so hard that we decided it was too dangerous for the ponies and riders. Fortunately we have had a fair amount of rain during the last two weeks so plans for the Performance Trials on Sunday 16th September are well under way. I am delighted to say



that we have 60 ponies entered which is the maximum we can handle at this one day event. The date will probably have passed by the time you get this magazine but try and remember it for September 2019 if you haven't been before.

We are always keen to try new activities and to hold them in different part of our region so please get in touch if you have an idea for a training day, a fun event or something social that we could arrange for 2019. Our 2018 Awards Scheme will end in December so remember to complete your booklets and get them to Victoria Parker by 20th December. The categories are 'Volunteer of the Year', 'Junior Rider/Handler of the Year', 'Adult Rider/Handler of the Year' and 'Fell Pony Representative of the Year'. The results will be announced at our annual Sunday lunch event on the first Sunday in February 2019.

Hope the weather is kind to everyone this winter.

Eileen A Walker

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Midlands West Area Support Group

So far, 2018 has been an extremely busy year for the Midlands West Area Group. Following our committee meeting in January, our programme of events for 2018 kicked off with the Annual Group Awards Presentation Lunch which was held at on the 7th April 2018 at The Hollybush Inn, Seighford, Stafford. Mr Ken Anderson BVSC MRCVS (2016 Horse & Hound TopSpec Vet of The Year) presented the awards and it was very heartening to see a rise in entries and people attending the event.

Our overall winners for the various sections were as follows:

Performance Award - Heidi Saxon Bland and Hillhead Horace

Happy Hacker - Katie Jewitt and Lunesdale Cragsman

TREC - Jo Wall and Ashness Black Rupert

Leisure Driving- Sarah Bartlett and Waverhead Bombadere

Competition Driving - Linda Wiggan and Raisbeck Cappuccino

For our new committee award kindly sponsored by Mr Ken Saxon for the most outstanding Group member promoting the Fell breed, and our worthy winner was Sarah Bartlett with Waverhead Bombadere.

A full list of winners is available on our Group web site www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk

Plans are afoot for the 2018 awards to include some new sections including veteran, dressage and a junior award. Entry forms have now been overhauled and are available from the Group website along with a list of entry rules. Many thanks to Alyson Hurcomb who continues to do such a sterling job collating the points.

Spring Festival of Fells was held on Sunday 15th April 2018 at Radfords EC, Llanymynech, Oswestry. We were very pleased to have with us Mr Paul Metcalfe (Ryehouse) to judge the Fell ridden and in hand classes. There was a bumper entry of ponies who took part in all types of showing classes and other sections including dressage and working hunter. Many thanks to Debbie Roberts Jones for again organising such a friendly busy show. Please see Debbie's separate show report for more details.

Derbyshire Fell and Dales Show Sunday 24th June 2018 at Barleyfields EC, Etwall, Derbyshire. Once again the Midlands West Fell Pony Society Area Group joined forces with the Area 5 North Midlands Group of the Dales Pony Society. This year's show was held in memory of the late Mary Longsdon MBE and Fell Pony supporters did not let us down with a big entry of ponies travelling from all over to compete. It was very fitting that Mr Michael Goddard (Bewcastle) was with us on the day to judge the Fell Pony ridden and in hand showing classes. Please see separate show report; full results are available from the Group website.

"Paws For Mary" Sunday 22nd July 2018 at Ivy Cottage, Seighford, Stafford - Fun Dog Show and Field Party. As part of the FPS Mary Longsdon's Fell Memories during July, the Midlands West Area Group held their first memorial event "Paws For Mary". The idea of this event was to honour Mary's original remit that the area support groups should be friendly, flexi and fun - and also Mary's lifelong passion for dogs. Midlands West Members did not disappoint and turned up in good number along with their dogs to take part in a friendly fun dog show followed by tea and cakes. The event began with an emotional minute's silence for Mary which was then followed by a mini parade of two yearling Fell fillies Boutime Esther and Boutime Mary who officially opened the event. A big thank you to Deb and Steve Vychinski for bringing their girls along.



After a meet and greet in the ring, and rosette presentation, the dog show commenced, judged by local dog trainers Ann and Brian Glover. Classes included handsome boy, prettiest girl, scruffiest, best turned out, best six legs, rescue, career, best trick, waggiest tail, and a championship for the first placed dogs to compete in. The overall champion was Alyson's Hurcomb's lovely Welsh Springer Spaniel, Sprocket, and reserve went to the inspiring rehabilitation dog Ziggy owned by Sarah Bartlett, part of her lovely Daschund team. The judges had a most enjoyable time picking their winners from the selection of dogs of all types and sizes and all competitors received beautiful Paws For Mary Rosettes.

During the afternoon guests had a go at guessing the weight of the iced 'FPS' cake, and the 'naming the goose' competition which was won by Leah Dukes with her suggestion 'Grace'. A Chinese auction (raffle) was also well supported.

It was a very hot day but the competitors and their dogs, with the aid of numerous gazebos, umbrellas and water bowls, coped well in the heat. There was a lovely atmosphere with everyone wearing their FPS commemorative Mary rosettes with pride in memory of the remarkable Mary Longsdon MBE.

"Tea At Mary's" - Sunday 29th July 2018 at The Hollow, Little Longstone, Bakewell. Several Group members and some of Mary's family and neighbours met at The Hollow in Mary's home village of Little Longstone for our second July memorial event. Over delicious sandwiches, cake and tea, lots of memories of Mary were recalled, most of which, like Mary, were very humorous. I was again struck by how Mary touched the lives of not just Fell Pony people but everyone she came in to contact with. During our toast in memory of Mary, it was commented that there were not enough, or sufficient words to describe her. She was just Mary, unique, special and still very much missed by us all. Thank you to Amanda Whittlestone and Janet Blair for organising this event.

Greenrivers Fell Pony Stud Visit Sunday 26th August 2018 at Cheslyn Hay, Great Wyrley, Walsall, West Midlands by kind invitation of Mr Kev Turner. After days and days of hot sunshine, the weather gods conspired against us and sent us a deluge of rain and wind.

Members though, like the ponies, are a hardy bunch and were suitably rainproofed. They had a real treat with a very informative and highly interesting talk and demonstration by Mr Peter Boustead (Summerhouse) on what he looks for in a Fell Pony, using one of Kev's mares as an example.



Following this we had a lovely walk round Kev's mares and foals. All of the mares we saw, with one exception, had originally been bred on the Fells and created an amazing sight when Kev moved them down to their other field.

Support for the event meant that we were oversubscribed with over forty people present but Kev has invited us to return next year for another visit. Many thanks to Kev and Peter for such an interesting visit and to Heidi Saxon Bland for organising the event.

Future Events.

Following a busy summer, we now have some later events planned for the autumn.

Driving Taster Afternoon, Sunday September 30th 2018. Lynn Marshall has kindly invited the Group over for an afternoon driving demonstration with her lovely mare Eastcote Jenny Wren. This event is designed as a friendly introduction to driving a Fell pony and more details will be posted shortly on our Group website.

