



FELL PONY SOCIETY

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THE LATE MISS PEGGY CROSSLAND, riding Packway Royal, her four year old stallion by Parkhouse Victor. Many of the ponies you see today go back to Royal. He also had a son Heltondale Royal who left many good ponies. Peggy always loved her ponies. She lived with her mother and two older sisters in a house at Windermere, which their mother had built in 1924 on their grandfather's land, he was the local doctor. The house was called 'Packway' as the old pack pony track from Kendal to Barrow in Furness went past the house. Peggy Crossland did much for The Fell Pony Society during the many years she was secretary. Her cousin's daughter, Mrs Rear from Reading, is carrying on the "Packway" prefix.

Molly Laing.



When I first saw Guards Robert, I somehow knew we were made for each other. We spent the first few months together learning to trust each other. Robert is very strong and not at all an easy ride but he was willing to learn and had a natural talent for jumping. We started to go to local shows and Robert was often placed towards the top of the line, although some judges asked what breed he was and he was nearly always the only Fell Pony entered. We had to give up family pony classes very early on in our showing career, as invariably male judges dismounted pale and dishevelled after a top speed bolt around the ring. Robert was and still is very fussy who rides him! Robert soon showed his strength was in the M & M W.H.P. classes, where his super natural jump began to win the judges round. We qualified for the Ponies U.K. M & M W.H.P. Championships at Peterborough in 1989 and decided to go just for the fun of it, so when we won the Novice class, it was like a dream come true and it gave us the incentive to keep showing.

In 1990 we took Robert to the Rydal Spring Trials and we were made to feel very welcome. Although I'm sure I didn't do Robert justice on the cross country section (living in the chalk hills of the Chilterns, I'd never seen a cross country course like Rydal) we came 2nd in the N.P.S. Qualifier and 5th in the Dressage and had a super weekend in Cumbria. I'm sure Robert enjoyed riding in his native countryside. In the same year we returned to Peterborough, where we were the highest placed Fell for the second year running. We have just had a successful time at the Southern Show, finishing another season. Thanks to Robert, we have met lots of lovely Fell Ponies and made many new friends.

The Fell Pony Society

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To Retire 1986: Mr R Bellas, Miss C H Dodd,
Mr E M Wilson, Mrs G Williamson.

SECRETARY'S NOTE

Whilst I hope the newsletter brings you stories and articles of interest and show results with photographs, it is also an opportune moment to inform members of IMPORTANT changes, either present or in the future that may well affect YOU.

Therefore, whilst some of the information may seem irrelevant now, it may not always be the case, so please read the following pages, which will bring news to you and may save great disappointment in the future. I speak, with particular attention to the stallion service certificates and the introduction of transfer of ownership certificates.

To summarise our past few months, it has been yet another successful year for the Fell Pony. With ever increasing interest in the breed, we have now topped the 1000 members mark and are still rising. The Stallion & Colt Show drew a very large crowd of spectators, which was very nice to see. Yet another indication of the increasing interest in the Fell Pony, was the excellent record number of entries at both Barningham Show and our Breed Show. The Southern Show also enjoyed an increase in entries. I travelled down this year, where my husband and I held the sales stand. We had a thoroughly enjoyable visit, not least because of the southern hospitality, with special thanks to Mary Einon and family. The Show had a good atmosphere and it was so nice to see such a unique gathering in the heart of Oxfordshire.

Further encouragement is needed for more competitors to take part in our Spring and Autumn Performance Trials. Particularly the autumn event, which is an ideal Trial for those who do not wish to jump but still wish for a 'fun' event.

All in all, a very commendable year. Therefore, without further ado, I urge you to read on. If there are any suggestions, or articles for inclusion in the newsletter, please send them to me, together with any suitable, clear photographs.

With good wishes for, dare I say, a Merry Christmas and a
Happy New Year !

Rachel Bell.

IMPORTANT - The following articles are very important. They give information of new regulations and advice on their implementation and procedure. Do not lose out - read on ...

STALLION SERVICE CERTIFICATES

Further to receiving some queries regarding service certificates, the Council have considered such problems for the future and their advice is to take care as the regulation will be strictly adhered to.

In other words, to guard against any future problems:

- (i) ensure a stallion service certificate is written out in the current year, for each mare that has run with/ been served by a Registered Fell stallion.
Do NOT rely upon or wait for pregnancy testing.
If a service certificate has not been issued for a mare, it's progeny will NOT be eligible for registration.
- (ii) Attach the mare's service certificate to a yellow registration application form, in readiness for registering the progeny and keep in a safe place.
- (iii) If a pony is sold before it is registered, you MUST hand over the service certificate attached to a completed yellow registration application form, signed by the breeder.
- (iv) If a mare is sold, which has run with a stallion, the certificate of service MUST be given to the new owner, together with her certificate of registration.

