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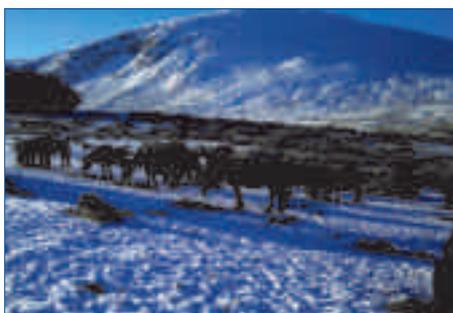
*The late Miss Mary Longsdon MBE, who inspired the Fell Pony Society's Guard of Honour of 135 Fell Ponies at Windsor for HM The Queen's 90th birthday.*



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# THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

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## Advance Notice of Dates for 2017-18

<b>2017</b>		5 Aug	Breed Show, Dalemain
28 Oct	FPS Show and Sale, Kendal	1 Sept	Magazine deadline
12 Nov	Foal & Youngstock Show, Newton Rigg College	9 Sept	tbc, Southern Show, Berks College
<b>2018</b>		16 Sept	tbc, Performance Trials, Hexham
1 Feb	Magazine deadline	11 Nov	Foal & Youngstock Show
7 April	AGM, Orton		
5 May	tbc, Sandringham Show		
6 May	Dorset Show		
12 May	Stallion & Colt show, Dalemain		
10 June	South Cumbria Show, Kendal SG		
24 June	Derbyshire Fell & Dales Show, Barleyfields EC		

All dates are provisional and possibly subject to change. Please check the FPS website for any late alterations to dates or venues.



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## Editorial

I began this editorial the day after a FPS Council meeting full of strong opinions and equally bright ideas, from which I had come home both reassured and exhausted. I suspect our chairman does too.

How well Mary Longsdon used to manage our meetings, with such a twinkle in her eye. She encouraged everyone to look after the ponies and enjoy them, both locally and nationally. I hope she would be proud of us. There are several tributes to her in this issue.

A feature we would like to bring into future editions of the Magazine is a “Stud Profile”. Please get in touch with the FPS Office to express your interest in this FREE publicity for your stud. We will provide you with a set of “prompt” questions to get you going, and Claire Simpson, our Press Officer, will write up your responses into an article which she will also offer to national equestrian magazines.

Having reached 98 pages in this issue (at time of writing) we are getting very close to our 100 page maximum and I shall have to shrink the text size for some contributions. How do you like the extended Breed Show results (to 6th place)? Overall, would you rather have photographs, or text? We do act on your feedback, so please tell me, or someone on Council, before the next issue.

PLEASE NOTE—The Spring 2018 Magazine will have a very tight printing deadline. It must be out in good time to give members notice of the AGM—so please, if you have news send it to me in January. 1st February will be an absolute deadline for copy to be included in the Spring issue.

Have a good and pony-filled winter—and I hope not too much mud.

Sue Millard

*Happy Days - 2006 Seighford Leg-it with Mary Longsdon, centre, and Jane Glass*





## From Our President

It is a huge honour to be president of our society, but it will be very difficult to step into the shoes of my predecessor, Mary Longsdon! It is sad that we have lost such a fine lady, and our society is so much the richer in many ways as a result of her hard work and dedication to the breed.

I have met many of our members over the years, but for those who don't know me, here is some background information. I come from a Scottish farming background and members of my family still work on the farm which we have had for over a hundred years. My grandfather was a noted breeder of Clydesdales, and when I came south of the border for work forty years ago, I was introduced to a smaller "hairy" by the Dodd family. Despite being unceremoniously dumped by Barncross Royal, I joined the Society! It was not until we acquired a pony, Joss-green, that I fully appreciated how versatile the Fell is. He competed in virtually all equestrian disciplines—from showing to dressage and hunting to gymkhana games—and was a catalyst for my daughter Ruth entering her present profession of Veterinary Surgeon.

In my years as a member, I have assisted at shows as steward, judge and general dogsbody and have worked with the Show Committee and Judges Committee as Chairman, as well as being a member of our Disciplinary Panel. This has shown me how much hard work is done behind the scenes by many unsung people who are all devoted to the Fell. Our Council and office staff keep everything running smoothly and it is thanks to them we have such a flourishing society. I feel we are like a large family, often unruly, frequently getting into spats and making up, but all united in the love and future well-being of our native breed. It is so encouraging that HM the Queen has continued to be our Patron, despite scaling down on some of her work, and she is our best possible publicist when photos of her regularly appear in the press riding her favourite Fell.

As a historian, I appreciate how much Cumbria owes to the Fell. Over the centuries the breed has worked in agriculture, transported material over our difficult passes and lifted coals from the deep mines, and in this century continues to serve as a companion and performance animal. New roles are always emerging, and one of the most exciting is that of a conservation assistant to our environment. I hope you all enjoy your ponies whatever you do with them and I will try to visit our area support groups in my years as President.

Please do not hesitate to get in touch with me if I can help in any way!

Jean Ward

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## Chairman's Report—September 2017

The summer of 2017 will be remembered for the very erratic weather. No two days are the same with warm sunshine one day and very cold heavy rain or hailstones the next. This pattern has continued throughout August and has caused endless problems for show organisers and farmers trying to get their crops. Perhaps we should be grateful that we do not have hurricanes to cause full devastation.

Sadly we have lost several long term, valued members since I wrote my last report. Mrs M Catterall, breeder of the Towerview ponies, from Lancashire; Mrs S Lee, a former judge, from Halifax; Dick Bicknell, a former steward, from Cumbria; and also our very good friend Mary Longsdon MBE. Mary inspired so many of you to become involved with Fell ponies and she instigated the formation of the area support groups which have become a huge success. We send our deepest sympathy to their family and friends.

### Shows

Our annual Stallion Show and summer Breed Show, held at Dalemain, were once again well supported by exhibitors and spectators. These are the last shows to be organised by Rachael Brunskill as FPS Show Secretary. Rachael has moved away from Cumbria so is no longer in a position to continue in this post. I would like to thank Rachael for all the hard work and dedication shown towards the Fell pony and the Society. I am delighted to welcome our new show secretary, Lucie Charlton, from the Linnel Stud in Northumberland. I hope all our helpers will continue to support Lucie as she starts the planning process for our 2018 shows. She was fortunate in being able to shadow Rachael at our 2017 Breed Show so has some idea of what to expect. The FPS Southern Show is run by a small committee of dedicated enthusiasts and continues to thrive and is a very popular event. All our events are supported by volunteers and we are extremely grateful to everyone who takes the time and trouble to help at any event. My best wishes go to all those showcasing the breed and competing at HOYS early in October and Olympia in December.

### Donation from HM The Queen

Early in 2017 the organisers of H M The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations contacted the FPS to say that the profits from that event were being divided between several charities to which H M The Queen is patron. The FPS is extremely grateful for this donation which arrived in our bank account after the publication of our spring 2017 magazine. The amount of this charitable donation was £50,000.

We were asked to indicate how the donation would help our Society and in what way we would utilize it. Our reply was that the FPS would like to purchase some land, but we would ask our members for their ideas and all suggestions would be considered. This was announced at the AGM in April 2017.

### **In Memory of Mary Longsdon**

Mary Longsdon made a tremendous impact on the Fell Pony Society by giving its members the opportunity to become involved at a local level in a flexible, friendly and fun way within the area support groups. She encouraged Fell pony events throughout the country turning 'Cumbria's best kept secret' into a national treasure. Some members of the support groups have asked if we can hold an annual event in memory of Mary. This does not need to be a pony event so it could be a coffee morning or similar but it should take place on a day during July. The support groups can then record the event and share photos etc via Facebook to keep Mary's memory at the forefront of our minds during July: the month we went to Windsor and also the month in which Mary died one year later. Also, it has been suggested that the FPS provide a 'Mary Longsdon Memorial Trophy' that can be awarded to a support group to be kept for one year. There needs to be further discussions about this so please speak to your area support group committee if you have any suggestions as to how this should be run and awarded. Further details will be given in the spring 2018 magazine and the first events will take place during July 2018.

### **Promotions Team**

Our promotions team are now well established and have been out and about in Cumbria throughout the summer. Many thanks to all involved for giving up their time to spread the word about the versatility of our wonderful Fell ponies. Sue Millard has a natural ability for writing a script for the event and there is a general feeling of enjoyment for all who take part.

### **Thank you**

Finally I would like to thank all members of Council for their continued support and enthusiasm. Sometimes difficult decisions have to be made but a touch of humour is never far away. Also my thanks must go to the FPS Office team, Katherine, Christine and Elizabeth, who cope admirably in all situations.

Best wishes  
Eileen.



## Secretary & Treasurer's Report—September 2017

As I write this report we have moved into Autumn, and don't seem to have had much of a summer at all this year, resulting in some shows and events being cancelled and many people struggling to get in their crops.

The Stallion Show & Breed Show were well supported by both exhibitors and spectators and South Cumbria Show also enjoyed a successful day with an increase in spectators this year. Thank you to everyone who gave sponsorship, and who helped in any way to make these events a success.

Many members spend their spare time in promoting the Fell Pony at events other than shows. This ensures the Fell Pony has the best promotion possible and safeguards the breed for the future. 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.

Recent communication from the Horserace Betting Levy Board advised that the Government has confirmed the planned date for transfer of HBLB's functions to the Gambling Commission and Racing Authority is now 1 April 2019. This means the HBLB will be managing the 2018 grants to rare breed societies. We are very grateful for this support.

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.

It was with great sadness that I heard of the death of Mary Longsdon, MBE, in July. Mary donated a great deal of her time to the Fell Pony and was a massive support to me as Society Secretary. I miss her dearly.

I would like to thank Eileen Walker, Andrew Thorpe and Council for their continued support, to my assistant Chris Greenhow who took over from Carol Farrall when she retired earlier in the year and to Elizabeth who makes up our efficient office team.

Best wishes

Katherine Wilkinson



## From the Office

- It is a legal requirement that change of ownership should be notified to the Society within 30 days of the change. Also don't forget to send in the passport for updating when a pony has been gelded. There should be a form in the back of the passport or you can download one from the website. It's also good for the Society to have an accurate record of where the ponies are!
- It is also a legal requirement to return the passport to the Society when a pony dies; it can of course be returned to you, if requested, after cancellation.
- 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.
- When your pony is microchipped the vet should provide bar code stickers. These stickers should be added to the form, rather than the number being hand written. The office uses a scanner to read the number thus reducing any room for error when transcribing the number across.
- 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 the month and year. Month on its own with no year is unacceptable.
- Just a reminder that if you are planning on visiting the office please phone or email first to make an appointment. Alternatively any Society business can be carried out by phone, post or email or by posting in a sealed envelope addressed to 'The Fell Pony Society' through the letter box at Bank House.

Katherine



## Letters

We have had a request from Amanda Silver regarding her project about rare breeds of horses and ponies. She is looking for anecdotes from owners and breeders which she hopes to include in a book.

If you would like to contribute, you can contact her by email. Her address is [as.rarehorses.ponies@outlook.com](mailto:as.rarehorses.ponies@outlook.com)



## Obituary—Mary Longsdon MBE

The Society was very saddened to learn of the passing of Mary Longsdon MBE. Mary was truly an inspiration to all who met her; always positive, always wise and encouraging. She had just started to take life a little easier having completed her term as FPS President, after serving on the FPS Council for over thirty years and spending more than ten years as Chairman.

Mary, a well-respected breeder, judge and carriage driver, was awarded her MBE for services to the Fell pony in the 2007 New Year's Honours List. She led the Society through some difficult and challenging times during her chairmanship; and she also progressed some fabulous ideas which the Society and its members have benefitted greatly from. There are far, far too many to list in full, but they include the establishment of the Southern, Derbyshire and other shows, and the Area Support Groups. The Midlands West Group particularly has thrived from Mary's vast knowledge and experience. Mary's remit for the Groups was that they should be 'Flexi, friendly and fun'—a mantra we should aim to adopt as we enjoy our time together with our lovely ponies.

Another of Mary's triumphs was persuading HRH The Duke of Edinburgh to become the Society's President in both his, and the Society's, 90th year. In fact, Mary did reveal that The Duke was always very interested in the performance of her Fell pony pair at the time when he himself drove Cleveland Bays in carriage driving trials some years ago. It is quite likely that it is Mary we should thank for influencing his choice of Fells over the other breeds available to him at that time.

Many people may see Mary's 'piece de resistance' as her wildly ambitious plan to take 90 ponies to Windsor as a Guard of Honour to celebrate HM The Queen's 90th birthday in 2016. The event was a tremendous success, and many of the comments on the FPS Facebook page have referred to this; we are fortunate that it gave everyone who attended an opportunity to meet Mary and, as ever, she had a cheery word for everyone.

Well done and thank you so much Mary; we will miss you. It has been a privilege and an honour to have you in our lives.

Claire Simpson



*Mary Longsdon with FPS Secretary Elizabeth Parkin, Michael Goddard and Diane Key after receiving her MBE at Buckingham Palace in 2007.*



## THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

### Fees & Charges

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

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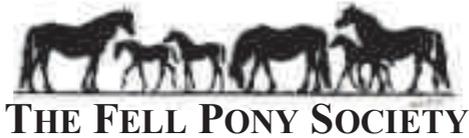
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## Membership Fees

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

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

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

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

### Membership Renewal

Society memberships fall due on 1 January annually.

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 (7 April 2018).

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



## FPS Stallion Licensing

It is compulsory for a colt/stallion to be FIS tested before a Stallion License can be issued. The fees for a Stallion License application are:

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

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

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

## FPS Member Directory & Sales List

Listing in the Member Directory on the website is purely voluntary, and free. The Directory page is [http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/member\\_dir.htm](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](http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/sales_list.htm). It is updated with fresh adverts as they are received. Each advert costs £10 per pony, for 3 months. Stud advertisements cost £30 for 12 months. There is a printable form on the web site to guide you when writing your advert. Please send it with a cheque payable to 'The Fell Pony Society' 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](mailto:secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk). (The Society's electronic banking details are on p13 of this Magazine.)



# THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

## Sub-Committees

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Master judges and reserves are chosen at random from the FPS Panel at a Council meeting to serve on this Committee. Of these, two are selected to remain on for two years to maintain continuity.

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Mrs S Millard, Mrs K Ellis, Mrs CH Robinson and Miss N Evans.



# THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

## Council Elections 2018

The following members retire from the Council in 2018 and are eligible for re-election:

Miss B Bell, Mr J Potter, Mr C Roberts, Mr D Wilkinson.

Members wishing to make a nomination for Council should obtain a form from the Office and ensure that it is delivered to the Secretary on or before 1 January 2018.

### POSTAL VOTING FOR COUNCIL MEMBERS

Ballot papers will be sent out with their Spring magazine to those eligible to vote. Completed ballot papers have to be returned to the 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 on or before 15 February 2018. You will find details on Votes of Members under Section 7 of the Articles of Association, and Election to the Council under Section 8.6.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO SEND YOUR BALLOT PAPER TO THE SCRUTINEER BEFORE THE DEADLINE. DO NOT WASTE YOUR CHANCE TO VOTE IN THE RUNNING OF YOUR SOCIETY.



### Advertising Fees for Magazine

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Half page .....	£30
Quarter page .....	£15
Small box.....	£10
Picture in any of the preceding .	+£10
Classified, text only ....	£2 per 20 words

Please send your advertisement and payment to the Secretary at the FPS Office.

Copy should be sent in by 1st September (Autumn issue) or 1st February (Spring issue), with the appropriate fee payable to “Fell Pony Society”.



# Minutes of the Annual General Meeting—2017

## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

Held at Orton Market Hall on Saturday 1 April 2017

Mrs Walker opened the meeting and welcomed everyone and asked members to remember those no longer with us: Miss A Carslaw, Somerset, Mrs C A King, Isle of Man, Mr D Jewitt, North Yorkshire, Mr W Steadman, Brough, Mrs B Muller, Germany and Mr E J Faragher, Isle of Man. She asked members to show respect to them and their families by observing a one minute's silence.

### 1 Apologies for absence

Apologies were received from: Mrs J Bateson, Mr P Boustead, Miss A Bridges, Mr and Mrs M Brown and family, Mrs S Camp, Miss J Charlton, Mrs J Cowking, Mrs S Densham, Mr and Mrs A Douglas, Mrs K Downing, The Ellis Family, Miss J Glass, Mrs S Hardy, Mr M Lupton, Miss D Meikle, Mrs C Merry, Mr and Mrs A W Morland, Mrs C Morton, Mr GH Morton, Mrs M Murray, Mrs P Randell, Mr R Relph-Briggs, Mr W Robinson, Mrs S Stewart, Mrs A Torode, and Mrs E Whitley, Mr D and Miss M Wilkinson, Mrs M Wilson, Mrs V Wood-Gee and Miss R Woodruff.

### 2 Approval and adoption of Annual General Meeting Minutes of 2 April 2016

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

### 3 Matters arising from the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 2 April 2016

There were none.

### 4 Chairman's Report

Mrs Walker reported that since writing her Chairman's report for the spring magazine she had completed the stallion service records for 2016. Last year she had reported that during 2015 there had been 456 coverings. During 2016 there were 489, an increase of 33 = increase of 7.2%. At the end of December 2016 the Society had 439 licensed stallions compared to 432 at the end of 2015 = increase of 1.6%. That increase includes a total of 39 new stallions - 29 licensed in the UK and 10 licensed overseas. The number of stallions being used for breeding purposes during 2016 was 104 = just under a quarter, again supporting the views that many stallions are kept for recreational purposes and not for breeding.

The SEBA (Scottish Equine Breeders Association) nomination had to be made by the end of January 2017. It is always difficult to find a Scottish Bred Pony that has done more than just showing. The Fell Pony Society nomination for 2016 was a pony belonging to Jenifer Morrissey in America called Restar Mountain Shelley III. This pony had been used for breeding and the progeny had been very successful. Unfortunately she was not the winner but received acknowledgement in the press and a commemorative rosette for taking part. Mrs Walker asked all Scottish breeders to think about where their ponies are and what they are doing. It is up to the breeders to let the Society know if they think they have a pony

suitable for this award. Please start thinking about this now for 2018 to save Mrs Wilkinson and Mrs Walker scratching their heads during the middle of January each year trying to find a suitable pony to nominate. Ponies can be anywhere in the world as long as they were bred in Scotland.

Mrs Walker reminded members about the many Fell ponies competing in the British Dressage Team Quest competitions throughout the country, reported in the magazine, and that it's not too late to join in the fun if members want to have a go. Mrs Walker said that she wasn't sure how she was talked into it but her pony, Rackwood Hugo, is definitely enjoying it. Anyone interested to speak to Vicky Parker. She said that it is great publicity for the breed and well done everyone for getting involved.

Mrs Walker reported that Carol Farrall, a part time member of the society office team, is leaving the Society at the end of May so we will be advertising for another office assistant. Carol has been with us just over two years and has been a great help in the office, especially at busy times. The Society wishes her well in her retirement. The post will be advertised locally to Appleby but if you are interested then please let Katherine have your contact details.

It is great to see the Society's finances looking healthy in the accounts up to the end of October 2016. Since then a very generous donation from 'The Queen's 90th Birthday Celebration' fund has been received. This has been reported in the press so many of you will already know that the amount was £50K. This money needs to be invested or spent very wisely to safeguard the future of the Fell pony. Council are interested in your suggestions but it may take several months before a final decision is made. Any ideas are to be submitted in writing and Council will consider them.

Mrs Walker has recently been in discussions with RSPB regarding the use of Fell ponies for conservation grazing on a site close to Brampton, near Carlisle. These discussions have taken place during the last ten days so this has not been discussed or agreed with Council but she is hopeful that a site will be offered for yearling and 2 year old colts. The suggestion is to run a feasibility study during the next three years to compare the Fell pony and the Exmoor pony on sites in Cumbria. If anyone would be interested in taking part in this scheme, details to be passed onto Mrs Wilkinson or Mrs Walker at the end of the meeting. It has been suggested that ponies could be on site as early as May but Council need to discuss and agree the terms before this can happen. Ten ponies are needed so if we are oversubscribed, applications will be balloted. Mrs Walker said she would like to see a variety of prefixes apply. More details / information later in the meeting under item 10 of the agenda.

Finally, Mrs Walker thanked all members of Council for their continuous support and thanks to Katherine, Carole and Elizabeth who make up the office team. Team work is what it is all about and the members are part of that team helping out at many events throughout the year and sharing love and commitment to our beloved Fell ponies.

## **5 Secretary/Treasurer's Report**

The 2016 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 2018 calendar. Registrations have increased slightly, and it was pleasing to see an increase in foals registered from the semi feral herds. There are still a similar number of transfers of ownership. The number of Society membership remains static and just under 100 new members have joined the Society so far in 2017.

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

The Central Equine Database is still on track for going live in 2017 but as yet we haven't been given an actual date. Despite 'Brexit' EU and DEFRA legislation relating to Horse Passports still applies and it is unlikely there will be any change within the next 2 years, that is that the obligation as regards to passports is with the keeper who must ensure that the passport is at all times up to date and correct, including ownership and food chain status and notification of death.

The Horserace Betting Levy Board has issued the 2017 grant, and we are very grateful for this. This amount has reduced from last year's figure due to the uncertainty within the HBLB and them having to reduce their budgets until things are clarified. The two functions of the Levy Board are to be split, the responsibility for the levy collection going to the Gambling Commission, expenditure will be overseen by a new racing authority, details are not yet available. Council will discuss how this will be used in accordance with the HBLB Standard Policies and Conditions later in the year.

The RBST have just today confirmed that the Society is remaining in Category 3, vulnerable, on the At Risk register.

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.

Many members have been out there promoting the Breed over the last year and preparations are being made for the coming year, keep up the good work!

The Society had made a profit in 2015/16 of £12,428.