Group Awards 2018, Date TBA - It is hoped that we might be able to combine our annual group awards presentation with a Christmas meal this year in a bid to hold the event in the year the awards are given for. More details later.

Emergency Response First Aid Course - We are still hoping to hold this event in conjunction with the Midlands East FPS Area Support Group. However if there is more demand than places allow, two courses may be run in central locations for each of the Groups. As both Groups have had a busy year this may be held over until Spring 2019.

Group Meeting - We will be holding a Group meeting, probably in January 2019, if not before. On this note, may I personally thank our very hard working committee, volunteers and supporters who make all these events happen. We are also indebted to Katherine Wilkinson at the FPS for all her help and guidance with the Group and its activities.

Group Membership

Membership of the Group still remains at £5.00. Details for joining the Group and membership forms are available from our Group website. We are a friendly bunch and would welcome any new members who have an interest in the breed with or without ponies. If you would like to know more about joining the Group or have any queries please feel free to ring me, Diane Key at any time on 01785 282922 or email me diane@fellpony.me.uk or find us on Facebook - The Fell Pony Society Midlands West Support Group.

Midlands West Area Support Group

Festival of Fells Spring Show 2018

A record number of entries from all over the Country greeted our judge, Mr Paul Metcalfe, for the sixth annual Festival of Fells Spring Show which was held once again at Radfords Equestrian just outside of Oswestry.

Entry quality was magnificent with good ponies coming forward in all classes and throughout the day. Out inhand classes began with the Novice class which saw Holling Carling owned by Ms J Cooper collect the first red ribbon of the day. A homebred stallion who hasn't been shown very much took the Stallion class for Severnvale Stud: Severnvale Ivor caught the judge's eye for his owners Mr G Guy and Mrs L Harman. Youngstock classes followed on with Severnvale Stud remaining triumphant, Severnvale Ruby Rose picking up the red in her yearling class and Severnvale Queen of the Vale standing top in the two year old class. The three year old winner was Holling Carling. The mare class was tipped to Greenholme Georgy Girl, who has been a consistent winning pony for owners Mr and Mrs Steeples. The biggest inhand class of the day was the gelding inhand class, with nine ponies forward and a delighted Sarah Jones saw her four year old Greenholme Iceman scoop first place.

The Youngstock Championship was nodded to Severnvale Ruby Rose, and her sibling Severnvale Queen of the Vale was awarded Reserve. The Adult Inhand Championship went to Greenholme Iceman and Reserve to Greenholme Georgy Girl. Our Overall Inhand Champion was Greenholme Iceman with Severnvale Ruby Rose reserve.

A record entry in the Working Hunter saw most entrants perform clear rounds for judge Rebekah Adshead. A pleasing performance from Sarah Frances and her pony Townend Bevis saw her take both the Novice and Open classes and they were crowned Champion of the section with Samantha Ashburn and Bowthorne Sam pick up the Reserve.

The Fell Pony is more than just a 'pretty face' and at the Festival of Fells we feature a section highlighting our versatile breed. Rebekah Adshead kindly took on this section as well. The winner of our Show Handler and Trekking Classes was a true all rounder, Waverhead Bombadere, ridden by Katie Jewitt; 'Billy', who drives with his owner Sarah Barlett, was also entered in our Working Hunter Section, our ridden classes and in our Dressage classes, just proving what he can turn his hoof to. A veteran pony, who has been thoroughly enjoyed by all members of his 'family', is Sliddale Tommy who won the Children's ridden for Ffion Deakin. This Championship was awarded to Bombadere with Tommy reserve.

Our First Season Novice class was won by Sarah Frances and Townend Bevis, who were having a great day out. The Traditional Walk and Trot class once again proved to be a popular class with 12 ponies entered. This went to the very well known Boutime Wooster who is making his first full season under saddle a winning one.

Wooster was also handed the red ribbon in the Novice ridden for delighted owner, Deb Vychinski, who says he's taken to his ridden work like a duck to water. Our Open Ridden Class was headed once again by Heidi Saxon-Bland and Hillhead Horace. The Ridden Championship was nodded to Boutime Wooster with Hillhead Horace reserve.

The final deliberation of the day was for our £50 Supreme Championship, very kindly donated by Mr K Saxon and who also donated £25 for the reserve.



Leanne Harman was delighted and overcome to pick up the Championship with yearling Severnvale Ruby Rose (*above*) who, despite her youth, went round the ring like she owned it. Pulled forward for the Reserve Supreme was Boutime Wooster.

Many thanks to everyone who supported our annual show, our competitors, our generous sponsors and most importantly our wonderful judges.

Plans are already underway for the 7th Annual Festival of Fells Spring Show, again for April (date tbc). Please do keep an eye out for updates via the Fell Pony Society - Midlands West Support Group Facebook page or the website www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk.

Debbie Roberts-Jones

Lathomdale Roamer

We were shocked and saddened to have to have Roamer put to sleep after unsuccessful colic surgery earlier in the year. He had been one of David Murray's ponies walking 'In the shadow of the wall'. We bought him from Judy Hill after he had been broken to ride and he went on to be broken to drive. He had a go at 'horse boarding' too with a friend and her teenage son. He was a friendly pony with a strong character who loved his people, would trot tirelessly for miles and taught us a tremendous amount.

Susan Underwood

Midlands East Area Support Group

Our year started with the Awards Evening celebrations in Lutterworth. We were delighted to welcome our new FPS President, Jean Ward, who presented the prizes and gave an informative talk. We all enjoyed chatting about our ponies and eating fish and chips. Many thanks to Isabel Meadows who organised the evening and added up all the Points.

Our three Gotham Fell and Friends shows took place over the Spring and Summer. Sandringham Show was also much enjoyed.

The highlight of the June Gotham show was the Trot It Event which was held in memory of Mary Longsdon. The Boy Blue qualifiers were held at Sandringham and Gotham June show.

Some of us joined Midlands West Support Group on a visit to Greenrivers Stud to see the mares and foals. A great success, in spite of the pouring rain.

Late October we are going on a visit to the Horse Museum in Nottingham Area.

Any Christmas festivities and other dates will be posted on FPS Midlands East Support Facebook site and our website FPS-MESG.

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MESG Fell Pony and Friends Show

Gotham, Nottingham NG11 0LE

Our first show of the season took place on Sunday 27th May, organised and run by a new committee. Our showing judge for the day Sharon Bunney, together with her wonderful steward (Dad, Kev Bunney) had big in-hand classes to judge in the morning with a good mixture of both Fells and other breeds. The committee have been working hard to promote these shows and increase awareness that the shows are open to all breeds not just Fell ponies. As lorries and trailers began to arrive early, it soon became apparent that class entries would be high. Our Open In-hand class had 16 entries, so it was divided between Fells and Non-Fells. In the Fell section, Tracey Cockburn's Huntsman Guinness took first place and Kerry Hill with Wolds Kittiwake II took second. In the Non-Fell section, first place was claimed by Ellen Moody's Shetland, Cookie, with Niamh Lee's Dartmoor Monarchill Sea Otter standing second. Ellen Moody's Cookie then went on to win the In-hand Championship with Laura Hopkin's Fell Rackwood Thomas standing Reserve.