Stallion Service Books, yellow Registration Application forms and Prefix Application forms are all available from the Secretary, free of charge.

Stallion Service Books are to be returned to the Secretary annually by the 1st September, unless the Secretary is otherwise advised.

If a registered, licenced stallion is known, that does not have a service book, please contact the secretary.

TRANSFER OF OWNERSHIP CERTIFICATES

A new regulation will come into force in the immediate future (i.e. hopefully by Wigton Horse Sales), which will require anyone who sells a pony to complete and sign a transfer certificate. The certificate of registration will not be endorsed unless it is accompanied by the transfer certificate, which has been signed by the seller.

The certificate of registration, transfer certificate and appropriate fee should then be sent to the Secretary, who

4. will endorse the certificate of registration and forward it to the new owner.
As a further reminder, remember, if you are selling a mare who is believed to be in foal, you MUST also pass on the certificate of service to the new owner.

To summarise, if selling a pony, you will require:

1. Certificate of registration
2. Transfer certificate - completed & signed by seller.
3. Certificate of service - if selling a mare in foal.
4. Name and address of new owner.
5. Appropriate transfer fee - paid by either purchaser or seller.

The above to be forwarded to the Secretary.

Transfer of ownership certificates will be available from the Secretary.

Why do we need transfer forms?

1. There is no procedure for transfer written on a pony's certificate of registration.
2. Some people have not heard of The Fell Pony Society or do not know the value and importance of their pony's CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION.
3. Too many certificates of registration are lost/ mislaid each year, or simply not forwarded to the new owner. A new procedure will help to highlight 'what to do'.
4. It may assist prompt payment, if the seller's signature is required before the certificate of registration is endorsed and the new owner becomes the registered owner. However, this is the seller's responsibility and NOT the Society's.

WIGTON HORSE SALES - Wednesday, 30th October 1991

As previously mentioned, transfer certificates should be in operation for our registered show and sale of Fell Ponies. The judge for the show of Fells prior to the sale will be Mr P Boustead, Preston. Judging will commence at 9.30 am. The sale will start in ring 2, following the judging and sale of other ponies in classes 3 and 4. There are three Fell Pony classes - 5, 6 and 7, for foals, broken ponies and unbroken ponies respectively. For catalogues prior to the sale contact Hopes Auction Co Ltd., 93 High Street, Wigton, Cumbria, tel: (06973) 42202.

A case in point for registration certificates going astray, is at Wigton Horse Sales. To help prevent this please either hand in registration certificates/applications/service certificates to:

1. The Fell Pony Society stand - we are usually situated near the office yard in a cubicle.
2. The steward in the auction ring at time of sale - particulars of the pony's breeding can then be read out.

The Society is in attendance all day and any of the committee on the stand will be pleased to help with any queries.

Subscriptions, registrations, transfers, stud books and other sales items are dealt with on the stand.

The Society will be providing three stewards to help organise the pony's for the show and sale, including one steward in the ring to take your pony's certificates.

Remember If a mare has been running with a stallion, attach her certificate of service to her registration certificate.

REGISTRATION AND TRANSFER FEE INCREASES

As from the 1st January 1992, the above fees will increase. It has been several years since fees were last increased and with the rising costs of printing, materials and postage, it was felt necessary.

	FEES UNTIL <u>31/12/91</u>	FEES FROM <u>1/1/92</u>
To register a Colt	£ 1.00	£ 3.00
To " " Filly	2.50	6.00
After year of birth - (regardless of sex)	3.50	12.00
Stallion licence	8.00	10.00
Prefix	15.00	15.00
Duplicate certificate	20.00	20.00
Transfer of ownership	1.50	3.00
Transfer to Gelding	1.50	3.00

NON-MEMBERS DOUBLE THE ABOVE FEES.

MEMBERSHIP CARDS

The membership cards for 1992 will appear in a slightly different format, although in principle they will still work in the same way.

Basically, the only difference is that the paper subscription receipt will now double as a membership card and a

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separate card will not be sent.

The new membership card will be numbered and because it is paper, will need to be protected from the elements. Therefore, our sales officer Mrs Molly Laing, will be pleased to supply you with a plastic pouch, in which to keep your membership card!