The increase in profit was largely due to legacies left in wills and royalties from the sale of the Breyer model, as well as the promise auction held in October 2016. Also over £1700 was raised from sponsorship, thanks to members' generosity. A reduction of £1000 in expenditure was due to a Government subsidy of Employers NI for small businesses introduced in April 2014.

Finally, thank you Council, particularly Eileen and Andrew for their continued support and to Carol and Elizabeth who complete the office team. Carol will be retiring towards the end of May; she has been a great support to me throughout some very difficult times in the office and will be sadly missed.

## **6 Election of Council**

Mrs Walker opened the envelope and read out the report provided by scrutineer, Mr Mandelson.

As of midnight on the closing date, 21 March, for receipt of ballot papers, 636 members were eligible to vote, 130 eligible ballot papers had been received, (Mrs Walker said that this was extremely disappointing) 129 by post and 1 by email. 9 ballot papers were ineligible as follows: name and address given but no votes cast - 2; votes cast but no name and address given - 1; arrived after the deadline - 6. 20.4% of eligible members had submitted eligible ballot papers, 410 votes had been cast with a maximum of 4 per member and an average of 3 votes cast per voting member.

Mr Boustead, Miss Brunskill, Mrs Rawden and Mrs Slack were elected, Mrs Walker said she was sorry that Mrs Brunskill had been unsuccessful. Mrs Walker welcomed Mrs Rawden and Mrs Slack onto Council.

## **7 Election of President**

Mrs Walker thanked Miss Longsdon for being President over the last 2 years and especially for organising the Windsor event.

One nomination had been received, for Mrs Jean Ward. Mrs Walker asked members to show their approval in accepting Mrs Ward as president for the next 2 years; members were in favour of the proposal.

Mrs Ward said that it was an extremely great honour to be president of the FPS, she had been a member for 35 years and had previously been on the show and judges sub committee. There was no way she could fill the boots just vacated by Miss Longsdon but she would do her best; Mary has been an excellent president and has done a tremendous amount of work for the Society for many years; she asked members to show their appreciation for her predecessor. Miss Longsdon thanked members very much.

## **8 Adoption of Accounts for year ended 31 October 2016**

Mrs Walker referred to the accounts printed in the magazine. There had been no questions received prior to the meeting from members.

Mrs Walker reported that the accounts were showing a profit of almost £12,500, and that this was fantastic and largely due to members' generosity and team work.

Mr Thompson asked why there was such a big difference from the previous year in the income for show and other events and show and exhibition expenses. Mrs Walker said that it was due to the income and expenditure from the Windsor event held in July 2016, renting of stables, purchase of rugby shirts etc.

Mr Bell asked why there are 2 lots of postage shown in the accounts, Mrs Walker said she would need to check but thought that one amount would be for the issue of memberships and the magazine and the other the office expenditure for postage. Mr Bell also asked if it had been considered to use a mailing company for the issue of the magazine and also using a franking machine to save on postage costs. Mrs Wilkinson said that the option was given to send the magazine electronically to members; however only one had opted for that method!

Mr Thompson asked if the Society would consider online entries for shows, to save on postage costs. Miss Brunskill said that there was no postage cost to the Society as members provide a s.a.e. for the issue of tickets. Mrs Walker agreed that it would be considered and discussed at a future Council meeting.

Adoption of the accounts was proposed by Miss Mawrey, seconded by Miss Brunskill and agreed by members.

## **9 Resolution to appoint Brosnans Chartered Accountants as Accountants to the Society**

The resolution was proposed by Mrs Armstrong-Foxton, seconded by Mrs Cockbain and agreed by the members.

## **10 Reports from Sub-Committees**

Mrs Robinson, Conservation Sub-Committee, reported that a meeting had been held that morning and that Mr E Winder, Miss B Potter and Mr I Brunskill had been co-opted onto the committee. The Society had been contacted regarding a grazing opportunity for 10 ponies, at the 300 hectare RSPB Geltsdale site nr Brampton, Carlisle. Cattle also graze the site during the summer. It is expected the yearling and 2 year old colts will go on site from May for a 12 month period, part of a 3 year feasibility study comparing the grazing of Exmoor's

and Fells. Still need to look at the grazing licence. FPS will be the licence holder, and the individual pony owners would then sign an agreement with the FPS, details of which will include checking of the ponies and the type of wormer allowed to be used. Other things to be considered: if there are handling facilities and possibly a bond to be paid by the graziers to cover the costs of vet and insurance. Mrs Walker asked for a show of hands of anyone who would be interested in putting ponies onto this site, 3 people expressed an interest. Anyone interested to pass on name and contact details a.s.a.p.

Miss Turner asked who would carry out the study? Mrs Walker suggested that it would probably be the RSPB. She also asked why constraints on colts, Mrs Walker said that the Society had received several requests over the years from breeders who need somewhere to run young colts. If 10 colts were not forward then geldings would be considered too. Miss Walker said that the grazing would be an ideal opportunity for a male group to run naturally.

Judges Committee - Mrs Armstrong-Foxton reported that the scheme is currently accommodating the maximum of 3 trainees this year. Both the Secretary and Chairman had met with Council earlier in the year when the issues of: dwindling Fell classes, fewer local shows and the pool of master judges becoming limited were discussed as well as some changes to the rules. A lack of ponies for the assessment day has always been a problem. Council have agreed travelling expenses can be paid to those supplying ponies for assessment to be held prior to the Foal and Youngstock show on 12 November at Newton Rigg, details in the magazine. The Secretary reminded members that she is planning on retiring at the end of this year, if anyone is interested then please speak to her.

Mrs Millard, Overseas Sub-Committee, reported that the deadline had been reached (1 April) for the branches to report back. Branches in North America and Denmark have had a busy year, and the Danish branch is hoping to get the Fell pony recognised by the Danish equivalent of DEFRA.

Miss Brunskill, Show Sub-Committee, told members that the Stallion Show is to be held on 20 May and Breed show on 6 August, and as always anyone willing to help as stewards or runners would be most welcome, so if interested speak to either Rachael or Heather. Miss Brunskill made a plea for sponsors. Support was much appreciated—thank you to those who have already sponsored the shows. A list is available for anyone who is interested.

Promotions Team - Mrs Bell reported that the team had a busy 2016, including Lowther Country Fair for the second year. The team had purchased a tent, new stock and display materials and there had been a recruitment drive for new members. In 2017 five events would be attended including one in Yorkshire, Lowther and Country Fest. Unfortunately the team had to say goodbye to some members who had been there from the start but following a recruitment drive on social media, new members will be joining the team this year.

Scotland SG (North) - Mrs Cheetham reported from that members would be attending a social gathering at Redwings Horse Sanctuary. In May the second Highland, Fell and Dales Show is to be held. In July they will be joining with the Eriskay Pony Society for a working horse day at Balmoral Castle with Sylvia Ormiston.

South - Ms Fairburn said that the group was in the early stages of being set up. They are hoping to get a Dressage team, and a 4th member is needed.

NESG - Miss Parker reported that the group had held a Beach ride; le Trec play day; Sunday Lunch; Camp; and Performance Trials, by kind permission of the Charlton family, in 2017. The Performance Trials in 2017 will be held on 17 September; help will be

appreciated, and bring ponies too. A Sunday lunch had already taken place. Camp will take place the first weekend in May and Native Pony Festival on 21 May.

NWSG - Mrs Plank reported that the first Camp to be arranged in the NW took place in July 2016 and was very successful, with practically all places for this year's Camp already filled by those who had attended last year. Other events run by the group in 2016 included a beach ride at Silecroft and the Foal and Youngstock show in November, foal classes being well supported but more entries needed in the yearling, 2 year old and 3 year old classes. A lunch with vet talk wasn't very well supported, but a flat and jumping clinic with Julie Robinson, which was well supported, have already taken place in 2017. A driving clinic with Paul Metcalfe and Claire Simpson is to be held at Newton Rigg on 3 September.

MWSG - Mrs Roberts-Jones reported that the group is thriving and lots of events are planned including the Spring Festival of Fells show to be held on 8 April and the Derbyshire Fell and Dales Show on 18 June. The group is also planning a bunk house camp with moor riding in Mid Wales as well as fun rides.

SESG - although they don't have many ponies in the area they have arranged a dressage team.

SWSG - Mr Goddard reported that a talk by Vyv Wood-Gee had been very good. The Dorset Fell and Dales Show is to be held on 30 April with judge, Colin Turner. Leanne Russell is to organise a ride from the Park Farm museum. An open day with a talk by Peter Boustead is to be held on 30 August. The Southern Show is to be held on 10 September.

YPG - Miss Slack reported the group had held a meeting earlier in the day. In 2016 a successful visit to the Lownthwaite Stud had taken place. There had been a good turnout to a ride that took place at Somerford Park. A Fell pony education day is to be arranged in Cumbria, later in the year, open to all. Mrs Walker reported that the response for the LWF scheme was poor and she asked if the YPG could raise some awareness/interest in the scheme.

## **11 Approval of Honorary Member**

Mrs Walker advised members that Council had proposed Miss Betty Walker in becoming an honorary member, for her work and long term support of the breed. Miss Walker has been a FPS member for many years and was on Council for 36 years. Miss Walker thanked everyone and said that she had enjoyed every minute of it. Members approved this with a show of hands, with effect from 2018.

## **12 Any Other Business**

Mr Thompson reported that he had recently attended a FPBA meeting where the subject was brought up regarding the legal action following last years AGM. A council member had reported that it had not cost the Society anything as the Insurance had paid and that there was a confidentiality clause on the matter therefore no further details could not be supplied. He was confused as to why there was a need for a confidentiality clause and no explanation of the outcome. Why did Council not know? Mrs Walker spoke on behalf of Mr Thorpe and herself. They had both agreed to attend mediation and an agreement was reached, she reported that the agreement is not allowed to be discussed, it is confidential, the other party is not allowed to discuss it either. Mr Thompson responded that he could not understand the need for that confidentiality agreement when there were over 100 people present at the AGM as witnesses, it didn't add up, the fact that the Council don't know. Mrs Walker responded to say that this is how the solicitors wanted it to be and nothing could be disclosed. Mr Thompson asked if something else had happened that the members should know about? Ms Fairburn said that this is the way the legal system

generally works and it had to be accepted. Mrs Walker responded to say that the Insurance premium increases each year, and this year the premium had increased by £30 (last year it was £25). Mr Thompson said again he did not understand why the confidentiality clause, he referred to the apologies on social media and in the magazine. Mrs Walker said that she and Mr Thorpe were put in a position where they had to sign to agree not to disclose anything and the matter is closed.

Kerry Turner spoke, along with Libby Robinson and Fleur Hallam, about their proposal to create a Fell Pony Heritage Centre in the Lake District with the aim of protecting a semi feral herd on the fells of The Lake District, and alongside that to educate farmers and the public about the pony's role in terms of its impact on the eco system on the upland fells, and also to protect the heritage and skills of working the pony on farms. She reported that she had gained a lot of verbal support for the venture, and carried out an initial feasibility study and had started to look for sites to start the centre and funds to make that happen. She would appreciate hearing from anyone interested in getting involved. Mrs Robinson said that they had visited the Museum at Dalemain and the collection on display; more people should visit. She reported that the lighting was not ideal and that it was not an ideal location. Mrs Millard said that she had painted the murals in 1983. Miss Hallam asked for support for the Heritage Centre. Mrs Walker said that matter would be discussed at Council. Mrs Robinson said that information had already been sent for discussion at Council. It was asked if they could attend Council with a presentation, Mrs Walker agreed that they could come to the meeting on 16 May. Kerry Turner asked if the FPS would consider donating some of the £50k towards the project. They had enquired about Heritage Lottery Grants and an award up to £1 million requires 10% input from the applicant and an award of over £1million requires 5%.

Kerry Turner said that the key target for the project would be schools, for the children to learn about the pony and its impact on the environment; a lot of research has been done with schools and a proposal to link with the national curriculum. The future is with the children and educating the children for the future. The centre would be open particularly in the holidays aiming at families helping them understand more about the pony, and they could have a go at carriage driving. Plenty is done to promote the breed amongst horse lovers but the centre would promote to the public in general. They would also like in the future to see campaigning with other Native breeds from the centre, pressure on subsidies which link ponies to grazing in their indigenous environment. Mrs Hodgson asked if the project was wanting money to buy a farm where Fell Ponies would be kept, in the Lake District, where members of the public would be invited to see the ponies work etc? Kerry Turner responded to say that personally she did not own any Fell Ponies; the ponies would be those owned by Libby Robinson. Miss Walker asked if any



*Mrs Walker presented 'The Queen's Trophy' to Betty Walker.*

contact had been made with the Environment Agency/Defra. Kerry Turner said yes, in particular with Natural England; she has a list of stakeholders who have been contacted. Miss Walker said that she was aware of a 're-wilding scheme' whose aim was to plant trees!

Mrs Walker reported on behalf of David Murray that he has sent out a 'wildness questionnaire' to approximately 40 breeders with particular questions about supplementary feeding. If any breeder does not receive a questionnaire and would like one, then contact David. He has also published a book 'Walking with Houyhnhnms', "a true adventure story along the Roman Military Way", priced at £13.99 incl P and P.

### 13 Presentation of Awards

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

Mrs Walker presented 'The Queen's Trophy' to Betty Walker - for her promotion of the Fell Pony.

The Lownthwaite Rob Trophy is to be awarded to Waverhead Ted, owned by Sheila Hardy and family.

The Edinburgh Prize was presented to Mrs Gilly Chippendale for her driving pony, Stennerskeugh Smoke *[photo, centre pages]*.

The Fell Pony Society Breeders Award in Memory of Chris Thompson was awarded to the Greenholme stud, with rosettes to:

- =2nd Townend, =2nd Carrock
- =4th Wellbrow, =4th Lunesdale
- 6th Brackenbank

Mrs Ward thanked Mrs Walker for her work as Chairman of the Society.

Mrs Walker announced the raffle numbers before closing the meeting and inviting members to have tea.



*Bill and Isobel Potter received the Breeders Award, and the Stallion Points Award for Greenholme Warrior [photo on p28].*



*Award winners in the Performance Scheme*



## **Fell Ponies Conservation Grazing at RSPB Geltsdale Reserve**

The Fell Pony Society is delighted to have entered into a conservation grazing agreement with the RSPB at Geltsdale, in the beautiful North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty. The site is home to curlew, black grouse, birds of prey and many breeding wading birds.

The site is for 10 Fell pony colts and geldings, aged one to three years old; once colts reach the age of three years they must be removed. Owners have signed an initial 12 month contract with the FPS and joined a rota to check all the ponies on the site.

The ponies released to the site in May were five two year old geldings - Brackenthwaite Star, Kerbeck Loki's Fire, Lathomdale Louie, Greenholme Jester II and Severnvale Pride; three two year old colts - Greenholme Jonjo, Hardendale Heather Lad and Bybeck Rodney; and two yearling colts - Peepings Ben and Hebdenwood Silver.

These lucky ponies can enjoy their role in the conservation of this beautiful landscape, roaming 500 acres of open fell, before they are brought into work as future riding or driving ponies, or breeding stallions. *[photo in centre pages]*



# Horserace Betting Levy Board Grant Payment—Summary

## Mare Premium (Semi Feral) Foals born 2014

Number of Breeders	Number of Mares	Payment Total
27	81 (£15 per mare)	£1,215

## Fell Pony Society Points Scheme 2015

Payments awarded 2016

### 4 Year Old+ Performance

Owner	£100.00
Breeder	£100.00
Dam Breeder	£50.00
Sire Breeder	£50.00

### 4 Year Old+ In Hand

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

### 3 Year Old

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

### 2 Year Old

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

### 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

### Endurance

Owner £50.00

Breeder £50.00

### Dressage

Owner £50.00

Breeder £50.00

### Driving

Owner £50.00

Breeder £50.00

### Stallion Premium

Owner £100.00

Breeder £100.00

### Mare Premium

Owner £100.00

Breeder £100.00

<b>2015</b>			2nd	Owner/breeder	£50.00
<b>Yearling Colts, Stallion Show</b>			3rd	Breeder	£25.00
6	£25	£150.00			
<b>2015</b>				<b>2015 Venue Hire</b>	
<b>Two Year Old Colts, Stallion Show</b>				<b>Stallion Grading Assessors,</b>	
5	£25	£125.00		Training	£60.00
<b>2015</b>				<b>Probationer Judges,</b>	
<b>Mare premiums, Breed Show</b>				Assessment Day	£50.00
1st	Owner/breeder	£100.00		<b>Printing of stud book,</b>	
2nd	Owner/breeder	£50.00		contribution	£56.00
<b>2015</b>				<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£3,931.00</b>
<b>Stallion premiums, Breed Show</b>					
1st	Breeder	£50.00			

*Greenholme Warrior at home with his mares & foals*





## Dorset Fell & Dales Show— 30 April 2017

We had a busy show with a record 49 ponies entered for our judge Colin Turner to cast his eye over. Colin comes from Lancashire and this was his first visit this far south to Dorset. As usual we had more ponies in the In hand classes, but I was pleased that there were more ridden Fells than past years.

Dressage was also well supported and our judge Mandy Hayward was impressed by the standard. Wellbrow Duke and Bethany Griffiths were unstoppable winning both classes. They are part of the successful Wishfell Thinking dressage team in Sussex. Handy pony was also popular this year, thanks to Gill Davies & her friend Clare for running & judging this class.

Having watched the forecast all week I was pleased we managed to get through quite a few of the In hand classes in the dry, but it didn't last. As it started to pour, waterproofs were found and we carried on. I discovered that it is hard to record results with soggy paper & a wet pen!

Our In Hand Champion was Nicholwalls Firefly owned by Pam Marsh. They will represent South West Fell group in the Inter area championship at the Southern show in September. Reserve champion Bracklinn Crosbie owned by Mark Cornthwaite

Ridden classes as usual were not so well supported although numbers were much better than in past years, with lots of new faces. Again we had some heavy rain, but we ended the day dry with sunshine.

Fell Ridden champion was Murthwaite Sarah owned & ridden by Lizzie Briant, and reserve was Wellbrow Duke ridden by Bethany Griffiths.

Fell Supreme Champion Murthwaite Sarah, Supreme Reserve Nicholwalls Firefly

Thank you to all of you who sponsored classes—without your support the show would not be able to run. If anyone is willing to sponsor next year's show you can do so on the website or contact me or Michael Goddard.

Also thanks to all of you who entered and I hope you all had a good day and didn't get too wet. I hope you also found our new online entering was easy to use. It seemed to work well, much to Steve's relief.

Lastly thanks have to go to all those who helped on the day, Georgina & Janet Blair, Catriona Edwards, Sue Howes and her friend Lorraine who parted you from your cash for the raffle.

Shirley Worth (Sue's sister) was our first aider for the day & very kindly gave her services free. We have discussed this with Shirley and your contributions for first aid have been donated to Dorset & Somerset air ambulance £105.

Next year's show is Sunday May 6th at Hurn Bridge EC.

Sharron Camp



## FPS Stallion & Colt Show—20 May 2017

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. The rain held off and Judge David Wilkinson, who had judged at Royal Windsor the previous week, was kept busy placing the quality stallions, colts and geldings that were forward.

In a fitting tribute to the late Thomas Capstick, Murthwaite bred ponies took the overall supreme and reserve championships, and also featured in the breeding of other prize-winners on the day.

The overall supreme champion stallion was the black ten year old Murthwaite Wanted Man (sire Murthwaite Look At Me/dam Murthwaite Jack's Lass), owned by Claire Wigley and Jenny Crane. Wanted Man is having a super season, and proving to have been an excellent purchase when he was sold through the FPS annual sale 3 years ago. Claire says that he has the most delightful temperament and is a pleasure to have around. The grey, seven year old Murthwaite Smoking Joe (Murthwaite Ice Man/Murthwaite Magic), owned by Courtney Savage, took the reserve and won the class for ridden stallions.

It was a fabulous day for Courtney, who also bred the gelding champion and winner of the class for ridden geldings, the six year old Deepghyll Lucky Touch (Townend Rocky/Bracklinn Honey), who is now owned and ridden by Gillian Ridding. The reserve champion gelding was the bay two year old, Murthwaite TBC (Wellbrow Lancashire Lad/Murthwaite Alice), owned by Lizzie James; TBC being the initials of the pony's breeder - Thomas Bracken Capstick.

The youngstock champion was the yearling Summerhouse Gatsby (Underwoods Gideon/Rulewater Lucy) bred by Peter Boustead and owned by Susannah York. Susannah, who is more normally seen with Welsh ponies, spotted Gatsby in an advert on Facebook and is enjoying success in the show ring with her first Fell. Reserve went to another yearling, Waverfoot Warrior (Lownthwaite Gary/Greenholme Gipsy Rose) owned and bred by Hilary Lightfoot.

Glenis Cockbain won the class for three and four year old ponies with her homebred three year old, Carrock Stride The Nite (Murthwaite Michael/Carrock Dawn Chorus), shown by John Cockbain. Bert and Carole Morland won the class for two year old colts with Holling Brown Ale (Stennerskeugh Smoke/Holling Hazel), shown by Vicki Kenyon.

Gilly Chippendale won the driving class with her elegant country turnout and grey twelve year old, Stennerskeugh Smoke (Lunesdale Tarquin/Stennerskeugh Bethany), sire of the winning two year old. Nicola Chippendale took the class for the best shod foot with the four year old Greenholme Hot Rod (Greenholme Diego/Greenholme White Rose), shod by Alan Ashcroft.

Claire Simpson



## FPS Stallion & Colt Show Results

### Judges

In-hand, Ridden and Driven: Mr D Wilkinson,  
(Brackenbank Ponies)

Reserve: Mr D Lovegreen

Farrier: Mr M Wheeler

### Class 1 Registered Yearling Colts

1st SUMMERHOUSE GATSBY FP72649C.

f2016 Owner Miss S J York

Breeder Mr P Boustead

2nd WAVERFOOT WARRIOR FP72645C.

f2016

Owner & Breeder Miss H Lightfoot

3rd GREENHOLME KINGSMARK FP72647C.

f2016 Owner Miss BA Potter

Breeder Miss R J & Miss B K Potter

4th SETMABANNING JACKO FP72674C.