We were lucky as the lovely weather continued into the afternoon although thundery showers had been forecast; I think this affected the Ridden entries,

which were a little low. Our Ridden Champion was Hazel Allin riding her Haflinger, Schann, and Kerry Hill riding her Standardbred, Bertie.

Two Working Hunter classes took place, judged by Jill Baxter and steward Vicky Spence, followed by the Working Hunter Championship claimed by Rachael Barratt's Fell Drybarrows Boxer, with Julie Whiting's Fell Meadowvalley Tornado taking Reserve.

Our Overall Show Championship took place at the end of the day and was awarded to Hazel Allin's Schann with Rachael Barratt's Drybarrows Boxer standing Reserve.

Dressage, judged by Merrigan Burton, and Clear Round Jumping and Handy Pony organised and run by Danny McCarthy, were also available, which ensured there was something on offer to suit everyone.

Huge congratulations go to all the winners of the day and we look forward to welcoming you again at our shows on 8th July and 5th August.

Nicola Brierley

South West Area Support Group

(right)

Julia Box and the SW ASG Dorset ride



South East Area Support Group



SESG Cross Country Ride

FELLADAPTABILITY

(or a light-hearted look at our versatile Fell throughout history)

POLICE CAR – The Romans abandon their fragile Mediterranean mounts for all-terrain four-legged drive and patrol the Hadrianic border looking for illegal immigrants from the North.

TRACTOR – Useful on the farm for clearing wood, ploughing, harvesting and automatic self manure spreading.

RAM-RAIDER – Suitable for swift and stealthy cross-border hit and run expeditions to make off with neighbours' cattle and sheep.

ARTICULATED LORRY – Carrying heavy loads across difficult ground in long convoys. Particularly noted for large scale pollution when they hit town.

ENGINE – Raising coal and minerals from deep shafts and moving them on wooden rails to consumers.

TAXI – For hire to early tourists and wilting poets to get them up craggy mountains.

ENTERTAINER – Providing endless pleasure and amusement to their fans.

AMBASSADOR – Taking their hairy credentials to Europe and the New World to show that “British is Best.”

THERAPIST – Giving independence and hope to people with physical and mental disabilities.

CONSERVATIONIST – Chomping weeds and trampling bracken to give a better home to birds and beasts.

LOYAL SUBJECT – Providing a safe set of hoofs to carry our Crown Jewel.

FUTURE – Totally unknown – but watch this space!

Jean Ward

‘Heritage of the Fells – ponies past, present and for the future’

Fell pony enthusiasts from Holland, Sweden, New Zealand, Northern Scotland, the North East and Manchester were amongst those who attended the ‘Heritage of the Fells, ponies past present and for the future’ exhibition that took place at The Old Courthouse, Shap in August. Visitors enjoyed the different styles of work on display from fourteen artists and photographers. Alongside the artwork a map of Cumbria was displayed showing the areas where many of the fell herds can be found. Over the course of the two weeks many people viewed ‘The Fell Pony’ and the ‘Endangered Species-Fell Pony Breeders’ DVDs. The footage featured well known personalities from the Fell pony world, several of whom have died since the films were made, prompting poignant memories.



Various activities were organised to encourage members of the community to take part in Fell pony themed events. A photo competition took place in the run-up to the event.

There was a ‘Meet a Fell pony’ morning when Sue Mallinson brought her pony Banksgate Shooting Star to greet everyone as they arrived. This was especially popular with members and friends of Shap Playgroup, who then had a craft session making a pony puppet and singing pony rhymes.

Juliet Whitworth led a very successful workshop on drawing Fell ponies in charcoal. Alex Jakob-Whitworth together with Susan Allen from the Wordsworth Trust led an art workshop for older residents who made felted ponies.

Horse-related poetry produced by The Old Courthouse writing group was on display and the monthly Poetry group used the equine theme too. Author Janni Howker led an inspiring creative writing workshop titled ‘Connecting to the Landscape’. Artists Christine Longmire and Julia Mitchell spent some sessions working in the gallery which created added interest for visitors.

Over the two weeks an interesting programme of talks was well received. On the opening night Sue Millard gave an informative history of the Fell pony and described how their characteristics have developed through them living out on the fells. Although the genetic make-up of each pony cannot change, the way the genes behave is affected by where and how the ponies live. Many people breeding Fell ponies seek out stock that has been reared and lived on the hill to use for breeding, and any reduction in hill herds has an impact on the availability of hardy breeding stock.

Nicola Evans spoke about the benefits and practical considerations of using Fell ponies for conservation grazing, explaining how they can complement other grazers such as sheep or cattle because they eat different vegetation and have a different impact on the ground.

Vyv Wood-Gee's 'Horseland Journey' talk took her audience with her on an epic 1500 mile journey, exploring Britain's horse heritage on horseback with her trusty Fell ponies. She journeyed from the north of Scotland, via sites of early historic interest, through the industrial areas of Glasgow to see the Kelpies and the Clydesdale horse, both modern symbols of regeneration. Travelling through Cumbria, Vyv visited the Fell Pony Museum at Dalemain before riding via High Street and the Nan Bield pass over to Shap. She went on to Mallerstang following Lady Anne's Way into the Yorkshire Dales then via Middleham to the Kilburn white horse near Thirsk. Winding her way across country Vyv visited sites through Derbyshire, Staffordshire, Shropshire, and into Wales where amongst other places of interest she visited 'Sultan' the land-art pit pony sculpture before crossing back into England and visiting many of the white horses visible in the landscape of the southern counties, some ancient and some modern. The journey was not without incident and was one of personal highs and lows, but through it all Vyv exuded passion for the presence of ponies in the landscape and the significant part they have played in our history. This, coupled with her attitude to 'do things while you are able', made for an inspiring talk.

Fleur Hallam, creator of 'The Spirit of the Fell Pony' book, gave an insight into the time she spent with hill breeders taking images of their ponies. Her mother, Libby Robinson then spoke of her long connection with Fell ponies. Having recently relocated her Globetrotter Fell pony herd back from France to Low Borrowdale, near Tebay in Cumbria, Libby described her search for a suitable location in the area. She plans to set up a Fell Pony Heritage Centre that would not only be a visitor centre but would also provide information, training and support for anyone interested in breeding or using Fell ponies.

A full house gathered for the final The 'Heritage of the Fells' event to hear Emma Campbell, who lives at Shap, talk about how she started out as an Equestrian Photographer. In the 1990s she worked for Horse & Hound, and since then she has been involved in special projects photographing Fell ponies, particularly over the last three years. Emma also gave some very useful tips to remember when photographing ponies.

Donations given at the talks went to support the work of The Old Courthouse, which is a voluntary run community centre, and The Fell Pony Society and Cancer Research UK each received £80.