Your membership card must still be produced in the show ring when competing for a Special Rosette, as only members qualify for special rosettes at affiliated shows.

Membership cards will still be beneficial as proof of current membership and if you have not got your card, then your subscription is still due.

As a reminder, subscriptions remain at £5.00 Full Member, £3.00 Family Member and £3.00 Junior Member. Subscriptions are due from 1st January annually.

RULES AND REGULATIONS

You will find enclosed with your newsletter, a revised copy of the Society's Rules and Regulations.

They have been enclosed for your reference, as many members will not have received a copy in the past and now everyone will benefit from having an up to date copy, literally hot off the press!

They have been produced this time combined with a membership form and standing order mandate, which will prove very useful in the future and may be beneficial to any of our present members.

ROYAL SHOW STAND 1992

Applications for ponies to appear on the Society's stand and represent the breed at the Royal Show, should be sent to Mr J Wykes, Brickyard Cottage, Monks Kirby, Nr Rugby, CV23 ORH. As the Royal Show stand is an important 'shop window' for the Fell Pony, because it is tiring and sometimes daunting for ponies, as crowds are not always considerate, the following criteria are necessary. The pony should be well mannered and quiet, so that it is not easily upset by strange sights and sounds. The pony should be presented in a clean and tidy fashion and be a good specimen of the breed. The owner will be required to check the pony at intervals.

*N.B. There will be a Fell Pony Society stand at The British Equine Event, November 1-2 1991, organised by the Royal Show, at the R.A.S.E., National Agric. Centre, Stoneleigh Park.



"SUMMIT PEREGRINE" - on the moor. Sire Waverhead Rambler, Dam Summit Mountain Linnet. Bred by the late Miss Eileen Chadwick and owned by Mrs J Walton. "Peregrine" has adapted well to the western saddle, which is very comfortable on the moors".

STALLION SHOW: The Stallion and Colt Show was again held at Dalemain by kind invitation of Mr & Mrs B McCosh and family, and the Judge was Mr J P Gibson.

Results of the Stallion Show are appended:

Yearling colts	Mr W S Noble's Orton Hall Danny
Two year old colts	Mr & Mrs Catterall's Towerview Spirit of Joy
3 & 4 year old stallions	Mr R Howe's Peepings Raven
Stallions, 5 years +	Mr G Jackson's Townend Duke III
Driven stallions	No entries
Ridden stallions	Mr J Cherry's Heltondale Del-Boy
Best foot shod	M/s Potter & Capstick's Helton- dale Black Prince III
Youngstock champion	Towerview Spirit of Joy
Supreme Champion	Townend Duke III
Reserve Champion	Peepings Raven
Blacksmith who shod winning entry	Mr Fearnhead
£30 gelding premiums awarded	to the best 3 year olds were: Mr W Clegg's Baronshill Black Duke Miss J Glass' Wolds Harrier

Mr W Clegg's Heltondale Peter

£20 gelding premiums awarded to the best 2 year olds were:

(only 2 entries forward)

Ms H Lee's Townend Dougal

Miss A Brown's Copyhill Rupert



TOWNEND DUKE III - SUPREME CHAMPION 1991 STALLION SHOW

AT HOME PREMIUMS

Every year the Fell Pony Society awards up to six premiums, of £50 each for the stallions serving the highest number of registered Fell mares. To qualify for an At Home Premium, the stallions must parade at the Stallion Show and by the end of the season (1st September) have served a minimum of seven mares. This year's winners are:-

Mr W S Noble's Heltondale Rover	(35 mares)
M/s Potter & Capstick's Htd. Black Prince III	(29 mares)
Mr H F Wales' Heltondale Duke	(21 mares)
Mr A W Morland's Lunesdale Henry	(10 mares)
Mrs Hutchinson's Tarnmoor Prince	(10 mares)
Mrs S Allen's Sleddale Bertie] shared Premium (9 mares)
Mr J Bell's Waverhead Prince II	

BREED SHOW: The twenty-second annual Breed Show was again held at Brougham Hall Farm, Penrith, by kind invitation of Mr & Mrs A Helme. Judges were Mr W S Potter - mares; Mr P A Lawson - colts/geldings, Mrs S Lee - open ridden; Mrs N Lightfoot - novice ridden and Olympia qualifier; Miss A Varley - driving; Miss E Murray - Handy Pony; Mr D Lee - W.H.P.; Mr J Glaister - shod/unshod; Mrs P Henderson - Costume. Results are appended:

Mares, 4-7 years old	Miss D Ford's Sleddale Holly II
Mares, 8 yrs & over	Mrs A Minson's Wolds Oriole
Mare with filly foal	Mr T Capstick's Foggy Gill Prim
Filly Foal	Mr A Morland's Lunesdale Rebecca
Yearling Filly	Mr W Noble's Heltondale Bonny
Two year old filly	Mr J Hunter's Lunesdale Rosie Lee
Three year old Filly	Mr A Morland's Lunesdale Kim
Geldings, 4 yrs & over	Mrs R Bell's Marlingdyke Millstream
Mare with Colt foal	Mr W Noble's Heltondale Maydew VII
Colt Foal	Miss C Dodd's Kerbeck Fire Seeker
Yearling colt or gelding	Mr A Morland's Lunesdale Mountain Mist
Two year old gelding	Miss K Appleton's Rackwood Charles
Three year old gelding	Ms S Pollitt's Castlerigg Duke II
Ridden geldings	Mrs J Jackson's Tarnbeck Major
Ridden mares	Mr J Bell's Red House Dusty
Ridden veterans	Mr P Forsman's Bowderdale Jess
Junior riding class (11-)	Mrs Sutcliffe's Greenholme Pansy
Junior riding class (12+)	Mrs A Minson's Wolds Oriole
Ridden Novice geldings	J Marston's Dene Claudius
Ridden Novice mares	A Bowen's Sleddale Rose XVI
Stallion progeny class	Mr W S Noble's group
Mare progeny class	Mr A W Morland's group
Private driving class	J Marston's Dene Claudius
Cone driving class	Miss J Brindley's Edenview Moonstroller
Handy pony class	Miss T Burley's Townend Gypsy VIII
Working Hunter Pony	Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe's Whitburn Major Tom
Best foot shod	Mr A J Heighton
Best foot unshod	Mr & Mrs Douglas's Lowmoat Sambo
Costume Class	Mrs G Williamson's Tarnbeck Sheba
Olympia Qualifier	Mrs M Pollock's Townend Sasha II
Youngstock Champion	Mr J Hunter's Lunesdale Rosie Lee
Ridden Champion	Mr J Bell's Redhouse Dusty
Supreme Champion	Mr T Capstick's Foggy Gill Prim
Best 3 yr old Riding type	Mr A Morland's Lunesdale Kim
Points Trophy	Mr J Marston's Dene Claudius

CUMBRIA'S LADY OF FLOWERS - SYLVIA MARY McCOSH

Sylvia Mary McCosh was born at Dalemain, near Penrith, on 8th November 1922. Elder daughter of Major and Mrs E W Hasell from whom she inherited Dalemain estate in 1972, which had been in the Hasell family for more than 300 years. This included Dacre Castle and the deer forest in Martindale. Sylvia went to school in Downe House in Berkshire. During the war she started the Cumberland Farmers branch of the Pony Club which was the first branch in Cumberland. She was fortunate to have the help of cavalry officers stationed in the vicinity. She ran the Dacre detachment of the Red Cross and the members formed a guard of honour for her first marriage to William Marshall, who was a lieutenant in the Scots Guards. They married in June 1944 but sadly he was killed only 5 months later, the same year in Holland.

At this time Mr Roy Charlton Snr., started Sylvia off with her interest in Fell Ponies, by giving her one to break-in and encouraged her in every possible way.

Sylvia's involvement with The Fell Pony Society was a very committed one, as she held office as President, was founder of the Fell Pony News, gave a considerable contribution to the secretarial work of the Society, set-up a Fell Pony museum at Dalemain, as well as being a Council member, breeder and judge. The Society's first breed Show was held at Dalemain and in latter years has hosted our Stallion & Colt Show.

Sylvia was President of the Penrith Young Conservatives, she also played the organ in Dacre Church, assisted by her Old English Sheepdog 'Jock', who used to sit beside the organ. She also ran the Sunday School in Dacre.

In April 1948 she married Bryce McCosh, a connection of her first marriage and whilst farming Dacre Castle Farm, they went to live in Ayrshire. There were 3 sons, Edward, Robert and Andrew, all married with 8 children between them.

Sylvia had gardened as a child and continued to make gardens wherever she went and was always full of incredible energy. They moved finally to Huntfield in Lanarkshire, where she made a beautiful garden. At the same time she was chairman of the local Conservative Association, chairman of the Biggar Horticultural Society and President of a Women's Guild.

After her father died, she went down every week to Dalemain and was much involved in running the garden there. She was a very competent gardener and propagated many plants which were sold in the garden shop. She had the distinction of