F2016. Owner Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe

Breeder Mr G L Hutton

5th TIGHWOOD S THE BOSS FP72691C.f2016

Owner Miss S Tighe

Breeder Mr J Tighe

6th STOCKLEYLANE CHRISTOPHER

FP72596C.f2016 Owner Miss T

Hayden

Breeder Mr J Brougham

### CLASS 2 Registered Two Year Old Colts

1st HOLLING BROWN ALE FP72493C. f2015

Owner Mr A W Morland

Breeder Mr S D Sanderson

2nd STOCKLEYLANE STORM FP72484C.

f2015 Owner Mr D Dixon

Breeder Mr J Brougham

### CLASS 3 Registered Geldings Two & Three Years Old

1st MURTHWAITE TBC FP72474G. f2015

Owner Mrs S E James

Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick

### CLASS 4 Registered and Licensed Stallions 3 and 4 Years Old

1st CARROCK STRIDE THE NITE FP72419C\*.

LICENCE FP818. f2014.

Owner Mrs G M Cockbain & Mr D McDowell

Breeder Mrs G M Cockbain

2nd MURTHWAITE BARKLAY FP72338C\*

LICENCE FP796 f2014.

Owner Mrs R C Douglas

Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick

3rd BYBECK PIPER FP72395C\* LICENCE

FP789. f2014

Owner Mrs P H Hodgson

Breeder Mr C Roberts

4th GREENHOLME HOT ROD

FP72249C\*.LICENCE FP750.f2013

Owner Mrs N Chippendale

Breeder Miss R J & Miss B K Potter

5th DALEHEAD SCOTT FP72245C\* LICENCE

FP769. f2013

Owner Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe

Breeder Mr D Braithwaite

6th STENNERSKEUGH KESTREL FP72425C\*

LICENCE FP802. f2014

Owner Mr & Mrs A W Morland

Breeder Mr R N Beaty

### CLASS 5 Registered Geldings Four Years and Over

1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G.

f2011 Owner Mrs G Ridding

Breeder Miss C Savage

2nd RACKWOOD HUGO FP72014G. f2012

Owner & Breeder Mrs E A Walker

3rd DARRENVALE CHANCER FP7188G\*.

f2011

Owner Miss C Read

Breeder Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe

4th LOWNTHWAITE BOBBIN

FP71473G\*.f2009

Owner Mrs A W Bell

Breeder Mrs SC Morton

5th DALEFOOT ROLO FP71934G.f2011

Owner & Breeder Miss B Potter

6th ROSEFELL T.REG FP71503G.f2009

Owner & Breeder Mrs J Huddleston

**CLASS 6 Registered and Licensed Stallions 5 Years and Over**

1st MURTHWAITE WANTED MAN FP71082C\*  
LICENCE FP535. f2007

Owner Mrs C Wigley & Mrs J Crane  
Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick

2nd MURTHWAITE SMOKING JOE  
FP71790C\*, LICENCE FP691. f2010.

Owner Miss C Savage  
Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick

3rd LUNESDALE BLACK ICE II FP71130C\*,  
LICENCE FP588. f2008.

Owner Miss K Raine  
Breeder Mr & Mrs A W Morland  
4th GREENHOLME ELECT FP71650C\*LICENCE  
FP662.f2010

Owner Mr R Relph-Briggs

Breeder Miss R J Potter  
5th LUNESDALE DYLAN FP71636C\*. LICENCE  
FP671.f2010

Owner Mr J Tighe  
Breeder Mr & Mrs A W Morland  
6th GREENHOLME GISMO  
FP72142C\*.LICENCE FP726.f2012

Owner Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe  
Breeder Mr & Mrs W S Potter

**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  
2nd ROSEFELL T.REG FP71503G. f2009

Owner & Breeder Mrs J Huddleston  
3rd DARRENVALE CHANCER FP7188G\*.  
f2011

Owner Miss C Read  
Breeder Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe  
4th DALEFOOT ROLO FP71934G.f2011  
Owner & Breeder Miss B Potter

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

1st MURTHWAITE SMOKING JOE FP71790C\*,  
LICENCE FP691. f2010.

Owner Miss C Savage  
Breeder The Late Mr T B Capstick  
2nd LUNESDALE BLACK ICE II FP71130C\*,  
LICENCE FP588. f2008.

Owner Miss K Raine  
Breeder Mr & Mrs A W Morland  
3rd NOTLAW SUNDANCE KID FP72192C\*  
LICENCE FP777. f2012

Owner Miss A Metcalfe  
Breeder Mr T Walton

**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  
2nd LUNESDALE BLACK ICE II FP71130C\*,  
LICENCE FP588. f2008

Owner Miss K Raine  
Breeder Mr & Mrs A W Morland

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

1st GREENHOLME HOT ROD FP72249C\*.  
f2013.

Farrier Mr Alan Ashcroft  
2nd LUNESDALE DYLAN FP71636C\* f2010.  
Farrier Mr John Clark  
3rd STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G  
f2005.

Farrier Mr D Fearnhead  
4th LOWNTHWAITE BOBBIN  
FP71473G\*.f2009  
Farrier Mr Danny Gallagher

**Youngstock Champion Summerhouse Gatsby**

**Youngstock Reserve Waverfoot Warrior**

**Gelding Champion Deepghyll Lucky Touch**

**Gelding Reserve Murthwaite TBC**

**Supreme Champion Murthwaite Wanted Man**

**Reserve Supreme Murthwaite Smoking Joe**



## Sandringham MESG Fell, Dales, Exmoor & Friends Show—6 May 2017

The beautiful Royal estate at Sandringham was the venue for the MESG Fell and Friends Show held by kind permission of HM The Queen. Competitors came from near and far to support the show which has become ever more popular over the years.

Jenny Crane had well supported classes to judge starting with six youngstock entries. Jane Rawden and Samantha Audley's stunning three year old colt Bracklinn Glayva took the red ribbon, going on to become Youngstock Champion for the third year in a row. Sarah Prior's veteran stallion, 25 year old Sunnybrowe Jack was the in hand stallion winner and Mrs G Chambers' Dalehead Lakeland Millie took the mare class. There were twelve entries in the gelding class, eventually won by Sarah Prior's 8 year old homebred Broxdown Tornado, son of the stallion class winner.

The child handler class was won by Jemima Bush with Kerbeck Diamond Fire, and the in hand champion was Broxdown Tornado, with Dalehead Lakeland Millie standing reserve. Broxdown Tornado will be one of the MESG representatives in the prestigious Bewcastle Boy Blue inter area trophy final to be held at the FPS Southern Show in September.

After the lunch break the ridden classes had a large number of ponies forward with Holly Baker and Waverhead Bracken winning the adult ridden class and Amba Bowley riding Julie Southwell's Inglegarth Yordas taking home the red rosette in the child rider class. The traditional walk and trot class was won by Jane Rawden on Murthwaite Looks Promising.

Ridden Champion was Waverhead Bracken with Murthwaite Looks Promising as Reserve Champion. The best Working Hunter Fell pony was Nicola Clarke's Lunesdale Spirit, who was also the reserve Champion WHP. This year we had a custom built Working Hunter course constructed by local business Jump Smart which attracted lots of positive comments. Waverhead Bracken was placed first in both the Novice and Preliminary dressage competitions.

For the first time since its instigation the Champion of Champions title was not won by a Fell pony. After much deliberation between Jenny Crane and the Dales judge Colin Turner the accolade for 2017 was awarded to Joanne Eldridge's Dales gelding Byersgreen Alfie.

Many thanks go to everyone who continues to make Sandringham a much loved annual event, the organising committee, the hard working secretaries, the judges and stewards, the sponsors and of course the beautiful ponies and committed owners and riders who turn up year after year. We also had lots of new faces this year and hope they will return next year. Let's make it another year to remember. If anyone could offer any help, no matter how little, it would be gratefully received.

See you all in 2018, keep an eye on our Facebook page, Sandringham Fell, Dales, Exmoor and Friends Show, for the date (usually the first Saturday in May). We are hoping to make the entries more straightforward by using an online entry system for 2018.

Jean Bateson

### **In hand Fell youngstock**

1. Jane Rawden and Samantha Audley's Bracklinn Glayva
2. Kate Scorey's Llanai Guardsman
3. Shaun Rogerson's Greenholme King
4. Debbie Lock's Rivervalley Nimbostratus
5. Mrs G Chambers' Waverhead Midnight Bellman
6. Rachael Nicholls' Linnel Finale

### **In hand Fell stallion**

1. Sarah Prior's Sunnycrow Jack

### **In hand Fell mare**

1. Mrs G Chambers' Dalehead Lakeland Millie
2. Sarah Nelson's Brackenthwaite Bonnie
3. Lindsey Walton's Townend Kirstin

### **In hand Fell gelding**

1. Sarah Prior's Broxdown Tornado
2. Jane Rawden's Murthwaite Looks Promising
3. Holly Baker's Waverhead Bracken II
4. Shaun Rogerson's Murthwaite Frosty Morn
5. Nicola Clarke's Lunesdale Spirit
6. Julie Southwell's Inglegarth Yordas

### **Child Handler**

1. Jemima Bush with Kerbeck Diamond Fire
2. (Dartmoor)
3. Rhianna Goult with Murthwaite Looks Promising

### **Youngstock Championship**

Champion Bracklinn Glayva  
Reserve Llanai Guardsman

### **In hand Fell Championship**

Champion Broxdown Tornado  
Reserve Dalehead Lakeland Millie

### **Bewcastle Boy Blue qualifier**

Broxdown Tornado

### **Ridden Fell**

1. Holly Baker's Waverhead Bracken II
2. Jane Rawden's Murthwaite Looks Promising
3. Nicola Clarke's Lunesdale Spirit
4. Sarah Nelson's Brackenthwaite Bonnie
5. K Saberton's Son of Viking

### **Child rider**

1. Amba Bowley with Inglegarth Yordas
2. Molly Webster with Llancloudy Jackson

### **Traditional Ridden**

1. Jane Rawden's Murthwaite Looks Promising
2. (Dales)
3. Sarah Prior's Broxdown Tornado
4. Nicola Clarke's Lunesdale Spirit
5. (Welsh D)
6. (Dales)

### **Ridden Fell Championship**

Champion Waverhead Bracken II  
Reserve Murthwaite Looks Promising

### **Supreme Fell Championship**

Supreme Champion Waverhead Bracken II  
Reserve Broxdown Tornado

### **Best Fell Working Hunter**

Nicola Clarke's Lunesdale Spirit

### **Novice 24 dressage**

1. Holly Baker and Waverhead Bracken II
2. Catriona Paterson and Meres Just-a-Mo

### **Prelim 12 dressage**

1. Holly Baker and Waverhead Bracken II
4. Catriona Paterson and Meres Just-a-Mo



## Derbyshire Fell, Dales & Highland Show—18 June 2017

We had put an order in for some sunshine but I think we may have over ordered! It was a baking hot day at Barleyfields Equestrian Centre but ponies and competitors coped very well with the extreme heat as did our gallant stewards and judges.

The Fell Pony classes commenced with in hand ponies and Fell Judge Beverley Hodgson had a nice turnout of good quality ponies from which to make her selections.

The in hand section began with the stallion class with Boutime Wooster owned and shown by Debbie Vychinski getting the nod. The geldings followed with Mrs Jenny Crane's Murthwaite Think On taking the top spot. Winner of the mare class was Mr and P J Steeples Greenholme Georgy Girl.

Although numbers were down across the youngstock classes, the two year old filly or gelding class was hotly contested, the eventual winner being Hotchberry Crafty co-owned by Cheryl Scott and Gill Cowell.

The overall adult in hand champion was the super mare Greenholme Georgy Girl with Boutime Wooster receiving reserve. Boutime Wooster then went on to win the Inter Group Bewcastle Boy Blue In Hand qualifier which will be held at the Southern Fell Breed Show in September. This win I understand will be Boutime Wooster's third qualification to compete in the Bewcastle Blue Championship having won this twice for the Midlands West Area Group. Beverley's youngstock champion was the two year old Hotchberry Crafty with reserve going to Mr and Mrs P J Steeples Greenholme Jasmin, another two year old.

With the temperature rapidly rising and all ridden competitors in attendance it was agreed to run straight into the ridden classes after watching a very nice turn out in the driving section by Linda Wiggan and the very versatile Raisbeck Cappuccino. In the ridden classes it was good to see the stallion Boutime Wooster out under saddle with Debbie Vychinski winning the novice ridden (not to have won two firsts ) class with Murthwaite Ted's Lass winning the novice, first season under saddle class. Murthwaite Ted's Lass also won the ever popular Traditional Walk and Trot class. The open ridden was won by Fiona Bubb and Raisbeck Cappuccino who also went on to win the ridden championship with Murthwaite Ted's Lass in reserve.

The Supreme Champion pony was Greenholme Georgy Girl with Hotchberry Crafty reserve supreme.

Well done also to Brenda Furness and Strines Sizzle for finishing first in the dressage Intro A class and Fiona Bubb winning the Novice dressage. Also deserving a mention were the winners of the progeny pairs class Rackwood Kingdom (K. Radford) and Rackwood Cameron (R Winfield).

While entries were down on the day we are already looking forward to next year's show where we hope to be adding many more classes to the schedule. Next year's show will be very special as it will be held in memory of Mary Longsdon MBE, who with Jo Ashby, the Dales Pony Society Secretary, instigated the show many years ago. It would be a lovely tribute for Mary to see as many ponies as possible turn out in support of the show and as Mary would probably remark, "What fun!".

## Fell Results

### Class 1 Stallions

1st BOUTIME WOOSTER FP71820C\* 6  
Years

Sire: Lunesdale Warlord FP71091C\*

Dam: Darrenvale Katie FP2924

Breeder & Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski,  
Hayfield, Derbyshire

2nd MURTHWAITE ALFIE FP71387C\* 8  
Years

Sire: Murthwaite Look At Me FP51001C\*

Dam: Heltondale Bonny Girl FP3595

Breeder: The Late Mr T B Capstick  
Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbys

3rd BRACKLINN GLAYVA FP72412C\* 3  
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 Geldings, 4 years and over

1st MURTHWAITE THINK ON FP71899G  
6 Years

Sire: Murthwaite Ice Man FP70516C\*

Dam: Murthwaite Black Magic FP3289

Breeder: The Late Mr T B Capstick  
Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbys

2nd RACKWOOD CAMERON FP71817G\* 6  
Years

Sire: Brackenbank Amos FP71039G\*

Dam: Rackwood Maydew FP3487

Breeder: Mrs E A Walker  
Exhibitor: Mr R Winfield, Heanor,  
Derbyshire

3rd RACKWOOD KINGDOM FP72197G 4  
Years

Sire: Brackenbank Amos FP71039G\*

Dam: Rackwood Maydew FP3487

Breeder: Mrs E A Walker  
Exhibitor: Miss K Radford, Oakwood, Derby

### Class 3 Mares without foal at foot, 4 years and over

1st GREENHOLME GEORGY GIRL FP5664  
5 Years

Sire: Greenholme Diego FP71371C\*

Dam: Greenholme Sasha FP3281

Breeder: Mrs I Potter

Exhibitor: Mrs P J Steeples, Ashbourne,  
Derbyshire.

2nd MURTHWAITE MAGIC MOMENT  
FP3852\* 15 Years

Sire: Murthwaite Look At Me FP51001C\*

Dam: Murthwaite Magic FP2360\*

Breeder: The Late Mr T B Capstick

Exhibitor: Mrs J Minns, Tonbridge, Kent

3rd STRINES SIZZLE FP5332 7 Years

Sire: Lunesdale Warlord FP71091C\*

Dam: Castle Hill Jenny FP3898

Breeder: Mrs N M Redfearn  
Exhibitor: Miss L Drake, Chesterfield,  
Derbyshire

### Class 4 Mare with foal at foot; Class 5 Foal; Class 6 Yearling Colt, Filly or Gelding

No Entries

### Class 7 Two Year Old Filly or Gelding

1st HOTCHBERRY CRAFTY FP72487C\* 2  
Years

Sire: Banksgate Jack High FP71558C\*

Dam: Hotchberry Fern FP4864

Breeder: Mr F Graham

Exhibitor: Mrs G Cowell, Stoke-On-Trent,  
Staffs

2nd GREENHOLME JASMIN FP6126 2  
Years

Sire: Greenholme Warrior FP70490C\*

Dam: Greenholme Dora FP4972

Breeder: Miss R J Potter

Exhibitor: Mrs P J Steeples, Ashbourne,  
Derbyshire

### Class 8 Three Year Old Filly or Gelding

No entries

## MIDLANDS WEST SUPPORT GROUP INTER AREA QUALIFIER BOUTIME WOOSTER

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**YOUNGSTOCK CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**CHAMPION: HOTCHBERRY CRAFTY**  
**RESERVE: GREENHOLME JASMIN**

**ADULT CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**CHAMPION: GREENHOLME GEORGY GIRL**  
**RESERVE: BOUTIME WOOSTER**

## **FELL PONY RIDDEN CLASSES**

**Class 9 Novice Pony in its first season under saddle (Snaffle bridles only)**  
1st MURTHWAITE TED'S LASS FP4997 8 Years

Sire: Heltondale Ted FP487C\*  
Dam: Murthwaite Maydew FP1711  
Breeder: The Late Mr T B Capstick  
Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbys  
2nd RACKWOOD CAMERON FP71817G\* 6 Years. As Class 2  
Exhibitor: Mr R Winfield, Heanor, Derbyshire

**Class 10 Novice Pony (Not to have won two firsts in ridden classes) (Snaffle bridles only)**  
1st BOUTIME WOOSTER FP71820C\* 6 Years. As Class 2. Exhibitor: Mrs D Vychinski, Hayfield, Derbyshire

**Class 11 Traditional Ridden Class (Walk and Trot Only)**  
1st MURTHWAITE TED'S LASS FP4997 8 Years. As Class 9

Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbys  
2nd RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 10 Years  
Sire: Guards Jester FP51006C\*  
Dam: Orton Hall Dusky FP2495  
Breeder: Mrs D J Slack  
Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire

3rd HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 13 Years. As Class 2. Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford, Shropshire.

**Class 12 Open Ridden Class**  
1st RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 10 Years  
As Class 11. Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb.  
2nd MURTHWAITE ALFIE FP71387C\* 7 Years. As Class 1  
Exhibitor: Mrs J Crane, Ashbourne, Derbys  
3rd HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G 13 Years. As Class 2  
Exhibitor: Mrs H Saxon-Bland, Telford, Shropshire

**RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**CHAMPION: RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO**  
**RESERVE: MURTHWAITE TED'S LASS**

**SUPREME CHAMPIONSHIP**  
**CHAMPION: GREENHOLME GEORGY GIRL**  
**RESERVE: HOTCHBERRY CRAFTY**

## **Combined Classes**

**Class 28 Progeny Pairs**  
1st RACKWOOD KINGDOM FP72197G 4 Years. As Class 2  
Exhibitor: Miss K Radford, Oakwood, Derby and  
RACKWOOD CAMERON FP71817G\* 6 Years  
As Class 2  
Exhibitor: Mr R Winfield, Heanor, Derbyshire

**Class 29 Fell Pony Driving**  
1st RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 10 Years. As Class 11  
Exhibitor: Mrs L Wiggan, Fillongley, Warwickshire

## **Dressage**

**Class A: Intro Walk & Trot test**  
1st STRINES SIZZLE FP5332 7 Years  
As Class 3  
Exhibitor: Mrs B Furness, Chesterfield, Derbyshire

**Class C: Novice Test 30**  
1st RAISBECK CAPPUCCINO FP70945G 10 Years. As Class 11  
Exhibitor: Miss F Bubb, Fillongley, Warwickshire



# FPS South Cumbria Show—Sunday 11 June 2017

## Judges

Classes 1 - 7 Mrs C H Robinson (Kerbeck)

Classes 8 - 15 Mr J W Cockbain  
(Carrock, Townend, Haltcliff)

Classes 16 -18 Mrs J Butler

## Class 1 Best Turned Out Pony & Rider

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011 S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey. Rider: Mrs G Ridding
- 2nd FERRYMOUNT TIFFANY FP4239 f2005 S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Hillhead Laurie. Rider: Miss V Barton
- 3rd WELLBROW CATHY FP5145 f2000 S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Heltondale Mint. Rider: Miss F Blenkarn

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

- 1st RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010 S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck Casino. Rider: Miss A Dickinson
- 2nd ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 f2009 S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale Columbine Rider: Miss A Robinson
- 3rd TOWNEND FANTASY FP5094 f2009 S Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie II. Rider: Kate Watson

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

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011 As Class 1
- 2nd DALEFOOT ROLO FP71934G f2011 S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Dalefoot Bryna Rider: Miss C Richardson
- 3rd GREENHOLME DILLON FP71412G f2009 S: Greenholme Yabadabadoo, D: Greenholme Adele Rider: Miss A Robinson

## CLASS 2 Novice Ridden Mare, Gelding or Stallion

- 1st BRACKENBANK FLICKA FP5890 f2013 S: Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rosie Rider: Miss A Kinsella
- 2nd DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011 S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Amber (B) Rider: Miss L Jones
- 3rd CRINGLEMIRE BEN FP71884G f2011 S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Cringlemire Hanna . Rider: Miss A Clowes

## CLASS 3 Veteran Ridden mare, gelding or stallion

- 1st RAISBECK CASINO FP3481 f2000 S: Rylstone Black Knight, D: Lunesdale Frances. Rider: Miss Dickinson

## CLASS 4 Junior Ridden, 14 years & under

- 1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011 As Class 1. Rider: Miss I Ridding
- 2nd FOGGY GILL LING FP5615 f2011 S: Lunesdale Tarquin; D: Foggy Gill Dapper II. Rider: Miss M Bateman
- 3rd DALEHEAD PLUTO FP71850G f2011 S: Lunesdale Ace of Spades D: Dalehead Jenny. Rider: Miss L Hannigan