Janet Wood, Trustee at the Old Courthouse, said: "It was good to see how well the event was received by both Fell pony owners and many others, who came to find out more about Fell ponies and the important part they play in our heritage. We hope the event has helped to make people aware that the future of Fell ponies running as semi-feral herds on the hill is far from guaranteed. Hill breeders keep Fell ponies because they value them as a breed and they are part and parcel of their way of life, but they are not a money making enterprise. For anyone interested in keeping a hill herd the first stumbling block is often finding access to suitable hill ground or common land with rights for ponies. As farm tenancies pass on there is no guarantee that the next tenant will have an interest in Fell ponies. Perhaps more could be done to encourage landowners and conservation organisations to help safeguard the heritage of the breed and its place in the landscape.

"We are very grateful to the Friends of the Lake District who gave a grant from their 'Discover Cumbria' fund towards event expenses, and for the practical support and help received from Fell Pony Society members."

For further information on upcoming events at The Old Courthouse, Shap, visit www.theoldcourthouse.org

Lownthwaite Savin - Dressage Star

Lownthwaite Savin and Rhona Forbes recently represented Scotland in the Under 25 dressage championships at Sheepgate. Savin is a 10 year old gelding, sire Peepings Raven, dam Ravenscairn Privet.

The cheeky lad you see before you is my superstar Lownthwaite Savin. I've had him for 4 years, getting him when he was a untrained 6yo (having been backed and hurtled over show jump fences). He would often go straight to canter when I asked for trot, and consistently onto the left leg, due to him being mainly a driving pony. I took him out on full loan after falling in love with the little guy, and bought him 2 years later.

It's only in the past year that we've fully concentrated on dressage, with my interest initially sparked Pony Club dressage. I would not have gone affiliated had it not been for my close friend Phoebe encouraging me and being my sensei (mentor).

Sav and I only became affiliated in April. When we qualified for the British Dressage Under-25 Championships at Sheepgate in May, it was a shock. We applied to be on the Scottish team in July. We found out that we had not only made it to the team, but the A team for Prelim. So we made the 8 hour trip down to Sheepgate near Boston. Savvy and I travelled with friends, meaning we did not make the individual championships; however this is my aim for next year. He behaved impeccably on the first day, getting a 4th in the P17a warm up class and then a 9th in the first of the two prelim team tests (P19).

The second day was even better. Sav was getting bored out of his mind because he is a field kept horse who loves a good gallop, so I took him a lovely long (and very fast) hack, which resulted in him being very sedate when we came back. Though running a little behind schedule for our final dressage test, we made it in time to warm up for just 2 minutes. But Sav, being the absolute rockstar he is, went into that arena and performed the test superbly to come an incredible 2nd with 71.46%.

Sav and I, to look at, aren't the most typical dressage team. When a member pulled out of the second Scotland team Sav and I got moved to the Minis team, I like to think of us as their wild card. So with two teams of 3, I led our Minis Finn and Emily to 7th place - just missing out on placing.

The cherry on the top of the cake of the whole experience had to be that out of the 60 or so entries who competed over the two days at Prelim level, Savvy and I were the top individual Scottish combination, finishing in 7th place.



"After that we went to the Scottish British Dressage Championships at Rockrose and came 3rd in the Bronze section."

Fells Help Fix the Fells

Traditionally Fell Ponies were bred as working ponies, both to supply the pack trains that transported goods across Cumbria and beyond, and as draft animals to pull carts and other farm implements. With a view to preserving this tradition Joe Bagnall from the National Trust approached the Fell Pony Society in spring this year seeking Fell ponies to assist in transporting Herdwick fleeces onto Martcrag Moor.



Fix the Fells is an organisation dedicated to maintaining and improving the rights of way throughout the Lake District National Park. It is pioneering a technique of “floating” footpaths across boggy sections of fell. The path is constructed by digging a tray through the wet peat that is then filled with rolled up sheep fleeces with gravel placed on top. The fleece spreads the weight of the aggregate (and anyone walking on it) and prevents it from sinking, and because of the very wet environment the fleece doesn’t rot.

This spring, fleeces were required to underpin repairs to a boggy section of the foot path which branches off from the Stake Pass bridleway towards the Langdale Pikes.

So on Saturday 26th May, six ponies assembled in the overflow car park at Sticklebarn in Great Langdale: they were Murthwaite Mikado (Mickey), Haweswater Master Jimini (Mister), Hades Hill Pansy (taking a break from her month-long ridden tour of the Lakes), Esthwaite Gracie, Dalehead Pirate (Tarquin) and Quarryhouse Have a Go (Darcy), along with their owners/riders, and the support crew of Joe Bagnall and Rob Clarke of the National Trust and volunteers from Fix the Fells.



50-plus fleeces provided by Vyv Wood Gee were stuffed into hay nets and strapped onto the ponies' backs, and with Vyv and Mickey in the lead we set off. The first 3km or so were a gentle start, following the Cumbrian way through Middle Fell Farm and alongside Mickleden Beck, rising steadily to the point where the Bridlepath splits. One section bears west toward Wasdale while the main section which we followed keeps North onto Martcrag Moor toward Stake Pass. The Bridlepath, which at this point is paved, ascends very steeply, zig zagging erratically uphill. It is a testament to Fell nature and breeding that all the ponies (only one of whom had done any packwork previously) managed this section so well.

Once over this challenging section the gradient eased and the path wandered more gently over Langdale Combe to the cairn that marks the junction with the footpath. Following this to the East we went a short distance before stopping to off-load and rest the ponies. The ponies happily grazed while we ate lunch. The views, now we were able to appreciate them, were stunning.

Joe showed us the work being carried out on the path before we made our descent. The ponies seemed oblivious to the loss of their packs and strode down quite as happily as they had gone up.

Whilst our overall contribution was relatively small compared to the quantity of materials the National Trust has to transport each year to maintain rights of way across the fells, the effort was more than worth it. Everyone was proud of the contribution their pony had made and pleased that we had been given the opportunity to give something back and show off the versatility of the breed. To that end it was particularly pleasing that BBC North West sent a reporter and camera, and a short report of our day was aired both on Regional and National Television.

The ponies demonstrated once again that you can't put a Fell pony to the wrong job.

Helen Bailey

Gilly Chippendale and Stennerskeugh Smoke

The first ever Carriage Driving Awards was judged by five well known judges from different aspects of the carriage driving world and hosted by Carriage Driving magazine. We were informed that we had been shortlisted earlier in the year and invited to attend a spectacular evening awards ceremony in Devizes in July, 270 miles away.



Carriage Driving Awards 2018: Sarah Bartlett, Gilly Chippendale, Emma Lawton, Katie Jewitt.

The sponsor for our section was Team Tristar who are well known for their generosity in sponsoring equine events especially carriage driving.

The evening was a night to remember (a little blurry at the end!) but it was made very special by having my daughter and two good friends supporting me. The winners were announced in reverse order - knowing that we had been shortlisted to the final three in our category it was extremely exciting to be called up as the winner and be presented with my award by Daniel Williams our sponsor.

This fabulous Fell pony Stennerskeugh Smoke is my cute, kind tempered lovable rogue.

It's three years since Smoke came into my life and ever since he's been turning heads and gaining his fan club. He's had a lot to learn, especially coming into the driving and riding later in life than usual but he's a quick learner and eager to please.

Smoke is a pleasure to have around and is a true fun Fell pony who, as I have found out, will have a go at anything once he's gained your trust.

To earn the title "The Traditional Turnout of the Year 2018" has been a truly wonderful experience.

We look forward to more fun and more wins in the future together.

Gilly Chippendale

Fell Pony Society & Northern Dartmoor Group Study Day

Sunday 15th April 2018

The Fell Pony Society and The Northern Dartmoor Group joined forces to organise a judges' study day at Newton Rigg E. C. Cumbria. The event was open to all NPS Mountain & Moorland, BSPS Heritage and breed panel judges, probationary and potential judges; and the invitation was extended to anyone with an interest in the breeds.

As the event was attended by people from all over the country many had stayed near the venue the night before, and Jane Rawden had thoughtfully organised a get-together at The Sportsman Inn, a Lake District pub, which proved to be a very sociable evening with everyone enjoying like-minded company.

The day itself dawned bright and fair, and the volunteers who had brought their ponies to be studied had obviously worked very hard on their presentation, as their ponies gleamed in the sun; unlike our ponies at home shedding their heavy winter coats. The judges who spoke covered conformation, breed type and characteristics, and discussed ridden and WHP classes.

The Fell Pony

Alistair Smith was the first to present. Alistair is on the Fell and Dales pony Judges' panels and is a Farrier; and therefore has extensive knowledge of ponies' hoof and limb structure. His family have been breeding Fell Ponies for over thirty years at the Bracklinn Stud, taking the championship at the FPS stallion show four times; and last year he qualified his homebred stallion for the prestigious Cuddy In-Hand Championship at the 2017 Horse of the Year Show.



Alistair gave a very interesting presentation, stressing the fact that good conformation provides the basis for the efficient use of the pony's limbs, and ultimately for long-term soundness; but that ponies must retain the breed characteristics which have given them the ability to thrive on whatever fell, mountain or moorland ground they have evolved from.

Alistair highlighted this through his analysis of the good, and often outstanding, points of the volunteer ponies, which included mares from the Townend stud and youngsters

from Drybarrows, one of which had only been brought in from the fell and haltered the previous week. Alistair said that ponies should exhibit an element of wildness and look like they would be at home in their natural surroundings; they should not be over-produced.

Peter Boustead, renowned judge of and breeder of Fell and Dales ponies, is a great advocate of the importance of breed type. Peter emphasised the fact that good conformation is pretty much the same for all breeds, but that judges must understand the requirement for ponies to be true to type - a message reinforced by all the presenters.

The Dartmoor Pony

We were very lucky to have the well-known breeder of Dartmoor Ponies, Madge Taylor of the Langfield Stud, to speak to us about the Dartmoor breed. Madge is a NPS and a panel breed Judge. In 2017 Madge judged the M&M WHP at the Horse of the Year Show and she has had enormous success in the past, including winning the overall M&M title at Olympia with Langfield Canth. She has an extensive knowledge of the breed and shows both in-hand and ridden to the highest standard.

Madge explained that whilst Heritage classes have been a godsend, and produced a wonderful market for native ponies that did not exist 20 or 30 years ago, it has come at a price. Ponies are becoming sweeter, twee-er and fatter; and the ponies at the top of the line are not always good examples of their breed. There have been some improvements brought about by the comparatively recent requirement for a ridden Dartmoor pony; such as a better length of rein and a shoulder to put a saddle on; but while there are judges who do not understand the importance of breed type, the better, typey ponies are down the line. She cautioned that there is a danger that if the inherited characteristics are ignored then we are in danger of losing the very precious gift that we have in our native ponies and ending up with one 'native pony type' animal.

Madge was once told that the Dartmoor should look like a scaled down middleweight hunter, and this we could see demonstrated by the ponies on show on the day; and she added that although the ponies are perfect for children, you seldom see children riding them in the showing.

Ponies should be forward, obedient and have the correct way of going for their breed. Both Madge and Peter said that they felt that the HOYS set shows result in a loss of the ruggedness required by type and that the set show does not value the true paces of the pony, and is becoming more of a dressage test.

Sarah Rushby, Saracen Horse Feeds

While the WHP fences were erected spectators enjoyed a very informative talk on feeding by Sarah Rushby, Northern Area Sales Manager from Saracen Horse Feeds. Being a native pony owner herself Sarah is well-aware of the challenges that face native pony owners, and I think that everyone learned something about the complex area of equine nutrition and the important role that this plays in managing equine health. Certainly 'food for thought'.

Judging a M&M Working Hunter Pony

Russell Sutcliffe and Peter Boustead have both judged M&M NPS Worker Hunter Pony classes and championships for many years. Russell was a successful show jumper and once won a WHP class on a pony of Peter's that had never jumped before and that he had never ridden! Russell also owned Whitburn Major Tom a very successful WHP and reserve champion at Olympia.

Russell discussed the importance of walking the course properly and said that he could often anticipate how well a rider would perform in the jumping section by observing the way that they walked the course. It is usually the rider who is concentrating on the job in hand, and follows the line that they will take whilst jumping that performs well; not those in the group who are chatting and just learning the order of the fences. He discussed 'hunting pace' and emphasised that this should be a fluent, forward canter; and that the jumping style should be that which is appropriate to the breed of pony being judged and correct for the pony's breed type. The audience were then asked to consider the marks that they would award for style in the jumping section, and for the individual ridden show, and an audience poll was taken after each of the competitors completed the relevant section, before Peter gave his own view on what we had seen. We also learnt that an extension after the last fence will normally ensure an extra style mark from one certain judge!

Many thanks to the judges, organisers Michael Goddard, Jane Rawden and Ann Rigby; Sarah Rushby; and those who very generously gave up their time to bring their lovely ponies and ensure that we had an informative and thoroughly enjoyable day.

Claire Simpson

Wansfell Alma and Wintonbeck Bob



Wansfell Alma and Wintonbeck Bob (both aged 27 years) discussing their Pension Plans at the Breed Show.

However with a combined haul of 3 trophies and 6 rosettes from the day, retirement may be a few years away yet.

Sara Hartley

Pleasure Ride at Brackenbank



Everyone enjoyed a fine day with dry, mild weather. 19 Fell ponies and friends enjoyed a pleasant ride on country roads and tracks within the parish of Murton near Appleby. Afterwards around 65 visitors enjoyed a fantastic BBQ at Murton Village hall with thanks to Ben Wiggan who was "Head Chef" and family and friends assisting throughout the day. The BBQ was followed by a visit to see the Brackenbank ponies.

Katherine, David and Megan



FPS Display Team



This year the FPS Display Team was in the public eye twice each day at Countryfest, Coniston Country Fair, Lowther Show and Blackcombe Country Fair. We also took the Display stand to Cartmel Show.