## CLASS 5 Junior Ridden, 15 - 18 years

- 1st RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010 As Class A Rider: Miss A Dickinson
- 2nd DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011 As Class 2 Rider: Miss L Jones

## Junior Ridden Championship

**Champion** RAISBECK CALICO, Miss A Dickinson

**Reserve** DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH Miss I Ridding

**CLASS 6 Open Ridden Mare**  
 1st RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010  
 As Class A  
 Rider: Miss A Dickinson  
 2nd FERRYMOUNT TIFFANY FP4239 f2005  
 As Class 1 Miss V Barton  
 3rd TOWNEND FANTASY FP5094 f2009 As  
 Class A Rider: Kate Watson

**CLASS 7 Open Ridden Gelding or Stallion**  
 1st ROSEFELL T. REG FP71503G f2009  
 S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Bybeck  
 Cherry Blossom. Miss A Robinson  
 2nd DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G  
 f2011. As Class 1. Rider: Mrs G  
 Ridding

**Ridden Championship**  
**Champion RAISBECK CALICO**  
 Miss A Dickinson  
**Reserve ROSEFELL T. REG**  
 Miss A Robinson

**CLASS 8 Brood Mare**  
 1st LOWNTHWAITE FLICKA II FP4396  
 f2006  
 S: Peepings Raven, D: Lownthwaite  
 Otto Again. Mrs S C Morton

**CLASS 9 Foal**  
 1st LOWNTHWAITE FOAL f2017  
 S: Underwoods Drummer, D:  
 Lownthwaite Flicka II  
 Mrs S C Morton

**CLASS 10 Yearling colt, filly or gelding**  
 1st GREENHOLME KATIE FP6256 f2016  
 S: Greenholme Diego,  
 D: Greenholme Ellie  
 R J & B K Potter  
 2nd BYBECK SAPPHIRE FP6246 f2016 S:  
 Wellbrow Lancashire Lad D: Bybeck  
 Lulu  
 Miss H Faulkner  
 3rd RIVERVALLEY TOM THUMB FP72595C  
 f2016  
 S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad,  
 D: Murthwaite Rose Hannah  
 Ms D Paterson

**CLASS 11 Two year old colt, filly or gelding**  
 1st SETMABANNING WISPA FP6158 f2015  
 S: Murthwaite Icicle, D: Townend  
 Mara. Mr G L Hutton  
 2nd DRYBARROWS ADVOCATE FP72543C  
 f2015  
 S: Carrock I'm Yer Man,  
 D: Drybarrows Jan III  
 Mr D C Thompson  
 3rd MIDTOWN JEMIMA FP6140 f2015  
 S: Brackenbank Oscar, D: Wellbrow  
 Roxanne. Mrs S Hogg

**CLASS 12 Three year old colt, filly or gelding—No Entries**

**CLASS 13 Mare 4 years old or over**  
 1st ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 f2000  
 S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale  
 Columbine. Mrs J Huddleston  
 2nd FERRYMOUNT TIFFANY FP4239 f2005  
 As Class 1. Mrs J Barton  
 3rd DENE FIRE FRIESIA FP5061 f2009 S:  
 Dene Rebel, D:Dene Fire Felicity.  
 Archie Jones

**CLASS 14 Gelding or Stallion 4 years old or over**  
 1st BOUTIME WOOSTER FP71820C\* f2011  
 S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Darrenvale  
 Katie. Mrs D Vychinski  
 2nd DALEHEAD SCOTT FP72245C\* f2013  
 S: Lunesdale Ace of Spades, D:  
 Dalehead Hannah  
 Mr & Mrs R Sutcliffe  
 3rd DALEFOOT ROLO FP71934G f2011 As  
 Class B. Miss B Potter

**CLASS 15 Veteran Stallion, Mare or Gelding 15 years or over**  
 1st RAISBECK CASINO FP3481 f2000 As  
 Class 3. Mrs D J Slack  
 2nd WELLBROW COMPO FP51021C\* f1999  
 S: Heltondale Norman. D: Tebay  
 Candide. Mrs C M Sigurnjak

**In Hand Championship**

**Champion** ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL  
Mrs J Huddleston  
**Reserve** GREENHOLME KATIE  
R J & B K Potter

**Supreme Championship**

**Champion** ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL  
Mrs J Huddleston  
**Reserve** RAISBECK CALICO FP5287  
f2010. Miss A Dickinson

**CLASS 16 Novice WHP**

1st CRINGLEMIRE BEN FP71884G f2011  
As Class 2. Rider: Miss A  
Clowes  
2nd DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011 As  
Class 2. Rider: Miss L Jones  
3rd GREENHOLME BELTER FP70929G\*  
f2007  
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D:  
Greenholme Susan  
Rider: Miss R Paterson

**CLASS 17 Intermediate WHP**

1st DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011 As  
Class 2. Rider: Miss L Jones  
2nd FOGGY GILL LING FP5615 f2011 As  
Class 4. Rider: Miss M Bateman  
3rd GREENHOLME DILLON FP71412G  
f2009 As Class B  
Rider: Miss A Robinson

**CLASS 18 Open WHP**

1st GREENHOLME DILLON FP71412G  
f2009 As Class B  
Rider: Miss A Robinson  
2nd DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011  
As Class 2. Rider: Miss L Jones  
WHP Champion  
DALEFOOT RIO  
Rider: Miss L Jones  
WHP Reserve  
CRINGLEMIRE BEN  
Miss A Clowes



Claire Simpson

*FPS Stallion show: Mrs G Ridding's Deepghyll Lucky Touch, champion gelding and ridden class winner.*



# 45th FPS Breed Show for Registered Ponies—Sunday 6 August 2017

## Judges

Classes 1 - 8 , Mr G H B Mallinson (Hardendale, Longbank & Midtown)  
Classes 9 - 17 Mrs C H Robinson (Kerbeck)  
Classes 19 - 22 & 38 Miss J Williamson (Tarnbeck)  
Classes 23 - 25 & 38 Mrs H Jones (Tarnbeck)  
Classes 18, 31 - 36 Mrs R Williams (Ferrymount)  
Classes 26 - 27 Mr J M Rawlinson (Thornbeck)  
Class 28A, B & C Mrs M Murray  
Classes 29 & 30, Mr M Wheeler  
Class 37 Mrs G M Noble (Heltondale)  
Classes 39 - 42 Ms J Fairburn (Knockwood)

### Class 1 Mare 4 - 7 years old (Mare with foal at foot not eligible)

- 1st TOWNEND SKYLARK FP5315 f2010,  
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Sky,  
Mrs M Wilson
- 2nd LUNESDALE BLACK DAHLIA FP5272 f2010,  
S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Lunesdale Black  
Queen, Mr & Mrs A W Morland
- 3rd GREENHOLME HARRIET FP5864 F2013,  
S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Greenholme  
Crystal, Miss C Fletcher
- 4th SUMMERHOUSE GRACE FP5653.f2012,  
S: Underwoods Gideon, D: Burnhead Polly,  
Miss C Savage
- 5th BRACKENBANK FLICKA FP5890.f2013,  
S: Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rosie,  
Miss A Kinsella
- 6th MURTHWAITE ROSEWOOD FP5590.f2011, S:  
Murthwaite Ice Man, D: Murthwaite Rose  
Bud, Mr B Dibb

### CLASS 2 Mare 8 years old and upwards (Mare with foal at foot not eligible)

- 1st BYBECK GRACIE FP4383 f2006,  
S: Murthwaite Bracken, D: Baronshill Eternal  
Flame, Mrs H Roberts
- 2nd TOWNEND DAYDREAM FP4814 f2008,  
S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Dream,  
Mrs M Wilson
- 3rd TOWNEND CHERRY FP5081 f2009, S: Castle  
Hill Bellman, D: Townend Choccy, Mrs J  
Reekie
- 4th MURTHWAITE MAGIC MOMENT  
FP5852\*.f2002, S: Murthwaite Look At Me,  
D: Murthwaite Magic, Mrs J Minns
- 5th ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114.f2009,  
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale  
Columbine, Mrs J Huddleston

- 6th MURTHWAITE STRONG WIND FP4456.f2006,  
S: Murthwaite Windrush; D: Heltondale Polly  
Perkins, Miss J Kayes

### CLASS 3 Mare 4 years old and upward with own filly foal at foot

- 1st RACKWOOD BLACK MAGIC FP5251 f2010,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Rackwood Magic,  
Mrs E A Walker
- 2nd BRACKENBANK GYPSY III FP4421 f2006,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Brackenbank  
Mayblossom, Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 3rd CARROCK PRINCESS FP4003, f2004,  
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Carrock  
Pollyanna, Mr R Relph-Briggs
- 4th BRACKLINN MARTHA FP5747 f2012,  
S: Murthwaite Michael, D: Bracklinn Norah,  
Mrs D Vychinski
- 5th CARROCK SNOWDROP FP5484 f2011,  
S: Banksgate Johnny Doran, D: Townend  
Sugar, Mr J W Cockbain
- 6th BRACKLINN HONEY FP4356 f2006, S: Carrock  
I'm Yer Man, D: Bracklinn Black Beauty, Miss  
C Savage

### CLASS 4 Filly Foal

- 1st BRACKENBANK EMMA f2017, S: Wellbrow  
Lancashire Lad, D: Brackenbank Gypsy III,  
Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson
- 2nd DEEPGHYLL DALLAS f2017, S: Murthwaite  
Smoking Joe, D: Bracklinn Honey, Miss C  
Savage
- 3rd RACKWOOD XENA FP6347 f2017, S: Linnel  
Riddler, D: Rackwood Black Magic, Mrs E A  
Walker
- 4th CARROCK BLUEBELL II f2017, S: Banksgate  
Jack High, D: Carrock Snowdrop, Mr J W  
Cockbain
- 5th BIRKETTBANK PRIYA f2017, S: Greenholme  
Elect, D: Carrock Princess, Mr R Relph-Briggs
- 6th BOUTIME MARY f2017, S: Boutime Wooster,  
D: Bracklinn Martha, Mrs D Vychinski

### CLASS 5 Yearling Filly

- 1st LUNESDALE BURNT SUGAR FP6235 f2016,  
S: Lunesdale Union Jack, D: Stennerskeugh  
Amanda May III, Mr & Mrs A W Morland
- 2nd CARROCK LILLY FP6278, f2016, S: Boutime  
Wooster, D: Townend Sugar, Mr J W  
Cockbain
- 3rd WAVERHEAD FANTASY FP6253 f2016,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Waverhead Molly  
III, Mrs M Lawson
- 4th WAVERHEAD BRIAR ROSE FP6252 f2016,

- S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Waverhead  
Rosehip, Miss B Bell
- 5th HAVENHILL WILLOW FP6219 f2016,  
S: Greenholme Elect, D: Murthwaite Victoria  
Pendleton, C Ellison
- 6th BYBECK SAPPHERE FP6246 f2016,  
S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad, D: Bybeck Lulu,  
Miss H Faulkner

**CLASS 6 Filly - 2 years old**

- 1st GREENHOLME JASMIN FP6126 f2015,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme  
Dora, Mrs P J Steeples
- 2nd DRYBARROWS AUTHENTIC FP6174 f2015,  
S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows  
Shauna, Mr A Smith
- 3rd WAVERHEAD SKYLARK FP6163 f2015,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Waverhead Polly  
VI, Miss H Lightfoot
- 4th CARROCK BELLHEATHER FP6139 f2015,  
S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Sleddale Wild Rose  
III, Mrs G M Cockbain
- 5th SETMABANNING WISPA FP 6158 f2015,  
S: Murthwaite Icicle, D: Townend Mara, Mr  
G L Hutton
- 6th DRYBARROWS ANOTHER CHAPTER FP 6177  
f2015, S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D:  
Drybarrows Collean, Mr D C Thompson

**CLASS 7 Filly - 3 years old**

- 1st CARROCK ELSA FP6003 f2014, S: Murthwaite  
Timothy, D: Townend Sugar, Mr J W  
Cockbain
- 2nd TOWNEND FANCY FP6021 f2014,  
S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Bridie  
II, Mrs M Wilson
- 3rd LUNESDALE ANNA FP5990 f2014,  
S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Lunesdale Leah, Mr  
& Mrs A W Morland
- 4th CARGENWATER GEORGINA FP6072 f2014,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Heltondale Dolly  
VIII, Mr J & Mrs E Martin
- 5th BRACKLINN ELLA FP6027 f2014, S: Carrock  
I'm Yer Man, D: Mayden Pauline's Surprise,  
Mr R Relph-Briggs
- 6th HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 f2014,  
S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Greenholme  
Fingers, Mrs H Gallagher

**CLASS 8 Mare Progeny**

BURNHEAD POLLY FP3111, Summerhouse  
Grace, Summerhouse Grace II and  
Summerhouse Gloria, Mr P Boustead/Miss C  
Savage, Mr A J McVicker/ Mr A J Stephens

**CLASS 9 Gelding 4 - 7 years old**

- 1st LITTLETREE BANDOLERO FP71760G f2010,  
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Littletree

- Cornelia, Mr G Breeze
- 2nd BRACKENBANK GINO FP72257G f2013,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Brackenbank  
Suzanna, Miss A Bridges
- 3rd WELLBROW DODGER FP71672G\* f2010,  
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist D: Wellbrow  
Polly Flinders, Miss M L Younger
- 4th HELMSIDE HARRIER FP72222G f2013,  
S: Lunesdale Beckham, D: Rundales Olly,  
Miss N Evans
- 5th WELLBROW FURY FP72132G f2013,  
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Carmen, Miss A Davidson

**CLASS 10 Gelding 8 years and upwards**

- 1st HENRY FP71034G 2007, S: Guardian van de  
Wildhoeve, D: Annie Mather, Miss N Evans
- 2nd STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G\* f2005,  
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh  
Bethany, Mrs G Chippendale
- 3rd HARTHOUSE HILLMAN FP71338G, f2008,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona  
Lisa, Mrs S R Stewart
- 4th DRYBARROWS RANGER FP7130G f2008,  
S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Jan, Mrs  
R Douglas
- 5th BROXDOWN TORNADO FP71534G f2009,  
S: Sunnyprowe Jack, D: Townend Whisper,  
Ms S M Prior
- 6th WELLBROW MOONSTONE FP71305G f2008,  
S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow  
Jade, Mrs M Donnan

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

- 1st BRACKLINN NORAH FP4584 f2007, S: Carrock  
I'm Yer Man, D: Bracklinn Black Beauty, Mr A  
Smith
- 2nd GREENHOLME GIPSY ROSE FP5665 f2012,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme  
Winnie, Miss H Lightfoot
- 3rd LUNE VALLEY PETAL FP3893 f2003,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Lune Valley  
Janice, Mr J & Mrs E Martin
- 4th DARRENVALE CHARLOTTE FP4892 f2008,  
S: Guardian van de Wildhoeve, D: Castle Hill  
Lotty, Mr M Catterall

**CLASS 12 Colt Foal**

- 1st WAVERFOOT GARY f2017, S: Lownthwaite  
Gary, D: Greenholme Gipsy Rose, Miss H  
Lightfoot
- 2nd CARGENWATER CASANOVA f2017,  
S: Murthwaite Misty's Boy, D: Lune Valley  
Petal, Mr J & Mrs E Martin
- 3rd BRACKLINN COLT f2017, S: Auckside  
Freddie, D: Bracklinn Norah, Mr A Smith

4th TOWERVIEW FIRE CRACKER f2017,  
S: Darrenvale Fire Fox, D: Darrenvale  
Charlotte, Mr M Catterall

**CLASS 13 Yearling Colt or Gelding**

1st CHARELLBRE CHEEKY CHARLIE FP72685G  
f2016, S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Kinkryhill  
Duchess, Mrs G Garner

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

1st DRYBARROWS ADVOCATE FP72553C, f2015,  
S: Carrock I'm Yer Man, D: Drybarrows Jan  
III, Mr D C Thompson

2nd MURTHWAITE TBC FP72474G, f2015,  
S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad, D: Murthwaite  
Alice, Mrs S E James

3rd MURTHWAITE NOT ME FP72466G f2015, S:  
Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Auckside Poppy,  
Miss D Graham

4th CHARELLBRE SAINT GEORGE FP72533G  
f2015, S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Kinkryhill  
Duchess, Miss C Fletcher

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

1st CARROCK STRIDE THE NITE FP72419C\*  
f2014, S: Murthwaite Michael, D: Carrock  
Dawn Chorus, Mrs G M Cockbain & Mr D  
McDowell

2nd GREENHOLME ICEMAN FP72372G f2014,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme  
Vanessa, Mr G Breeze

3rd TIGHEWOOD LUCKY JOE FP72435G f2014,  
S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Murthwaite Sheila  
Mary, Mrs C A Morland

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

1st TOWNEND BETHANY FP2609 f1994,  
S: Heltondale Josh, D: Townend Bryony, Mrs  
M Wilson

2nd LOWNTHWAITE BRAMBLE FP1985\* f1990,  
S: Townend Samuel, D: Lownthwaite Star  
Blossom, Mrs A W Bell

3rd WANSFELL ALMA, S: Sleddale Mike II, D:  
Wansfell Melody II, Mrs P Bonnick

**CLASS 17 Stallion Progeny**

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

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

3rd WELLBROW LANCASHIRE LAD, Brackenbank  
Emma, Bybeck Sapphire, Murthwaite TBC,  
Mr & Mrs D Wilkinson, Miss H Faulkner & Mrs  
S E James

4th UNDERWOODS GIDEON, Summerhouse

Gloria, Summerhouse Grace II,  
Summerhouse Grace, Mr A J Stephens & Mrs  
K J McVicker, Mr P Boustead, Miss C Savage

5th WELLBROW LEO, Charellbre Cheeky Charlie,  
Charellbre Crystal, Charellbre Saint George

**BEST OF THE REST CLASS**

1st GREENRIVERS KATHARYN FP6198 f2015,  
S: Greenholme Bobby Dazzler, D:  
Stennerkeugh Donna IV, Mr A J Stephens &  
Ms K J McVicker

2nd HELMSIDE HARRIER FP72222G f2013,  
S: Lunesdale Beckham, D: Rundales Olly,  
Miss N Evans

3rd CHARELLBRE CHEEKY CHARLIE FP72685G  
f2016, S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Kinkryhill  
Duchess, Mrs G Garner

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

1st BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012,  
S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate  
Pollyanna, Rider: Miss S Cooper

2nd WANSFELL WANDARAN FP71342G f2008, S:  
Greenholme Look At Me, D: Wansfell Ruby,  
Rider: Mrs L Bamforth

3rd WANSFELL ALMA, S: Sleddale Mike II, D:  
Wansfell Melody II, Rider: Miss P Gaskell

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

1st GRAHAMSMLEY CRACKER JACK FP71381C\*,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Foalsyke April,  
Rider: Miss A Robinson

2nd DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011,  
S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey,  
Rider: Mrs G Ridding

3rd MURTHWAITE LOOKS PROMISING FP71080G  
f2007, S: Murthwaite Look At Me,  
D: Heltondale Dainty VI, Rider: Mrs J  
Rawden

4th BYBECK KASPER FP71468C\* f2009,  
S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Bybeck Friday  
Lass, Rider: Miss I Pitman

5th WANSFELL WANDARAN fp71342G F2008,  
S: Greenholme Look at Mr, D: Wansfell  
Ruby, Rider: Mrs L Bamforth

6th HILLHEAD HORACE FP70444G f2004,  
S: Greenholme Ringo, D: Hillhead Trixie, Mrs  
S Saxon-Bland

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

1st LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN FP4717 f2007,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Zena,  
Rider: Miss A Metcalfe

2nd LUNESDALE AURORA FP4437 f2006,  
S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady  
Rebecca, Rider: Mrs B J Robinson

3rd RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck  
Casino, Rider: Miss A Dickinson

4th ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 f2009,  
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale  
Columbine, Rider: Miss A Robinson

5th RAISBECK CASINO FP3481, S: Rylstone Black  
Night, D: Lunesdale Frances, Rider: Miss A  
Dickinson

6th GREENHOME CAITLIN FP4791 f2008,  
S: Greenholme Look at Me, D: Greenholme  
Wishful, Rider: Miss T Bell-Heather

**CLASS 21 Riding Class for Ponies 4 years  
old and upwards**

Ridden by a boy or girl 13 years or under on the  
day of the show

1st DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011,  
S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey,  
Rider: Miss Ridding (10)

2nd BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012,  
S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate  
Pollyanna, Rider: Miss S Cooper (11)

**CLASS 22 Riding Class for Ponies 4 years  
old and upwards**

Ridden by a boy or girl to be aged 14 or over and  
not to have attained their 18th birthday  
before 1 January in current year

1st RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck  
Casino, Rider: Anabel Dickinson (18)

2nd LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN FP4717 f2007,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Zena,  
Rider: Ellie Mitchell (15)

3rd MURTHWAITE BARNEY RUBBLE FP71395G  
f2009, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D:  
Murthwaite Keepsake II, Rider: Lucie Mason  
(14)

4th LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy  
Queen, Rider: Sophie Jones (16)

5th DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011,  
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot  
Amber (B), Rider: Lucy Jones (15)

6th WANSFELL VANESSA FP4620 f2007,  
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Wansfell  
Ling, Rider: Grace Taylor (14)

**CLASS 23 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 WANSFELL ALMA FP2122 f1991, S: Sleddale  
Mike II, D: Wansfell Melody II, Rider: Miss P  
Gaskell

**CLASS 24 Riding Class for Novice Stallions  
or Geldings - 4 years old and upwards**

1st GREENHOLME ELECT FP71650C\* f2010,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme  
Amie Good Un, Rider: Miss I Pitman

2nd LITTLETREE BANDOLERO FP71760G f2010,  
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Littletree  
Cornelia, Rider: Miss Sarah Jones

3rd THORNBECK ANDREW FP71609G f2010,  
S: Greenholme Heather Mist, D: Greenholme  
Spice, Rider: Miss V J Parker

4th MURTHWAITE BARNEY RUBBLE FP71395G  
f2009, S: Murthwaite Look At Me,  
D: Murthwaite Keepsake II, Rider: Miss M  
Mason

5th WELLBROW DODGER, S: Heltondale  
Mountain Mist II, D: Polly Flinders, Rider:  
Miss M L Younger

6th LINNEL FROSTIE FP71217G f2008,  
S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Linnel Fair  
Surprise, Rider: Miss C Deane

**CLASS 25 Riding Class for Novice Mares - 4  
years old and upwards**

1st MURTHWAITE TED'S LASS FP4997 f2009,  
S: Heltondale Ted, D: Murthwaite Maydew  
Rider: Miss T Bell-Heather

2nd BESS FP5581 f2011, S: Wellbrow Leo,  
D: Wellbrow Little Gem, Rider: Mrs F  
Wainwright

3rd MURTHWAITE STRONG WIND FP4456 f2006,  
S: Murthwaite Windrush, D: Heltondale Polly  
Perkins X, Rider: Miss J Rogers

4th BRACKENBANK FLICKA FP5890 f2013,  
S: Fitzview Dazzler, D: Brackenbank Rosie,  
Rider: Miss A Kinsella

5th INGLEGARTH CELERITAS FP4859 f2008,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Inglegarth Lady  
Maree, Rider: Miss D Hull

6th SUMMERHOUSE GRACE FP5653 f2012, S:  
Underwoods Gideon, D: Burnhead Polly,  
Rider: Miss C Savage

**CLASS 26 Driving - Stallion, Mare or  
Gelding - 4 years old and upwards**

1st MURTHWAITE WANTED MAN FP71082C\*  
f2007, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D:  
Murthwaite Jack's Lass, Mr P Metcalfe

2nd STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G\* f2005,  
S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh  
Bethany, Mrs G Chippendale



*FPS Stallion Show: Supreme Champion,  
Mrs C Wigley & Mrs J Crane's Murthwaite Wanted Man.*

*Below left, FPS Stallion Show: Reserve Supreme Champion Murthwaite Smoking Joe; right,  
Youngstock Champion Summerhouse Gatsby.*



*Appleby Show: double take—Fell Pony  
Champion Lunesdale Anna, and (right)  
Reserve Champion, Lunesdale Burnt Sugar,  
both owned and bred by Mr A W Morland &  
Mrs C A Morland .*

Carole Morland



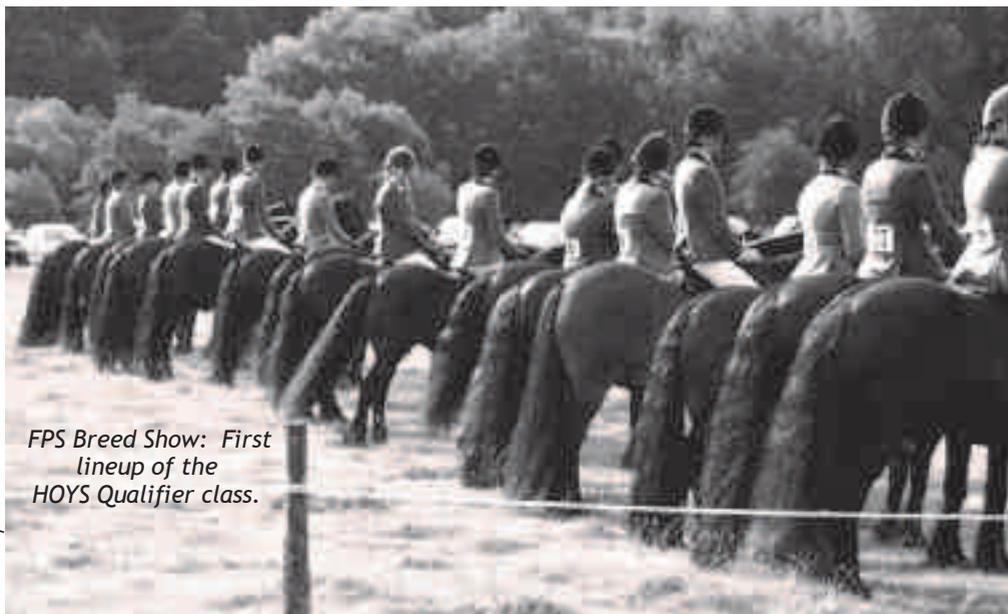
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*Left, Dorset Show: Fell Ridden and Supreme Champion was Murthwaite Sarah owned & ridden by Lizzie Briant.*

*Below, Sandringham Show: Jemima Bush won the Young Handler class with Kerbeck Diamond Fire.*



Jean Barteson



*FPS Breed Show: First lineup of the HOYS Qualifier class.*

Liz Whitley



*FPS Conservation grazing at RSPB Geltsdale, near Brampton in Cumbria—the ponies cross the ford onto their new pasture.*

*FPS Breed Show Youngstock and Supreme Champion, Greenholme Jasmin and Paul Steeples*





Claire Simpson

*FPS Breed Show: Reserve Supreme and Champion Ridden pony, Raisbeck Calico. Rider: Miss A Dickinson*

*The FPS Display Team walk down to the main ring at Coniston Country Fair.*



Simon Ellis



*Kacie Lawton and Waverfoot JJ (back-stepper Emma Lawton) make short work of a combined driving water obstacle.*

*Clare Marsden and Heltondale Darkie III put in a clear round to win the indoor TREC competition at Bowland in February.*



JustBe Photography



*Gilly Chippendale's Stennerskeugh Smoke, put to a varnished Ralli car, won the driving class at the FPS Stallion Show.*

*Sandringham Show: Jane Rawden and Samantha Audley's Bracklinn Glayva was the Youngstock Champion.*





Claire Simpson

*Murthwaite Wanted Man, driven by Paul Metcalfe to a Polish pleasure vehicle, won both driving classes at the Breed Show*

**CLASS 27 Cone Driving**

- 1st MURTHWAITE WANTED MAN FP71082C\* f2007, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Murthwaite Jack's Lass, Mr P Metcalfe  
 2nd STENNERSKEUGH SMOKE FP70691G\* f2005, S: Lunesdale Tarquin, D: Stennerskeugh Bethany, Mrs G Chippendale

**CLASS 28 Dressage**

**28A BE 90 Test 95 (Senior)**

- 1st WELLBROW NORMAN FP70463G f2004, S: Heltondale Norman, D: Wellbrow Polly Flinders, Rider: Miss M L Younger  
 2nd RACKWOOD DUKE FP71472G\* f2009, S: Stennerskeugh Bonny Lad, D: Rackwood Blossom, Mrs N Chippendale  
 3rd LOWNTHWAITE LOTTO FP5455 f2011, S: Wellbrow Ron, D: Lownthwaite Otto Again, Rider: Mrs E Wrigley  
 4th KERBECK SMUGGLERS FIRE FP51177G f2001, S: Peepings Enterprise, D: Sleddale Rosemary III, Rider: Mrs J Brain  
 5th WANSFELL WANDARAN FP71342G f2008, S: Greenholme Look at Me, D: Wansfell Ruby, Rider: Mrs L Bamforth  
 6th GRAHAMSLY CRACKER JACK FP71381C\* F2009, S: Murthwaite Look at Me, D: Foalsyke April, Rider: Miss A Robinson

**28B BE 90 Test 95 (Junior)**

- 1st LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN FP4717 f2007 S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Zena, Rider: Ellie Mitchell (15)

**28C Introductory**

- 1st, MARLEYSTONE BRANAGAN FP72008G f2011 S: Lownthwaite Jimbo, D: Breezy, Rider: Miss H Nicholls  
 2nd BRACKENBANK GINO FP72257G f2013, S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Brackenbank Suzanna, Rider: Miss A Bridges  
 3rd GREENHOLME HARRIET FP5864 F2013, S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Greenholme Crystal, Rider: Miss B Fletcher  
 4th LATHOMDALE LILY FP5014 f2009, S: Heltondale Star Boy III, D: Lathomdale Lucy, Rider: Miss K Brook  
 5th TOWNEND CHERRY FP5081 f2009, S: Castle Hill Bellman, D: Townend Choccy, Rider: Miss J Reekie  
 6th WELLBROW MOONSTONE FP70788G f2006, S: Heltondale Mountain Mist II, D: Wellbrow Jade, Rider: Mrs M Donnan

**CLASS 29 Pony with the best set of feet (Shod)**

- 1st TOWNEND SKYLARK FP5315 f2010, S: Heltondale Bonzo Boy, D: Townend Sky, Farrier: Mr J Newhouse  
 2nd BROCKLEBANK MURPHY FP70890G f2006

S: Waverhead Copper, D: Waverhead Julie II, Farrier: Mr C Smith  
3rd MURTHWAITE RIPLEY FP4990 f2009,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Murthwaite Misty IV, Farrier: Mr J Stalker

**CLASS 30 Pony with the best set of feet (un-shod)**

1st DRYBARROWS RANGER FP71305G f2008,  
S: Drybarrows Rusty, D: Drybarrows Jan, Mrs R Douglas  
2nd HILLHEAD WHISKEY FP6039 f2014,  
S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Greenholme Fingers, Mrs H Gallagher  
3rd MURTHWAITE TBC FP72474G, f2015,  
S: Wellbrow Lancashire Lad, D: Murthwaite Alice, Mrs S E James  
4th WANSFELL WANDARAN FP71342G f2008,  
S: Greenholme Look at Me, D: Wansfell Ruby, Mrs L Bamforth

**CLASS 31 Young Judges**

1st Lucy Jones (15)  
2nd Serena Cooper (11)  
3rd Matthew Fearon (18)  
4th Sophie Jones (16)

**CLASS 32 Lead Rein**

1st MARLEYSTONE BRANAGAN FP72008G f2011,  
S: Lownthwaite Jimbo, D: Breezy, Rider: Katie Collins (8)  
2nd WELLBROW CATHY FP5145 f2009,  
S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Heltondale Mint, Rider: Sophie Dempster (9)  
3rd BESS FP5581 f2011, S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Wellbrow Little Gem, Rider: Hannah Wainwright (7)  
4th SHADOWCROFT SAXON WARRIOR FP70205G f2003, S: Wellbrow Pegasus, D: Hades Hill Freya, Rider: Emily Collins (8)

**CLASS 33 First Ridden**

1st GREENHOLME HARRIET FP5864 F2013,  
S: Murthwaite Wanted Man, D: Greenholme Crystal, Rider: Bree-Ann Fletcher (11)

**CLASS 34 Pairs Ridden**

1st LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy Queen, Rider: Miss S Jones  
and DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011,  
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Amber (B), Rider: Miss L Jones  
2nd LINNEL FROSTIE FP71217G f2008,  
S: Lunesdale Redstart, D: Linnel Fair Surprise, Rider: Miss C Deane  
and LINNEL RAPUNZAL FP4572 f2007, S: Dene Rebel, D: Linnel Roma II, Rider: Miss H Cook

3rd MURTHWAITE RIPLEY FP4990 f2009,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Murthwaite Misty IV, Rider: Mrs C Wrigley  
and LOWNTHWAITE LOTTO FP5455 f2011,  
S: Wellbrow Ron, D: Lownthwaite Otto Again, Rider: Mrs E Wrigley

**CLASS 35 Traditional Ridden - Walk & Trot only**

1st GREENHOLME GUARDSMAN FP72043G f2012,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Greenholme Vanessa, Rider: Miss A Metcalfe  
2nd ROSEFELL MOLL'S DOLL FP5114 F2009,  
S: Murthwaite Mr Right, D: Lunesdale Columbine, Rider: Miss A Robinson  
3rd DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G f2011,  
S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn Honey, Rider: Mrs G Ridding  
4th RUBY III FP5032\* f2009, S: Murthwaite Gurkha, D: Ruby ii, Rider: Miss C A Richardson  
5th DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011,  
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot Amber (B), Rider: Miss L Jones  
6th LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G F2008,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, S: Lunesdale Gypsy Queen, Rider: Miss S Jones

**CLASS 36 Young Handlers**

1st CARROCK SNOWDROP FP5484 f2011,  
S: Banksgate Johnny Doran, D: Townend Sugar, Imogen Cockbain (9)  
2nd LUNESDALE BLACK DAHLIA FP5272 f2010,  
S: Lunesdale Warlord, D: Lunesdale Black Queen, Sophia Tighe (10)  
3rd HENRY FP71034G F2007, S: Guardian van de Wildhoeve, D: Annie Mather, Lucy Hannigan  
4th BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna, Serena Cooper (11)  
5th BRACKENBANK GYPSY III FP4421 f2006, S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Brackenbank Mayblossom, Holly Dodgson (12)  
6th LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G F2008, S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy Queen, Sophie Jones (16)

**CLASS 37 Fancy Dress**

1st BANKSGATE CANDY FP5732 f2012, S: Banksgate Jackdaw, D: Banksgate Pollyanna, Rider: Serena Cooper  
2nd WANSFELL ALMA, S: Sleddale Mike II, D: Wansfell Melody II, Rider: Faith Gaskell

**CLASS 38 Horse Of The Year Show NPS/  
Baileys Horse Feeds Mountain & Moorland,  
Ridden Pony Championship Qualifier**

- 1st BYBECK KASPER FP71468C\* f2009, S:  
Murthwaite Timothy, D: Bybeck Friday Lass,  
Rider: Miss I Pitman
- 2nd LUNESDALE AURORA FP4437 f2006  
S: Dalehead Glen, D: Lunesdale Lady  
Rebecca, Rider: Mrs B J Robinson
- 3rd BYBECK KINGFISHER FP71467C\* f2009,  
S: Murthwaite Timothy, D: Greenholme  
Rose, Rider: Miss L Nichols
- 4th MURTHWAITE TED'S LASS FP4997 f2009,  
S: Heltondale Ted, D: Murthwaite Maydew,  
Rider: Miss T Heather-Bell
- 5th RAISBECK CALICO FP5287 f2010,  
S: Murthwaite Look At Me, D: Raisbeck  
Casino, Rider: Miss A Dickinson
- 6th DEEPGHYLL LUCKY TOUCH FP71831G  
f20011, S: Townend Rocky, D: Bracklinn  
Honey, Rider: Miss C Savage

**CLASS 39 WHP - Beginners**

- 1st LOWNTHWAITE LOTTO FP5455 f2011,  
S: Wellbrow Ron, D: Lownthwaite Otto  
Again, Rider: Mrs E Wrigley
- 2nd LATHOMDALE LILY FP5014 f2009,  
S: Heltondale Star Boy III, D: Lathomdale  
Lucy, Rider: Miss M Pine
- 3rd SHADOWCROFT SAXON WARRIOR FP70205G  
f2003, S: Wellbrow Pegasus, D: Hades Hill  
Freya, Rider: Miss S Berry
- 4th LINNEL WHISTLER FP71215G f2008, S: Linnel  
Reynard, D: Waverhead Petal, Rider: Miss G  
M Callister
- 5th HARTHOUSE HILLMAN FP71338G f2008,  
S: Lownthwaite Gary, D: Tarnbeck Mona  
Lisa, Rider: Miss G Ellis
- 6th WELLBROW CATHY FP5145 f2009,  
S: Wellbrow Leo, D: Heltondale Mint, Rider:  
Miss F Blenkarn

**CLASS 40 WHP - Novice Pony**

- 1st NORTONTOWERS FREDDIE FP72224C\* f2013,  
S: Drummersdale Black Diamond,  
D: Nortontowers Daisy, Rider: Miss S Wright
- 2nd MARLEYSTONE BRENDAN FP72009G f2011,  
S: Lownthwaite Jimbo, D: Townend Brianna,  
Rider: Miss G Mellor
- 3rd SHADOWCROFT SAXON WARRIOR FP70205G  
f2003, S: Wellbrow Pegasus, D: Hades Hill  
Freya, Rider: Miss S Berry
- 4th LINNEL RAPUNZAL FP4572 f2007, S: Dene  
Rebel, D: Linnel Roma II, Rider: Miss H Cook
- 5th LOWNTHWAITE LOTTO FP5455 f2011,  
S: Wellbrow Ron, D: Lownthwaite Otto  
Again, Mrs E Wrigley

- 6th HENRY FP71034G f2007, S: Guardian van de  
Wildhoeve, D: Annie Mather, Rider: Miss N  
Evans

**CLASS 41 WHP - Intermediate Pony**

- 1st LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy  
Queen, Rider: Miss S Jones
- 2nd BESS FP5581 f2011, S: Wellbrow Leo, D:  
Wellbrow Little Gem, Rider:, Mrs F  
Wainwright
- 3rd DALEFOOT RIO FP71873G f2011,  
S: Greenholme Look At Me, D: Dalefoot  
Amber (B), Rider: Miss L Jones
- 4th WANSFELL ANZIN FP5197 f2009,  
S: Greenholme Aden, D: Wansfell Tanzin,  
Rider: Miss Lucy Hogg
- 5th GREENHOLME CHERYL FP4801 f2008,  
S: Greenholme Little John, D: Greenholme  
Sasha, Rider: Miss C R Wilson
- 6th KERBECK SMUGGLERS FIRE FP 51177G f2001,  
S: Peepings Enterprise, D: Sleddale  
Rosemary III, Rider: Mrs J Brain

**CLASS 42 WHP - Open Pony**

- 1st LUNESDALE WAR DANCE FP71133G f2008,  
S: Greenholme Warrior, D: Lunesdale Gypsy  
Queen, Rider: Miss S Jones

**CHAMPIONSHIPS**

**The Tufton Silver Challenge Trophy—  
Supreme Champion Pony**

**Champion GREENHOLME JASMIN**

*[photo p47]*

**The Jim Bell Memorial Trophy—Reserve  
Supreme Champion Pony**

**Reserve RAISBECK CALICO**

*[photo p48]*

**Lakeland Cup Best Pony 2 years old and under**

**Champion GREENHOLME JASMIN**

**Reserve LUNESDALE BURNT SUGAR**

**Shawfell Silhouette Memorial Cup Best**

**Foal, BRACKENBANK EMMA**

**FPS Challenge Cup Best Filly or Gelding of 3  
years old, CARROCK ELSA**

**Farleton Trophy Champion Gelding of Classes  
9 and 10, HENRY**

**Stennerskeugh Joe Trophy Reserve Champion  
Gelding of Classes 9 and 10,**

**BRACKENABNK GINO**

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**Alan Shuttleworth Trophy** Champion  
Female Pony in Classes 1 - 3 and Class 11  
Champion BYBECK GRACIE  
Reserve BRACKLINN NORAH

**The Sylvia Mary McCosh Memorial Rose Bowl**  
Breeder of the Champion Pony  
MISS R J POTTER

**Heltondale Lucy X Cup** Best Filly of 3  
years old bred by a registered native  
heath breeder TOWNEND FANCY

**McDonough Shield** Oldest mare with own foal  
at foot, LUNE VALLEY PETAL

#### RIDDEN CHAMPIONSHIPS

**The Greenfield Memorial Trophy** Novice  
Ridden

Champion GREENHOLME ELECT  
Reserve MURTHWAITE TED'S LASS

**The Littletree Trophy** Junior Ridden  
Champion RAISBECK CALICO  
Reserve LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN

**The Carrock Pollyanna Trophy** Open Ridden  
Champion LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN  
Reserve BYBECK KASPER

**The Toby Tankard** Champion Ridden  
Champion RAISBECK CALICO  
Reserve GREENHOLME ELECT

**The Briar Trophy** Best Turned Out  
BANKSGATE CANDY

#### WHP CHAMPIONSHIP

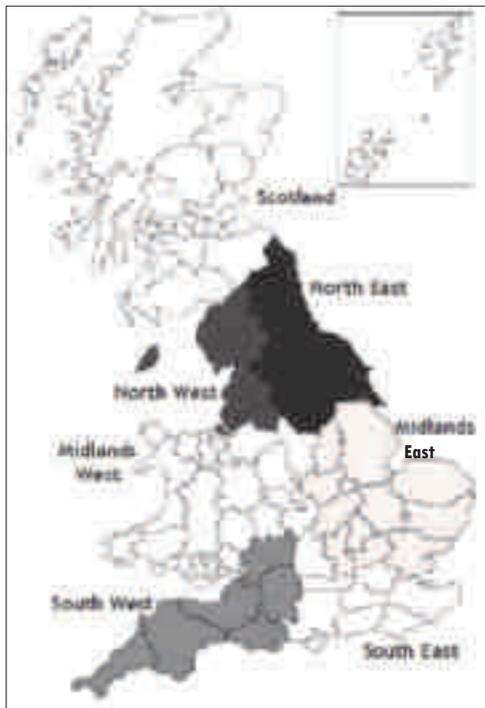
Champion LUNESDALE WAR DANCE  
Reserve NORTONTOWERS FREDDIE

**The Packway Bellman Trophy** Points -  
Riding, Driving & Dressage  
LUNESDALE WARRIOR QUEEN



## FPS Area Support Groups

Contact details are usually given in each Group's report but they can also be found on the FPS web site, <http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/UKAreaSupportGroups.htm>





## FPS Young Persons Group

2017 has been another successful year. Our first event was the Somerford fun ride which was thoroughly enjoyed by those that turned out, with the rain just about holding off till everyone came back from the 7 mile ride. It was nice to see new faces at this event, with popular turnout and members asking for more Fell pony organised rides in the future.

Our second event was held in September at Newton Rigg, an educational clinic for Fell pony owners, prospective buyers and breeders. We were talked through what to look for when purchasing your pony and the different stages of vetting. That was followed by a breed talk from Peter Boustead with four in hand ponies to look over and discuss the scale of points in relation to performing in any discipline. We then had two ponies under saddle demonstrating a ridden show and dressage, and it was very interesting to see the two disciplines. We had very positive feedback from the clinic and hopefully the attendees were made to question their own ideas and what their idea of a good Fell Pony is for them.