We performed both our "Introduction to the Fell Pony - then and now" display, and our new Musical Ride. It uses the theme from "Chariots of Fire", and an Emerson, Lake and Palmer cover of "Fanfare for the Common Man" because Fell ponies are for everyone, from palace to farm yard.

The Ride was a success, to our relief, even though we had had only a few sessions where all the members had been able to come together to practise before we had to show it to the public. We are grateful to Sheila Hardy for the initial planning of the moves. The above was my view of the "scissors" move, from the commentator's box at Blackcombe: Christine Robinson and Kerbeck Night Whisper, Honor Fenton and Wellbrow Cathy, Georgia Ellis and Harthouse Hillman, Hannah Faulkner with Greenholme Heidi, Olivia Shepherd with Harthouse Honey and Fiona Blenkarn with Rachael Brunskill's Hynholme Amber. The Ride's colours are turquoise and black, and our hat silks were sponsored by Fiona Carradus and the saddle cloths by John Stalker of Coniston. The Ellis and Brunskill families and friends provided important 'backstage' help - such as recapturing Scotgate Midnight Rebel who, finding himself unemployed during the Musical Ride at Blackcombe, came galloping into the ring with his lead rope flying, determined to rejoin his companions.

In October members of the Team accompanied Kerbeck Night Whisper to the Horse of the Year Show, where 'Fellfies' were once again a huge hit and we signed up lots of new members to the Society and educated loads of others. People were even photographed



Members of the Team who accompanied Kerbeck Night Whisper to the Horse of the Year Show: Christine Robinson, Georgia Ellis, Rachael Brunskill, Susan Brunskill, Kath Ellis.

queueing outside the empty stable during Whisper's mid-day "munch breaks". When off duty she was stabled next to Carl Hester's dressage star Uthopia who seemed very taken with his small hairy neighbour.

Christine Robinson writes: "My little family of friends were their usual crazy selves! I have gained some new friends who fit right in, and met some people I haven't seen for the best part of 30 years. Whisper was above and beyond brilliant, coping with everything that was thrown her way, whether it was the constant patting, poking and photo calls, the walks back and forward from the stabling to the Exhibition Halls (which often involved being passed by long buses - trains), or the final journey from the stables to where we were parked, which involved a walk through a pedestrian underpass and crossing the main road into Birmingham International Railway Station (big apology to the guy in the black BMW who did an emergency stop when he saw a pony waiting to cross the road) and then the final long journey home, which unlike the outward trip didn't include any blown tyres."

The Team already has bookings for next summer: 6th July - Skelton Show (new venue), 21st July - Coniston Country fair (repeat booking), 7th September - Lowick Agricultural Show (new venue) and we expect repeat bookings from Lowther and Countryfest.

We are always happy to have new riders, handlers, drivers and helpers to give the team extra flexibility. If you could assist or perform, please get in touch by email or find us on Facebook as the "Fell Pony Society Display Team".



Georgia Ellis

Kerbeck Night Whisper made a new friend at HOYS in the form of actor and horselover Martin Clunes.



The Display Team ran a 'Fellfie' competition over the week at HOYS and the winner (above) was Jake Knight of the Household Cavalry. Runner-up, below, was Emma Owen. They will receive prizes of a grooming kit (Jake said that was why he entered!) and a Society Calendar.





Fell Successes at HOYS

In the Fell & Dales class

Fells took 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 5th places!

1st Murthwaite Oliver (*left*), Fell, Owner Jill Rushton, Rider Lucinda Stockley.

2nd Foalsyke Little Topper, Fell, Owner Julie Fisher, Rider Hope Fisher.

3rd Tarnbeck Septimus, Fell, Owner Tamsin Hughes, Rider Lauren Elliott.

5th Wellbrow Diplomat, Fell, Owner Zoe Marsden, Rider Hayley Reynolds.

In the 133cm M&M WHP class

1st Greenholme Emblem, Fell, Owner Gwen Rae, Rider Kirsty Aird



1st Class Images



Lowmoat Rebecca (Becky) 1992-2018 - and Mary Longsdon

As a horse crazy young girl I was fortunate to own my first horse in the late 1960s then I fell in love with the Fell pony and the rest is history! My first Fell mare was Townview Trixie followed by Heltondale Dewdrop III, and this is when I first came across Mary Longsdon. It was in the show ring in the late 1960s at our local shows, Romsey and The New Forest in the south of England, when we were probably the only people with Fells in the South, and classes were mixed Mountain and Moorland. Mary always pipped me to the post with one of Bewcastle Bouquet, Blossom or Beacon but we held our own! I realised then that Mary was a true champion of the Fell Pony.

Many years later I was looking for a Fell filly and plucked up the courage to telephone Mary for advice. She was, as all of you would expect, not only happy to help but ended up finding and buying us a filly on a journey up North and bringing her back to Cucklington in Somerset. Subsequently we became the proud owners of Lowmoat Rebecca. Thank you Mary for the start of an eventful journey with a wonderful Fell Pony. I will now hand the baton to my daughter Rachel who like me shares a love and passion for them too. Christine Atterbury.

Sadly we lost Lowmoat Rebecca (Becky) at the end of April but my memories of when she first arrived in Hampshire still make me smile even today. We had a lovely paddock set right next to the River Test which seemed just right for her so we turned her out. For a couple of days all seemed normal, Becky loved the Hampshire grass and was settled. Day three we checked her and no Fell Pony in field. Fence was good, gate locked, where was she? Within ten minutes our local River keeper approached us and said he was about to cast his rod but a black pony had just swam passed him! Luckily

she thought better of it to make her way to The Solent and made her escape into our local farmers field with some cows! We then realised what a character we had, very knowing, sure footed, clever and a true Fell!!

For a few years I showed Becky in hand and we were always placed, from Royal Windsor to the New Forest. I then decided that I wanted to continue her line and fortunately she produced seven amazing Fells under the prefix Fairlawn that have gone on to be successful in



their own right. Her son Fairlawn Dominic last year produced an heir (grandson) that continues her legacy. The young colt was third at the Fell and Dales South West show at Hurn in Dorset last month which bought a tear to both Mum and me.

Luckily I have her daughter at home, Fairlawn Mariette, to carry on the line. Next year. Fingers crossed, with the help of Michael and Richard Goddard, she will go to their stallion Rundales Garry - would you believe it - a great Grandson times five of my mum's original Fell Heltondale Dewdrop III.

I will miss Becky's early morning call to make her presence known everyday and how wonderful she was with all her foals and us. Sadly missed by all the family but never forgotten.

Rachel Tuffin (Fairlawn)

Mary Longsdon's Fell Memories – A month of Fell Pony events

What a busy Fell Pony Society we are! The summer has been incredible with lots of super friendly fun events, hosted by the Area Support Groups, to celebrate the remarkable life of the late Mary Longsdon MBE who did so much for the Fell pony. In addition, the Display Team has been showcasing a new display at various country fairs; our ponies have more than held their own at various prestigious showing events up and down the country; and the Quest dressage teams continue to report great results. It is just fabulous to have so much happening and everyone out and enjoying their ponies, just as Mary would have wanted.

Diane Key reports that the Midlands West ASG held two #MarysFells events; the first being a 'Paws For Mary' event to honour Mary's original remit that the area support groups should be 'friendly, flexi and fun' and also to recognise Mary's lifelong passion for dogs. Midlands West Members did not disappoint and turned up in good numbers along with their dogs to take part in a friendly fun dog show followed by tea and cakes; cake being a recurring theme in most of the ASG events! The day commenced with an emotional minute's silence for Mary followed by a mini parade of Fell Ponies, yearling fillies, Boutime Esther and Boutime Mary who officially opened the event. A big thank you to Deb and Steve Vychinski for bringing their girls along.

The dog show was judged by local dog trainers, Ann and Brian Glover, and classes included handsome boy, prettiest girl, scruffiest, best turned out dog, best six legs, rescue dog, career dog (dogs who work for a living), best trick, waggiest tail and a championship for all the first placed dogs to compete in. The overall champion was Alyson's Hurcomb's lovely spaniel Sprocket and reserve went to the inspirational rehabilitation dog Ziggy owned by Sarah Bartlett (part of her lovely dachshund team). Runner up to reserve was probably the smallest dog on the day, the sassy Pomeranian, Tess, owned by Rebecca Edwards. The judges had a most enjoyable time and all competitors received beautiful Paws For Mary rosettes.

It was a very hot day but competitors and their dogs, aided by numerous gazebos, umbrellas and water bowls, coped well and created a lovely atmosphere wearing their FPS Mary's Fells rosettes with pride.

The following Sunday saw ASG members and some of Mary's family and neighbours meeting at The Hollow in Mary's home village of Little Longstone near Bakewell, Derbyshire for 'Tea At Mary's'. Over delicious sandwiches, cake and tea, lots of memories of Mary were recalled, most of which, like Mary, were very humorous.

The Midlands East ASG held a 'Gin and Fonic' evening, hosted by Jane and Andy Rawden. Friends and Fell pony enthusiasts brought along photographs of Fell ponies past and present, and the reminiscing continued well into the night. The evening was made complete by star guests; Murthwaite Looks Promising, Roddlesworth Nancy and Bracklinn Glayva. The ASG would like to thank Jane and Andy for the endless supply of gin and the delicious cakes baked by Faye Gault of Bunty's Tea Rooms in Lincoln.

The North Scotland ASG held a Summer celebration afternoon tea at Fraserburgh, Aberdeenshire, which was hosted by the Cheetham family. Mary would have approved of the flowers, bunting, strawberries and sunshine, china teacups, cake and Fell ponies in attendance; and she joined the day in the DVD that was played. Speakers entertained the group by discussing their Fell interests; which included competitive long-distance riding of up to 100 miles in one day; and long distance treks at a much more relaxed pace. Emily Cheetham age 10 spoke of her family's trip to Windsor Castle on the same weekend in 2016. The day ended with supper, camping and an interesting non-Fell stud visit on the Sunday.

Meanwhile, the South Scotland ASG members met to visit the Buittle Tea Garden; set on a small farm in a beautiful area of the Dumfries and Galloway countryside; where they sampled the home-grown Scottish tea and more lovely cakes and biscuits made by Elma Ball. Elma's late mother-in-law Elizabeth Ball bred the Barncrosh Fell ponies; and was a Council member for many years. Elma has previously bred Shetland ponies, but recently acquired Drybarrows Maddy who she plans to start riding side-saddle. Sue Grout has also bought a new Fell pony so it was lovely for the group to meet and enjoy like-minded company in the lovely surroundings.

The North West ASG held a Ponies, Prosecco and Pizza event at Newton Rigg E.C. where the annual camp was taking place. The tables were groaning with the massive pizza delivery which was rapidly hoovered up by the hungry crowd, most of whom also enjoyed a glass or two of prosecco. Shepherdess and Fell pony enthusiast Alison O'Neill gave an interesting and inspirational talk about her early struggles as a shepherdess; dealing with the challenges of lambing and managing sheep, while caring for a young daughter; all with little money and in the harshest of conditions. Alison's struggles appear to be finally paying off; and this year her vision to have her own gorgeous range of tweed country-wear has gone from a kitchen table dream to reality and to grace the catwalk at the Great Yorkshire show. Not only that, she will also have a book of her life in the Howgill Fells available soon...complete with stunning images of Fell ponies.

The North East ASG know how to socialise and held a Mary's Fells Coffee Morning, with very young to more mature members enjoying hot drinks and tasty home-made biscuits, cakes, scones and sandwiches. Just the thing for a cold, wet morning. Special thanks to Sarah Brown for organising and producing a PowerPoint presentation of photos for everyone's entertainment; and for all who donated to Cancer Research. Mary would have been proud.

Susie Newton of the South East ASG organised a relaxed fun ride at East Bysse cross country course near Lingfield; where Underwoods Tom-Tom and Scotshaven Bella Augusta with Charlotte Knight were joined by Connemara ponies for a day that was thoroughly enjoyed by all.

The South West ASG was very lucky to be invited by Helen Parker to her home near Bridport, Dorset for a pleasure ride. The two-hour, mainly off-road, went through some of Dorset's most beautiful countryside; and visited the well-known Roman Hill Fort at Eggardon Hill with its spectacular views across the Dorset coastline. After the ride Helen provided refreshments and kindly offered the use of her sand school for anyone with the energy for schooling or jumping practice

These lovely events gave us all a chance to reminisce and create new memories. Samantha Audley observed that without Mary's influence many of the Midlands East group wouldn't have found Fells or have made their lasting friendships; and Diane Key was again struck by how Mary touched the lives of not just Fell Pony people but everyone she came into contact with. During the MW ASG toast in memory of Mary it was commented that there are not really words enough to describe her. She was just Mary, unique, special; and still very much missed by all.

Claire Simpson

Donations towards the cost of rosettes were received from: The Native Pony Magazine, North West Support Group, North East Support Group, Midlands West Support Group, Midlands East Support Group, Bewcastle Fell Ponies, Rackwood Fell Ponies and Wolds Fell Ponies. Thank you all for your support.

Eileen A Walker

New Horizons – the Promise of Big Adventures

I had a shopping list, and it included a number of mandatory requirements. Needed to be a mare. Needed to be at least 14 years old. Needed to have been a ‘been there, done that’ sort, needed to be able to go solo, ready for long trail rides in isolated and often demanding country. Needed to be a Fell Pony Well, one out of four isn’t bad!