We have moved our AGM to the Fell Pony Sale on 28th October.

Allie Slack

*Dressage demo at Newton Rigg during the September clinic*





## Scottish Area Support Group

Members of the Eriskay Pony Society recently joined forces with the Fell Pony Society North Scotland group to enjoy a day learning about the work of H.M. The Queen's Highland ponies on the Balmoral estate.

Under the guidance of Sylvia Ormiston, the stud manager at Balmoral, the native pony enthusiasts saw first hand what it takes to train a pony to carry panniers and deer off the hill. Saddles and tack especially developed for the purpose of transporting deer were on show. Assisted by one of the two stud groomers, Sylvia Ormiston showed how the breaking process is achieved without alarming the pony. She went on to discuss the importance of temperament and tractability of suitable ponies for the work and how correctness of conformation can improve longevity. Practical demonstrations followed.

Later in the day the group enjoyed a stud tour, meeting ponies including brood mares and foals. Stallions were brought out and evaluated for suitability for purpose and breeding considerations were discussed. Questions were welcomed by Sylvia and a vote of thanks and gifts of appreciation were given by Ruth McMinn, Chairperson of the Eriskay Pony Society. Emily Cheetham, youngest member of the Fell group, presented Sylvia Ormiston with a bouquet of flowers.

*Fitting a deer saddle to one of HM The Queen's Highland ponies*





## North East Area Support Group

The North East members have had lots of fun during 2017. In March we joined forces with the Highland Pony Enthusiast Club to run a Native Pony Dressage competition at a brand new event venue at East Durham College, Houghall Campus on the outskirts of Durham City. This was the first external hire for this brand new venue so it was very much a 'let's try it and see' experience. Parking for large horseboxes was rather tight but otherwise everything ran smoothly and we received a great deal of positive feedback. A similar event is planned for Sunday 18th March 2018.

Our annual Hairy Pony Camp held at Linnel Wood near Hexham took place early in May. The original plan was to restrict the number of ponies allowed to attend but Sarah Charlton could not turn people away so we had a very full and busy weekend which included a ridden showing lesson with Richard Telford and a charity Ceilidh on the Saturday evening - perfect for stretching out those aching muscles. A fabulous fun weekend.

On 21st May we were once again involved in the running of the Native Pony Festival held at Throckley on the outskirts of Newcastle. We have struggled to find a date to suit everyone holding our first show on a Saturday in June 2014, before trying a Sunday in June 2015, then moving to a Saturday in July in 2016 followed by a Sunday in May 2017. The May date has proved to be the most popular so we are going to stay with that and our 2018 show will be held on Sunday 20th May.

Early in July we enjoyed a guided pleasure ride on Cotherstone Moor (report on next page). Helen Gallagher and her family hosted a very enjoyable day with fantastic views, local history information and home-made cakes and biscuits. A flexible, friendly and fun day which is what Mary Longsdon hoped for when she set up the area support groups. Incidentally this ride took place on the day Mary died, and we were doing exactly what she wanted us to do.

Last autumn at the promise auction, the North East Group bought a Cross Country Training session for four ponies. We took advantage of this promise during August 2017. The Charlton family kindly donated the venue and the tuition was donated by Jan Grant. A very select group of four ponies had a fabulous afternoon playing on a variety of jumps before completing a short course. We had a marvellous time and Sarah Charlton suggested we make it an annual event and to offer it to more ponies in groups over the course of a full day. The committee will look at this later in the year when planning next year's events and you will receive details in your annual newsletter in January 2018.

Unfortunately the visit to see the Rackwood Fell Ponies was cancelled because the hay crop was still standing in the fields that were needed to park cars. This event was to celebrate 40 years of breeding under the Rackwood prefix so I'll

have to keep going for a few more years and reschedule this event for 2022 to take place during the FPS Centenary celebrations.

Our last event of the year will be the Performance Trials to be held at Linnel Wood on 17th September. By the time you read this in the magazine, this event will have taken place. Entries are good and we have a full complement of 60 ponies taking part. This is an event that has been running for many years and involves dressage, cross country and show jumping. A one day event organised just for native ponies with a special section just for Fell ponies. There are lots of trophies and rosettes to be won.

Finally, I would like to thank everyone who has joined in and taken part throughout this year and I am sure you and your ponies are ready for a well earned rest during the winter months.

Eileen A Walker



Alistair Snowden

*Riders enjoying the North East group Pleasure Ride on Cotherstone Moor in July.*

## North East Area Pleasure Ride

On Sunday, 9th July the North East Fell Pony Group held its annual pleasure ride, which was kindly organised by Helen Gallagher of Hillhead Fell Ponies. The route was carefully chosen to take in the breath-taking views of Cotherstone Moor, where the ponies rode on both bridleways and sheep tracks, with the kind permission of Helen's Husband, Mark Gallagher, Head Keeper of Cotherstone Estate. The ride was a huge success, and every rider thoroughly enjoyed the opportunity to experience the challenging terrain of the moor; crossing boggy becks and wooden bridges, navigating steep gullies and riding over Goldsborough, which is part of the Pennine way.

Helen led the ride with Linnel Bumblebee; her fellow riders were: Eileen Walker (Rackwood Fell Ponies) FPS Chairman and North East FPS Support Group Chairman, on Rackwood Hugo; Chloe Snowden on Unwins Sentimental; Fennella Walsh on Greenholme Wanderer; Yvonne Wilkinson on Hollings Brian; Barbara Herd on Rundales 'O' The Hill; Gill Frankland on Greenholme Fancy That and Olivia Frankland on Townend Ludo.

They covered 10.2 miles, having a light refreshment break after 7 miles before continuing back to the horseboxes, where everyone enjoyed a picnic and a free raffle for two bags of Varley's cool mix, kindly donated by Phillip Holden Rural. All those who took part received a North East FPS group rosette.

Helen would like to say a big "Thank You" to Alistair Snowden for the photographs taken on the day and to all those who helped.



*Ponies and riders on the Pleasure ride make their way up Cotherstone Moor to Goldsborough, overlooking Hury Reservoir in Baldersdale.*

Alistair Snowden



## North West Area Support Group

The North West Group started off the year with a veterinary talk by Frame & Swift Veterinary Group. This event was held at Crooklands Hotel. Thank you to Sam Galloway for an interesting and informative talk and presentation about sycamore poisoning, worming and non-healing wounds. We started the day with a lovely three course meal and finished off with a generous raffle.

At the start of March we held a very well attended and popular clinic with Julie Robinson. We had 25 people attend, across a number of sessions throughout the day in flat work as well as jumping. Thank you very much to Julie for your time and expertise, making this event as popular as ever.

Due to the popularity of this event, we have already arranged to run the day again on 17th Feb 2018 at Newton Rigg. Please put the date in your diary and keep a look out for the booking form online closer to the time!

Our main event for 2017 was the Fell Pony Camp. Catherine Wrigley has kindly written a report about the weekend. I would just like to say thank you to everyone who put their time and effort into arranging & running camp.

By the time you read this, we will have held our last event for 2017, a driving taster day by Paul Metcalfe, Claire Simpson and Kathryn Savage. See below!

We look forward to another great year of events in 2018 and hope to see lots of new and familiar faces!

Amanda Bridges

### Fell Pony Camp

The weekend of 21-23 July saw the second Fell pony camp for the North West Area Group. This was 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 pizza which provided a great opportunity for everybody to get to know each other.

*Evidence that the Fell Pony Camp was fully booked!  
The lineup at Newton Rigg.*



Saturday was training day - campers were split into groups and took part in flatwork, jumping and groundwork lessons. Although the weather was somewhat wet on the Saturday, it didn't dampen spirits. Our great coaches - Vicki Brown (flatwork), Julie Robinson (jumping) & Helen Wain (TREC) provided encouragement and informative tuition which everybody enjoyed. The day was rounded off with an educational and fun stock judging session and talk thanks to David Wilkinson of Brackenbank Fell Ponies. David gave a great insight of conformational faults and qualities on a variety of ponies. Everybody then had a go at judging themselves, which was both enjoyable and informative. Luckily, the weather cleared out for the evening in time for our BBQ and campfire (complete with toasted marshmallows), which provided the ideal finish to a lovely day.



Sunday was competition day and also time to remember our former president Mary Longsdon MBE - we all proudly wore our red Windsor sweatshirts for the day and had a few minutes to remember Mary before continuing with our activities. We started the morning off with some gymkhana games which allowed us all to relive our youth with egg & spoon and bending races. Lots of cheering and laughter, and encouragement was the name of the game!

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. We have already booked the venue for next year!

Cath Wrigley

### **Driving Taster Day**

On 3 September at Newton Rigg E.C. near Penrith, a group of over twenty members and friends attended the driving taster day which became a sociable, fun and informative event.

Paul Metcalfe brought along his own Greenholme Dec and Claire Wigley's stallion show champion, Murthwaite Wanted Man, aka Junior, and demonstrated how to harness up and put to. This was not as straightforward as it might first sound, as Claire had brought a new vehicle and harness for Junior, and it was the



*Above, Jacqueline Cheetham has a go at driving Murthwaite Wanted Man.  
Right, Paul Metcalfe discusses fitting harness to Greenholme Dec.*



first time that the outfit was to be put together. This gave the group an insight into the correct fitting of vehicle and harness to the individual pony.

Kathryn Savage and Claire Simpson harnessed up Murthwaite Sako .308 and Greenholme Dillon to four wheeled

vehicles and demonstrated the differences between the two.

Most of the spectators had not driven before, and some had not ridden, or had any desire to ride; but as the day continued, confidence grew, and most of the group (with a friendly push from their friends!) drove at least one of the four turnouts. The new drivers were soon tackling a cones course with confidence. Young Emily Cheetham, who had travelled with her parents from Aberdeenshire, drove all the turnouts and very well too! At the end of the day there were smiling faces all round. One young lady said she never dreamed she would be trotting a pony around a cones course in such a short time. One of the gentlemen plans to have his ponies broken to drive...we might even have inspired organiser Cath Wrigley's husband to look for a cart for one of her many potential driving ponies!

With luck, we might see some new faces driving Fell ponies in the future.

Claire Simpson



## Midlands East Area Support Group

The first activity for 2017 was the new style Points Awards dinner. The aim was to encourage as many Fell owners and Fell Friends as possible. We hired a village hall and people were encouraged to each bring an item of food. Gotham show committee very kindly paid for the hall so prices were low, and children were admitted free.

A fascinating talk by our local vet was well pitched at both adults and children. Twice as many as usual turned up with double numbers of children.

Our Eileen Davies Trophy is given in memory of Eileen who was a great friend to the group when it first started. This year it was awarded to Wendy Cordan who has been working tirelessly for the Gotham shows over many years.

Since the Awards dinner, Gotham show Committee have put on two grass roots shows and Sandringham Fell, Exmoor and Dales show has taken place. There are two more shows scheduled at Gotham. Several members of Midlands East Support Group have started joining our friends in Midlands West for their rides. We are hoping to put on more joint activities. We have two qualifiers for the Boy Blue Inter Area In Hand competition at the Southern Breed show.

There are probably fewer socials than in previous years, but members keep in touch by Facebook which is now the main way we advertise our activities. I have had two enquiries from people looking for Fell ponies. There are very few ponies for sale in this area as members are reluctant to sell their best friends! As far as I know there are no owners breeding ponies here at the moment, which is different from a few years ago.

Membership is still good and numbers of Fell ponies constant, with older ponies still out and about and giving a lot of pleasure to their owners.

Kate Merry, August 2017

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## Midlands West ASG—Festival of Fells Spring Show 2017

It might well have been a perfect Summer's day with the blessed weather which stayed with us for the duration of the Midlands West Festival of Fells Spring Show 2017. Clear blue skies dominated and the warmth weather radiated to everyone who attended bringing smiles and good will with it.

Entry quality was magnificent with good ponies coming forward throughout the day for Judge Jenny Crane. Kicking off the In-hand classes was a win from Brigit Coleman's Dalehead Midnight Express, a grey mare who was at her first show, so her owner was clearly delighted with her red ribbon. The Stallion class was kindly judged by Diane Key, due to a conflict of interests, and the nod was given to Rob Relph-Briggs with Greenholme Elect. The two and three Year Old Colt Class was headed by Zoe Marsden with her grey colt, Midtown Joker. Jane and Paul Steeples had a very good day with Greenholme Jasmin taking the 2 year filly or gelding class and then followed by taking the Mare class with Greenholme Gypsy Queen. Our three year old winner was first time Fell Pony owners, Sarah Jones and Gareth Breeze and their Greenholme Iceman.

After much deliberation, the Youngstock Championship was nodded to Greenholme Jasmin with a close Reserve going to Midtown Joker. The Adult In-hand Championship went to Greenholme Gypsy Queen and Reserve, Greenholme Elect. Our Overall In-hand Champion and Reserve was awarded to our Youngstock victors.

Sarah McCormack set out an inviting course for our Working Hunter entrants. Working Hunter Champion went to a clearly delighted Heidi Saxon-Bland and Hillhead Horace. At only their first attempt at a full working hunter course, to have jumped a clear round was something Heidi could only dream about, but then to take the red ribbon followed by the tri colour amazed her. Another 'new to jumping' partnership and taking the reserve Championship was Sarah Bartlett and Waverhead Bombadere, again huge smiles from her when presented her reward.

We like to highlight the versatility of the Fell Pony at the Show and therefore the Versatility Section was well supported by members. A Fell Pony admirer, Mrs Heather Morris, officiated the judging in these classes and thoroughly enjoyed her long and hot session in the ring! A pony who has only recently been 'rediscovered' and her registration number found, fared extremely well in these classes—the bay mare, Cliffhollins Mystery, won the Young Handler class with Mia Offley and Children's Ridden with Suzannah Offley, and jointly they took the Championship. These young riders also claimed victory in both the Intro C and Prelim 7 Dressage classes with Mystery. Veteran pony, Lunesdale Cragman and Katie Howarth took the Reserve in the Versatility Section after winning the Trekking Class.

The Traditional Walk and Trot class once again proved to be a popular class with a large entry. First place was awarded to Zoe Marsden and Wellbrow Freddie. The pairing also picked up a red ticket in the Novice Ridden. Our Open Ridden Class

was headed by Heidi Saxon-Bland and Hillhead Horace. In the full heat of the day, the Ridden Championship was given to Hillhead Horace and Wellbrow Freddie came forward for Reserve.

A tough and long debate ensued in the final Championship of the day, the Supreme. After much deliberation our 2017 Supreme Champion was presented to Midtown Joker and our Reserve Supreme went to Hillhead Horace. It certainly wasn't a 'grey day' for these two ponies.

With many thanks to everyone who supported our fifth annual show, our competitors, our generous sponsors and most importantly our wonderful judges. Plans are already underway for the 6<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival of Fells Spring Show, aiming for the third Sunday in April to avoid a clash with the NPS Spring Show. 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](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk)

Diane Key

### **Mary Longsdon MBE**

It was with huge sadness that we learned of Mary's passing and, despite knowing that she was very unwell, it was still a huge shock. Mary was the instigator for the formation of the FPS Area Support Groups and was Group Leader of the Midlands West Area Group for many years. With Mary at the helm, the Midlands West Group has in particular thrived from Mary's vast knowledge, experience and unique style of leadership. Always cheerful, encouraging, kind and fair, Mary was an inspiration to us all and at this time it is



*Mary Longsdon receives a "thank you" bouquet from Midlands West group leader Diane Key*

hard to put in to words just how much she meant to us all and how much she will be missed. Mary's remit for the Groups were that they should be "Flexi, Friendly and Fun". As we come to terms with Mary's loss, we should be thankful for her input, not only towards the Area Groups but the Fell Pony Society in general. I am sure you will agree, it was both a privilege and honour to have had Mary in our lives—on behalf of the Midlands West Area Group—Thank You, Mary.

## **EVENTS SO FAR FOR 2017**

### **2016 Group Awards**

On Saturday, February 4th 2017 the 2016 Group Awards took place at the Hollybush Inn, Seighford, Stafford. Traditionally the Group Awards were presented at our annual luncheon in October but as the popularity of the awards

has grown it was felt that a separate event was now needed. This is where we like to thank our members for all their hard work in various activities promoting the Fell breed during the previous year. There was a good turnout and all entrants received a fabulous rosette and several trophies were presented for the Performance, Happy Hacking and Driving sections. It was rather fitting that Mary Longsdon MBE presented the awards alongside Elizabeth Marshall. For our next presentation we have been promised some new trophies to cover the new classes for dressage and TREC. The results were as follows.

#### **PERFORMANCE AWARDS WINNERS 2016**

Chestermann Dandy, Sonyarisa Duckhouse

Hillhead Horace, Heidi Saxon-Bland

Lunesdale Cragsman, Katie Haworth

Ashness Black Rupert, Jo Hillman

Bewcastle Blithe, Kate Girvan Merryweather

Greenholme Shandy, Tamara Habberley

Ludworth Albion, Karen Bennett

Waverhead Bombardier, Sarah Bartlett

Greenholme Waterloo, Kate White

Pikestone Linnet, Jess Kelly

Burnhead Polly II, Jess Kelly

Linnel Hope, Kate White

Chestermann Dandy—Winner of the Eileen Davies Memorial Trophy

#### **HAPPY HACKER AWARDS**

Ashness Black Rupert, Jo Hillman  
Chestermann Dandy, Sonyarisa Duckhouse

Pikestone Linnet, Jess Kelly

Greenholme Waterloo, Kate White

Burnhead Polly II, Jess Kelly

Syward Blue Aconite, Jayne Walster

Bewcastle Blithe, Kate Girvan Merryweather

Linnel Hope, Kate White

Ludworth Albion, Karen Bennett

Waverhead Bombardier, Sarah Bartlett

Greenfield Rhona, Helen Moss

Townend Dream, Janet Blair

Lunesdale Mountain, Gold Helen Moss

Ashness Black Rupert—Winner of the Hugh Marshall Memorial Shield

#### **DRIVING AWARDS**

Eastcote Jenny Wren, Lynn Marshall

Pikestone Linnet, Kate White & Jess Kelly

Eastcote Jenny Wren—Winner of the Windybank Duke's Rose Driving Cup

The 2017 awards presentation will take place next February so keep filling in your forms. More information regarding this will be available nearer the time and in our next Group Newsletter.

## **SATURDAY 8th April 2017 ~ Spring Festival of Fells Show**

Many thanks to everyone who supported our fifth annual show, our competitors, our generous sponsors and most importantly our wonderful judges. Plans are already underway for the 6th Annual Festival of Fells Spring Show to be held on Sunday 15th April 2018. Please do keep an eye out for updates via the Fell Pony Society—Midlands West Support Group Facebook page or the Group website

[www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk) .

## **Equine Acupuncture Demonstration—Saturday April 29th 2017**

The Group enjoyed an interesting talk and demonstration given by Bettina Teichmann MRCVS at Seighford, Stafford. During a pub lunch Bettina explained the various principles and terms used in acupuncture treatment and conducted a live demo on Karen Bennett! This was followed by a demonstration using my two Fells, Scotgate Solitaire (Sparky) and Breeze. After seeing the length of the needles being used my initial concerns wavered as both ponies almost went to sleep during the treatment!! Bettina was very impressed with their behaviour and I am glad to report that Karen also seems to be doing well.

## **Derbyshire Fell and Dales Show—Sunday June 18th 2017**

This took place at Barleyfields Equestrian Centre, Etwall, Derbyshire on a baking hot day. Our Fell pony judge was Beverley Hodgson (Inglegarth Fell Ponies). Please see our separate report in this Magazine If you would like to see the full results and catalogued entries, please visit our Group website.

Next year's show will be held at the same venue on Sunday June 24th. We are pleased to announce that our Fell pony judge will be Michael Goddard. The show will be held in memory of Mary Longsdon MBE.

## **TREC Taster Days**

Given the rise in popularity of TREC events and an ever increasing amount of our members taking part in these, Jo Hillman and team organised in July an unmounted TREC taster day at Shrewsbury for those of us wanting to know more. During the day the practical principles of TREC events were discussed and areas such as map reading, equipment and obstacles were explored. At the time of writing, Jo and team are organising the second TREC taster day which will be held on the 3rd September. This will be a mounted event and where members can try out TREC for themselves with their ponies.

## **Future Events**

We are looking to organise a first aid training day with the emphasis on how to treat the injured rider. I am still gathering information and it is hoped that the Midlands East Area Group will also be involved. We have already had some strong interest and more details will be available shortly. Whether this will take place this year or next is still under discussion.

During the autumn we are looking forward to holding some social get togethers (food will be involved!!!) and we always welcome ideas for new events.

## **Midlands West Area Group Newsletter**

It has now been agreed that the Group Newsletter will become an annual publication. This is due to high printing and postage costs. Event information and Group news is increasingly being sent out digitally, but we would still like to continue with a paper version of the Newsletter to give to our members who prefer a hardcopy and also to hand out to welcome new members. It has been further agreed that the Newsletter will be issued towards the end of the year so that we can feature reports on events held during that year and dates for the following year. If you would like anything including in the Newsletter please contact Diane Key, [diane@fellpony.me.uk](mailto:diane@fellpony.me.uk) 01785 282922.

## **Group Membership**

If you would like to join the Midlands West Fell Pony Support Group please contact Barry Stamp at Ivy Cottage, Seighford, Stafford, ST18 9PQ Telephone number 01785 282922. A membership form is available to download from our website. Please send a £5 cheque made payable to the Fell Pony Society Midlands West with your name and address and if applicable email address details. If you would like a receipt please include a SAE. Alternatively you can now complete a standing order form to pay your subscription. Again this form is available on our website

## **Contacting the Midlands West Area Group**

If you want any information please contact Diane Key 01785 282922 or email [diane@fellpony.me.uk](mailto:diane@fellpony.me.uk) or write to Ivy Cottage, Seighford, Stafford, ST18 9PQ You can always see news and photographs of our events on our Group website—[www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk](http://www.westmids-fellponies.org.uk)—or visit our Facebook Group.