I’d never owned a Fell pony and wasn’t actually planning on a new pony at all. Then, unexpectedly, I lost my gentle, dippy but ‘safe as houses’ Welsh D mare, Meikle Firefly (Firey), in February and it was like everything had come to a standstill. In 2017 I’d had a very successful bilateral hip replacement as my surgeon had recognised my need to be back in the saddle or up on a mountain top - but sepsis turned everything into a nightmare. Faced with months of slow recuperation I had to rehome my lovely Haflinger as she needed constant work to keep on top of her weight issues and so all my hopes of riding again were pinned on Firey. I still had my very opinionated Connemara but at 30, Tara deserves her retirement from a long Endurance career and my other girl, Meikle J’adore (Jackdaw), is well ... a little unpredictable; not the sort to take me out into the wilds solo!



Eventually I had the strength to climb back into the saddle and Firey was a star at looking after me as I rebuilt my stamina and confidence. We were building up nicely together when the worst happened and there followed a few months when I tried to convince myself that maybe I was ready to stop riding after all. The thought of taking on a new pony and starting from scratch with my new and strange sense of self-preservation was not attractive. Not unless it was a mare, at least fourteen, a ‘been there, done that’ sort etc etc.

I’ve always had an affinity with the Lakeland fells so when it became clear, even to me, that I was becoming increasingly grumpy and restless, I began to wonder about those cheeky lads and lasses I’d met from time to time on the top of High Street and elsewhere. The size of a Fell Pony made perfect sense; I’m on the short side and usually have lots of gates to do on my local riding routes that can’t be opened from horseback. Plus, everyone seemed to comment on their generosity of nature, sense of fun and versatility; I felt a plan was coming together.

I don’t think I was ‘actively looking’ as such when I came across Nicola Evans and her herd of cuteness and resonating philosophy, but serendipity is a great thing. To cut a long story short, I began talking to Nicola through social media about a number of her ponies and found myself getting increasingly excited.

I drew up a short list of three (oh, but only one was a mare...! Hmmm) of her ponies to try out.



The conversation went something like:

“And then there’s Percy.”

“Ah, but Percy’s far too young for me.”

“Well, I wouldn’t rule him out. He’s quite unusual.”

“No, he’s too young.”

Pause for a couple of days. ‘OK,’ I thought, ‘I suppose I ought to give him a try just to be polite but he won’t be for me. Far too young...’

The day dawned when my husband and I would travel from Scotland to meet Nicola and my three, sorry four, chosen ponies to try. We went on two separate hacks, long enough to give me a good feel for all four ponies and how they coped with traffic, people, dogs, goodness knows what else, and to try their paces. I was immediately hooked on the Fell! Pony number one was stunning - the mare, so willing and keen. Then came Percy. Pony number three - again stunning, ridden in heavy traffic, he didn’t put a foot wrong. Pony number four - well, he was just a ‘Laugh Out Loud’ boy, such fun and again willing and fearless. But by now there was ... Percy. Wee Percy, who had melted my heart from the moment I got on board. Wee Percy, who was too young and green and yet.....

I spent the next day swithering over Percy and Pony Number Four, wishing I could take them both, but the more I talked the matter through, the more I realised that Bybeck Percival was the boy for me. Eventually I ran out of reasons to myself why he wasn’t the best choice and later that day confirmed with Nicola that Percy would indeed be coming north as soon as possible!

We’ve been together for seven weeks as I write and those seven weeks have been blissful. Percy is such a sweet, gentle and loving pony but, as he’s settled it’s been wonderful to see his cheeky side start to emerge. We are playing lots of games together and riding out on the hill every two or three days for short distances but as he’s only

four I will be giving him all the time he needs to grow and mature. Outdoor chores now take for ever to get through as he needs to be involved in everything. He loves to be cuddled and... sung to!!! After a rocky start with the girls, he has now been accepted into his new mini herd and is now great friends with Jackdaw, (a worrying prospect!) reminding me a little of Mungo Jerry and Rumblethazer from 'Cats'! They can certainly brew up quite a bit of mischief between them. I've yet to see them cartwheel each other across the field as happens in the show, but it wouldn't surprise me.

So after a disastrous and sad start to the year, the future is definitely looking bright once again. I don't have any great plans for the future as yet as I think it's important to see just how he develops but maybe there's a hint of High Street, Helvellyn and even Scotland's 'Silver Boot' in my mind. Whatever we do, the fact is the future is Percy-shaped: Bybeck Percival or 'Triple P' - Perfectly Perfect Percy! And so many people have commented that my smile is back!

Sue Grout

Thank You for photographs for the 2020 Fell Pony Society Calendar

We have received some excellent photos of Fell ponies for the 2020 Fell Pony Society calendar. The deadline for submissions for the 2021 calendar will be October 2019. The rules will be the same as before with landscape-shaped images preferred over portrait images though we are happy to accept a limited number of good portrait images.

Either digital or hard copy photographic prints can be submitted remembering that digital images have to scale up to the calendar format at 11" x 7" and so have to be of high resolution (300dpi minimum).

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

If hard copy prints are submitted they should be accompanied by a SAE if you would like them to be returned. Single digital images can be sent to the following e-mail: g.michaelrichard@yahoo.com or alternatively CDs and photographic prints can be mailed to Michael Goddard, 1 Priest Thorn, Fifehead Neville, Sturminster Newton, Dorset DT10 2AQ

Can I ask that you do not send more than three images per person and that if you are sending them via e-mail that you either send each image attached to a single e-mail i.e. three photos, three e-mails or alternatively send the images via a Drop Box. Please name your digital files with the name of the pony rather than the long digit file number recorded on your camera as this makes recording and filing of your entry so much easier for me and for our Secretary.

We will remind you in the Spring 2019 issue of the Magazine to send in further entries showing off our most fantastic breed.

Thank you

Michael Goddard

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NW Area Support Group

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10 November 2018 (Saturday)

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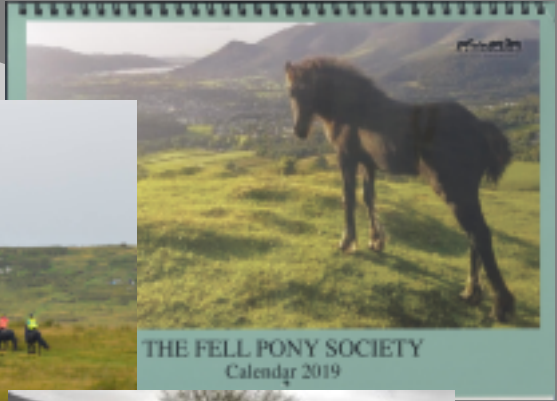
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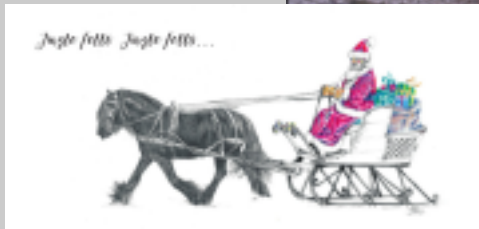
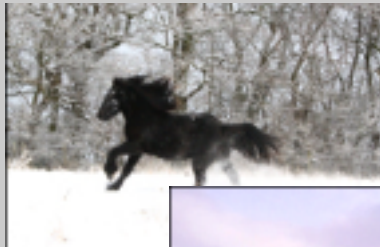
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