## **The Edinburgh Prize for Driving—2018**

Presented to the Society by His Royal Highness the Duke of Edinburgh, this prize is awarded internationally to a single or multiple turnout of registered Fell ponies, for achievement in Driving. The Prize will be presented at the 2018 FPS Annual General Meeting.

### **Edinburgh Prize 2018**

All ponies in the turnout 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. We encourage all drivers to take part, whatever their discipline.

Participating drivers should complete a record form over the year, with relevant signatures confirming their achievements. The form can be found on the FPS web site, <http://www.fellponysociety.org.uk/forms/AwardsScheme.EntryForm.pdf>. It should be returned to the Society Office by 2 January 2018.



## South West Area Support Group

A good number of members of the Society spent the August Bank Holiday Sunday in glorious weather enjoying a visit to the Ringstone Stud, in Oakford on beautiful Exmoor. We started the day enjoying the weather and views from the garden before gathering inside to listen to Peter Boustead who talked about judging Fell Ponies. Peter is a most knowledgeable owner, breeder and judge and also an excellent speaker so we were all enthralled. His talk was illustrated with photographs of ponies past and present as well as memories of some of the legendary breeders such as Sarge Noble, Eddie Wilson and others, and it was both fascinating and humorous.

Following a superb lunch, we were encouraged to put our newly acquired knowledge to the test and Mark brought out three of his ponies for us to judge, with Peter first appraising their conformation (yes, I did note that it is conformation not confirmation!), type and action. The three ponies were lovely examples of the breed: Conway Clara Brown, Bybeck Kayleigh and Townend Fanta. All behaved impeccably and Peter said that Kayleigh would be the one to get him to Keswick station in good time for a train (you would understand if you were there).

Following this Mark brought out their stallion, Bracklinn Crosbie, who enjoyed showing us his paces even though distracted by the on-looking group of mares.

We then took a walk around the fields to see the youngstock, all of whom showed the characteristic Fell nosiness. Joining us on this was miniature dachshund puppy, Reggie (I know he has a posh name but that is how I recall it) and he thoroughly enjoyed galloping through grass as high as himself and carrying sheep poo around.

Finally, chocolate cake was brought out just to cap what was already an amazing day.

Our enormous thanks go to Keith and Mark, who welcomed us so warmly; Peter, who gave of his knowledge so freely; Michael Goddard, who organised this event; and to those helpers who bathed ponies, sold raffle tickets, led ponies, washed dishes and generally made it a perfect day. You really have some lovely ponies at Ringstone stud and I look forward to another event in the SW area.

Liz Whitley

### **2nd and 3rd December 2017**

The West Country Equine Fair will be held at Westpoint near Exeter, Devon. Bob and Sue McNamara of Lydvale Fell Ponies will be there representing the breed with a pony in the breed village so please go along and see the ponies.

There will be a parade of native ponies on Saturday in the main arena.

Michael Goddard



## South East Area Support Group

The SE Area Fell Group continues to run alongside the South East Area Connemara Group, offering the opportunity to attend all of the events run at the reduced entry cost applicable to Connemara and Fell members. So far this year we have run a Dressage Show at the South of England Showground which had NPS qualifiers, a M & M Show at Felbridge Showground in May with numerous qualifying classes, as well as numerous flat, jumping and XC clinics at various different SE venues.

Earlier this year, after seeing a post on the Fell Pony Dressage Facebook page, a Southern Dressage Quest team was formed. This was unknown territory for us but

with the essential help of Victoria Parker, who had already gathered a team and was encouraging others to do the same, Wishfell Thinking was set up, consisting of Susie and Amy Newton (13) and Underwoods Tom-Tom, Bethany Griffiths (13) with Wellbrow Duke, Miale Blair and Tredellans Poppy and Rowena Day and Townend Bellboy II.



*Wishfell Thinking Quest Dressage Team*

Sadly the South doesn't have that many Quest competitions running, but after five competitions at Pacesham, Merrist Wood, Cobham Manor and Chester Hall we achieved two team first places and three seconds, giving us second place on the leader board and qualifying for the Regional Championships at Chester Hall at the end of September.

Our two juniors, Amy and Bethany, also competed in the My Quest individuals and are both high up in the leader board, qualifying for the finals.

Congratulations to Tamsin Hughes and her lovely stallion Tarnbeck Septimus, ridden by Lauren Elliott, who have qualified for Olympia after winning their class and going Champion at Kent County.

We wish them the best of luck!

Upcoming events for the SE Area include a M & M WHP at Felbridge Showground on Sunday 12th November, affiliated to the BSPS, starting with training stakes and with classes open to all registered breeds.

Another dressage show at South of England next March and the M & M Show in May at Felbridge.

Clinics are held monthly.

For any further details of any of these events, or to find out what clinics are on, please email [Susie.newton@btinternet.com](mailto:Susie.newton@btinternet.com)



## Overseas Branch News: FPSNA

It's been a busy year here at FPSNA. Our North American breeders have produced many lovely, true to type foals this year, and our members have been hard at work promoting the breed at competitions and expos across the continent.

FPSNA once again proudly sponsored the 10th Annual National Dressage Pony Cup competition which was held July 7-9, 2017, in Lexington, Kentucky. Competitors had the chance to show off their ponies in ridden dressage, in a full range of classes and training levels; along with in-hand Individual Breed Classes. FPSNA also offered two FPSNA High Point Awards, one each for ridden and in-hand highest scoring member pony. Lisa Lindholm's Fell Pony, Laurelhighland Frivolity and rider Kate Mikulay, made a great impression, and even got some recognition on a post made on July 8, 2017, on the National Dressage Pony Cup FB page. Members Shirley Wright-Coltart and her husband Dennis had successful in-hand results with her mare, Stonecreek Zorra (X).

Fell Pony stallion, Laurelhighland Jack of Diamonds, was featured as the "poster boy" for the 2017 Farmers' Days Rodeo & Exhibition which was held June 2nd-4th in Alberta Canada. FPSNA members, Dwight and Tracey Barton, work diligently to make a presence with their Fells in Canada.

Anita Castricone and Gracie Ruzzo travelled to Saugerties, New York with their Fell Pony stallion, Willowtrail Black Robin (*right*) to compete in the East Coast Pony Cup at HITS on the Hudson. Gracie and "Beau" had a successful ride and grabbed the 6th place ribbon in 1st Level Dressage.

Dreamhayven Decadence, owned by Elise Miller, recently went to her very first show, and placed first Ground Pole Senior Hunter Under Saddle, Ground Pole Senior Equitation, Ground Pole Senior Hunter A, and Ground Pole Senior Equitation Over Fences. She also earned second place in Ground Pole Senior Hunter B. Those accumulated placings earned "Didi" Grand Champion in her division.

FPSNA Chairman, Melissa Kreuzer, has had a busy season with her ponies. They travelled 1,800 miles across the U.S., where Lunesdale White Heather and



*Willowtrail Black Robin*



*Lunesdale White Heather*

Stennerskeugh Danny Boy wowed the crowds at Arizona Renaissance Festival in February and March. Heather then travelled to the Georgia Renaissance Festival, appearing from April through June. Finally, Lunesdale White Heather, DreamHayven Valhalla and new foal DreamHayven Perfect Storm have been working at the Chicago area Bristol Renaissance Faire since July, and will continue their show through September.

Down in the Deep South, Fell Pony gelding Stonecreek Dusty and owner Terie Overbey showed Texans the versatility of the breed as they competed at multiple Competitive Trail events over the last several months. "Dusty" consistently placed top 3 in his division against all breeds, and won first place his second time out.

In addition to the time our members have spent promoting the breed, FPSNA Council has been hard at work and proudly released a newly added third edition of our news magazine, *The Fell Pony Express*, in 2017. We have added a special awards issue that features the ponies that participate in our annual PPA (Performance Premium and Awards) program and the USDF All Breeds Award program. *The Fell Pony Express* is in its 16th year of circulation both in North America and abroad, and as always, we greatly enjoy hearing from our readers overseas.

We look forward to spending a lot of time with our ponies as the weather cools down, and send our best wishes to you and your ponies in 2017!

The FPSNA Council

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*Left, Elise Miller's Dreamhayven Decadence, whose accumulated placings in her first show earned her Grand Champion in her division.*



Photo By Two Hearts One Oxer



## Sidesaddle National Championships

Waverhead Bracken II and I have just returned home from a fabulous 3 days at the Sidesaddle National Championships at Addington.

Bracken won the Native Breed Dressage, winning the Waverhead Black Magic trophy generously donated by Katy Downing (*right*). Katy also came 2nd in the class on Waverhead Ted.

Bracken won the Caro Cripps class with our Shrek themed performance (*below right*), as well as taking the M&M Large Breed class. Fell Ponies have won this class for the last 4 years! He went on to be M&M Champion.

Super proud of my wonderful pony!

Best Wishes,  
Holly Baker





## Packing Gravel

Four-year-old gelding Restar Lucky Joe had his first paid employment this summer. A client of our logging and construction company needed gravel moved to a building site in a roadless area. Due to rules preventing use of motorized

equipment, we'd done hazard tree removal work there previously, using ponies, but this was our first job where packing was the focus.

It was a small job, so a perfect starter for a young pony. I like to start working ponies with packing because it's weight-carrying but with a load that stays reasonably still and balanced, unlike all but the most accomplished human riders.

Since it is work done at the walk, it also helps keep stresses to a still-maturing body to a minimum. This job in particular was a good one to showcase ponies since the trail was steep and rocky, so the sure-footedness that we so often take for granted was a real asset, as were those good hard unshod feet.

While I had prepared Joe from a fitness standpoint and for gravel pouring down his sides when we unloaded the panniers, I couldn't prepare him for the location.

The parking area sat high above the destination with a view of the lake that we would walk towards. The last Fell Pony I'd taken there had found the lake worthy of study, including the boats that plied the waters with their human cargo. Joe didn't seem to give the lake more than passing notice, and he put in a stellar performance on the multiple trips down with the gravel and back up, as well as handling the more-than-an-hour commute without complaint.

Joe's work companion on this job was Torrin, a nineteen-year-old Fjord gelding. With Torrin approaching retirement, we are hopeful that Joe will step into his role of versatile working pony. This job made us very hopeful indeed!

Jenifer Morrissey



## Fell Pony Themed Wedding of Alex & Emma Wrigley

Saturday 1st July 2017 was a day that had been two years in the making. Not content with planning an outdoor wedding at home in Cumbria, we had decided to throw Fell Ponies into the mix as well - what could possibly go wrong? Emma, the bride, wanted to ride to the wedding herself on Lownthwaite Lotto, and her bridesmaids and flower girls to ride as well - all on Fell ponies.

The months leading up to the day were spent preparing. We had to teach the bridesmaids to ride, practise the route for times and get the ponies used to riders in dresses. Carole Noble from Lively Hoods made us bespoke lace lycras for the ponies and Nicky Fields from Rosette Heaven made some amazing flower garlands for around the ponies' necks. Even the tables in the tipis were named after horses, with each centre piece being that horse's actual shoe which had been made into a photo frame by our farrier John Stalker.

On the morning of the wedding, the horses were groomed and dressed to perfection by the Horsemaids back at the yard who all did an amazing job. The horses were then led through the village to collect the bridal party.

We couldn't have been any prouder of them - they stood whilst the bridesmaids and bride sorted their dresses out and mounted. They transported them safely to the wedding, watched by countless villagers and well-wishers. They didn't bat an eyelid. It was a dream come true and couldn't have gone any better. We feel so lucky to have been able to plan and pull off such a unique entrance to the wedding.



The horses that took part were:  
Lownthwaite Lotto, Murthwaite Ripley,  
Peahill Basil, Hotchberry Amber, Uldale  
Black Avenger and Ebony (the  
Shetland!).

Cath Wrigley



## Kacie, JJ and "Team Lawton"

Young Kacie Lawton has been having a wonderful time and mixing in some distinguished company with her ten year old Fell pony Waverfoot JJ.



*Above, Kacie Lawton and world champion carriage driver Boyd Exell; right, with her parents Paul and Emma; and tackling a bridge obstacle with Waverfoot JJ.*



Kacie, who has been driving JJ for 18 months, qualified for the Sandringham driving trials Young Drivers competition by attending the British Young Drivers Easter camp at the Unicorn Equestrian Centre in Stow-on-the-Wold. Kacie and JJ were placed 4th overall. Prince Philip watched Kacie's dressage and as she left the arena he said that she had done very well, and "my wife would love to see your pony."

Kacie has had lessons with 4-in-hand team drivers Fred Pendlebury and Boyd Exell. She qualified for the National Indoor Finals at Keysoe in Bedfordshire, where she was placed 5th overall on her first time out at a national event. She competes JJ indoors and outdoors with Chester Horse Driving Trials group and won the Novice Pony classes this spring at Plas Newydd and Backford.

Kacie and Emma have recently put their two Fell pairs together as a four-in-hand team. Emma drove them in their first competition at Henbury Hall Horse Driving Trials over the August Bank Holiday, and then took part in the FPS Display team's demo at Blackcombe Country Fair, where between performances they gave carriage rides to the public. In the future Kacie hopes to compete internationally with the team. Her support crew includes her Mum, Emma; Dad, Paul, who drives the wagon and keeps everyone fed; sister, Lucie, and brothers Harvey, Oliver and Henry; also her friend Jack who helps out with grooming and backstepping. She is going to be one to watch.



## FPS Promotions Team—2017 Displays



2017 was the third year in which the Fell Pony Society Promotions Team put on “breed history and performance” displays. This summer the Pony Club section of the demonstration branched out to include jumping and the Driving section blossomed, first with a pair as well as a single, and then Emma Lawton’s four-in-hand team (*above*): Bybeck Jasmine and Wellbrow Rogue; Sam and Holling Satin.

We did 2 shows a day at 4 events in Cumbria: 2 dry days at Countryfest, 1 very wet and 1 dry at Lowther Show; and 1 day each at Coniston Country Fair and Blackcombe Country Fair. When the ponies were stabled close to the Promotion Team’s stand, they really drew the public between performances.

Wellbrow Rogue and Paul Lawton (*right*) deserve special mention for their performance at Coniston: Rogue was yoked to the sledge there for the first time and was pulling it into the ring only 20 minutes after the Lawtons’ wagon arrived on the field.



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*Left, Nicola Evans and pack horse Henry at Lowther Show; above, Lucy Hannigan and Dalehead Pluto representing Endurance riding at Blackcombe Country Fair—and below, the local paper that described the display at Coniston as “the highlight of the day.”*

The less I say about the Display Team’s collective motorised transport, the better...fingers crossed for a less boggy and more mechanically efficient year in 2018!

When these shows invite us to perform, we carry on saying “Yes” because even at shows we’ve been to before, we still see many people who know nothing about the breed and its tremendous heritage, or what the ponies are capable of. Even pony owners, even in Cumbria, come to our stand and ask questions as basic as “Can you ride them?” And because we are there, we can reply, “Watch our display in the main ring and you’ll find out!”

Feedback like this, afterwards, makes it all worthwhile:

“I thoroughly enjoyed the story you told.”

“I stayed to watch the performance a second time.”



“None of the other breed societies put their heritage across to the public as well as you do.”

Then, “Can I have a Society membership form?”

From show organisers, “Spectators from last year have told us they are attending this year just so they can watch you again!”

And, best of all, “Here’s a donation—please come back next year!”

If you and your pony would enjoy being part of our publicity pitch for the breed, please get in touch—with me, or Christine Robinson, Rachael Brunskill or Alison Bell—details in Council information, on page 4. You will find us on Facebook as the Fell Pony Society Promotions Team. And, if you can get a group of riders and registered ponies together to showcase the Fell pony for audiences outside Cumbria, I’m happy to give you copies of the scripts we have used so far, so you can adapt them to the skills of your own cast.

Sue Millard



*Knight at Lowther: Rachael Brunskill and Hynholme Amber.*

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### **The FPS Display Team—2017**

Border Reiver: Sarah Oliver & Prince; Barbara Potter & Dalefoot Fern.

Dressage: Christine Robinson & Kerbeck Night Whisper.

Driving: Emma Lawton—4 in hand, Bybeck Jasmine & Wellbrow Rogue; Holling Satin & Sam. Kacie Lawton & Waverfoot JJ.

Endurance: Lucy Hannigan & Dalehead Pluto; Olivia Shepherd, Bybeck Jasper.

Family Pony / Fancy dress, Knight: Rachael Brunskill & Hynholme Amber.

Hunting: Christine Robinson & Kerbeck Night Whisper.

In-hand pony off the fell: Ian Brunskill & Townend Damsion.

Pack pony: Alison Brown & Bowthorn Norman; Nicola Evans & Henry; Jan Kershaw & Midtown Harmony.

Pony club: Fiona Blenkarn & Wellbrow Cathy; Georgia Ellis & Harthouse Hillman

Roman Soldier: Georgia Ellis & Harthouse Hillman.

Shepherd: Fiona Blenkarn & Wellbrow Cathy; Olivia Shepherd & Bybeck Jasper.

Show pony: Rachael Brunskill & Hynholme Amber; Charlotte Holliday & Lownthwaite Bramble.

Sledge: Ian Brunskill & Townend Jasmine; Paul Lawton & Wellbrow Rogue.

Commentator & script: Sue Millard.

Steward: Kath Ellis.

Photographer: Simon Ellis.

Promotions stand: Alison Bell, Anna Blenkarn, Susan Brunskill, Charlotte Holliday and Sue Millard.



## Hell on a Fell

Forget blue skies and perfect pretty pictures. Yesterday was Hell on a Fell: about simply trying to keep putting one foot in front of the other, standing firm whatever life, or the weather, chucks at you, and about contemplating life and death, rather than proving anything to anyone, or gloating over achievements,

When I stayed with Mary Longsdon on my Horseland Journey last summer, she told me that one of her unfilled ambitions was to ride up Helvellyn. The writing was on the wall even then. It was cancer, rather than Mary's four score years, which stopped Mary living her dream.



I was unable to get to her funeral but vowed I would ride up Helvellyn for her.

When the weather turned against us, I swithered repeatedly whether to turn back, but with Micky snorting at lost souls emerging from the mist, eventually we made it to the top. An inadequate tribute to a truly remarkable person.

RIP Mary. You were up there with us in the swirling mist and driving rain.

Vyv Wood-Gee





## Murthwaite Boy Blue

Michael Martin Photography EOM



Fell pony lovers know how versatile our ponies are, and that 'Whatever you need a Fell will succeed', but now we have further evidence in the success of 15 year old Georgie Marriott and her show jumping pony, Murthwaite Boy Blue, a.k.a. Smokey. The partnership recently out-jumped their rivals to win the BSJA Pony of the Year Show Novice Grand Prix Championship. Twenty-one of the 39 starters were clear after the first round and went into the jump off, but Georgie and her flying Fell snatched the championship by 0.7 seconds.

Georgie's Mum, Liz, says they bought 10 year old Smokey 3 or 4 years ago from a lady in Harrogate who had bought him from the Follifoot riding school who love to follow Smokey's success. Smokey's sire is the well known showman Murthwaite Windrush, and his dam is Murthwaite Magic, dam of some super ponies including Murthwaite Smoking Joe and M. Magic Moment. Liz reports that he's a lovely pony, although a little bolshie at times, and a real character. He has an amazing stylish jump, very careful to tuck his legs right up. He loves jumping and is known for doing excited leaps in the ring. Georgie and Smokey compete at junior BSJA, Trailblazers and other unaffiliated local competitions, normally at heights of 90cm to 110cm. They have jumped 130cm to win the puissance at Willow Banks Equestrian Centre.

They are members of the Burton Hunt Pony Club where they attend rallies, show jumping competitions, XC competitions and summer camp which they both really enjoy. They have also hunted with the Burton, but Smokey gets very excited and doesn't like all the waiting around, preferring to get on with the job. Georgie is hard working and very dedicated, and her ambition is to ride at Horse Of The Year show....Good Luck Georgie and Smokey....we'll be there to cheer you on!

Claire Simpson



## The Fell in Fell Ponies

Have you ever wondered why the ponies that we admire aren't called Westmorland Ponies or Cumberland Ponies or Border Ponies or Pennine Ponies? Or Eden or Lowther or Derwent or Duddon Ponies? Is there a reason they're so rarely called Galloways anymore? While Fell Ponies are certainly found in what used to be Westmorland and Cumberland and the Borders and even Galloway, they are of course called Fell Ponies because of the fells they have called home for centuries.

We all know that what makes a Fell Pony unique is because of those very fells. Good knee and hock action and sure-footedness are required to handle the rough terrain of the fells. Intelligence is required in order to find shelter, food, and water there. Thriftiness is necessary to deal with less than ideal fodder. These are just a few of the breed's many unique characteristics derived from life on their native hills. And as the late Mr. T.H. (Henry) Harrison, breeder of the Sleddale Ponies, observed, "...Fell ponies are valuable to the upkeep of the Cumbrian hills. Their particular pattern of grazing helps to maintain a range of flowers and grasses now considered so important for wildlife and the landscape." (1) Another good reason they're called Fell Ponies is because their home depends on them as much as they depend on it.

Most of us probably haven't seen Fell Ponies bred two or three generations off the fell. Most of us probably have ponies that, if they weren't born on the fell, then their parents or grandparents were. So most of us probably don't realize how much the fells shape what a Fell Pony is, and therefore we don't realize that when the fell is taken out of the pony, the pony is changed.

"I think you would find that generation to generation they would grow up to height because they're not having to strive to survive on the fell which is why it's so important to keep ponies running in semi-feral herds in the Cumberland fells. A stud like us here has to keep returning to the Cumbrian fells to bring in the old blood and the new blood that live up on the high Cumberland fells," says one long-time non-fell

breeder. (2) Another long time non-fell breeder confirms, "Retaining the hardiness and type by using fell-bred ponies is very important. I have seen ponies bred two to three generations away from the fell start to change and definitely lose type." (3)

Perhaps you've had the good fortune to walk in the grand terrain of the Lake District. Or you've been able to stay in a cottage on the fell while on holiday. Or maybe you've been one of the lucky ones to drive in the Cumbrian hills and see



Fell Ponies living on their native terrain. While the ponies may have roamed wild and free long ago on the fells, these days the ponies rely on people with fell rights for the ability to keep fell in their name. With so much interest in the northern hills - for holidays, for stock grazing, for environmental schemes, for military use and power generation - it is people with knowledge of land ownership and management practices who can deal with all these competing pressures that ensure that Fell Ponies can still live on ground that carries their name.

Perhaps you've had the opportunity to attend an open day held on a fell farm. You've experienced the awe of the landscape and the thrill of seeing so many ponies all in one place on their home ground. You've enjoyed meeting the hill farmers who breed the ponies whose prefixes you've known and admired for years. The crowds on the day are a contrast, of course, to what is the typically quiet, always hard and often lonely work of a hill farm. And while the ponies were the centre of attention on the open day, they are often but a side-show in the daily life of a hill farm, for it is stock and crops that make the money that keeps the farm going one year to the next.

As summer gives way to fall and then to winter, the days get shorter, the nights get longer, and the worries about the weather increase. Will the ground dry this fall so that yard manure can be taken out and spread? Will there be enough grass to feed the stock late into the season so that bought-in feed can be saved for later? Will replacement breeding stock at the sales be affordable or will it be run up in price by people from lowland farms where things aren't quite so tight? Will we get a normal winter with frost and occasional clear skies and maybe there'll even be some snow instead of incessant rain that makes everything harder in an already hard season? Why would a farmer keep ponies when there's all THAT to worry about?

The answer of course is that like us, hill farmers involved with our breed admire the Fell Pony. And for them, fortunately, the ponies on the fell can often briefly distract them from the other worries of the farm. Being out on the fell with them on a beautiful day, bringing the herd in to take the foals off the mares, seeing youngstock go to good homes, watching the mares sunbathe on a sunny winter's day, knowing that they can fend for themselves on the hill, unlike the stock that have to be inbye or indoors for the winter.

The answer to that question of 'why would a hill farmer keep ponies on the fell?' is also that hill farmers who keep Fell Ponies know that the fell is part of the pony just as the pony is part of the fell. Most of the time that is enough, and for that, the rest of us can be grateful.

Jenifer Morrissey

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## Nicholwalls Fell Stud—Stirlingshire

When I attended the Royal Highland Show as a spectator in June 2009, I spent hours watching all the mountain and moorland breeds being shown and can vividly remember thinking, when the Fell ponies entered the arena: “I would love to own a Fell pony.” Within a week of being at the show, I contacted Alistair Smith from the Bracklinn Fell Ponies to enquire into purchasing a pony. By luck, Alistair had one available and that’s where it all started.

Within two years, we had purchased some youngstock and spent a lot of time preparing and enjoying showing our ponies at local shows, picking up some great results.

In October 2011, we set off to The Fell Pony Sale at Penrith, looking to purchase our first colt, hoping to pick up a bargain. We purchased a yearling colt, Greenholme Emblem. We knew we’d have a little wait, but hoped that time and some TLC would bring out the best of this lad - and how correct we were; he is a pleasure to own and work with around mares, and he loves to please.

Emblem was at home with us covering mares and maturing until early 2015, where we arranged for Kirsty Aird to produce him for his ridden career. Kirsty spent two seasons competing in the M&M novice and open flat classes, always placed and lifting many championships. Kirsty then started to introduce some jumping to Emblem and he just loved it. We then decided we would compete in the M&M working hunter classes which, in 2016, he competed in Scotland in the novice workers, winning very successfully and earning further championship titles.

2017 is Emblem’s first open season campaigning the working hunter classes. With Kirsty he has attended the NPS Spring Show where he stood first in the M&M intermediate working hunter, then taking Intermediate working hunter champion. He also competed in his first Royal International qualifier, taking first place and also taking RI working hunter champion - what an achievement!

Since the day we got him and started producing him, my dream has always been to watch Emblem jump at our local county show, The Royal Highland. After many conversations regarding this, Kirsty had advised us that she would walk the course in the morning of his class and make the decision on the day as to whether he would give it a go. As the time got closer, Kirsty continued to update us on his progress, commenting that he was becoming stronger and stronger in his jumping.

When the day came around, 27 exhibitors came forward for his class. Emblem jumped an awesome round and went clear. At that point, I was happy to put him back in his stable as he had already exceeded all of my expectations. I think Kirsty thought I was mad to think that.

When it came around to announcing the results, all I can remember is everyone there with us crying with excitement and joy as he was placed first, picking up his HOYS qualifier, before adding the cherry on top by taking the M&M working



*Greenholme Emblem and Kirsty Aird “giving it plenty of air”.*

hunter championship. We had picked up our qualifiers for the NPS Scotland Championships at Blair Atholl 2017.

We had Greenholme Emblem competing in the 133cms WHP Championships; Nicholwalls Black Jack competing in the Ridden Novice Championship and also the In-hand Silver Medal Championship; and also Nicholwalls Graceson competing in the In-hand Young stock Championship.

We had the best show to date yet. A day of dreams, a very busy & tiring day, but worth every minute. 4 Championships were lifted by our ponies. Greenholme Emblem won his class & went WHP Champion. Nicholwalls Black Jack won his class & went Overall Novice Champion. He also won his In-hand Silver Medal Class & went Gold Medal Champion. Nicholwalls Graceson won his class & went Young stock Champion & also Reserve Overall In-hand Champion.

I will never ever forget that day; it was definitely the best day of my life after showing ponies for over eight years.

Fell ponies are an amazing breed of pony to own. They have the best attitude to work and please, and most of all they are full of character - I love them.

We are delighted to confirm that we have four foals due in 2018.

Gwen Rae



## Tynebank Harry—Up and Coming Endurance Star

West End photography



Tynebank Harry (Greenholme Yabadabadoo/Greenholme Young Beth), aka Quarry, is a 9 year old grey gelding who is making his mark in the world of endurance. Quarry went through the FPS Sales as weanling and was purchased as 4 year old by Sarah Norris in Inverness. He has been brought on very slowly and only started serious endurance last year.

Sarah made the long journey to Exmoor to compete in the Exmoor Hind 2 day 80 km event, where Quarry excelled on the

rough tracks and hills, and both thoroughly enjoyed it. Following this Sarah was picked again for the Scottish Home International Team, having previously competed with the Fell mare Southolme Blossom. Quarry travelled to Market Rasen in July for the Lindum Spirit Ride event, 80km over 2 days on unfamiliar cropped fields and bridleways, which the Scottish team won. In August Sarah was closer to home on the Black Isle (Highland Branch of Scottish Endurance Riding Club) where Quarry “rode” much of the 80km event on his own initiative and still kept up a good pace. We're looking forward to following the progress of this super pony...another example of our wonderfully versatile ponies succeeding in all disciplines. —Claire Simpson



## Greenholme Falcon



Victoria Oliver was thrilled with the performance of their new Fell pony, the six year old Greenholme Falcon, at Equifest. Victoria paired up with Louise Maestrani and Kilmannan Mischief to take second place in a large M&M pairs class in which there were nearly twenty pairs forward. Falcon also took a 4th and a 5th place in novice and open ridden classes ridden by Victoria's daughter Chantelle Chapman [*left*] who competed in the adult and child M&M pairs. Falcon is the family's first Fell pony and Victoria says that she wishes that they had another ten like him...safe to say they are hooked!

Claire Simpson



## Hedgethorpe April Morning



*Hedgethorpe April Morning, home produced by Tara Robinson.*

Tara Robinson was always nervous riding, but when her Nanna bought Hedgethorpe April Morning to do endurance, Tara fell in love.

They formed a lovely bond together and she had never felt so confident on a pony before, so Nanna handed over the reins. Since then April has taken Tara into Ridden classes at County level.

This is only their second year showing together but they have had a lot of success. Tara won the PUK RIHS young riders large breed M&M at Hambleton District Show, then took Reserve champion. April stood overall Supreme at NCPA North Yorkshire and Durham and carried on her unbeaten success in the Home Produced M&M at NECWPCA, winning it for the 4th time, along with many other wins.

We don't have any aims for next year, as we didn't plan anything this year. We simply want to continue having fun with April.

Tara never thought she would achieve what she has this year. Who knows what next year brings? It is however Tara's dream to ride at RIHS again and go to HOYS.



*FPS Stallion show: left, winner of the 3 and 4 y.o. class, Mr J Cockbain's Carrock Stride the Nite.*



*Right, winner of the 2 y.o. class, Mr A W Morland's Holling Brown Ale.*



*FPS Breed Show: Rob Relph-Briggs' Greenholme Elect was the reserve ridden Champion. Rider: Miss I Pitman*



*Isabella Ridding at the FPS Breed Show, winning junior rider 13 years or under with Deepghyll Lucky Touch*

## Wellbrow Dewdrop at Equifest

Sally Baker's super versatile Wellbrow Dewdrop, aka Robert, and rider Amy Small had a wonderful time at Equifest including winning the under 138cm Eventing class; the only hairy pony in the top 10. After clear rounds in the cross country and the show jumping phases the pair went through to the evening performance.

Sally was thrilled when Robert and Amy were called forward for first place after a dressage score of 79%.

The pair also picked up a third in the Fell/Dale/Highland WHP; fourth in both the home produced WHP and the Grand Prix WHP under 143cm and eighth in the Certified WHP against all the leggy plaited ponies.

Great results for a 13 hand Fell pony! Well done all for demonstrating that whatever you need, a Fell will succeed!

Claire Simpson



Spidge Photography



## WALKING WITH HOUYHNNHMS—D A Murray

The Houyhnhnms<sup>1</sup> of Murray's book are three unhandled Fell ponies, Huntsman's Blackthorn, Lathomdale Roamer and Thornbeck Solitaire, who go to meetings as well as to schools, wildlife reserves and tourist destinations, throughout a walk along Hadrian's Wall with the author.

The central idea is a real gem: using the ponies themselves to tell the story of the walk and convey Murray's admiration for Fell ponies, the semi-feral herds, and their breeders.

Comments I collected from various readers included, "The snippets are fairly short and so the book is easy to put down and pick up again," and "It works for someone like me who switches off from reading very quickly," and "Funny, charming, captures the soul of the ponies."

The black and white drawings at the end of the book are attractive and deserve to be among the text—in fact I wish that the sketch of the iconic tree at Sycamore Gap, and the one of Thorn and Roamer [*above*] grazing while wearing their packs, had been given to a designer to make a more atmospheric cover for the book.

Paperback, 400pp, 4 maps, 20 B&W drawings. ISBN 978-0-99558-240-8

Obtainable from Amazon, WH Smith, good booksellers. Price £13.99 inc postage. E-book format also available.

<sup>1</sup> *The Houyhnhnms*, pronounced "Whinnims", were a rational, unemotional civilisation of horses in Jonathan Swift's "Gulliver's Travels".



*Bethany Griffiths and Wellbrow Duke received the FPS Performance Dressage points award for 2016.*



## Scottish Equestrian Breeder—Pony of the Year

Do you have a registered Fell pony bred in Scotland? Did you know you could nominate him or her to be selected by the FPS for this prestigious award?

SEBA aims to highlight the breeding of all native and non native horses and ponies. As this is a breeders award preference is given to mares or stallions who have produced successful progeny who are good examples of their breed. Although the pony must have been bred in Scotland it may now be living anywhere in the world. Further information is available from the FPS office.

Closing date for this year's nominations is 16th December 2017.

Judy Fairburn

### SEBA 2016 Finalist

Restar Mountain Shelley III was one of ten finalists in 2016.

Shelley joined my herd of Fell Ponies when she was two years old. She has had four foals, and her offspring are always eagerly anticipated for their tremendous willing temperaments and good conformation. Her oldest son is licensed as a stallion and was named 2015 East Coast Dressage Pony Cup Champion Training & 1st Level. Her other offspring have entered various breeding programs and are delights for their owners. Shelley happily keeps my stallion company when she's in foal.

When not consumed by motherhood, Shelley is used at home as a chore pony, often helping deliver feed to other pony paddocks, and for trail rides, often bareback, always with just a halter and lead rope because she's that cooperative. She safely gives children rides and has even tolerated me riding double with a puppy! In addition to Shelley's good representation of the breed in terms of conformation and temperament, she also has the mountain pony hardiness called for in the breed standard. Our climate here at 9,000 feet in the Colorado Rockies puts that hardiness to the test regularly. We are more than pleased to have her here.

Jenifer Morrissey





## Learning With Fells—2018

The Society set up the Learning With Fells scheme in 2008 to encourage young FPS members to learn more about breeding semi-feral Fell ponies. Council arranged with breeders, particularly those who run ponies on their “native heath” “above the fell wall”, for a small group of young FPS members to visit 2 or 3 studs during the year and learn about the traditional management practices of our breed.

Council have agreed again this year that applications will be taken from adult as well as junior members. Priority will be given to those aged 10–18 years of age.

These are hands-on and physically active days often involving travel by quad bike up onto the tops of the hills where the semi-feral herds run.

Members of the Society who would like to take part, please contact the office. Email [secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk](mailto:secretary@fellponysociety.org.uk)

There is a bursary, payable from the Mary & Henderson Dodd Memorial Fund, of £50 for each participant to assist with travelling expenses, provided at least 2 visits are attended.



## FPS Calendar—2019

This is a last call for photos for the 2019 Fell Pony Society calendar. I have already seen some excellent photos of Fell ponies this year. The deadline for submissions is Monday October 16th 2017. The rules are the same as before with landscape 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. Only two professional photographs can be selected by the judges and 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](mailto: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.

Looking forward to receiving your entries showing off our most fantastic breed.  
Thank you

Michael Goddard



## NWASG Foal and Youngstock Show

**Newton Rigg, Penrith CA11 0AH**

**12 November 2017**

## **Foal and Youngstock Show**

**Classes for  
Ponies 4 years and over  
Ponies 1-3 years  
Foals  
Champion & Reserve**

**11.30am start**

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NW Area group has a Facebook group page: <https://www.facebook.com/nwasg>



## **New Fell Pony Society Show Secretary for 2018**

Lucie Charlton (Prefix, Linnel) has accepted the position of Fell Pony Society Show Secretary for 2018 onwards. She has been involved with Fell ponies all of her life. She has three years of experience working at Blair Horse Trials, an international Event held over three days, and welcoming over 40,000 visitors and 1500 horses. Lucie will draw on this experience of event management, and her love and dedication to the breed, to ensure the successful running of the Society shows throughout the year.

Lucie Charlton's Mobile number: +44(0)7980 277 903



## FPS Show and Sale



### THE FELL PONY SOCIETY

NW Auction Mart  
Junction 36, Kendal

28 October 2017 (Saturday)

## FPS SHOW AND SALE

Of Registered Fell Ponies

Closing Date for entries: 5 October 2016

<http://www.nwauctions.co.uk/>

All passport applications to the FPS office by 15 September.  
Entry fee £20 / pony, with £10 refunded if pony is presented at sale.

Show 9.30am

Show Judge: Mr G H B Mallinson  
Prize money paid by FPS (1st—£10, 2nd—£8 and 3rd—£6).

Sale 11.00am

Order of sale:  
Class 1, 4 years+ ; Class 2, 1—3 years; Class 3, Foals.

Upset Price:  
Opening bid of £100 required for colt foals,  
£150 for filly foals and all other ponies.

## Society Merchandise Price List

<b>CLOTHING</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>P &amp; P</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>CARDS</b>	<b>Price</b>	<b>P &amp; P</b>	<b>Total</b>
BASEBALL CAPS	£8.00	£2.00	£10.00	CALENDARS	£5.50	£1.50	£7.00
CHILD'S T SHIRTS	£10.00	£3.00	£13.00	CHRISTMAS CARDS PACK 5	£2.50	£1.00	£3.50
CREW NECK S/SHIRTS (ADULT)	£17.50	£3.00	£20.50	NOTELETS PACK 5	£2.50	£1.00	£3.50
FLEECE JACKETS	£21.00	£3.00	£24.00	POST CARDS PACK 10	£1.50	£1.00	£2.50
FLEECE S/SHIRT+ COLLAR	£21.00	£3.00	£24.00	POST CARDS PACK 12	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00
FLEECE WAISTCOATS (ADULT)	£22.00	£3.00	£25.00	<b>BOOKS/CD/DVD</b>			
FULL ZIP HOODY	£24.00	£3.00	£27.00	A5 BINDERS	£7.00	£3.00	£10.00
HATS	£8.00	£2.00	£10.00	BRITISH HORSE&PONY BREEDS	£19.00	£3.00	£22.00
HI-VIS WAISTCOATS	£10.00	£1.50	£11.50	DVD - The Fell Pony	£15.00	£1.50	£16.50
HOODY overhead	£22.00	£3.00	£25.00	DVD - Windsor	£15.00	£1.50	£16.50
JACKETS - Reversible	£26.00	£3.00	£29.00	DVD - FP Events 1995-1997	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
POLO SHIRTS	£15.00	£3.00	£18.00	FELL DIAMONDS	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
RUGBYSHIRTS	£30.00	£3.00	£33.00	FELL FACTS	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00
TIES	£12.00	£1.50	£13.50	FELL FUN	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00
T SHIRTS (ADULT)	£12.00	£3.00	£15.00	HISTORY CD	£13.00	£1.50	£14.50
WATERPROOF WAISTCOAT	£30.00	£3.00	£33.00	HOOFPRIENTS IN EDEN	£17.00	£3.00	£20.00
<b>MISCELLANEOUS</b>				HUMBLING EXPERIENCE	£19.00	£2.00	£21.00
BACK PACK	£12.00	£3.00	£15.00	JUBILEE BOOK	£5.00	£1.50	£7.00
BADGES	£3.00	£1.00	£4.00	LETTERS HOME	£8.00	£2.00	£10.00
BALL POINT PEN	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00	LIFETIME WITH PONIES	£20.00	£3.00	£23.00
BALL POINT PEN (Basic)	£1.00	£1.00	£2.00	ONE FELL SWOOP	£5.00	£2.00	£7.00
CAR STICKERS	£1.00	£1.00	£2.00	SPIRIT OF THE FELL PONY	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
CAR STICKERS (1 Fell For A Fell)	£1.00	£1.00	£2.00	THE FELL PONY (C RICHARDSON)	£7.50	£1.50	£8.50
CHINA MUG	£5.00	£3.50	£8.50	TRAVELS WITH A PONY	£10.00	£1.50	£11.50
CRAYONS pack 6	£2.50	£1.00	£3.50	WALK ON THE WILD SIDE	£12.50	£2.00	£14.50
EARTHENWARE MUG	£4.50	£3.50	£8.00	<b>STUDBOOKS / NEWSLETTERS</b>			
FACECLOTHS	£4.00	£1.50	£5.50	BLACK STUD BOOK 1898-1980	£5.00	£3.00	£8.00
FRIDGE MAGNETS	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00	STUD BOOKS TO 1999 (EACH)	£1.00	£1.50	£2.50
GLASS TUMBLER	£10.00	£3.50	£13.50	2000 - 2006 (EACH)	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
KEY FOBS	£1.00	£1.00	£2.00	2007 - 2016 (EACH)	£6.00	£1.50	£7.50
LARGE LORRY STICKERS 8"	£8.00	£1.00	£9.00	NEWSLETTER BACK COPIES	£1.00	£1.50	£2.50
LARGE TRAILER STICKERS 22"	£12.00	tbc		<b>PLASTICS</b>			
MOUSE MATS	£3.00	£1.50	£4.50	BOWLS	£2.50	£3.00	£5.50
PENCILS	£0.50	£1.00	£1.50	CLEAR TUMBLERS	£2.50	£3.00	£5.50
PERMIT HOLDERS	£2.00	£1.00	£3.00	CUTLERY SETS (WITH LOGO)	£3.00	£3.00	£5.50
PHONE PURSE	£7.00	£2.00	£9.00	CUTLERY SETS (NO LOGO)	£2.50	£3.00	£5.50
SHOPPING BAGS - coloured	£6.00	£1.00	£7.00	MUGS	£2.50	£3.00	£5.50
SHOULDER BAG	£8.00	£3.00	£11.00	PLATES	£2.50	£3.00	£5.50
TABLE MATS	£7.50	£2.00	£9.50	TRAYS	£5.00	£1.50	£6.50
TEA TOWELS	£3.00	£1.50	£4.50				
TEDDIES	£4.50	£3.00	£7.50				
TOTE BAGS (LARGE)	£7.00	£2.00	£9.00				
TOTE BAGS (SMALL)	£4.00	£1.00	£5.00				
TOWELS	£6.00	£3.00	£9.00				
UMBRELLA	£15.00	tbc					
WALLETS	£6.00	£2.00	£8.00				
WRISTBANDS	£1.50	£1.00	£2.50				

Please contact the office for details of available colours/sizes for clothing and picnicware. Some items are not held in stock. Please give the office at least two weeks to fulfill an order, especially near Bank Holidays.

Send order and cheques payable to The Fell Pony Society to:  
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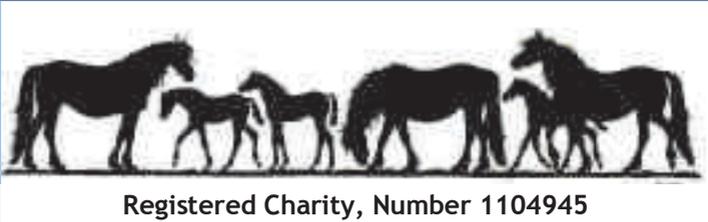


*Drybarrows Joy and her filly foal born on the fell in June*

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